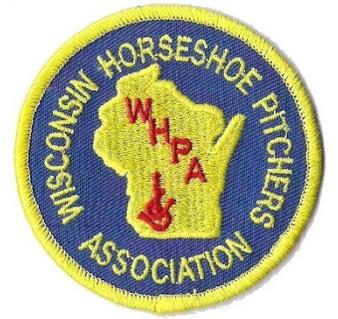


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You Are Invited!

Saturday, April 18 there are several meetings open to the WHPA members. The first at 10:00 AM, McDonald's deals with the WHNL and the WHPA Spring meeting at 1:00 PM. If you have information you would like to share about the HOF nominees, contact Jeff Secord. If you have something you would like to discuss at the association meeting, contact Glenn Bogenschneider.

Dates to Remember

- April 18 Spring WHPA Meeting**
 Delton Sportsmen's Club
 E9602 Berry Rd, Lake Delton
- April 22 Club Team Deadline**
- April 23 State Doubles Deadline**
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- May 15 World Tournament Deadline**

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Mar 7	Bring a Jr Doubles \$10	28-15-005	Feb 25	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Mar 14/15	Klash with Kerry \$18	28-15-006	Mar 07	Rudy Van Fleet	920-210-7579
Mar 21/22	Red Ferguson \$20	28-15-007	Mar 11	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Apr 11/12	Spring Fling \$20	28-15-008	Apr 01	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Apr 18	Spring Meeting Lake Delton		1:00 pm		
Apr 18/19	April Showers \$10	28-15-009	Apr 11	Les Karpziel	715-924-4020
May 02	Club-Team \$84	28-15-010	Apr 22	Jim Haupt	414-722-4175
May 03	WI Walking Double \$40	28-15-011	Apr 23	John Secord	920-022-0080
May 09	Beloit Encore \$20	28-15-012	Apr 29	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
May 9	Early Bird \$10	28-15-013	Apr 25	Dean Chaffee	715-861-3470
May 15-17	Team World \$200	28-15-014	May 01	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
May 30	Memorial Doubles \$10	Non Sanc	May 30	Dave Volz	608-547-2769

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POY Statistics

By, Jane Smith

The Pitcher of the Year (POY) Awards are determined when a pitcher places 1st, 2nd or 3rd in a published WI Sanctioned event. Such events include all WHPA open sanctioned tournaments and the two WHPA meetings. Participants earn 15, 10 and 5 points respectively for placing in tournaments. 15 points are earned for attending the State meetings. We have 38 events on the schedule with 20 recorded at this time. Division A (averages over 45%): Glenn Bogenschneider, Gunnar David, Jeff Gustafson, Ken Heinritz, John Meyer, Randy Rein. Division B (averages 30 – 44.44%): Leo Linhart, Bruce McLinn, Joel Ramsdell, Tony Scrima, Elaine Troullier, Dave Volz. Division C (averages less than 29.99): Russ Burns, Dan Quaid, Gary Schmitz, Tom Steinke, Ed Wheeler.

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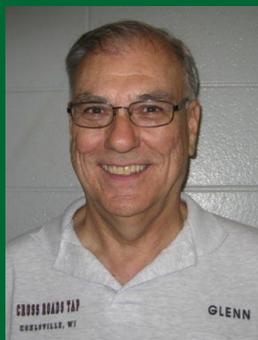
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John Meyer– Regional Director

I would like to remind all clubs that all sanctioned courts must be re-sanctioned this year. I am asking that all Tournament Directors contact me to get this completed.

With Glenn Bogenschneider

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Behind the Mask

With NHPA
Chaplain
Ken Heinritz

WOW! I have another opportunity to address the most energetic, friendly, talented, and hard working members of the WHPA. Your Executive Board just had their Winter Meeting. Here are a few of the topics discussed:

1 - We approved the "Each One - Reach One" membership contest to begin effective immediately. This is your chance to win some cool, hard cash. Contest rules are found later in this newsletter. Just how much you can win is based on the success of the contest. So, we need everyone to get one...can we count on YOU??

2 - We, so much, need help with this wonderful newsletter. All you talented members please consider helping out. We know you are out there....can we count on YOU??

3 - Another topic we discussed was cash prizes for our State Tournament. In our last newsletter, Al Huizenga, wrote about his research on this subject. Please re-read his article and plan to attend our **Spring Meeting, Sat. April 18th**, where this topic will be discussed further....can we count on YOU being there??

4 - Remember, By-Law changes are submitted in ODD years, voted on in EVEN years. So, if you have any changes, they have to be in to us on or by the Fall Meeting.

In closing, it is time to pack away the winter coats and pick up the horseshoes and pitch, pitch, pitch, promote, promote, promote. See YOU on the courts!!

When the Kuchta boys stepped out onto the courts, no telling what you might see. These nephews of mine are now strong enough to throw a shoe the full 40 foot distance, but would that be the most advantageous for them? The 15 year old twins Jonathan & Joshua who live in Mukwonago, were willing to spend the morning with their uncles Russ Heinritz & me. We endeavored to make it a special outing. And that it was at the annual 'Bring a Junior' tournament down in Beloit. Convincing them to stand at the 30 foot mark was not the only issue at hand. Both using repaired shoes we taught them how to hold the shoe, what technique to use, step, delivery, follow-through, etc. Then the finer details of throwing an open shoe, hitting the stake & the correct timing needed to be covered. A lot to take in, but these young men drank in every detail. In the end, we cannot speak of any first place finishes, but we can talk about the nice looking open shoes thrown, the fun competition, & the friends made. High games of 25 % was very exciting for each. Jonathan's high game came against the eventual champion Gunner David & Dan Lessman & yes we did win that game. Yes the brothers seemed to have a good time & yes they both want to come back. Can you beat that?



A good take-away for all of us is to have an open mind like that of a child. Improve your game & perhaps your life. "Your mind is like a parachute. If you expect it to work, it first has to be open."

Jesus stated "Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." Mark 10:15

Profiling Pitcher Lonny Transgrud

By, Jim Haupt



Who is the man from Eau Claire now pitching the our championship class? And how did he get there? Is he really a relatively new guy? He has already been cited as a most improved pitcher.

What's his background?

Originally from Valley City, North Dakota, Lonny Transgrud was brought up by parents both playing the game of horseshoes. Their love of the sport ran deep and transferred to their son.

Transgrud was introduced to the 3/4 turn by dad then learning the one and a quarter on his own. He started pitching in a Fargo, ND league in 1992 averaging in the 30's through 1997.

Moving to Marinette, WI in 1998 he found no leagues. After a ten year horseshoe hiatus, he relocated to Eau Claire discovering the Carson Park crew and started out at 37%. In the ensuing years he has bumped his average to 53.8% pitching an even dozen events last year.

Both of his kids, Cole and Cailyn have been pitching four years and love the game. Transgrud remarks: "Wonder where they got that from? I hope they continue. I've learned a lot and (am) still continuing to learn." As he recalls watching the pro's practice at the Cedar Rapids, IA World event.

Since horseshoes has become a family sport it dictates which tournaments he chooses to enter. Closer events take precedence and appearance is another factor. In the mix he is also apt to pitch a few Minnesota events. At all those events he would like to see more point games, 40 points, and, naturally, opportunities for Junior pitchers.

His bread and butter job is detailing dealership cars. He also has a flare for photography and drawing. Asked about goals he responded, "I have too many. Ha-Ha! I love competition, the sound of the shoe making a ringer, who doesn't?"

Observing him addressing the stake is a lesson in concentration, very deliberate form with complete rigid-like control. Transgrud already has; had one 80% game, carries a 180 bowling average, the respect of his peers as a class A pitcher, and is looking forward to a great 2015!

Nancy Van Fleet

Nancy R. Van Fleet age 82 died on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at the Columbus Community Hospital. Nancy was married to Rudy Van Fleet. She and Rudy traveled to Europe, Hawaii, Niagara Falls, Williamsburg and summer trips to presidential libraries throughout the Midwest. Nancy was seen with Rudy at many horseshoe tournaments and Association meetings. She greeted everyone with a warm smile and warm greeting.

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Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, Zip: _____
 Phone #: _____
 email address: _____

Please circle your division:

\$25: Men Women Elders(+70)
 \$5: Jr Boy Jr Girl Cadets (<12)

Send a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope to:
 John Secord

Bring a JR Results

By, Earl / Jimmy Paulson

Class A

1. Gunnar David	5	1	39.17
Dan Lessman			33.33
2. Ken Heinritz	4	2	58.33
Jonathan Kuchda			11.67
3. Russ Heinritz	2	4	32.50
Joshua Kuchta			9.17

Class B

1. Guy Modde	5	1	10.83
Adrianna Goers			16.67
2. Joel Ramsdell	4	2	21.67
Aiden Ramsdell			7.5
3. Don Goers	3	3	26.67
Allison Goers			3.33

WHNL Needs You!

The WHNL staff is looking for additional minds and talents in keeping the publication the BEST. Join us at McDonalds in Lake Delton at 10:00 AM, April 18. We know the talent is out there - writing, composing, computer knowledge - please share .

001 Tournament

Earl / Jimmy Paulson

Class A

Jesse Garza	4	1	55.2
Hallie Romanelli	4	1	50.79
Galen Kozel	3	2	48

Class B

Linda Roeber	4	1	52
Tom Bird	4	1	40
Kevin Peterson	3	2	34.8

Class C

Jim Huckabee	4	1	36.8
Rick Bogwardt	4	1	34.4
Dan Lessman	3.5	1.5	34.8

Class D

Tony Scrima	5	0	39.6
Dalton Simmons	3	2	27.6
Bruce McLinn	3	2	26

Class E

Leo Linhart	5	0	33.2
Rowen Swick	4	1	30
Leonard Razim	3	2	32.8

Class F

Rick Swan	5	0	30
Roger Kitner	3	2	22.4
Kevin Brekke	3	2	22

Class G

Scott Conrad	6	0	33.33
Don Goers	4	2	29.58
Rondi Mengelt	2	4	20

Class H

Dick Poff	5	0	27.6
Danielle Rakstad	4	1	29.2
Russ Burns	3	2	18.4

Class I

Dave Quaid	5	1	24.58
Greg Bergles	4	2	19.58
Carl Nyman	3	3	15.83

Class J

Ed Dolan	5	1	6.67
Barb Ramquist	5	1	6.25
Steve Mengelt	2	4	2.48

Rumble With Rudy

Rudy Van Fleet

Class A

Ken Heinritz	7	0	57.5
G. Bogenschneider	6	1	57.1
John Meyer	4	3	47.5

Class B

Gary Volz	5	0	40.8
Dave Volz	4	1	43.6
Russ Heinritz	3	2	33.2

Class C

Gary Schmitz	6	1	24.6
Greg Bergles	5	2	18.6
Joanna Hollenback	4	3	26.8



Class A



Class B



Class C



Class D



Class E



Class F



Class G



Class H



Classes I & J
on the right



Valentine Results

Earl / Jimmy Paulson

Class A

Dennis Reid	6	0	65.42
Galen Kozel	5	1	55.83
Ken Heinritz	3	3	55.83

Class B

Kevin Peterson	5	0	38.8
Tom Bird	4	1	43.2
Bob Kieper	2	3	34.52

Class C

Steven Kampmeier	5	1	36.25
Dan Lessman	5	1	32.92
Dick Perkins	4	2	36.25

Class D

Leo Linhart	3.5	1.5	31.6
Joel Ramsdell	3.5	1.5	27.6
Leonard Razim	3	2	32.8

Class E

Rowen Swick	5	0	28.8
Robert Bowser	3	2	30.40
Don Goers	3	2	29.6

Class F

Rondi Mengelt	4	1	24.4
Dave Quaid	3.5	1.5	25.2
Guy Modde	3.5	1.5	23.2

Class G

Dick Poff	4	1	28
Jerry Schroeder	4	1	23.6
Dennis Simler	3	2	23.2

Class H

Tom Steinke	5	0	20
Greg Bergles	3	2	17.2
Ed Wheeler	3	2	13.2

Class I

Wayne Goers	6	0	18.33
Eric Nelson	4	2	12.5
Adrianna Goers	3.5	1.5	13.33

Class J

John Phoenix	6	0	7.5
Allison Goers	4	2	7.5
Tanya Madison	3	3	7.92



Class A



Class B



Class C



Class F



Class G



Class H



Class I



Class J

Klash with Kerry

Rudy Van Fleet

Class A

Larry Grabowski	6.5	.5
G. Bogenschneider	5.5	1.5
Leo Richter	5	2

Class B

Dave Volz	6	1
Don Illgen	6	1
Rich Peterson	5	2

Class C

Julio Tijerina	4	1
Bill Dahman	4	1
Michelle Plaisance	3	2

Class D

Joanna Hollanback	7	0
Randy White	5	2
Rich Conrad	4	3

Spring Meeting April 18

1:00 PM

Delton Sportsmen's Club
E9602 Berry Rd, Lake Delton

Class D & E unavailable

Registration Fees:
Adults \$130.00
Juniors \$25.00

ENTRY FORM
National Horseshoe Pitchers Association
 July 13th to July 25th Topeka, Kansas
2015 World Horseshoe Pitching Championships



Name: _____ **2015 NHPA Card #** _____
 (Please Print) First Last (or Canadian #)
Address: _____ **SocSecNo:** _____
 (See Note 1)
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Check One of the Lines Below

I can print my own schedule from the website. _____ Mail my schedule to me. _____

Circle the Division you are entering - You can enter only one division (See notes near bottom of page)

OPEN MEN 40ft	SENIOR MEN 40ft (see note #2)	OPEN WOMEN	SENIOR WOMEN (see note #2)	ELDER MEN 30ft	JR. BOYS	JR. GIRLS	JR CADETS 20ft
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Entry Deadline May 18th, 2015

No refunds will be made after May 25th, 2015

PARTICIPANTS LIABILITY RELEASE: In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, all officers, employees, agents and servants of the afore stated organization, and all fellow participants of this event, for any and all action, cause of action, damage, loss or injury, which I may suffer as a consequence of participating in the World Horseshoe Pitching Tournament. In addition it is understood that the NHPA has sole rights to any and all pictures and/or articles for publication.

SIGNED _____ DATE _____

-----mail top half only-----

Please note: The NHPA reserves the right to disallow your participation for any of the following reasons; if we discover errors on this form, if your records don't appear in NatStats or CanStats, false or misleading is on this form, or for any other reason by majority vote of the NHPA Council.

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All Entries must be on this form and mailed with a **postmark no later than May 18, 2015**. Entries received with a postmark after May 18th shall be put on a waiting list and entered into the tournament only as space is available. All adults must have pitched in a minimum of four (4) US/Canadian sanctioned events in the twelve (12) months **prior to May 18, 2015**, in the same division you are entering. Only one (1) event is required for Juniors. Exceptions for US Armed Forces members and family and foreign competitors (other than Canadians) are outlined in Rule 11, Sec D.1 of the RGS Book. Contact NHPA for more information regarding qualifying exceptions. All averages used will be the average on record in NATSTATS / CANSTATS on May 25th.

Anyone qualifying under an exception must have those scores recorded by the same date. All NHPA and any special tournament rules apply. NHPA and CANADIAN entrants must show their 2015 membership card when checking in.

REGISTRATION FEES: ALL ADULTS -- \$130.00 • ALL JUNIORS -- \$25.00 • U.S. FUNDS ONLY
CANADIAN ENTRIES MUST USE MONEY ORDERS REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES SCORE KEEPING FEES
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READ CAREFULLY: Any adult male pitching from the full distance platform may enter the **OPEN MEN'S DIVISION** regardless of age, just as any adult female may enter the **OPEN WOMEN'S DIVISION**. To enter the **SENIOR DIVISION**, you must be 60 years of age or older before the end of 2015. Any man that turns 70 years of age in 2015, is older than 70, or has an approved medical exemption may enter the **ELDER MEN'S DIVISION**. Entrants in the **JUNIOR BOY and JUNIOR GIRL DIVISION** must be 18 years old or less for the entire 2015 calendar year. **JUNIOR CADET DIVISION** entrants must be 12 years old or younger for the entire 2015 calendar year.

Note # 1. A Social Security number is required from all adult pitchers that move up to the Championship Classes.

Note # 2. For class play, a minimum of 48 must enter this division or it will be canceled. All entrants will then pitch in the Open Preliminaries.

The pitching schedule will be finalized by **May 31st** and published on the NHPA website. If you indicated above to receive the schedule by mail, it will be mailed to the address you have listed above during the first week in June.

The NHPA Hall of Fame Banquet will be held July 19th. Tickets can be purchased from the NHPA office or at the World Tournament NHPF booth.

THE COUNT-ALL QUESTION

by Jim Haupt

We brought up the question last time, why don't we put more emphasis on perfect count-all games?

It's the standard scoring system for leagues because of the ease of handicapping. League pitchers are so well versed in count-all that their first tournament, is a change to the cancellation score system and can be challenging.

Some leagues have been known to handicap as slow as 75%, while most settle for 80 or 85% and a few go all the way, 100% hdcp!

	<u>W/L</u>	<u>Ga. Pt. Avg</u>	<u>Ring%</u>	<u>R/pts</u>	<u>Misses/conv</u>	<u>factor</u>	<u>O'all</u>
1. Barb	16/4	46.5	15	7.5/22.5	42.5/24	56.5%	63%
2. Nancy	12/8	74.5	34	17/51	33/23.5	71	81
3. Jim P	11/9	60	20	10/30	40/30	75	80
4. Mike	11/9	31	5	2.5/7.5	47.5/23.5	49%	52%
5. Craig	9/11	34	4.5				
6. Pat	8/12	30	5				

The table shown is the mid-season standings of the Goldendale Club of Germantown, WI. They pitch three games of 50 shoes weekly. The first four columns are provided by the league secretary. Places are determined by the W/L column. The final four columns are acquired using count-all math. 3rd place is easy: Jim P gets 10 ringers = 30 points. He misses 40 times but converts 30 of them into points. Ergo his conversion factor is 75% and overall 80% of his shoes are in count.

What's your rate of conversion? To determine number of misses deduct ringers production from Pt. Avg. Converted points equal Point avg. minus points of ringers. Divide converts by misses to determine your rate of conversion.



100% or all ringer games occur sporadically. Historical perfect games have been recorded in the World Tournament. Guy Zimmerman did it first in the Milwaukee World, 1948, 44 ringers in 44 shoes.

Twenty years later, 1968, the great Canadian, Elmer Hohl recorded the highest ever qualifying score. Using count-all scoring for 200 shoes, Hohl amassed 572 points. It is probably a record of all time as qualifying is no longer deemed necessary. Yet no qualifying game has ever been defined as perfect with all shoes in count.

Consult the standings sheet. A bit of luck cannot be discounted. How is Barb in first place with a 15% ringer percentage and converting a little more than half her share of misses? Lucky, lucky.

Consider the difference a perfect game pitcher could make. An ordinary 30 percent pitcher converting all misses into points might carry a point average of 80!

The plum is yours to pick. Attempt to toss a softer shoe with some loft, get some points, and you too could attain that perfect game.

Its an accomplishment that should be recognized in the annual NHPA league stats, the "Top Ten Awards."

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