

OHIO NEW TEAM-WORLD CHAMPIONS

Word Champion, Alan Francis led his Ohio team of wife, Amy Francis, Tina Tonnous, Bob Graber, and Jim McCombs to the top of the Team-World ladder. It was the second appearance for the Ohio team at the fourteenth anniversary of the prestigious team horseshoe event.

Team Wisconsin rallied to leave defending champion Minnesota team hanging on the ladder in third place

It's always considered an upset when Minnesota doesn't take home the Team-World Cup. They led the pre-lims most of the way only to see the Ohio team slip one game up the final day.

Going into the finals Ohio led with 64 wins. Minnesota had 63, Wisconsin 62, and Ontario followed with 59. The three top spots were set but Ontario had to earn their position in the traditional four team play-off for fourth.

Three other teams vying for the coveted position were Indiana with 55.5 per-lim wins, Missouri at 55, and Illinois sneaking in with 44.5. Illinois gave Ontario the closest team match of the day. The 4-game match tied at two wins-two losses. Total team points would have to be compared to decide the match. In disbelief, fans counting total team points on the four scoreboards found another deadlock. Going to the paper trail, scoresheets revealed Ontario had one more ringer, 105-104, than Illinois.

Ontario went on to play Missouri. Illinois, the low seed, met and defeated Indiana in a consolation game of sorts that did decide the 6th and 7th positions. In the exchange Indiana dropped two positions.- The match was another a 2-2 tie decided by a nine point team advantage.

Ontario's luck continued in the Missouri match. Missouri was heading for a 3-1 match win when the last pair on the courts reversed the decision. Low Rector, Missouri and Stan Leis of Ontario tied their individual and final game. Playing off the tie, Leis accumulated enough points in four shoes to carry the Ontario team over the edge - a one point edge over Missouri. Ontario had re-earned their four spot on the ladder.

Who said watching paint dry is not exciting?

Wisconsin made decisive work of the Ontario team winning the match 3 to 1. Their next opponent, the highly regarded Minnesota team, proved tougher. The match developed; with two game wins and an apparent third win in the making, the remaining Minnesota team watched that last game go down. It was the game of the tournament for Wisconsin. Dale Lipovsky of Minnesota led Randy Rein of Wisconsin by a wide margin. Points on the boards of other games indicated Wisconsin was nine points and a win in arrears. In the last ten shoes Rein pulled even and won by 12. It became a 2 game - 2 game tie and a 5 point win for the Wisconsin team.

Ohio, warming up on other courts, may have gained confidence with Minnesota and Bev Nathe gone. In the final match, the overworked Wisconsin crew bowed to the Ohio team winning just one game crediting the state of Ohio with the Team-World title of 1998.

The other Minnesota team won the race for best #2 state team followed by Missouri-2 and Illinois-2 rounding out the top ten finishing 8th, 9th, and 10th, respectively.

With twenty teams competing, a total purse of \$4000 went to the first seven teams with Ohio receiving \$1800 and the Team-World traveling cup. Minnesota, reluctantly but in a spirit of sportsmanship, passed it on to Ohio. Some said the the Team-World Cup appeared to have moss growing on its North side, probably due to protracted cold in the Gopher state.

Weather may also have had an effect determining this year's winners. Unseasonable warm breezes bathed Beloit during the three days of the event. Few complained of the heat. In the warmer evenings the Missouri tribe was observed conducting an outdoor ceremony in the parking lot involving food and beverages lasting long into the night.

World champions, Bev Nathe and Alan Francis met in the Minnesota-Ohio game of the pre-lims. It was the only loss in the entire tournament for Francis. His 85% was no match for Nathe's 92.5%. Just four players turned in games in the 90 percentile bracket. Stan Leis, Ontario and Clayton Gage, Wisconsin had one each, Bev Nathe had a pair while Alan Francis cracked 90% eight times including one 40-shoe game with just a single miss.

Lucky high game pitchers went home with a few pounds of Wisconsin cheese. Each round the name of the pitcher with the high ringer game was entered into the cheese lottery. One name was drawn concluding every flight of four or five games. Eight times they drew for the cheese. The Francis family, with more of the Wisconsin product than they could handle, shared the wealth.

Just twenty teams entered Team-World this year with some notable abstentions. Some come to win but with the full round robin, fortunately more come to pitch the winners. It will be

THANKS FROM TEAM-WISCONSIN

from Randy Rein

Our team would like to thank the WHPA for sponsoring us again this year.

Well Team-World is over for another year. This year Wisconsin can be proud of their No. 1 team. We fought hard and won our way into the championship game before losing to a fine Ohio team 3-1.

I would like to thank the entire Beloit Horseshoe Club, the scorekeepers, kitchen workers and the beer wagon. You should all sit down and think what you have accomplished year in and out. Beloit you make Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers proud!

I would also like to thank; Jim Haupt, Susie Pritzlaff, John and Sandy Secord, Dick and Paulette Hansen, Norm Beckius, Earl Paulson, and Harold Laws for a job well done!

It's always a pleasure to pitch with Clayton Gage, Lorraine Sternberg, Don Kangas, and John Udelhofen. This makes a pretty tough team.

A very special thanks to our number one supporters and fans; Marge Yach, Dorothy Gage, Terry Sternberg, Becky and little Danny Kangas.

Thanks again,

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THE CORRECTION CORNER

(A regular feature of the Newsletter)

Randy Rein at 78.5% was the A class winner at the Arena⁹ Spring Singles. The Newsletter incorrectly attributed the feat to another well known pitcher who was not entered.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUN 6-7 WOLF RIVER OPEN; New London \$13
Ken Jaeger N3539 Knight Rd New London, WI 54961
920-982-6287 **Limit 80 28-98-015** D/L 5-23

JUN 13-14 EAU CLAIRE OPEN skpg ex .50/ga \$15
Randy Hansen 2536 Hillcrest Pky Altoona, WI 54720
715-832-5095 **28-98-016** D/L 5-31

JUN 13-14 BELOIT SPRING SINGLES incl skpg \$17
Earl Paulson 7105 S Co Hy H Beloit, WI 53511
608-879-2304 **may be mixed 28-98-017** D/L 6-1

JUN 14 ST JOHN'S DOUBLES; Waunakee \$10/team
LeRoy Tip Wipperfurth Hy K 6010 Waunakee, WI 53597
608-849-4655 **on grass unsanctioned** D/L 6-14(none)

JUN 20-21 MUSKEGO OPEN \$15
Tom Steinke 155 S Charles St Waukesha, WI 53186
414-542-0252 **28-98-018** D/L 6-7

JUN 20-21 MARSHFIELD ONE \$15
Randy Rein 201 Second St Mosinee, WI 54455
715-693-1199 **may be mixed 28-98-019** D/
L 6-6

JUN 26>28 GOLDENDALE; Germantown skpg \$1/ga ex \$15
Terry Sternberg W206N13520 Woodside Richfield, WI 53076
414-677-3300 **28-98-020** D/L614

JULY 3 "911" OPEN; Mountain **28-98-022** \$16

JULY 4 RESCUE unsanctioned limited \$14
Debbie Trossen 14840 Deer Run Trail Mountain, WI 54149
715-276-6041 **Both events will be mixed** D/L6-20

JULY 4-5 WAUSAU OPEN; Ringle \$15
Ken Kosky 6007 Municipal Dr Schofield, WI 54476
715-355-4628 **28-98-021** D/L 6-27

JULY 10>12 MID-EAST OPEN; Comb. Locks \$13; at cts \$15
Rosemary Kamps 101 Kamps Ct Combined Locks, WI 54113
414-788-3229 **unsanctioned** D/L 6-27

JULY 12 NEENAH VALLEY SINGLES; Oxford VFW \$7
Francis Schalk 135 Edgewood Dr Oxford, WI 553952
608-584-5264 **Limit 48 unsanctioned** D/L 6-28

JUL 20-AUG 1 WORLD TOURNAMENT Ainsworth, NB

AUG 1-2 EAGLE OPEN; Eagle Village Park \$15
Al & Kathy Salmela 504 Homesteaders Retreat Eagle, WI 53119
414-594-231 **Limit 140 unsanctioned** D/L 7-17

KEY

All dates in **bold print** indicate WHPA approved events.
NHPA sanctioned tournaments also in **bold numbers**.
Note: Some WHPA approved events are unsanctioned.
Other events, on this calendar are listed for information only.
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1998 MID-EASTERN TOURNAMENT

will be at Kamps Kovered Kourts, Combined Locks, July 10, 11, 12. As in the past to qualify, tournament ringer percentage will be used, or send ringer percentage. Tournament fee of \$15 must accompany entry (\$2 extra at the courts) - Class A, \$5 extra at courts. Juniors free. Players pay 50 cents per game for scorekeeping when registering. No trophies for men & women...cash awards only. 100% of entry money remains in the class. Pitchers age 70 and over will be placed in classes according to ringer percentage and will be allowed to pitch from 30 + feet. Entry deadline - June 27. Food and refreshments are always available at the courts. Because of the roof, rain or shine the tournament can always be held and on schedule.

A little extra info....Horseshoe started in Combined Locks in 1960 with one sand court, organized in 1967. Our club was the first to include a women's, Jr. girls and Jr. Boys division in the State Tournament. The Mideastern Tourney has been held every year sine 1966. The State Tournament was held in Combined Locks in 1967, 1973, 1976 and 1979. We have approximately 130 members in our CL Club.

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Rosemary Kamps

WHAT'S A HAWKEYE

by Ralph Maylahn

To Leo Buell (and all Iowans alike)

You may remember my asking you (and I guess every other Iowa pitcher). What is a "Hawkeye?" No one knew for sure, most thought it was a bird.

In my relentless search for trivia answers my library came up with the answer. (from An Encyclopedia of American Nicknames)

"According to some authorities the Hawkeye State came to be the nickname of Iowa from the Indian Chief Hawkeye, who was once the terror of travelers along the border. (Another source) says that the Hawkeye State was applied to Iowa in allusion to J.G. Edwards, familiarly know as "Old Hawkeye," editor of the Burlington Patriot."

It was fun kidding your pitchers about "Hawkeye and I thought you might like to inform them when the opportunity presented itself.

We enjoyed having you Iowa guys and gals at the Team-World event. It's great to see dedicated, enthusiastic pitchers.

Hope to see you and many other Iowans at the '98 World in Ainsworth. Best regards from Packerland.

WISCONSIN WALKING DOUBLES

An opinion by Tom Steinke

I really like the Wisconsin Doubles idea. There was a lot of thought and good ideas that went into it. The 60% cut-off, where someone over 60% has to pick someone under 60% needs no modification.

One of the problems was the scorekeeping. After a short meeting and a couple of down and backs, the problem seemed to go away.

The biggest problem is the length of the tournament. I feel the approximate 7 hours is way too long. The tournament was started to establish doubles champs in respective classes, not to have a survival of the fittest.

I realize the 1977 people were complaining about not playing the same amount of games, then in 1998 everyone played a ten-man schedule. You can't make everyone happy all of the time.

In my opinion, if the time factor isn't fixed, the the Wisconsin Doubles will die because people will stop coming to it.

I feel six teams in a class is the most you should have. It would take about one-half the time to play the tournament and you would have more class champions. After all, most people don't have high enough averages to play for the Wisconsin Doubles Champ, but they are playing their hardest to win a patch that says Doubles Class Champ.

As far as six teams in a class, you know there will be an odd number. Follow the example of the world and state competitions and make adjustments at the lower end with byes and /or a 4-man double round.

Advice to the governing committee: Shorten the tournament and have more champs.


Just an opinion,

Tom Steinke

A little bird told me.

Heidi Sternberg of Richfield and Rick Poppe of Benoit became engaged to be married. The little bird also revealed that it became official on Thursday, May 21, 1998.





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MUSKEGO DOUBLES

by Tom Steinke

It's not the biggest tournament that we have had but it certainly was a fun crowd. It is always nice to see new faces and familiar ones as well.

Harold Laws and Al Schleim started slow but came on strong to win class C. Hank and Ralph Zeisse didn't have much trouble with class B. Class A was close having a 3-way play-off. First game Penny Steinke and Kenny Kremnitzer defeated Jim Haupt and Ken Heinritz. Next they played Tony Scrima and Rich Conrad who they had lost to the first time. It was a good game. Penny and Kenny successfully defended the Muskego Doubles title for the second straight year.

Class A Penny Steinke 50.0% and Kenny Kremnitzer 30.0%

Tony Scrima 40.8% and Rich Conrad 39.2%

Class B Hank Zeisse 46.7% and Ralph Zeisse 18.3%

Don Burmeister 24% and Dick Blair 32.7%

Class C Harold Laws 28.3% and Al Schleim 21.7%

Dave Jeske 30.6% and Mark Jeske 16.7%

THE 1998 BELOIT ENCORE

It's hard to say why the Beloit Encore is such a popular tournament. It could be because it's the kickoff of the season but isn't May 2nd a little early? A good share of the pitchers are from Illinois. Likely, there's little else happening that weekend. Maybe pitchers like being under the cover of the huge roof. Wet or windy weather will not interfere but sometimes the cold will. The Encore serves as a warm-up for the Team-World but only a few pitch both events. Well attended events produce closer competition and the Encore is certainly well attended.

It's the most popular sanctioned horseshoe tournament on the Wisconsin scene other than the State tournament. This year the event at Edwards Sport Center played host to sixteen classes- 126 pitchers. Tournament Director, Earl Paulson may disagree but the flow of the tournament seemed easy. Perhaps the Beloit Club just makes it look easy.

Class A featured five pitchers who would be pitching Team-World two weeks later. A preview of the Team-World action was seen in the Class A play-off. Warren Woolsey, tournament director of the Whiting, Indiana Club and arguably the leading thirty foot pitcher of that state went an extra round with the Ladies State Champ of Wisconsin, Lorraine Sternberg. From the results column it appears that Woolsey may have had one more ringer in the course of the tournament but Sternberg leads the list as tournament Champion of the 1998 Encore.

RESULTS

A L Sternberg 70; Warren Woolsey 70.06; Randy Rein 66.07

B Arnie Walton 55; Tony Scrima 50; Wesley Rein 43.57

C Craig Zuehlke 49.6; H Romanelli 41.25; Tip Wipperfurth 40.31

D Booty Lange 51.88; Julian Tijerina 41.25; Tom Hansen 45

E Jim Haupt 42.14; Dalton Simmons 39.29; Hank Zeisse 35.71

F Jeff Gustafson 38.44; D Klipstein 35.19; Bob Runnas 44.38

G Gary Rackow 32.5; Rich Andrysiak 32.93; Red Ferguson 30.94

H Paul Federer 27.5; Bo Mitchell 33.2; Terry Hlavak 27.1

1998 EAUCLAIRE EARLYBIRD RESULTS

from Randy Hansen

60 participants May 9, 1998 #28-98-011

A Clayton Gage 75.7; Ralph Maylahn 75.7; Randy Rein 72.9

B Elaine Troullier 55.4; Judi Hayden 42.5; Bert Logsdon 49.3

C M Semingson 47.8; H McCartney 48.6; Bob Gregorich 42.

D Sylvia David 46.8; Lowell Kent 41.8; Gloria Smith 43.6

E Kathy Hanson 38.9; Jeff Kunz 43.2; Bud Kuhnert 39.3

F George Draeger 34.3; Rob Rehm 32.1; Jerry Dahl 29.6

G John Dolezel 27.5; Ron Pierson 25.7; John Olson 19.6

Jrs Dustin Dahl 62.0; Barrent Dahl 61.6; Lis Heim 28.3

The Big Eau Claire open is now accepting entries for the weekend of June 13-14. See listing on page 2

OXFORD OPEN**NEENAH VALLEY VFW HORSESHOE LEAGUE**

from Francis Schalk

Full Results of May 17th sanctioned tournament #28-98-012

Class A**Class B**

1 Hiram Chaffin	46.25	Francis Schalk	35.71
2 Ray Groskinsky	39.68	Don Stittleburg	25.71
3 Ken Jaeger	43.70	Ceil Trossen	23.92
4 Jerry Schroeder	39.68	Tom Dudenhoefer	22.14
5. Bob Power	36.56	Bob Cummings	16.07
6 Tip Wipperfurth	31.80	Doug Harris	25.35
7 John Carlin	33.43	Gene Sandstrom	17.85
8 LeRoy Hengen	29.37	Jim Jakel	17.50

ED. Francis Schalk is promoting organized NHPA style events in his area. The Oxford Open in May, albeit a small entry did acquaint four new pitchers. There seems to be lots of activity in the Neenah Valley League and a prime opportunity to do some missionary work.

ADAMS COUNTY TOURNAMENTS (all unsanctioned)

Most of these tournaments are Doubles with double elimination, \$10/team entry fee per team; 100% pay back; 40 foot pitch; sand courts; Singles tournaments to follow.

Jun 13 Lions Pk White Crk H. 5mi W of 13 Noon 608-839-8163, Tom

July 4 VFW Post 6279 Adams 172 S Linden 11 AM 608-339-6818

July 4 Pioneer Pk Westfield 1PM RR Bob Cummings 608-296-2680

July 4 Pineland Big Flats 916 Hy 13 1PM 608-564-7818

July 12 Neenah Valley singles see Calander of Events column, p. 2

July 18 Doubles Strongs Prairie Pk Hy21 Arkdale 1PM

July 19 singles Frank Sindelar 608-339-3735

Aug 9 Stan's Doubles RR VFW Oxford 11AM F Schalk 608-584-5264

Aug 15 Pineland Big Flats 916 Hy13 1PM 608-564-7818

Aug 15 Adams Co Strongs Prairie Pk Hy21 Arkdale 1PM 608-339-7288

Sept 6 Lions Pk White Crk Noon Tom Marini 608-339-8163

Sept 7 Pioneer Pk Westfield 1PM Bob Cummings 608-296-2680

Sept 13 VFW Oxford double elim Noon J Huber 608-586-5735

I Bob Power 43.9; Galen Kozel 38.9; Rowen Zwick 27.5
J Tracy Pankhurst 32.9; Gary Schwabe 30; Duane Grossen 28.6
K Sherri Koepke 32.1; Kristi McGary 36.4; Joe Zoromski 20.0
L Cliff Liddicoat 25.7; Ralph Zeisse 26.8; Mike Rousseau 22.9
M Pat Prestige 28.7; Gene Satterstorm 22.8; D Rittweger 29.4
N Geo Kuffer 27.6; Phil Krohn 22; Ernie Rakstad 19.2
O Kim Grossen 21.8; Ken Hop 17.9; Dick Plaisance 17.9
P Kip Gusner 27.9; Carmen Jensen 21.4; Vic Paulson 12.1

X's and O's

by Jim Haupt

Recently while doing the double duty of scoring a game while also pitching, I, once again, had to defend the practice of using of using both X's and O's in the ringer column. "Using X's and O's makes it easier to check the score sheet," I argued.

"Who checks?" came the reply.

Not every score sheet in every tournament is checked but some are and every close game should be checked by the pitchers themselves before that sheet leaves the court.

At the World Tournament every score entering the computer is compared through formulas existing in the program. An error message means that game sheet has to be manually checked.

A few common errors are readily and accurately correctable; other scoresheet changes are really judgment calls falling into the "most likely" category. Following is a list of NHPA Rulings on correcting scoresheet errors.

case	player A	player B	OFFICIAL RULING
1	— — —	— 3 +3	Give B an "O"
2	— — —	X 3 +3	Change "X" to an "O"
3	— — —	OO 3 +3	Take "O" from B
4	X — —	— — —	Give B an "X"
5	X 1 +1	— — —	Give B an "X"
6	X — —	— 3 +3	Give B an "XO"
7	X — —	OO 6 +6	Take "X" from A
8	X — —	OO 3 +3	Change "OO" to "XO"
9	X — —	X 3 +3	Change "X" to "XO" for B
10	X — —	X — +1	Give B 1 point in point col.
11	X — —	XO 3 +6	Deduct 3 pts. from B total
12	XX — —	XO 3 +3	Take one X from A
13	XX — —	XX 1 +1	Take point from B
14	O 3 +3	O 3 +3	Change O to "X"; no score
15	— — —	XO 3 +3	Give "X" to to A
16	X — —	X 4 +4	Take 4 pts from B

X's and O's are the universal shorthand symbols of the game of horseshoes. If you have a better method, fine, let's hear about it. Maybe we can all do it your way.

When it comes to pitching a shoe there is a full range of styles to choose from or you can develop your own. When it comes time to keep score there is just one style.

STILL TALKING WALKING

A commentary by Jim Haupt

Why did the WHPA adopt the format of walking doubles for the State sponsored event?

Walking doubles is strange to most Wisconsin pitchers. Our doubles of choice is to find a partner with an acceptable heft to his iron. Use his shoes or your shoes and hold down just one end of the court.

Then we heard about this new doubles thing called walking doubles, and it sounded like an improvement on the standard game. The advantage to walking is the luxury of pitching your own shoes. Please show me how that advantage has produced better results.

Averages at the State Doubles are lower and expected to be lower. Playing doubles is usually considered tougher than singles. Both members of the team have to be on top of their game to win consistently. Some pitchers can handle doubles without hesitation: Most see a decided average drop in any doubles format. That's why it's often said, "Anything can happen in a doubles game." At least using the other guy's shoes is a ready-made excuse.

In some areas, notably Racine County, doubles partners are known to walk the shoes or return them after each inning. If it works for them, OK, let it be their choice but personally have never considered the practice as normal. Albeit, walking the pitcher and the shoes is worse. It creates confusion to what used to be a simple game.

There is no other place in the state that I would have rather been the day of the State Doubles but why do we have to make it what some have called a "Chinese fire drill?"

Players left to their own choice, in my estimation, would choose the straight up - use one pair of shoes - doubles.

That's the point here. The choice of the format is yours.

KENOSHA WANTS TO LIGHT IT UP

Four pitchers from Kenosha pitching the Kewaskum tournament, mentioned, did not complain, but mentioned that because they were all placed in class B, that they could have pitched half their class at home and just sent in the results. Next year the tournament director threatened to run an "All-Kenosha class if their averages did not change.

The other word from Kenosha is that they're tired of the small number of WHPA pitchers who answer their challenge and invitation to the Kenosha Open. They're saying, Come on down!

The five Nash Park horseshoe courts now have lights. Glenn Bogenschneider wants to put a retraction on any pitcher limit for the September tournament. There will be no limit on entries. We want a full field of pitchers two days - Saturday and Sunday.

You'll find a warm welcome in warm Kenosha in September. It's the best weather and time of year in Wisconsin - not too hot, not too wet, just right for the revered sport of tossing the iron. The offer is also extended to the whole of Northern Illinois.

Please join us in Kenosha, September 12th and 13th.

Flyers will be distributed at all major tournaments beginning in June.

RESULTS OF THE 1998 TEAM-WORLD

#28-98-009

Beloit, WI

pl	pre-lim wins	Team av col 3			pct
1	64	OH	Alan Francis	Francis	87.13%
			Amy Francis	Francis	67.75%
		69.81	Tina Tonnous	Tonnous	68.00%
			Bob Graber	Graber	56.76%
			Jim McCombs	McCombs	54.17%
2	62	WI-1	Clayton Cage	Cage	76.79%
			Randy Rein	Rein	70.11%
		69.48	Lorraine Sternberg	Sternberg	70.91%
			Don Kangas	Kangas	62.76%
			John Udelhofen	Udelhofen	51.88%
3	63	MN-1	Bev Nathe	Nathe	77.38%
			Dale Lipovsky	Lipovsky	74.13%
		70.71	Mark Bauman	Bauman	76.25%
			Lu Cave	Cave	55.13%
4	59	ONT	Sandy Jassens	Jassens	68.67%
			Steve Hohl	Hohl	68.41%
		68.19	Stan Leis	Leis	70.59%
			Kevin McLachlin	McLachlin	65.11%
5	55	MO-1	Lou Rector	Rector	75.36%
			Rose Diekamp	Diekamp	70.24%
		65.68	Sam Carter	Carter	70.12%
			Charles Kilgore	Kilgore	47.02%
6	45	IL-1	Cliff Baker	Baker	68.10%
			Larry Knop	Knop	61.90%
		61.74	Jerry Dumstorff	Dumstorff	63.15%
			Denny Davis	Davis	53.81%
7	56	IN	Warren Woolsey	Woolsey	65.95%
			Chad Hyatt	Hyatt	64.76%
		63.33	Bill Ungentheim	Ungentheim	63.21%
			Al Morris	Morris	59.40%
8	44	MN-2	Edi Holland	Holland	65.39%
			Gerald Stangland	Stangland	59.61%
		59.86	Dan Carlson	Carlson	56.71%
			Eric Sandquist	Sandquist	57.76%
					0.00%
9	40	MO-2	Loree Meier	Meier	58.95%
			M O Turner	Turner	63.29%
		59.86	Ron Hassler	Hassler	52.37%
			Jan Kreienkamp	Kreienkamp	49.74%
10	38	IL-2	Mike McBride	McBride	50.00%
			Charolette Renick	Renick	61.71%
		53.88	Mike Knop	Knop	47.76%
			Michelle Thornton	Thornton	47.73%
			Steve Denault	Denault	60.77%

More faces from Team World



Jane Smith



Jim Haupt



Arnis Walton



Amy Francis

pl	pre-lim wins	Team av col 3			pct
11	37	MO-3	Bob Diekamp	Diekamp	53.68%
			Jim Howard	Howard	50.39%
		53.25	Darwin Compton	Compton	58.68%
			Cal Jaeger	Jaeger	50.26%
12	34	WI-2	Edie McKinney	McKinney	60.00%
			Jane Smith	Smith	36.67%
		50.65	Lary Barber	Barber	54.47%
			Gus Schram	Schram	54.21%
			Ken Kosky	Kosky	23.75%
13	31	MI	Larry Kemp	Kemp	62.50%
			Kent Rundell	Rundell	53.29%
		54.47	Rod Tanner	Tanner	49.47%
			Marty Quillen	Quillen	52.63%
14	27	WI-4	Cliff Troullier	Troullier	47.37%
			Marv Huffman	Huffman	54.25%
		50.75	Steve Wiegert	Wiegert	58.89%
			Elaine Troullier	Troullier	50.66%
			Phyllis Davids	Davids	48.55%
15	24	IA-1	Marv Engstler	Engstler	48.95%
			Marv Woolums	Woolums	56.32%
		48.51	LeRoy Law	Law	47.11%
			Betty McGregor	McGregor	41.71%
16	23	WI-3	John Crook	Crook	51.05%
			Harry Nelson	Nelson	52.37%
		47.63	Ron Lingard	Lingard	42.89%
			Lloyd Johnson	Johnson	44.21%
					0.00%
17	22	MO-4	Bob Thompson	Thompson	39.74%
			Steve Schuck	Schuck	41.71%
		43.55	Harvey Wobbe	Wobbe	20.50%
			Terry DeClue	DeClue	34.64%
			Ken Pogue	Pogue	61.84%
18	16	IA-2	Bob McKee	McKee	46.84%
			Leo Buell	Buell	45.13%
		45.29	Lary Purcell	Purcell	47.76%
			Stoney Jackson	Jackson	41.45%
19	14	IL-3	Earl Shire	Shire	39.17%
			Hallie Romanelli	Romanelli	41.67%
		37.92	Craig Zuelke	Zuelke	50.44%
			Luke Thompson	Thompson	42.92%
			Dalton Simmons	Simmons	32.21%
20	8.5	IA-3	Jim Jackson	Jackson	31.05%
			Russ Martin	Martin	34.21%
		34.93	Dick Walker	Walker	26.45%
			Bob Block	Block	48.03%

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WISCONSIN HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION

1998

WISCONSIN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

HOSTED BY THE EAU CLAIRE HORSESHOE CLUB

AT CARSON PARK-

-EAU CLAIRE, WI.

All registrations must be dated and postmarked by July 31, 1998. You must have competed in a minimum of THREE NHPA sanctioned tournaments on the Wisconsin State schedule between August 1, 1997--July 31, 1998. NHPA sanctioned league may be used as one only if you do not have the required 3 tournaments.

30-foot ELDERS MENS and JUNIORS do not need to meet the three tournament rule.

If you competed in only 3 tournaments, please list them.

NAME OF EVENT	DATE OF EVENT	SANCTION LEAGUE
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You can play in only one division. PLEASE CIRCLE THE DIVISION YOU ARE ENTERING.

MENS 40ft	ELDER 30ft	WOMENS	JUNIOR BOYS	JUNIOR GIRLS
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NAME _____ 1998 NHPA CARD # _____

ADDRESS _____ DATE _____

CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE(____) _____

Everyone registering for this tournament must have a current NHPA membership card. If you do not have a 1998 card include another \$19.00.

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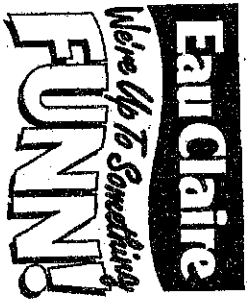
Indoor Pool & Whirlpool, Free Continental Breakfast, Restaurants & Shopping Mall w/in walking distance
 Flat Rate: \$55.00

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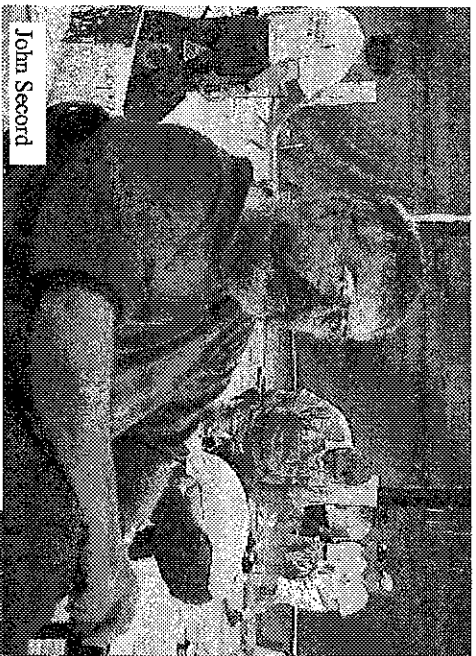
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 Flat Rate: \$49.00

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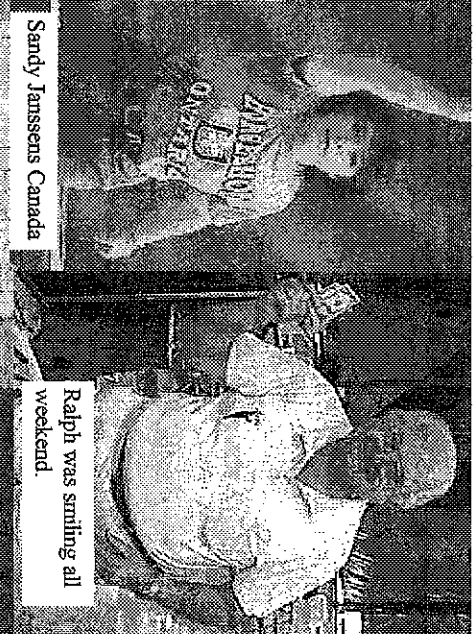
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John Secord



Sandy Janssens Canada



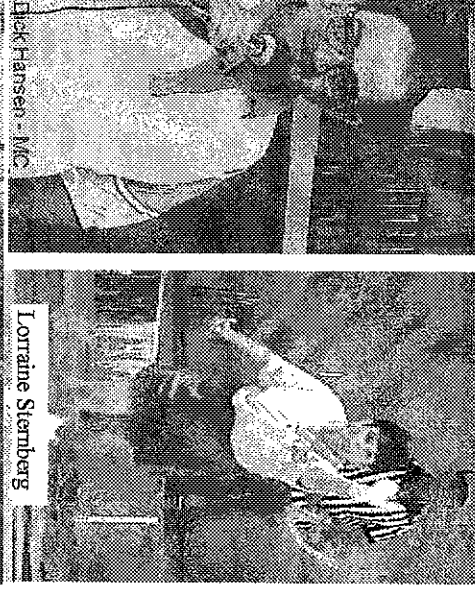
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Sandy - Susie



Earl Paulson "The Boss"



Dick Hansen - MC



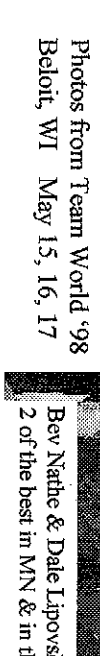
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1997 World
Champion



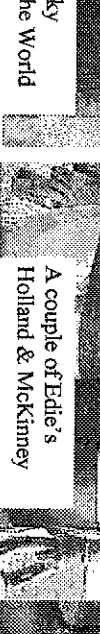
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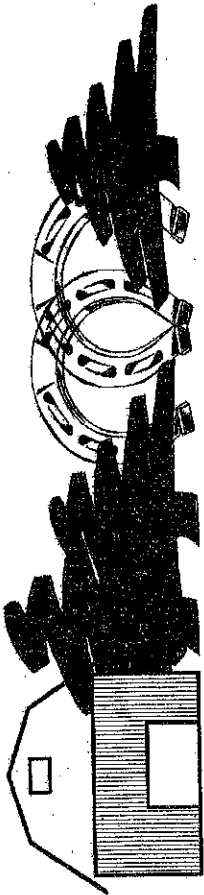


A couple of Edie's
Holland & McKinney



Wisconsin's Elite

Photos from Team World '98
Beloit, WI May 15, 16, 17



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Separate Classes for Men, Women, and Juniors
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Entry Fee \$15; scorekeeping addl. ; Deadline 6-14
All entry money remains in class less ordinary expenses.

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NHPA Sanctioned #28-98-020
card req.

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RICHFIELD, WISCONSIN 53076
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WAUSAU OPEN RINGLE

JULY 5th and 6th, 1998

NHPA Sanction #28-98-021

4th Annual Tournament

8 Clay Courts

LOCATION: Windy Hill Horseshoe Club and Tavern
R10385 Hwy N Ringle, WI 54471
(8 miles East of Wausau on Co Hwy "N")

NHPA SANCTIONED: All participants must have a NHPA card

ENTRY FEE: \$15 -Scorekeeping Incl - \$1/game -
ENTRY DEADLINE: June 21, 1997

PRIZES: All entry money stays in each class less expenses
Class "A" will again have special \$250 cash prize for 1st place
FORMAT: 8 person round robin whenever possible. 40 or 50 shoe
cancellation. Classes may be mixed to maintain a competitive
format.

WIND: We find it is too expensive to control the wind. But
believe it or not, it is not always windy.

ENTRY FORM-

NAME..... NHPA card #.....

ADD.....

CITY, STATE, ZIP.....

PITCHING DISTANCE: 30ft. 40ft. Junior.....

MAIL ENTRIES TO: Ken Kosky ENTRY \$15
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Schofield, WI 54476
715-355-4628

DOWN AND BACK

with Jim Haupt

The guys at the Team-World scorers bench Dick Hansen and John Secord have time to assess the pitchers once the games are in progress. During one such break it was pointed out that Amy Francis was pitching the new style shoes with another set of inter hooks. That gave her four hooks to Gus Schram's one. It was the "Ringle Single" vs the "Stay Ons." John Secord picked up on the brand name, "Stay-Ons," Secord mused, "What I need is some "Git-Ons!"

Ron Lingard of Lodi pitched Team-World for the first time this year. In between games he offered some advice. Lingard says, Never, never, promise to be home in time for supper when you're pitching a tournament.

There was a horseshoe pitcher husband who promised his wife, faithfully, to be home by 6:00 PM to properly celebrate their wedding anniversary. As chance would have it, his morning class was mixed and he met a beautiful blonde who needed a ride home. At her house one thing led to another and afterwards the guy fell asleep waking at 7:00 PM. "Oh my gosh," he thought, rushing home, "What am I going to tell my wife?" After rehearsing several concocted stories, he scrapped the idea. "I'll just have to tell her the whole truth."

His wife was livid! Humbly, he launched into the truthful tale. "I'm sorry but I just happened to meet a beautiful blonde and I ended up in her house and one thing led to another and..."

"Stop it!" she screamed, "You despicable liar! You nasty man! You pitched another class! Didn't you!"

Dick Hansen received an E-mail note from the "nickmann" Monday following the Team-World. The "nickmann" turns out to be Minnesota's Team-World coordinator, Mark Baumann.

"Dick, You and the Beloit Horseshoe Club did a great job running the Team-World Tournament. In my opinion TW is the best run tournament that I attend.

I look forward to returning next year to retake the Championship."

- Mark J. Baumann

Ainsworth will be the destination of 52 pitchers from the state of Wisconsin according to NHPA Secretary-Treasurer, Dick Hansen. The complete list of over 1000 was seen at the Team-World tournament and seemed to have the greatest number of entrants from the host state of Nebraska..



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NHPA JUDGING GUIDELINES

by Casey Sluys, 2nd VP NHPA

The NHPA "official rules of horseshoe pitching" are the most important tools a judge can carry. The ability to be a fair and an impartial judge is based on your knowledge of these rules.

As a judge, you are the most visible member of the tournament committee. Your presence serves as a subtle reminder to the contestants that the tournament is conducted and governed by the rules. Be sure to always position yourself where you can observe all of the contestants, the foul lines and both ends of the court. Pay close attention to the flow of the game and enforce the rules. You must "walk the fence line" to improve your view and make yourself visible. Position yourself in a central location if walking becomes distracting to the contestants.

The flow of the game is important, and every effort should be made to ensure contestants adhere to this aspect. Every effort should be made to keep the game moving from one inning to the next. The manner in which you act as a judge will ensure that any delay is minimal.

Safety on the courts should be addressed and must be stressed. The potential for personal injury while proceeding from the court entrance to a court where you are needed is very real. You must consider, that although you need to get to center court, contestants are still pitching on either side. Try to access your destination from behind the pitching platforms, being watchful of players pitching toward you. Wait until it is clear, do not walk in front of the pitchers and return by the path of least disturbance.

When you observe two players trying to determine the value of the shoes they have pitched and it appears they may not be able to determine this without delay or intervention, simply walking in their direction may ward off an unnecessary delay. At best you are already close if needed.

Two contestants have called for a judge, when you arrive at their pit these are the steps to follow.

1. Ask what they want determined.
2. Ask the contestants if they agree on the non-revenant shoes.
3. Remove those shoes.
4. Measure the shoes in question and make your decision.
5. Announce your decision.

When measuring for a point or a ringer there will be difficult situations. You may need to dig out the clay surrounding the shoe or the stake. Care must be taken not to move the shoe or the stake. Be certain not to lean on the stake. You will find these hints valuable when excavating the points of a shoe or edge of the stake.

1. Pack clay around the edges of the stake to keep it from moving.
2. Prop up a precariously leaning shoe using caution not to alter its position.
3. Always dig gently to avoid disturbing the position of the shoes.

Is this shoe a ringer or just closest to the stake? This is a common question asked of a judge. You should take the following steps to make this decision.

1. Verify the close shoe in the event that the shoe in question is not a ringer.
2. Using a straight edge, span from point to point of the shoe without touching the stake.

You may need a dollar bill, piece of cellophane, or a .001 inch shim to determine that the shoe encircles the stake. (More to come)

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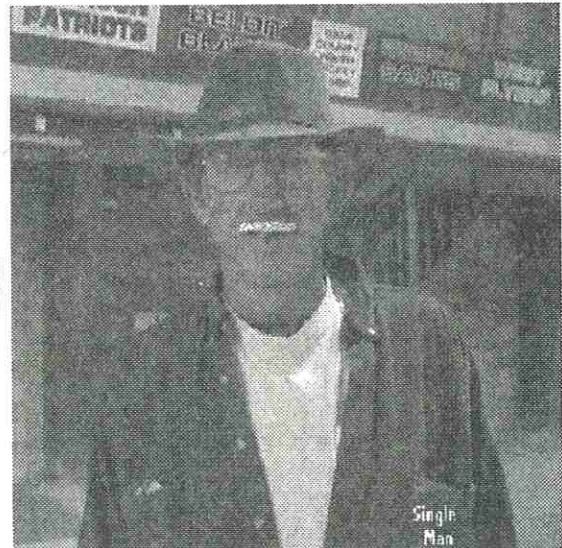
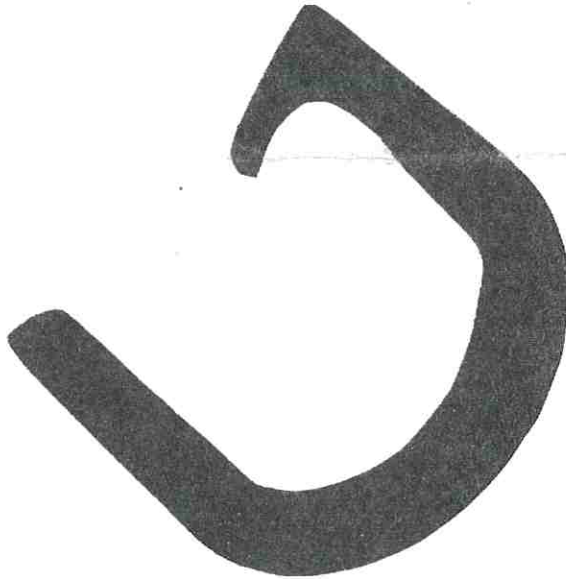
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