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Fall Meeting

-Jim Haupt



President, Glenn Bogenschneider, brought the fall meeting to order exactly at 1:00 pm in the

clubroom of the Sportsmens Club of Lake Delton. Welcoming all, he made special note of the unexpected attendance of John Garvan, who has been suffering physically yet shows the interest, along with his friends, in monitoring the workings of his favorite game.

John Secord, at home with hip surgery, reported, through Bogenschneider, that the current WHPA bank balance is at \$1013.

Competition among clubs pitching the State Tournament was popular this year with ten clubs participating. Jane Smith distributed awards. Half the clubs shared in cash prizes. See Jane's article for details. She also repeated her request for results with sanction number to add to POY standings.

Jimmy Paulson, retiring 2nd VP, said of next year's State Tournament in Beloit



that he is working on full electronic scoring and new shirts are in the

works.

2015 will be Platteville's turn for State. Mark Mauthe looks for a possible seventeen courts and maybe lights. It depends on their success in obtaining an additional NHPF grant. Their last grant of \$1000 has been fully repaid. Mauthe promised plenty of motel/hotel accommodations and will look into the possibility of camping on-site.

The Junior Scholarship fund under the tutelage of Sonia Cook shows liabilities of \$8600 but a balance of \$10,000. The State Tournament raffle, she says, was worth \$950.

John Meyer, NHPA Regional Director, is sending forms to all tournament directors requesting patch orders and dates for the 2014 outdoor season. He stated that 2015



will be the year for re-sanctioning all court layouts. Take this one-year opportunity to return your courts to NHPA standards, he asks. Meyer will be checking courts as he makes his way around the state pitching tournaments.

From the back of the room, big John Brophy, of Galesville, announced his intentions of a new tournament in Holmen, WI, where he has six sand courts. Probable schedule date to be late June.

Jim Haupt apologized for being just an old guy interested in Bylaw changes, but dove right into reading a

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12/3	Deansville Open	28-13-036	\$18	11/	Rudy VanFleet	920-210-7589
12/7-8	Beloit Snowflake	28-13-039	\$18	11/30	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
1/4	WHPA Christmas Party @ Beloit	Everyone Invited			Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
1/11-12	001	28-12-001	\$18	1/01	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
1/25-26	Klash w Kerry	28-12-002	\$18	1/15	Rudy VanFleet	920-210-7589
2/8-9	Valentine	28-12-003	\$18	1/30	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Feb	Deans vs Beloit	28-12-004	Xxx	Xxx	Club vs club	
3/1-2	Bring a Pal	Unsanct.	\$18	2/21	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
3/8	Bring a Junior	28-12-005	\$10	2/27	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
3/15-16	Klash w Kerry	28-12-006	\$18	3/12	Rudy VanFleet	920-210-7589
3/22-23	Red Ferguson mem.	28-12-007	\$18	4/1	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
4/12	Spring Meeting	15 poy pts	free	1:00 pm	Sportsmen's	Lake Delton
5/3	Club-Team	28-12-009	\$84	3/17	Jim Haupt	414-964-2735
5/4	WHPA Doubles	28-12-010	\$20	3/17	John Secord	920-922-0080

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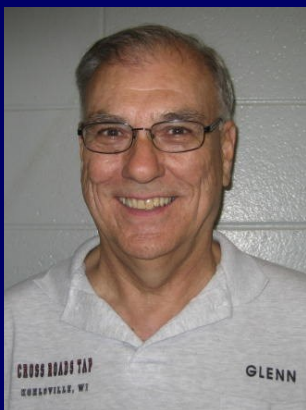
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From your President With Glenn Bogenschneider

The year is closing down fast, but what a year it has been for horseshoe pitching in Wisconsin. In May, our World Team #1 repeated as the World Team Champs. Great job, Ken, Gert, Ron and Martin. In August, at the World Tournament in St. George, UT, we had a World Champion crown in the Cadet Class, way to go, Steven. In September, at the State Tournament, the men's champion became the all time title winner, way to go, Randy. In October, at our Fall Meeting, we added another talented individual to serve on the Executive Board. Ed Wheeler was elected as our 2nd Vice President effective January 1st.

As great as 2013 has been, there is still much more we can do in 2014. When you are making your New Year Resolutions, keep our outstanding sport in mind. Instead of "letting the other guy" do it, YOU be that "other" guy. YOU be the one who recruits a new member or two. YOU be the one to support our Tournament Directors and pitch in more tournaments.

The holiday season will be with us when you receive this newsletter. Sandy and I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, prosperous and Happy New Year!!!

Behind the Mask With NHPA Chaplain Ken Heinritz

Whiners don't win & winners don't whine. I'm not sure who coined this phrase but I like it. It's very easy to lose perspective on what is truly important. What is it that makes one a winner?

Allow me to give you a few thoughts: A true winner is someone who doesn't use excuses after a tough loss. A true winner doesn't play mind games with an opponent in order to get an edge. A true winner is honest about the score. A true winner sincerely shakes hands before & after games. A true winner tries his very best at all times. It isn't beyond a true winner to pick up his opponents shoes every now & then. A true winner keeps his emotions in check when he doesn't get a ringer. A true winner is not boastful. A true winner would rather talk about your good game than his. A true winner is fun to be around.

The time will come when we no longer can play this game. How will people remember you?

Are you a winner or a whiner?

"For the despondent, every day brings trouble; for the happy heart, life is a continual feast."

Proverbs 15:15



WHPA Members Longevity Patches

By, John Secord / Jane Smith

John Secord shared names and awards of those WHPA members receiving longevity patches for membership in the WHPA. Members receive these patches at the completion of the decade they have pitched: 10, 20, 30, etc. This year we have four members receiving 30 year patches - Larry Barber, Norm Mauthe, Randy Rein, Mark Stevens; eleven receiving 20 year patches – Jack Algiers, Doug Bakkum, John Gregorich, Ed Hack, Jim Heim, John Koepp III, Ralph Mathaler, Carl Schleim, Loys Skards, Gert Wilcziek, Ron Wilcziek; and seventeen receiving 10 year patches – John Brugger, Cliff Erickson, Jayme Fehr, Norm Gage, Rod Ganther, Gary Hestekin, Ev Larsen, Rondi Mengelt, George Moraza, Barb Peters, Lance Peters, Joel Ramsdell, Matt Ramsdell, Leo Richter, Caitlin Simonz, Ardie Stoltenberg, Jenny Wolf.

Congratulations to these dedicated WHPA pitchers. Wear your patches with Wisconsin pride.

A message from Regional Director:

John Meyer

It's that time of the year again to decide on tournaments that you wish to hold for 2014. At the fall meeting I had forms available to fill out and submit back to me so I can order the appropriate number of patches required. If you have not received a form, please contact me. Please list all sanctioned tournaments whether open to everyone or in house. Just a head up, 2015 I will be contacting everyone about re-certification of courts, still a year away but never too soon to take a closer look and if problems get them taken care of. I have pictures of some of the facilities and will use those plus coming to tournaments to handle the re-certification.

A quick way to join the WHPA email group, simply send a blank email to:
whpa_bulletin-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
You will automatically receive a confirmation that you have joined the group (check your junk email)

2013 Junior Scholarship Raffle

Growing with Juniors

By, Sonia Cook

The 2013 Junior Scholarship Raffle brought in \$965.50. A very sincere and heartfelt THANK You to everyone who donated items and/or purchased tickets. Fifteen different individuals or businesses donated items for this raffle: the WHPA, Etco Electric Supply, Jensen Equipment, Bun and Shirley Carley, Furniture and Appliance Mart, Terry Sternberg, Beloit Horseshoe Club, Gert Wilcziek, Mouse Beckius, Mell Cook Family, Norm Mauthe, Marshfield Horseshoe Club, Marshfield Clinic, Heinzen Printing, and the Craig David Family. Ralph Marthaler was the big winner of the 32" TV donated by the WHPA; Jim Haupt won a Sawzall; and President Glenn Bogenschneider winning the leaf blower.

Monetary winners were Jill Inde, Mike Perdzoeh, Jim Haupt, Mark Feavel, Edie McKinney, Jim Haupt, Malachi David, and Trent Brantland. Other prizes such as a woodcrafted nut cracker, crocheted blanket, dice game, cooler, hand saws, bag chairs, beach towel, tumblers, lunch tote, tool set, ball cap, knit hat, measuring spoons and panel carrier were won by Carter Poppe, Chris Gage, Jason Villwock, Ed Wheeler, Cal Pitel, Brian Hahn, Ralph Marthaler, Ceil Trossen, Ann Murray, Grace Klopotek, Tony Scrima, Paul Poppe, Kurt Jochimsen, Mike Perdzoeh, Stan Fox, Lori Hansen, Sharon Schroeder, Rose MaLoney, John Drexler, Jesse Fisher and Sandy Secord. Monetary donations were broken into smaller amounts so more people could share in the winnings. Thanks again to everyone for your continued support of a great program.

2013 Junior Scholarship Raffle

Growing with Cadets 2013

By, Sonia Cook

The funds for this raffle go to the Junior Scholarship program and are named Cadets to separate the drawings. \$104.73 was the financial profit of this raffle. The Feavel family secured donations from the Waupun Wood Shop: a beautiful Rocking Horse won and pictured in the last WHNL issue by Jim Haupt and Noah's Ark won by Pam Aiken.

Once again, THANK You for your donations and support of this program.

Fall Meeting (continued from page 1)

page full of proposals printed elsewhere, this issue.

Sonia Cook thought the date of the Spring Meeting was indefinite; therefore, it was discussed. After consulting the calendar for Easter Sunday, it was decided by acclamation that the date of the next Spring Meeting will be **April 12, 2014**.



Other places showing interest in hosting our State tournament besides Oshkosh are Madison,

Manitowoc, and Saint Francis. While there are some prohibitive conditions at most locations, it is rewarding that some localities consider our attendance attractive.

Under new business, Bogenschneider put in a plug for the forthcoming World Tournament in Buffalo, New York, hoping for cooler weather than Utah. Ken Jaeger expressed desire to a notification of the online edition of the coming Newsletter. Jimmy answered, saying online editions along with other current news will continue to be available through the WHPA Bulletin.

The very next day, Terry Sternberg sent an email notice announcing October Newsletter. The contact is <http://whpahorseshoes.com>. Instructions to receive the notification are also on page 5. The ball is in your court; load it.

Ken Heinritz spoke against the WHPA and general horseshoe practice of awarding all juniors a trophy regardless of placement. He reminded the adults that juniors are also competitive and that if all their peers receive a trophy, what is the incentive to be a winner? The Lazaris family has a few championship pitchers and with a trophy for everybody there is no room in the car. The Lazaris World trophies had to be sent home with friends. Their dad, Mike Lazaris, is saying 'Uncle.'

Heinritz went on to urge the WHPA to consider a 120 percentage point cap when seeding the State Doubles. Although the present policy of a 60%-plus pitcher teaming with a less than 60% was originally a master-stroke, it can be improved. He continued, citing the last doubles event wherein half the championship class was outgunned on the basis of the seed.

Heinritz holds that a combined team entry average of 120 would serve to bolster competition.

Election of 2nd Vice President proceeded by written ballot slips only after each candidate had the opportunity to offer his qualifications. The long but short of it: Kevin Brekke, 13 votes. Eddie Wheeler, 17 votes. Congrats to Wheeler who will spend at least two years as our 2nd VP and our thanks to Kevin Brekke who is expected to continue in his WHPA roles as Hall of Fame evaluator and grandmaster of scorekeeping.

The Club-Team traveling trophy for 'He Who Strikes the Director's Eye,' was awarded to its co-director, Jimmy Paulson, for unique service.

With the meeting coming to a close, the president thanked the outgoing 2nd VP for his valued participation. Paulson responded, "Thanks for having me these past four years."

Adjourned: Central Standard Time 2:30 p.m.



Congratulations!
Ed Wheeler
WHPA 2nd
Vice President

His two year term begins
January 1, 2014

Special Award
From Jim Haupt to
Jimmy Paulson
For his willingness
and helping hand in all
WHPA events.



Real Men eat quiche and wear pink!
John Molling, Galen Kozel and Ken Heinritz are the proud winners of the remaining 2013 State tournament shirts!

Article IV, (page 9, WHPA Constitution and Bylaws, 2010, edition)

sect. 1B ; “State Tournament entry deadline is July 31.”

Add to sentence; “when the event is scheduled over Labor Day weekend.”

sect. 2B c . “Two NHPA sanction numbers will be issued for each Wisconsin State Tournament , one for regular classes, a separate one for championship classes.”

Strike. Reason; Unnecessary. Ruling affects only move-ups of which are too few.

Article V section 3B

“Trophies to be awarded. Three (3) in the ten and eight person classes.,,”

Change To: Trophies to be awarded. Two (2) in all classes of eight or less.

Reason; First and runner-up are sufficient. A third place trophy in a class of eight at a state tournament is meaningless except as a symbol of defeat and adds to further cost.

Article VI state tournament (Ties) sect. 3B

“If two or more are tied (for 1st place) a stepladder playoff will used. Play-off game will be same number of shoes or points as in class competition.”

Change to: First Place Play-off Ties within State Tournament.

a) 2 tied: one play-off game equal to class competition.

b) 3 tied: step ladder play-off. Games equal to class competition

c) 4 tied: #1 plays #4 while #2 plays #3. Winners play-off. Tournament director/committee set points or shoe limit ga. (Time elapsed, 2 games.)

d) 5 tied: #2 plays #5 while #3 plays #4, #1 waits. p/o game 2; low percentage winner of game one plays #1, while remaining winners also play-off. P/o game 3: winners of game 2 play-off. Pts or shoes set by Tournament director/committee. (Time elapsed, 3 games.)

e) 6 tied: #1 plays #6 while #2 plays #5 while #3 plays #4. Game 2: Winner of game #1 vs #6 waits while other two winners play-off. Finish with that winner playing winner of #1/#6. Shoes or points set by tournament director/committee. (Time elapsed, 3 games)

Article IX Section 1B. (page 13)

Change heading to; Guidelines for all tournaments within the WHPA.

a. Strike entire sentence requiring published flyer.

Reason: Outmoded

ARTICLE X State Doubles

sect d. Entry averages from Natstats shall be assumed on the Thursday following the date of entry deadline. Reason: Presently doing the same for the State Tournament. (Article IV, sect. 2b.)

Add sect e. Combined entry average of a team shall not exceed 120 percentage points.

Reason: Provides closer to equal competition within the championship class.

So What's Your Pleasure?

By, Jim Haupt

The Bylaw change proposals are published so that all members may review at leisure. These pages are open for suggestions. This Newsletter exists for all members. Any and all written opinions will be published next issue. Take advantage of this service. This is an opportunity to be heard without actually attending the meeting. Bylaw article III provides for voting by mail when deemed necessary. If suitable response is generated through this request, we'll submit a motion to vote by mail.

Haupt: Third place trophies at State should be eliminated for reasons previously stated also, aside from scorekeeping, trophies create the largest expense to the hosts, \$1400. Most pitchers do not understand why a common tournament has an entry fee of less than \$20 and can afford to pay as much as \$60 for first place. Then we have the State hosts charging a \$25 entry and it's trophies only. Cut their expenses, reap the harvest. Following is another late entry to reduce costs:

Article VII Section 3B;“Scorekeepers at State Tournament shall receive \$1 per game from each pitcher...

Change to: ...shall receive \$0.50 per game from each pitcher when electronic. Fees to be part of entry fee...

Reason: Electronic scorekeeping has become so easy, the job is no longer worth the former \$1 each.

Constitution change: Article X (Meetings), page 7, “A Spring Meeting shall be held the 3rd weekend of April(Fall 2012 change). Change to “A Spring Meeting will be held between the 3rd weekends of March and April.” Reason: To accommodate Easter Week Observations.

Player Profile: Tony Scrima

By, Jim Haupt

Tony Scrima was a skinny little nine year old kid when introduced to pitching horseshoes at the summer school playground. He can actually recall pitching with the son of well regarded Waukesha expert pitcher, Joe Madden. He is also one of the few living pitchers to see the pitching of Wisconsin's best ever, Casey Jones in an exposition match. Some of it certainly had a lasting effect.

Soon after Pitchin' Palace opened, Scrima got wind of it. He had only pitched a few tournaments, the old Anchor Inn for one, and was on cusp of serious pitching. The 1983 advent of indoor horseshoes, particularly during the winter, blended with his re-gained finding of the game. Coupling with doubles partner, Tom Steinke was another down stroke. Call it serendipity, or dumb luck. It has steered the rest of his life. Scrima and Steinke have extended their doubles partnership for the last 28 years throughout Waukesha County.

Life for Tony

Scrima was his day job as a master carpenter. After hours, or at all hours, it was fishing. He was a charter member of the Lunkers Unlimited Fishing Club, still in the business of sponsoring big fish tournaments. During Scrima's many years with the club he has held varied positions, Vice President, Outing Director, Tournament Director, Ice Chairman, and even wrote a periodical newsletter for his peers. To this day he is the foremost ticket seller when the club runs the annual raffle. We have all been there. He throws a full book and a pen at you saying something like, "A buck each, six for five. need more? Got 'em right here." He does it wholesale.

Scrima approaches his horseshoe association in a like manner. When called upon he constructed most of the platform courts used at Telfer Park, and remains 'on-tap' for other tasks when and if required. Of the many leagues he has pitched one remains in

memory only. For pitching excellence it has to be the Goldendale ringers-only league played second shift, 9:00 pm, 200 shoes, with top notch guys like Don Kangas, Ken Heinritz, Hank Schwartz, the Pritzlaff brothers, Rick and Bret, and then the rest of us, Traber, you and I., 'cannon fodder.'

Most tournaments in Wisconsin Scrima can rank as, been there-done that. A few tournaments stand out. The 4th of July tournament in Chenoa, Illinois followed by next day at Windy Hill near Wausau, a difference of 400 miles was pushing it. Preferred Nick Bryant's Chenoa event by a landslide. For a while they played point games there. Won class B one time in Chenoa. Made many tournaments traveling with Ralph Maylahn and Jim Haupt including the World. In



his 40 foot days he was a solid "B" pitcher in the mid 50 percentile bracket. These days at 30 feet Scrima is great in practice pitching most every day. Come tournament day it's a struggle. He too, does not understand why.

If time is no object, ask him about his neighbor. Scrima built a nice backyard court, walkways carpeted, Chenoa clay, but hesitates to pitch there because of his neighbor who can't

stand the sound of so many ringers, rushes to the house, slams the door, and that's only the good part. Ask only if daring.

State Tournaments are a must. Scrima has made them all and can't remember missing a State meeting. He may love horseshoes but does not like to deal with X' and O's. One could assume, although electronic scoring may be the way to go, the darn thing better not quit on Scrima. Does this figure? Dick Hansen, Pitchin' Palace tournament director once declared Scrima a director's dream for his habit of coming early and staying late just to keep score. The Palace scoreboards were electronic displays but also required a written score-sheet. Perhaps Hansen put up with all X's.

"By the way," Tony asks, "Could this be for the Hall of Fame? It has only taken 30 years for this interview!"

Platteville Club History

By, Mark Mauthe / Norm Mauthe

With the Platteville club receiving the approval of the membership at the Fall Meeting to be the host of the 2015 Wisconsin State Tournament, I was asked by Jane Smith to compile an article with the history of our club. So here goes

The Platteville Horseshoe Pitching Association originated in 1981 when a small group of pitchers led by Francis Fogel, Bob Bennett, LaVerne "Beany" Flesch and a few others got approval from the city and six clay courts with lights were installed on the grounds of the west side of Legion Field Park. Bob Bennett served as our club president, Norm Mauthe as vice president, and Grace Fogel as secretary/ treasurer.

The "warming house" as it is called (because it is the cozy staging area for departing ice skaters when the open field gets frozen over in the winter time) would be our storage area for supplies. The first leagues that ran were a women's doubles on Wednesday nights and a men's doubles on Thursday nights. Not long after that, leagues were added on Monday nights for mixed play. It was kind of a "beginners" league which included all junior players as well as men and women. A second night of men's doubles was added on Tuesday as well. All leagues were played count all handicap with the early percentage being eighty-five. Over time, all leagues were amended to one hundred percent handicap which is how we play present day.

That first set of six courts had a picket fence surrounding it and the lights. A plan was to go ahead and replace the picket fence with a chain link fence; however, Norm Mauthe asked that we add two more courts before doing that. In 1984, two more courts were added to make the eight, and a new chain link fence was installed which surrounded the entire layout. Platteville's first state-listed tournament (The Platteville Open) was run in 1984. There were seventy-two entries for that first tournament. Forty-eight men, twelve women, six boys, and six girls. The entries for the Platteville Open tournament grew to over ninety in coming years.

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

In 1990, five more courts were added behind the original courts with room allowed for three more. Having the courts back to back is kind of an unusual set up, but is all that space allowed for. With the addition of the five courts, we started a second open tournament in 1991. The Platteville Spring Singles on Memorial Day weekend was our first NHPA sanctioned event and that tournament continues to this day. The Platteville Open would eventually be switched to a sanctioned event in 1995. Also taking place in the early 90s, we purchased four shade trees and had them planted on the south end of the old courts - a welcome addition to help with blistering summer heat. Within a few years, four more shade trees were transplanted from club member Mel Fogel's farm and are located between the front and back courts. A NHPA sanctioned singles league was started by Mark Mauthe in 2002. That league continues to this day.

The Platteville club had an interest in eventually hosting the State Tournament and earned the vote from the members to host for 2004. Once that had been determined, the club added three more courts in 2003 as well as nicely fashioned new pop / paint can holders. A new storage shed was also purchased in 2004. The club had also secured a NHPF grant of \$1,000 to help pay for the new court upgrades. Long-time club President Bob Bennett retired in 2004 after twenty-three years of distinguished service. Bob being largely responsible for working with the city to secure the funding for such fine facilities that we have today. Mark Mauthe was elected president at that time and serves as president to this day. The 2004 State Tournament was a joint effort between the Arena Sandbaggers club and the Platteville club and was a complete success. We would team up once again to host the 2009 State Tournament in Platteville. These two tournaments would not have been possible to run without the assistance of the Arena club, and their efforts deserve all recognition.

Times have changed over the years, and like many clubs, we have adapted. The mixed Monday league and the women's league eventually merged with the Tuesday and Thursday doubles leagues. We currently run with those two leagues as well as the Monday sanctioned singles. Since the very beginning, we have run an event during Platteville's annual

Platteville continued:

Dairy Days Festival. That started with a 24 shoe pitch format and now runs with a high-low doubles on Friday night the weekend after Labor Day weekend.

A few years ago a very special donation was made by the family of Orville Baker. Orville had his own welding shop which he has since passed on to his son Jeff. We used to play there in the winter time as he had two portable courts set up in the shop. In his spare time over the years he had fabricated an "Iron Man" as we like to call it. After Orville's passing, his son Gary installed the "Iron Man" at the west end of the courts. The sculpture is the likeness of a horse-shoe pitcher in mid swing that stands in honor of Orville and all that participate at the Platteville courts.

As with many clubs throughout the state, our numbers are affected by the toll of time. In 2001, with funds donated from the family of LaVern Edge, we started the LaVern Edge memorial plaque to honor those club members that are no longer with us. Sadly, that plaque now has fifty-one cherished names on it.

The Platteville club is honored and humbled to have been chosen to host the 2015 State Tournament and hopes it will be every bit as successful and enjoyable as the 2004 and 2009 were.

What do these three good looking people have in common?

Ken Heinritz



At the 2013 World Tournament during the Championship Class play, these three had perfect games pitched against them. Alan Francis threw two perfect games: one each against Ken Heinritz & Ken Jones (New Mexico). And Joan Elmore threw one against Sara Otto (Minnesota).

WHNL On Line

By, Jane Smith

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HEY CARL, WE DONE PITCHED 4 RINGERS!

I TOLD YOU STEVE, 4-CLUCKS.



(WITH APOLOGIES TO BOB THAVES)

*J.H.
10/13*



Contest

Jim Haupt is challenging your horse-shoe pitching experience and knowledge with his cartoon. He would like the following question answered: Where is the most likely location of this scene ? And when? The first correct answer sent to hauptjim@yahoo.com wins a free one year subscription to the WHNL. Good Luck!!

DEANSVILLE SINGLES

By, Rudy VanFleet

Three highly competitive classes took place at this year's event. Pitching at 30' for the first time were Glenn Bogenschneider and Julio Tijerina.

Class A

1st	Leo Richter	5	0	51%
2nd	G. Bogenschneider	4	1	51.5%
3rd	Don Illgen	3	2	42.5

Class B

1st	John Olson	6	1	41.7%
2nd	Ed Hack	6	1	37.5%
3rd	Ed Mell	5	1	33.9%

Class C

1st	Julio Tijerina	5	0	33.9%
2nd	Randy Mitchell	4	1	42.4%
3rd	Rich Conrad	2	3	24%

Next tourney; Deansville Open on Dec. 14.

Visiting pitcher's take:

While the Deansville Horseshoe Club may be alive and well, but it looks like the bar operators are not. J.D. and Me say, "We really don't want to, but are forced to give it up."

Rudy and Kerry say horseshoes is the only going thing at Nelson's Crossing. It's listed number one on the sign offering features at this location.

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Beloit Fall Singles

By, Jimmy Paulson / Earl Paulson

Class A

Galen Kozel	4	1	54
Mark Mauthe	4	1	49.6
John Meyer	2	3	49.2

Class B

Tom Bird	5	0	45.6
Steve Wiegert	3	2	40
Rowen Swick	3	2	34

Class C

Tom Endler	5	0	43.6
Linda Hycnar	4	1	34.4
Tony Scrima	3	2	42

Class D

Dan Lessman	4	1	32
Walt Houck	4	1	28.4
Robert Starck	3	2	30.4

Class E

Karen Keelin	5	0	27.6
Georgia Beebe	4	1	14.8
Jenny Reed	2.5	2.5	16.4

Class F

Tom Steinke	5	0	20
Paul Widell	3	2	16.8
Greg Bergles	3	2	16.4

Class G

Ann Murray	5	1	21.85
Ed Dolan	4	2	8.26
Kevin Aarstad	2	4	15

Class H

Norm Beckius	3.5	1.5	30
Ron Fritz	3.5	1.5	28.8
Kenneth Hopp	3	2	24.4

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State Tournament Team Event

By, Jane Smith

This was the 23rd year of this team competition at the State Tournament. To enter the tournament, a club/league needs a minimum of 5 members pitching in the State Tournament. If two or more neighboring clubs wish to join together because they do not have the minimum of five pitchers, it is acceptable and has been done in the past. Every pitcher receives points depending on their place in their class and the number of pitchers in their class. Totals for each team are then divided by the number of pitchers representing their club. The team with the highest point average is the Champion.

We had a new Champion in 2014 with the New London Club. They eked out a win over 2nd place Heinritz Homestead Club by a .07 point advantage. New London had five pitchers with a winning percent of 6.4; 2nd place Heinritz team had a 6.33 total by their nine pitchers. This was the closest finish ever! The first five places were within .74 points. Little Bull Falls nine pitchers finished 3rd with a total of 6.0; 4th place went to the five pitchers of the Delton Sportsmen's club; Eau Claire's nine pitchers finished 5th with 5.66 points. These top five clubs received certificates and cash for their efforts. 1st place New London has possession of the traveling trophy and free entry to the 2014 State Tournament Team event.

The remaining five teams received certificates of participation: Close Doesn't Count, 8 pitchers, finished 6th with 5.62 points; Arkdale, 7th, six pitchers, 5.33 points; Marshfield (defending champs for 2 years) placed 8th, nine pitchers, 4.77 points; Muskego. Finished 9th, eight pitchers with 4.74 points; Beloit with the most pitchers- 19- finished 10th with 4.10 points.

This is a fun side competition for our pitchers. Bragging rights are always fun for a year!

2013 Autumn Harvest

By, Jimmy Paulson / Earl Paulson

<u>Class A</u>			
Dennis Reid	4	2	64.17
Gunnar David	4	2	52.5
Al Johnson	4	2	51.25
<u>Class B</u>			
Rowen Swick	4	1	35.6
Tony Scrima	3	2	40.8
John Meyer	2	3	42.8
<u>Class C</u>			
Tom Endler	4	1	38.8
Rich Loder	3.5	1.5	40
Jim Huckabee	3	2	34
<u>Class D</u>			
Herman Robisch	4.5	.5	34.8
Dan Lessman	4	1	37.6
Walt Houck	2	3	24.8
<u>Class E</u>			
Ken Hopp	5	1	29.17
Rick Swan	4	2	26.67
Georgia Beebe	4	2	20.83
<u>Class F</u>			
Don Goers	5	1	27.92
Karen Keelin	4	2	28.33
John Resch	2	4	25.83
<u>Class G</u>			
Greg Bergles	4.5	.5	22.4
Roger Kitner	4	1	24.4
Tom Steinke	3	2	18
<u>Class H</u>			
Scott Winefka	4	1	14.4
Kevin Aarstad	4	1	14.4
Mary Wojciechowski	3	2	6.8
<u>Class I</u>			
Ann Murray	5	2	16.07
Ed Dolan	5	2	11.43
Adrianna Goers	5	2	10.71



Class B



Class D



Class E



Class H

Class F



Class G



**Don Goldsmith
Doubles**

**Class A
Winners!**



What's New?

By, Jane Smith

At this printing, we would like to welcome five new members to the WHPA: Bridget Olson, La-Crosse; Jasmine Schallhorn, Friendship; Rachael Thompson, Holmen; Shayla Wallin, Hudson; and Billy Hughes, Janesville. These new members will receive one complimentary issue of the WHNL along with a state patch and welcoming letter and NHPA/WHPA brochures. Thanks to those WHPA members who recruited and encouraged these new members. It was my pleasure to meet Shayla at our Wet N Wild tournament last fall. She pitched in her first tournament – winning her class!! Her cash winnings are to be donated to the WHPA Junior Scholarship fund and will be receiving a trophy for her win. What a way to begin a horseshoe career!

Our Horseshoe Family

We continue to have WHPA members and families struggling with health issues. Norm Mauthe recently underwent a surgery for a belly button hernia repair. According to his son, Mark, he is recovering nicely. I also learned at the Fall WHPA meeting that Lloyd Johnson is facing a health challenge.

Norm Mauthe mentioned at the Fall WHPA meeting we have a couple former pitchers – Oscar and Marie Donar- are in a memory care facility in Cuba City. They are in the same room and according to sister in law, Teresa (also a former WHPA pitcher), would like cards and letters from their horseshoe friends. Their address: Epione Pavillione, 808 S Washington, St., Cuba City, WI 53807.

We continue to send prayers and positive thoughts to our many members and families who are facing health challenges.

2013 Don Goldsmith Doubles

By, Jimmy Paulson / Earl Paulson

Class A

Al Johnson	6	1	32.86
Linda Roeber			46.23
Tom Bird	5	2	44.29
Rick Borgwardt			33.57
Tony Scrima	5	2	37.86
Jim Haupt			24.29

Class B

Georgia Beebe	4	0	30.83
Pam Woodard			31.67
Russ Burns	3	1	15.83
Karen Keelin			30
Jim Huckabee	2	2	32.5
Dan Newkirk			11/67

Class C

Paul Widell	4	1	22
Tina Horstman-Brown			6
Larry	3	2	12
Larry Cook			16.67
Chris Sween	3	2	8.67
Walt Kraayvanger Jr			11.33

POY Suggestions Wanted

By, Jane Smith

The Pitcher of the Year award has seen many changes since its beginning by Dick Hansen in the 1980s. In the beginning, there was only one award. Time and interest suggested we add awards and divisions. We now have three Divisions determined by end of year averages and percentages. Division A features averages over 45%; Division B— averages between 30 and 44.99%; Division C - averages less than 29.99%. Points are awarded for the first three place finishes—15, 10 and 5 respectively. In the past, all pitchers received points for participation. This was changed as the bookkeeping became daunting.

It has been suggested to double points for State events such as the State Singles and Doubles tournaments. The thought being to encourage more participation in these events and the game in general.

Another thought was to award points to the person who traveled the most distance to the tournament in each class receiving double points.

Since the tabulation of points has not yet begun, new ideas and suggestions are welcomed. Feel free to share your thoughts and ideas with me.

WHPA Hall of Fame Nomination

To be eligible for nomination, a candidate must have been a WHPA member for ten (10) years. There are four (4) major categories:

Player Category

- Outstanding State & World tournament performance
- State & World tournament titles
- Pitching records achieved (i.e. perfect game, repeat performances, etc.)
- Sportsmanship

Organizer / Promoter Category

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

Player / Organizer Category

Candidates' accomplishments from both above categories.

Honorable Mention Category

- Candidates from states other than WI who have had a positive influence in WI horseshoes
- Candidates from WI who have contributed to the WHPA events

The WHPA Hall of Fame committee is comprised of the WHPA officers, former WHPA president, and three WHPA members at large. Jeff Secord is the Hall of Fame Chairperson. **Nominations for Hall of Fame are due February 1st. Send the following information to Jeff Secord, W2805 Johnsburg Rd, Fond du Lac, WI 54937**

Name of Nominator _____

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Phone Number / e-mail of Nominator _____

Name of Nominee _____

Address of Nominee _____

Phone Number / e-mail of Nominee _____

Choose a category:

Player _____ Organizer / Promoter _____ Player / Promotion _____ Honorable Mention _____

Please attach a typed page of credentials and/or reasons for the nomination. Feel free to enumerate and promote your nominee with statistics and facts of their horseshoe career.

Number of years in WHPA _____


Accomplishments: Titles won, offices held, leagues formed, etc.

Roles played in the WHPA: tournament director, court organization, Jr. participation, etc.

Other:

These people have been nominated to the WI Hall of Fame: Dave Forseth, Gene Mason, Glenn Bogenschneider, Don Hostrup, Don Goldsmith, Dan and Sylvia David, Ken Lovaas, Kevin Brekke, Ed Wheeler, Gus Schram, Sonia Cook, Tom Steinke. Nominees remain on the list for ten years after which they must be re-nominated for consideration.

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