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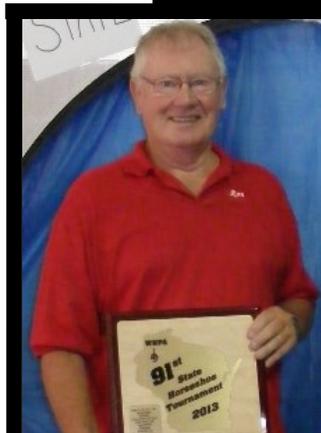
91ST WISCONSIN STATE CHAMPIONS



Randy Rein
Win #17!



Aleena Cook
Win #2!



Ron Button
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Gunnar David
Win #4!



Heather Feavel
Win #3!



Steven Lazaris
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2013	Remaining events	2014 date	sign	up now	John Meyer	920-921-2936
10/13	Beloit Fall Singles	28-13-033	\$18	10/05	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
10/19	WHPA Fall Meeting	15 POY pt.	\$0	1:00 pm	Lake Delton	Sportsmen's Club
10/26-27	Deansville Singles	28-13-034	\$18	10/16	Rudy Van Fleet	920-210-7589
11/9-10	Beloit Harvest	28-13-035	\$18	11/02	Earl Paulson	608-879-230
12/3	Deansville Open	28-13-036	\$18	11/17	Rudy VanFleet	920-210-7589
12/7-8	Beloit Snowflake	28-13-039	\$18	11/30	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304

Survey

By, Jim Haupt

During the State Tournament an informational survey was taking place. These are some of the results: 55 people volunteered their email address and thoughts regarding the Newsletter. 15 had no email access. 9 people did not receive the Newsletter. 8 folks took the opportunity to either subscribe or renew. 16 of the contacts agreed to receive their Newsletter in full color online while another 16 prefer a hard copy mailed. All respondents, 100%, expressed interest in receiving the occasional WHPA Bulletins. See page 14 for complete instructions to tune in to the latest WHPA updates.

While we, of the Newsletter, encourage online reception to reduce expenses, all other options will be met. Those of you who were not contacted or had a change of heart and will accept an online issue of the Newsletter, please contact any of us, and thanks.

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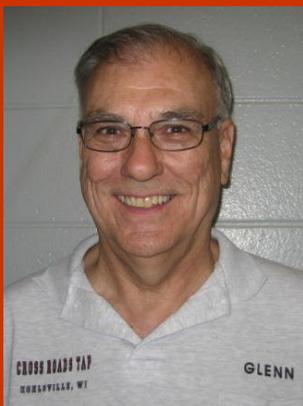
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HORSESHOES



From your President With Glenn Bogenschneider

I call this the transitional issue of our Newsletter. We are transitioning from warm weather to cool weather, from outdoor pitching to indoor pitching, and from the excitement of the World and State Tournaments to the slower pace of indoor leagues and tournaments.

Regarding the World and State tournaments, the state of Wisconsin is extremely proud that we have the 2013 Cadets World Champion, Steven Lazaris; and the man who has won more State Championships than anyone else, Randy Rein. Congratulations on a job well done! Please review the other State Champs listed in this issue and acknowledge their achievement the next time you see them or pitch against them.

Our Fall meeting is Saturday, Oct. 19th, 1:00 p.m., at the Lake Delton Sportsmen Club. We will be electing a new 2nd Vice President and choosing the site for the 2015 State Tournament. Please make every effort to attend.

In closing don't pack those shoes away until next year. Support our indoor leagues and tournaments, be available to assist with your club, be available to help on the State level, recruit new members and never stop promoting horseshoe pitching!!!

Behind the Mask With NHPA Chaplain Ken Heinritz

In 4th grade at recess time, we wouldn't let, Brian Beethia, same grade, play ball with us because he always won. He was twice our size and nobody thought it would be fair. Imagine winning everything you play. 'Only in my dreams' you say? Not so for Whitefish Bay's Jim Haupt. He played in 5 different leagues this summer, taking 1st place in 4 of them and a 2nd in the lone doubles league. "Maybe I shouldn't play doubles" quips Jim with a chuckle. What a success story!

When asked what the secret to his success was, Haupt stated "Constant exposure. I hardly quit pitching". Add 30 tournaments a year to his 5 leagues. Week days & week ends spent pitching . . . maybe he's right . . . constant exposure.

Knowing that many athletes credit their diet I decided to delve into that area. "Heavy into orange juice, mostly the pulp variety." And he eats at least a dozen eggs per week & bakes his own bread until recently. "The yeast must be getting old because the bread isn't rising." That's all we can get out of this modern day "Beethia".



Who shared this 'secret' of his success **"If my head were shaved, my strength would leave me, and I would become as weak as anyone else."**

Answer is found in Judges 16.

Haupt, the Ed., adds; No more haircuts prior to the State Tournament.

By, Jane Smith



Brooke Lazaris
Cadet C
Champion



Steven Lazaris
World Cadets
Champion



Heather Feavel
Jr. Class B
Champion



Aleena Cook
Women's B
Champion



Ray Mallo
Men's K-I
Champion

Wisconsin had 38 members pitching ringers at the World Tournament held in St. George, Utah this past July / August. Wisconsin had one World Champion – Steven Lazaris - Cadet World Champion and six Class Champions - Aleena Cook, Heather Feavel, Bernie Human, Brook Lazaris, Ray Mallo, and Steve Wallin. Complete results for the World tournament can be found on our WHPA web site, <http://whpahorsehoes.com>. The following pitchers, in alphabetical order, experienced a great time in Utah: Jim Bertelson (11th), Jim Bilderback (3rd, 12th), Glenn Bogenschneider (2nd), John Brugger (13th), Bun Carley (11th), Craig David (2nd), Gunnar David (4th, 6th), Kari David (9th), George Eckstrom (12th), Jay Ganther (6th), Jim Ganther (3rd), Randy Ganther (5th), Ray Growskinsky (7th), Christina Heinritz (2nd), Ken Heinritz (4th, 13th), Susie Helene (4th), Al Huizenga (14th), Blake Lazaris (3rd), Emily Lazaris (7th), Ralph Marthaler (11th), Mark Mauthe (11th), Bruce McLinn (10th), Mark Nord (12th), Ivan Ruzic (13th), Gary Schmitz (7th), Toni Sloper (3rd), Gloria Smith (13th), Jim Tollefson (11th), Ceil Trossen (14th), Dave Volz (13th) and Rick Weller (7th).

Steve Mielke's Budweiser Super-Bowl Commercial Revealed

Scene 1: Location; St George, Utah. Big sign reads: **"WORLD HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT ALL PITCHERS WELCOME."**

A formidable Clydesdale observes pawing the turf.

Scene 2: Clyde has entered the tournament pitching a well known football personality, Terry Bradshaw. It's down to the last match, the score is even. Bradshaw pitches first, hits the stake, bounces off for a close point, second shoe is a ringer, Crowd cheers with approval. Clyde steps up backwards, lets fly with a shoe from his hoof, is a perfect ringer. Crowd gets with it. Clyde snorts, pitches second shoe, another ringer! Clyde rears pawing hoofs to the crowd. Pandemonium breaks out in the Clydesdale and Dalmatian section. Spotted paws waving while holding up a sign: "WORLD CHAMPION PITCHER." The Dalmatians are trading high-fives. Bradshaw offers a congratulatory handshake.

Scene 3: Clyde steps up to the bar with a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his face. As the championship belt is placed on his back he blows the foam off his own and buys one for the entire house.

Editor's Note: Steve is violating his oath of confidentiality in revealing his entertaining ideas as he was offered just \$10 for the rights of production.
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FLASH
Latest figures in Newline show **Wisconsin** has the greatest percentage of World awards, 17 for the 38 pitchers of this great state.



Steve Wallin
Men's F-2
Champion



Bernie Human
Elders P
Champion



2013 State Tournament

By, Jim Haupt

Rein sets record! 17 years a Wisconsin State Champion outdistancing all Wisconsin State Champions of all time.

The Mayor of Mosinee was in Rein's corner expressing his favoritism preceding the championship finals in his on-court welcoming address.

Randy Rein won it in seven straight games, all wins, allowing his opponents an average score less than half his own in those 40 point games. After the final game, Ken Heinritz, 30, Rein, 41, the champ's first reaction was to share a personal moment with his dedicated opponent.

Heinritz had a better record going in to the final game with six wins while allowing opponents to average less than 16 points per stanza. His final average of 59.52 outdid the champion by over 4 percentage points.

Eau Claire's Lonny Transgrud finished the day third with just two losses. Mark Mauthe, a former State Champ took fourth losing to the top three. New to the championship class, Dean Chaffee of Chippewa Falls gave Mauthe a good game, lost again to the top three but cleaned up more times – 3/4 for the day. John Molling, originally seeded #5, expected to hold his own before dropping to sixth. Nick Muller, Cuba City and Jarrod Bisch, Baraboo, both, made their first entry to the top class as move-ups up from class A finishing the championship class in the same order.

The Women's championship class proved interesting. Aleena Cook underscored her feat of last year. She did it again going her way all five games including a win over second place, former champ, Pam Aiken. This time Gert Wilczeik, 11 time champion, first bowed to Aiken then fell apart pitching Cook. Toni Sloper, an "A" move-up claimed fourth. Having a less than spectacular day, Penny Steinke managed fifth while Linda Roeber, the other "A" move-up, was only rewarded with the occasion to pitch the championship class of 40-point games.

Who knows what the Women's championship would have been if the Women's A winner had been able to play Sunday. Debby Schell-Kotnic won the Women's "A" class after a five-way play-off. She came from the number three on the stepladder providing some of the more exciting moments of the two day State Tournament. Until the play-off, all five ladies were winners, alas all supported by this year's Hall of Famer, Elaine Troullier.

Ron Button, winner of 'Most Improved' and the 'Pitcher-of-the-Year' award, received a head start on next year's POY by repeating as the 2013 State Champion in the Elder's division.

Gunnar David is, once more, State Boy's Champion. This year makes it four in a row. With continued success he will someday pitch the Men's Championship class.

Heather Feavel is now a three-time Girl's State Champion to the delight of Grandpa, John Secord, who was on hand but could not pitch in what would have been his forty-second consecutive State Tournament.

The Lazaris family continues their grip on the Cadet championships, Brooke for the second time, Steven for the fourth time. Of course they are part of the Heinritz Clan pitching at the Homestead.

This, the 91st State Tournament, was produced by a conglomerate of clubs. We have had two-club State hosts share the experience but this is the first time such an ambitious group acted as hosts. We owe those folks big time. Ray Groskinsky, as tournament director was the ringmaster. His wife, Karen, was the talented announcer. Most of the set-up / take down crew also worked as producers. They are: Randy Rein, Ken Jaeger, Martin Papesh, Craig, Kari and Gunnar Craig, Ed Hack, John Olson, John Molling, Karen Groskinsky, Alisha and Nicholas Prasalowicz, Tom Steinke, Tony Scrima, Penny Steinke, Edie McKinney, Gloria Smith, Norma Rasmussen. Kevin Brekke, and Jimmy Paulson. The wheeler and dealer acting as organizer, overseer, and person most responsible for the success of the 2013 State Tournament was... is Jane Smith.



This group of movers and shakers were responsible for the success of the 2013 State tourney. Many hands made the task easier and quicker. Clean up was completed by 11:00 Monday morning. All in all—a wonderful experience and GREAT people to work with!

2013 WI State Tournament

By, Jane Smith

Championship Men

Randy Rein	7	0	53.91
Ken Heinritz	6	1	57.41
Lonny Trangsrud	5	2	51.11
Mark Mauthe	4	3	50.28
Dean Chaffee	3	4	42.95
John Molling	2	5	42.35
Nick Muller	1	6	40.91
Jarrold Bisch	0	7	34.94

Championship Women

Aleena Cook	5	0	59.26
Pam Aiken	4	1	61.81
Get Wilcziek	3	2	60.67
Toni Sloper	2	3	48.36
Penny Steinke	1	4	50.79
Linda Roeber	0	5	42.41

Championship Elders

Ron Button	5	0	63.51
Galen Kozel	4	1	55.69
Larry Grabowski	3	2	57.42
Norm Gage	2	3	51.85
Dave Ninnemann	1	4	44.91
Leo Richter	0	5	42.37

Championship Boys

Gunnar David	5	0	38.71
Blake Lazaris	4	1	27.23
Mason Bisch	3	2	28.95

Championship Girls

Heather Feavel	5	0	42.56
Christina Heinritz	4	1	36.90
Emily Lazaris	3	2	27.21

Championship Cadet Boys

Steven Lazaris	7	0	38.64
Brandon Benzing	6	1	8.57
Nicholas Prasalowicz	5	2	10.2
Gabe Burgin	3	4	10
Blake Benzing	3	4	2.88
Kane Kuester	3	4	1
Carter Poppe		6	2.38

Championship Cadet Girls

Brooke Lazaris	6	0	3	7.69
Abby Aiken	4	2		7.59
Caitlin Simonz	1	5		1.81
Lillyan Kildahl	1	5		.57

Men's Class A

Nick Muller	7	0		48.24
Jarrold Bisch	5	2		42.86
John Meyer	3	4		42.5
Ray Growskinsky	3	4		40
Kevin Peterson	3	4		38.21
Cliff Erickson	3	4		36.79
Bun Carley	2	5		39.08
Jeff Gustafson	2	5		36.43

Men's Class B

Kerry Morris	6	1		37.86
G. Bogenschneider	5	2		39.64
Russ Heinritz	4	3		31.07
Tom Ender	3	4		38.93
Les Karpel	3	4		36.79
Bruce McLinn	3	4		32.5
Gary Volz	3	4		31.79
Steve Mielke	1	6		23.57

Men's Class C

Jason Villwock	7	1		41.25
Ed Hack	6	2		38.13
Tory Jeske	4	3		41.79
Jim Tollefson	3	4		35.36
Joe Mccrossen	3	4		33.57
Jim Heim	2	5		32.86
Dave Volz	2	5		31.79
Jerry Neimuth	2	5		30

Men's Class D

Mitch Littlegeorge	6	1		33.8
Rick Weller	5	2		42.96
Jerremy Wegner	4	3		33.33
Ralph Marthaler	4	3		31.6
Bob Kallstrom	4	3		30.99
Mark Rice	3	4		29.23
Dave Torrey	1	6		26.79
Tom Kotnik	1	6		19.64



Men's Class E

Gary Wegner	6	1	35.36
Rich Brockway	4	3	31.79
Michael Benzing Jr	4	3	29.29
Bob Cole	4	3	29.17
Randy Mitchell	4	3	25.69
Kevin Brekke	2	5	28.21
Joel Ramsdell	2	5	25
Larry Danielson	2	5	20.71

Men's Class F

John Brophy	6	1	31.79
Terry Sternberg	5	2	29.29
John Drexler	4	3	28.21
Norm Beckius	4	3	25.71
Randy Heinritz	3	4	26.79
Richard Conrad	3	4	23.93
John Resch	3	4	18.93
Stan Fox	0	7	16.07

Men's Class G

Dennis Wegner	5	1	22.89
Mel Cook	4	2	22.86
David Paul	3	2	25.2
Rob Reinhart	3	2	24.4
Tom Steinke	1	4	23.6
Craig David	0	5	19.29

Men's Class H

Greg Bergles	6	2	17.86
Trent Bratland	6	3	15.68
Dave Palmershiem	4	3	13.93
Ray Mallo	3	3	14.29
Mike Berdan	3	3	10.36

Elders Class A

Gene Mason	5	0	53.6
Norm Gage	4	1	52
Leo Richter	3	2	52.8
Wayne Lemar	2	3	44.4
Cal Pitel	1	4	40
Dave Schorbahn	0	5	44

Elders Class B

Bernard Vandanelzen	5	0	43,6
Norb Fuhrman	4	1	40
John Mcneill	2	3	41.34
Ivan Ruzic	2	3	36.61
Tony Scrima	2	3	35.6

Elders Class C

John Brugger	4	1	36.8
Ken Davison	3	2	32
John Dolezel	3	2	31.2
John Olson	2	3	27.6
Jerry Schroeder	2	3	26
Jim Haupt	1	4	16.4

Elders Class D

Tom Bird	6	0	40.42
Russ Burns	3	3	25.83
Art Collien	2	4	19.17
Ron Ramquist	1	5	22.08

Juniors Mixed Class A

Cailyn Trangsrud	5	0	10.89
Cole Trangsrud	4	1	9
Alisha Prasalowicz	2	3	7.5
Tony Secord	2	3	1.98
Alyssa Simonz	2	3	1

Women's Class A

Debby Schell-Kotnik	6	2	45.59
Toni Sloper	5	3	46.07
Linda Roeber	4	3	46.07
Tava Kildahl	4	3	41.94
Susie Erickson	3	3	30.36
Elaine Troullier	0	5	22.4

Women's Class B

Rondi Mengelt	5	0	34.8
Kari David	4	1	33.2
Cindy Castellano	3	2	26.38
Gloria Smith	2	3	28
Sonia Cook	1	4	27.56

Women's Class C

Tonya Kaulum	5	0	30.8
Ev Larsen	4	1	21.6
Ceil Trossen	3	2	17.2
Ann Murray	2	3	11.2
Barb Ramquist	1	4	12.4
Mary Wojciechowski	0	5	4.4



Mosinee Log Jam Results

By, Ed Hack

Thanks to the 32 pitchers who attended the Mosinee Log Jam on August 10/11. Sadly we were short one man- Dennis Wegner was unable to attend due to the sudden death of his wife. We offer our sympathy to Dennis and his family.

Class A

Ron Button	7	0	80
Randy Rein	6	1	58.57
Kathy Asmundsen	4	3	56.07

Class B

Bernie VandenElzen	6	1	45
Ed Hack	5	2	39.78
John Olson	5	2	38.93

Class C

Kari David	8	1	39.37
Mark Rice	6	3	42.5
Ken Davison	6	3	38.1

Class D

John Drexler	7	1	27.05
Bob Cole	6	2	30
Kevin Brekke	5	2	31.78

A 2nd Candidate for WHPA 2nd VP

My name is Ed Wheeler, an 18 plus years member of the NHPA and the WHPA, and I have decided to run for the position of 2nd VP for the WHPA.

I have been pitching horseshoes for 25 plus years.

I was a very active member of the Arena Sandbaggers Horseshoe Club and served as the club secretary. I also have run 35 plus tournaments, while a member of the Arena club. I also served as the Wisconsin Regional Director for two plus years.

I would like to encourage more people to run additional tournaments, in hopes of adding more new members to our elite group of Wisconsin pitchers.

If there are people who would like to run these events, but are not sure of what to do, I will gladly lend an helping hand, and what knowledge that I have picked up, through the events that I have run.

I feel that if we help the ones that want to get involved, not only do we pass along our knowledge of the games, but we are also rebuilding the legacy for the game of horseshoes to continue on in Wisconsin, and the United States.

Continued in next column

Arkdale Doubles Results

By, Ray Groskinsky



Arkdale Doubles Tournament was pitched Saturday the 14th of September. It was a wonderful fall day, just warm enough with a breeze. We played an 8-team

Round Robin, four in Class A and four in B. 1st place in Class A was Cliff Erickson and Jerry Niemuth, 2nd was Ray Groskinsky, and Dan Williams. In Class B 1st place went to Randy Mitchell, and Eddie Wisniewski, and 2nd to Kerry Morris, and Gerald Weikert. Thank You to everyone who entered.

Mark Stevens, former state champ, made a cameo appearance. His voice is a little high pitched perhaps due to treatments yet his pitching ability remains. Although he does prefer doubles tournaments these days. Bro, Steve made the trip as well acting as scorekeeper. Nice to see the Marengo duo on the tour again. And thanks, Duane Henricksen, for a fine Tournament.



Ed Wheeler continued

I would appreciate your vote for the position of 2VP at the fall meeting this year.

Respectfully submitted by Ed Wheeler

WHPA Fall Meeting October 19 1:00

Lake Delton Sportsmen's Club

Election of President—Glenn Bogenschneider—running unopposed. Intent published last issue.

Election of 2nd VP—two candidates, Kevin Brekke, Ed Wheeler. Kevin's intent was also published in the last WHPA issue.

WHPA Awards Hall of Fame Ceremony

By, Jane Smith

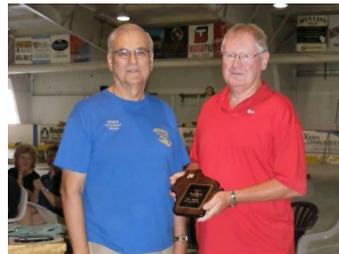
Just before the Ceremony was to begin we were greeted by Hall of Famer Mark Stevens. He had trouble talking but the hugs were warm and meaningful! What a wonderful surprise to see his smiling face and open arms. President Glenn Bogenschneider opened the Ceremony with a moment of silence in respect to those WHPA members lost this past year.

The Mayor of Mosinee, Alan Erickson, welcomed everyone to the Mosinee area, hoping a good time is had by all. Marge Rein recognized the local sponsors of the sound system for their donation of their system for the weekend as well as other behind the scenes sponsors for a variety of services.

Jane Smith recognized and thanked Jimmy Paulson, Kevin Brekke, Trent Bratland, Jimmy Harder, and Tournament Directors Ray and Karin Groskinsky for their time and dedication in the success of this adventure. The Pitcher of the Year Awards were given to Division A – Ron Button; Division B - John Olson, and Division C – Rondi Mengelt. 257 pitchers had opportunity to earn points in 38 events the past year. President, Glenn Bogenschneider, called Ron Button and Emily Lazaris to the front and center to receive their Most Improved awards. He also named Edie McKinney as the 2013 recipient of the President’s Award.

Jeff Secord asked 2013 Hall of Fame inductees Cliff and Elaine Troullier to join the Hall of Fame and WHPA officers on the floor. Lorraine Sternberg gave a very warm summary of the Troullier’s life in the horseshoe family. In her soft spoken way, Elaine introduced their daughters. There were a few tears but plenty smiles and hugs.

Sonia Cook announced the major winners of the Jr. Scholarship raffle. President Glenn expressed congratulations to all the WHPA Award recipients and closed the ceremony with good luck wishes to the Championship Classes scheduled to begin pitching at 1:00.



Ron Button
Most Improved
Division A Pitcher of the
Year



John Olson
Division B
Pitcher of the Year



Rondi Mengelt
Division C
Pitcher of the Year



Emily Lazaris
Most Improved Jr.



Edie McKinney
President’s Award



Jim Haupt
Raffle Winner



Cliff and Elaine
Troullier

2013 Hall of Fame Inductees
The Troullier Family



Eau Claire City County

By, John Dolezel

Eau Claire's final tournament of the season was held on a Tuesday evening beginning at 7:00 p.m. Due to the starting time, pitchers were placed in 4-person classes so the event could be concluded by approximately 9:00 p.m.

In each of Classes A through E, the winner won all three games. In Class A, State Doubles Champion partners Gert Wilcziek and Lonny Trangsrud faced off in the final game with Gert pitching 74% to Lonny's 58%.

The wily veteran Jim Ganther overcame his younger opponents to win Class B, while new club member Tim Sheehan claimed 1st in Class C.

Junior pitcher Shayla Wallin, pitching in her very first NHPA tournament, won Class E with a 16.6% average. (How's that for a great start!)

In the only 3-person class, pitchers threw a double-round-robin schedule. Another junior, Cole Trangsrud won the class with 7.5% average.

Prior to the tournament we had a cookout, with hamburgers, brats and hot dogs - provided by and thanks to Dave Schorbahn.

Class A

1. Gert Wilcziek	3	0	76%
2. Lonny Trangsrud	2	1	60%
3. Dave Schorbahn	1	2	54%

Class B

1. Jim Ganther	3	0	37.3%
2. Steve Wallin	2	1	34%
3. Layne Olson	1	2	39.3%

Class C

1. Tim Sheehan	3	0	26.6%
2. Randy Ganther	2	1	23.3%
3. Dan Sheehan	1	2	22.0%

Class D

1. Gary Olson	3	0	26.6%
2. Kenny Rentz	2	1	17.3%
3. Cailyn Trangsrud	1	2	7.3%

Class E

1. Shayla Wallin	3	0	16.6%
2. Mike Sheehan	2	1	10.0%
3. Scott Shackleton	1	2	6.0%

Class F

1. Cole Trangsrud	2	2	7.5%
2. Jay Ganther	2	2	7.5%
3. Andy Sheehan	2	2	5.8%

Wet N Wild

By, Jane Smith

We had a few less pitchers than last year but every bit as much or more fun and excitement. We advise pitchers to come for the food and stay for the horseshoe pitching! Saturday was warm, sunny and humid. Sunday was cool, windy and a few drops of rain blessed the pitchers. Our club is small but big on help. We set up on Friday night getting the courts groomed, scoreboards out, fences set and banners proudly displayed. Jimmy (Jimbo) Harder's pulled pork was as tasty as ever; Cindy Castellano's chili warmed everyone on Sunday; and the home-made bars, cookies – everything was oh so good! Everyone – even visitors helped groom the courts between sessions! THANKS to all. Thanks to Toni Sloper and Cindy Castellano who worked the stats when not pitching; Dave and Karin Ninnemann for their dedication in selling the 50/50 raffle tickets; Gloria Smith for grooming and general manager of the courts; Tory Jeske and Jimmy Harder for putting the equipment in the shed. A very SPECIAL THANKS to Joe Castellano for his help in hanging the tarps, banners, the use of bricks; his muscles! EVERYONE helping made a great weekend FANTASTIC!!

Class A

Gert Wilcziek	7	0	73.57
Bob Knutdson	5	2	51.79
Dale Hustad	4	3	60.36

Class B

Tim Ahles	6	1	50
Dean Chaffee	5	2	46.79
Susie Helene	5	2	46.79

Class C

Jim Ganther	7	0	37.14
Ed Hack	6	1	38.57
John Olson	4	3	33.21

Class D

Cindy Castellano	7	0	40
Bob Cole	4	3	35.71
Steve Wallin	4	3	32.5

Class E

Bill Nelson	4.5	.5	28
Jane Smith	3	2	25.2
John Hustings	3	2	23.6

Class F

Bernie Human	4	1	22.8
Mike Littell	3	2	17.2
Ray Mallo	3	2	14.8

From the Editors

Jim Haupt surveyed 54 pitchers at the State tournament in Mosinee Labor Day weekend. Most of you are aware of the rising costs of everything - our WHNL included. We have made a few changes the past year such as printing in black and white; increasing the cost to \$10, sending the printing to a company rather than purchasing new cartridges and printers for the WHNL, using envelopes rather than folding, stapling and taping; reminding complimentary recipients to go on line for their issue as we would not be mailing, and promoting subscribers print their own issues on line - in color. The survey questions gathered information such as names, e mail addresses, subscriber or not, enrolled in the Bulletin Group or not and willingness to receive the WHNL only on line. If you are willing to print your own WHNL please let us know so we can remove your name from the mailing list. Even if you do not have a subscription or do not plan to renew, please let us know so we can have an idea of the number of "subscribers" even if on line only.

The survey will be used to update email addresses and added to the WHNL subscriber list. When information is shared through this list, it is sent as a blind copy so emails are still private. One of our goals in the next several years is to eventually eliminate the need to send the WHNL in the mail. The world of computers, technology and electronic mailings will make this feasible.

We have four printer cartridges for sale. We will not be using them and cannot return them to Amazon. They are for a Brother printer HL-4150CDN/4570CDW/4570CDWT: MFC-9460CDN/9560CDW/9970CDW. (2- TN-315BK; 1- TN-310BK and 1 TN315C.) If you have a printer that can use these Brand new cartridges please let us know and we could give you a GREAT deal. If you know of a company or school, let us know.

The Bulletin Group sign up directions are given in the "What's New" column. This site will automatically send "messages" from WHPA members to those signed up. This is another way to keep in touch.

You are more special than words can say...please travel safely each and every day.

Friends We Will Miss



Curt Novinski

Curt was a member of the Plattville horseshoe club and Mark Mauthe's cousin. He was a spectator at the 2013 State tournament, encouraging Mark to do his best. Curt's smile was ever ready for friends and new acquaintances alike. He seemed to be a power behind the scenes at the Plattville tournaments. He was very community minded as he was a member of the Westview Methodist church; a blood donar; and an organ donar. He was very sports minded as he pitched horseshoes, bowled, golfed, played volleyball, threw darts and was an avid runner. Our deepest sympathy to his family.



Mer Sorenson

Mer passed away at the young age of 90. He served his country in the US Army Air Corp. He and Helen had four children. He was very involved in community organizations like the Boy Scouts as a leader, Lifetime member of the American Legion, De Pere Men's Club and the National and Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Associations. He enjoyed playing cards, pitching horseshoes, fishing, hunting, bowling, golfing and trailer camping. Mer and Helen were able to spend some winters in the south. Helen has asked we share the remaining months of his WHNL with their good friends and traveling buddies—Curt and Beaty Bestul. Mer has not been able to attend too many horseshoe events the past year but his heart was there in spirit. He will be sadly missed by friends and family. Our heartfelt sympathy to Helen and family.

Farewell My Friend

No farewell words were spoken... no time to say goodbye... you were gone before we knew it, and only God knows why.

Anonymous

Green Bay Results

By, Steve Wiegert

As we look at the results, we see Ron Button wins again; and again in a playoff involving Randy Rein. Randy, however, had a super tournament with his only regret pitching just 20 ringers in the playoff game which brought his average for the day down. A number of pitchers seem to pitch their best in Green Bay. Jerry Schroeder started off with games better than 50%. He ended just 5 ringers short of a 50% tournament!

Bernie VandenElzen also pitches very well in Green Bay.

Tonya Kaulum, Eagle River, says her best game in clay was 8 ringers – NOT this tournament - her low game was 9 and top game 15 ringers! Way to go Tanya. Her misfortune for the day – her opponents pitched their best games against her.

Great Weather, Great People, Great Tournament – Again! Hope to see you all in 2014

Class A

Ron Button	7	1	60.31
Randy Rein	6	2	66.56
Gene Mason	4	3	49.29

Class B

Norb Fuhrman	6	1	43.57
Jerry Schroeder	5	2	48.21
John Olson	5	2	42.14

Class C

Tom Rosenthal	5	2	37.14
Ed Hack	5	2	36.79
Kerry Morris	5	2	32.86

Class D

Gary Schmitz	6	1	32.5
Jerry Kamps	6	1	30
Bob Cole	4	3	23.93

Wet N Wild results continued

Class G

Bud Schaefer	4	1	11.2
Shayla Wallin	3.5	1.5	22.8
Cecil Reiter Jr	3	2	15.6

Class H

Jim Harder	4	1	21.6
Joyce Ahles	3	2	20.8
Sharon Kelly	3	2	6.8

Platteville Spring Singles

By, Norm Mauthe

The weatherman was predicting rain, but only a few drops were felt all day. It was overcast and a bit cool.

All classes started at 10:00 AM. Club member, Sherian Austin, brought some food and another member, Matt Lee, did the stats.

Thanks to Lori and Luke Champion for running the Cadet class!!

Class B had a 20 shoe playoff game that went to 24 shoes with Bruce McLinn winning by one point over Milt Larsen.

Excitement generated when six-time Men's World Champion, Walter Ray Williams Jr's name appeared on the schedule. He had been at a bowling tournament in Milwaukee, but things did not work out and he was unable to make the tournament.

A big thanks to the Country Kitchen of Platteville for the gift certificates!

Class A

Leo Richter	5	1	52.5
Mark Mauthe	4	2	48.74
Bun Carley	4	2	44.58

Class B

Bruce McLinn	7	1	37.82
Milt Larsen	6	2	43.09
John Brugger	5	2	42.14

Class C

Jim Haupt	6	1	28.92
Lisa White	5	2	26.07
Rich Brockway	5	2	21.78

Cadets

Gabe Burgin	6	0	8.88
Brady Bretzinger	4	2	5
Sean Champion	2	4	.55

High Ringer % Game Winners

Class A	Leo Richter	62.5
Class B	Milt Larsen	55



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What's New?

By, Jane Smith

The outdoor horseshoe season is drawing to a close. The State Tournament was a success and proved that several clubs can work together and share the duties. I would recommend this adventure for other clubs. It is nice to be indoors so there is no concern about the weather. We still have a few clubs who are able and willing to host this event; it is nice to travel to different parts of the State.

We still have some WHPA family who are facing health issues; I had a nice chat with Vince Jakel. He is undergoing dialysis and has good days as well as uncomfortable days. He did say he misses the competition and camaraderie of the tournaments. John Garvan is pitching a few shoes weekly. According to Kevin, he has a way to go BUT is outdoors and pitching. He is still in therapy but working hard. It was a great surprise to see Mark Stevens in Mosinee – and to see he pitched in Arkdale. It is tough to keep a great guy from pitching ringers!

The Jr. Scholarship Raffle was successful. All we need to see is Jim Haupt galloping on his pony! He not only won the rocking pony but several other prizes too. He maybe should have thought about a lottery ticket.

Jim was visiting with pitchers over the two day tournament promoting the WHNL. We are working toward eliminating the paper copies. At this time it is not possible as not everyone uses email or the internet. This will change in the future. Another question dealt with belonging to the Yahoo WHPA sports group site. According to the survey, there is interest. It is a relatively painless registration and the rewards are immediate as WHPA members are able to share needs, concerns or congratulations with friends in the horseshoe world. To register- go on line to http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/whpa_bulletin; click on Join Group; click on Create a new account at the bottom on the left; complete the form (remember your password); click Sign Up; click on Create Account. Once registered, you will receive any updates or notices from WHPA members. If you have any questions feel free to email or contact me.

We are still looking for Publicity and Membership committee members and leaders. If you are interested in even a small role, let one of your WHPA officers know.

Now is the time to submit any changes you might like to see in the By-Laws. Change is welcome and aids progress. Share your ideas with the WHPA.

Down 'n Back

With Jim Haupt

At Milwaukee's Washington Park the horseshoe league plays 20-shoe games Thursday mornings. The league consists of all seniors most at 30 feet. The director, Bob Kabella is one of the younger guys, still pitches at 40 ft. and handicaps all pitchers but let me tell you of an outstanding game I had with another, rather new, 30 ft'r. All you count-all pitchers are going to like this..

We both have the same handicap and I did pitch a good game, 12 ringers, 41 count-all points, but I lost! The new guy, Harof Ballman, started the game with a double, then another, and another.., six doubles in a row. His Allan Francis shoes were responding as if pitched by the namesake himself. He did miss in the seventh inning - 2 points. Regrouping, the 8th and 9th innings were also doubles. Alas in the 10th he could only manage 4 points for a total of 54 points of the possible 60. Expanding it to a 50 shoe game would equal 135!

Harold's ringer percentage, .85, or 17 ringers in 20 shoes, is the current day record for Washington Park. Even our heavy hitter, Milt Larsen, will have reach out to match that performance.

For my part, by luck I have played some high average pitchers in my day, Cliff Baker, Clarence Bellman, Randy Rein, Dale Lipovsky, and even Allan Francis but never faced anyone pitching an 85% game. Hats off to Harold Ballman with the best game from an opponent in my lifetime.

The Goldsmith Doubles

By, J Haupt

The name appears to be selected in honor of the old Goldsmith courts, a forerunner of the Beloit Horseshoe Club. Don Goldsmith, himself, chose to pass this event on the premise that he would be a hindrance to any partner.

"A" with 8 teams played 20-shoe games, 20 each. "B" with fewer teams pitched the traditional doubles game of 30 shoes.

Although an unsanctioned tournament no two pitchers consciously partnered to load-up, or overwhelm as we have sometimes seen in other doubles venues.

"A" winners; Linda & Don



Men's Championship



Women's Championship



Elder's Championship



Jr. Boys Championship



Jr. Girl's Championship



Cadet Boys Championship



Cadet Girls Championship



Men's A



Men's B



Men's C



Men's D



Men's E



Men's F



Men's G



Men's H





Elder's A



Elder's B



Elder's C



Elder's D



Jr. Mixed A



Women's A



Women's B



Women's C

