

From My Court To Yours

by Jim Bainter, MOHPA President

Summertime, and the pitching is good. Backyard, indoor, and outdoor facilities are preparing for the return of old and new pitchers. The older pitchers have a few new aches and pains and the new pitchers are looking for their first six pac of the season. The overworked league directors are trying to put together reasonable schedules and to fill the courts with enthusiastic, motivated adult and junior pitchers. Help them out and sign up early.

Notice

This issue of the Shoe Biz is being brought to you by contributor's from around the state of Missouri without an editor. Thanks for your support. There are no profiles or generic tournament results. There is a minimal "Last Shoe" section with sympathies, get-well wishes, congratulations, etc. These items were not received by the inexperienced staff before we went to press. In the future, if you have relevant pitcher information, please send it to me or one of the MOHPA officers. We will make sure it gets to our new editor.

Shoe Biz Changes

You will notice some changes in the size and content of the Biz this issue. Jeanette Claas, our long time Editor, has resigned. Reasons for this unexpected departure are hers alone—her resignation was accepted with regret. She has been a dedicated editor. Her creative writing skills have made the Biz a newsletter that even non-pitchers read from cover to cover. She was instrumental in building it into an award-winning publication. It has been one of the best in the NHPA for several years.

The Biz is published three times a year based upon the inputs of pitchers from throughout the state to promote the MOHPA, its clubs, activities, and individual pitchers. The editor's job is to take those disparate contributions and produce a cohesive, cogent newsletter providing information to our membership. It is no easy task. The newsletter began as an idea of Wayne Henderson during his tenure as MOHPA President and it will continue for many years to come. With the transition to a new editor, it may be time to reevaluate the direction and content of future Shoe Biz editions. If you have ideas or suggestions, please contact us before we prepare the October edition.

Shoe Biz Editor

The MOHPA needs a new editor. That candidate must be willing to contribute the time necessary to continue the tradition of great newsletters. He or she does not need to be a pitcher, but it would be helpful in understanding the game and our organization. If you are interested, please contact one of the MOHPA officers. The position of Shoe Biz Editor is a volunteer position with no term or tenure requirements. This promotes the continuity and stability necessary to maintain the quality of the Biz.

Junior's Program

Missouri finally overtook Minnesota and now has the largest Juniors' program in the NHPA (115 members). We also had the largest annual increase (+14) in 2008. Way to go, everyone. It's been a long battle to get to the top. Now we have to keep plugging away to maintain the crown. I would like to express my thanks to Melody Williams, our Junior Director, and to Greg and Audra Craven of the Liberty Horseshoe Club for their dedicated support. Their creative approach to introducing Junior pitchers to the sport has been a true success story. The MOHPA could not have accomplished this honor without them. Juniors numbers will always fluctuate as they move up to the adult classes or drop out to attend college or pursue other sports interests. It is important to have an established program to maintain our numbers and keep the replacement pipeline filled.

The "Not So Good News" Department

Our adult membership is down by 14 for the 2008 year. The MOHPA totals reflect a trend experienced by most of the national charters. The really big jump was in Illinois, where they gained 118 pitchers. You don't suppose that it's because the world tournament is coming to Springfield, IL, this year, do you?

Minnesota still has the largest charter, but we are slowly overtaking them. The problem is that we only gained on them by experiencing a smaller annual loss than they did! We need to do it the old fashioned way by increasing our own adult membership. I know we can do it just like we did in the Junior's program. Let's make 2009 our year to excel!

Yep, you're right. Here comes the "boost the membership" speech. Although most of the summer leagues will be in full swing by the time this newsletter hits the streets, talking to your friends and neighbors about the healthy benefits of pitching may reap new members by the time those fall and winter leagues get organized.

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Newsletter Editor: Vacant



This & That

by Vicki Winston

It was with great sadness that I learned of Jeanette Claas's resignation as Shoe Biz editor. She has a talent for creative writing that is quite rare and we have been so fortunate to have had her volunteer her services as editor for so many years. I felt so honored to be asked to proofread her work and also to be asked to assist her with a story on occasion. She worked countless hours on each issue, sometimes while in poor health, but Shoe Biz always got completed on time. It's hard to find enough words to express my gratitude for all that Jeanette has contributed to the MOHPA by way of the newsletter. All I can say is, thank you, Jeanette! You have been a Claas act!

However, having a great newsletter is not what has made the MOHPA such a great charter. Shoe Biz only comes out three times a year. What has made our charter great are the hard working men and women who serve as charter officers, club officers, league officers, tournament directors, and NHPA Regional Director. These are the people who work constantly to make our charter what it is today. Through their efforts, we are able to keep organized horseshoe pitching available to hundreds of people. Even if we have a smaller newsletter from now on, the MOHPA will remain strong as long as we have all of these dedicated volunteers continuing to work for our sport. Thanks to everyone for all that you are doing and keep up the good work!

Now, I must get down to the business at hand. To those pitchers who have not renewed their membership for 2009, we will have to drop you off our mailing list. There is still time for you to reconsider and lots of tournaments in which to participate from now until the end of 2009. Just fill in the membership application found in this issue or on our website and me send your dues. I will see that you get your 2009 NHPA card.

This is the issue of Shoe Biz that contains the entry forms for the Missouri State Fair Open and our Missouri State Championships. Please read the entry information before filling out the forms. Donna Bastel is the director of the Missouri State Fair Open but the entries must be sent to me. If you are entering both events, it will be greatly appreciated if you just make out one check for everything, being sure to observe the entry deadlines.

We are giving you a few extra days to get your State Tournament entries in, as Stan and I both plan to spend some time at the World Tournament and he won't be lining up the State Tournament until after he returns home. The entry deadline will be observed, as I plan to have things ready for him to get to work as soon as he gets back.

In regards to the State Tournament, there was some question last year as to why entering averages for the doubles might be different from entering averages for singles. In most cases they are not, but a few may differ. We have to run the doubles with a computer program that was designed especially for us many years ago. In order to use that program, we have to use the stats that are in Stan's computer. There are some instances when a person's stats in Stan's computer might differ from NatStats. Stan may not have league averages that NatStats has, he may not have out-of-state tournaments that NatStats has, or he might have Missouri tournaments that NatStats has not yet posted. We run the singles tournament with HSMaster, so NatStats averages are used for it. That will explain why there might be a difference in the two entering averages for a few people.

Please keep in mind that Quail Ridge is a wonderful facility but, unfortunately, half of the courts are outdoors. In order to conclude the State Tournament on time, some people are going to have to pitch outdoors. If we have as many as five classes for Mixed Doubles, one class will be outdoors on Friday and they will be the pitchers with the lowest averages. That is a given. It is impossible to schedule all singles classes on the indoor courts. There are those who would like to have all women's classes and all 30 foot men's classes pitched on the indoor courts. To do that, it would not be possible to schedule all women's classes for the same shift and likewise with the 30 foot men. As you can see, scheduling this event is not easy and whatever we do won't make everyone happy. We will try to do what we think is best for the greatest number of pitchers and that's all we can promise. Hopefully, any outdoor singles pitching can be done in the morning and we will keep our fingers crossed for cooler weather.

During the Annual MOHPA Business Meeting, the following charter offices are up for election this year: Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Zone 2 Director, and Zone 3 Director. All are

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Volunteers For the MOHPA

The MOHPA is a unique and focused organization. It has grown through the contributions of individuals and groups for the good of the organization. With eight elected officers (essentially volunteers), that number represents about one percent of our membership. When you add another 11 for the Hall of Fame committee, Publicity and Juniors directors, and the Shoe Biz editor, that is still less than 2.5 percent. Additionally, there are many club officers, tournament and league directors, and local volunteers who make this association what it is today—the second largest charter in the NHPA. This small cadre of pitchers cannot function forever without experiencing a little fatigue, burnout, or simply a loss of innovative ideas. It's not a full-time job, but sometimes it seems like it as the association prepares for state-sponsored events and conducts routine business throughout the year. What concerns me most is that I have been VP and President for almost six years. During that time, I believe there have been only two contested positions (more than one candidate).

I know there are many concerned and responsible pitchers who care about our association. They call or corner me at pitching events to share their concerns and ideas for improvement. However, when election time rolls around, no one wants to commit. The officer positions are only two-year terms. That's a short time to contribute to your association and reap the benefits of knowing you shared your time and made a difference. It's also an opportunity to meet pitchers from around the state. Your participation will only make us stronger. There are four positions up for election in September. Two will not have incumbents!

2009-2010 World Horseshoe Tournament

By the time you receive this Biz, the deadline for this year's event in Springfield, IL, will have passed. I wish all the Missouri entries the greatest success.

The 2010 event will be held in Cedar Rapids, IA. It's not often you have the opportunity to participate in two events so close to home. I urge you all to take advantage of it and plan now to attend.

2009 MOHPA State Championships

The entry form for our state tournament, which will be held at Quail Ridge in Wentzville, is included in this edition. I talked about some of the changes you can expect in the February Shoe Biz. Please join us for another great tournament.

Additional Tournament Information

This year's awards dinner will be held at the same hotel as last year, on Saturday evening. The name has changed to **Motel 6** but they have maintained their catering capabilities. The room prices are the same (\$59.95) and the dinner prices will be the same as last year. Please refer to their ad in this issue for address, phone, and fax information.

The annual membership meeting will be held at the Quail Ridge facility on Friday evening.

American Royal Parade and Exhibition Pitching

The MOHPA officers have decided to enter the parade again this year to provide more statewide exposure and to promote our sport. I expect to have a few Juniors on our expanded float this

year. Perhaps the TV coverage won't split to a commercial when we pass by this year! The exhibition pitching at the Royal is still up in the air. Until the Royal events schedule is finalized, we won't know where, when, or if that opportunity will materialize.

MOHPA Website

The guest book has had several postings recently which are not appropriate for this forum. When you sign the guest book, your comments are viewed by many from the NHPA and around the USA. Many are pitchers, many others are not. Please consider how your comments will be received by those outside your targeted audience. They may reflect badly upon the MOHPA and you.

Publicity Chairperson

Jim Kinney is actively involved with the NHPA Publicity person, Tina Hawkins of Oklahoma, and is coordinating several efforts to focus more attention on our sport. He is working hard to get a Clinton club summer league started with Eugene Loyd, who has also scheduled a tournament for July 4th. Jim is also working to set up an auction after our awards dinner in September that will double as entertainment and a fund raiser for the MOHPA. Please look for Jim's article inside this issue of the Biz.

Thank You

I wish to express my thanks and the appreciation of the entire MOHPA membership for the contributions Don and Jeanette Claas have made to our organization and to the sport of horseshoes. They are still members but not in the capacities they once held.

NHPA Sanctioned Club/League Tournament

This tournament will be held at the Quail Ridge facility on October 10–11, 2009. Originally scheduled to be held in Edinburg, IN, the building sustained wind damage earlier in the year. Subsequent insulation problems resulted in the tournaments relocation to MO. The tournament can accommodate a maximum of 24 three-pitcher teams. The event provides another opportunity for Missouri pitchers to exhibit their skills at the national level. Start getting your teams together now. You can find an entry form elsewhere in the Biz.

2009 State Pins

The 2009 pins are now available for \$2. I buy 300 each year. One half of these pins are already gone. If you need some for the World Tournament or just one to complete your collection, email me or give me a call. Any profits from this effort are donated to the MOHPA. Last year, sales were slow. The NHPA Game Related Sales office at Quail Ridge still has some 2008 pins if you are interested.

In Closing

I came across a quote which seemed appropriate for me due to the recent happenings within the MOHPA:

"As always, I am just trying to do the job I am supposed to do, and a lot of times, in public service, that is an unusual procedure, so it causes comment."

—Harry S Truman

"That's it from the Pits."

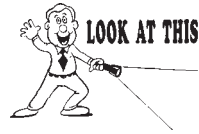
From the Desk of the Missouri Publicity Director

by Jim Kinney, Jr

Hello, fellow pitchers. I would like to introduce myself, if we have never met. My name is Jim Kinney and I have lived in Missouri most of my life. I was born in Kansas City, Missouri, and was raised in Cleveland, Missouri. I come from a long line of Missouri Horseshoe Pitchers Association members. I have accepted the position of Publicity Director for the state of Missouri for a couple of reasons. The main reason is that I believe, with the help of all the sanctioned Missouri horseshoe pitchers, we can find those who want to participate in a sport that we all love while, at the same time, be a part of an organization that provides a sense of family, friendship, and competition. We have many different levels of pitchers in Missouri, those who are just starting, those who pitch just for the fun of it, and last but not least, those who are very competitive. Missouri has a history of great pitchers and I am proud to be part of this organization. I have many resources and tools that will help me make Missouri one of the top states in the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association when it comes to sanctioned pitchers. I will wrap this up for now by saying I have been in contact with the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association Publicity Director and have a few things working that will help us integrate with her, but my first line of help will come from you, the Missouri horseshoe pitchers. If you have any questions or just have an idea that may help to enlist a new pitcher, please e-mail me at jkinneyjrusa@netscape.net. Until next time, I will be working hard for all of you. Find time to go to horseshoepitching.com and click on publicity/promotions on the tool bar side of the page. It is very informative.

New Member List

Compiled by Vicki Winston



We welcome our new 2009 members who have joined the NHPA and MOHPA for the very first time between Feb. 6 and May 9, 2009.

Name	City	Club
Jim Arrowood	Liberty	Heart of America
Sam Banks	Hannibal	
Merced P. Barbosa	St. Joseph	Pony Express
Michael Barnekoff	Kansas City	Independence
Michael C. Basler	O'Fallon	Quail Ridge
Zackary P. Bastel	Sunrise Beach	Lake Ozark
Levi Bendure	Hannibal	Quail Ridge
Jerry L. Cramer	Edwards	Lake Ozark
Dean DeLane	Pevely	
Brad Eldridge	Ozark	
Cyrstal Estes	Independence	Independence
Fred Fender	Independence	Independence
Vicki Fender	Independence	Independence
Victoria Ferrara	Liberty	Liberty
Rocky Fields	Pleasant Hill	Lions Park
Jim Fishbaugh	Adrian	Lions Park
Cheryl Gay	Sedalia	Capitol City
Joe Gay	Sedalia	Capitol City
Justin Goddard	Archie	Lions Park
Michael Goodloe	Roach	Lake Ozark
Amanda Hatcher	Liberty	Liberty
Jack F. Horvath	Laurie	Lake Ozark
Daniel Hubbard	Centralia	Quail Ridge
Jim A. Jones	Nixa	
Jack Ladd	Gravois Mills	Lake Ozark
Aaron Lapp	El Dorado Springs	Stockton
Josie Lapp	El Dorado Springs	Stockton
George D. Lawler	Edwards	Lake Ozark
William Liedtky	Camdenton	Lake Ozark
Walter McFall	Hannibal	
Dakota McKinnon	Jefferson City	Capitol City
Sean Miller	Kansas City	Independence
Gary R. Mueller	Jefferson City	
Anita Myers-Pickens	Independence	Independence
Alex Niere	St. Charles	Quail Ridge
Kara Noland	Garden City	Lions Park
Vonda Noland	Garden City	Lions Park
Herbert H. Pickens Jr.	Independence	Independence
Pete Renick	Laurie	Lake Ozark
Chris Rhodes	Holts Summit	Capitol City
Justin Sittingbull-Wilber	Archie	Lions Park
Kevin Skattebo	Hannibal	
Jeremy Starke	Westphalia	Capitol City
Paul J. Stuart	Gravois Mills	Lake Ozark
Cara Underwood	Jefferson City	Capitol City
Steve Underwood	Jefferson City	Capitol City

What's That Rule

by Rich Altis

What happens when you find that you or your opponent has pitched the wrong shoes?



Rule 4: Flow of the Game

4. Wrong Shoe – If it is discovered during an inning that a contestant has pitched the shoe of an opponent (and if the opponent agrees), the remaining shoes may be pitched and the score will be based on the shoes they pitched. If the contestants do not agree on pitching the remain-

ing shoes, then the shoes pitched shall be picked up and the entire inning shall be re-pitched, using the correct shoes. If the contestants fail to discover this error until after all four (4) shoes have been pitched, the inning shall be scored on the basis of whatever shoes they pitched. If agreement cannot be reached, a judge shall be called. Based upon input from the contestants, the judge shall either determine the scoring for the inning or void it and order the inning to be re-pitched.



Last Shoe



Lilburn Rhea Spainhower

August 8, 1923 – February 22, 2009

Lilburn Rhea Spainhower, 85, died February 22, 2009, at Oakridge of Plattsburg. Rhea was born in Kingston, MO, on August 8, 1923, to Henry Noah and Eva (Brown) Spainhower. He was a World War II veteran and served from March 1943 to January 1946. He was assigned to the 13th Air Force in the Pacific Theatre. Subsequent to his military service, Rhea's professional career included the working for the Burlington Railroad and Skelly Oil, owning an independent service/gas station, owning Rhea's Barber shop, and working as an agent for American Family Insurance.

Rhea married Myrna Marie Gibeau on September 1, 1943. Three children were born of the marriage: son Larry R. and wife Cotton, daughter Rose Ann Sullenger and husband Bill, and son Gordon and wife Joyce. Rhea was a member of Liberty United Methodist Church, the Masonic Loge, American Legion, and Disabled American Veterans. In addition to Rhea's love and devotion to his family, he was passionate about golfing, woodworking, and horseshoe pitching. He won numerous horseshoe pitching awards, including several statewide tournament championships. Rhea was

preceded in death by his wife, his parents, and eight brothers and sisters. He is survived by his children and their spouses, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Missouri horseshoe pitchers send their condolences to his family and all who knew him in horseshoes.

Our Sympathies

- Dean Constance, Warsaw, who lost his wife while they were wintering in Texas. Also to Debbie Harris, Liberty Club, as Mrs. Constance was her mother.

Get-Well Wishes

- Ed Davis, Lake of the Ozarks Club, who recently had surgery on his foot.
- Jeanette Claas, QRHC, who had cancer surgery on her nose.
- Roy Flatt had a stroke in April and spent several days in the hospital. He is home and working hard on his recovery.

Congratulations

- Doug and Alma Peoples celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home on May 17 with a BBQ dinner for many family and friends.

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for two-year terms. We are currently without a Vice President due to the resignation of Don Claas, so there will be no incumbent running for that position. Rich Altis has indicated that he will not seek re-election for Zone 2 Director, so that position will also be open. Robert Bastel is Zone 3 Director. I did not seek his intentions before writing this, but have not heard that he would be unwilling to take another term. As to myself, I have given it a lot of thought and at this point in time I would be willing to serve another term as your secretary/treasurer if you want to give me the opportunity. I feel that my knowledge and years of experience are still valuable assets to the MOHPA.

The Annual MOHPA Awards Banquet will be in the same location as last year and will be a buffet dinner. Adult tickets are \$18.00 and children 4-10 are \$11.00. Children three and under are free.

I will be out and about some this summer, but probably not as much as in previous years. I am looking forward to seeing horseshoe friends once again, as it's been many months since we've attended a horseshoe event. Many ringers to all and, until next time, I leave you with this thought: "If you don't want someone getting your goat, don't let them know where it is tied."

Condensed Financial Report

Total Funds on Hand 11/01/08	\$17,567.95
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Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club League Results

2008-2009 Monday Night Mixed League

by Ginny Weiss

- *First-half Champs:* The Misfits
- *Second-half Champs:* Bent Pegs
- *League Champions:* Bent Pegs (Pam Gettinger, Darryl Gettinger, Terri Loeffler, Mike Guillaume, Joe Buskirk)
- *High Average, Woman:* Ginny Weiss, 49.65%, 47 pt. avg
- *High Average, Man:* Mick Gillette, 59.09%, 54 pt. avg
- *High Game, Woman:* Jan Kreienkamp, 80.77%, 67 Points
- *High Game, Man:* Mick Gillette, 76.92%, 66 Points
- *High Game Over Avg, Woman:* Mary Beeson, 53.85% over average
- *High Game Over Avg, Man:* Joe Gaulden, 113.64% over average
- *Sportsmanship Award:* Dave Haskins
- *Rookie of the Year:* Terri Loeffler
- *Most Improved:* Larry Langewisch

Jill Knobbe and I thank everyone for their patience and cooperation while we learned the league director ropes. I personally can't thank Rich Altis enough for the many hours on the phone helping me with the stats & horseshoe program. It was quite the adventure! Even though Bob Diekamp is now in better health, he says he and Rose will not be taking back the Monday Night Mixed League. All I can say is, get ready for some more phone calls, Richard!

Congratulations to the Bent Pegs. Hope to have everyone back next winter. I had fun. I hope all of you did too.

Quail Ridge Men's League

by Rich Altis

The results of the Wednesday night men's league are in the record books.

The winner of the first half was Ralph's Team. They played the winner of the second half, The Ringers, in a best-of-twelve-game play off. After eight games, it was all over, with Ralph's Team the first-place winner. The members of winning team are Ralph Orf, Jack Barrett, Clarence Eggert, Ralph Pieper, Norb Stoverink, and Bill Wade.

The second-place team members are Bob, Francis, John, and

Vernon Griesbauer, Bennie Kirkpatrick, Rick Maassen, and Glenn Young. Bryan Koehler was a regular substitute for the team.

Third place went to Mick Gillette's team, Making Believe. Martin Orf's team, Good Old Boys, came in fourth place, and Larry Volo's team, Dreamers, finished in fifth place.

Mick Gillette received the High Average Award (58.56% with 54 points average) and the High Game Award (80.77% with 68 points). High Game Over Average went to Walt Molitor with a 93.33% game over his final point average. The Most Improved player was Bob Gettemeier and Bob also received the Rookie of the Year award. The Sportsmanship Award went to Roy Evans.

I want to thank Dave and Bea Feldewerth for their help in running the league. They made my job so easy.

April Showers Tourney

April 25th, 2009

by Kevin ???

It was the April Showers tournament at Quail Ridge Club, but what was "raining down" was not droplets, but ringers. It was a beautiful spring day and this cut down on attendance, but the 50 people who participated played exceptionally and had a good time. We had pitchers ranging from 16 years old to over 80 years young.

Highlights of the tourney:

- Jim Spidle Sr went through the A class undefeated; this is quite a feat considering the competition at that level.
- Jan Kreienkamp made her statement by pitching a 85.71% game, by far the best of the tourney.
- Everyone was very happy to see the return of the "Quail Ridge Rock," Rich Altis. Rich was playing in his first competition since his surgery. Welcome back, Rich. Great to see you back in the pits.
- Larry Volo was also pitching for the first time since his injury, and he won his class, going undefeated.
- Just to show how much heart horseshoe pitchers have, Scott Raimer won the morning 50/50 drawing and promptly donated it to the Hall of Fame. Thanks, Scott.
- We had two brand-new pitchers. Levi Bendure and Sam Banks pitched their first ever tournament.
- With the shortage of people, every person in the building during the afternoon event who wasn't playing was working, keeping score, cooking, doing stats. It was a group effort to pull it off and the tournament directors are appreciative of all the help. You volunteers are what make things possible.
- The top four class pitchers with highest percentage game received an April Showers umbrella, courtesy of the tournament director.

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New items to help you with your game!

by Roy Evans, HPA Director of Sales

This past year, a number of new shoes and other game-related items have come on the market, some just this last month that you might not be aware of. In addition, several shoes are being discontinued or renamed by manufacturers as soon as their stock runs out. For your information, any shoe that was sanctioned for tournament play by the NHPA when it was made can still be used even if it is no longer available. Information on sanctioned shoes, specifications, where to buy, and other info can be found on the NHPA web site at www.horseshoepitching.com/products/prod.html.

New Shoes

Omega Horseshoe Co. has brought back the Gordon horseshoe in two versions: the Spin-On, which is the same as the last version that was manufactured, and the Legend, which is the type of Gordon made at the turn of the century.

White Distributors have come out with three new shoes under the Alan Francis name (All-On, Bullseye, and Legacy) and one under the Snyder name (Flip Grip).

M&M Horseshoe Co.'s new shoe is the A-Mac.

Discontinued shoes

White Distributors are discontinuing the following shoes:

- Under the Thoroughbred name: Magnet and Six Hix.
- Under the Imperial name: Maxx, Viper, and Steinfeldt.

Cooper Tool will no longer manufacture and stock the Diamond Tournaments.

Renamed shoe

White Distributors has also renamed the following shoes:

- The Imperial Plus will be called the Renegade Cobra.
- The Imperial Classic will be called the Renegade Bandit.

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The NHPA Game Related Sales warehouse, located in the NHPA Hall of Fame building at Wentzville, has a vary large inventory (about 3000 pair) of all sanctioned shoes except Mr. D, including those mentioned above, in stock at all times. These may be purchased through any authorized NHPA distributor. The distributor for Missouri and surrounding area is the Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club whose web site is www.quailridgehorseshoes.com/Store/. Buying from an authorized distributor supports the NHPA and the Hall of Fame displays. Ordering directly from a shoe manufacturer can cost more in shipping and they may not have the shoe in stock or have the same shoe price. To save on shipping cost, one may pick up game-related items when you come to pitch or visit the Hall of Fame building.

On the west side of the state, your local club may be able to have a small supply of the more popular items. Other than Wentzville, you can see many shoes on display at the World Horseshoe Tournament in July at Springfield, IL, where you can touch

and feel the shoes, or again at the Missouri State Tournament at Wentzville in September.

During the World Tournament, a new 100th anniversary pin will be available for \$3.00. You may purchase it at Wentzville also. To order 20 or more pins, go to www.horseshoepitching.com/springfield/2009WTpins.html.

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A set of judging tools that will be similar to what is used at the World tournament.

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What shoe is the best depends on your style of pitching. Do you throw a turn or a flip and how many revolutions? Going on what pitchers buy, flip pitchers using the Condor or the Snyder EZ Flip II do well. For the turn pitchers, the Ted Allen and M&M work for them. Using what the top pitchers uses may not be the best for you. It is best to try a shoe to determine what works.

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Missouri Horseshoe Club News

Golden Valley Horseshoe Club

by Jim Kinney

Hello, fellow pitchers! Yes, this is a new club to be added to the list of many distinguished clubs that have many years under their belt. We are located in Clinton, Missouri. This has been a vision of Eugene Loyd for many years. There are a lot of people who have been working hard with Eugene to get this club off the ground. We met for our first time on May 7, 2009. We accomplished a lot of work, organizing and getting the paperwork started to become sanctioned. I feel we have a good base for a great league and a great place for many tournaments to come. We will be officially starting on May 14, 2009. I look forward to pitching with everyone who has been pitching in the area for years and with those who would like to come out and join us. We are pitching on Thursday nights so come on out and pitch with us. I will update you in the next Biz on how we are doing, who is pitching, and who is overachieving on the pits. The summer leagues are officially underway and it feels great to get back outside. Good luck to all of you and hope you pitch many ringers this summer. See all of you at the stake with four dead!

Independence Horseshoe Club

by Pam Henderson



Hi everyone. The season has started for our league. We had our first night on May 7, which by the way was Maria Schomer's 16th birthday. We had cake and balloons. Maria is Wayne and Pam Henderson's granddaughter. We have 24 teams this year and about 10 new pitchers. So our club is growing.

It so nice to pitch outdoors. Well, right now anyway. It will be getting very hot before long and we will be looking for shade.

Roy Flatt, one of our longtime pitchers, has had a stroke. He is in rehab now and is working hard in getting back to normal. We wish you the best, Roy. You go, guy.

John Loyd, another longtime pitcher, had triple bypass surgery last year and now has had to have a pacemaker put in. He should be ready to pitch next week. He is a very tough guy. Good going, John.

I guess everyone can get their entry form for State in this newsletter. So sign up without delay and good luck to all. Also, the State Fair form will be in this newsletter, so be sure to sign up for

that. Our next tournament will be Aug. 29, so get signed up for that; it's a good one to use to get ready for the State Tournament. The number to call is 816-686-9572. Until next time, relax and pitch.

Lake of the Ozarks Horseshoe Club

by Roena Branson



Hi, everyone. Happy Spring to all of you, what a beautiful sight to see all the trees and flowers in bloom and winter is finally over.

Our six winter leagues were completed the week of March 24 and all of us had a great time. League results are: Monday night: 1st place, Roena Branson; Tuesday afternoon: 1st place, Roena Branson; Tuesday night: 1st place, Jim Bainter; Wednesday afternoon: 1st place, Leroy Dooley; Wednesday night doubles: 1st place, Tamra Jenkins and Marge Huckabey; Thursday afternoon: 1st place, Roena Branson. Our winter league tournament was held on Saturday, April 25. The winners were: Class D, Larry Doeden; Class C, Carroll Sinclair; Class B, Paul Van Evercooren; and Class A, Tamra Jenkins.

Our league banquet and winter league tournament was held on Sunday, April 26, to determine who our winter league champion would be. The four final pitchers were Tamra Jenkins, Carroll Sinclair, Paul Van Evercooren, and Larry Doeden. The suspense was on, and the winter league champion was Carroll Sinclair. Congratulations, Carroll! Our Rookie of the Year was Marge Huckabey. Congratulations, Marge! Our sportsmanship awards go to: Monday night, Dan Couch; Tuesday afternoon, Roger Sinclair; Tuesday night, Doug Carter; Wednesday afternoon, Leroy Dooley; Wednesday night doubles, Ed Seaton; and Thursday afternoon, Ken Grossman. Congratulations to all of you. After all the excitement, we were ready to eat. We had a wonderful meal catered by Vinny's and lots of desserts that were brought in by the ladies. We want to say "Thank You" to everyone that helped in any way to make our winter leagues a huge success.

We have signed up seven new members for this coming year: Jerry Cramer, Michael Goodloe, Jack Ladd, George Lawler, Bill Liedtky, Pete Rennick, and Paul Stuart. We want to welcome back Jack Horvath, who hasn't pitched any shoes with us since 1997.

Paul Van Evercooren had shoulder surgery on February 26; we are happy to report that Paul has done very well and is back to pitching horseshoes again. Also, Ed Davis was scheduled to have surgery in April to repair his ankle. We wish Ed a speedy recovery so we can see him back on the courts again. Hurry and get well, Ed.

We were so sorry to hear that Roy Flatt had a stroke in April but we are hearing that he is improving. Hurry and get well, Roy, we want to see you back on the courts. (By the way, Roy, they finally drew my name in the ham drawing. —Ro.)

We have wedding anniversaries in the air here at the Lake of the Ozarks Horseshoe Club. Congratulations to Ken and Marge Grossman, who were married 50 years on March 29, and to Carroll and Judy Sinclair, who were married 50 years on June 7. Also, congratulations to Doug and Alma Peoples on their 60th wedding anniversary, May 17. We would like to know what your secrets are!

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Missouri Horseshoe Club News

We would like to remind everyone we have a Summer Splash Open tournament scheduled for July 11; contact Jim Bainter. September 19-20 is our Hillbilly Fair Open; contact Donna Bastel. Come on down and have some good ole-time fun. Until next time, let's go pitching at the World.

Pony Express Horseshoe Club

by Roger Albright

Our club, which has been in existence for many years now, continues into 2009 with a new league director/treasurer, Karen Goldizen. In November 2008, we elected Karen as league director/treasurer. I am sure many of you are familiar with her, as she and her husband, "Butch," compete in many area tournaments and at the state level. We continue to pitch round robin in our league and use a handicap system. Dean Jameson, a long-time member, continues to oversee maintenance of the 16 courts at Noyes Field in St. Joseph. Pony Express hosted two State Tournaments in the late '90s and is hopeful to once again play host.



Tri-State Horseshoe Club

by Angie Higginbotham

Howdy-Ho, neighbors! Happy Spring! Hope everyone is good. We had a much better winter this year and no ice storms!

We had some great tournaments this winter and, as always, lots of fun. We sure enjoy when Jim Bainter comes to play. It's an honor and so nice of him to take the time. Our tournaments are over for now. Boy, we sure had some tight ones this year; lots of playoffs. Even I ended up in one, and for once I didn't choke. Sorry about that, Bob.

Some of us have been working on making a comeback after being struck with illness, injury, or surgery. I can tell you this, anyone who says it's just like riding a bike is crazy. It's hard!



As always, "the bossman" kept us good and warm and ran his regular tight ship. Meanwhile, Pat kept the place tip top and had plenty of food.

For those of you who come to visit and pitch, we appreciate you. Those who have never been, come check us out. Carl and Pat have a great place here, and we always have a good time. Carl and Pat welcome all, so y'all come see us some time. Take care and good luck to all.

Liberty Horseshoe Club

by Gregg Craven

Club member Noah Renne and his wife, Jennifer, are the proud parents of a beautiful girl, Novella Grace,



born Feb 27. She weighed 7 lbs 4 oz and was 19 1/2 inches tall. On January 30, Kylea Roberts (age 10) won the Spelling Bee at the Meadow Lane School. She was the first 4th grader to win the contest and she did it by spelling "hypothesis" (hope I spelled that right). Our sympathy to Debbie Harris and her family, whose mother (and Dean Constance's wife) passed away March 12. Our sympathy also to Reva Abbott, who lost her mother (Nile's mother-in-law) in early April. Former pitcher Ed Owen of Maysville celebrated his 95th birthday April 16. We will hold our week-long Junior League from July 6 to 10, 9-11:30 a.m., at Stockdale Park. Hope to have even more than last year.

Winter league results: Monday Morning Blahs champions, Harold Turley (KS) and Sammy J. Weese. Tuesday night champions, John Anderson, Joe Barry, Scott Engleman, and Jim Moore. Most-improved players were Mike Crouch and David Thompson. High Games were Nick DiRaimo (121) and Bob Booe of Kansas (127). High Average went to Nick (109) and Bob Booe (107.5). 50% Patches went to Angela DiRaimo, Jim Moore, and Paul Taylor. High Over Average were Don Roberts and Danny Wetzell. We have started three summer leagues and Kansas City has one also, all using the Don Harris Arena. Thanks Don!



Shoe Biz Boosters

by Vicki Winston

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Six Pac Tournament Results: 30 Foot Pitchers

by Bob and Rose Diekamp, tournament directors

The Six Pac Tournament held on May 2-3 at the QRHC was a very successful tournament.

We had pitchers from nine different states. First place was won by Joan Elmore (TN). Her record was 15-0 with an 80.25% tournament. I would say that was pretty sweet. Second: Marlene Ray (TN), 12-3 with 75.77%. Third: Her twin sister, Maxine Griffith (TN), 12-3 with 73.62%. Fourth: Sue Snyder (KY), 11-4 with 78.74%. Fifth: Bobby Fields (TN), 11-4 with 73.82%. Sixth: D.W. Story (TN), 10-5 with 75.71%. Seventh: Rick McEntire (MO), 9-6 with 63.78%. Eighth: Dennis Reid (IL), 8-7 with 64.77%. As you can see, five of the top places were won by people from Tennessee. Looks like Tennessee produces some top-notch pitchers. Way to battle and stay in there Kentucky, Missouri, and Illinois. Amy Francis (OH) had to withdraw on the second day because of a sore foot. Our very own Jan Kreienkamp stepped in to finish the tournament as a pacer. Good job, Jan. D.W. Story (TN) pitched the most shoes in the two-day tournament, with 980 shoes. My arm hurts just thinking about it. Great pitching to all of you.

We also had a raffle with some very nice prizes, including a chime clock, two horseshoe silhouettes made by and donated by Joe Faron, and a very nice horseshoe box. The clock and one silhouette were won by Terry Beagle (MI), the horseshoe box by Don Class, and the second silhouette by Carol Howard.

The horseshoe exhibition put on by the Reno family from Ohio was very interesting and exciting. I tried to get Bob to stand

across the peg and let me throw ringers, but he wouldn't do it. He said if I stood on my head and let him throw ringers between my legs he would do it. Forget that I couldn't even stand on my head, let alone wait for him to throw a ringer. Just kidding, Bob. You would have to have been there to know what I'm talking about. Great job, Reno family.

Dinner on Saturday evening was held at QRHC went great. Good food, good company, what more could you wish for. Thanks to all the people who donated hot dishes, salads, and yum yum deserts. Without you, we could not have done this. Thanks also to Larry Langewisch and his helpers, who stood outside all day and barbecued pork steaks and smoked chicken. For those of you who didn't attend, you missed out on some great food. Ginny Weiss did a great job getting help in the kitchen. Andy Foulds did another great job on the 50/50. Rich Altis, our stats guy, always does a great job. Thanks to all the judges and score keepers. Julia Jaeger did a super job getting the scorekeepers for two days. The clean-up crew always does a fine job. Thanks to Larry Volo and Jeanette Claas for making up the large score boards. Thanks for all those who helped me collect for food and raffle. Jim Kinney did a great great job with the national anthem. We all pulled together and worked hard to get 'er done. That's how it works to have a successful tournament. Thanks again for all your help.

**2009 Missouri State
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19-09-083 Juniors Only Tournament Results

Class A: Saturday, May 2, 2009; 1:00 p.m.

Pos	Name	Entry Avg	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	Ovr Avg	Sh	R%
1.	Michael Leger	13.00	35	190233	MO	3	1	309	31	6.37	160	19.38
2.	Jeremiah Hamilton	37.63	9	191153	MO	2.5	1.5	268	62	1.12	160	38.75
3.	Devin Wetzel	24.60	23	191384	MO	2	2	246	24	9.60-	160	15.00
4.	Alyssa Leger	14.62	33	190226	MO	1.5	2.5	252	21	1.50-	160	13.13
5.	Alex Roberts	45.52	0	191155	MO	1	3	219	53	12.40-	160	33.13

Class B: Saturday, May 2, 2009; 1:00 p.m.

Pos	Name	Entry Avg	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	Ovr Avg	Sh	R%
1.	Megan Mcleod	5.57	0	190244	MO	3	1	84	11	3.59	120	9.17
2.	Joe Powell	3.80	0	191371	MO	2.5	1.5	60	8	2.86	120	6.67
3.	Corissa Bishop	8.70	0	190246	MO	2	2	70	9	1.20-	120	7.50
4.	Ben McCaulley	6.11	0	191409	MO	2	2	69	9	1.39	120	7.50
5.	Nichol Craven	2.32	0	190026	MO	0.5	3.5	31	5	1.84	120	4.17

Class C: Saturday, May 2, 2009; 1:00 p.m.

Pos	Name	Entry Avg	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	Ovr Avg	Sh	R%
1.	Jake Minet	1.53	0	180215	KS	3	0	39	5	2.63	120	4.17
2.	Luke A. Roberts	0.46	0	191406	MO	2	1	33	2	1.20	120	1.67
3.	Sophie Craven	0.00	0	191419	MO	0.5	2.5	16	1	0.83	120	0.83
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11th Annual MOHPA Awards Banquet

Saturday, Sept. 5, 2009

Place: Motel 6–Wentzville Banquet Center
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Time: 6:00 PM: Cocktail Hour (cash bar)
7:00 PM: Buffet Dinner
8:00 PM: Program & Awards Presentations

Price: Adults: \$18.00
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Menu

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2009 Missouri State Fair Mixed Open Tournament

Superintendent: Donna Bastel, Gravois Mills, MO, 573-374-8243
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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 23, 2009. **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: Missouri Horseshoe Pitchers Assn. (MOHPA) and should be sent to Vickie Winston, 10326 Highway D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Entries must be received by July 20, 2009.** The tournament committee reserves the right to re-rate qualifying scores. 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 NHPA. The judge's decisions will be final. Classes will be scheduled for

Tentative schedule: (subject to change)

Friday, August 21, 9:00 a.m., Classes P, Q, R
 Friday, August 21, 1:30 p.m., Classes M, N, O
 Saturday, August 22, 9:00 a.m., Classes J, K, L
 Saturday, August 22, 1:30 p.m., Classes G, H, I
 Sunday, August 23, 9:00 a.m., Classes D, E, F
 Sunday, August 23, 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)	\$ 31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
2 (B)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
3 (C)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
4 (D)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
5 (E)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
6 (F)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
7 (G)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
8 (H)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
9 (I)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
10 (J)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
12 (K)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
12 (L)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
13 (M)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
14 (N)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
15 (O)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
16 (P)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
17 (Q)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8
18 (R)	31	26	20	15	12	10	8	8

Note: Juniors will not be awarded cash prizes.

Entry Form

2009 Missouri State Fair Mixed Open • Sedalia, MO • August 21, 22, 23
 Sanction #19-09-008

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 20, 2009

Adults \$10.00 • Juniors are Free

MOHPA Tournament Schedule as of 5/14/09

Contains all changes • Visit our web page @ www.moHPA.us

Date	Sanc. Number	Location	Tournament Name	Contact	E-mail or Cell Number
6/06	19-09-012	Independence	MOHPA Club/Team Benefit*	D.Bastel 573-374-8243	dbastel@charterinternet.com
6/13	19-09-077	Park Hills	June Heat *	McEntire 573-431-6107	330-2766/delora4306@sbcglobal.net
6/20	19-09-029	Liberty	Wilbur Hodgson Memorial* @Harris	Craven 816-781-7581 %	bcraven2@kc.rr.com
6/20	19-09-020	Marshfield	Summer Kickoff Open *	Keith 417-859-2781	mfkeith@centurytel.net
6/20 c	19-09-067	Wentzville	Summer Heat * @Quail Ridge	Schnur 636-233-0368	
6/13 c	19-09-081	Peculiar	John Dods Memorial * (56 Max)	Bowman 816-293-5403	glennbowman@ymail.com
6/21 c	19-09-044	Jefferson City	Father's Day Mixed Open *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
6/27	19-09-088	St Joseph	Ray Cavin Memorial *	Campbell 816-238-7312	pcampbell@co.buchanan.mo.us
7/4+	19-09-109	Clinton	Old Glory Days *	Loyd 660-885-3868	
7/04 c	19-09-045	Jefferson City	USA Celebration Mixed Open*	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
7/04	19-09-096	Mountain View	Mountain View Mixed Open *	Hobbs 417-934-6741	
7/11	19-09-010	Laurie	Summer Splash Open*	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
7/11 c	19-09-068	Wentzville	Nite Owl Special * @Quail Ridge	Simms 636-387-8001	dwsimms@charter.net
7/11	19-09-078	Park Hills	Time's Running Out *	McEntire 573-431-6107	330-2766/delora4306@sbcglobal.net
7/25 c	19-09-046	Jefferson City	Jefferson City Open *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
7/25	19-09-079	Park Hills	Time Is Out *	McEntire 573-431-6107	330-2766/delora4306@sbcglobal.net
7/25-8/9	19-09-110	Wentzville	HOF Classic	Faron 314-704-7082	Buehler 636-328-1201
7/27-8/8	IL Sanc	Springfield, IL	2009 World Tournament	Hansen	nhpa.sec.treas@worldnet.att.net
8/01	19-09-021	Marshfield	Steaming Hot Pitch Open*	Keith 417-859-2781	mfkeith@centurytel.net
8/4 & 8/8+	Pending	California	Moniteau County Fair Singles *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
8/8 +	Pending	California	Moniteau County Fair Doubles *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
8/14, 15	19-09-107	Liberty	2009Liberty Summer League Tourn	Craven 816-781-4132 %	gregg_audra@sbcglobal.net
8/21-23	19-09-008	Sedalia	Missouri State Fair Open*	D.Bastel 573-374-8243	dbastel@charterinternet.com
8/29	19-09-039	Independence	Fall Classic Mixed Open *	Henderson 816-796-0573pre	president@independencehorseshoeclub.com
8/29 c	19-09-047	Jefferson City	Sizzline Summer Mixed Open*	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
9/4	19-09-089	Wentzville	State Championship Dbls(Adult)	Winston 660-563-3536	horshuvicki@socket.net
9/5-9/7	19-09-090	Wentzville	State Championship Singles	Winston 660-563-3536	horshuvicki@socket.net
9/12	Pending	Caulfield	Arkansas/Missouri Shootout *	Kingsolver 417-284-3042	
9/12	19-09-082	Peculiar	Peculiar Fall Open * (56 Max)	Bowman 816-293-5403	glennbowman@ymail.com
9/13	19-09-048	Jefferson City	Capitol City Fall Doubles *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
9/19, 20	19-09-011	Laurie	Hillbilly Fair Open*	D.Bastel 573-374-8243	dbastel@charterinternet.com
9/25-27c	19-09-049	Jefferson City	5th Annual Big Money Mixed *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
9/26	19-09-091	Liberty	Kansas City Open @ Harris Arena *	McIntire 816-452-0254	dmcintire@kc.rr.com
10/03	Pending	Caulfield	Caulfield Mixed Open *	Kingsolver 417-284-3042	
10/3	19-09-111	Clinton	Clinton Fall Tournament *	Loyd 660-885-3868	
10/03	19-09-102	Liberty	Don Harris Open @Harris Arena *	Craven 816-781-4132 %	gregg_audra@sbcglobal.net
10/04 c	19-09-050	Jefferson City	Capitol City Db/Elim(club only)	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
10/10, 11	19-09-005	Sunrise Beach	Frosted Pumpkin Open * @The Pits	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
10/10, 11 +	19-09-108	Wentzville	Natl Sanctioned Club/League	Sternberg	horshoe@aol.com
10/17	19-09-103	Liberty	Frostbite Open @Harris Arena *	Cooper 816-741-0043 %	ivdead@hotmail.com
10/18 c	19-09-051	Jefferson City	Octoberfest Mixed Open *	Bruemmer 636-541-3232	sdr@att.net
10/24	19-09-099	Mountain View	Mountain View Mixed Open *	Hobbs 417-934-6741	
10/24	19-09-069	Wentzville	Fall Team Tournament *Hdcp	Howard 636-441-7679	horseshoejc@yahoo.com
11/07	19-09-087	Liberty	9th Holly Marie Memorial@Harris	Griggs 816-313-1814	mosh@kcnet.com
11/07,08	19-09-017	Diamond	Mixed Open * @Lucky Gricks	Gricks 417-325-4456	
11/14, 15	19-09-006	Sunrise Beach	Turkey Stakes Open * @The Pits	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
11/21	19-09-070	Wentzville	Turkey Trot * @Quail Ridge	Hummel 636-978-6117	ralphandjan@yahoo.com
11/21	19-09-104	Liberty	Snow Bird Fly Away @Harris *	Craven 816-781-4132 %	gregg_audra@sbcglobal.net
11/28, 29	19-09-056	Crane	Deer Season Blues* @Hudson	Hudson 417-723-5429	
12/05	19-09-071	Wentzville	Jimble Bell Rock * @Quail Ridge	Volo 314-434-4075	
12/05	19-09-105	Liberty	Here Comes Santa Claus@Harris*	Killgore 816-592-0100 %	816-930-3353
12/05,06	19-09-018	Diamond	Mixed Open * @Lucky Gricks	Gricks 417-325-4456	
12/12	19-09-106	Liberty	Ringer-ling,Hear Them Ring *	Hardt 913-344-5015	rich.hardt@mac.com
12/12, 13	19-09-007	Sunrise Beach	Snowball Open * @The Pits	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
12/12, 13	19-09-057	Crane	Christmas is Coming* @Hudson	Hudson 417-723-5429	

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NOTE: Sanctioned tournaments are preregister. Enter 7 days in advance (much earlier in winter)

NHPA Card: State & National dues - Adults \$25.00, Juniors \$5.00. Order from Vicki Winston: 10326 HWY D, LaMonte, MO 65337

Attention Tournament Directors: Please check all facts listed pertaining to your tournament(s) and immediately report any errors to the Regional Director in order that timely changes can be made.

2009 Missouri State Championships

Singles Entry Information

1. Open to current Missouri residents, who are 2009 NHPA and MOHPA members.
2. **Entry Requirements: Adult** pitchers will be placed into the tournament according to their NatStats average as known August 7, 2009. NatStats 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 Cadets** require only one sanctioned event listed in NatStats by August 7, 2009.
3. **New Pitchers:** Persons who have been NHPA and MOHPA members for a total of two years or less, and who haven't previously participated in a Missouri State Tournament, may be seeded by one of the following methods if lacking 3 sanctioned events: (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 cadets). 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: \$35.00 (This includes scorekeeping fees). Juniors or Cadets: Free.** Make checks payable to: MOHPA. Mail entries to: Vicki Winston, 10326 Highway D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Entries must be received by August 7, 2009. Late entries will be placed on standby.** Have questions? Call 660-563-3536 or E-mail horshuvicki@socket.net. **No refunds after August 17, 2009.**
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':** limited to 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. **Cadets:** 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. **Junior 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 Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club. 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 cadets 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. **Courts:** 16 indoor and 16 outdoor permanent courts.

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 be played Friday, Sept. 4, 2009, starting at 10:00 a.m.
2. **Entry Requirements:** Same as for the Singles, but using MO Stats averages instead of NatStats.
3. **Entry Information: Use the official entry form. Entry fee: \$35.00 (includes scorekeeping).** Make checks payable to: MOHPA. Mail entries to: Vicki Winston, 10326 Hwy D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Entries must be received by Aug. 7, 2009. Late entries will be placed on standby. No refunds for cancellations after Aug. 17, 2009.**
4. **Shirt Requirements:** 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 Cadets

___ 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: \$35 Juniors/Cadets: Free **Entries must be received by August 7, 2009.**
(Adult scorekeeping fees included in entry fee. Juniors will pay scorekeepers on site.)

Doubles Entry Form

2009 Missouri State Championships • Sept. 4 • Wentzville, 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: \$35 (This includes scorekeeping fees.)
Limited to first 128 entries.
Entries must be received by August 7, 2009.

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Business Card
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Andy Foulds
3512 Massey Ford Road
Union, MO 63084
636-583-6446
jankandyf@esagelink.com

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Name: _____
Company: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

Signed: _____
Payment Enclosed: _____ Receipt Requested: _____

Make checks payable to Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club
Mail to: Andy Foulds, 3512 Massey Ford Road, Union, MO 63084

2009 Membership Application

Missouri Horseshoe Pitchers Association National Horseshoe Pitchers Association

The NHPA card is a combined membership in your state and national horseshoe pitching associations. This card entitles you to participate in NHPA sanctioned play throughout the United States and much of Canada, wherever you meet the entry requirements for the event. You must pay your dues through the state charter where you maintain legal residence as determined by voting, tax and/or drivers license laws. Dues are based on the calendar year. New members may pay next years dues after October 1 of the current year and will be eligible to participate in sanctioned events the final 3 months of the current year, as well as all of the next year.

As a member of the Missouri Charter, you will receive *Shoe Biz* three times a year free of charge. This will keep you informed of events within our state. Our statistician will be recording your pitching stats from all sanctioned events and will be forwarding these stats to the NHPA stats headquarters, called NatStats. These stats are updated weekly and can be accessed through either the NHPA or the MOHPA websites. To make all of this possible, your NHPA card will have six digits followed by two decimals. Missouri is region 19, followed by four digits, which are your number. The two decimals represent the calendar year. The decimal and color of the NHPA card change each year. Your number will remain with you as long as you reside in Missouri and continue to maintain your membership. If you ever lose your NHPA card, the charter secretary will issue you a duplicate card free of charge. You need only notify her.

Please fill in all information on the form below that applies to you and mail the application and total amount of dues to the MOHPA Sec/Treas. (address below) Please make checks payable to: MOHPA.

Vicki Winston	Adult Dues	Juniors and Cadets
MOHPA Sec/Treas.	17.00 national	5.00 national
10326 Highway D	<u>8.00</u> state	<u>0.00</u> state
LaMonte, MO 65337	\$25.00 Total Dues	\$5.00 Total Dues
Phone/Fax: (660) 563-3536		
E-mail: horshuvicki@socket.net		

(Cut along dashed line and return this portion with dues. Make additional copies if more than one form is needed.)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street address or PO Box: _____ Date of Birth: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____ E-mail address _____

If renewing, enter NHPA#: _____ Approx. years in NHPA: _____ New members, mark here: _____

Club affiliation if any: _____

Check one of the following: Adult Junior Cadet

Check one of the following: Male Female

Check one of the following: 40' Pitcher Less than 40' pitcher

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LaMonte, MO 65337



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