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ON THE TABLE: CHANGES TO THE STATE TOURNAMENT



1. CHAMPIONSHIP MOVE-UPS

Recently, there's been some discussion to alter the way move-ups are handled in the state tournament. Currently, move-ups always come from Class A. The winners of Class A and the highest ringer percentage players move into the championship classes. The proposal is to change the way move-ups would be effected to allow the two highest percentage players from both Class A and Class B to move up to the championship class, regardless of how they place in the class. This change would allow for more people to be eligible to participate in the championship class. It might also prevent the Class A winner from moving to the championship class. To make this change, all Class A and B games would have to be pitched prior to the Championship class on Sunday.

The WHPA executive board would have to make the rule change at the Spring Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to express their opinion of this rule change by attending the Spring state meeting. If you are unable to make it to the meeting, go to wihorseshoes.com to comment on this article, or you can contact any of the officers listed on page two of this newsletter.

2. REDUCE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Existing Bylaws indicate that all adult entries must have competed in at least three approved sanctioned tournaments in Wisconsin. A proposal to reduce that requirement to two tournaments will be submitted.

The reasoning is simple. We all want to attract more members to our pitching community. Let's make it a little easier to enter our finest tournament, the State. It has been said that the State Tournament is for the elite pitcher. Do we consider ourselves so elite that we can't see our way to allow pitchers with only two sanctioned tournaments to enter our State?

Back in the mid-eighties, our State tournament was not sanctioned and drew the largest fields of record. So many entered the State that the members were quick to accept sanctioning to hold the entry numbers down.

We are not suggesting here that we return to those days. An entrant will still have to be sanctioned and have completed in at least two sanctioned events. Whether they must be in Wisconsin is another bone of contention.

The change to a two tournament participation rule would be in effect for two years and hopefully prove to be re-adoptable at that time. ♪

~ Please see page 5 for additional bylaw change proposals to be voted on at the Spring Meeting. ~

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		Entry Fee	D/L	Contact Person
Jan. 30-31	Deansville Rally (28-10-002)	\$18	1/23	Rudy Van Fleet
Feb. 13-14	Valentine @ Beloit (28-10-004)	\$18	2/3	Earl Paulson
Mar. 13-14	Clash with Kerry @ Deansville (28-10-005)	\$18	3/5	Rudy Van Fleet
Mar. 20	Spring Meeting @ Delton Sportsman's Club, 1:00pm 9602 Berry Rd. Lake Delton, Wi.			
Mar. 27-28	Spring Fling @ Beloit (28-10-006)	\$18	3/17	Earl Paulson
Apr. 24	Wisconsin Club Team Tournament (28-10-007)	\$84/team	4/10	Jim Haupt/Jimmy Paulson
Apr. 25	Wisconsin State Doubles Tournament (28-10-008)	\$40/team	3/31	John Secord
May 1-2	Beloit Encore @ Telfer Park (28-10-009)	\$20	4/21	Earl Paulson
May 8	Last Chance @ Telfer Park, Beloit (28-10-010)	TBD	4/28	Earl Paulson

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TO ALL TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS:

- by Regional Director Ed Wheeler

When sending in the information for your events, I would like to see all of the information that is listed on the form below. For those that do not have an email address, please make sure your phone number and mailing address are filled in.

For those who have events late in the spring and early summer, I would like to get these events from you by February 28th.



Thank you,
Ed Wheeler, RD 

Tournament Information Form	
Name of Event	
Date of Event	
Location of Event	
# of Patches Needed	
Entry Deadline	
Entry Fee	
Contact Person	
Phone Number	
Mailing Address	
Email Address	

FROM THE PRESIDENT - by Tom Steinke



Happy New Year to everyone. I hope your New Year's resolution was to play more horseshoes, bring a friend to horseshoes, sign up a new member, or just to buy a membership card for somebody (a kid, grandkid, or some other relative you like). Maybe that is the start they need to play more

horseshoes.

There are still openings for indoor horseshoe tournaments at Beloit and Deansville, but you should sign up early to make sure you get in. Also, the Club Team and State Doubles tournaments are coming up in April. These are popular tournaments, so get your entries in

soon. The year-end averages and State Doubles entry form will be printed in the next issue, expected to come out in early February.

Now is the time to get your qualifying tournaments in for State and World. Three for State, and four for World. If you get the tournaments in now, then you will not have to panic later!

The Spring meeting in March is bylaw change and vote time. Changes proposed are in this newsletter. If you care about it, please come to the meeting. If you don't care about it, come to the meeting anyway. We would like to see you there. It's nice visiting with old and new friends.

Good Pitching,
Tom 🍷

BEHIND THE MASK WITH KEN HEINRITZ

The story I'm about to tell took place in Springfield Illinois at the 2009 World Tournament. Though it's a little past due, I believe it is still worth sharing.



For the majority, competing on the "Big Stage" has a way of knotting up the nerves, but not for this one, then-79 year old **Jim Haupt**. After two days, Haupt had distanced himself from the rest of the competition, finding himself alone at the top with a 9-0 record. The next best record at the time was 7-2.

Apparently feeling pretty good about his current status, a comment directed his way caused some need for introspection. The comment suggested that Jim by all outward appearance did not appear to be enjoying himself and certainly did not appear to be winning his games.

So, on the third and final day of his class, a new approach was adopted. Instead of the angry faces, grumbling and eye-rolling for every non-ringer, he chose to whistle his way through each of his final four games. The tunes were varied and happy-sounding. Because I had the privilege to keep score for his class, I can attest to the change-in-atmosphere:

One contestant in Jim's class (age 60+, 40 feet), was apparently bothered by the cheerful countenance was over-heard saying, "I'm really struggling. I even lost to the old guy!"

Well, this "old guy" eventually did take a loss, but at the end of the day, finished at the top of his class with a 12-1 record. More importantly, he carried with him an attitude of a true champion.



Following a good example is an admonition worth remembering!

The thought of the smiling champion caused me to think of something the apostle Paul stated:

"Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ."

I Corinthians 11:1 🍷

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2010 BYLAW CHANGES - by WHPA Secretary-Treasurer John Secord

Here are the proposed WHPA Bylaw changes, to be voted on at the Spring meeting at the Delton Sportsman's Club on March 20, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

1. Inside Cover, 2nd Vice President, Jimmy Paulson
2. Page 1, Revised as of March 20, 2010
3. Page 7, ARTICLE III Section 3B. Eligible voters at the meetings must be previous year members.

Change: Eligible voters at the meetings must be current and previous year members.

4. Page 7, ARTICLE IV Section 2B. a. All defending State Champions will be seeded number one providing their current ringer percentage qualifies them for the Championship Class. All other adult entries except the Elders class, will be placed by using the three (3) high NHPA sanctioned events pitched in the preceding twelve months or the last ten sanctioned events during the same period, whichever occurs first.

Change: All defending State Champions will be seeded number one providing their current ringer percentage qualifies them for the Championship Class. All other entries will be placed using NATSTATS average.

5. Page 8, ARTICLE V Section 1B. a. Games in all classes, except championship, shall be based on a limited number of shoes and the number of shoes to be determined by the Executive Board. All championship classes to be forty (40) point games.

Change: Games in all classes, except championship, shall be based on a limited number of shoes and the number of shoes to be determined by the Executive Board. All adult championship classes to be forty (40) point games.

6. Page 8, ARTICLE V Section 2B. All championship class sizes shall be determined by the Executive Board of the WHPA, after matters such as number of entries number of courts and average are considered. All other classes shall be eight pitchers. A six member class may be used to establish classes for all entries.

Change: All championship class sizes shall be determined by the Executive Board of the WHPA, after matters such as number of entries number of courts and average are considered. All other classes shall be eight pitchers. Classes with less than eight pitchers may be used to establish classes for all entries.

7. Page 9, ARTICLE V Section 3B. Trophies to be awarded. Three (3) in the ten and eight person classes, Two (2) in the 6 person classes.

Change: Trophies to be awarded. Three (3) in the ten and eight person classes, Two (2) in the less than eight person classes.

8. Page 9, ARTICLE V Section 4B. Championship Class trophies to be larger than other class trophies with Mens, Womens, Elders, and Juniors Championship trophies to be equal in size.

Change: Championship Class trophies to be larger than other class trophies with Mens, Womens, Elder Mens, and Juniors Championship trophies equal in size.


9. Page 10, ARTICLE VII Section 2B. The State tournament will include classes for Men, Women, Junior Boys, Junior Girls and Elders. The same rules apply to all except pitching distance.

Change: State tournament will include classes for Men, Women, Elder Men, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Cadet Boys and Cadet Girls. The same rules apply to all except pitching distance.

10. Page 11, ARTICLE VIII Section 2B. a. The annual dues of the Association shall be \$5.00 if paid by June 30, an additional \$2.00 after June 30.

Change: The annual dues of the Association shall be \$8.00 if paid by June 30, an additional \$2.00 after June 30.

11. Page 11, ARTICLE VIII Section 2B c. Add \$3.00 to the annual dues for the years 2009 and 2010.

Change: Delete Section 2B c. 

You must be present to vote!

Plan on attending the
WHPA Spring Meeting

March 20, 2009 at 1:00pm
Delton Sportsman's Club

DOWN AND BACK

WITH JIM HAUPT

Too Much Information?

Keeping an ear tuned to public radio, we recently learned of a neat trick, seemingly becoming known in airports throughout the globe.

It all started with a porter of Dutch extraction observing that one of the urinals in his formation of upright soldiers remained cleaner than the others. He further noticed a blemish near the drain that looked like a fly, a housefly permanently decorating the ivory fixture. He conceived that its presence gave his male customers an aiming point! Even more amazingly the concierge in charge of airport operations believed our porter going so far as to have all urinals embellished in the same way. And the word has spread. The latest word is the international airport of Moscow has picked on the trick.

The Beloit Club has two restrooms. One is labeled "30 Footers," and the other one, "40 Footers," features a small urinal. From the beginning, many have been missing the wall-mounted receptacle.

Maybe a little fly in the right place would do the trick, BUT, who's going to be the painter?

WHODOYOUKNOW?

Wants a set of portable courts?

Remember the "Schummer System? He was a man we met in 1985 promoting the use of a portable court among other things. We have one and its yours for the asking. Also have another similar court up for grabs.

Can be seen at the Spring meeting in March or reserve now, delivery then.

How about a bona-fide State Championship trophy? Some person or club may want to display a real trophy once earned by **Tommy Bartlen**. Free to a good home.

THE DEANSVILLE GREETER

Ok, OK. Realization has set in. At my present skill level, I always end up in the entry level class, fighting to stay off the bottom.

In this position, I am also becoming the official greeter, (like the Wal-Mart guy) welcoming new pitchers to the WHPA. This time, I met **Matt Gent** in his first tournament. Wonder if he'll remember me when he moves up in class? ☺

WORLD TOURNAMENT... WHO, ME?

- by Ken Heinritz

Why not? Consider setting aside some vacation time & taking your game all the way to the World Tournament this year? It's a close one for Wisconsin folks – Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Adults need to have pitched in four sanctioned tournaments from mid-May 2009 to mid-May, 2010. Juniors only need one. The competition couldn't be more equal, as the percentages of the 16 competitors in each adult class are



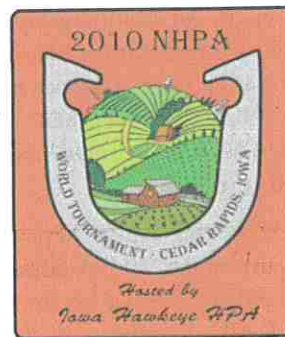
often separated by only 3% ringer average. That's about a one ringer difference from top to bottom. There is a class for

everyone, from beginners to experienced.

Most classes are played in 3 days, playing 5 opponents each day. And if you happen to be pitching out of your mind, you just might make the Championship Class!

Entry fees for all adult class contestants are \$125 and for the Junior pitchers, \$25.

The dates for the event are July 26th – August 7th. Begin making plans to attend. If you enjoy pitching and doing a little sightseeing, you won't regret it. ☺



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2009 NEW WHPA MEMBERS

A belated welcome to our new members of 2009:

Name	City	Div	Name	City	Div
Michael Ayers	Marshfield	M	Chad Markhardt	Waunakee	M
Mindy Ayers	Marshfield	W	Antone Matalas	Merrillan	M
Dakota Bratland	Centuria	G	Tim Mcnamara	Wilson	M
Sabrina Bratland	Centuria	G	Ken Melotik	Waukesha	M
Dawn Burek	Rothchild	W	Jason Moessner	Eau Claire	M
Tom Burek	Rothchild	M	Gary Muermann	Chetek	30
Cindy Castellano	Milltown	W	Curt Page	Friendship	M
Leanne Claude	Centuria	G	Dick Perkins	Genoa City	M
Allen Cortright	Merrill	M	Mark Pitzen	Mount Horeb	M
Kayla Dolezel	Altoona	G	Dick Poff	Beloit	M
John Drexler	Stratford	M	Wendy Pritzlaff	Germantown	M
Derek Gatzmeyer	Grantsburg	B	Warren Puhl	Menomonie	30
Joy George	Eau Claire	W	David Robine	Rothschild	M
Roger Hargrave	Cameron	M	Ronald Rose	Mosinee	M
Dave Haupt	Green Bay	M	Dean Schneider	Mukwonago	M
Joanna Hollenback	Baraboo	W	Lori Schneider	Mukwonago	W
Paul Jonas	La Crosse	M	Jeremy Schorle	Waterford	M
Larry Klopotek	Schofield	30	Joshua Simon	Eau Claire	M
James Konkol	Merrill	M	Carl Skroback	West Allis	M
Hailey Kuester	West Bend	G	Dave Skrobis	Waterford	M
Colin Ladd	Waukesha	M	Eva Skrobis	Waterford	W
Blake Lazaris	Colgate	9	Toni Sloper	Milltown	W
Emily Lazaris	Colgate	G	Anita Stahl	Wausau	W
Mike Lazaris	Colgate	B	Dan Starzman	Grafton	M
Samantha Lazaris	Colgate	G	Mark Steffen	Mondovi	M
Steven Lazaris	Colgate	9	Eugene Stevens	Burlington	M
Tim Lazaris	Colgate	B	Maynard Stevens	Luck	30
Butch Ludwikowski	Chetek	M	Bj Vondoehren	Milltown	M
Anna Markhardt	Waunakee	W	Toni Vondoehren	Milltown	W
			Linda Wisniewski	Merrill	W
			Jack Zane	Beloit	M 



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NHPA SANCTIONED LEAGUE TOURNAMENT RESULTS - by Terry Sternberg


On the weekend of October 10-11, the 5th annual NHPA Sanctioned League Tournament was held at the NHPA Hall of Fame facility in Wentzville, Missouri, near St. Louis. NHPA's 3rd VP, **Lorraine Sternberg**, as Tournament director, scheduled 22 three-person teams from eight states, split into two groups, to compete in a Handicap Format. There were four teams there, experiencing it for the first time: Sheila Shepard's team from Denver, Colorado, Hiram Chaffin's team from Arkansas, Kyle Bidwell, with his team from Topeka, Kansas and **Ray Groskinsky** and his team mates from Arkdale, Wisconsin. Also there to compete were two teams from Illinois, three from Oklahoma, three from Indiana, three others from Wisconsin and seven from Missouri.

From Wisconsin, three of the four teams placed in the top four and cashed in. In Group 1, Beloit's team of **Virgil Smith, Jesse Garza and Walt Houck** placed fourth. In Group 2, Combined Locks team of **Bill Matey, Elaine and Cliff Troullier** placed third, with Kenosha's team of **Tom Ender, Dave Wietrzak and Bob Johnson** placing fourth. Arkdale's team of **Ray**

Groskinsky, Kerry Morris and Tom Dudenhoefer did not fair well their first time, but don't give up guys, there's always next year.

At the end, the first place winner of each group played off for the championship, which was between Sue Evan's First Capital Women of Missouri and Hiram Chaffin's team of Arkansas. It was a close battle all the way, within points. In the end, First Capital Women came out on top.

As they were leaving, Sheila Shepard of Colorado said that they will be back next year, after finishing second in their group. Again, the Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club was a great host, doing a great job of being custodian of the NHPA Hall of Fame complex. All I can say is that if any of you have the opportunity to be in the St. Louis area, make a visit, you'll be amazed.

As of now, the tournament is scheduled again for the second weekend of October, 2010. 




The Combined Locks team of **Bill Matey, Cliff Troullier and Elaine Troullier**, with T.D. Lorraine Sternberg



The Beloit team of **Walt Houck, Jesse Garza and Virgil Smith**

LITTLE BULL FALLS RESULTS AUG 8, 2009 - by Ed Hack

Class A		Class B		Class C		Class D	
John Molling	6-1 57.1	John Garvan	6-1 37.7	Randy Mitchell	4-1 38.4	Jim Jakel	4-1 36.0
Ken Jaeger	5-2 42.5	Allen Rude	5-2 44.4	Harry Zdroik	4-1 37.6	Cecelia Trossen	4-1 34.5
Randy Rein	4-3 53.6	R. Marthaler	5-2 34.6	Art Collien	4-1 35.2	Ken Davison	3-2 31.5 

ONE GOOD TURN DESERVES ANOTHER - by Ed Quigley

The August-September 2009 issue of *Wisconsin Horseshoes* was especially welcome at the Quigley address in New Jersey because it included Ron Kmiecik's appeal for an old pair of Henton's.

Earlier this year, I had decided because of attained age, 84, and health problems that I would retire from pitching, but my shoes were still in good shape and full of unscored ringers and thus needed to continue pitching, rather than just hang out. Consequently, my Henton Supremes became a perfect fit for another 30-foot left-hander with a $\frac{3}{4}$ turn - in Wisconsin.

These particular Henton Supremes have had a busy career so far. According to my NATSTATS scorecard, I became a left-handed Elder on February 1, 1997. To celebrate the occasion, I was gifted the Supremes. Over the next seven years, we (the Supremes and I) pitched 197 tournaments, total games amounted to 1,425. Shoes pitched: 62,810 (78.7 tons). Ringers pitched: 46,349. Ringer average: 57.87%.

My many successes as a thirty footer were a major reason for my election to the NJSHPA Hall of Fame in 2002.

Many years ago, an eye doctor discovered that I had macular degeneration, a loss of central vision which in-

terferes with some of life's most pleasurable activities. He blamed my low ringer average at 40 feet on my low vision and suggested that even if I moved up to 30 feet, my ringer average would probably continue at a low level, as my vision would continue to degenerate.

When I moved up and my success was instantaneous and continuous, the doctor was overjoyed, but puzzled. He continued to seek an answer and found it. He said when he read an account of the Red Henton/Ray Martin longest game - The Shoes. It's The Shoes, Man!

Well, Ron Kmiecik, The Shoes are now in your hands. Pitch well!

"Wishoe" All Well,

Ed Quigley
Pompton Plains, NJ

ps. All horseshoes have an extra life, whether on the court or not. I tried both Hi Temp Stay Ons and Durhams. Both brands have lots of nooks, hooks or crannies, but didn't fit my small hand too well. So I gave them some fancy treatment and painting to convert them to hot-plates. Hey, where else can you get an attractive hot plate that'll also bring you luck?! ☺

THE DAY IN MARENGO

SEPT 26, 2009

- by Tournament Director Steve Stevens

A rainy, drizzly night keeps this tournament director up all night. He prays for the rain to cease by morning, as 18 pitchers from around the state are expected to convene by 10:00 AM. Many must leave early to find this small village in the north woods.

The Horseshoe Gods are looking down this morning and greet the pitchers with 9:00 AM sunshine. Two first-time visitors, both Hall of Fame Members (one for horseshoe and one from softball fame), will go undefeated, as does a recently crowned State Class Champion.

Singles leads to doubles and an 85% game appears. More trophies and patches are dispersed and the sun sets on a dandy play-off game. The last trophy goes off to Michigan, tonight.

And the horseshoe Gods go to sleep to reawaken next year in this quiet, peaceful, little northern town. Thank you, to everyone and have a safe winter season.

ps. The Chenoa blue clay worked great outside in the cooler weather. It's been raining up here since Saturday, **Ken Kosky** must be looking down on us Finlanders from up there. Have a safe winter season and keep up the great Newsletter. Thanks, -S.S.

MARENGO SINGLES

Group A1

Tom Douglass (MI)	5-1	61.1
Jim Bilderback	4-2	54.9

Group 1

John Bauer	5-0	46.1
Cliff Erickson	3-2	33.3

Group 2

Jim Ganther	5-0	32.1
LeRoy Meyer	4-1	24.5

Group 3

Jerry Kamps	5-0	36.1
Jim Bertelsen	3-2	25.4

MARENGO DOUBLES

A Doubles

1. Mark Stevens & Tom Douglass
2. Steve Wiegert & Steve Mielke

B Doubles


1. Tom Reiter & Butch Ludwjkowski
2. Randy Mitchell & Ed Hack ☺

GET 'EM WHILE THEY'RE HOT: WALKING DOUBLES PARTNERS

The State Walking Doubles tournament, to be held on April 25th at Telfer Park in Beloit, requires that any pitcher with a ringer average of 60% or higher must pitch with a partner whose average is less than 60%.

If you're looking to land a big pitcher to partner with to take a stab at the title, check out this list of pitchers over 60%. Everyone on this list is prohibited from

pitching with each other. Otherwise, the possibilities are endless. As long as you have a pitching average from 2009, you're eligible. It's a lot of fun, and a nice way to kick off the horseshoe season. Grab a partner and sign up! Entry form will be in the next newsletter.

As for me, I'm pitching with my regular doubles partner, **Tony Scrima**. So don't ask. 

60%+ Ringer Averages

Pam Aiken.....	70.42
Gert Wilcziek....	69.87
Randy Rein.....	66.56
Paul Wilson.....	64.15
Gene Mason.....	64.09
Penny Steinke....	63.50
Ken Heinritz.....	63.47
Martin Papesh....	61.18
Jim Larson.....	60.61

COMBINED LOCKS HSC MID-EASTERN OPEN AND LOX CLASSIC RESULTS - by Bill Matey

Combined Locks HSC held their annual tournaments at Kamps Covered Kourts in Combined Locks. We had ideal weather conditions, with the covered courts shielding from the hot sun and allowing cool breeze across the courts.

The Mid-Eastern (non-sanctioned and handicapped) was comprised mostly of local club members. In the Lox Classic (sanctioned), the Class A all pitchers were Elders or short distance pitchers. Where are the young people?

Thanks to all volunteers especially the **Kamps, Troulliers and Wally Thorson** for their endless help to make the 2009 tournaments another success.

P.S. The rumors you may have heard that the Combined Locks Horseshoe Club will no longer host their annual tournaments in 2010 is just that: a rumor. It is true

that we now have new owners for Kamps Bar and Covered Kourts, but nothing has changed for our tournaments. In 2010, we are planning to hold the Mid-eastern on July 10th, and the Lox Classic on July 11th, so come and see us! We'll keep the gates open.

LOX CLASSIC

JULY 12, 2009

(sanction #: 28-09-023)

Class A

Eugene Mason, Appleton	6-1	60.00
Wayne Lemar, LaCrosse	5-2	43.60
Jack Algiers, New London	4-3	51.10


Class B

Steve Wiegert, Green Bay	7-0	40.00
Wally Thorson, Neenah	4-3	25.70
John Garvan, Edgerton	3-4	36.10

Class C

Jerry Kamps, Com. Locks	7-0	35.00
Cliff Troullier, Whitelaw	4-3	34.30
Susie Erickson, Eagle River	4-3	31.80

Class D

Wayne Franzen, Franklin	7-0	34.60
Tom Rosenthal, Oshkosh	6-1	33.90
Ken Davison, Wild Rose	4.5-2.5	27.50 

MID-EASTERN OPEN

JULY 11, 2009

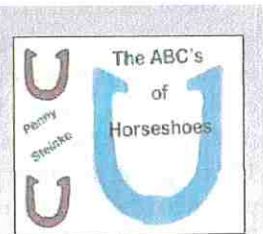
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Class A

Cal Pitel, Greenville	5-0	51.00
Eugene Mason, Appleton	4-1	59.00
Wally Thorson, Neenah	2-3	39.00

Class B

Tom Rosenthal, Oshkosh	5-2	33.60
Dave St Louis, Kimberly	5-2	18.90
Matt Pflieger, Kimberly	4-3	17.10



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WET N WILD RESULTS SEP 12-13, 2009 - by Jane Smith

It was an awesome tournament this year, as the increased number of entries forced three shifts on Saturday. The weather was comfortable for the pitchers, maybe a bit cool for spectators. Great food and refreshments were available for all.

The Juniors, two classes of five, kicked off the tournament after a Pot Luck Dinner and awards program at the park. Each Junior pitcher received a trophy donated by adult pitchers in the Minnesota, Michigan

and Wisconsin associations. As the Juniors arrive, they eagerly check out the trophies, picking out the one they want to win.

Saturday began the adult tournament with two classes at 9:00; two at 12:00 and one at 3:00. These classes had between six and eight pitchers. Sunday classes began at 9:00 with two eight person classes followed at 1:00 by two more eight person classes. There were excellent games pitched both days with aver-

ages above entering percentage. Winners of each class received cash, a subscription to the WHNL and a chance for a free gift compliments of the CDC horseshoe club. The free gifts were t-shirts, hats, or mouse pads given to the pitchers whose round robin number was drawn. The policy of this tournament is to give awards to at least half of the competitors in each class. The more winners the better.



Class A Juniors

Jason Salmon, Amanda Kuske, Eric Kuske, Naomi Williamson, Joe Larsen



Class B Juniors

Johanna Alling, Jena Alling, LeAnne Claude, Jenelle Larsen, Kyle Golz

Class A

Bob Knutson (MN)	66.07
Gert Wilczeik	61.78
Jim Bilderback	56.79

Class B

Glenn Bogenschneider	45.36
Ivan Ruzic	49.64
Todd Sheehan	47.14

Class C

Gloria Smith	50.71
Mary Denzin (MN)	39.64
April Lynch (MN)	50.36

Class D

Dean Chaffee	44.29
Laurie Dolezel	39.29
Bonnie Holland	38.93

Class E

Bob Kallstrom	33.21
Jim Ganther	34.29
Beau Davison	40.36

Class F

Butch Ludwikowski	28.00
Steve Wallin	32.00
George Eckstrom	30.80

Class G

Mike Zahn	28.80
Ben LaCoursiere (MN)	26.80
Lu Cave (MN)	25.20

Class H

Henry Brown (MN)	24.00
Bill Nelson (MN)	29.60
Ev Larsen (MN)	22.80

Class I

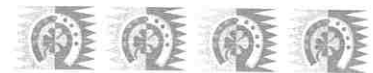
Mark Gagnon	18.93
Rod Ganther	13.93
Randy Ganther	11.79

Juniors A

Eric Kuske	6.00
Jason Salmon	6.67
Amanda Kuske	9.33

Juniors B

Johanna Alling	6.00
Jena Alling	7.33
LeAnne Claude	4.00



MERRILL #1 RESULTS

JULY 11, 2009 - by Darryl Hinz


Class A

John Garvan, Edgerton	5-1	42.0
Mark Stevens, Marengo	4-2	41.7
Cliff Erickson, Eagle River	3-2	43.2

Class B

Randy Mitchell, Merrill	5-0	38.4
Jim O'Loughlin, Adams	4-1	38.8
Ralph Marthaler, Medford	2-3	31.6

Class C

Greg Hehling, Merrill	5-0	25.2
John Olsen, Wausau	4-1	29.2
Jim Jakel, Wausau	3-2	27.6 

MERRILL #2 RESULTS

AUG 29, 2009 - by Darryl Hinz


Class A

Ivan Ruzic, Stratford	6-1	48.9
John Molling, Wausau	5-2	45.3
Mark Stevens, Marengo	4-3	44.2

Class B

Darryl Hinz, Merrill	6-1	36.4
Harry Zdroik, Eagle River	5-2	37.1
Steve Wiegert, Green Bay	3.5-3.5	30.3

Class C

Jim Jakel, Wausau	6-1	34.6
Bob Kallstrom, Arkansas	6-1	31.4
Ed Hack, Wausau	4.5-2.5	25.0 

EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY RESULTS AUG 25, 2009

- by John Dolezel, ECHSC Publicity Chairman

Eau Claire's final tournament of the year attracted 24 entries pitching in four 6-person classes. The format was 50-shoe games with a 1-point handicap. For the first time, **Jim Ganther** moved up to 30 feet and took a first-place finish. Jim intends to throw from 30 feet in next year's World Tournament.

For those of us going to the State Tournament, this was a final tune-up!

Class A

John Dolezel*	4-1	48.0
Dean Chaffee	4-1	42.0
Gert Wilczek	3-2	67.0

Class C

Jim Ganther	5-0	33.0
Steve Wallin	3-2	29.0
Tom Matalas	3-2	24.0


Class B

Dennis Kieser	5-0	48.0
Ron Wiese	3-2	32.0
Layne Olson	3-2	30.0

Class D

Mark Gagnon	5-0	14.0
Rod Ganther	3-2	16.0
Kayla Dolezel**	2.5-2.5	14.0

* Cannon Fodder


** Junior Cannon Fodder **ARKDALE DOUBLES RESULTS**

AUG 15, 2009 - by Marv Bennett

Class A

1. Kerry Morris	37.60
Gerald Weikert	31.00
2. Ivan Ruzic	38.10
Kurt Jochimsen	33.80
3. Jack Ellinger	28.50
Joe Ellinger	34.80

Class B

1. Terry Schaetzka	18.10
Duane Henriksen	28.10
2. Tom Dudenhoefer	18.10
Jerry Schroeder	27.14
3. Dan Williams	31.00
Travis Johnson	21.42 

GREEN BAY OPEN RESULTS

AUG 15, 2009 - by Steve Wiegert

Class A

Randy Rein	4-0	61.5
Otis Wesley	2-2	53.5
Mark Stevens	2-2	49.5

Class B


Elaine Troullier	5-0	46.4
Wally Thorson	3-2	40.0
Jerry Niemuth	3-2	39.2

Class C

Moose Meyer	7-0	30.7
Steve Mielke	4.5-2.5	32.5
Dennis Ambuehl	4.5-2.5	26.8

Class D

Cecelia Trossen	4-1	31.2
Andrew Peroutka	3-2	20.0
Jim Haupt	3-2*	19.2
Mike Zahn	3-2*	19.2

*Jim won head to head match 

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BELOIT HORSESHOE CLUB TOURNAMENT RESULTS - by Jimmy Paulson



SPRING SINGLES RESULTS

JUNE 6-7, 2009

Class A

Dennis Reid	5-0	67.20
Roger Ehlers	3-2	58.00
Jesse Garza	3-2	58.00

Class B

Kerry Morris	4.5-0.5	47.20
Linda Hycnar	4-1	42.00
Don Goldsmith	3-2	40.00

Class C

Milt Larsen	4-1	54.80
John Garvan	4-1	39.20
Rowen Swick	3-2	44.00

Class D

Tony Scrima	4-1	40.40
Marvin Robers	3.5-1.5	35.20
John Wilson	3-2	36.80

Class E

Dan Stieber	4-1	34.80
Mike Rousseau	4-1	32.00
Robert Bowser	2-3	35.20

Class F

Bradley Conrad	4-1	27.20
Tom McGavock	4-1	25.20
Russ Burns	3-2	22.80

Class G

Tom Steinke	5-0	22.80
Joanna Hollenback	4-1	20.80
Eugene Stevens	3-2	14.40

Class H

Dennis Schultz	4-1	18.00
Dave Carpenter	4-1	18.00
Gene Satterstrom	3-2	16.80

SOUTHERN WI OPEN RESULTS

JULY 18-19, 2009

Class A

Jesse Garza	5-0	55.20
Roger Ehlers	3-2	54.00
Jeff Gustafson	3-2	47.20

Class B

Steve Kampmeier	5-1	46.25
Bruce McLinn	4-2	46.25
Clarence Becorest	3-3	44.58

Class C

Lawrence Fettes	6-0	49.67
Tony Scrima	5-1	46.67
Rowen Swick	4-2	41.00

Class D

John Brugger	4-1	44.40
John Wilson	3-2	48.40
Marvin Robers	3-2	35.60

Class E

Mike Rousseau	4-0	35.00
Dale Grover	3-1	34.50
Dan Stieber	2-2	25.00

Class F

Kevin Brekke	5-1	31.25
Bradley Conrad	3-3	32.08
Leo Richter	3-3	29.17

Class G

Russell Dockstader	7-0	33.93
Ernie Rakstad	4-3	26.07
Jim Haupt	3.5-3.5	23.21

Class H

John DeVault	5-1	16.25
Dick Poff	5-1	12.50
Jack Zane	4-2	17.50

ANNUAL TUNE-UP RESULTS

AUG 22-23, 2009

Class A

Roger Ehlers	7-0	61.07
Paul Wilson	5-2	63.57
Jesse Garza	5-2	60.71

Class B

Clarence Becorest	4-1	52.80
Dutch Rittweger	4-1	46.00
Linda Hycnar	3-2	57.20

Class C

John Garvan	5-0	40.80
John Brugger	3-2	42.40
Jim Tollefson	3-2	37.60

Class D

Mike Rousseau	5-0	37.60
Julian Tijerina	4-1	37.20
Galen Kozel	2-3	30.40

Class E

Jim Huckabee	5-0	25.60
Jim Haupt	4-1	21.60
Leo Linhart	3-2	21.60

Class F

Julie Petrovski	6-0	20.42
Ken Posmer	5-1	20.42
Tom Steinke	4-2	21.67

BELOIT'S ANNUAL GOLF TOURNEY

- by Dutch Rittweger

On September 14, 2009 the Be-
loit club held its 5th Annual Golf
Tournament at Red Barn Golf
Club. We had 14 players and they
all finished, scores were 38 to 70.
Food and drink was served at the
club grounds. ♪

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BELOIT HORSESHOE CLUB TOURNAMENT RESULTS (CONT.)



BELOIT DOUBLES RESULTS

SEPT 13, 2009

(UNSANCTIONED)

Class A

1. Virgil & Jesse	6-2	38.13
2. Bruce & Dutch	4-3	41.07
3. Steve & John	4-3	38.21

Class B

1. Ken & Roger	6-0	40.00
2. Rowen & Mike	5-1	36.25
3. Tom & Jim	4-2	27.92

Class C

1. Georgia & Ann	6-0	27.78
2. Rondi & Dan	4-2	20.56
3. Dan & Ed	3-3	22.50

Class D

1. Julie & John	6-0	20.00
2. Jim & Luke	4-2	20.83
3. Scott & Nick	4-2	15.83

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FALL SINGLES RESULTS

OCT 10-11, 2009

Class A

Paul Wilson	5-0	61.60
Roger Ehlers	4-1	54.80
Mark Mauthe	3-2	44.40

Class B

Linda Hycnar	3.5-1.5	51.20
Dutch Rittweger	3.5-1.5	42.80
Tony Scrima	3-2	46.40

Class C

John Garvan	5-0	35.60
Rowen Swick	4-1	39.20
Robert Bowser	3-2	32.00

Class D

Ray Lopez	5-0	30.00
Bradley Conrad	3-2	35.60
Gunnar David	2-3	30.00

Class E

Carl Schliem	4-2	32.08
Dale Grover	4-2	29.58
Leo Linhart	3-3	27.92

Class F

Tom Steinke	5-0	22.00
Joe Annoreno	4-1	24.40
Ken Hopp	3-2	17.60

Class G

Gunnar David	5-0	32.40
Gene Satterstrom	4-1	17.60
John Burgess	2-3	22.40

Class H

Wayne Goers	5-1	20.00
Donald Sutton	4-2	22.50
Jerry Kochman	4-2	17.08

Class I

Don Miller	5-1	19.58
Rondi Mengelt	5-1	16.67
Anne Miller	3.5-2.5	12.50

AUTUMN HARVEST RESULTS

NOV 7-8, 2009

Class A

Dennis Reid	6-0	67.92
Paul Wilson	4-2	67.50
Jesse Garza	4-2	55.83

Class B

Rowen Swick	4-1	38.50
Al Huizenga	3.5-1.5	34.00
Lawrence Fettes	3-2	36.00

Class C

Mike Rousseau	4-1	36.40
Steve Kampmeier	4-1	36.00
Jim Tollefson	2-3	32.40

Class D

Tim McNally	4-2	31.67
Bradley Conrad	4-2	27.08
Dale Grover	3.5-2.5	31.67

Class E

Danielle Rakstad	5-1	31.67
Leo Linhart	4-2	22.50
Scott Linhart	3-3	26.67

Class F

Julie Petrovski	4-1	28.40
Joe Annoreno	4-1	26.80
Tom Steinke	4-1	20.80

Class G

Don Miller	4-1	19.60
Wayne Goers	3-2	17.60
Ron Fritz	3-2	14.80

Class H

Diane McNally	4.5-0.5	13.60
Luke Champion	3.5-1.5	11.60
Anne Miller	2-3	10.00

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- Outstanding State and World tournament performance
- State and World tournament titles
- Pitching records achieved (perfect game, repeat performances, etc)
- Sportsmanship

Player/Organizer Category

- Candidate's accomplishments from both the **Player** and **Organizer/Promoter** categories.
- If a Junior pitcher participates in the workings of the WHPA as an adult, their Junior performance as well as their adult qualifications will apply towards their nomination.

Organizer/Promoter Category

- Local and State promotion
- Tournament directorship
- Local, State and National offices held
- State and National committee involvement
- Club and League organization

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- Candidates from Wisconsin who have contributed to WHPA events

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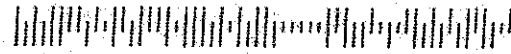
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