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Pitcher's Party

-By, Jim Haupt

The first gathering of the new year happened in the Beloit clubhouse, fourth day of January. This WHPA Christmas Party is heavily attended by ordinary patrons of what they call, Red's Palace in honor of the late Red Ferguson who made the building possible.

The catered meal proved satisfyingly complete. As usual, president, Mouse Beckius, urged all back for seconds.

The real headliners of the evening were the Beloit Blue Rivers Boys. It should be no news that this club has its own musical ensemble. Tonight, all playing guitars, were, Ernie Rakstad, Linda, Ken Posmer, Dick Poff, Luke Champion, Russ Burns, Jeff Johnson, and Jim Tollefson. Lead vocalists, Poff and Johnson, with the Mouse in reserve. To see the Blue River Boys live, in person, come to State Tournament, look to the same corner of Red's Palace Saturday evening.

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Ernie, Linda, Ken, Dick, Russ, Luke
New big screen tally boards, top of wainscoting



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Upcoming Events

			Entry Fee	D/L	Contact Person	
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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Put in "R"

By, Jim Haupt

We are often urged to bring friends and relatives to our sport. How many times have you tried? Are you tired of asking your friends to join-in and play the game? Try the opposite tack.

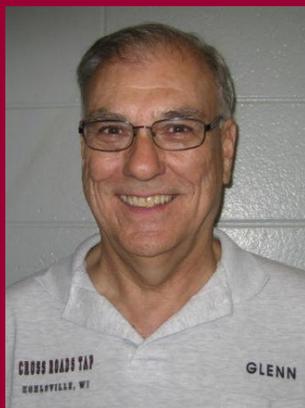
Tell your friends you are really too busy to have a few beers with them, or whatever. If up against it you might have to say, Okay, okay, I'm playing in a horseshoe league, having a ball but ya know, it takes a certain knack to pitch a ringer and I really don't know if you could do it. If and when you can, it may become a compulsive habit. Besides we already have 10 or 15 thousand members nationally who are able to pitch a shoe, and it costs \$25 a year to belong. Of course they do keep weekly records of your tournament ringer percentage. You might have to travel a bit, 100 miles maybe, to tournaments. And there's a World Tournament every year but it costs \$125 to enter. Enter 4 tournaments and you're in. Sure you get to pitch three days on some nice courts, yeah, indoors, sure AC, nice towns, all over, like St George Utah, Kitchner, Ontario, this year it's Buffalo, NY, but unless you win the whole thing, you are looking at only \$500 for first place. I wonder if you're cut out for it. Whacha tink?

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From your President

With Glenn Bogenschneider

HAPPY NEW YEAR! What an exciting time, a new year, 2014: A new year to pitch in tournaments that you did NOT pitch in last year; A new year to sponsor a new member that you did NOT do last year; A new year to volunteer at the league, club or state level, that you did Not do last year.

The Executive Board would like to welcome Ed Wheeler as our new 2nd VP and to thank Jimmy Paulson for his service these past years.

I am happy to report that the Beloit and Deansville indoor tourna-

ments are in full swing. If you have not pitched at these fine facilities, please plan a road trip and take in a tourney or two.

Please review the enclosed outdoor tournament schedule and plan on attending as many tournaments as possible. Mark your calendars now!

Until next time, there are many ways to assist the state chapter, but always remembers the 3 p's: pitch, promote, and participate. Ringers to all!!!

Behind the Mask

With NHPA Chaplain Ken Heinritz

Hitting the jackpot is what many Americans dream of. The desire to 'strike er rich' was not only a wish of gold diggers from years gone by. But in today's world wherever there is a dearth, one finds satisfaction when the need is replenished.

We all know that the NHPA is experiencing a dearth in horseshoe pitchers. So when my pastor asked me if I would be willing to set up temporary horseshoe courts on the church property for the annual Church Picnic, I was rather elated. But would anyone come? Are people interested in horseshoes anymore? Other events like volleyball & golf, & other games would be going on at the same time.

The plot set aside for horseshoe pitching could safely field 3 courts. The announcement went out that the first 12 contestants to sign up would participate in a doubles tournament. Now would anyone show? To my surprise, over 20 people came out to the

horseshoe courts . . . men, women, elders, juniors. I couldn't believe it! It was like hitting the jackpot for me! Was this really happening?

Teams were randomly picked out of a hat & since these were all 'newbie's' & games were played only to 11 points. People rotated in so everyone played.

No natural 'ringers' out of the bunch but good potential. Should we expect all these people soon be joining the NHPA? Don't hold your breath. But maybe we can corral some to pitch in the sanctioned Heinritz Homestead summer league. Or bring them to the 'Bring a Pal' doubles event in Beloit.

I may not have literally hit the jackpot, but I am enjoyed this little pot of gold that fell at my feet.

Will 2014 be the year that you enlist a friend to the NHPA? What is holding you back from asking?

"You have not, because you ask not"

James 4:2

This is Your Life

Anonymous

Do what you love and do it often.

If you don't like something, change it.

If you don't like your job, quit.

If you don't have enough time, quit watching TV.

If you are looking for the love of your life, stop.

They will be waiting for you when you start doing things you love.

Stop analyzing, life is simple.

All emotions are beautiful!

When you eat, appreciate every last bit.

Open your mind, heart and heart to people.

We are united in our differences.

Ask the next person what their passion is and share your interesting dream with them.

Travel often; getting lost will help you find yourself.

Some opportunities only come once, seize them.

Life is about the people you meet and the things you create with them;

so go out and start creating.

Live your dream and share your passion.

Life is short!

Regional Director's Report

By, John Meyer

Happy New Year. 2013 was a great year to pitch. With 36 sanctioned tournaments throughout the state it gave everyone the opportunity to take in a couple of tournaments. 2014 shows an increase in tournaments to 46. Most of these tournaments are inhouse league tournaments that are being sanctioned, but we do have a new kid on the block. Holman WI is having their first sanctioned tournament in June and needs our support.

Last year we did have a drawback, as less pitchers signed up for tournaments. Please look at your schedule and make a new years resolution to go to one additional tournament. Your support is needed to keep tournaments going.

Deansville Open

By, Rudy VanFleet

Class A

Glenn Bogenschneider	5	0	51.5
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John Meyer	3	2	51.
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Steve Miller	3	2	46.5
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Class B

Rick Weller	4	1	40.8
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Bill Dahman	3	2	44.
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Tony Scrima	3	2	41.2
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Class C

Harold Ballman	7	0	38.2
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Mitch Littlegeorge	6	1	31.4
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Randy White	4	3	22.9
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Mouse Robbed at Gunpoint

By, Jim Haupt

It's 9:30 at night. Mouse has just arrived home is coming around the corner from his garage encountering a man with a gun demanding money. Mouse Beckius, president of the Beloit Horseshoe Club is carrying a bag of club receipts of the day, about \$400 worth. "It was not pretty," says the Mouse, "it was scary-scary. The robber guy was scared too. His gun was a-wiggling as he promised, "I will shoot you." The robber got the money but as Mouse says, "He didn't smack me."

This incident proves there is money in Horseshoes and perhaps Beloit should invest in a safe so the Mouse can quit looking over his shoulder.



Promoting our Game!

Ken Heinritz was asked to set up a mini tournament at their Annual Church Picnic. These pictures show willing participants! Just another way to promote an awesome family sport and activity.



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

WHPA TOURNAMENTS BY MONTH—2014 assembled by John Meyer

	Tournament	entry	Sanction	Deadline	Contact	Phone
Jan 25/26	RUDY'S Rally	\$18	28-14-002	1/15	Rudy Van Fleet	920-210-7589
Feb 8/9	Valentine	\$18	28-14-003	1/30	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Feb	Deansville vs Beloit		28-14-004	xxxxx	a club on club event	
Mar 1/02	Bring a Pal	\$10	Unsanction	21 Feb	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
8 Mar	Bring a Jr Doubles	\$10	28-14-005	27 Feb	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Mar 15/16	Klash w Kerry	\$18	28-13-006	3 Mar	Rudy Van Fleet	920-210-7589
Mar 22/23	Red Ferguson	\$18	28-14-007	12 Mar	Earl Paulson	608-879-23
Apr 12	WHPA SPRING MT	\$00	15 POY pts	1:00 pm	Sportsmens	Lake Delton
Apr 12/13	Spring Fling	\$18	28-14-008	1 Apr	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Apr 26-27	April Showers limit 16	\$10	28-14-045	19 Apr	Les Karpiel	715-924-4020
May 3	Club Team	\$84	28-14-009	17 Mar	Jim Haupt	414-964-2735
May 4	WHPA Doubles	\$40	28-14-010	17 Mar	John Secord	920-922-0080
May 10	Beloit Encore	\$20	28-14-011	03 May	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
May 10	Early Bird	\$10	28-14-012	26 Apr	Kenny Rentz	715-495-5290
May 16-18	Team World	\$200	28-14-013	02 May	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
May 24	Platteville Singles	\$16	28-14-014	16 May	Norm Mauthe	608-348-9697
May 31	Wolf River Open	\$16	28-14-015	17 May	Ken Jaeger	920-982-6287
Jun 07/08	Spring Singles	\$18	28-14-016	28 May	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Jun 07/08	Eagle River Open	\$18	28-14-017	31 May	Cliff Erickson	715-479-1059
Jun 08	Eau Claire Open	\$20	28-14-018	18 May	Kenny Rentz	715-495-5290
Jun 14	Muskego Open	\$15	28-14-019	08 Jun	Tom Steinke	262-594-5464
Jun 14	Marshfield Open	\$20	28-14-020	02 Jun	Mel Cook	715-650-0639
Jun 21/22	Goldendale Open	\$15	28-14-021	07 Jun	G. Bogenschneider	262-297-1378
Jun 21-22	Phil-Wall Holman	\$15	28-14-046	07 Jun	John Brophy	608-582-4155
Jun 21/22	Ken Kosky Bull Falls	\$20	28-14-043	08 Jun	John Olson	715-359-3969
Jun 28	Winnebagoland -F.D.L.	\$16	28-14-022	18 Jun	John Meyer	920-921-2936
Jul 04	Patriot—Edgerton	\$20	Unsanction	23 Jun	Kevin Brekke	608-669-1218
Jul 12	Arkdale Open	\$16	28-14-023	05 Jul	Ray Groskinsky	608-339-2466
Jul 12/13	Ken Lovass Memorial	\$18	28-14-024	01 Jul	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Jul 14-26	World Tournament		Buffalo New York		Dick Hansen	by mail
Aug 03	Lox's Classic	\$18	28-14-025	24 Jul	Rosemary Kamps	920-788-3229
Aug 07	Wolf River Club event		28-14-026	xxxxxxx	an inter-club event	
Aug 09/10	Tune Up Tourney	\$18	28-14-027	01 Aug	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Aug 09/10	Log Jam-Mosinee	\$20	28-14-044	28 Jul	Trent Bratland	715-581-7108
Aug 12	Last Chance (E.C.)	\$10	28-14-028	27 Jul	Kenny Rentz	715-495-5290
Aug 16	Green Bay Open	\$18	28-14-029	08 Aug	Steve Wiegert	920-435-6310
Aug 18	Platteville League event		28-14-030	xxxxx	an inter-league event	
Aug 30 – Sep 01	State Tournament	\$25	28-14-031&032	31 Jul	John Secord	920-922-0080
Sep 06/07	Wet N' Wild	\$15	28-14-033	23 Aug	Jane Smith	715-485-3057
Sep 13	Arkdale Doubles	\$22	28-14-034	06 Sep	Ray Groskinsky	608-339-2466
Sep 13	Platteville Open	\$15	28-14-035	04 Sep	Mark Mauthe	608-348-9697
Sep 17	CDC League event		28-14-036	xxxxxxx	an inter-league event	
Sep 20	Goldsmith Doubles	\$20	Unsanction	10 Sep	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Oct 11/12	Fall Singles	\$18	28-14-038	01 Oct	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Oct 26/27	Deansville Singles	\$18	28-14-039	16 Oct	Rudy Van Fleet	920-210-7589
Nov 08/09	Autumn Harvest	\$18	28-14-040	30 Oct	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304
Nov 29/30	Deansville Open	\$18	28-14-041	19 Nov	Rudy Van Fleet	920-210-7589
Dec 06/07	Snowflake	\$18	28-14-042	26 Nov	Earl Paulson	608-879-2304

Year End Average Report

Top 20 Averages in Wisconsin

1) Ron Button	30	76.30	9) Steve Miller	M	56.59	17) Glenn Bogenschneider	30
2) Gert Wilcziek	W	73.85	10) Lonny Trangsrud	M	56.49	54.25	
3) Randy Rein	M	62.90	11) Gunnar David	B	56.22	18) John Molling	M 53.96
4) Martin Papesh	30	62.36	12) Cathy Asmundsen	W	56.07	19) Tory Jeske	M 53.10
5) Galen Kozel	30	60.89	13) Aleena Cook	W	55.66	20) Leo Richter	30 52.17
6) Larry Grabowski	30	58.98	14) Mark Mauthe	M	55.40		
7) Pam Aiken	W	58.59	15) Dave Ninnemann	30	55.00		
8) Ken Heinritz	M	58.37	16) Gene Mason	30	54.32		

Pitchers Who Played the Most Tournaments

Jim Haupt	30	Steve Wiegert	14	Cliff Erickson	12	Jeff Gustafson	10
Martin Papesh	22	Tom Steinke	14	Norm Gage	12	Dave Schorbahn	10
Kevin Brekke	20	Greg Bergles	14	Tony Scrima	12	Tom Bird	10
John Meyer	19	Ron Button	13	David Palmershiem	12	Ivan Ruzic	10
Ray Groskinsky	18	Al Huizenga	13	Ken Heinritz	11	Rondi Mengelt	10
Bruce McLinn	18	Joel Ramsdell	13	Mark Rice	11	Art Collien	10
Dave Ninnemann	17	Leo Richter	13	Randy Mitchell	11	Ann Murray	10
Kerry Morris	17	Allen Johnson	13	Scott Linhart	11	Cecelia Trossen	10
Bernard Vandanelzen	17	Lonny Trangsrud	12	Richard Conrad	11		
John Resch	17	John Molling	12	Ed Wheeler	11		
Galen Kozel	16	Ed Hack	12	Kevin Aarstad	11		
John Mcneill	16	Kevin Peterson	12	Toni Sloper	11		
John Olson	16	Mike Rousseau	12	Gloria Smith	11		
Russ Burns	16	Jim Tollefson	12	Gert Wilcziek	10		
Linda Roeber	15	Rowen Swick	12	Mark Mauthe	10		

Junior Boys

(age 18 and under)

Gunnar David	56.22	9
Blake Lazaris	26.70	3
Mason Bisch	25.83	4
Travis Johnson	21.79	3
Alex Tzwnik	7.50	1
Cole Trangsrud	7.00	4
Joshua Kuchta	6.00	1
Tyler Ramsdell	5.83	1
Jonathan Kuchta	4.00	1
Brady Reetz	3.33	1
Tristen Sween	2.43	2
Tony Secord	1.98	1

Junior Girls

(age 18 and under)

Heather Feavel	44.74	3
Christina Heinritz	31.97	3
Emily Lazaris	31.35	5
Shayla Wallin	20.50	2
Cassi Williams	11.45	2
Cailyn Trangsrud	10.11	4
Alisha Prasalowicz	5.08	4
Mary Ann Aiken	3.57	1
Alyssa Simonz	2.45	3
Jasmine Schallhorn	1.81	2
Marissa Sheff	0.50	1

Cadets

(age 12 and under)

Steven Lazaris	47.29	5
Brooke Lazaris	24.56	3
Gabe Burgin	9.47	5
Nicholas Prasalowicz	8.42	3
Brandon Benzing	5.52	4
Abby Aiken	5.03	2
Blake Benzing	2.90	4
Carter Poppe	2.56	2
Kane Kuester	1.57	2
Caitlin Simonz	1.15	2
Lillyan Kildahl	0.57	1

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

2013 Year End Averages—Men (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Randy Rein	62.90	8	Rowen Swick	34.59	12	Ricki Williams	22.14	1
Ken Heinritz	58.37	11	Mitch Littlegeorge	34.55	6	Tim Sheehan	22.13	4
Steve Miller	56.59	2	Jerremy Wegner	34.52	5	Greg Bergles	22.02	14
Lonny Trangsrud	56.49	12	Rich Brockway	34.37	8	Mel Cook	21.59	5
Mark Mauthe	55.40	10	Steve Wallin	34.17	4	Tom Reiter	21.50	1
John Molling	53.96	12	Dan Williams	34.04	3	George Moraza	21.08	3
Tory Jeske	53.10	6	Ralph Marthaler	33.66	5	Stan Fox	20.90	3
Dean Chaffee	51.12	7	Tom Rosenthal	33.57	2	Tom Fischer	20.25	4
Nick Muller	50.74	8	Bernie Sopinski	33.57	1	Jack Ellinger	20.00	1
John Meyer	49.09	19	Gary Wegner	33.12	2	Millard Harding	20.00	1
Ray Groskinsky	48.02	18	Jerry Niemuth	32.72	7	Jim Harder	19.77	2
Cliff Erickson	47.14	12	Bob Kallstrom	32.34	5	Dick Perkins	19.60	1
Jeff Gustafson	47.12	10	Layne Olson	32.18	2	Dan Sheehan	19.51	4
Dan Bloom	46.47	4	Kevin Brekke	32.16	20	John Reiter	19.50	1
Bernard Carley	46.18	7	Bob Cole	31.93	9	Matt Ramsdell	19.28	1
Jarroed Bisch	45.92	5	Dean Hove	31.33	2	David Palmershiem	17.82	12
Jim Bilderback	45.46	7	Joel Ramsdell	30.16	13	Dave Carpenter	17.69	8
Mitch Vhanek	44.80	1	Randy Mitchell	30.13	11	Trent Bratland	17.52	5
John Koepp III	44.48	2	Mark Stevens	30.00	1	Walt Kraayvanger Jr	17.50	2
Jerry Oleskow	44.37	1	Tom Kotnik	29.88	3	Eddie Wisniewski	17.27	5
Roger Hargrave	43.75	1	Michael Benzing Jr	29.40	5	Gene Friede	17.12	3
Jeff Mauthe	43.29	3	David Stakston	29.33	2	Mike Berdan	17.00	4
Joe Mccrossen	42.61	4	Scott Linhart	29.18	11	Al Holloway	16.78	1
Al Huizenga	42.10	13	Dave Torrey	28.58	3	Ray Mallo	16.66	5
Glen Foust	41.87	1	John Brophy	28.41	4	Randy Ganther	16.52	4
Les Karpel	41.38	4	Larry Danielson	28.39	6	Herm Gentry	16.16	2
Randy Barnes	41.00	2	Terry Sternberg	27.52	5	Kevin Aarstad	16.11	11
Mark Rice	40.64	11	Randy Heinritz	26.74	3	Gary Hestekin	15.83	2
Steve Mielke	40.47	9	John Drexler	26.60	5	Eugene Stevens	15.78	4
Kerry Morris	40.44	17	John Resch	26.43	17	Dave Hehling	15.71	3
Tom Endler	40.38	6	Mike Perdsock	26.20	4	Paul Widell	15.06	3
Jason Villwock	40.27	6	Richard Conrad	26.03	11	Guy Fleming	15.00	1
Greg Hehling	39.88	8	Randy White	25.82	7	Chris Sween	14.32	4
David Volz	39.86	7	Jeff Humphrey	25.00	1	Pat Kaczor	14.16	2
Ed Hack	39.59	12	Dick Poff	24.80	1	Dan Newkirk	14.00	5
Kevin Peterson	39.48	12	Ken Jaeger Sr	24.60	5	Wayne Satonica	13.63	4
Mike Rousseau	39.32	12	David Wietrzak	24.58	1	Cecil Reiter Jr	13.60	2
Rick Weller	39.27	7	Rob Reinhart	24.24	5	Phil Stanley	13.00	2
Kurt Jochimsen	39.08	3	Mike Lange	24.13	7	Kenny Rentz	12.87	3
Bruce McLinn	39.07	18	David Paul	24.10	3	Faye Lloyd	12.85	1
Russ Heinritz	38.79	6	Wesley Rein	23.75	1	Ted Rohde	12.50	4
Jim Verstoppen	38.75	3	Don Goldsmith	23.66	4	Paul Jonas	12.25	1
Jim Tollefson	38.35	12	Craig David	23.52	7	Dale Zastrow	12.00	2
Doug Bakkum	38.00	2	Ardie Stoltenberg	23.25	1	Mark Gagnon	11.75	1
Todd Sheehan	37.60	1	Dennis Wegner	23.03	4	Mark Nord	11.15	4
Duane Henriksen	37.50	2	Dennis Capener	22.85	1	Bob Bird	10.80	1
Gary Volz	37.10	7	Tom Steinke	22.56	14	Craig Krueger	10.75	1
Jim Heim	36.81	6	Steve Deegan	22.40	1	Mark Keihl	10.33	2
Jerry Gossen	34.76	5	Ed Wheeler	22.30	11	Rod Ganther	9.50	2

2013 Year End Averages—Men Cont'd (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Ken Graber	9.25	1	Gene Satterstrom	8.00	3	Andy Sheehan	5.06	3
Matt Sheehan	8.82	2	Lance Peters	7.00	1	Mike Burns	4.83	2
Brian Ahlert	8.80	1	Ted Casper	6.62	3	Bruce Ohman	4.50	1
Tom McTavish	8.75	1	Curt Novinski	5.78	2	Dave Melin	4.16	2
Mike Sheehan	8.43	4	Jay Ganther	5.39	3	Chris Perdsock	3.84	2
						Chris Harris	3.00	1

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2014 001 Tournament

By, Earl / Jimmy Paulson

Class A

Penny Steinke	5	1	53.75
John Molling	4	2	49.58
Dennis Reed	3	3	56.67

Class B

Tom Bird	4	1	49.2
Linda Roeber	4	1	44.
Steve Wiegert	3	2	40.4

Class C

Tony Scrima	4	1	37.2
Rick Borgwardt	4	1	36.8
Jim Huckabee	3	2	34.8

Class D

Rich Loder	4	1	37.6
Herman Robisch	4	1	33.6
Larry Fetters Jr	3.5	1.5	31.6

Class E

Guy Modde	4	1	27.38
Joel Ramsdell	3	2	21.6
Kevin Brekke	3	2	19.2

Class F

Jack Zane	5	1	30.8
Karen Keelin	5	1	28.75
Russ Burns	4	2	18.33

Class G

Larry Fettes III	4	1	28.8
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Ron Fritz	3	2	26.8
Pete Gorski	3	2	25.6

Class H

Dick Perkins	5.5	.5	27.33
David Palmersheim	3	3	22.67
Greg Bergles	2.5	3.5	15.33

Class I

Wayne Goers	6	0	15.42
Dave Carpenter	4	2	15.42
Kevin Aarstad	1	5	14.58

Class J

John Phoenix	5	0	8.8
Barb Ramquist	4	1	9.2
Adrianna Goers	3	2	8.8



2013 Year End Averages—Women (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Gert Wilcziek	73.85	10	Denise Williamson	32.59	4	Dobie Gutweiler	16.80	1
Pam Aiken	58.59	4	Sonia Cook	30.59	3	Mary Sue Morris	16.66	2
Cathy Asmundsen	56.07	1	Kiri Cook	30.53	3	Chris Gage	15.00	2
Aleena Cook	55.66	6	Rondi Mengelt	29.38	10	Lori Mikshowsky	14.66	2
Penny Steinke	51.16	7	Karen Keelin	29.31	3	Tina Horstman-brown	14.26	3
Toni Sloper	48.61	11	Tonya Kaulum	27.28	5	Barbara Peters	14.24	1
Linda Roeber	46.04	15	Gloria Smith	26.55	11	Mary Wojciechowski	13.78	9
Tava Kildahl	43.47	4	Jane Smith	26.00	4	Tammy Newkirk	12.50	1
Sue Helene	43.18	2	Lisa White	25.25	3	Barb Ramquist	10.13	5
Debby Schell-Kotnik	43.10	3	Edie McKinney	23.57	1	Bridget Olson	9.75	1
Susie Erickson	41.52	6	Jenny Reed	23.46	2	Jan Endler	8.49	2
Susie Helene	39.00	1	Evelyn Larsen	22.76	5	Pat Novinski	8.43	2
Nancy Lietzau	39.00	1	Gloria Sheff	21.73	3	Sharon Kelly	7.53	2
Cindy Castellano	38.95	9	Jenny Wolf	21.25	1	Rachael Thompson	7.50	1
Laurie Dolezel	37.25	1	Ann Murray	20.05	10	Barb Austad	6.15	2
Elaine Troullier	36.12	8	Cecelia Trossen	18.57	10	Julie Paulson	5.15	3
Kari David	35.45	7	Naomi Williamson	18.00	1	Jenelle Larsen	5.00	1
Michelle Plaisance	35.44	3	Marge Rein	17.91	1			

2013 Year End Averages—Elders (Name, Avg, #Tournaments)

Ron Button	76.30	13	John Olson	41.29	16	Ray Lopez	27.70	4
Martin Papesh	62.36	22	Jim O'loughlin	39.64	3	Nelson Richason	27.50	1
Galen Kozel	60.89	16	Ivan Ruzic	39.39	10	Gary Schmitz	27.50	6
Larry Grabowski	58.98	5	Harold Ballmann	39.30	7	Jack Zane	27.07	3
Dave Ninnemann	55.00	17	John Dolezel	39.18	8	Jerry Kamps	26.97	3
Gene Mason	54.32	3	Jim Ganther	38.50	4	Russ Burns	26.56	16
Glenn Bogenschneider	54.25	2	Ken Davison	38.27	5	Warren Puhl	26.16	2
Leo Richter	52.17	13	John Brugger	38.05	5	Jim Bertelson	25.10	3
Dave Schorbahn	52.05	10	John Gregorich	37.60	1	Ed Bonebright	24.66	4
Norm Gage	51.34	12	Bob Tronsen	37.37	2	Bernie Human	24.62	6
Don Illgen	49.35	5	Rick Borgwardt	37.33	6	Ron Ramquist	24.44	5
Cal Pitel	48.50	7	David Carter	34.76	3	Bob Kabella	24.22	2
Wayne Lemar	47.00	5	Dennis Kieser	34.64	1	Harry Zdroik	23.43	3
Tom Bird	45.73	10	Ed Mell	33.97	6	Art Collien	22.81	10
Allen Johnson	45.29	13	Jim Haupt	33.88	30	Leo Linhart	22.00	1
Steve Wiegert	44.55	14	Robert Starck	33.33	9	Jim Poquette	20.50	1
Bernard Vandanelzen	44.07	17	Richard Baeten	33.03	2	Ken Steffel	19.52	3
Bill Dahmen	44.00	4	Paul Wilson	33.00	2	George Eckstrom	17.87	4
John Mcneill	43.63	16	Dexter Meise	32.80	1	Jerry Loose	17.37	5
Jack Algiers	43.50	1	Gerald Weikert	31.90	1	Charlie Goldsmith	14.44	4
Milt Larsen	42.89	6	Leroy Meyer	31.50	4	Wayne Franzen	12.24	2
Norb Fuhrman	42.79	6	Dick Hanold	30.17	2	Al Ostenson	11.07	5
Julian Tijerina	42.40	1	Norm Beckius	30.00	1	Scott Shackleton	7.09	2
Jerry Schroeder	42.07	9	Gary Olson	28.73	4	Earl Paulson	6.16	4
Tony Scrima	41.33	12	John Secord	28.52	4			

Snowflake Results

<u>Class A</u>			
Penny Steinke	5	1	53.33
Allen Johnson	3	3	42.92
Linda Roeber	3	3	39.58
<u>Class B</u>			
Mike Rousseau	4	2	37.08
Kevin Peterson	4	2	37.08
Steven Kampmeier	2	4	35.83
<u>Class C</u>			
Rowen Swick	5	1	32.08
Bruce McLinn	4	2	38.33
Rich Lodor	4	2	35
<u>Class D</u>			
Lawrence Fetters Jr	4	1	36
Linda Hycnar	4	1	29.6
Joel Ramsdell	3	2	25.6
<u>Class E</u>			
Roger Kitner	4	1	28.4
Guy Modde	4	1	24.4
Rick Swan	3	2	31.2
<u>Class F</u>			
Karen Keelin	5	1	32.08
Ron Fritz	5	1	25.
Rondi Mengelt	5	1	21.25
<u>Class G</u>			
Greg Bergles	4	1	22.4
Leo Linhart	4	1	22.
Tom Steinke	3	2	22.4
<u>Class H</u>			
Scott Winefka	4.5	.5	18.8
Dave Carpenter	4	1	15.2
Kevin Aarstad	2.5	2.5	13.6
<u>Class I</u>			
Ann Murray	5	0	22.8
John Phoenix	4	1	6.8
Earl Paulson	3	2	4.4

Beloit Tune-Up Results

Beloit Home Page

<u>Class A</u>			
Glenn Wicklund	5	1	50.83
Dutch Rittweger	5	1	38.75
Leo Richter	3.5	2.5	43.75
<u>Class B</u>			
Steven Kampmeir	5	1	40.42
Bruce McLinn	4.5	1.5	36.67
Jim Haupt	4	2	33.75
<u>Class C</u>			
Rick Borgwardt	4	1	37.6
Robert Starck	4	1	30
Kevin Brekke	3.5	1.5	35.6
<u>Class D</u>			
Walt Houck	5	0	36.
Georgia Beebe	3	2	27.6
John Resch	3	2	23.2
<u>Class E</u>			
Greg Bergles	5	1	19.67
Ed Wheeler	5	1	18.33
David Palmershiem	2	4	12.00



Snowflake C



Snowflake D



Snowflake B



Snowflake F



Snowflake E



Snowflake G



Snowflake A



Snowflake H



Snowflake I

Down 'n Back

with Jim Haupt

TRUST: *to expect with confidence:*

That definition of trust explains why the horse-shoe pitcher scoring the round readily accepts the call of his opponent. Trust is paramount. Trust rules.

Horseshoes, unlike football, is not a game of, see *what you can get away with*, no dubious interference calls, no hidden holding. Horseshoes is like bowling, what you see is what you get. Our game is less demanding of judges.

Self-scoring horseshoe games in Wisconsin involve trust. Your opponent marking the score trusts you. To insist the marker witness the lay of the pitch betrays the mutual trust. Additionally, it does display one of three possible situations: 1) you, the caller, are sharp and can accurately judge the lay of the shoe, 2) you call honestly most of the time, or, 3) that you, the caller, may be capable of intentionally fudging the call.

In the latter regard, if you can say, **never**, you have earned a quality respected by all pitchers, and other humans alike, TRUST.

Steve Mielke is the winner! Last issue's cartoon characters were correctly identified. Steve Wiegert was saying, "We've got all 4 on!" Answered by Carl Joppe, "That's what I said, 4 clucks." The clue is the 'clucks', Joppe's usual words for a ringer. Mielke wants his free subscription prize to go to a new pitcher. Will send, Steve, with your compliments.

A shout-out goes to John Meyer, our R.D., whom has just produced our 2014 schedule, the best ever, 44 tournaments to date.

Bylaw change comments:

From John Secord:

The step-ladder playoff is in keeping with the NHPA. Should we have playoffs?

Two sanction numbers for the State Tournament grants move-ups two participations to apply toward World entry requirement, costs us nothing.

From Tom Steinke:

Re: Scorekeeping at State Tournament:

Leave pay-out the same. Anyone who has run tournaments in the past knows getting scorekeepers was the worst thing about running the tournament.

Now with computer scoring, they do two pits but its a lot easier to fill those chairs. Let's not go back in time.

State Tournament, dropping 3rd place trophies etc.: If this is the thinking, there should be first place only. Why have a 2nd place award to a person for failure to win? I understand this would save a little money but the real problem is, why can't we get more people at the State Tournament?

Maybe its lack of money prizes. Maybe it's the Labor Day weekend. Maybe people don't want to travel that far.

State Tournament is the highlight of the year. We have to make it so that people don't want to miss it. One thing we do not want to do is to make it harder for the host clubs. Too many rules. Trying to tell the host club how to spend their money is no good either.

We, as members, should make it so easy to run the State Tournament that more would want to run one. Without the bids for the tournament, where would we be?

One last time, the State trophies are special and a trophy worth getting. I know some people have plenty of trophies but new pitchers and low classes may not have any.

Pitcher Profile- Curt Bestul

By, Jim Haupt



Curt Bestul sends word, had it not rained last week in Eau Claire, he would have been ice fishing.

Who is Curt Bestul you may ask? Bestul was an avid pitcher in 1967 as he and Jerry Kamps wrested control of the State Tournament from the West Allis Fairgrounds and the then, Wisconsin State Horseshoe Pitchers Association. His reward was the initial formation of what we now know as the WHPA and 1968 State Tournament in Eau Claire.

He was named the 'WHPA, Man of the Century' by this Newsletter in the year 2000 for his commitment to game. In 1981, he became the WHPA Men's champion. He was then a line crew foreman for the utility company spending every noon hour pitching shoes. In 1985 he was inducted into the WHPA Hall of Fame along with his wife, Beatty. Two years later they brought the World Horseshoe Tournament to Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Additionally, in 2005, he was inducted into

Curt Bestul (Continued from Page 12)

the NHPA Hall of Fame. It all stemmed from his continuous activity and devotion to the game of horseshoes. Meanwhile he developed in his daughter, Debby, a four time Girl's World Champion pitcher. Over five years, '83 — '88, she was unseated just once, by Sandy McLaughlin who went on to win the Women's World Title the next year at age 17.

We found in a magazine article published by the Wisconsin Historical Society that this state was a one time mecca for ski-jumping. In his youth, Bestul was one of them. Sending Curt the magazine prompted this discussion. Bestul no longer pitches horseshoes, does ice fishing occasionally and meets a few "yumper" guys for Tuesday lunch. Says he will show them the article of celebration of their former sport.

Back in the day when live scorekeepers flourished, Eau Claire was paying 25 cents/game. Bestul suggested, in print, that we could raise the score fee to \$5/game. Preposterous! Of course, but ears perked, he made his point. The duty is to be shared and a \$5 fee would do it.

Some years ago at some tournament, your agent was bumped from A class to B because Curt Bestul was a late entrant. Bestul may have never known but I was glad to step aside because of his stature and after all, who wants to be last man in A?

One does not have to be an old guy to remember Curt Bestul but, of course, it helps. Every horseshoe pitcher in this state, then and now, owes him a deep debt of gratitude. I'd like to go down 'n back once more with Curt Bestul.



POY Update

By, Jane Smith

At this printing we have 13 WHPA tournaments recorded for the Pitcher of the Year award. These tournaments began in August of 2013 and include the tournaments through Jan 10. There are 157 pitchers who have earned points from placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd in tournaments or attended the WHPA Fall meeting. There are three Divisions: A averages, above 45%; C averages, less than 30%; B averages, between 30% and 44.99. Pitchers are placed in their division based on the year end averages printed in this issue. There is one pitcher who has earned 65 points. The top five pitchers in each division are listed alphabetically: Division A- Glenn Bogenschneider, Ron Button, Galen Kozel, John Meyer, Randy Rein; Division B – Tom Endler, Jim Ganther, Ed Hack, Kerry Morris, John Olson; Division C – Greg Bergles, John Brophy, Karen Keelin, Ann Murray, Tom Steinke.

There a minimum of 29 tournaments scheduled where one can earn points for this award. Join some buddies and carpool to a tournament. As a New Year's resolution, add a new tournament to your schedule. A list of tournaments is printed in this issue and can be found on the WHPA web page.

Happy New Year!!

What's New?

By, Jane Smith

I am very fortunate to have such talented gentlemen/ladies to work with on the WHNL. My job has perks no one else usually sees. I should share these more often. When subscribers send their renewal money, more times than not we receive compliments about our publication; best in the nation, very informative, personal and caring, sharing about former pitchers who are ill, keeping up with all of the new happenings in the association, an endless list. A special note was received from Dan Ebert "who does not play much anymore but likes to know what is happening and shares that Fillmore still has 4 courts up and running." Lloyd Johnson's daughter, Jane, sent her Dad a subscription for the WHNL for Christmas. THANKS!!

Please feel free to share news or happenings from your club or area that might encourage more WHPA members and participation.



2014 Jeff Gustafson's New Years Day (Results on Page 14)

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Jeff Gustafson's New Year's Day

(Photo on Page 13)

Doubles on the Beloit courts New Year's Day counting total points accumulated for placement. 28 point games.

Al Johnson & Dave Carpenter	7/0	195
Tom Bird & Ken Bebee	5/2	178
Skip Ramsdell & Dick Perkins	3/5	167
Walt Houk & Rondi Mengelt	3/5	162
Dan Lessman & Georgia Bebee	3/5	160
Kevin Brekke & Mouse	2/6	157
Bruce McLinn & Luke Champion	2/6	141
Jim Huckabee & Russ Burns	2/6	132

Friends We'll Miss

Harvey Wobbe

After suffering aneurisms Harvey Wobbe passed away Dec. 12, 2013, age 83, while confined to Mercy Hospital in St. Louis. He was a forever member of the Quail River Horseshoe Club in Missouri, also sponsoring the Six-Pac Invitational for 18 years. Often seen at the Beloit Team-World where he was known to sponsor the extra games of score keeping encountered during the championship rounds. His good will did much more for horseshoes than produce the Six-Pac line of horseshoes.

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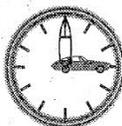
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