



From My Court To Yours

by Jim Bainter, MOHPA President

Pitchers, it's time to polish the rust off the shoes and get back to the outdoor courts. The season is upon us – as well as the absurd prices at the gas pumps. This may keep many of you from wandering too far from home as the tournament schedule moves into high gear. But, with over 100 tournaments scheduled within Missouri you should be able to find something within a reasonable driving distance. Support your local clubs.

I would like to encourage pitchers to take a more active role in your clubs this year. Take on some responsibility by learning to become a tournament or league director. Too often these jobs fall on the club officers who have their hands full with other tasks. Give them a break or at least a breather by increasing your involvement. It takes everyone to sustain your club and the state association.

Club/Team Tournament

For our third annual benefit tournament on 3 June we have a disappointing number of entries – only 88 as compared to over 120 each of the previous years. Perhaps it's the gas and perhaps for others it's the location or the clay; regardless, it is the major fundraiser for the MOHPA – we need your support. For those who have chosen not to participate, we'll miss you. It will be a fun time and perhaps the last time we visit the Exotic Animal Park.

Exotic Animal Park

I guess this is my queue to announce that Ron Armitage has sold the park property to a real estate developer from the Lake of the Ozarks area. Transfer of the property will be effective 1 Nov 2006. I have been unable to contact the new owner for a serious discussion about the fate of the 32 courts. I don't think this bodes well!

There is a bright side to consider. Marshfield, a growing community about 10 miles East of the animal park, is working with the local Rotary Club to build 22 lighted outdoor courts. This could be the new home of the Pitchers Paradise

Club whose home is now on the animal park property utilizing some of the 32 courts. It could also be an option for a future Club/Team event or even a State tournament. I will keep you informed about this development. Bob Bastel, the cognizant Zone Director, is working closely with Marshel Keith, the Pitchers Paradise Club president, to provide all the assistance necessary to make this project a success.

Winter Officers Meeting

Our annual event was held in Jefferson City in February to enable all officers to attend. Although a variety of subjects were discussed there were two items that the officers will present to the membership for an addition to the By-Laws. One item will deal with the disposition of many unnecessary financial and miscellaneous records to ease the storage issues plaguing the Secretary/Treasurer. The other item will define the procedures used by our HOF selection committee. These procedures will insure all nominee records are current and reflect all his/her accomplishments within the MOHPA to provide an equitable selection opportunity. These proposed additions will be available at the membership meeting for review and discussion.

The officers also approved two new Junior's Program awards, Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year. These awards will be based upon the criteria used for the adult programs and will be retroactive to the 2005 season. The officers believe this is just another step in the MOHPA efforts to expand and improve our Junior's Program.

Melody Williams, the Junior's Director, and I are planning to establish a Junior's Assistant Director for each of the MOHPA Zones. Volunteers are needed for the NE (Zone 2) and SW (Zone 3). The pay is terrible but the rewards are great. I'll make sure those active volunteers get the recognition they deserve to make a good program into a great one. We need your help to sustain our growth. Let me see some hands!

NHPA HOF Facility

Groundbreaking for this new indoor/outdoor facility with HOF and museum was conducted in St Charles County

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A Touch of Claas

by Jeanette Claas

Show me 12 golden horseshoes, a horseshoe ceremony high on a hilltop filled with horseshoe enthusiasts, and I'll show you a horseshoe moment in NHPA history. Springtime 2006 has brought much excitement for horseshoe pitchers across America. The state of Missouri is thrilled, proud and so excited that the NHPA Hall of Fame has been brought to our state, we can hardly wait to become the overseers of the new facility. We thank all horseshoe pitchers who traveled the distance to come to this event during the nagging high cost of gasoline prices. Driving from California, the Louck's reported a gasoline bill of \$750! Wow!

Welcome aboard all 71 new MOHPA members! You have come into our organization at a most important and exciting time. We need you! Stay with us and we'll show you what horseshoe pitching is all about!

Two ladies in Missouri have made this editor very happy! They are Letha Harris of Stockton and Ginny Weiss of St. Charles. They will be reporting their club's news for the newsletter and that, my dear friend, is progress!

Horseshoe pitchers should be kept busy this summer attending all the horseshoe tournaments located in every part of Missouri. Take a weekend out to attend a tournament in a different area. You will find it well worthwhile to travel and make new friends as you enjoy the friendly competition.

In this issue you will find entry forms for the Missouri State Fair Horseshoe Tournament and the 2006 Missouri State Horseshoe Tournament to be held in Jefferson City this year. Send

those forms in as early as possible so Ms. Vicki has plenty of time to organize both events. If you have never attended a state tournament, try to make this one. Jeff City is centrally located and most convenient for the greater part of Missourians. Think "air-conditioning" on a hot Missouri Labor Day weekend!

Best of luck to all MO pitchers who will be attending the World Tournament in Gillette, Wyoming, in July. From past experience, I promise you will have a good time in the wild, wild west! Catch the fever and take the plunge!

Our spotlight shines upon a couple from Ohio who found their way into Missouri horseshoes by way of Kansas. A love of gospel singing in a little country church brought this couple together and they have been making music ever since keeping horseshoes alive in southern Missouri.

Whose great rendition of "Ahab, the Arab" and love of horseshoes found his name in the Who's Who in Horseshoes column?

If you travel through the Ozarks this summer, take your paintbrush with you! You won't want to miss the site of the old gristmill that is the topic in the Wake Up to Missouri column. A Missouri pitcher grew up in this area and recalls his childhood memories of the old mill site.

Whatever plans you make for horseshoes this summer, take five to jot down your good times and send them to me to share with the Missouri readers.

The spring issue of Shoe Biz was brought to you by these horseshoe enthusiasts: Jim Bainter, Roy Evans, Vicki Winston, Stan Griggs, Rich Altis, Bob/Donna Bastel, Elwyn Cooper, Gregg Craven, Ginny Weiss, Letha Harris, Roena Branson, Melody Williams, Dave Loucks, Bea Feldewerth, Jim Haupt, Jan Kreienkamp, Kent Armstrong, and Yours Truly.

Until next issue I wishoe a ringer every time you throw the shoe. If you miss the first one, remember it's the second mouse that gets the cheese!

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Deadlines

The magic number
is "9":
January 9
May 9
October 9



New Member List

Compiled by Vicki Winston

Welcome to the following people who have joined the NHPA and Mo. Horseshoe Pitchers Assoc. for the very first time in 2006. This list includes all whose dues were received from January 6 through May 9, 2006.

Name	City	Club
Terry Bowman	Archie	Lions Park
Jim Bradley	Wright City	New Melle
Roger Brattin	Raymore	Lions Park
Connie Bredensteiner	St. Charles	First Capitol
Bark Breigel	St. Charles	First Capitol
Michael Brewer	Desloge	Mineral Area
Michael Brown	Galena	
Wayne Burmahl	Independence	
Lee Cavender	St. Charles	First Capitol
Conrad Cummings	Jefferson City	
Beth Davault	Advance	Backyard
Ed Davis	Sunrise Beach	Lake Ozark
Brian Deck	Whitewater	Backyard
Larry Doeden	Sunrise Beach	Lake Ozark
Debbie Dugger	St. Charles	First Capitol
Ellen Eatherton	St. Charles	First Capitol
Travis Edwards	Eldon	Capitol City
Don Estes Jr.	Independence	Independence
Chris Evers	Eldon	Capitol City
Melissa Feldman	St. Charles	First Capitol
Pamela Garner	Marshall	Saline County
Matthew Gegg	Ste. Genevieve	Festus
Joe Gray	Festus	Festus
James Haase	Liberty	Liberty
John A. Hamel	Hume	
Carl Handlin	Gravois Mills	Lake Ozark
Amanda Haynes	Pleasant Hill	Lions Park
James E. Hillis	Williamsville	Backyard
Bob Ivey	Pleasant Hope	Pitchers Paradise
Gary Jackson	Neosho	Tri-State
Keith Johnson	Independence	Liberty
Laura Johnson	Independence	Liberty
Amanda Jones	Eldorado Springs	Stockton
Jeremy Jones	Eldorado Springs	Stockton
Deanna Kluge	Riverside	Heart of America
Kalie Kluge	Holt	
Kathryn Kluge	Holt	
Nichole Kluge	Riverside	Heart of America
Floyd Lahay	Sunrise Beach	Lake Ozark
Jeff Lahay	Sunrise Beach	Lake Ozark
Bill Lee Jr.	Gladstone	
Gary Limpus	Gravois Mills	Lake Ozark
Jackie Loyd	St. Charles	First Capitol
Mike Manning	Gerald	

Michael Massa	Patterson	Backyard
Daniel "Opie" McEntire	Desloge	Mineral Area
Marcia Moore	Lake St. Louis	First Capitol
Heather Mueller	St. Charles	First Capitol
Michael Myler	Harrisonville	Lions Park
Madison Page	Pleasant Hill	Lions Park
Vicki Rodel	St. Charles	First Capitol
Norma Rohlfing	St. Charles	First Capitol
Brandon Roland	Kansas City	Liberty
Becky Rowe	Overland	First Capitol
Dan Sheahan	Wentzville	New Melle
Tina Sherrill	Festus	Festus
Kenny Simily II	Belton	Lions Park
Jack Slough	Gravois Mills	Lake Ozark
Richard Smith	Marshall	Saline County
Lee Sparks	Sunrise Beach	Lake Ozark
Beth Stone	Whitewater	Backyard
Katie Stone	Whitewater	Backyard
Jeffrey Swihart	Independence	Independence
Carol Tainter	St. Charles	First Capitol
Steve Uthe	Liberty	Liberty
Derek Vaughan	Independence	Independence
Shannon Ward	Park Hills	Mineral Area
Laura Westhues	St. Charles	First Capitol
Ryan Winston	Ste. Genevieve	Festus
Bob Wyatt	Maysville	Dekalb County
Glenn Young	Moscow Mills	



What's That Rule?

by Rich Altis



Because of the proposed rules changes that will be voted on at this years World Tournament, might I suggest that you go to www.horseshoepitching.com to view the rules changes. Click on the Rules Rewrite bar on the left side of the front page. If, after reading through the documents, you have questions that you would like to have answered, bring them to the World Tournament or pass them along to your Charter delegates to the Convention.

At the World Tournament site in Gillette, they are planning to have a table set up on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday before the Convention where members of the re-write committee will be happy to answer questions or concerns you may have about the proposed re-write. The committee will do everything in their power to answer all your questions! Also during the Convention, they will be allowing time for listening to and discussing all questions and concerns from the delegates and may allow some "minor" changes to be made. The committee does want to hear from all the delegates, at or prior to the Convention, at the courts, or at the re-write table at the Cam-Plex in Gillette.

Roy Evans is our Rewrite committee person. He is also your MOHPA vice president so you will find his number in the front of this newsletter.



This & That

by Vicki Winston

This is being written just a few days after returning from the NHPA Hall of Fame ground-breaking ceremony at Quail Ridge Park in Wentzville. How nice it was to see so many familiar faces from near and far. The location is a beautiful setting and I anxiously await the opportunity to visit the facility when it is completed.

There continues to be confusion on how a new pitcher goes about setting an average. A new pitcher should contact the director of his/her first sanctioned event and find out how many qualifying shoes that director wants him/her to pitch to set an average. Those qualifying shoes should be pitched within 30 days prior to the event, with two NHPA members witnessing and keeping score. The scoresheet then goes to the director of the event. The only time qualifying shoes scoresheets are sent to the charter secretary is when I am receiving entries for our major tournaments.

In this issue of Shoe Biz you will find entry forms for the Missouri State Fair Mixed Open Tournament in Sedalia and for our State Championship Singles and Doubles Tournaments to be held in Jefferson City. If you are planning to attend both the State Fair and the State Tournament, you can save postage by placing your entries all in one envelope.

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near Wentzville on 5 May. Check out the Shoe Biz Editor's great article about the ceremonies in this issue. It will be a great venue for local and national tournaments as well as our State Championships and perhaps the Club/Team event. Access will be easy from all parts of the state. Dedication is planned for Oct 2006, make your plans to attend now.

MOHPA Publicity Director

Pam Henderson, our long time publicity director has tendered her resignation effective 1 May 2006. Pam has spent many long and frustrating hours over the years trying to get the word out about horseshoes within Missouri. I would like to extend my THANKS to Pam for her diligence in the pursuit of the advancement of the sport of horseshoes and the MOHPA. Next time you see Pam let her know you appreciate her efforts. I have asked a prospective candidate to accept this vacancy. If or when she accepts, I will make her identity known. If there are any other willing volunteers out there let me know. There is always room for assistance in this area.

NHPA General Membership Meeting

This annual meeting in conjunction with the World Tournament in Gillette, WY will be held on the morning of Sunday, 13 July. If any of the MOHPA members who are

They are all coming to the same mailbox. You may also send one check for the total amount of all entries being submitted. Just be sure to observe the deadlines. If you have questions, I must warn you that I do plan on being in Gillette, WY for a few days and then may head on west for a few more. I will plan to be back home by the time entries close for Sedalia. You may begin sending your entries as soon as you receive this newsletter. Note: The Missouri State Fair Tournament is open to out of state pitchers who are NHPA members and have a NatStats average. Pass the word if you have friends or relatives that might be visiting about that time.

The State Tournament in Jefferson City will start with the Mixed Doubles on Friday morning. The annual state business meeting will be held that night. Officers to be elected this year include the President, State Statistician, Zone 1 Director and Zone 4 Director. We will also be accepting bids for the 2007 State Tournament. The banquet is planned for Saturday night. At this point in time I can tell you that we do plan to pitch the Men's 30 foot classes on Monday. However, should the entries be light this year, it is possible that we might place the Men's 30 foot classes earlier than Monday. We probably won't know for sure until the entries have closed.

Continue to check the Web site Guestbook for important announcements from time to time. It is used occasionally as a

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available would be interested in being a delegate please contact me. I want to make sure all parts of the state are represented. The most important vote will involve accepting a complete rewrite of the NHPA Rules and By-Laws. These rewrites will correct, simplify and clarify several specific areas that should make player understanding easier.

MOHPA Memorabilia

T-shirts, caps and coozies with the 2006 State Tournament Logo will be available at Strafford and the State Fair before the Championships in Jefferson City in September. Also available is the 2006 MOHPA pin. Be sure and buy some for trading during the World tournament and for passing out to your friends. The supply is limited so act fast!

New Members

One more thought before I close out for this issue. Be on the lookout for new or inactive pitchers – they are everywhere. All we need to do is ask them to come out and join in the fun. If we are going to regain our position as the largest chapter in the NHPA we need to be proactive and make things happen. The new NHPF facility will help a lot in the St Louis area but our efforts need to be statewide. We need another 100+ pitchers to achieve our goal. **“That's it from the Pits”**

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message board so that we can keep in touch. You will enjoy all of the features that our Web site has to offer. Our webmaster (Stan Griggs) does an excellent job. The Tournament Schedule link is continually updated as additional events are added or events are cancelled. The results of all sanctioned tournaments are posted on the Results link as soon as Stan receives them.

With this issue of Shoe Biz we say goodbye to anyone that has not renewed their membership for 2006. There is still time to send your dues and get in on a lot of pitching yet this year. I hope I will be hearing from many of you in the weeks to come. I do thank the officers who work so hard to report membership dues for their respective clubs and leagues. It is not an easy task to gather all of the necessary

information and send it and the dues to the charter secretary in proper form and in a timely manner. Your efforts are very much appreciated. At this writing, I have processed the memberships of 722 adults and 63 juniors for the 2006 membership year and there are more waiting on my desk, with others still to come. So as I head back to work, I will leave you with this thought:

“About the time we think we can make ends meet, somebody moves the ends.” — Herbert Hoover

Condensed Financial Report

Balance on Hand 11/01/05	\$10,507.33
Receipts	13,429.37
Expense	- <u>12,269.51</u>
Balance on Hand 05/09/06	\$11,667.19

Y.E.A.H.!: Youth Excited About Horseshoes

by Melody Williams, Junior Coordinator

I hope this finds all of you, youth and parents, excited about the upcoming horseshoe-pitching season! I hope all of you have been pitching throughout the winter months staying active and keeping the “dust” off your horseshoes.

Some of our Juniors recently achieved some very special honors! Congratulations to all of you! If any of you ever receive any special awards/honors in your local clubs/tournaments, please keep me advised so I will publish them in the newsletter to let everybody know what our Youth are up to. Three juniors from the Peculiar Horseshoe Club have received national awards. They are:

Michael Bowman: 1st high point average, 89.79, National Division; 2nd high point game, 112, National Division; 4th high ringer average, 51.47%, Boys Division; 7th high ringer game, 68%, Boys Division.

Erika Bowman: 5th high ringer average, 23.61%, Girls Division; 6th high ringer game, 36%, Girls Division.

Chip Sloan: 10th high point game, 94, National Division.

By this time all of you Junior pitchers should have received a letter from our own MOHPA President, Jim Bainter. Thank you “Prez” for thinking about us! There are two new achievement awards that are available for the first time this year for Juniors in the State of Missouri. They are the “Rookie of the Year” and the “Player of the Year” award. This will be given to Junior horseshoe pitchers, following the same guidelines as the adult “Rookie of the Year” and the “Player of the Year” award. If you would like more details about this award, please contact Jim Bainter or myself. There are also details about them on the MOHPA website. Go juniors! Win these new awards! Best of luck to all of you.

Still in the planning stages is a Youth Outing/Activity during the MOHPA State Tournament. Look for details in

the upcoming months. If you have any ideas about this, please let myself or “The Prez” know. Also still in the planning stages is a Youth Only Horseshoe Tournament sometime this summer. It is so difficult to schedule something for the Youth with all of the other sporting events that you all are involved in. There are so many other sports opportunities for you out there that sometimes horseshoes gets put into retirement temporarily. At least they do at our house. I encourage you to stay active with your sports and other things, but “don’t forget about your lonely horseshoes, waiting for an energetic boy/girl to pick up and love!

Any questions, comments or concerns regarding the Youth Program, please don’t hesitate to contact me. Best of luck to each of you during the upcoming season!

Ah, Missouri! What a place to call home

Bless this house, oh Lord, we cry.
Please keep it cool in mid-July.

Bless the walls where termites dine,
While ants and roaches march in time.

Bless our yard where spiders pass
Fire ant castles in the grass.

Bless the garage, a home to please
Carpenter beetles, ticks and fleas.

Bless the love bugs, two by two,
The gnats and mosquitoes that feed on you.

Millions of creatures that fly or crawl,
In Missouri, Lord, you’ve put them all !

But this is home, and here I’ll stay,
So thank you Lord, for insect spray.



Last Shoe



Duane D. Heldenbrand

August 1926 - March 22, 2006

Seventy-nine year old Duane Heldenbrand, of Winston, MO, was killed in an automobile accident in front of the Isle of Capri Casino in the Kansas City area. Heldenbrand's wife, Ormah, was driving a Cadillac southeast on Front Street when she apparently turned in front of a pickup traveling in the opposite direction, police said. The truck smashed the Cadillac's passenger side, spinning both vehicles around.

Duane was a horseshoe pitcher some years ago. He was a 21 year member and last held a NHPA card in 1993. He pitched mostly at the Missouri State Fair, a few state tournaments and some open tournaments. Most likely some of the long-time members from the northwest part of the state will remember him. Besides pitching horseshoes, as a hobby he restored old John Deere tractors and had several of them on his farm.

Our Sympathies

- Joe Owen, of the Maysville Horseshoe Club, whose wife, Florence, recently passed away in February.
- Mike Burger, of New Melle Horseshoe Club, who lost his mother on Jan. 16.
- Harvey Wobbe, member of NMHC, who lost his brother on January 25, 2006.
- Danny Wetzal, of the Liberty Horseshoe Club, in the recent loss of his mother.
- Gidget Rahe, on the recent loss of her father on May 11.

Illnesses

- Over the winter months New Melle Horseshoe Club members required surgery: Bernie Jasper who had emergency gall bladder surgery on Christmas Day; Bob Eisenbeis and Mark Hatfield each had shoulder surgery; John Simms

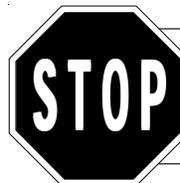
had eye surgery in February and is back on target again with his horseshoe pitching.

- It's not been Jim Bainter's best winter. Our thoughts have been with our MOHPA president, as he underwent surgery for Prostate Cancer. Jim is positive and says he expects a full recovery by mid-summer. He feels great and is doing everything he was doing before except lifting excessive weight. Our best wishes are with you, Jim.
- Bill Waisner, of Crane Horseshoe Club, had "ablation" surgery on April 28. The atrial fib surgery took 6 ½ hours. After lying on his back for 16 hours, Bill said it hurt more than the actual surgery. He is doing fine now and up and at it again. Best Wishes, Bill!
- Our former MOHPA president, Joe Faron, recently entered an overnight stay in the hospital suffering with chest pains. Joe is now home being monitored with a mechanism and his wife.
- News from Boxie Schrum of Park Hills. Boxie has had his 2nd Prostate surgery since the middle of December. He is recuperating nicely and is hoping to resume his bowling and his horseshoe pitching by spring. Boxie will be 83 years old and is a most active and enthusiastic horseshoe pitcher.
- Glennon Zerwig, member of the Festus Horseshoe Club, has had two knee replacements within six months. He isn't sure if he will get to pitch this year, but sent in for his 2006 membership card. Hope to see you back on the courts real soon.
- Seems as Jack Barry of NMHC had some bad luck on the eve of Easter. He was driving his four wheeler and hit a tree pinning his hand between the handlebar and the tree. His wife, Theresa, rushed him to the ER. Another friend found part of the finger on the tree and rushed that to the hospital where they later attached it to the finger. He severed some nerves and cartilages in two fingers and will have to have plastic reconstruction surgery within the next month. Instead of giving up horseshoes for a while, he decided to pitch left handed – said he is doing just as well with the left hand.
- Ron Wilmes, of New Melle Horseshoe Club, had angioplasty on May 10. The doctor put him on a diet and

2005 MOHPA State Champions



Men	Stan Griggs
Women	Rose Diekamp
Elders (30 ft.)	Tom Ebers
Seniors	Sam Carter
Junior Boys	Jake Kluesner
Junior Girls	Erika Bowman
Doubles	Rose Diekamp and Red Barber



Don't throw me away!
Keep me for future reference.
I am full of useful information.

told him to **stop smoking!** Best wishes on the doctor's orders. Stay healthy, Ron!

Congratulations

- Congratulations to Larry Gilchrist who was recently inducted into the St. Charles Amateur Sports Hall of Fame. (See article in this issue) Larry was in the hospital several times during the winter but is doing better now.
- Congratulations to a Missouri snowbird, Bob Long of Webb City, who won the Gold Medal at the Valley of the Sun Tournament in Mesa, Arizona while residing there during the winter months.
- Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Bowman, of Peculiar Horseshoe Club, on the birth of their baby girl, Haley Dawn who was born on Feb. 7, 2006. She weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz., and 21 inches long. I believe T.J. is taking some time off pitching horseshoes to be a new daddy!
- Congratulations to Cory Lee Bishop, of Peculiar Horseshoe Club, who is graduating from high school on May 19, 2006. Cory is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bishop. We want to wish Cory the best in whatever he decides to do.
- Congratulations on the retirement of Terry Highley, of Peculiar Horseshoe Club, who recently retired from Sioux Chief on April 27, 2006. Terry has been looking forward to this for a long time and has a lot of honey do's lined up. Terry, enjoy your retirement, pitch horseshoes, go fishing, or just sit on the back porch and take a nap.

Thank You

- A note of thanks to Rich Ritter, owner of Sign*A*Rama who donated the lettering on the golden horseshoes for the Groundbreaking Ceremony!
- Thank you , Bonnie Siebold, for serving 28 years on the NHPA Executive Board.

Happy Birthday

- A "belated" Happy Birthday to Wayne Trautwein! Wayne celebrated his 92nd birthday on Feb.26. Speaking of Wayne, he and his Mrs. Fern, recently celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary! Their thoughts on a long and happy marriage: once a week go out for an evening to a fine dinner with romantic music and a glass of wine – Fern goes on Fridays and Wayne goes on Saturdays.
- Happy Birthday to John Eggleston, of Maysville, who recently celebrated his 90th birthday! John is still working some as a bank courier, stating that the packages are marked "no cash." Good for you, John, and we wish you many, many more!



check this out!
MOHPA has a new address: www.mohpa.us

News

- A message on the NHPA Message Board states that the Clinton Parks and Recreation Dept. and the Pitchers Paradise Club in Strafford have each been awarded \$1,000 grants by the NHPF.
- For Your Information: A former MOHPA pitcher, Clay Caswell of Fulton, has moved back to Fulton, MO. In 2001 he moved to Colorado. He is now serving as the director of the Parks and Recreation Dept. He recently held a non-sanctioned horseshoe tournament on April 22. If you would like to contact Clay, his phone number rings directly to his office (573-592-3191). Always glad to have a horseshoe pitcher return back to Missouri.

Shoe Biz Boosters

by Vicki Winston

If you would like to receive Shoe Biz via first class mail, please send a donation of \$10 or more to the MOHPA in care of our secretary, Vicki Winston, 10326 Hwy D, LaMonte, MO 65337. A Shoe Biz Boosters donation entitles you to a listing and first class mailing for three issues. Expiration dates are listed below. Some folks continue to send multiple donations, but no listings have been extended past June 2007. Thank you all for your support of our newsletter!

Expires after June 2006 Issue		Expires after February 2007 Issue	
Gary Ball	\$60	Wes Brakensiek	
Bob/Donna Bastel	\$20	Sam Carter	\$20
Danny/Roena Branson	\$20	Jim Claxton	\$20
George Chichura	\$20	Ernie Ellermann Jr.	\$45
Elwyn Cooper	\$20	Carlyle Gricks Jr.	\$20
Val Eikel	\$20	Ken Grossman	
Dave/Bea Feldewerth	\$20	Richard Haller	\$20
Edward Griffith		Jim/Carol Howard	\$20
Frank Miles	\$40	Donald Isaacson	\$20
Mary Alice Owens	\$20	Charles/Rita Killgore	\$40
Wesley Reed	\$20	Jon McKnight	\$20
Mike Watkins	\$20	David Molitor	\$20
		John Setzer	\$20
		Fred Smith	\$20
Expires after November 2006 Issue		Ken Sykora	
Wayne Barber	\$20	Jerry Weller	
Wayne/Pam Henderson		Earl/Vicki Winston	\$20
Bobbie G. Jones	\$20		
Bob Long	\$20	Expires after June 2007 Issue	
Rodney Mallinckrodt	\$20	Richard Altis	\$40
Bob Reininger	\$20	Lee/Beverly Crabtree	\$20
		Dan Hobbs	

Profile: Bob Kingsolver

By Jeanette Claas

In a small southern farming community, 8 miles from the Arkansas border and 85 miles east of Branson, you will find a special couple that loves the sport of horseshoes. Bob & Esther Kingsolver are the proud directors of the Caulfield Community Horseshoe Club. Together they have worked hard promoting and organizing the sport of horseshoes in this small Ozark town of Caulfield.

They are originally from Ohio, but found their way to Missouri in 1979.

Bob was born in Clayton, Ohio (near Dayton), on August 23, 1931. After high school, Bob joined the United States Air Force from 1951-1955. During the Korean War Bob was a Top Gunner on the B-29 long-range bomber planes. He was stationed in the Philippine Islands flying from there over Korea. Upon returning home, Bob married, had two sons and found work with the National Cash Register Company. In 1963 the marriage was dissolved and Bob found himself being a single parent.

Music brought this couple together. Esther was born near Cincinnati on March 2, 1940. She was raised on a dairy and chicken farm. Her entire family was gospel singers. Esther always said when she grew up she would never, ever marry a dairy farmer; the work was too hard.

A friend and co-worker of Bob's decided he needed to change his marital status. After a bad experience, Bob told her he wasn't interested. Another co-worker was a member of a gospel quartet and there would be a gospel singing convention on Saturday night at the little country church. He invited Bob to come and listen to the singing. Although Bob & Esther had a lot of the same friends, they had never met. Esther noticed a young man coming inside the church and she couldn't keep her eyes off of him. Bob had seen the

young lady several times - catching his attention. The following Monday after the gospel singing event, he asked his co-worker what was the lady's name that she was trying to fix him up with. After describing the girl that he saw in the gospel quartet, she told him that was the same person she had in mind for him. Well, they dated, but not for long - they soon married four months later on September 28, 1963.

After they married Bob put himself through night school while working full time. He attended Southwest College and then the University of Cincinnati receiving his teacher's degree. He taught high school teaching English, history and business subjects. He also served as a guidance counselor. Esther was a nurse in a nursing home and then went to work in ER & trauma. After being in the educational system for five years, Bob didn't really feel that teaching was his true calling; farming and working in the great outdoors suited him more. Esther was looking through the Ohio Farm Journal and saw an article saying land was for sale in southern Missouri at very reasonable prices. She and Bob came to Missouri, looked around and found a great place to live and raise a family of five. In 1979 they moved to a 205-acre farm in Caulfield, total population of 50 within the city limits. However the surrounding area includes about



2,000 more. They raised cattle and hogs while they each held full time jobs. One memorable Christmas morning proved to be very productive; they woke up to see that approximately 60 little pigs were born during the night.

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In 1981 Bob was laid off from his daytime job so the Kingsolvers moved to Wichita, Kansas, renting their dairy farm out to neighbors. For eight years Bob found work with Lear Jet and Stephens Dairy. They also adopted a 14 year old daughter. While living in Wichita, Bob met some very avid horseshoe pitchers such as Marine Tambour, Bill Whitley, Mary Ann Penninger, Greg & Gene Dixon. Being a

Thank You, Pam Henderson!

Missouri horseshoe pitchers express their thanks to Pam for all the hours she spent as Publicity Chairman. We appreciate all her efforts promoting horseshoes!

country boy, Bob just naturally fell into horseshoe pitching. He bought an NHPA card and joined the Sunflower League and pitched with them from 1981-89.

When they moved back to Caulfield, they joined the Caulfield Community Association. The building was originally the old Oak Grove Schoolhouse, but since 1962 the building is used for birthday & anniversary parties, benefit auctions and family reunions. The Girl Scouts, Alcohol Anonymous and Neighborhood Watch meetings are also held at the Community Center. Musicals are presented there the 1st Saturday night of every month to a full house. A local gentleman donated and installed central heating and air condition without any cost to the association. They serve food in a newly remodeled kitchen. Bob served as president of the community association for 12 years and board member for many more. Esther was elected as assistant secretary/treasurer for several years and then served as secretary/treasurer for another 10 years.

There is also a pavilion, a playground and an air evacuation pad on the grounds. People passing through, stop and enjoy the facilities as they would at a roadside park. After pitching horseshoes in Wichita, they saw a shortage of sanctioned horseshoe courts in this area. So with the help of Dale Parrott, Dan Hobbs, Coy Turner and James Belt they built 12 horseshoe courts filled with sand and dirt. That has since been replaced with Missouri clay. They leave at least 2 pair of inexpensive shoes out at all times for passer-byes who would like to stop and pitch a few shoes.

The tournament directors in the area meet each December at the Community Center to work out their tournament schedules. Bob also takes care of the tournament held at Gainesville as Coy Turner is no longer able to run the tournament anymore. Bob has helped to organize leagues in Caulfield, Gainesville and Bakersfield, MO. Esther has never pitched shoes, but she is always there keeping score, doing the business end of it and serving food when needed.

A few years back Bob & Esther stopped at a local restaurant on the way to a horseshoe tournament in Mt. Home, AR. The owner's father-in-law was visiting from California and saw the horseshoe shirt that Bob was wearing. He said he would like to pitch horseshoes. So he bought a NHPA card, they loaned him a pair of shoes and he went to the tournament with them. He did well at the tournament and

when he got back to California got all of his family involved in horseshoe pitching. Russell Hamman was later inducted into the California Horseshoe Hall of Fame. He passed away two years ago. The shoes that the Kingsolvers loaned him are now on display at Hamman's daughter's restaurant. They also have a pair of Ted Allen horseshoes on display at another restaurant in town. Bob and Esther are always looking for ways to promote horseshoes.



Bob's pitching ability has earned him several 1st place finishes at the MO State Fair, Class C & E. He also earned a 1st place state trophy in Class G at Park Hills. In 2003 Bob won first place at the MO State Tournament, Class E and again in 2004 he would win a first place trophy in Class D. Bob has always pitched in the Men's Division at 40 feet. They have traveled to eight world tournaments since 1995 earning himself two first place world trophies in Class I and J. Bob received the Southern MO – Northern AR player for the year in 1998 & 2004. Bob earned his 20 year longevity patch with the MOHPA/NHPA in 2003. Bob presently carries an average of 40%.

Esther married the diary farmer that she said she wouldn't, and just as she thought they worked hard together all their lives but reaped many rewards along the way. Bob and Esther had four sons and one daughter. Bob retired in 1993 and Esther retired in 1999. They now enjoy 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. At the age of 75, Bob has been blessed with excellent health and has the energy of a young man. Esther had major heart surgery in November 2005, but is doing great now and ready for another horseshoe season to begin.

Forty-three years have passed since the singing gospel convention in the little country church back in Clarksville, Ohio. Today, you will find Bob and Esther singing in the choir at another little country church in Caulfield, MO, often singing duets together. This is indeed one duet that Missouri horseshoe pitchers are proud to have in our state. Their efforts, energy and dedication to horseshoes have helped to keep horseshoes alive in southern Missouri. Thank you. Bob and Esther, for all you have done!

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Groundbreaking Ceremony Held for National Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall of Fame Museum & Facility

by Jeanette Claas

High on a hilltop, beneath skies of blue, some 200 people joined together to celebrate the groundbreaking of a new attraction to the ever growing St. Charles County: the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall of Fame Museum and public pitching facility. And now St. Charles County stakes its claim to another of America's enduring pastimes – a new facility that could put St. Charles County on the maps of horseshoe pitchers across the nation.

It wasn't the ordinary groundbreaking ceremony using a typical golden shovel. Twelve golden horseshoes, donated by Harvey Wobbe of Six Pac Horseshoes, were given to the 12 people who played a big part in making this event possible. On a makeshift horseshoe pitching court, county officials and horseshoe enthusiasts kicked up some dirt as they tossed out the shoes in hopes of landing a ringer.

"We'll throw them all at the same time," quipped Betty Yahn-Kramer, "No one's going to make a fool of me!" Those twelve important people were: Joe Ortwerth- County Executive, Bettie Yahn-Kramer-Director of Parks, Dave Loucks NHPF President, Paul Stewart NHPA President, Joe Faron NHPF Director, Dick Hansen NHPF Director, Roy Evans-NMHC Vice President, Dan Foust-Council Member, Joe Brazil-Council Member, Kevin O'Meara, Building Project Manager, Rose Mack-Parks Advisory Board Chair, Parks Advisory Board Past

Chair, Darlene Harrison and Sheriff Tom Neer of St. Charles County was given a honorary shoe to pitch.

The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall of Fame Museum will soon be located in the same spot where several pitchers who already qualify for admittance applauded its groundbreaking. The event took place at 11:30 am, May 5, 2006 at the beautiful scenic Quail Ridge Park near Wentzville where the crossroads of the nation meet at the intersections of Interstate 70 and Highway 40/61. A feeling of great excitement was in the air among horseshoe pitchers, park employees and

St. Charles County dignitaries. After two years of planning, it was a moment of sweet anticipation for everyone.

Earlier this year, the National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation forged a deal with the St. Charles County Council to move its headquarters from Joelton, Tennessee to a new \$625,000 indoor facility in the park. The foundation will pay for the building, and the

county will spend about \$300,000 on a parking lot, entry road and landscaping and also charge \$100 a year in rent for use of the 3-acre parcel of parkland. Completion is projected by the end of the year.

The New Melle Horseshoe Club, that voted to change its name to the Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club, will oversee the new facility. The U-shaped building will feature 16 indoor horseshoe courts for tournaments as well as eight outdoor courts for the public. The connector between the two wings will serve as a museum and will feature photos of past and present champions.

Director of Parks and Recreation, Bettie Yahn-Kramer, welcomed the guests and led the Pledge of Allegiance. As Bettie spoke you could hear in her voice the same excitement and enthusiasm as the horseshoe pitchers themselves. Next County Executive, Joe Ortwerth, made an impressive speech as he spoke of how Joe Faron (NHPF) met with the



Thank You!
Joe Faron and Roy Evans,
for your time and energy
on the Hall of Fame project!

St. Charles County Parks department and initiated discussions regarding the possibility of establishing a national center for horseshoe enthusiasts here in the county. "The Parks department embraced the idea and today its birth begins on this real estate that was donated by Mr. Henry Stealy, property owner. It is a thrill to be a part of the excitement to promote and establish the interest of horseshoes – and for those who have become experts at it. We have had a vision for our parks to offer tremendous, unique opportunities for people to recreate in ways they wouldn't find in a typical park. This facility is an excellent example of providing those opportunities while doing something of national significance."

All the way from the state of California, Dave Loucks, President of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation, stated, "It is a special day for the NHPF, a longtime dream come true. In 2001 the NHPF constructed the Hall of Fame in Joelton, Tennessee, but plans were never fully completed due to the untimely death of Dr. Jack Freeman in December 2003. After many meetings and discussions the NHPF and NHPA Directors agreed on the St. Charles County site. Today marks the beginning of a facility being built for horseshoe pitchers across the country. We will have opportunities here for experienced pitchers to teach and mentor younger ones, a sport that bridges generations."

Paul Stewart, President of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, traveled from North Carolina to participate and enjoy the event. "The first time I visited Quail Ridge Park I knew this was the perfect place for the Hall of Fame to find its home. Everything seemed to just fall in place. The partnership between the Parks department, the support of the leaders of St. Charles County, and the enthusiastic members of the New Melle Horseshoe Club was a win-win situation."

Horseshoe pitchers from Missouri and all across the United States traveled many miles to be a part of the ceremony. NHPA Hall of Famers were recognized and so were past Hall of Famers of the St. Charles County Sports Amateur



Assn. A horseshoe pitcher, who hadn't pitched in 11 years, showed up for the event and said he would be returning to the sport. Like a family we are bonded together.

After the ceremony and much picture-taking, the crowd was sent to the beautiful lodge in the park for refreshments that were supplied by the Holiday Inn in Wentzville. Horseshoe paraphernalia and souvenirs of the event were given to those attending. There was good media & press coverage for the event.

It was a bright sunshiny day, a memorable ceremony by the Parks department, and a beautiful site as we visualized the future home of the new facility. A perfect day, one may say, that those attending will never forget. All wishes coming true after a long time waiting. Perhaps if there was one more thing to wish for, it would be that every horseshoe pitcher in America could have witnessed this so very impressive event. There was a feeling of accomplishment for those who worked so hard to attain this goal, and a feeling of pride among the horseshoe pitchers as they watched history being made and their wishes being granted. It was a "horseshoe moment" to keep in your memory bank forever.

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News, Views & Donations

By Dave Loucks

May 5th marked the date of the ceremonial ground-breaking for the NHPA Hall of Fame facility at Quail Ridge Park in St. Charles County, Missouri. Shortly after the ground-breaking, the county is expected to begin bulldozing the existing parking lot and start grading for the new lot and the Hall of Fame building. Actual construction of the building should be underway by July. While this schedule is a bit delayed from initial estimates, it should still enable occupancy before the end of the year if no further delaying problems are encountered. The NHPF who will pay the cost of construction has hired a building project manager who has actually been on board since last November. He has been busy overseeing the development of plans, soliciting construction bids, interfacing with county officials and of course keeping the on-site NHPF Director Joe Faron and myself advised and involved.

Late in the month of March, the NHPF Directors approved the applications of four grant requests to construct or improve existing courts. A check for \$1,000 was sent to each of the following: Clinton Parks & Rec in Clinton, MO, Pitchers Paradise Club in Strafford, MO, Davis Public School in Davis, OK and the Greater Goldendale Horse-

shoe Club in Goldendale, WA. It is note worthy to mention that the application of the Davis Middle School came about after a horseshoe pitching clinic by embers of the Lake County Horseshoe Club in Ardmore. The school, with help from the club, will build 3 sand courts and start a recreation horseshoe program for students. Let's hope that other clubs around the county will make similar efforts to put on clinics at schools with the goal of bringing more youth into the sport.

The NHPA Hall of Fame building project will initially include 16 indoor courts, 8 outdoor courts, some offices, restrooms and a food & drink service center. This will be a facility that every NHPA member should take pride in. You can show your support for this project and our grant program by sending a tax-deductible contribution to the NHPF, the charitable arm of the NHPA.

Mail your contribution to P.O. Box 1628, Penn Valley, CA 95946. Those that donate \$25 or more will receive an acknowledgement letter of thanks. The NHPF thanks the following Missouri horseshoe pitchers for their generous contributions: David & Nancy Redhage, Stan Griggs, and Bob & Esther Kingsolver.

Be a team player – buy a commemorative brick

What a great way to support this NHPA Hall of Fame building project. Buy a commemorative brick to remember or honor someone special, a loved one, a friend, club or business. An engraved brick is the perfect way to let someone special know how much you care. Honor your parents, spouse, children, grandchildren, club or organization. Remember a special date, a birthday, graduation or anniversary. An engraved brick is a gift that can last forever.

Your engraved commemorative brick will be laid in the Jack Freeman memorial Plaza just outside the front entrance to the Hall of Fame building. There will be a large special horseshoe shaped bench on which to sit and enjoy some of the park vista while perusing the engraved bricks in the plaza.

A brochure and order form is on the NHPF Website. Go to the the NHPA Website and click on the link for the NHPF. The bricks are ordered thru Dave Loucks at PO Box 1628, Penn Valley, CA 95946.

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Who's Who in Horseshoes

By Jeanette Claas



The blushing bride of 1962 found her face even more red when she saw her picture in the last issue of Shoe Biz. It was sort of a fun prank that Brady Craven often plays on his wife, Nann. After 43 years of marriage, she should be used to it.

Brady and Nann had much in common from the very beginning.

Both were born in the same year, 1943 at home only five miles apart. Brady and Nann lived close to Albany, MO located 45 miles northwest of St. Joseph or 100 miles north of Kansas City. They both started elementary school in one-room schoolhouses in 1949. However, they never became acquainted until they started their freshman year at Albany High School in 1957. Although they were friends through high school they never dated until their "Senior Trip" at the Lake of the Ozarks. They graduated in 1961 and were married on December 26, 1962. They would have three children, Kett, Alicia and Kendall.

Brady completed his college degree at NWMO State and Nann had a full time job taking care of the children. Once the kids were in school, Nann went to work for the Liberty School District. Nann has put in 29 years with the Educational Resource Center ordering and distributing computers, books, tapes, etc. Brady chose an occupation that had many ups and downs. He was a mechanic for the Otis Elevator Company. He retired in 1998 with plenty of 'elevator war stories' to talk about. Before Brady went to work for the elevator company, he taught school and coached girl's basketball in a small town and worked in a meat packing house. His older brother, Gregg, advised him to come to the big city and get a job in elevators. Brady, being a farm boy, wouldn't do it at first saying, "I don't think I could live where I could not see some pigs out my window when I get up in the morning!"

Today, they have five grandchildren. Three grandsons (Cole, Adam & Alec) live in Kentucky and his namesake, Bradie Ann, lives in St. Louis. Their 17 year old granddaughter, Allyson, now a senior at Liberty High School, pitched in the Liberty Horseshoe League with Wilbur Hodgson as her partner; the youngest and oldest member of the club paired together. Since that time Allyson has appeared as a model for Bed, Bath and Beyond's national advertising brochure.

Coming from a 'horseshoe family' pitching horseshoes has always been a part of Brady's life. One day in the late 1950's, Ron Craven (Brady's Dad) said to his four sons, "Boys, let's go get some horseshoes." It marked the beginning of many horseshoe events that the Craven family

would share together. "We could never get Nann to pitch in organized horseshoes, but she has pitched a few times at family picnics, etc.", says Brady. They are always holding 'family tournaments' in the back yard when the 'Brady Bunch' gets together. Brady and his brother, Gregg, continue to pitch together frequently in tournaments and are the best of friends. You can feel the love that this family generates when you are in their presence. Ron Craven, now 89 years, and due to declining strength, is not able to pitch, but he enjoys watching his sons and grandchildren carrying on the family tradition.

Brady joined the MOHPA/NHPA in 1985. Since that time, Brady and Nann have attended 19 MO State Tournaments and have traveled to 14 World Tournaments. One of Brady's most memorable moments occurred when the Craven family (including Dad, Bernice, Gregg & Audra) traveled in a custom van to the 1993 World Tournament in Spearfish, SD. Feeling that advanced hotel reservations would not be necessary they stopped in Sioux Falls at about 9:30pm to get a room. There just happened to be a National Baseball Tournament going on and they found there were no rooms available within 150 miles. They decided to just drive straight through, but about 11:30pm they encountered a terrible thunderstorm and ended up sleeping in the van at a rest area. Brady, unanimously lost his job as travel coordinator, however, he did better in the world competition. Brady went on to compete in Class M against 36 pitchers and won his first World Tournament Title and first place trophy pitching 43%. Brady is a big MU fan and one of his opponents at that tournament was from Nebraska. Brady was having a very good game against him. When he was asked why he was being so hard on the NE

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**In 1953 he found him a wife,
Living in Platte County most of their life.
As a barbershop singer he never sang the blues,
Until 1987, when he picked up a pair of horseshoes!**

Find out who we are in the next Shoe Biz!



Wake Up to Missouri

by Jeanette Claas

Question

To call southeast Missouri the most beautiful part of the state wouldn't be fair; beauty is a mysterious commodity based on personal definition, as intangible as smoke. But the region has plenty to offer. There is natural beauty- dappled shade of the national forests, cascades of clear blue springs and rivers, and white river bluffs and volcanic rock formations—that meets everyone's definition of beauty.

If you enter our great state from the east, you will encounter the St. Louis area that spreads west on I-70 and south on I-55. If you sneak off I-55 to the many small highways branching off, you will find some of the most charming towns and historic sites in the state that date from the beginning of the westward expansion of the country.

Crawford County was one of the last areas of the Ozarks to be settled by Euro-Americans interested in farming. They found this area to be a treasure of plant and animal resources. While the Ozarks was great wildlife habitat the very nature of its many streams and small rivers cutting into the rocky land made it less than ideal for agriculture. Most pioneer Americans felt that the \$1.25 per acre which the Federal government had to charge was too much to pay for hills and rocks. Later the laws changed to allow the land to be sold for what it was worth. Most upland land in the Ozarks was purchased for around 25 cents an acre. It was north of the Shut-ins, through some of the prettiest hills this side of the Great Smoky Mountains during the 1850's, that Francis Wisdom built a water-powered grist-mill at this site. These mills had an undershot waterwheel and ground wheat and corn between stone burs. These mills were commonly only 5 or ten miles apart. People in the Ozarks did not eat a lot of wheat bread at that time and soft wheat did not make good bread, however, it did make great biscuits. Bread was usually cornbread and the preferred type of corn was white corn.

Small settlements usually grew up around mills. The mill usually became the place where several roads or trails crossed and soon some enterprising person would open a general

store. Many areas of the Ozarks didn't get electricity until the 1940's. After the Civil War, Mr. Wisdom converted to the Mormon faith and moved to Utah. The mill came into the hands of the Cotter family in 1881. In 1895 the mill was damaged by a flood and then caught fire. Eventually the land was purchase by Mary and Emil Mischke, a brother and sister. In 1904 these two set about having the presently existing mill built. It was to be state of the art watermilling. The town had originally been located where it was because the mill was the most important thing around. At the age of 66, Emil advertised for a mail-order bride and a woman from California agreed to come to MO and married him. Moving from California to backwoods Missouri was a real cultural shock for this bride and she was not happy there. She talked Emil into selling the mill and moving back to California with her. In 1930 Lester Klemme purchased the mill at a time when it was less profitable than in the past. Most people were purchasing their flour from the general stores at that time. While this part of the Ozarks did not

have electric power until the 1940's, Lester installed a DC generator in the mill, which provided his buildings with power. He then opened the Old Mill Lodge. For \$7 a day you could stay in one of the rooms and receive three meals. You could also swim or fish in the millpond. He operated this business until 1960 when his wife died. He locked up the business but continued to be protective of the mill. If he found anyone messing around without his permission he wasn't above taking a shot with a shotgun at them. In 1970 Mr. Klemme's health was failing and he put the mill and 132 acres up for sale. The LAD Foundation purchased the site at that time and rents the site to the DNR for a nominal amount. The DNR



runs and is responsible for the upkeep of the site. Tours are given through the mill on a daily basis and several special events are hosted each year.

The Ozark Trail winds through the heart of Missouri; miles and miles of rocky terrain ramble along glades, forests, and prairies. North of the Johnson Shut-ins, through some of the prettiest hills this side of the Great Smoky Mountains lies this very small town with a state historic site. Like a Currier and Ives scene beside its mill run, it is one of the state's best-preserved water-powered gristmills. This picturesque red building sits squarely at the juncture of two of the clearest-flowest Ozark streams, Huzzah and Indian Creeks. The original mill machinery is still in operation, grinding away.

Can you guess the name of this small town, population 42, which happens to be the hometown of MOHPA member John Setzer?

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Earl's Pearls

Hi there! Ma and Pa told me I'd better tell you that all the two-letter words in this paragraph have something in common, or else! What's the deal? See page 17.

13th Annual Six Pac Invitational, May 6-7, 2006, New Melle, MO

By Jeanette Claas

It was a week of stormy weather as we prepared for the Groundbreaking Ceremony of the NHPA Hall of Fame and for the 13th Annual Six Pac Invitational. Mother Nature came thru for us giving us an entire weekend of gorgeous Missouri spring weather to greet all of the out-of-state pitchers who came to participate in these events.

Due to the Groundbreaking Ceremony many NHPA officials were able to attend both events which made this Six Pac Tournament more special. After Martin Orf, President of NMHC, sang the National Anthem, NHPA Secretary/Treasurer Dick Hansen, from WI, introduced the other officials. They were: Bonnie Siebold, 4th VP from IN, Dan Sanders, 1st VP from OH, Paul Stewart, NHPA President from NC, Paula Summerlin, Newsline Magazine Editor from Michigan and husband Steve Summerlin, NHPA & NHPF Webmaster, Ken Kosky, NHPA Game Related Sales from Wisconsin, Dave Loucks, NHPF President from CA, Joe Faron, NHPF Director from MO, and Eugene Burlingame, Stewlie Prez from Iowa.

The Six Pac Tournament was made possible by the sponsorships of Harvey Wobbe of Six Pac Horseshoes and the Holiday Inn – Wentzville. We wish to thank each of them for their generous donations and hope that our members will reciprocate by using their business.

Randy Grady, former MO State Champion, made a most unique Six Pac trophy with all the past winners names engraved on it since it originated in 1994. The 14X14 walnut base was flanked with two golden horseshoes and a glass like standard size peg. Once again, Harvey Wobbe supplied the necessary materials and Randy used his woodworking skills to create this most outstanding trophy that will be used for many years to come. The trophy will be on exhibit in the new Hall of Fame facility..

NHPA President Paul Stewart announced on Sunday morning that the NHPA Presidential Award will be presented to Harvey Wobbe at the 2006 World Tournament in Gillette, Wyoming. Due to Harvey's health conditions Paul

wanted to personally acknowledge him at the Six Pac Tournament that he has sponsored since 1994. For his continued promotion of horseshoes both locally and nationally, Harvey has probably sponsored more teams and events than any other individual. The New Melle Horseshoe Club bought the first 8X8 commemorative brick to be placed in the Hall of Fame Plaza in honor of Harvey Wobbe for his contribution to the Six Pac Tournament.

Tournament Director of the 30 footers, Bob Diekamp, introduced the pitchers: Tom Ebers, MO 77.25%, Amy Francis OH 71.82%, Rose Diekamp MO 71.42%, Jan Kreienkamp MO 62.91%, Don Mercier MO 52.42%, Mary Beeson MO 52.74%, and Paul Taylor MO 49.73%. The 30 footers put on an exciting race with a playoff for first place between Amy Francis and Rose Diekamp. The results are as follows:

	W/L	Points	Ringers	Shoes	Percent
1. Amy Francis, OH	7-1	325	308	428	71.96%
2. Rose Diekamp, MO	6-2	296	243	354	68.64%
3. Tom Ebers, MO	5-2	277	243	326	74.53%
4. Jan Kreienkamp, MO	4-3	222	178	282	63.12%
5. Don Mercier, MO	3-4	199	173	318	54.40%
6. Mary Beeson, MO	2-5	214	200	332	60.24%
7. Oden Sullivan, MO	2-5	167	157	310	50.64%
8. Paul Taylor, MO	0-7	55	64	218	29.35%

Tournament Director of the 40 footers, Joe Faron, reported a few players withdrew from the tournament due to high cost of gasoline and Walter Ray Williams could not attend this year due to a defending title in a Regional Bowling event in NC. Those participating in the event were: Alan Francis OH 90.1%, 10X MO State Champion, 9 X OH State Champ & 11X World Champion, Mark Mauthe WI, 75.06% 3 X State Champ, Mandell Proctor 74.47% 4 X MD State Champion, Jim Walters OH 73.69%, M.O. Turner MO 70.62%, Paul LaCrosse CO 70.30% 19 X State Champ, Tom Westbrook 68.82% SC 6 X State Champ and World Senior Champion, Stan Griggs 66.12% 5 X MO State Champ, Jerry Dumstorff IL 2 X State Champ, Robert Booe KS 65.89% 4 X State Champ, Larry Knopp IL 65.47% 3 X State Champ, Mark Siebold IN 65.40% 20 X State Champ, 3 X World Champion, Charlie Killgore MO 2 X State Champ, Tim Henderson MO 65.11% & Kenny Pogue MO 63.06%.

At the end of the competition (8 games) on Saturday Alan Francis and Jim Walters remained undefeated. The Holiday Inn hosted a buffet dinner on Saturday where over 60 horseshoe pitchers and family members gathered for a relaxing evening and fun before retiring for the night.

The Six Pac Tournament is always a special time for the Francis family. Joyce & Larry not only get to watch their

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Six Pac Invitational, from page 15

son's skillful talents on the courts but it is a time for them to get reacquainted with their only grandchild. Spectators gathered for the final round on Sunday. After a low 80% first game, Alan cranked it up a notch for his second game with a 97.3% against Charlie Killgore. Alan Francis of OH captured his 9th title as Six Pac Champion with 15 wins and no losses. His tournament average was 88.85%. Seven pitchers scored less than 3 points against him. Matt Guy of KY scored the most – 17 points. Alan's record for the Six Pac Tournament throughout the years now equals – 158 wins and 3 losses. A young Jim Walters of OH finished 2nd with 14 wins and 1 loss, that being against Alan Francis. His high game was 86% and a tournament average of 73.10%. Stan Griggs of MO took 3rd place in spite of a rough first day start. The results of the 40' were:



	WL	Points	Ringers	Shoes	Percent	Prize
1. Alan Francis	15-0	623	510	574	88.85%	\$1200
2. Jim Walters	14-1	592	541	740	73.10%	\$1000
3. Stan Griggs	11-4	521	471	770	61.16%	\$ 600
4. Paul LaCrosse	10-5	539	528	758	69.65%	\$ 400
5. Tom Westbrook	10-5	502	471	740	63.64%	\$ 300
6. Mandell Proctor	9-6	512	491	772	63.60%	\$ 200
7. M.O. Turner	7-8	459	498	814	61.17%	\$ 175
8. Mark Mauthe	7-8	488	448	738	60.70%	\$ 125
9. Robert Booe	7-8	469	429	778	55.14%	
10. Jerry Dumstorff	7-8	456	418	768	54.42%	
11. Matt Guy	6-9	451	455	780	58.33%	

12. Mark Siebold	5-10	474	538	880	61.13%
13. Larry Knop	4-11	425	470	794	59.19%
14. Charlie Killgore	3-12	403	395	742	53.23%
15. Tim Henderson	3-12	365	312	670	46.56%
16. Ken Pogue	2-13	309	349	690	50.57%

Ever since Paul LaCrosse has been coming to NMHC, he always said the facility was like "Pitching in Paradise". This will be the last Six Pac Tournament held at NMHC facility. A lot of memories have been made during the last 13 years of exciting Six Pac Tournaments! "This is kind of sad it will be the last time," stated Paul, "But we will all look forward to pitching in the new Hall of Fame building that will bring about many more years of good pitching."

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Who's Who, from page 13

guy, he told him, "When I was considering to let up, I just thought about all the times Nebraska ran up the score on MU." In 1999 he would again take 1st place at Greenville, OH and last summer in Bakersfield, he tied for 1st place but lost the playoff game. "I have had more than my share of wins for an entire lifetime," Brady says, "but I still want more!"

Brady's true character came out at the 1996 World Tournament in Gillette, Wyoming when he entertained the Missouri horseshoes pitchers with his rendition of "Ahab, the Arab" without missing a beat. He also sang the same song at his son's wedding reception, a special

request by his new daughter-in-law, so you know it had to be special. After his appearance ten years ago in Gillette, maybe we can coax him into doing a repeat performance; a world class trophy and "Ahab, the Arab".
Brush up, Brady.

"Every year through horseshoes we make wonderful new friends from all over Missouri, the other 49 states and Canada. We are very thankful for all our friends who work so hard to make our game fun for everyone," says Brady. Indeed, Brady & Nann, wherever they go, leave everlasting friendships and represent Missouri well. We are very fortunate to have this most energetic and enthusiastic couple among our membership.

Wake Up to Missouri, from page 14

Answer

Dillard holds many childhood memories for John as he was born and raised in this area with its Dillard Mill State Historic Site which he saw almost daily, giving it not much of a thought. He grew up on a farm and for years he thought they were just growing rocks, but cattle and hogs and pasture land was all the ground was fit for use. On his way to school in Cherryville they would have to cross the 80 foot wide Huzzaw Creek. His mother would take their horse "Friday" along with John and his 4 brothers to the creek each day, pile two on the horse and cross the creek. She would make one more trip for the other two boys, cross the creek and off to school they went. During John's last 3 years of high school, he stayed at a neighbor's farm whose husband was sick and helped to do the farm work that he couldn't do. She paid him \$9 a week; he went home on Saturday afternoons and returned to the farm on Sunday evenings. He remembers milking cows at 4:00am and cleaning the barn every Saturday morning.

He graduated from Cherryville High School in 1958 and headed toward the bright lights of the big city, St. Louis. After finding some employment there, he found that he had spent \$7.00 more than he made and headed back home. He eventually made his way back to St. Louis but was then drafted into the Army where he spent a two year term. After being discharged from the service he met Martha in a neighborhood bar near Tower Grove Park. They married on May 20, 1967 and are the parents of five children making their home in Overland where they still reside after all these years. John worked as a commercial carpenter, building throughout his lifetime. In 1999 John hung up his toolbelt after 39 years of service and retired.

As they say old carpenters never die, they just lose their tools.

Around 1990, John pitched with a non-sanctioned horseshoe league in Woodson Terrace where he met Kit Hall of the Greater St. Louis Horseshoe Club. Kit persuaded John to join the St. Louis club and John became a member of the MOHPA in 1993. He pitched his first state tournament in 1994 and has only missed one state tournament in 2004. His daughter got married that weekend and John didn't have the heart to tell her he had a big tournament scheduled for that particular weekend so he put aside his love for horseshoes to attend his daughter's wedding.

He and Martha have enjoyed traveling to all the World Tournaments since 1996. John even managed to collect two Class Champion trophies in 1998 and 2001. One of their most memorable trips was a 47 day trip when they attended the world tournament in Red Deer putting over 10,000 miles on their vehicle. They spent 26 hours on a ferry to get to Prince Rupert, BC – the cost \$750. Last year attending the 2005 World Tournament was a little unusual for them. On their way to Bakersfield they stopped in Laughlin, Nevada for a little R&R. Martha never pitched horseshoes but she sure loves to play Bingo. During a KENO game, John got lucky when 8 of their 9 numbers were picked. He thought he had won \$300 but when he went to collect, it was \$3,500! Thus it paid for their 21day trip to California and back. It couldn't have happened to a nicer couple.

Missouri horseshoe pitchers are delighted to have this couple in our association. And don't forget to go see the historic Dillard Mill whenever you are in southeast Missouri, it is quite a site to see. And while looking over the Huzzah River, you might just envision John riding on old "Friday" as he crossed the creek on his way to school each day.

You know you are in Missouri in July when...

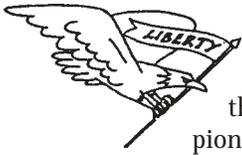
You break into a sweat the instant you step onto a horseshoe court at 7:30 a.m.!



Answer to "Earl's Pearls"

All two-letter words are abbreviations of U.S. states: HI, MA, PA, ME, ID, IN, OR.

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Liberty Horseshoe Club

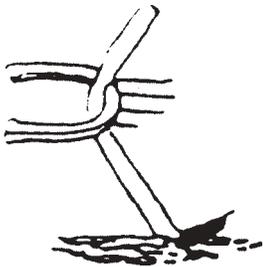
By Gregg Craven

We just completed our winter league at the Don Harris Arena. The League Champions were Rick Dougherty, Roy Flatt, Robert Johnson and Sam Vogel with a 70.5-49.5 record – Sam also got his 60% patch. Most Improved (12.5 points), 40% Patch, High Over Average (55.6 Points – think that will make the top 107) was all won by Junior pitcher Lance Dykes. High Average – 109.5 and High Game – 127 went to Nick DiRaimo. Chris Kluge (another Junior) got his 30% patch. We will be starting summer leagues the 2nd week of May. We had 3 applicants for the National Junior Scholarship Award. Six are given nationally and Alyssa Leger won a plaque which also comes with a \$200 scholarship. Her grade average was 3.9 and she was recognized in the “Horseshoe Pitching Newslines” along with Hayley Dykes and Matt Jackson for honorable mention. Congratulations, Juniors and keep up the good work!

New Melle Horseshoe Club

By Rich Altis

Seventeen years ago Rich Molitor came to the company where I worked to pick up some carpet. The subject got around to pitching horseshoes. I asked if there was any place close by where one could pitch. Rich said New Melle was the best place around, I asked where's New Melle? He said it's about ten miles on the other side of the Busch Wildlife area. I said that's a little far for me to drive just to pitch a game of horseshoes.



I found some courts in Ballwin, MO. and pitched with those guys for a year. They asked if I was going to pitch at the state tournament being held at New Melle that year (1990). I, like a lot of new NHPA pitchers, said I'm not good enough to compete with those pitchers. I did go out and watch my friends pitch and gave encouragement to them.

I could see that I could compete with some of the pitchers and made up my mind to pitch there the next year. That winter I signed up for some tournaments at New Melle and half way thru the season I joined the winter league. That was the beginning of sixteen years of pitching at New Melle.

Joe Faron was president of the New Melle Club and he asked me to help with the court maintenance during the 1991 state tournament. From that time until now I have had one job or another. I have enjoyed being your tournament statistician and your Men's League Director.

I am happy to see that most of our league members will be pitching at the new Quail Ridge Club. To the pitchers that won't be with us, it has been my pleasure pitching with you. Don't forget us. Sign up for a tournament once in a while. With sixteen courts there will be plenty of room.

New Melle Men's League results were: Twenty-nine pitchers bettered their previous high game ringer percent. The top

three were Joe Wolf, Andy Foulds and Don Rahe with games of seventy percent. High Ringer average 60.7% and High Game of 21 ringers - Rich Altis. High Game Over Average 9.45 ringers by Tony Rohe; Most Improved was Mick Gillette with an increase of 9.08 ringers. Rookie of the year is Paul Presson and the Sportsmanship Award went to John Simms.

The play-off for first place between Micky Gillette's team and Joe Buskirk's team was worth the price of admission. After six games the score was Mick's team four wins and a tie to Joe's team with one win and a tie. About this time I called the local pizza place and found that they close when the sun goes down. I called the other pizza place and found that they close at sunset. It looked like the evening was going to be a bust. A short play-off and no food. I was having flashbacks of a couple of years ago when there was a mix-up of who was ordering the pizzas and they never got ordered. There were hungry faces everywhere. It was horrible and I left.

About this time I decided to cook some hamburgers. A couple of the guys that came to watch the playoff got the grill going. We found the hamburgers and put them on the grill. The hamburger buns were moldy so I made a trip to the convenience store in New Melle. They had one package of buns and a loaf of bread. By the time I returned I figured the playoff would be over but Joe's team had two wins and a tie out of the next four games. If they could pull off two more wins they would force a one game playoff. Joe's team won game eleven but couldn't get the last game.

The winning team is, Mick Gillette's "Making Believe" with Bob Dwiggin, Martin Orf, Jerry Parmentier, Gary Presson and Jeff Schneider. Second Place team is, Joe Buskirk's "Two TA Cover" with Roy Evans, Darryl Gettinger, Larry Langewisch, Rick Maassen and Leonard Stulce. Ray Nadler's team was third, Andy Foulds team was fourth and Cliff Collins team was fifth.

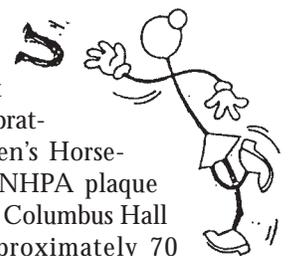
The Monday night Mixed League had a playoff for first place between the teams of first half winners "The Maybe's" Dave and Bea Feldewerth, Mick Gillette, and John Simms and the second half winners "The Newbees" Rich and Natalie Altis, and Matt Vogel. The Newbees came out on top with Matt having his best night of the season.

The two teenage players on my team, Natalie and Matt, were a challenge for most of the teams they played. With the high handicap and the two pitching stronger as the season went on they were a difficult pair to beat. Congratulations to the two young players for taking first place in the Monday-night Mixed league.

First Capitol Ladies League

By Ginny Weiss

In 2005, what is possibly the largest women's league in the world, is celebrating 10 Years as a Sanctioned Women's Horseshoe League. They have an official NHPA plaque to prove it. Pitching at the Knights of Columbus Hall (Council #823), this group of approximately 70



women, (8 teams), still has four of the original teams on the courts every Thursday night.

- 1) River City Concrete
- 2) K of C Pits
- 3) Calico's Originally, then Tubby's Pub & Grub & Now Plaza Lanes
- 4) Rental Center, Now Simon Crane

The season starts the first Thursday of May, and finishes up sometime in August. The season is separated into two halves, for a total of 14 weeks. The last night of the season, we have a banquet. After eating a delicious fried chicken dinner served by a few of the handsome knights of the KC Hall, awards & prize money are presented for the following categories: League Champs, High Game, High Average, High over average, Sportsmanship Award, and Rookie of the Year. You'll be interested to know, that except for some minor fees & expenses, all of the money is given back to the girls. Then we pitch a round robin tournament. 1st Half & 2nd Half winners have a pitch-off for League Champs, and fun is had by all.

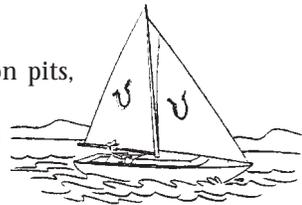
Most teams are sponsored by a local company, and all teams dress in coordinating team shirts. It is, of course, necessary to look good!! Come on, we're ALL women!

Now that you have the background of the 1st Capitol Women's Horseshoe League, it's our hope to keep you up to date throughout the year.

Stockton Horseshoe Club

By Letha Harris

Hey, all! We, here at the Stockton pits, want to thank everyone who came to our tournament on May 8 even though it turned into a muddy, muddy mess!



We want to welcome Maurice Hines back and to congratulate him, Danny Hines, and Tylor Hines—three generations taking first place in different divisions at the Peculiar tournament on April 22. Great job, guys!

I wish to thank all the people in our club who have helped me out so much. A special thanks to Chyna Mundy and Dorothy Mundy—I couldn't make it without you!

We also want Wayne Barber to get better and get back to pitching. We miss you on the courts.

Our July 1st tournament has turned into a doubles bringing your own partner (excuse). Have a great summer with lots of fun pitching. Come and see us. We would love to see you on our courts.



Backyard Horseshoe Club

By Melody Williams

Yee haw! Hello from the Backyard! We hope this finds all of your friends in the "Horseshoe World" happy and well! We hope all of you have survived the very stormy spring okay!

We would like to thank all of you who came out and participated in our winter sanctioned tournaments. We appreci-

ate all of you! We would like to give a special thanks to those who participated in our Team Handicap Tournament on April 29th. Congratulations to the winners. We all had a great time (some of us a little bit too much!) Ha, ha!

BYHC and the SEMO Horseshoe Association recently lost a member, Larry Burford, better known to most of us as "Burf". He will be missed, but certainly not forgotten by all of us! One of his famous sayings was "Wind change!" whenever he got a ringer! He was quite an asset to our club. We are sure he is pitching horseshoes in Heaven!

Just a reminder to your members if you haven't paid your 2006 dues, you need to do so. No pay, No play!

BYHC recently had a new addition (No, it's not more puppies or babies!) We have a new pizza oven for the concession stand. Now you can enjoy the great taste of pizza while you pitch. Just don't let the cook forget about it being in the oven while she is pitching!

We have also recently added some new members during the winter months. Welcome to: James Hillis, Mike Massa, Joe and John Keller, John and Stephanie Vandeven and family, Keith and Dawn Morrow and family, Brian Deck, Mike Davault, Beth Davault. We are growing!

We would like to remind members and others as well that the club is available for private parties. Let us know in advance and we will check the club schedule to make sure that nothing is going on when you want it.

The SEMO Horseshoe Association tournaments have started and are in full swing. BYHC will be holding one of these tournaments once a month throughout the summer months. These are not sanctioned events but all are welcome. If you would like for us to mail you a schedule of these tournaments, please let us know.

We will be scheduling some summer sanctioned tournaments in the near future. Watch the MOHPA website for these. We have to schedule these tournaments around the SEMO events and all of the sports events in the area. Good luck to all of you in the upcoming horseshoe pitching season.

Peculiar Horseshoe Club

By Roena Branson

Spring has arrived and the flowers are in bloom and the trees are so filled out and beautiful and of course the mowing begins and I believe everyone is looking forward to a wonderful summer and pitching a lot of horseshoes.

The Peculiar Horseshoe league has started. Our first league night was April 13th and we have a wonderful turnout this year with some new members. We have Terry Bowman, Kenny Simily, Michael Myler and our new juniors are: Madison Page, Corissa Bishop and Amanda Haynes, we are looking forward to pitching with each one.

We want to say "Thank You" to Ray Herman and George Chichura for purchasing the American Flag for our horseshoe club. We will display the flag with pride when we have tournaments and on special occasions.

Horseshoe Club News, continued on page 20

Missouri Horseshoe Club News

We had our first tournament on April 22nd and what a wonderful turnout. I believe we had about 62 pitchers and we could not ask for a better day. We actually had beautiful weather. I want to say "Thanks" to everyone that came and pitched in our tournament we had a great time. Also, I want to say Thank You to everyone that helped in anyway putting on this tournament.



The Peculiar Horseshoe Club now has a new addition. We added on to our existing pavilion a new 16x8 concrete block addition. This will be the new office for our director, Glenn Bowman. He will be in out of the rain and the wind which everyone knows when it comes to the Peculiar tournaments we usually have one or the other. We are really proud of it. We want to say a special "Thank You" to my husband Danny for the design and all the long hours he spent working on this building. Also, I want to "Thank" George Chichura, Lawrence Loney, Ralph Richardson and Terry Bishop for all of their long hours as well, and also "Thank You" to the others that helped in anyway. We also had to upgrade our concession with a new roof which was in need of repair as well. I want to say Thank You to Carl Brown for his help in repairing this for us. Also, to Ralph Richardson who put tar on all the nail holes but ended up with as much tar on his hands as the

nail holes had, good job Ralph. Also, my husband Danny who got all the materials for this job and did all the trim work. "Thanks to all of you."

Don't forget the Team event coming up at Strafford. Until next time, pitch some shoes and have fun.

Lake of the Ozarks Horseshoe Club



Donna Bastel writes...

We got off to a roaring start this year by installing 3 additional courts, bringing our total to 15. We didn't have enough to accommodate everyone who wanted to pitch in our league. After playing games with the City, trying to get the concrete guys to show up and working between rain drops, we finally got them installed the first of May.

We have signed up 8 new pitchers and have 30 pitchers in our Team Singles League and 32, plus alternates in our Doubles League.

We held our first 2006 tournament on May 13. Our next one is the Summer Splash on July 8th. You still have time to enter. So, give Jim Bainter a call, and spend the weekend at the beautiful Lake of the Ozarks. Our largest tournament of the year is the Hillbilly Fair the weekend of September 16th. We can now accommodate 105 pitchers in two days. There are good eats, crafts and great entertainment available.

Roy's Ramblings

by Roy Evans, MOHPA vice-president

- Spring has sprung, the air is fresh, the birds are chasing each other, and outdoor pitching is here at last.
- For those who can't pitch indoors, it is time to get the cobwebs off the horseshoes.
- State Officer's winter meeting went well.
- Jeanette Claas has designed a new logo for the Missouri State t-shirt this year.
- State Horseshoe doubles will once again be held at the same time as singles on Labor Day weekend in Jefferson City, MO.
- Harvey Wobbe will be given the Presidential award at the July 2006 World Horseshoe Tournament held in Gillette, Wyoming.

- New Melle Horseshoe Club changed their name to Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club.
- Over 150 people from all over the United States attended groundbreaking ceremony at the Quail Ridge Complex. Pictures and current info on the progress can be seen at <http://nmhc.us>.
- President of NHPE, Dave Loucks, really likes Missouri.
- During the Six Pac Tournament, my wife & I had the honor of being a host for the President of MOHPA, Jim Bainter, his wife Elaine, and the President of the Stewlies, Gene Burlingame from Iowa.
- Once again, Missouri's homegrown Alan Francis won the Six Pac Tournament while pitching in excess of 88%.
- In the 30-foot category, Amy Francis won the pitch-off against Rose Diekamp. What a terrific pair. Most New Melle tournament results are posted on the web site the same or following day.
- Please try to attend the Missouri State business meeting at the State Tournament. Important business decisions and new officers will be elected. Your vote can make a difference.
- The NHPA rules re-write is in the final stage of completion and can be reviewed on the NHPA web site (www.horse-shoepitching.com).



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Date	Sanc. Number	Tournament Name & Location	Contact	E-mail or Cell Number
05-13	19-06-059	Laurie Spring Fling Mixed Open (cell ph. 816-918-6789)	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
05-13	19-06-076	Independence Spring Mixed Open	Gwinn 816-796-0213	Fgwinn@comcast.net
05-13	19-06-091	Mountian View May Mixed Open 9:30 AM	Hobbs 417-934-6741	417-464-8987
05-20	19-06-012	Chillicothe Mixed Open (limited to 6 classes of 6)	Plowman 660-646-0174	dauljpearplowman@sbcglobal.net
05-20	19-06-041	Mayflower Marathon* @ New Melle	Gettinger 314-429-4427	pamgettinger@anheuser-busch.com
05-20	19-06-083	Caulfield Spring Mixed Open 9:30AM	Kingsolver 417-284-3042	
05-21	19-06-078	Kansas City Mixed Open	McIntire 816-452-0254	dmcintire@kc.rr.com
05-27	19-06-049	Memorial Mixed Open @ Jefferson City	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
05-27	19-06-056	Memorial Day Mixed Open @ Crane	Waisner 417-723-0081	jwaisner@centurytel.net
06-03	19-06-060	MOHPA Club/Team Benefit Mixed Open @ Strafford	Bastel 573-374-8243	lkhouse@usmo.com
06-04	19-06-079	Raising The Fence* @ Strafford	Keith 417-859-2781	cny30414@centurytel.net
06-10	19-06-030	Peculiar Summer Mixed Open	Bowman 816-293-5403	glennbowmans@wmconnect.com
06-10	19-06-042	Westhoff Park Mixed Open @ O'Fallon	Volo 314-434-4075	
06-10	19-06-084	Caulfield Summer Mixed Open 9:30AM	Kingsolver 417-284-3042	
06-17	19-06-014	Wilbur Hodgson Memorial* @ Liberty (in&outdoor)%%	Craven 816-781-7581	brcraven@webtv.net
06-17	19-06-092	Mountian View June Mixed Open 9:30 AM	Hobbs 417-934-6741	417-464-8987
06-18	19-06-050	Father's Day Mixed Open @ Jefferson City	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
06-23	19-06-089	Ballwin Days Doubles* (entry \$16) 7PM	Altis 636-394-3640	richaltis@juno.com
06-24	19-06-074	St. Joseph Mixed Open	Campbell 816-238-7312	pcampbell@co.buchanon.mo.us
06-24	19-06-090	Ballwin Days Mixed Open (\$16 entry/C&D1PM-A&B5PM)	Altis 636-394-3640	richaltis@juno.com
07-01	19-06-051	Jefferson City Mixed Open	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
07-01	N/S	Firecracker @ Stockton	Harris 417-876-4104	
07-08	19-06-043	Nite Owl @ O'Fallon //tournament canceled//	Claas 636-447-3039	dclaas@juno.com
07-08	19-06-061	Laurie Summer Splash Mixed Open(cellph 816-918-6789)	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
07-10/22	WY Sanc.	World Tournament @ Gillette, WY	Hansen 262-835-9108	nhpa.sec.treas@worldnet.att.net
07-15	19-06-057	Hot Times* @ Crane	Waisner 417-723-0081	jwaisner@centurytel.net
08-06	19-06-052	Sizzlin' Summer Mixed Open @ Jefferson City	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
08-18,19,20	19-06-063	MO State Fair Mixed Open @ Sedalia	Winston 660-563-3536	horshuvicki@socket.net
08-26	19-06-077	Independence Fall Mixed Open	Gwinn 816-796-0213	Fgwinn@comcast.net
08-26	N/S	Crane Boiler Festival	Waisner 417-723-0081	jwaisner@centurytel.net
09-01	19-06-064	MO State (adult) Championship Doubles@Jefferson City	Winston 660-563-3536	horshuvicki@socket.net
09-02,03,04	19-06-065	MO State Championship Singles @ Jefferson City	Winston 660-563-3536	horshuvicki@socket.net
09-09	19-06-031	Peculiar Fall Mixed Open	Bowman 816-293-5403	glennbowmans@wmconnect.com
09-16	19-06-058	Fall Open* @ Crane	Waisner 417-723-0081	jwaisner@centurytel.net
09-16,17	19-06-062	Laurie Hillbilly Fall Mixed Open	Bastel 573-374-8243	lkhouse@usmo.com
09-23	N/S	Hoot and Holler @ Caulfield 9:30AM	Kingsolver 417-284-3042	
09-23,24	19-06-053	2nd Annual Big Money Mixed Open @ Jefferson City	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
09-30	19-06-075	Ray Cavin Memorial Mixed Open @ St. Joseph	Campbell 816-238-7312	pcampbell@co.buchanon.mo.us
09-30	N/S	Walnut Festival @ Stockton	Harris 417-876-4104	
10-07	19-06-017	Frostbite Open* @ Don Harris Arena %%	Cooper 816-741-0043	ivdead@hotmail.com
10-07	19-06-080	Fall Shoedown Mixed Open @ Strafford	Keith 417-859-2781	cny30414@centurytel.net
10-07	19-06-085	James Belt Memorial Mixed Open 9:30AM	Kingsolver 417-284-3042	
10-08	19-06-054	Octoberfest Mixed Open @ Jefferson City	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
10-14	19-06-073	Hillbilly Hoedown* @ Stockton	Harris 417-876-4104	
10-14	19-06-081	Lake of the Ozarks vs & @ Jefferson City	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	s.bruemmer@worldnet.att.net
10-14,15	19-06-018	West vs East* (handicap) @ Don Harris Arena	Craven 816-781-4132	gregganda@Juno.com
10-21	N/S	Crane Doubles	Waisner 417-723-0081	jwaisner@centurytel.net
10-21	19-06-044	Fall Team Handicap* @ New Melle	Howard 636-441-7679	horseshoejc@aol.com
10-28	19-06-019	A L S Benefit* @ Harris Arena %%(Cooper 741-0043) o	Craven 816-781-7581	brcraven@webtv.net
10-28	19-06-093	Mountain View October Mixed Open 9:30 AM	Hobbs 417-934-6741	417-464-8987
11-04	19-06-020	6th Annual Holly Marie Memorial* @ Harris Arena %%	Griggs 816-313-1814	moshoe@kcnet.com
11-04,05	19-06-004	November Mixed Open @ Diamond	Gricks 417-325-4456	
11-18	19-06-021	Snow Bird Fly Away* @ Don Harris Arena %%	Craven 816-781-4132	gregganda@Juno.com
11-18	19-06-045	Turkey Trot* @ New Melle	Feldewerth 636-978-1292	dbfeldewerth@aol.com
11-18,19	19-06-027	Before Turkey Day* @ Hudson Hall (Crane)	Hudson 417-723-5429	417-840-5434
12-02	19-06-022	Here Comes Santa Claus* @ Don Harris Arena %%	Craven 816-781-7581	brcraven@webtv.net
12-02	19-06-046	BHC vs NMHC @ New Melle //tourney canceled//	Orf 636-332-3310	morf@mail.win.org
12-02,03	19-06-005	December Mixed Open @ Diamond	Gricks 417-325-4456	
12-09	19-06-047	Jingle Bell Rock* @ New Melle	Volo 314-434-4075	
12-16,17	19-06-028	Winter is Coming* @ Hudson Hall (Crane)	Hudson 417-723-5429	417-840-5434

Issued 5-9-06 by Elwyn Cooper. *Mixed. %% If cancelling late at Don Harris Arena, call cell G Craven 816-419-5631, B Craven 816-588-4536, C Killgore 816-592-0100.
NOTE: Sanctioned tournaments are preregister. Enter 7 days before (40+ days in Winter) NHPA CARD: State & National Dues—Adults \$20, Juniors \$5, get from MOHPA Secretary.

2006 Missouri State Horseshoe Tournament Information

By Jeanette Claas

Roads heading toward the Lake of the Ozarks region in the central part of our state leads to Missouri's State capitol. Crossing the bridge over the wide Missouri River, the imposing state capitol stands on a bluff high above the river. The main business here in state government, but come September 1,2,3 & 4, 2006, there's going to be a whole lotta "shoe" business going on.

The 81st Missouri State Horseshoe Tournament will be held for the 3rd time in Jefferson City and hosted by the Jefferson City Convention and Visitor's Bureau. The Jeff City CVB will be in partnership with the Jefferson City Parks and Recreation Department. Horseshoe pitchers will be invading this town of 35,000 people. Rain or shine, the "shoe" will go on! The Jefferson City Parks and Recreation Dept. is allowing us to use the Washington Park Ice Arena. Twenty courts will be installed inside with twelve outdoor courts. Our state officers have made numerous trips to Jeff City to see that this state tournament will be a most memorable tournament for our state. Let's show our hosts what enthusiasm and horseshoe support is all about by your appearance at the 81st MO State Horseshoe Tournament.

It is now time to start making plans and reservations for the Labor Day weekend event. The host motel will be the Ramada Inn and Convention Center in Jeff City. Call for reservations at 1-800-392-0202 OR 573-635-7171. You will have better luck calling on Monday thru Friday as reservationists are on duty at that time, ask about the special horseshoe rate. The horseshoe room rate is \$56.00 which will include Ramada 4 Theatre tickets, breakfast discount coupons and great room amenities. The Ramada intends to house the pitchers in the main building (87 rooms). Reservations for our "SHOE rate" will be accepted through the end of August. Please support our host hotel.

For those planning on camping and RV parking, Binder Lake

Park is located west of Jeff City with 12 sites available (phone: 573-636-0665). Also, located 17 miles east of Jeff City, near the confluence of the Osage and Missouri Rivers is the Mari Osa Delta Campground (phone 573-455-2452).

See the state entry requirements for all questions and starting times of tournament play. Make plans to attend the Annual MOHPA Business meeting to be held on Friday evening as important elections and decisions will be made. The Annual Awards Program and Banquet will be held on Saturday evening.

If you are interested in taking out an ad for the State Tournament Program Booklet, contact Jill Johnson, Executive Director, Jefferson City Convention and Visitors Bureau, 1-800-769-4183 or 573-632-2820 for further information. Don't forget to bring your club's flag to be put on display. As a reminder, you might want to bring lawn chairs. A light jacket (or blanket) might be recommended if you are keeping score in the air conditioned ice arena. Coolers will not be allowed in the arena or park area. However, a local beer distributor, Fechtel Beverage, will be operating concessions inside and outside during the tournament.

If you need further information, please contact any of your MOHPA officers. Their phone numbers are listed on the inside cover of Shoe Biz.

The Missouri State Troopers Headquarters are located in the heart of our state capitol city, so-o-o fasten your seat belts, obey the speed limits and have a safe trip as you travel to Jefferson City. Don't forget to stop in at Central Dairy, 610 Madison Street, for a real cool treat. They make the best ice cream on the south side of the Missouri River.

Show me an air conditioned arena on a hot Labor Day weekend and I'll show you a cool building filled with hungry horseshoe pitchers looking for a state championship title!

And The Winner Is...

by Donna Bastel

The winner of our 2nd annual State Championship Shirt Design contest is one of the most creative members of the MOHPA. In between writing and editing articles for the award winning Shoe Biz newsletter, Jeanette Claas somehow found time to create a design for our 2006 State Championship shirts. For her efforts, Jeanette will receive a **free** shirt and **free** entry into the Singles portion of the State Tournament.

Out of over 800 members in the MOHPA, we only received entries from three people, Jeanette Claas, Bob Bloss and Pam Henderson. We want to give our thanks to these folks for taking time out of their busy schedules to join the fun.

Can we get you to join the fun for 2007? The location of the 2007 State Tournament will be announced at the Business Meeting in Jefferson City in September. We would like to see more of you get your creative juices flowing and send in an entry. You will have until February, 2007 to come up with the winning design.

We will have shirts, hats, and coolie cup holders available

81ST STATE HORSESHOE CHAMPIONSHIPS



for purchase at the State Tournament. Of course, if you attended the 3rd Annual Club/Team Benefit Tournament in Strafford on June 3rd, you may already have yours.

2006 Missouri State Championships

Singles Entry Information

1. Open to current Missouri residents, who are 2006 NHPA and MOHPA members.
2. **Entry Requirements: Adult** pitchers will be placed into the tournament according to their NatStats average as known Aug. 3, 2006. Their NatStats record must show participation in at least 3 sanctioned events. A sanctioned league average of 400 shoes or more is considered an event. Adult males, who have changed pitching distance, need 3 events from their new distance. **Juniors or Peewees** require only one sanctioned event listed in NatStats by Aug. 3, 2006.
3. **New Pitchers:** Persons who have been NHPA and MOHPA members for a total of two years or less, and haven't previously participated in a Missouri State Tournament, may be seeded by one of the following methods if lacking 3 sanctioned events by the entry deadline: (a) Average from any sanctioned events that have been completed. (b) A current sanctioned league average of 400 shoes or more (must be verified in writing by the league director.) (c) 200 consecutive qualifying shoes (100 for juniors and 50 for peewees). Qualifying shoes must be scored by two NHPA members who must sign the score sheet. The score sheet must be submitted with the entry form.
4. **Entry Information: You must use the official entry form or photocopy thereof. Adult entry fee: \$20.00. No entry fee for Juniors or Peewees.** Make checks payable to: MOHPA. Mail entries to: Vicki Winston, 10326 Highway D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Entries must be received by August 5, 2006. Late entries will be placed on standby.** Have questions? Call 660-563-3536 or E-mail: horshuvicki@socket.net **No refund of entry fees for cancellations after Aug. 5, 2006.**
5. **Seven Divisions Available (circle only one on the entry form).** **Open Men:** any age adult male 40 ft. pitcher. **Women:** all adult women. **Senior 40':** men age 60 or older who pitch 40 ft. **Mens 30':** Elder men age 70 or older, and men with medical exemptions who pitch less than 40 ft. **Junior Boys:** age 18 or younger for the entire calendar year. **Juniors Girls:** age 18 or younger for the entire calendar year. **Peewees:** youths age 9 or under for the entire calendar year who observe the 20 ft. foul line.
6. **Classes:** Eight person round robins when possible. All games will be cancellation scoring. Length of games as set by the tournament committee. All games are subject to NHPA and MOHPA rules. Judges decisions will be final.
7. **Pitchers** not completing their schedule forfeit all prizes unless officially excused.
8. **All Pitchers** must wear a shirt with at least their last name lettered neatly on the back.
9. **All Pitchers** must pay their scorekeeper \$1.00 prior to the start of each game.
10. **Prize Fund:** \$12.00 of each entry fee plus \$500 from the Jefferson City CVB. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top half of each class.
11. **Trophies:** Furnished by the hosts to the top three places in each class. All juniors and peewees will receive awards. A traveling trophy is awarded to adult division champs and junior boy and girl champs.
12. **Notification** of pitching times will be mailed to all entrants. The lineup will be posted on our website.
13. **Any Rainouts** of outdoor classes will be made up sometime during the tournament weekend.

Doubles Entry Information

1. **For Adults Only** and limited to the first 128 entries received, or a lesser number divisible by 16. Entries not making the cut will be used as vacancies occur. Those not getting to play will have their entry fee refunded. Doubles will start on Friday, Sept. 1, 2006 at 11:00 AM.
2. **Entry Requirements:** Same as for the Singles.
3. **Entry Information: Use the official entry form. Entry fee: \$20.00.** Make checks payable to: MOHPA. Mail entries to: Vicki Winston, 10326 Hwy D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Entries must be received by Aug. 5, 2006. Late entries will be placed on standby. No refunds after Aug. 5, 2006.** Questions? Call 660-563-3536 or e-mail: horshuvicki@socket.net
4. **Shirt Requirements And Scorekeeping Fees:** Same as Singles.
5. **Format:** Walking Doubles. You pitch your own horseshoes. Partners are paired by dividing the list of entrants into classes of 16 persons by their entering averages. The top 16 form the Championship class, the next 16 Class A and so on. In each class #1 will be paired with #16, #2 with #15 and so on.
6. **Prizes:** Cash to the top three places in each class. Plaques to the top three places in each class.
7. **Notification:** You will be advised of your class and pitching time by mail. A tentative lineup will also appear on our Web site. The lineup usually changes whenever substitutions are made.

Singles Entry Form

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Name _____ Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____ E-Mail _____

Circle Division Being Entered

Open Men Women Senior 40' Mens 30' (Elders) Junior Boys Junior Girls Peewees

Check here if entering under Entry Requirement #3 for New Pitchers. Enclose required documents if entering under parts (b) or (c).

Participant Liability Release: In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the Mo. Horseshoe Pitchers Assoc., all officers, agents, employees and servants of the afore stated organization, and all fellow participants of this event, for any and all action, causes of actions, damage, loss or injury, which I may suffer as a consequence of participating in a Missouri State Horseshoe Pitching Tournament.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Adults: \$20 Juniors/Peewees: Free

Entries must be received by Aug. 5, 2006.

Doubles Entry Form

2006 Missouri State Championships • Sept. 1 • Jefferson City, MO

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

NHPA Card # _____ E-Mail _____

Check here if entering under requirements for New Pitchers. Any required documents enclosed for your Singles entry will also be used for the Doubles.

Participant Liability Release: In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the Mo. Horseshoe Pitchers Assoc., all officers, agents, employees and servants of the afore stated organization, and all fellow participants of this event, for any and all action, causes of actions, damage, loss or injury, which I may suffer as a consequence of participating in a Missouri State Horseshoe Pitching Tournament.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Adults Only: \$20

Limited to first 128 entries received or lesser number divisible by 16.

Entries must be received by Aug. 5, 2006.

2006 Missouri State Fair Mixed Open Tournament

Superintendent: Earl Winston, LaMonte, MO, 660-563-3536
Asst. Superintendent: Vicki Winston, LaMonte, MO
Judge: Robert Bastel, Gravois Mills, MO

Amount offered in this department by State Fair: \$950.00
 Amount offered by Mo. Horseshoe Pitchers Assn.: \$1,390.00
 Total offered in this department: \$2,340.00

Judging Program

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 18, 19, 20, 2006

Rules of Play

1. This tournament shall be known as the Missouri State Fair Mixed Open Tournament. Any current NHPA member meeting eligibility requirements may enter, regardless of residence. There are 12 dirt courts available with concrete walkways and pitching platforms. This is a NHPA sanctioned event.
2. Classes will be limited to those shown on the prize list. Entries will be accepted in the order they are received. All entrants will compete together and will be placed according to averages.
3. All pitchers will be placed by their NatStats average as known on July 27, 2006. NEW PITCHERS may use a sanctioned league average of at least 400 shoes or may send a scoresheet of 100 qualifying shoes. Qualifying shoes must be pitched consecutively and recorded on a scoresheet witnessed and signed by two NHPA members. League averages must be verified in writing by the league director.
4. Entry fee for adults - \$10.00. Juniors - Free, but they must have a membership card. Checks should be made payable to: Mo. Horseshoe Pitchers Assn. and should be sent to Earl Winston, 10326 Hwy D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Entries must be received by July 27, 2006.** The tournament committee reserves the right to re-rate qualifying scores or correct averages found to be in error. Contestants will be notified of their class and pitching time by mail.
5. This tournament is conducted under the rules of the Missouri Horseshoe Pitchers Association and the N.H.P.A. The judge's decisions will be final. Classes will be sched-

uled for 8 player round robins where possible. Contestants failing to appear forfeit all prize money.

6. All pitchers must wear shirts with their names lettered on the back and all pitchers must pay scorekeepers \$.50 prior to the start of each game.

Tentative schedule: (subject to change)

Friday, August 18, 9:00 a.m., Classes P, Q, R
 Friday, August 18, 1:30 p.m., Classes M, N, O
 Saturday, August 19, 9:00 a.m., Classes J, K, L
 Saturday, August 19, 1:30 p.m., Classes G, H, I
 Sunday, August 20, 9:00 a.m., Classes D, E, F
 Sunday, August 20, 1:30 p.m., Classes A, B, C

Plaques and Ribbons

Missouri State Fair - All first-place plaques
 Missouri State Fair - Ribbons to all places

Premiums

Class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 (A)	\$35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
2 (B)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
3 (C)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
4 (D)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
5 (E)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
6 (F)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
7 (G)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
8 (H)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
9 (I)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
10 (J)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
11 (K)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
12 (L)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
13 (M)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
14 (N)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
15 (O)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
16 (P)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
17 (Q)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5
18 (R)	35	27	22	15	11	10	5	5

Note: Juniors will not be awarded cash prizes.

Entry Form

2006 Missouri State Fair Mixed Open • Sedalia, MO • August 18, 19, 20 • Sanction #19-06-063

Name _____ Address _____

City & State _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

NHPA Card # _____ Date of Birth _____ Adult _____ Junior _____ E-mail _____

Check one: Use my official NatStats average.

I am a new pitcher and am entering under the provisions of Rule #3. Required documents enclosed.

Entries must be received by July 27, 2006
 Adults \$10.00 • Juniors Free

Happy Hearts Tournament

By Jan Kreienkamp/Andy Foulds

The Happy Hearts Tournament was held on Saturday, February 4. With a few exceptions of setbacks the tournament went well. We had 48 pitchers in six classes with 13,244 shoes pitched and 4,710 ringers scored. The average percent for the tournament was 35.56%. Rose Diekamp had the high tournament average of 66.06% and a high game of 78.57%!

Darryl Gettinger pitched the highest percent over his entering average. Darryl won "C" Class with a 44.44% average. He also received a plaque (for highest percentage over average) for his superb pitching. Congratulations, Darryl!

John Wilde and Dennis "Pete" Peters pitched their first sanctioned tournament. Pete tied for first but got second place on ringer percents. Winners are: Class A, Rose Diekamp; Class B, Jill Knobbe; Class C, Darryl Gettinger; Class D, Cozy Bailey; Class E, Mary Duke; and Class F, Kathleen Goetges.

Thanks to all who helped clean the club. It really looked great. Our apologies for not having enough scorekeepers. But thanks to all who did keep score and double thanks to those who kept double scoresheets.

Great appreciation to Rich Altis for keeping the stats in the morning and pitching and keeping stats in the afternoon.

We would like to thank all of our sponsors: Howard Drywall (Jim/Carol Howard), Union Towing (Mark Pisane), Short Stops Convenience Store (Greg Faron), The Fireside Bar & Grill (Brian Welge), Andriani's Pizzeria (Emily/Peter Shaw), and The Wood Icing Company (John & Rose Wilde).

West vs. East Challenge

By Jeanette Claas

April Fool's Day was no joke for the 28 West End kids who traveled to New Melle to retain the traveling plaque that they captured for the first time last fall. Thirty-six NMHC horseshoe pitchers were anxiously waiting for their arrival for the 6th Bi-Annual West vs. East Challenge.

Tournament Directors Roy & Suzanne Evans report a total of 72 pitchers participated in the two day handicapped event. Gregg & Audra Craven of Liberty led the National Anthem

on Saturday morning and Jim Kinney Jr. of Drexel graciously sang the Anthem on Sunday morning.

Just before the tournament started, Suzanne Evans was literally shocked as Jeanette Claas told her she wasn't feeling well and couldn't pitch in the tournament. "What?" replied Suzanne at the same time Roy & Rich Altis came out of the computer room and overheard the statement, stopping them dead in their tracks. They had just completed the final line up and were ready to get the tournament underway. "What do you mean?" says Little Richard. "Well," Jeanette says, "I hated to say anything and back out of the tournament, but I'm just not feeling well." Watching the color drain from their faces, Jeanette added, "April Fool!"

Pitching for the first time in this tournament were Jill Knobbe, David Schneider, Glenn Young, Ed Griffith, and Larry Langewisch.

Prize money was 100% payback for each class: 1st place, \$50; 2nd place, \$40; 3rd place, \$30; 4th place, \$20. Raffle winners were John Simms of St. Peters and Carol Howard, who donated her winnings to the NMHC.

At the end of competition on Saturday, the West End kids decided it was time to regroup, as East was up 26 games. The East & West End kids joined together for an enjoyable evening at Stefanina's. At the conclusion of Sunday's competition the score was 123-86 with the East winning by its largest margin ever.

The Class Champions were: Class A, Rich Altis, with Tom Ebers high game of 80%; Class AA, Jan Kreienkamp, with Tom Ebers high game of 80%; Class B, Jeanette Claas with high game of 60%; Class BB, John Setzer with high game of 47.50%; Class C, Donna Bastel with high game of 50%; Class D, James Adkins, with high games of 37.50% pitched by Laryssa Stanton and Dave Feldewerth.

Credits to: Gregg Craven, for organizing the West side team; Rich Altis, our statsman; the clean-up crew under the direction of Dave & Bea Feldewerth; and all the scorekeepers. Without their support there would be no tournament.

The East End kids will travel to Liberty for the next challenge on October 14 & 15 to renew our friendship with friendly competition.

Cancer Action Tournament

By Kent Armstrong

Tournament Director Kent Armstrong asks this question: "What could you do on a Saturday to make it a most successful day?" And he answers it himself, "Hold a horseshoe tournament!" And on Saturday, April 15, that is just what happened.

Fifty-four pitchers showed up for the 5th Annual Cancer Action Tournament held at the Don Harris Arena in Liberty. All the proceeds from this tournament are given to Cancer Action, where thousands of cancer victims will be helped. After all the tournament fees, the food and drinks, the court sponsors, and donations were counted, a total of \$1,269.78 was raised. Could you ask any more from these people? I think not.



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Penn Valley, CA 95946

Missouri Tournament Reports

As this was the fifth year of this special tournament, we have raised over five thousand dollars. The only thing I could want for next year is more court sponsors, as we all know cancer victims. So don't forget.

I would like to thank all the generous pitchers who gave up their time to come to the aid of so many people. Tournament Champions are: Class A, Tom Ebers; Class B, Michael Bowman; Class C, Eugene Newkirk; Class D, Lawrence Loney; Class E, Dean Jameson; Class F, Brady Craven; Class G, Chara Page; Class H, John Anderson; Class I, John Loyd.

Team World

By Jim Haupt

Missouri is one of the stalwarts of the Team-World Tournament held in Beloit, Wisconsin, each spring. It dates back to the beginning (1985-86) when Charlie Killgore first attended. He liked it, got the bite in his mouth, and went with it. Nowadays it has grown to expect 4-5 teams from Missouri. Killgore receives several copies of the invitational/promotional letter. He takes it from there organizing the MO association.

After the deadline the committee meets to make up hopefully four groups of six teams intentionally unseeded. Any one group will contain two lead teams, each probably capable of being in the finals and four other teams who are really playing

along for the fun of meeting the top pitchers of the day. The event is limited to 20 or 24 teams. Occasionally some entries have to be returned to fit the size of the arena (24 courts) and the time of three days.

In actual play the team captains assemble for a coin flip at the main table. Winners then assign the four individual matchups and losers pitch first. In that manner each team plays each other one time. An entire round robin of the 24 teams is played to determine total wins and who goes into the finals.

A popular finals format is placing the top three teams on the ladder and putting the next four teams into a play-off for the #4 spot on that finals ladder.

The social end of the tournament is most interesting. Teams play sometimes three games, sometimes five games in a row with two appearances on the courts Saturday. There is a constant flow of teams coming and going and the popular interim meeting places include the arena itself and the adjoining dining room. Horseshoes is a social game and there is great opportunity for it at Team-World.

Good luck to the 4 teams of horseshoe pitchers from Missouri who are participating in this event: Team of Kenny Pogue, Ed Pashia, Boxie Schrum, Joe Lucas, & Joe Buskirk; Team of Sam Carter, Tim Henderson, Mary Beeson, Bob Diekamp, & Jim Howard; Team of Tom Ebers, M.O. Turner, Rose Diekamp, & Rich Altis; Team of Oden Sullivan, Nile Abbott, Ron Hassler, Mick Gillette, & Charlie Killgore.

Congratulations, Larry Gilchrist!

The St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame held their 23rd Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday March 18, 2006 at the American Legion Post in St. Charles, MO.

This year the Board of Directors honored nine men and women whose outstanding records earned them a place not only in the Hall of Fame, but also a place in the hearts and memories of the fans of St. Charles County.



Larry Gilchrist, of Lake Sherwood and member of New Melle Horseshoe Club, was honored this year for his contribution to horseshoes in St. Charles County. Larry started pitching organized horseshoes in 1933 on a team in St. Louis. They pitched at the St. Louis Playgrounds

where Larry pitched in leagues for three years.

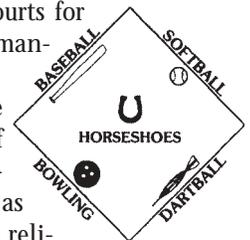
From 1978 to 1982 he pitched on a team from Augusta in the St. Charles-Warren County Horseshoe League. In 1983 Larry started a horseshoe team in Lake Sherwood that also pitched in the St. Charles-Warren County League. He orga-

nized and helped build the horseshoe courts for the Lake Sherwood team. He was the manager and team captain through 1988.

Larry joined the New Melle Horseshoe Club in 1989 and has been a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association since that time. He has served as team captain and was a prominent and reliable scorekeeper (which earned him the 2004 Scorekeeper Award from the MOHPA). In the year 2000 Larry was the recipient of the Sportsmanship Award elected by his peers.

Throughout his years of horseshoe pitching Larry has won numerous trophies and has an 80% game to his credit with some high games in the 60% range. He has rendered and contributed toward the advancement and support of amateur sports by organizing horseshoe courts, teams, tournaments and players.

Larry captivated the audience as he gave an arousing acceptance speech and told of his younger days of pitching at 15 years of age and horseshoe pitching throughout the years. Members of Larry's family joined him for this celebration, as did many members of NMHC. Larry thanked the club for attending and stated, "You don't know what a family is until you have a family in horseshoes." New Melle Horseshoe Club applauds this enthusiastic 86 year young man who serves as an inspiration to all. Congratulations, Larry!



Missouri Tournament Results

January–April, 2006

Happy New Year Open @ Harris Arena 1/7/06 Dir: Charles Killgore

Class A: M O Turner	5-0	68.8%
Class B: Nile Abbott	5-0	54.8%
Class C: Roena Branson	5-0	55.2%
Class D: Joann Jones	4-1	41.6%
Class E: Denise Bloss	5-0	41.2%
Class F: Dylan Mountain	4-1	36.0%
Class G: Neal Straughn	4-1	20.8%
Class H: Don Roberts	5-0	22.0%
Class I: Chris Kluge	4-1	8.8%

Lucky Gricks Memorial @ Gricks Arena 1/7-8/06 Dir: Carlyle Gricks

Class A: Bob Renfro	6-1	50.4%
Class B: Michael Gillespie	6-2	41.2%
Class C: A.Higginbotham	6-1	35.2%
Class D: Rick Jordan	6-1	28.3%
Class E: Russell Gillis	7-1	23.1%
Class F: Lena McDonald	5-0	12.5%

Snowflake Open @ Glen Alen 1/8/06 Directors: Danny&Melody Williams

Class A:		
1 st Randy Grady	7-0	65.8%
2 nd Cori Stoverink	5-2	57.1%
Class B:		
1 st Mike Davault	6-1	28.1%
2 nd Dawn Morrow	6-1	23.7%

SuperBowl Special @ New Melle 1/14/06 Directors: D.Claas & Clarence Eggert

Class A: Rose Diekamp	7-0	74.4%
Class B: Roger Reeves	5-2	53.0%
Class C: Ginny Weiss	6-1	44.9%
Class D: George Christ	7-0	35.4%
Class E: David Schneider	6-1	35.6%
Class F: Ken Sykora	6-1	30.0%

Window of Opportunity Benefit @ Harris Arena 1/21/06 Director: Neal Straughn

Class A: Tom Ebers	6-1	77.5%
Class B: Al Gwinn	7-0	59.2%
Class C: Joann Jones	6-1	39.6%
Class D: Jim Bainter	7-0	37.5%
Class E: Neal Straughn	7-0	16.0%
Class F: Floyd Roberts	6-1	16.3%

January Thaw Open @ Hudson Hall 1/21-22/06 Dir: Frank Hudson

Class A: Carlyle Gricks	5-0	58.1%
Class B: Terry McDonald	4-1	36.6%

Class C: Markus Blevins	7-0	32.1%
Class D: Jim Claxton	6-1	15.1%
Class E: Alfred Mundy	5-1	17.9%

Melody Open @ Glen Allen 1/22/06 Dir: Danny & Melody Williams

Class A:		
1 st : Dylan Elfrink	5-1	58.3%
2 nd : Martin Williams	5-2	55.0%
Class B:		
1 st : Mike Davault	5-0	33.5%
2 nd : Steve Riley	4-1	27.5%

Special Olympics Benefit @ Harris Arena 2/4/06 Director: Rick Gwinn

Class A: Tom Ebers	7-0	77.1%
Class B: Roy Flatt	5-2	55.4%
Class C: Karen Goldizen	5-2	40.9%
Class D: Richard Schmidt	6-1	32.5%
Class E: Neal Straughn	6-1	17.6%
Class F: Gary Lane	6-1	20.4%

Happy Heart Open @ New Melle 2/4/06 Dir: Kreienkamp/Foulds

Class A: Rose Diekamp	7-0	66.1%
Class B: Jill Knobbe	6-1	53.1%
Class C: Darryl Gettinger	7-0	44.4%
Class D: Cozy Bailey	6-1	42.3%
Class E: Mary Duke	6-1	31.0%
Class F: Kathleen Goetges	6-1	29.1%

February Open & Lucky Gricks Arena 2/4-5/06 Dir: Carlyle Gricks

Class A: Bob Renfro	4-1	50.0%
Class B: Dean Renfro	5-1	45.9%
Class C: Steve Flood	6-1	47.5%
Class D: Larry McAlister	4-1	25.0%
Class E: Reggie Kuhs	6-1	23.8%
Class F: Ethan Snow	4-1	29.5%

Early Sweetheart Open @ Glen Allen 2/5/06 Dir: Danny/Melody Williams

Class A:		
1. Dylan Elfrink	5-0	51.0%
2. Martin Williams	3-2	54.0%
Class B:		
1. Keith Morrow	5-0	10.8%
2. John Vandeven	4-1	18.6%

Independence Memorial @ Don Harris Arena 2/18/06 Directors: Wayne & Pam Henderson

Class A: Charles Killgore	3-2	67.5%
Class B: Roy Flatt	4-1	54.0%

Class C: Terry Hiatt	5-0	48.5%
Class D: Jim Kinney	5-0	48.6%
Class E: Denise Bloss	4-1	39.5%
Class F: Ray Canchola	5-0	27.5%
Class G: Ray Carpenter	4-1	29.0%
Class H: Don Roberts	4-1	29.0%
Class I: Ray Herman	4-1	15.5%

Spring Team Hdicap @ New Melle 2/18/06 Dirs: Jim/Carol Howard

Team Winners:		
Joe Buskirk	9-0	40.6%
Gidget Rahe	9-0	35.9%
Larry Volo	6-0	33.0%
Darryl Gettinger	4-0	34.6%
Pam Gettinger	4-1	30.8%
Angie Novel	2-3	16.9%

St.Valentines Day Open @ Park Hills 2/18/06 Director: Boxie Schrum

Class A: Jerry Dumstorff	5-0	69.0%
Class B: James Toenjes	4-1	38.0%
Class C: Bob Hartley	5-0	30.5%

Blizzard Open @ Glen Allen 2/19/06 Dir: Danny/Melody Williams

Class A:		
1. Cori Stoverink	5-0	52.5%
2. Martin Williams	4-1	42.5%
Class B:		
1. Tori Vandeven	5-0	27.0%
2. Brian Deck	4-1	14.0%

Late Valentines Open @ Hudson Hall 2/25/06 Dirs: Frank/Ruth Hudson

Class A: Carlyle Gricks	7-0	59.3%
Class B: Terry McDonald	5-0	45.4%
Class C: Markus Blevins	4-1	33.0%
Class D: Oren Harris	5-0	18.5%
Class E: Al Mundy	5-1	10.4%

Shamrock Fling Open @ New Melle 3/4/06 Dirs: Don & Gidget Rahe

Class A: Rose Diekamp	7-0	66.9%
Class B: Mary Beeson	6-1	53.5%
Class C: Theresa Barry	6-1	41.8%
Class D: Ray Nadler	7-0	35.8%
Class E: Mary Duke	6-1	32.9%
Class F: Roy Evans	6-1	22.9%

Jeff Stanton Memorial @Harris Arena 3/4/06 Dirs: Brady & Nan Craven

Class A: Tom Ebers	6-1	74.2%
Class B: Nile Abbott	5-2	52.1%

Class C: Jim Kinney	7-0	54.2%
Class D: Tammy Stanton	5-2	38.3%
Class E: Edward Eberle	6-1	26.4%
Class F: Rick Doughty	7-0	20.4%

March Open @ Lucky Gricks Arena

3/4-5/06 Dir: Carlyle Gricks

Class A: Michael Bowman	7-0	65.0%
Class B: Dean Renfro	4-1	53.5%
Class C: Steve Flood	6-1	39.6%
Class D: Markus Blevins	6-1	35.0%
Class E: Ethan Snow	4-1	28.5%
Class F: Frank Mills	7-0	24.6%

March Wind @ Glen Allen 3/12/06

Dir: Danny & Melody Williams

Class A:

1. Cori Stoverink	7-1	47.9%
2. Martin Williams	6-2	40.0%

Class B:

1. Mike Davault	7-0	31.1%
2. Terrie Rose	6-1	28.6%

Spring Break Open @ Harris Arena

3/18/06 Dir: Charles Killgore

Class A: Tom Ebers	6-1	76.1%
Class B: Letha Harris	5-5	54.2%
Class C: Dean Renfro	6-1	47.1%
Class D: Denise Bloss	7-0	44.6%
Class E: Don Roberts	5-1	29.6%
Class F: Chris Kluge	5-2	17.9%

Open Benefit @ New Melle 3/18/06

Director: Stan Bailey

Class A: Rich Altis	7-0	63.5%
Class B: Keith Noah	5-2	44.9%
Class C: Suzanne Evans	5-2	35.1%
Class D: Ray Nadler	7-0	38.0%
Class E: Wes Brakensiek	6-1	26.6%
Class F: Norman Ennis	7-0	25.2%

Spring is Monday @ Hudson Hall

3/18-19/06 Dir: Frank Hudson

Class A: Carlyle Gricks	6-1	56.2%
Class B: Steve Flood	5-0	41.1%
Class C: Gary Ball	4-1	28.3%
Class D: Tom Edmonson	5-1	34.5%
Class E: Alfred Mundy	5-0	13.2%

March Winds Open @ Park Hills

3/25/06 Director: Boxie Schrum

Class A: Tim Henderson	7-1	72.5%
Class B: Rick McEntire	5-0	58.0%
Class C: Shannon Ward	7-0	36.5%

Spring Fling Open @ Glen Allen

3/26/06 Dir: Danny/Melody Wms

Class A:

1. Cori Stoverink	5-0	50.5%
2. Ron LeGrand	4-1	42.0%
Class B:		
1. James Hillis	5-0	25.0%
2. Sheila LeGrand	4-1	18.5%

West vs East Open @ New Melle

4/1-2/06 Director Roy Evans

East Beats West 123-86

Class A: Rich Altis	5-1	66.7%
Class AA: Jan Kreienkamp	5-1	62.9%
Class B: Jeanette Claas	5-1	48.3%
Class BB: John Setzer	5-1	40.0%
Class C: Donna Bastel	5-1	46.3%
Class D: James Adkins	6-0	24.2%

Campfire USA Benefit @ Harris Arena

4/8/06 Dir: Robert Johnson & Brady

Craven

Class A: Tom Ebers	7-0	77.1%
Class B: Earl Winston	6-1	55.4%
Class C: Glenn Bowman	6-1	44.2%
Class D: Brady Craven	4-1	39.6%
Class E: Ed Eberle	5-0	22.4%
Class F: Lance Dykes	5-0	22.8%

Spring Open @ Festus 4/8/06

Director: Ron Deno

Class A:

1. Franklin Rohlfing	28.4%
2. Don Shores	27.9%

Class B:

1. Mark Myers	25.4%
2. Mike Fadler	22.1%

Cancer Action @ Harris Arena

4/15/06 Dir: Kent & Sharon Armstrong

Class A: Tom Ebers	5-0	75.0%
Class B: Michael Bowman	5-0	61.5%
Class C: Eugene Newkirk	3-2	47.5%
Class D: Lawrence Loney	4-1	49.0%
Class E: Dean Jameson	4-1	29.0%
Class F: Brady Craven	5-0	39.0%
Class G: Chara Page	4-1	33.5%
Class H: John Anderson	4-1	20.0%
Class I: John Loyd	5-0	14.4%

April Showers @ New Melle 4/22/06

Dir: J Buskirk & K Nenninger

Class A: Rose Diekamp	7-0	72.1%
Class B: Andy Foulds	5-2	45.5%
Class C: Ed Griffith	6-1	35.7%
Class D: Mary Duke	5-2	37.9%
Class E: Daniel Allen	7-0	39.1%
Class F: Gary Buehler	6-1	19.1%

Peculiar Spring Open 4/22/06

Dir: Glenn Bowman

Class A: Michael Bowman	5-0	63.5%
Class B: Lawrence Loney	3-2	47.0%
Class C: Michael Gillespie	5-0	38.0%
Class D: Brady Craven	5-0	33.0%
Class E: Ray Canchola	4-1	38.5%
Class F: Maurice Hines	4-1	30.5%
Class G: Russell Gillis	5-0	26.0%
Class H: Dan Hines	4-1	21.0%
Class I: Tylor Hines	5-0	30.5%
Class J: Bruce Thomson	4-1	11.5%

Crane Spring Tune-Up 4/22/06

Director: Bill Waisner

Class A: Carlyle Gricks	6-1	58.5%
Class B: Bob Outt	9-0	55.5%
Class C: Reese Warden	4-1	32.5%
Class D: Tim Warden	4-2	18.3%
Class E: Jim Claxton	4-1	17.5%

April Showers @ Park Hills 4/29/06

Director: Boxie Schrum

Class A:

1. Randy Grady	6-1	67.9%
2. Tim Henerson	6-1	60.8%

Class B:

1. Terry White	5-0	47.0%
2. Edward Boyer	4-1	34.5%

BYHC Handicap Team Tournament @ Glen Allen 4/29/06 Dir: Danny & Melody Williams

Team#4: Danny Williams, 25.6%; Mike Massa, 24.6%; James Hillis, 19.2%
 Team#2: Cori Stoverink, 55.4%; Ed Stoverink, 32.7%; Terrie Rose, 24.4%
 Team#3: Melody Williams, 38.5%; Dawn Morrow, 20.2%; Keith Morrow, 8.7%
 Team#1: John Vandeven, 18.3%; John Keller, 8.7%; Joe Keller, 5.8%

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