

From My Court To Yours

by Jim Bainter, MOHPA President

This article for the Biz will conclude my sixth and final year as your president. It's been a fun ride and I have enjoyed the opportunity to serve the pitchers of Missouri and to promote the sport of horseshoes throughout our great state.

If you did not take the opportunity to participate in this year's championship tournament, you missed out on one of the best tournaments in recent years. We had a great set up provided by the Backyard HC, weather superior to anything in the last 10 years, and good country cooking at a fair price. The backyard environment was reminiscent of past championships before pitchers became accustomed to covered and air-conditioned facilities. If we could always have the weather we enjoyed during this tournament, I don't think anyone would want to pitch indoors again.

As the second-largest charter in the NHPA, we have had some influence on the association, including volunteers who helped rewrite the new yellow book, being selected as the home of the NHPA Hall of Fame and Museum, the acquisition of the NHPA Game-Related Sales activity, and the Quail Ridge HC became a regional sales center for the GRS.

In addition, the MOHPA has adopted an annual championship tournament patch, annual state pin, and created the annual MOHPA benefit Club/Team tournament to augment our limited income stream. Administrative procedures have been streamlined and officer job descriptions have been developed.

Our adult membership has vacillated during the last seven years and is once again over 800. Junior membership has leaped from just 59 in 2003 to 138 in 2010. This growth is due in large part to the special emphasis a few individual pitchers have given to the program—thank you, Melody, Gregg, and Audra. Keep up the good work. With the exception of 2009, Missouri has had the largest juniors program in the NHPA for the last five years. We added Junior Rookie and Junior Player of the Year awards in 2005 to help stimulate interest and complement our program. This is the only way we can expect to achieve our long-term membership goals.

Missouri has the most sanctioned tournaments of any charter in the NHPA. We have over 100 each year. Your participation in our local tournaments attests to the strong interest, willingness to compete and to support clubs around the state.

Participation in our State Championship Tournament has increased as well as attendance at our annual membership meeting and awards banquet. Missouri has become a charter on the

move in virtually all aspects of our program. We have the people and enthusiasm to once again become the largest charter in the NHPA. It will take all of us to achieve this goal. It can't happen overnight but it can happen.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the continued support of all the pitchers from around the state. You supported my programs, donated your time, and kept me going when obstacles seemed almost insurmountable. I knew only a few of you when I became VP in 2003 but I have now met most of the 800 members and I will always value your friendship. Thank you.

I encourage you to provide the same support and assistance to your new president, Sharon Taylor, that I have enjoyed. Being the president isn't easy and I quickly found out you can never please everyone. Remember, it's a team effort and the officers can't do it without you.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to all the officers who supported me during the last six years. The current officers have been fantastic but special thanks go to Charles Killgore and Rich Altis, long-time Zone Directors; Roy Evans, my Vice President for four years; Elwyn Cooper, the past NHPA RD; and Kent Armstrong, a past President.

Vicki and Stan are the stalwarts of the MOHPA. Dee McIntire, the HOF chairperson, and Elizabeth Furner, the Shoe Biz editor, work quietly behind the scenes to make your association the best in the NHPA. Please continue to give them your support.

And now, really — "That's it from the Pits."

Prez Sez

by Sharon Taylor, President-elect

As the newly elected MOHPA President, I will begin by introducing myself. I have lived in Kansas City for 45 years. I have been a member of the MOHPA for 15-plus years. I quit pitching about four years ago due to back problems. However in the past two years I have pitched in a league and tournament. My husband, Paul, has pitched for 15-plus years also. We are both members of Liberty HSC and Quail Ridge HSC and I have previously been a member of the Independence HSC. My husband and I have attended numerous World Tournaments and I have been a delegate for MOHPA at the NHPA convention. I served as Vice President of the MOHPA for two years and Publicity Director for one term and I was responsible for organizing and coordinating the raffle fundraiser for the MOHPA.

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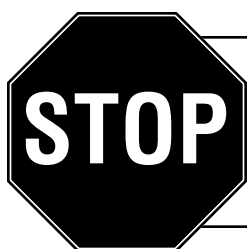
by Elizabeth Furner

The days are getting shorter, nights are cooler—must be getting fall. The summer activities are drawing to a close. Outdoor pits are closing for the season and indoor courts are being booked tight. The Lucky Gricks Arena will most certainly be missed as pitchers from the Diamond area search for a place to placate an addiction to throwing at a little round peg.

Inside you will find entry requirements and forms for the Annual Club/Team competition scheduled for the 2011 spring. It may seem a little early to talk about it but this is an important tournament and oh so much fun. Pit your club's talents against others in the state and see who can leave with bragging rights. Of course before you can compete in the tournament, you have to be a member of NHPA. The application for membership is also included in this issue.

We take this time to say thank you to Jim Bainter for his six tireless years of serving as President of our fabulous organization. During his administration, we have seen a huge advance in Junior pitcher participation and are also seeing this year the beginnings of an upswing in adult membership.

As we say thank you to Jim, we also welcome a first. Our first woman President, Mrs. Sharon Taylor, has something to say to each of us. Read her first of many Prez Sez musings. She is very much willing to serve as a catalyst to your ideas of growing the Missouri Charter.



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



There has been much discussion about distance and age. Should we or shouldn't we? If you have an opinion concerning men, 40' vs 30' and age, let your vote count. If you have an opinion concerning age and Cadets, let your vote count. Check out Vicki's poll.

As a follow up to last issue's article about the Michael Long Benefit, read what Michael had to say of the support shown him by Independence and surrounding pitchers. The family of another Michael, Michael Ginther, sent their remembrances for recognizing Michael as he fought ALS. Michael lost his battle in August.

Not all pitchers' time is spent pitching, read what Ray Nadler told Jeanette Claas he did on "his summer vacation."

We mourn the loss of Mr. Don Harris. Don was known nationwide for his horseshoe proficiency but is truly appreciated by those of us in the Liberty area that have the opportunity to use of his gift on a weekly basis. For some, the use is even more profuse as they may be members of more than one weekly league and throw in a weekend tournament.

There's a new article in this issue – Points to Ponder. Started as an answer to a fellow pitcher's query, perhaps we can all learn from the "Masters of the Game."

World Tournament saw Alan Francis again come out on top as Men's Champion and Joan Elmore reign as Women's Champion. Missouri was well represented in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, with 127 members from our state competing. Of those competing were 10 members who qualified to compete in Championship Division and five members who took home first-place trophies in their respective classes.

How about State Tournament? Some of the folks decided to make it a family affair. Families pitched together, camped together, and, for some, won together. Check out the Champions—notice any family resemblances? Two champions under the same roof, at the same time—can you handle it?

I was very pleased to see two of our younger pitchers be involved in more than the pitching of the shoe. Michael Bowman and Dalton Rakestraw have both chosen to take on the responsibility of being Tournament Director on their respective home courts.



This & That

by Vicki Winston

The summer months have been hot and busy, but they are now gone and we are into autumn and hopefully beautiful but cooler weather. If you took part in the MOHPA Club Team Tournament at Quail Ridge in early June, you will know that Earl and I were surprised with a 50th wedding anniversary cake courtesy of Bob and Donna Bastel with the assistance of Jeanette Claas. We cut the cake and I hope that everyone had a chance to enjoy a piece of cake sometime during the afternoon. We appreciated the surprise. Thank you so much. The exact date of our anniversary was June 10 and we celebrated with our family.

The 2010 membership year was very successful and for the first time in several years saw an increase in both adult and junior membership. This was a bit surprising considering the economic conditions, but we are happy to have everyone on board and hope that you will join us again in 2011. Dues remain the same: \$25 for adults and \$5 for juniors. I should receive the 2011 cards in early October. Remember that new people wishing to join can purchase their 2011 card after October 1 of this year and it will be valid for the remainder of 2010 and all of 2011. New pitchers can get up to 3 months free. Anyone can pay dues through a club, if the club provides that service, or you can send dues directly to me. You will find an application form elsewhere in this issue of Shoe Biz or you can print one from the Forms link of the MOHPA website.

If you missed the 2010 State Tournament at the Backyard Horseshoe Club, you missed some of the best weather that we've experienced for a State Tournament in many a year. It was a gorgeous weekend and a lovely setting, if you appreciate being in the country, which I do. The Williams family and Backyard Horseshoe Club members worked very hard to have things ready for us and were gracious hosts. It has long been a dream of Danny and Melody Williams to someday host a State Tournament. I hope that their dream did not become a nightmare. We consumed lots of good food and watched some exciting horseshoe games. Attendance was down, but we anticipated that would happen due to the location. I believe that every pitcher eventually found their way to the secluded location. However, it was an adventure for some making the trip for the first time. You did not get in a hurry on Hwy 34, nor did you pass if you caught up with slower moving vehicles, but it gave you time to enjoy the scenery when you weren't busy steering around the curves. Our annual banquet was well attended and we again enjoyed good food, plus entertainment by some members of the Backyard Horseshoe Club. It was good to see Loree Meier, who made the trip from Independence with 7 family members in order to be present for her induction into our Hall of Fame. For those of you reading this who don't know Loree Meier, she happens to be an aunt of Alan Francis and says she taught him everything that he knows. Smile!

At our annual MOHPA business meeting, which was held after the conclusion of the Mixed Doubles competition, Jim Bainter said he was not running for re-election as our president. After Sharon Taylor and Steve Bruemmer were nominated for that office, Sharon was elected for a two-year term and will officially take office on November 1, 2010. However, she is already hard at work getting ready to assume command. We thank Jim for his

years of service as our president. He has been a hard worker and has spent much of his own money while going about the business of being our president. You will still be able to find Jim going about the task of running The Pits at Sunrise Beach. Other MOHPA officers who were re-elected for two year terms are: Zone 1 Director Jim Kinney Jr., Zone 4 Director Danny Williams, and our State Statistician, Stan Griggs. All were unopposed and were elected by acclamation.

While at the State Tournament, I was able to visit briefly with John Fite of the Tri-State Horseshoe Club. Many of you will know that Pat Gricks sold her property at Diamond and has moved to Illinois. The Tri-State HC is currently without any courts. John told me he is investigating a couple of locations in other cities that are possibly interested in constructing some outdoor courts. I wish him success in that venture so that the Tri-State HC will once again have a home.

As you probably know, there were no official bids presented for the 2011 State Tournament, so the bidding deadline was extended to Oct. 30, 2010. There will be a 2011 State Tournament, however at the moment we don't know where. The MOHPA officers will keep you posted when details become available.

Working with very short notice, Jim Kinney Jr. and Sharon Taylor were able to get a float ready for the American Royal Parade in Kansas City on Sept. 25. I am told that all went pretty well and the float was a success. I believe this makes the third year in a row that we have sponsored a float in the American Royal Parade. Perhaps the advertising will bring us some new members.

I would like to remind all league directors, whether it be fall and winter or summer leagues, that you are always supposed to submit a copy of your league roster to the NHPA League Coordinator, Lorraine Sternberg, and your MOHPA Sec/Treasurer, Vicki Winston, within a couple of weeks after your league season gets underway. I would also like to remind all league directors and pitchers that a horseshoe league is just like a bowling league. If you don't already have your membership card, your dues must be paid the first time that you participate in a league session. I know that some leagues have been very lax concerning this matter and it needs to be corrected. A pitcher is not sanctioned until dues are paid. Also, if a club or league is collecting dues, those dues should be submitted to me as promptly as possible so that I may issue the NHPA cards and also provide card numbers for the new pitchers. Most of our clubs and leagues are doing a great job and I appreciate your help immensely. It is a big task processing our MOHPA and NHPA memberships each year. We are a very large charter. When your league season is completed, I would like to remind you that your final league stats need to be sent to Lorraine Sternberg and also to our MOHPA Statistician, Stan Griggs. Thank you all for your hard work.

I hope that everyone has wonderful holidays this fall and winter. Until next time, I leave you with these words: "A bank is a place that will lend you money, if you can prove that you don't need it."

Condensed Financial Report

Funds on Hand Nov. 1, 2009	20,691.52
Receipts	29,829.49
Expenses	-36,849.88
Funds on Hand Sept. 29, 2010	13,671.13



Last Shoe



Larry Craven

Larry Craven, a guest of the Liberty Club, was known as “The Walker.” Larry was at a tournament with his brothers, as he was known to do, when he fell ill, and left us quite unexpectedly.

I first met Larry while pitching in Joelton, Tennessee. He and his wife had an apartment in Nashville. After his wife died, Larry moved to Liberty to be with his brothers and sisters and could be seen walking and walking and walking. As with any of the Cravens I have ever met, Larry had a great smile, kind word, and hearty handshake. Always with someone else’s need on his mind, Larry was an organ donor and, as a final act, he enabled two people to see. Who knows, perhaps they are watching a shoe fly to the stake at this writing. His exuberance will be missed.

Roy Allen Mickelberry

Roy Allen Mickelberry of Urich, Missouri, was 76 years old. Roy, father to Terry Bowman of the Peculiar Club, had ventured to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to watch his grandson pitch during World Tournament. He watched two-time World Junior Boy’s Champion Michael Bowman compete for the first time in the Men’s Division. His young grandson “proved his grandpa proud” by placing high enough in his Men’s Class to compete in the Championship class. Michael, in his first year competing at 40’, placed 6th (just behind our own Stan Griggs). While in Cedar Rapids, Roy began to feel badly. He never regained his original health but he did something he wanted to do—go and watch his grandson pitch in a World Tournament. He was not disappointed.

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While in office, a “Let’s Talk” policy will be established. If you have a MOHPA issue, would like clarification of a bylaw or rule, or would just like to discuss the MOHPA, let’s talk. We probably won’t have all the answers but we will make every attempt to get them.

We will continue to work on increasing the MOHPA adult membership. The junior membership is doing great but they still need encouragement. New ideas from members are welcome.

The MOHPA would also like to encourage all our clubs to consider hosting the state tournament at some time. Whether it is with another club or two or just as a single host, enter a bid. The MOHPA officers will offer any help and support.

Last but not least, we will work with the NHPA officers to restore the image of the MOHPA. I’m looking forward to a great year! Let’s talk.

The NHPA Internet Website is
www.horseshoepitching.com
Click on the US map to get to Missouri’s page

Carl Tresler

Carl Tresler, a member of the Heart of America Club, lost his battle with cancer. Carl hated the computers in Harris Arena. I can see him now, “I don’t mess with those things. If you want me to keep score, I’ll do it on paper, but I don’t mess with that thing.”

Carl was a former driver for Yellow Freight and spent his military time in the South Pacific during WWII. Following his wishes, his ashes will be returned to the seas by his friends in Blue Springs.

William (Bud) Chester

William Chester may be known to several of you. Bill was inducted into the Kansas Hall of Fame in 1966 as a Promotor Inductee and served as the KHPA Secretary-Treasurer from 1975 to 1980. He also served as KHPA President in 1986 and 1987. Bill was 85 years old.

On The Mend

Here are a few folks known to have been under the weather since we last spoke:

- Roy Flatt
- Gregg Craven
- Nick DiRaimo
- Sharon Armstrong
- Perry Mann’s daughter

Publicity Corner

by Jim Kinney Jr.

Hello to all you pitchers out there. I have been really busy with promoting the game we all love. I have been working on a couple of programs that we hope to be implementing soon.

Our association just finished participating in the American Royal Parade and we want to thank everyone that helped. I especially want to thank Sharon Taylor for helping put it all together. Thanks to the Heartland Indoor Horseshoe Association for donating the man and woman silhouettes and to the Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club for the use of NHPA flags and towels to display on the float. We want to thank the Laurie Horseshoe Club for helping get the “Missouri Horseshoe” and the horseshoe magnets to us.

Everyone came together in very short time to make the American Royal Parade a great success and our sport received a lot of exposure. This proves that if all of us work together we can get to those who are not aware of the sport of horseshoes and our great charter, the Missouri Horseshoe Pitching Association. Keep watching for publicity tools and articles that the NHPA and MOHPA advertise on the web sites to get involved.

If you do not know about our new tool for exposure, go to facebook.com and log into the Missouri Horseshoe Pitching Association. Pass it on to your friends and family. See ya on the pits.

Grassy

by Elizabeth Furner

For those of you who missed the State Tournament, too bad, too sad. In more than one location in this publication you have had the chance to read of others' impression of the BYHC hospitality. If you weren't there, you chose not to be provided with a beautiful sight, delicious food, and wonderful camaraderie. This is a beautiful state and I for one enjoyed getting out and seeing a section of the state less traveled and made the trip with what better excuse than to play horseshoes.

The address is an interesting one. With the natives, the town is Glen Allen (two words). On the state map, the town is Glenallen (one word). It became curiouser and curiouser when the name on the road sign was Grassy. I noticed that even between the host and hostess there was some debate. Danny speaks of Glen Allen and Melody says she knows where she lives and it is Grassy.

The tournament was wonderful. The crisp mornings and warm afternoons just begged for pitching. Notice the change in champions. Rose repeated but all else changed. I had the opportunity to again witness the battle between Rick McEntire and Nick DiRaimo. I think these two gentlemen just plan on games of endurance. The number three game between the Jr. Championship boys was a good one. A come-from-behind victory required a fourth game for the Championship.

There are those who did not care for the site chosen for the 2010 State Tournament and therefore chose not to attend. That decision caused some to lose out on a wonderful experience. If you did not like this year's choice, get with other pitchers and bid on the chance to host the 2011. Read Melody's column and see what she thinks of the opportunities of a small club in a remote area to make a difference.





What's that rule?

by Rich Altis

Guideline 4 – Judging: Judges are to be appointed by the Tournament/League Officials.

Responsibilities

To enforce the rules and issue the proper penalties if and when violations occur. To measure for ringers, for closest shoe to the stake, or for shoes in count. To resolve scoring questions or discrepancies, and to answer or resolve any rules questions, when called upon by the contestants. To help make the correct decision in situations involving broken shoes, broken stakes, shoes and/or stakes that may be moved by contestants during measurements, shoes pitched out of turn, a contestant's shoes mistakenly pitched by the opponent, and other questions which may arise. To act as a liaison between the contestants and the Tournament/League Officials for all possible questions or situations.

The judge is there to see that neither player is taking unfair advantage of the other player. As a player, you will get the judges attention by one or more of three ways. They are: your opponents

will tell the judge what you are doing, the spectators will tell the judge to watch a particular player, or the judge will catch you.

While judging at the State tournament this year, a couple of things came to my attention. One was a short stake. These stakes are five to six feet long and are driven into the pit leaving 14 to 15 inches above the pit. Apparently, this stake was in some very soft material because it started to get shorter and shorter. At the end of this particular game, the stake was about 12 inches high. One of the pitchers complained that he didn't think it was fair for him to have to pitch on such a short stake. This brings us to Rule 10, Loose or Broken Stakes. When the players noticed the stake disappearing, they should have called for the Judge. The judge in turn would find out what his options are from the tournament officials. At that point, the players would be notified that they would be moved to another court or that they would have to wait a few minutes while the stake is being reset. In this situation between games the stake was pulled, sand was poured into the hole and the stake was reset to the proper height, taking less than five minutes.

The other was foul line infractions. A word about the people that crowd the foul line while pitching. If your pitching step lands an inch or two short of the foul line, it is just a matter of time until you are on or over the line. As the pressure of the game takes over and you find yourself dropping behind in the score, most players have a tendency to reach out a little further and also take a little longer step. As a judge I have seen it hundreds of times and as a player I find myself doing the same thing that I see others doing. At the World tournament last year, I had two shoes pulled in the space of five minutes. With a forced smile and through clenched teeth I said "thank you." I got the message.

At the State tournament, we had plenty of foul line infractions. Most players, when informed that they were on or over the foul line, said "thank you." They adjusted their starting point or step and continued their pitching. Not so with a couple of the pitchers. One gentleman thought he was being singled out and treated unfairly. He had been warned by one judge and had his shoe pulled by another. The other was a lady that was called for being over the foul line. She proceeded to inform the judge that she didn't step over the foul line. The reason was that she could not take that long of a step.

The bottom line is, if the judge catches you violating the rules, a penalty will be assessed. You have the choice to accept the penalty or protest the call to the tournament officials. If there is a protest, you may expect a tournament official to monitor your play and the judge's decisions.

2010 Longevity Patch Recipients

by Vicki Winston, MOHPA Sec/Treas.

It was my pleasure to present NHPA Longevity Patches to the following people at our annual Awards Banquet. The patches were earned with your current year of membership. If you were not present at the banquet and someone from your club did not pick up your patch for you, I mailed it to you after I arrived back home from the State Tournament. Thank you all for your continued support of the NHPA and the MOHPA.

10 Year Patches

- Jim Bainter
- Dennis Bales
- Johnna Bales
- Denise Bloss
- Michael Bowman
- Steve Bruemmer
- Dick Byersdorfer
- Clay Caswell
- Dan Couch
- Jane Couch
- James Driver
- Michael Gillespie
- Richard Jarman
- Joann Jones
- James S. Kinney Jr.
- Bob Lemon
- Larry McAlister
- Dee McIntire
- Dennis Mills
- Paul Parnell
- Randy Penberthy Sr.
- Eileen Reeves
- Oscar Reeves
- Sue Roberts

20 Year Patches

- Carroll Sinclair
- Roger Sinclair
- Rick Stockamp
- Neal Straughn
- Roy Tindall Jr.
- Mike Watkins
- Dave Alcamo
- Wesley Brakensiek
- Joan Buchheit
- Gary Buehler
- Rose Diekamp
- Larry Gilchrist
- Daphne Happy
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Sizzlin' State Fair

by Donna Bastel

Once again, Mother Nature gave us some very hot weather to contend with. One hundred and twelve diehard horseshoe pitchers showed up to sweat their way to victory. The event was partially sponsored by Hometown Exteriors. Their generous donation went toward the purchase of the beautiful State of Missouri plaques that each 1st place winner took home.

This year, the entry fee was raised to \$15, which included scorekeeping money. Thanks to the extra entry money, donations by some of our pitchers and our sponsor, the MOHPA actually showed a profit of almost \$500.

Once again, the State Fair Tournament Champion was Stan Griggs, with a perfect 7/0 record. The rest of the results are shown elsewhere in this issue.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank some of the folks that helped to make this event a success. Vicki Winston is still an integral part of this event. She receives all of the entries and forwards them to me. She also takes care of getting all of the prize money and name tags organized ahead of time. She spends as much time as possible at the three-day event to assist wherever needed. Jim Kinney was my Assistant TD this year and freely took on any job assigned to him. Ernie Ellerman and Scott Raimer also attended every day of the event and performed many important jobs. Bob Bastel was the Tournament Judge for the eighth year in a row. I hope you noticed that most of your elected MOHPA officers were on the scene. They work hard every day to make the MOHPA the best charter in the NHPA. Jim K, Bob, Danny and Roena Branson, and Ernie all helped during setup on the day before the tournament and were all there to assist in the breakdown on Sunday evening. There were many others that kept score, filled water cans, and helped with the breakdown. This is a team event. I couldn't do it without you. Thanks to all of you! Also, thank you to all of the pitchers who continue to attend this event and help keep the long-standing tradition of horseshoe pitching at the State Fair alive!

Member Survey

Question 1. There has been much talk around the nation concerning the lowering of the age requirement for the Elders Division from age 70 to age 65. Would you be in favor of this change in NHPA rules? Please answer Yes or No.

Question 2. There has been talk that the age limit for Cadets should be raised. If this proposal was presented, which choice would you favor?

- a. Leave it as it is
- b. Raise it to age 10
- c. Raise it to age 11
- d. Other

If you wish to participate in this survey, please send your answers to both questions to the MOHPA Sec/Treasurer, Vicki Winston, via e-mail or regular mail. Contact info is on page 2.

Points to Ponder

by Elizabeth Furner

While at the State Tournament in Glen Allen, a pitcher queried, "I wonder if some of the more successful pitchers would share some thoughts and techniques with the rest of us." I listened to her and thought, why not! Why not ask some of our champions for some pointers for a successful horseshoe career.

Mr. Nick DiRaimo of Liberty, Missouri, is our first respondent. Nick was "Rookie of the Year" in 1995, shared State Doubles Championship honors with Leonard Lentz in 1997, won the 2007 Six Pac 30 Footers Tournament, and doubled up in 2010 by pairing with Jason Weiler for the State Doubles Championship and, going solo, earned the State 30' Men's Championship. Not to be one dimensional, Nick also has proven himself in league play and sports a 90% ringer percentage patch.

When asked what he thought about when he was on the approach, Nick said, "Relax the body and steady the mind. Concentrate on the peg; focus. Consider the delivery arm a pendulum; swing the arm freely and release. Do not push the shoe. If the shoe lands to the left or right, look at the arm. Where is it pointing after the release? Is the shoe short or long? Look at the release point. Is the arm low or high? Remember, your body is all encompassing. The lower body is as important as the top. Bend slightly at the waist and at the knee. Locked knees will vary the accuracy."

Ask questions of yourself. Listen and observe other pitchers. Success is not overnight. Nick uses his two times per week league play as his practice time.

When asked if he had a mentor, he said he valued several pitchers but most remembers early in his career special talks with Gene Newkirk about "softly laying the shoe down." Nick also speaks respectfully of Stan Griggs, whom he most emulates with his turn and a quarter shoe.



Jason Weiler and Nick DiRaimo, State Doubles Champions.

Mr. Nadler Goes to Washington!

by Jeanette Claas

It was a very special day in Ray Nadler's life as he and 30 other World War II veterans, ages 85–90 years, boarded Southwest Flight #1798 heading towards Washington D.C. to visit the World War II Memorial on June 26, 2010.

The World War II Memorial celebrates a generation of Americans who emerged from the Depression to fight and win the most devastating war in world history. The memorial reminds future generations that we must sometimes sacrifice for causes greater than ourselves. This war that changed the world was fought across six of the world's seven continents and all of its oceans, killing 50 million human beings and leaving hundreds of millions of others wounded in mind and body. The WWII Memorial honors the 16 million Americans who served in uniform, of which 400,000 gave their lives.

The trip was sponsored by the Franklin County Honor Flight, an organization whose mission is simple—to fly as many World War veterans to their memorial in Washington DC as they can, as fast as they can, at no cost to them! Statistics show that World War II Veterans are dying at a rate of 1200 a day. For many of the surviving veterans, a trip to Washington to see their memorial is not financially or physically possible without the aid that Honor Flight can provide. The trip is absolutely free to all qualified veterans and all guardians pay their own way. The Franklin County Honor Flight wants to fulfill the dreams of as many veterans as they can by providing free flights to the veterans and ease the load for their caregivers by providing willing and able volunteers to escort the veterans on their trip. Each flight includes a T-shirt, Honor Flight name badge souvenir, three meals, tour buses, and airfare to and from Washington DC in one day.



General Douglas MacArthur reviews the honor guard, composed of men from nearly every division in the Pacific, in front of the American Embassy in Tokyo, April 1946.

The veterans were assigned to a guardian who acted as a tour guide and explained all points of interest of the tour. Boarding the plane, Ray was wearing the T-shirt given to him by the Honor Flight, bearing a patch on the sleeve that read, "General MacArthur Honor Guard." The plane left the St. Louis airport at 7:00 a.m. and returned home the same day at 8:00 p.m. After spending several hours at the WWII Memorial, the veterans also visited the Korean War Memorial and the Vietnam Memorial, then went to Arlington Cemetery to visit the Iwo Jima Monument and the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

While Ray was very impressed seeing these massive monuments, his most heart-warming moment came as the plane landed in Baltimore as the veterans were greeted by more than 200 sailors and citizens with a rousing round of applause, shaking hands with each veteran and thanking them for their service to our country.

In December 1944, Private Nadler, 20 years old, entered the U.S. Army and was assigned to the 98th Division in Hawaii when preparations were underway to invade Japan. In August of 1945 the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima and again on Nagasaki. After the second atomic bomb was dropped, the Japanese surrendered and the American troops occupied Japan. Earlier in 1945, orders went out to form a Guard of Honor for General MacArthur and other officers and dignitaries. The Honor Guard was established to provide security for the general and his family and staff in the Philippines and stayed active until 1957. Selection for this elite guard was exceptionally rigid. Candidates had to score high on a classification test, have good records as a combat soldier, and be between the heights of 5'10" and 6'2". Ray measured up to all of these qualifications and in November of 1945, just two months after he had landed in Japan, became a member of the Honor Guard. Only 10 men from Division 98 were selected.

Many thrilling moments were soon experienced by Nadler as he became closely associated with General MacArthur and his staff. Some of the many distinguished visitors to the embassy included General Dwight D. Eisenhower, General Marshall, Ambassador Averill Harriman, and former President Herbert Hoover. Nadler remembers MacArthur very well. He saw him often while he was on and off duty. He watched movies with him several times at the American Embassy. "He was easier to get along with than some second lieutenants," Nadler remembers.

When Ray returned home from service in October, 1946, he farmed land in Augusta for 10 years. He married his wife, Stella, and had three sons, Steve, Gordon and Lowell. In 1956 Ray took a position with the Postal Service working at the St. Louis airport. He retired in 1985.

Ray's principal hobby was pitching horseshoes. He began pitching with the St. Charles/Warren County League and then joined the New Melle Horseshoe Club, now known as the Quail



Ridge Horseshoe Club. Today, despite knee replacements, Ray is in good health and still enjoys pitching in leagues. He was inducted into the St. Charles County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame in 2008. Ray remains a gentleman both on and off the courts, displaying the same qualities that earned him the position he was chosen to be in 1945.

A framed citation hanging on the wall in the Nadlers' home reads, "This is to certify that Raymond E. Nadler was a Member of the Honor Guard for Douglas MacArthur, General of the Army, during the period from November 1945 to August 1946. The general order establishing the Honor Guard to the Commander in Chief stipulates that members of the Guard must have outstanding physiques, must be persons of high intelligence, with exceptional moral standards, and perfect service records. His membership in the Honor Guard for the period set forth above attests his high qualities and unblemished as a soldier, and as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces in the occupation of Japan." It is signed by the Commanding Officer, Raymond Richards, and also

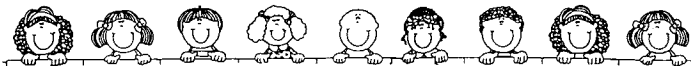


enough praise to the Franklin County Honor Flight for their effort and caring ways. I was overwhelmed."

Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude and America will never forget their sacrifices. A special thank you to the staff of the Franklin County Honor Flight and the many volunteers for helping to make a member of the "Greatest Generation," Ray Nadler, so happy with this free flight to the World War II Memorial.

bears the signature of Douglas MacArthur.

Flying home, the veterans received "mail call." Letters had been prepared before the trip by family members, friends, school children, and citizens thanking the veterans for their service to our country. The day was filled with many expectations and memories relived of their time spent during the war. Of the full day's events, Ray remarked, "The Honor Flight to Washington D.C. to see the WWII Memorial and other historic monuments was fantastic. I cannot give



Y.E.A.H. (Youth Excited About Horseshoes)

by Melody Williams

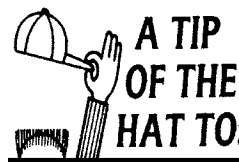
What's up? Hello to all of you! I would like to take this time to thank all of our Missouri Junior Pitchers who "jumped in and helped out" with the Missouri State Tournament at BYHC! All of you showed great sportsmanship and manners throughout the entire tournament. All of you are great kids! I appreciate each and every one of you for your hard work and efforts.

It is also sad to think this was the last State Tournament for some of our pitchers in which to compete as Juniors! We have watched you guys and gals grow up with horseshoes; some of you were "born with horseshoes in your hands!" I hope that those of you who are moving from boys to men and girls to women continue to pitch as adults!

We would still like to hear from our Junior pitchers. We would like for you to fill out a Junior Profile and send it to us so we can let everyone "get to know" our Juniors better. You can be in the "Spotlight!"

I encourage all Juniors to keep playing during the winter months at the indoor facilities if possible to keep up your skills. This also helps keep you away from the computer or video games; of course, Facebook is not included in this! I invite all of you to become my friend on Facebook. I would really enjoy talking with you guys and gals!

Well, I hope that all of you have a great upcoming 2010-2011 year. Keep "pitchin' those shoes!"



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 November 2011. Thank you all for your support of our newsletter!

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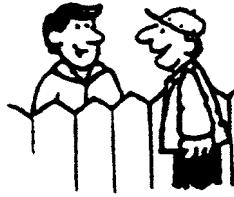
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Bob Renfro	\$30
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Backyard Horseshoe Club

by Melody Williams

Now that all the dust has settled (most of it anyway), we can finally take a few moments to “breathe a little bit.” Everything is almost back to normal at BYHC (well, as normal as it can be.) It is starting to look like BYHC again. We finally have our yard back!



Hello to all of our horseshoe friends and family. We just want to take this time to thank everyone for helping make our 2010 State Tournament at BYHC such a success! Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out in various ways during the tournament and also before the tournament helping get things set up. We surely couldn't have done it without each and every one of you.

We sincerely hope that everyone enjoyed themselves while at the tournament. We tried to do our best to keep everybody pleased and happy throughout the tournament. We wanted this to be a “tournament to remember” and we feel that this surely was that!

We enjoyed every minute of everything involved with the tournament (although some would argue this fact!) This was quite an exciting event to have been achieved by such a small community and club. There are still people in our little community and surrounding towns talking about this. Folks are asking, “Are you going to do this again next year?” We tell them, “You never know what we may do!” (This was proven with the talent for the banquet!) We hope everybody enjoyed it. Who knows? The “Yee Haw (Hee Haw) Gang” might show up again sometime!

Yes, there was a lot of work involved with the tournament but the good things by far outweighed the bad. It was all worthwhile. Actually, most of the work was after the tournament was over, getting everything back to normal, returning borrowed items, etc. We felt like the preparing stuff was a breeze compared to the clean-up efforts. Removing all the clay from the portable pits was the worst. A person doesn't really realize how much clay those “little pits” really do hold until you start shoveling it all out. Some of our club members and last year's Jr. Champ can tell you that!

We have gained a few new members as a result of this tournament. Slowly but surely word is getting out about our club and what a unique place it really is. We hope it continues to grow and grow and grow!

If you didn't get to make it to BYHC for the State Tournament, we sincerely missed you. We are having several sanctioned tournaments this fall, winter, and spring. Why don't you come and join us? We will make you feel “down home” and give you a “country welcome.” Just call us a few days before the tournament so that we “save you a spot.”

We will see some of you at the Winter Meeting of the MOHPA and we will share our financial report from the State Tournament with all of you. It was a profitable tournament, despite the low turnout! This truly does prove that the “little clubs” can do this despite the odds being “stacked against them.” Again, it was all well worth it!

Thanks to everybody also for the prayers, cards, money, etc. that you all showed to us for the loss of my mother during the tourna-

ment and the weeks to come after that! We are still getting cards from some of you! MOHPA pitchers are really great people! From Danny, Melody, and Martin Williams and members of BYHC, we appreciate all of you.

Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club

by Jeanette Claas



It has been a very hot summer but thankfully we are now enjoying the coolness that the fall season brings to Missouri. The road construction workers have had an especially long hot summer while working on the road to QR. We are most happy to report the road construction has been completed and you will now have a beautiful road, complete with green grass scenery, to drive on as you travel to the NHPA facility.

The summer season began with the QRHC hosting the MOHPA Team Benefit Tournament. We are proud to report that the QRHC team of Darryl & Pam Gettinger, Rose Diekamp, and Jim & Carol Howard were the lucky team champions!

The following weekend, the annual QRHC picnic was held. After a short meeting, awards were presented to the Monday and Wednesday winter leagues and also to the winter morning league. Next year, the Golden Triangle Summer League will be presented awards at the picnic. For the first time, we had fried chicken, home-cooked by Gary Buehler, and it was delicious. We hope this will become another tradition with the QRHC. The club members and guests brought in some delicious covered dishes as we ate in a jam-packed room while others took refuge in the north courts to finish their meals.

We had two tournaments in June and July and the rest of the summer was filled with traveling to out-of-town tournaments. Several of the QRHC members attended the Danville Horseshoe Tournament in Illinois in July, which is a great event that takes place each year. Think about going next year if you can.

In July, we held an “Open House” along with the Quail Ridge Park's tenth anniversary. We invited many members from our past to come visit the facility and especially the new Wall Mural and the Deceased Members Wall Plaque honoring 43 members who have passed on since the beginning of our club in 1990. More than 1,000 people attended this event, bringing lots of them through the doors of the NHPA Hall of Fame.

The QRHC had a number of members who attended the World Tournament in Cedar Rapids. We would like to thank the NHPA Council, who once again put on an exciting tournament for us all to enjoy. While there, we sold many patterns for the silhouette horseshoe pitchers. An article on that will appear in the Newsline Magazine. If you don't receive this magazine, you should. There are so many interesting articles and it will keep you abreast of all the national news across the country.

The QRHC met with the veterans officials who would like to hold the National Veterans Golden Games at our facility on June 4-5, 2012. This will be a huge event, bringing lots of publicity to the Hall of Fame and to the sport of horseshoes. There will be 350 horseshoe pitchers (all veterans) who will be competing

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from across the U.S. We are looking forward and already making plans for this event.

The QRHC is very proud to say that we have recruited more than 65 new members since January 1. Not all of these members have joined the MOHPA, but we are hoping that they will soon. Some are just beginners and want to practice the sport of horseshoes before they join leagues and participate in tournaments.

The QRHC would like to thank Danny, Melody, and Martin Williams of the Backyard Horseshoe Club, who hosted the 2010 Missouri State Horseshoe Tournament in their own backyard. The atmosphere of “country living” made us all feel very much at home and added many memories of another state tournament. Congratulations to the QRHC members who won State Championship Titles: Mens, Rich Altis; Womens, Rose Diekamp (7×); Junior Girls, Natalie Altis; State Doubles Champion, Jason Weiler (with Nick DiRaimo); and Cadet Champion, Jordan Weiler. Congratulations to the QRHC members who won the honors of Class Titles: Gary Buehler, Bob Cutright, Jill Knobbe, Darryl Gettinger, Randy York, and Joey Griffith. State Doubles Titles were won by Jill Knobbe, Ree Cutright, and Bob Cutright (with Joe Keller). Also congratulations to QRHC member, Sharon Taylor, who was elected to be the president of the MOHPA charter. We wish her a successful term as she fulfills her duties this office. A lady president—a first for Missouri, our first Madam President!

We are happy to say that our Day League has increased to 50 members during this fall session and is using all courts but one. At the beginning, we started with 18 so this increase is good news. The members seem to enjoy the new format with three-man teams pitching three 50-shoe games each week. The league will finish in November and another new winter league will begin in February.

Our club meeting was held on Sept 21. Congratulations to Jan Kreienkamp, our new club secretary, who will be replacing Tricia Simon. Larry Langewisch was re-elected by acclamation in the office as 2nd Vice President. Other officers are: President, Jeanette Claas; 1st Vice President, Andy Foulds; and Treasurer, Jim Howard. We wish to thank Audrey Pappas, who has stepped up to help with recruiting concession workers for all major events. Thanks to Norm Pierce, who will be replacing Glenn Young for recruiting members to be host during our open hours to the public. Ginny Weiss has volunteered to help with our publicity program. The QRHC agreed to put in a bid proposal to hold the 2011 MO State Tournament. A motion was made and passed to purchase new chairs for the lobby area. With some quick action from some QRHC members, some 80 chairs have been purchased and the lobby area has a “bright-white” look to it. Thank you, Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club members!

I received an email from Tina Hawkins, NHPA Vice President, expressing a desire to put on a “Halloween Bash” on October 30 using the HOF facility. It is now a “go” and Tina will be flying in from Oklahoma on her broom for this NHPA Halloween event. The atmosphere will be “spooktacular”! We will be holding a Kids’ Horseshoe Tournament at 11 a.m. with a costume contest. There will be an adult sanctioned tournament beginning at 3:30 p.m.

For more information, you may contact me at 636-447-3039 or Tina at 580-658-3923.

Y’all have a great fall and may we be blessed with a short, mild winter season! Stop by and pitch some shoes at the HOF facility, we’ll leave the light on!

Golden Valley Horseshoe Club

by Jim Kinney Jr.

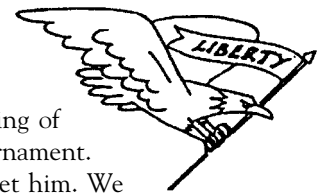
We have just completed our summer league and it went really well. Our banquet will be in the near future. We had a couple of new pitchers join our club and there are more that are interested in next year’s league.

We had a tournament in July that went well and by the time this issue is out our October tournament will be in the books. We have had full tournaments both times and continue to improve our courts as we grow in numbers.

We want to thank everyone who participated in our tournaments and leagues. If you have not visited us, come by and see us next year.

Liberty Club News

by Gregg Craven



We were all saddened by the passing of Don Harris during the World Tournament. We who knew him will never forget him. We don’t need a tournament to remind us of him, but we had our first Don Harris Memorial Tournament on October 2. We were so glad to have his daughter Rebecca, her daughter, and two granddaughters attend that day and there was a lot of reminiscing.

We had 29 Juniors play in our one-week league in July and 26 of them pitched 400 or more shoes. Alex Bravard (7) and his sister Alisha decided to also join our mixed evening league. Their dad, David, was already a member, but they also convinced their mom, Stacy, to start this fall. We had three others in the league who decided to return to the mixed league this fall (Brooke, Timmy, and Joe Jackson). Junior League Champions were Bruce Thomson, Wesley and Tyler Zimmerman, Luke Roberts, Kyle Callaway, Mia Craven (TX), and Sophie Craven. Jack Roberts earned a 20% patch and was Most Improved. Alex Roberts had the High Average and must be a very good sport, because he won almost all of his games and was voted the Sportsmanship Award. Devin Wetzel had High Game. High Over Average was Bruce Thomson. Rookie Wesley Zimmerman earned a 20% patch.

Ten of our Juniors also pitch in our mixed leagues and I will mention some of their other achievements. Junior Rookie of the Year was Victoria Ferrara. Tuesday evening Sportsmanship award went to Cooper Phipps (Cadet). Our Club Tournament Grand Champion was Ben McCaulley. Our Outdoor Mixed League Champions were Charlie Baker, Bryan Gandy, and Danny Wetzel. Indoor Champions were Brenda Brown and Wayne Dusenbery. Day League Champs were Jon Aronson and Ralph Richardson. Most Improved were Gary Renne (rookie), Megan McLeod, and Gregg Craven. High Averages and High Games were Nick DiRaimo and

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Gregg Craven. High Over Average was Devin Wetzel (junior); Stuart Meurer, 50% (rookie); and Jerry Noland, 72%. Debbie Harris got her first 60%, Helen Velasquez 50%, and Renae Leger 40%. Sportsmanship awards were voted to Joe Barry and Lyle Samuelson. Adult Rookie of the Year was Brenda Brown. Great to see Sam and Mary Vogel, Carl Harris, and Elizabeth Furner back on the courts this fall.

Our family would like to thank all of you for your expressions of sympathy for the loss of our brother Larry in June. He had so many friends everywhere and a lot of them were horseshoe pitchers.



Lake of the Ozarks Horseshoe Club

by Roena Branson

In writing this article, today is the first day of fall already. I really don't know where the summer went but it was certainly a hot one this year; lets hope this isn't a sign of what is to come.

Our three summer leagues were completed in August, mainly because several of us went to the World Tournament and of course the rainouts, but we all had a great time. League results are as follows. Monday night team singles league: 1st place and league champions were Ken Grossman, Bob Bastel, and Leroy Dooley, with 94.5 wins and 31.5 losses. Wednesday AM team singles league: 1st place and league champions were Doug Peoples, Carl Folsom, and Marilyn Rothove. Thursday night team singles: 1st place and league champion was Roena Branson, with 26 wins and 9 losses. Our summer league tournament was held on Saturday, September 11. The winners were: Class D, Pete Renick; Class C, Harry Rother; Class B, Leroy Dooley; and Class A, Roena Branson. On Saturday afternoon, the final four pitchers took a little break and the pitching began to determine who would be the summer league champion. The suspense was on, and the summer league champion was Pete Renick. Congratulations, Pete! Our summer league banquet was held on Sunday, September 12, at Vinny's, with the food and beverage also catered by Vinny. We had a wonderful meal and I don't think anyone left hungry. Our Sportsmanship Awards went to Leroy Dooley and Larry Doeden. We want to say "Thank You" to everyone that helped in any way to make our 14th Annual Awards Ceremony and summer leagues a huge success. Congratulations to all the winners.

Here's a little trivia for you provided by Donna Bastel: This summer, with all three leagues combined, we pitched 73,270 shoes. At 2½ lbs per shoe, that equals 183,175 lbs or 91,588 tons of metal. In total for all three leagues, we walked almost 12 miles. Total ringers were 18,955, which makes our average league ringer percentage 25.87%.

This year, the Laurie Hillbilly Fair was another success. We were honored by having excellent weather and several pitchers from the Quail Ridge and Park Hills area join us. Our overall tournament Champion was Weezel (Andy Foulds).

I guess by now everyone is rested from the World Tournament that was held at Cedar Rapids, IA. It was a busy two weeks, but we couldn't have had any better weather except the day Danny and I

got ready to leave our camp site. I think it was a 100 degrees and of course the air conditioning in our truck decided not to cool, so needless to say it was a hot trip home. I can't list everyone that placed in the World Tournament but congratulations to all the Missouri pitchers that did and I hope everyone had a great time. Remember to make plans for next year, you will be pitchin' on the bayou in Monroe, Louisiana.

Our State Tournament went very well this year in Glenn Allen and the weather gods were just great, we couldn't have had any better weather. We hope that all who traveled to Glenn Allen to participate in the tournament had fun and took home a good memory of another State Tournament. Danny and Melody Williams did a tremendous job in getting everything ready for this tournament. The outdoor courts were set up very well. I know it took a lot of work on everyone's part in getting up the fencing, the portable courts, and all the clay that had to be put in those courts. "Thank You" to the BYHC and anyone else that helped to make this State Tournament a success, a job well done. Congratulations to all the winners and to Dalton Rakestraw for winning the Junior Boys Championship.

Our winter leagues will be starting up the week of October 11 at the Pits. Just a reminder, we have a winter tournament scheduled once a month at the Pits and if anyone would like to come and pitch, please contact the tournament director listed in the MOHPA Tournament Schedule. We would love to see you.

Until next time, be happy, be healthy, and keep trying to make those ringers.

Independence Horseshoe Club New

by Pam Henderson



We had a great season, even though we had to not only start late because of the rain, we had to end late because of the rain. We had to go to the Don Harris Arena to finish our league. Speaking of Don Harris, our hearts and prayers go out to his family. We will miss him, his wit, and his generous heart. We thank him for the building in which we played our league finals. Thanks again and again, Don.

We had some new players this year and we hope they had a good time pitching shoes with us. We enjoy having them in our club: Amy Estes, Dick Dreher, Carl Eschbacher, Earl Gunter, Tom McGovern, Aaron Shaw, and Tina Myers. Our new Cadet pitchers were Ian Gunter and Shanya Sisul. We had two men who graduated to 30' class, Wayne Henderson and Roy Flatt.

For league play, 1st place team members were John Loyd and Roy Flatt. Second place was Ray Phelps and Aaron Shaw, Lee Miller Jr. and Earl Gunter followed in 3rd place, and close behind was the 4th place team of Dennis Bales and Don Swihart.

Class A individual winners were: 1st, Wayne Henderson; 2nd, Roy Flatt; and 3rd, Matt Jordan. Class B winners were: 1st, Hannah Johnson; 2nd, Carl Eschbacher; and 3rd, Jim Hlaca. Wayne Henderson squeaked past Hannah Johnson (yes, we checked the score) by only 2 points to earn the title Grand Champion.

High Average and High Game went to Al Gwinn, with 101.73

points and 120 points respectively. Stephanie Varney had High Game over Average with 31 points and Perry Mann was Most Improved with 15.13 points. There will be more stats with the October banquet.

Congratulations go out to Loree Meier for being inducted into the Missouri Hall of Fame; what an honor! Kudos to Laura Estes for her Special Recognition Award for outstanding service to her club. Longevity patches were awarded to Mike Gillespie and Dennis and Johnna Bales for 10 years as MOHPA members and an amazing 30-year patch to Pam and Wayne Henderson (wow, no wonder my arm hurts).

A big thanks to Don Estes, our statistician, and to David Henderson, our VP and Tournament Director. These are two hard jobs. Thanks to Wayne Henderson, who acted as both President and League Director. Dennis and Johnna Bales deserve recognition for keeping our courts in tip-top shape. We wouldn't have been able to function without the good food provided by Laura Estes and

snacks and drinks supplied by the Johnsons. Darrell Pulliam was the money man; he kept the records straight. This club is made up of many people and lots of things happen. Our people are flexible and help where help is needed. To all the club members and nonmembers, thanks you for keeping on keeping on. You have helped make our club the best. You are all great.

We send prayers to Perry Mann and his family as they deal with his daughter's illness. We remember two of our long-ago members, Bill Hathhorn and Bill Hayes.

As an aside, we did have 12 perfect attendees. That's really good and makes league play run smoothly. If all of us could strive for such a record, League Director would be a much easier job.

Don't forget the Independence Memorial Tournament on February 5, 2011. Our web site is independenc horseshoeclub.com. Have a great winter and be sure to show up in the spring. What a great season!

Quail Ridge Hosts 7th Annual MOHPA Club/Team Benefit

by Donna Bastel

The 2010 event was held at the Hall of Fame in Wentzville, hosted by the Quail Ridge Club. It was supported by only five clubs, Ballwin, Kansas City, Laurie, Liberty, and Wentzville. These clubs were able to field 12 teams, which included 62 adults and seven juniors.

For the second year in a row, a Quail Ridge team took home the Club/Team Championship plaque. The Quail Ridge Full House team included Jim & Carol Howard, Rose Diekamp, and Darryl & Pam Gettinger. Congratulations!

In 2004, the first year this tournament was held, we had 129 entries. There has been a dramatic decrease in attendance. Are you tired of this tournament? Would you like to see a different format? This tournament was designed to meet two criteria: 1) a fundraiser to offset some MOHPA annual expenses, and 2) to create some friendly rivalry between our many Show Me State clubs. We have met the first goal by bringing in a total profit of \$9,159.86 over the last seven years. Thanks to all! We have fallen short meeting the second point. The excitement necessary to entice more clubs to enter just doesn't seem to be there. Please, if you have ideas, suggestions, or concerns, send them to dbastel@lauriekitchen.net or call me at 573-378-3447.

Remember, you do not have to belong to a club to enter this tournament. You may enter in the Singles portion only or you may contact your favorite club and ask them to put you on one of their teams.

I have decided to include the Club/Team rules and entry forms in this issue. Talk to your members while they are still pitching in your winter leagues and sign them up. This information will also be found in the February 2011 issue of Shoe Biz.

The 2011 Club/Team Benefit is scheduled to be held at Quail Ridge in Wentzville on June 4, 2011. Please plan to join the fun.

Michael Long "Quest to Walk" Benefit

The first annual Michael Long Quest to Walk horseshoe tournament was a huge success. The Independence Missouri club hosted the event on June 17 at McCoy Park. More than \$740.00 was raised with all proceeds going to Michael Long, a local young man who was paralyzed in a swimming accident a year ago. Laura Estes of the Independence chapter organized the event, her first fundraiser, complete with hot dogs, bratwurst, sweet snacks (from club members), drinks, and t-shirts for sale. Michael came out to lend his support and to thank everyone that participated, gave donations, and enjoyed the day playing horseshoes. Laura has already scheduled the Second Annual Quest to Walk Tourney for October 9, 2011. Thanks to fund-raising events like this, Michael has progressed from a 9 to a 13 (on a scale of 0-40) in a matter of months. The Quest to Walk team has never seen a student



progress so rapidly. Mark your calendar for next October and the Second Annual Michael Long Quest to Walk horseshoe benefit. Contact Laura Estes at lauralaura2222@sbcglobal.net with any questions. Thank you all for your incredible support and generosity. With our help, Michael's quest can turn into a reality!

Small in Stature, Big in Heart: A tribute to Don Harris

by Elizabeth Furner

One year, while at a tournament in mid-state, Don Harris was having a conversation with long-time pitcher Fred Smith. Don spied a large metal building in an adjoining field and said, "Someday I might just build one of those for horseshoes."

In 2001, Don made his dream come true. Thanks to the generous donation of \$100,000 from Don (with the blessing of his bride of 61 years, Fern), the Harris Arena of Stocksdale Park in Liberty, Missouri, came into being. Don said he would donate the funds if longtime friend and Missouri horseshoe icon Charles Killgore would spearhead the project. The two agreed, a board of directors was decided and, as they say, the rest is history.

As many know, Don lost his battle with cancer in July and went to join his wife, Fern, who died this past winter of complications of lupus. Don had not been able to pitch these past years but he and Fern did visit Harris Arena as late as 2009. Don was a humble man from humble beginnings and this humility was not lost to those around him. I remember pitching him one time at Harris Arena (he was in his 80s, I was not) and after pitching one of those games that goes on long after all others have finished within the class, Don simply said, "That certainly was a lot of ringers."

Don was a decorated WWII veteran, having served with the army in New Guinea and Manila. He was married and the father of four daughters and grandfather of 10 children.

This small-statured man liked boxing during his military years and enjoyed hunting, fishing, trapping, and gardening while living in Missouri. He was proficient with the slingshot as well as rifle. Don's passion, however, was horseshoes.

He began pitching while still in the single digit years of age and pitched the real things—when the horse was through with the shoe and it was Don's turn. He learned from his father and older brothers and soon perfected his three-quarter reverse turn.

Don, like many of us, constructed outdoor pits at his home. Unlike many of us, when he constructed his home in Smithville, Missouri, he also built a heated indoor facility. According to Becky Maxfield, his daughter, her father practiced each day, throwing more than 100 horseshoes daily. "Just as some people go to the gym every day, Dad pitched every day."



Don Harris's daughter, granddaughter and great-granddaughters.



Don Harris with one of his many trophies.

According to Becky, the horseshoe prowess skipped a couple of generations for, try as they may, neither Don's children nor grandchildren demonstrated horseshoe expertise. As a matter of fact, in spite of bars on the inside windows, current generations were relegated to the outside courts for safety purposes.

This man from Paradise who later settled in Smithville became a NHPA member in 1972 and was inducted into the MOHPA Hall of Fame in 1995 for his accomplishments in horseshoes. Don organized tournaments, served on the Hall of Fame Committee, and was a consummate horseshoe representative on and off the court. Don earned several State Championship titles, some at 40 feet, most at 30 feet. It is only appropriate he earned his last title in Harris Arena after the Independence State Tournament was forced indoors due to rain.

For more about this fascinating man, read the account by Jeanette Claas in the June 1998 Shoe Biz.



Don Harris and friend Gregg Craven.

A Sports Illustrated “Face in the Crowd”

by Dee McIntire

I hope all of MOHPA will join me in congratulating Loree Meier as our newest inductee into the Missouri Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame in the player category. Loree was inducted at the MOHPA banquet at this year’s State Tournament. Loree was joined by several members of her family to receive this honor. There is only one other lady pitcher in the state of Missouri, during Loree’s first eleven years of pitching, that has a better record. That person is 10-time World Champion and 20-time Missouri State Champion, Vicki Winston.

From 1981 to 2003, Loree has 23 years of NHPA pitching and 19 years of Missouri State Championship pitching. She also has pitched in 19 World Tournaments. Loree started pitching in 1981. That first year she worked on perfecting her game. In 1982, she entered her first State tournament and her first World tournament. At the World tournament she took first in class J, pitching 30%. During the next nine years, 1983–1991, Loree pitched in the Missouri Women’s Championship class. Loree finished twice in 3rd place and six times in 2nd place (runner-up to Vicki Winston). In 1988, Loree pitched her highest tournament ringer percentage, taking 2nd place with a 72.7% tournament. In 1986, Loree brought Vicki Winston’s 10-time State tournament winning streak to a halt. With 7 wins and no losses and a tournament ringer percentage of 61.5%, Loree Meier became the second Missouri State Women’s champion. The game between Loree and Vicki went 60 shoes. Loree had 42 points, 44 ringers, 17 doubles, and a 73.3% ringer percentage. Vicki had 31 points, 41 ringers, 12 doubles, and a ringer percentage of 68.3% Just a great game between two great pitchers! Loree went on to pitch for another 10 years in the Missouri Women’s Championships, giving her 19 years of Missouri champion play. During that time she took over the number 2 spot in the All-Time Victory Leaders category with 75 wins out of 123 games. For the 19 years of Missouri Women’s Championship tournaments (1983–2003) Loree is ranked 4th in ringer percentage, with a 56.38% ringer average of championship players with four or more championship tournaments. She was also ranked 3rd in the Active Players All-Time Leaders, ringer percentage category with 56.38%. Her winning percentage of 60.98% places her 4th in the percentage of games won category.

In 1988, Vicki Winston and Loree Meier set the records for longest game, 68 shoes, and total ringers, 106. The ringer percentage for both players was 77.9% with 12 four-deads. Loree holds the record for the shortest game in annual State tournament play, 20 shoes in the 1990 State tournament, which was tied by Hall of Fame member Vicki Winston in 1994. As of 2010, that record still stands.

This year, Loree Meier is still ranked number 4 in the Missouri Women’s Division State Tournament All-Time Victory Leaders and number 4 in ringer percentage for Championship play.

Loree’s other accomplishments include the time when *Sports Illustrated* heard about her winning the 1986 State Championship over 10-time State Champion, Vicki Winston. They came to her home and interviewed her and presented her with a silver platter and a write-up in the “Faces in the Crowd” section of the magazine.



It’s Our Game

by Elizabeth Furner

An interesting game this game called shoes.
Sometimes we’re up, sometimes we’re blue.
One thing for sure there’ll always be
This game of points, especially in threes.


Most times it’s clear whose point is near
But with each round there may appear
A shoe or shoes that may not be
That treasured prize that adds in three.

We may use a squint, straight edge (not bent)
To cipher a point from a ringer.
One thing is sure when it comes to the score,
Integrity won’t be the zinger.

Our sport is not hindered by multiple rules rendered.
But a high standard of right does prevail.
Honesty, integrity, veracity, and truth
are the creed of the score that is wailed.


Join me to salute, for our horns we can toot,
As we take pride in things that we do.
We laugh and we play. We call out for clay
In this wonderful game of horseshoes.

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Entry Requirements

8th Annual MOHPA Open Club/Team Championship Benefit

Quail Ridge Park, Wentzville, MO • June 4, 2011

1. This tournament is a MOHPA fundraiser. All profits realized from this event will stay with the MOHPA.
2. This is an NHPA-sanctioned event. All pitchers will be placed according to their NatStats average as of May 12, 2011. New pitchers may use a sanctioned league average of at least 400 shoes (Attach signed letter from League Director) or send a score sheet for 100 shoes pitched consecutively (Attach score sheet witnessed by 2 sanctioned league members).
3. **Entry Information:** All entries must be submitted on an Official Entry Form and must be signed and dated. Mail entries to: Vicki Winston, 10326 Highway D, LaMonte, MO 65337. **Make checks payable to MOHPA.**
 - **Singles:** Open to all current NHPA members, regardless of residence. Adult entry fee: \$22.00 (includes score-keeping). Juniors: \$7.00 for scorekeeping. Entries must be received by May 12, 2011. Late entries will be put on a standby list. No refunds for cancellations received after May 12, 2011.
 - **Team event:** Open to Missouri residents and out-of-state pitchers who are currently members of a Missouri club. Team entry fee: \$25.00. Have your Team Captain fill out the official team entry form listing all 5 team members. Please submit one check for the \$25.00 team entry and the singles entry fee of \$22.00 (\$7.00 for juniors) per pitcher. Total check amount: \$135.00, if all adults. Entries must be received by May 12, 2011. No refunds for cancellations received after May 12, 2011. Your club may enter as many 5-person teams as you wish. Note: At least 3 people on each team must be club members. If you do not currently belong to a club, please contact one of the clubs and let them know you would like to be a part of their team at this event.
4. **Singles portion of tournament:** Classes will be scheduled for eight-person round-robins where possible. All games will be cancellation scoring. All classes will pitch 40-shoe games (this will allow ample time for team tie breakers, if required). In the case of a tie, each player will pitch down and back until the tie is broken. All games are subject to NHPA and MOHPA rules and judges decisions will be **final**.
5. Each singles participant also signed up as a **team** member will accumulate points based on their win/loss record: 1st Place – 8 Points, 2nd Place – 7 Points, 3rd Place – 6 Points, 4th Place – 5 Points, 5th Place – 4 Points, 6th Place – 3 Points, 7th Place – 2 Points, and 8th Place – 1 Point. Any Classes with less than 8 pitchers will still start with 8 points for 1st Place. Tie Breakers: 1) Win/Loss percentage, 2) losing points scored.
6. **Any pitchers** not completing their schedule forfeit all prizes unless officially excused.
7. **All pitchers** must wear a shirt with at least their last name lettered neatly on the back.
8. **Scorekeeping** fees have been included in the entry fee.
9. **Trophies:** Plaque and patch will be presented to 1st Place only in each singles class.
10. **Notification:** Pitching times will be mailed or e-mailed to **only** the team captains and singles-only pitchers. **It will be the team captain's responsibility to notify the rest of the team members of their pitching times.**
11. **Team portion of tournament:** Points accumulated by team members during normal singles play will be added together. If there is a tie for 1st Place, the tie-breaker will be as follows: The 5 pitchers on each team will be matched by ringer percentage. Each of the paired pitchers on opposing teams will play one game using a 90% handicap. The team with the highest win record will become the **Missouri Club Team Champions**.
12. **Team Trophies:** One State Club Team Championship plaque will be presented to the 1st Place Club Team at the 2011 MOHPA Awards Banquet to be held September 4, 2011, in Wentzville, MO. Individual plaques will be presented to each of the five 1st Place Club Team members.

Tentative Schedule: (Subject to change)

Saturday, June 4 @ 9:00 am: Classes I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P

Saturday, June 4 @ 1:30 pm: Classes A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H

For questions, contact: Donna Bastel, 573-374-8243 or 573-378-3447 (cell) or e-mail dbastel@lauriekitchen.net

Singles

Entry Form

Singles

8th Annual Missouri Open Benefit

Quail Ridge Park, Wentzville, MO • June 4, 2011

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Phone (____) _____

NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____ Adult _____ Junior _____

E-Mail _____

Check One: Use my official NatStats average

I am a new pitcher and am entering under the provisions of rule #2. (required documents enclosed)

Participant Liability Release: In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the Missouri 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 Tournament.

Adults: \$22.00

We will pay scorekeepers out of entry money!

Juniors: Free

Scorekeeping included

Entries must be received by May 12, 2011

\$7.00 Scorekeeping

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Team

Entry Form

Team

8th Annual Missouri Team Championship Benefit

Quail Ridge Park, Wentzville, MO • June 4, 2011

Team Name _____ Team Captain _____

Club Name _____ E-mail Address _____

1. Name _____ Address _____ City _____
ZIP _____ Phone (____) _____ NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____
Adult _____ Junior _____

2. Name _____ Address _____ City _____
ZIP _____ Phone (____) _____ NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____
Adult _____ Junior _____

3. Name _____ Address _____ City _____
ZIP _____ Phone (____) _____ NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____
Adult _____ Junior _____

4. Name _____ Address _____ City _____
ZIP _____ Phone (____) _____ NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____
Adult _____ Junior _____

5. Name _____ Address _____ City _____
ZIP _____ Phone (____) _____ NHPA Card # _____ Birth Date _____
Adult _____ Junior _____

Participant Liability Release: In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the Missouri 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 Tournament.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

(Team Captain)

Please attach required documents for new pitchers under provisions of Rule #2

Adults: Open, \$22.00 Each

Team: \$25.00

Juniors: Open, Free Entry

Team: \$5.00

(Scorekeeping included)

Team: \$5.00

Total: \$27.00

Entries must be received by May 12, 2011

Scorekeeping: \$7.00

Total: \$12.00

Missouri Tournament Results

June–September 2010

7th Annual MOHPA Club/Team Benefit @ Quail Ridge, 6/5. Director: Donna Bastel

Teams

1. Quail Ridge Club – Full House
2. Liberty Club – Pitchin' Fits
3. Quail Ridge Club – Combs' Team
4. Lake of the Ozarks Club – Laurie Lakers

Class A:	Rose Diekamp	7-0	70.4%
	Rich Altis	5-2	67.1%
Class B:	Jerry Noland	6-1	55.0%
	Tamra Jenkins	5-2	48.2%
Class C:	Virgle McCown	7-0	51.4%
	Kelly Combs	6-1	46.8%
Class D:	Donra McCown	7-0	48.9%
	Lyle Samuelson	6-1	43.2%
Class E:	Alex Roberts	7-0	51.4%
	Ralph Hummel	5-2	39.6%
Class F:	Brady Craven	6-1	38.6%
	Darryl Gettinger	5-2	31.1%
Class G:	Carol Howard	6-1	28.6%
	Pat Griewing	5-2	24.6%
Class H:	Larry Anderson	5-2	17.9%
	Carol Compton	5-2	15.4%

June Heat Mixed Open @ Park Hills, 6/12.

Director: Rick McEntire

Class A:	Rick McEntire	5-0	61.5%
	Jason Weiler	4-1	55.0%
Class B:	Dan Peterson	5-0	47.5%
	Mike Fadler	4-1	47.0%
Class C:	Ray Ackermann	8-1	34.6%
	Andy Revelle	6-3	28.3%

John Dods Memorial Mixed Open @ Peculiar, 6/12. Director: Glenn Bowman

Class A, B, C:	Rained Out		
Class D:	Victoria Highley	4-0	35.8%
	Richard Schmidt	4-0	29.2%
Class E:	Floyd Roberts	4-0	21.5%
	Larry Anderson	3-1	19.5%
Class F:	Terry Highley	3-1	12.5%
	Raymond Boulay	2-2	19.0%
Class G:	Jose Ramirez	5-0	18.8%
	Joe Barry	4-1	11.3%

Truman Lake Mixed Open @ Warsaw, 6/12–13. Director: Jeff Spry

Class A, B:	Rained Out		
Class C:	Mike Watkins	3-1	26.3%
	Dennis Mills	3-1	25.3%
Class D:	Dakota Seymour	5-1	12.9%
	Hayley Spry	4-2	7.5%

Summer Heat Mixed Open @ Quail Ridge, 6/19. Director: Roger Schnur

Class A:	Jim Spidle Sr.	7-0	66.1%
	Ernie Brakensiek	5-2	50.6%
Class B:	Donra McCown	7-0	44.6%
	Terry Murray	6-1	43.3%
Class C:	Rany York	7-0	27.1%
	Larry Volo	6-1	26.3%

Wilbur Hodgson Memorial Mixed Open @ Liberty, 6/19. Director: Brady & Nan Craven

Class A:	Stan Griggs	4-1	67.5%
	Nick DiRaimo	3-2	68.3%
Class B:	Michael Bowman	4-1	64.2%
	Al Gwinn	3-2	61.7%

Class C:	Dave Cooper	5-0	66.7%
	Al Constance	4-1	51.7%
Class D:	Bob Bloss	5-0	44.2%
	Lyle Samuelson	4-1	50.8%
Class E:	Lee Crabtree	5-0	43.3%
	Wayne Henderson	3.5-1.5	40.0%
Class F:	Laura Johnson	5-0	45.8%
	Alex Roberts	3-2	46.7%
Class G:	Ray Canchola	4-1	45.8%
	Mark Constance	4-1	31.7%
Class H:	Devin Wetzel	4-1	31.7%
	Erika Myler	3-2	25.0%
Class I:	Mike Crouch	5-0	32.5%
	Justin Goddard	4-1	20.8%
Class J:	Richard Schmidt	6-1	20.8%
	Melody Downey	5-2	29.2%
Class K:	Donald Plowman	6-1	22.1%
	Clifford Pierce	5-2	27.1%
Class L:	Brian Koss	4-1	25.0%
	Don Roberts	4-1	20.5%
Class M:	Larry Anderson	5-2	16.3%
	Teresa Koss	5-2	16.3%
Class N:	Rodney Mallinckrodt	4-1	18.5%
	Justin Goddard	3-2	13.5%
Class O:	Harold Turley	5-0	12.5%
	Joe Barry	3.5-1.5	8.1%
Class P:	Barbara Foster	5-0	10.0%
	Robert Johnson	3.5-1.5	5.0%
Class Q:	Brittany Koss	4.5-0.5	5.0%
	Blake Koss	4.5-0.5	1.3%

Fathers Day Mixed Open @ Jefferson City, 6/20. Director: Steve Bruemmer

Class A:	Mel Bruemmer	5-1	46.8%
	Virgle McCown	4-2	46.4%
Class B:	Cozy Bailey	4-1	38.0%
	Tom Lehmann	4-1	24.0%
Class C:	Cheryl Gay	5-0	23.0%
	Jeremy Starke	4-1	10.0%

Weekend Classic @ Glen Allen, 6/25. Director: Danny & Melody Williams.

Class A:	Danny Williams	5-1	42.1%
	Michael Massa	4-2	37.9%
Class B:	Melody Williams	5-0	30.5%
	Joe Keller	3-2	17.0%

Ray Cavin Mem. Mixed Open @ St. Joseph, 6/26. Director: Ron & Peggy Campbell

Class A:	Ray Plute	4-1	59.6%
	Gregg Craven	4-1	58.1%
Class B:	Karen Goldizen	4-1	42.9%
	Ray Canchola	4-1	41.7%
Class C:	Eugene Newkirk	5-0	40.7%
	Brady Craven	3-2	36.3%
Class D:	Richard Schmidt	7-0	26.3%
	Jim Arrowood	6-1	26.2%
Class E:	Wesley Reed	4-1	23.5%
	Roger Albright	4-1	19.5%
Class F:	David Jackson	7-0	10.4%
	Roy Flatt	6-1	4.2%

Ron and Larry Craven Memorial @ Liberty, 7/2. Director: Gregg & Brady Craven

Class A:	Cole Craven	5-0	3.8%
	Ashley Craven	4-1	2.5%
	Alec Craven	3-2	6.3%

	Adam Craven	2-3	5.6%
	Nickel Craven	1-4	3.8%

Firecracker Frenzy Mixed Open @ Glen Allen, 7/2. Director: Danny & Melody Williams

Class A:	Carol Schreckenberg	5-0	48.5%
	Terrie Rose	4-1	39.0%
Class B:	Edgar Stoverink	5-1	31.3%
	Wesley Stoverink	5-2	23.9%

Firecracker Mixed Open @ Mt. View, 7-2. Director: Dalton Rakestraw

Class A:	Archie Matheny	6-1	41.3%
	Paul Davis	5.5-1.5	45.4%
Class B:	Dale Parrott	6-1	39.6%
	Joie Welker	5-2	43.3%
Class C:	Erbie Wisdom	5-0	25.0%
	Darrell Helton	4-1	21.9%

Old Glory Days Mixed Open @ Clinton, 7/3. Director: Eugene Loyd

Class A:	Ray Plute	4-0	59.4%
	Michael Bowman	4-0	51.1%
Class B:	Lynn Elmore	4-1	46.3%
	Alfred Mundy	4-1	41.3%
Class C:	Leroy Leabo	7-0	23.8%
	Charles Jackson	6-1	22.5%
Class D:	Elmer Seymour	6-1	20.4%
	Dakota Seymour	5-2	13.8%

Independence Day Mixed Open @ Jefferson City, 7/3. Director: Steve Bruemmer

Class A:	Oscar Reeves	6-1	37.5%
	R. Dudenhoefter	5-2	42.1%
Class B:	Jamie Thoenen	8-1	26.1%
	Cheryl Gay	7.5-1.5	23.9%

Summertime Mixed Open @ Glen Allen, 7/9. Director: Danny & Melody Williams

Class A:	Danny Williams	7-0	47.5%
	Carol Schreckenberg	6-1	51.7%
Class B:	Katie Stone	5-0	11.0%
	Kandyce Mifflin	4-1	3.0%

Summer Splash Mixed Open @ Laurie, 7/10. Director: Jim Bainter

Class A:	Roena Branson	5-2	51.4%
	Lile Harper	5-2	43.9%
Class B:	H. Hoffmeister	5-2	51.8%
	Jim Gregory	4-3	34.3%
Class C:	P VanEvercooren	6-1	31.4%
	Marvin Rogers	5-2	33.6%
Class D:	Mike Manning	6-1	31.1%
	Bob Bastel	5-2	30.0%
Class E:	Marshal Keith	5-2	29.2%
	Bob Lemon	5-2	22.1%
Class F:	Tim Garvey	7-0	14.6%
	Jack Slough	6-1	6.7%

Summer Showdown Mixed Open @ Glen Allen, 7/16. Dirs: Danny & Melody Williams

Class A:	Carol Schreckenberg	6-1	46.3%
	Danny Williams	6-1	43.3%
	Oda Cook	6-1	37.9%
	Dawn Morrow	4-3	32.1%
	Melody Williams	2-5	20.4%
	Keith Morrow	2-5	16.7%
	Crystal Mansker	2-5	9.2%

Michael Long Quest to Walk Benefit@ Independence, 7/17. Director: Laura Estes

Class A: Jerry Noland	4-1	49.5%
Wayne Dusenbery	4-1	49.0%
Class B: Wayne Henderson	6-1	40.7%
Tom Beaver	6-1	40.2%
Class C: Laura Johnson	5-0	29.0%
Victoria Highley	4-1	26.9%
Class D: Jon Aronson	4-1	29.5%
Danny Wetzel	4-1	27.0%
Class E: Stuart Meurer	7-0	27.9%
Leroy Leabo	5-2	22.1%
Class F: Larry Guggisberg	7-0	17.9%
Frank MacArthur	5-2	15.4%
Class G: Roy Flatt	7-0	11.5%
Aaron Shaw	6-1	8.2%

Down By The River Mixed Open @ Warsaw, 7/17. Director: Jeff Spry

Class A: Joie Welker	6-1	44.6%
Virgle McCown	5-2	45.4%
Class B: Paul Vaughn	6-1	38.6%
Dean Constance	5-2	31.8%

Last Chance Mixed Open @ Glen Allen, 7/23. Director: Danny & Melody Williams

Class A: Carol Schreckenber	5-0	55.0%
Danny Williams	4-1	46.0%
Terrie Rose	3-2	43.5%
Dawn Morrow	2-3	39.0%
Keith Morrow	1-4	20.5%
Lester Powell	0-5	29.0%

Moniteau County Fair Mixed Doubles @ California, 8/5. Director: Steve Bruemmer

Class A: 1. Virgle McCown	5-2	41.8%
Donra McCown	5-2	28.6%
2. Larry Brown	4-3	19.8%
R. Mallinckrodt	4-3	11.5%
3. Tim Garvey	2-4	24.4%
Irene Garvey	2-4	5.8%
4. Jim Gregory	2-4	28.2%
Mark Schepers	2-4	10.9%

Liberty Summer Leagues Tournament, 8/13-14. Director: Gregg Craven

Class Championship:		
Ben McCaulley	3-0	10.8%
Devin Wetzel	2-1	42.5%
Class A: Alex Roberts	5-2	47.3%
Class B: Mike Crouch	6-1	32.6%
Class C: Jim Arrowood	6-1	31.7%
Class D: Floyd Roberts	7-0	9.4%
Class E: Ben McCaulley	5-0	10.5%
Class AA: Gregg Craven	5-0	67.5%
Class BB: Devin Wetzel	5-0	36.5%
Class CC: Savanna Johnson	5-0	19.5%

August Mixed Open @ Mt. View, 8/14.

Director: Dalton Rakestraw		
Class A: Dalton Rakestraw	7-0	58.6%
Paul Davis	4-3	51.8%
Class B: Dan Hobbs	4-3	42.1%
Joie Welker	3-4	42.1%
Class C: Jesse Dowell	5-1	32.5%
Dale Parrott	4-2	38.5%
Class D: Andrew Lau	4-0	18.4%
Dale Cooper	2-2	5.9%

Missouri State Fair Open @ Sedalia, 8/20-22. Director: Donna Bastel

Class A: Stan Griggs	7-0	65.0%
Ray Plute	5-2	63.2%
Class B: Andrew Foulds	6-1	51.8%
Donra McCown	5-2	48.6%
Class C: Alred Mundy	5-2	43.9%
Terry Murray	4-3	42.5%
Class D: Darrin Sherman	6-1	45.4%
Jeff Spry	5-2	37.5%
Class E: Sherri Terwelp	6-1	40.7%
Jesse Dowell	5-2	32.5%
Class F: Bob Kingsolver	7-1	29.9%
Richard Schmidt	6-2	32.3%
Class G: Jim Kinney Jr.	7-0	35.0%
Dennis Mills	5-2	21.8%
Class H: Brian Koss	6-1	28.3%
Jedd Baker	5-2	25.8%
Class I: Natalie Altis	7-0	29.3%
Keith Johnson	5-2	21.4%
Class J: Norman Kiso	7-1	26.3%
Chip Sloan	6-2	25.0%
Class K: Teresa Koss	6-2	14.3%
Bret Myers	5-3	20.3%
Class L: George Goldizen	5-0	14.0%
Darrell Plowman	4-1	16.8%
Class M: Eric Friedly	4-1	11.5%
Jose Ramirez	3-2	15.0%
Class N: Pam Constance	7-1	15.0%
Troy Brockman	6-2	13.1%

Independence Fall Mixed Open, 8/28.

Director: David Henderson		
Class A: Ray Plute	7-0	59.8%
Gregg Craven	6-1	64.4%
Class B: Debbie Harris	6-1	45.4%
Wayne Henderson	6-1	44.2%
Class C: Brady Craven	6-1	41.1%
Laura Johnson	6-1	37.5%
Class D: Johnna Bales	7-0	33.9%
Dean Constances	5-2	27.1%
Class E: Raymond Phelps	6-1	19.3%
Connie Trautwein	6-1	14.6%
Class F: Dennis Bales	6-1	16.4%
Larry Guggisberg	5-2	16.4%
Class G: Roy Flatt	7-0	12.5%
Don Swihart	5-2	9.7%
Class H: Matthew Jordan	6-1	5.7%
Earl Gunter	6-1	4.3%

Dog Days of August Mixed Open @ Jefferson City, 8/28. Director: Steve Bruemmer

Class A: James Driver	5-0	60.0%
Keith Peck	4-1	50.0%
Class B: Tim Garvey	4-1	20.8%
Scott Raimer	3-2	19.6%

Missouri State Doubles Championship @ Glen Allen, 9/3. Dirs: MOHPA Officers

Doubles Championship		
Jason Weiler	6-1	57.5%
Nick DiRaimo		53.8%
Doubles A: Jill Knobbe	6-1	51.0%
Ree Cutright		38.3%
Doubles B: Debbie Harris	6-1	35.4%
Bob Bastel		22.2%
Doubles C: John Keller	7-0	19.9%
Bob Cutright		12.8%

Missouri State Singles Championship @ Glen Allen, 9/4-5. Directors: MOHPA Officers

Men's Championship:		
Rich Altis	6-1	63.6%
Randall Grady	4-3	64.5%
Men's A: Virgle McCown	7-0	52.9%
James Driver	5-2	48.6%
Men's B: Dan Hobbs	8-1	48.4%
Jimmy Higginbotham	7-2	44.7%
Men's C: Joie Welker	7-0	58.2%
Edward Griffith	5-2	40.4%
Men's D: Darryl Gettinger	6-1	33.1%
Dick Byersdorfer	5-2	34.9%
Men's E: Mike Davault	6-1	29.9%
John Fite	5-2	29.3%
Men's F: Dennis Mills	6-2	24.1%
Jim Riley	5-3	23.1%
Men's G: Lester Powell	6-1	26.4%
Jim Kinney Jr.	5-2	31.8%
Men's H: Keith Johnson	7-0	25.4%
Richard Jarman	5-2	19.3%
Men's I: Joey Griffith	7-0	21.8%
Tim Revelle	6-1	21.1%
Men's J: Gary Buehler	6-1	13.3%
Devon Wisdom	5-2	16.7%
Women's Championship		
Rose Diekamp	7-0	66.3%
Audra Craven	6-1	60.8%
Women's A: Jill Knobbe	6-2	43.6%
Donra McCown	6-3	38.1%
Women's B: Dee McIntire	6-1	34.2%
Debbie Harris	5-2	34.6%
Women's C: Eileen Reeves	7-0	26.7%
Rose Buehler	6-1	30.0%
Women's D: Sheila LeGrand	7-0	22.1%
Melody Williams	6-1	17.9%
Jr. Boys Championship		
Dalton Rakestraw	3-1	69.8%
Martin Williams	1-3	56.0%
Jr. Boys A		
Nathan Evers	5-0	55.5%
Andrew Lau	4-1	32.0%
Jr. Girls Championship		
Natalie Altis	3-0	29.1%
Savanna Johnson	0-3	16.9%
Jr. Girls A		
Kelcee Davault	7-0	12.1%
Megan McLeod	6-1	19.6%
Cadets' Championship		
Jordan Weiler	3-0	32.2%
Jenna Garland	0-3	.0%
30 Ft. Men's Championship		
Nick DiRaimo	7-0	67.1%
Rick McEntire	5-2	66.7%
30 Ft. Men's A		
Alfred Mundy	5-0	50.0%
Jim Howard	3-2	41.6%
30 Ft. Men's B		
Elwyn Cooper	5-0	46.4%
John Setzer	4-1	38.4%
30 Ft. Men's C		
Bob Cutright Sr.	5-0	21.2%
Rodney Mallinckrodt	4-1	14.0%
Saline County End of League Tournament, 9/7. Director: Norman Kiso		
Class A: Elmer Van Buren	5-2	41.1%
John Bargfrede	5-2	7.1%

End of League Tournament @ Lake of Ozarks, 9/11. Director: Donna Bastel

Class Championship			
Pete Renick	2.5-0.5	20.0%	
Leroy Dooley	2-1	26.7%	
Class A: Roena Branson			
H Hoffmeister	3-2	44.0%	
Class B: Harry Rother			
Dick Byersdorfer	4-1	29.5%	
Class C: Leroy Dooley			
Larry Doeden	4-2	25.4%	
Class D: Pete Renick			
Jack Slough	6-2	13.5%	

Peculiar Fall Mixed Open, 9/11. Director:

Glenn Bowman

Class A: Michael Bowman			
Nick DiRaimo	6-1	62.1%	
Class B: Wayne Henderson			
Terry Kampe	6-1	42.9%	
Class C: Clint Sloan			
Ralph Richardson	5-2	27.9%	
Class D: Dean Constance			
Erika Myler	6-1	29.6%	
Class E: George Chichura			
Carl Brown	5-2	22.5%	
Class F: Perry Mann			
Michael Gillespie	5-2	20.5%	
Class G: Jose Ramirez			
Brenda Brown	5-2	17.9%	
Class H: Roy Flatt			
Danny Reeves	6-1	13.3%	

Hillbilly Fair Mixed Open @ Laurie, 9/18-19. Director: Donna Bastel

Class A: Andrew Foulds			
Don Claas	5-2	46.7%	
Class B: Al Constance			
Tim Vaughn St.	5-2	48.3%	
Class C: Donra McCown			
Toby Young	5-2	38.3%	
Class D: Mark Constance			
Harless Kampe	4-2	32.0%	
Class E: Eileen Reeves			
Richard Shmidt	5-2	32.1%	
Class F: Larry Brown			
Owen Moore	5-2	31.9%	
Class G: Cindy Wisdom			
Jedd Baker	5-2	23.2%	
Class H: Tony Whalan			
Chuck Koss	5-3	12.5%	
Class I: Pam Constance			
Roy Flatt	6-2	7.2%	

Kansas City Mixed Open, 9/25. Director:

Dee McIntire

Class A: Gregg Craven			
M.O. Turner	5.5-1.5	68.8%	
Class B: Elwyn Cooper			
Ray Canchola	5-2	48.3%	
Class C: Joann Jones			
Lee Miller Jr.	5-2	33.3%	

Class D: Angela DiRaimo			
Jon Aronson	7-0	36.7%	
Class E: Perry Mann			
Chris Mikel	5-2	26.7%	
Class F: John Loyd			
Roy Flatt	4-1	19.2%	
	4-1	18.0%	
	6-1	8.3%	
	5-2	11.7%	

6th Annual Big Money Mixed Open @

Jefferson City, 9/25. Dir: Steve Bruemmer

Class A: Steve Johnson			
Ray Plute	5-1	63.4%	
	4-2	69.0%	
Class B: Keith Peck			
Jim Howard	7-0	50.5%	
	6-1	46.2%	
Class C: Jim Bruemmer			
Tom Lehmann	6-1	40.4%	
	5-2	23.3%	
Class D: Kiefer Forck			
Harvey Mason	6-1	25.4%	
	5-2	23.6%	

Lions Park End of League Tournament @

Peculiar, 9/26. Director: Michael Bowman

Class Championship			
Jose Ramirez	2-0	19.0%	
Leslie Crust	1-1	16.0%	
Class A: Victoria Highley			
Ralph Richardson	6-1	28.3%	
	5-2	34.3%	
Class B: Jose Ramirez			
Leroy Leabo	5-0	18.8%	
	3-2	22.4%	
Class C: Leslie Crust			
Vonda Noland	5-0	13.6%	
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10/30 +	19-10-128	Wentzville	Halloween Bash *	Hawkins 580-658-3923	tinahawk@msn.com
11/6 +	19-10-124	Park Hills	Pre "Dear" Season *	McEntire 573-431-6107	
11/6	19-10-085	Liberty	10th Annual Holly Marie Memorial *	Griggs 816-313-1814	moshoe@kcnet.com
11/13,14	19-10-007	Sunrise Beach	Turkey Stakes Open *	B.Bastel 573-374-8243	dbastel@lauriekitchen.net
11/20 +	19-10-126	Festus	Festus Open #5 *	Smetzer 636-937-2612	
11/20 +	19-10-096	Liberty	Snow Bird Fly Away *	G.Craven 816-781-4132 %	gregg_audra@sbcglobal.net
11/20	19-10-040	Wentzville	Turkey Trot *	Hummel 636-978-6117	ralphandjan@yahoo.com
11/6,7 c	19-10-064	Crane	Deer Season Blues @Hudson *	Hudson 417-723-5429	
11/7 +	19-10-131	Glen Allen	Yee Haw Special *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
11/28 +	19-10-132	Glen Allen	Holiday Leftover Special *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
12/4 +	19-10-099	Liberty	Harvesters Food Network Benefit *	McIntire 816-452-0254	dmcintire@kc.rr.com
12/4	19-10-041	Wentzville	Jingle Bell Rock *	Volo 314-434-4075	
12/4,5 c	19-10-065	Crane	Christmas is Coming @Hudson *	Hudson 417-723-5429	
12/5 +	19-10-133	Glen Allen	HO!HO!HO! Holiday Tournament *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
12/11 +	19-10-125	Park Hills	Jolly Ole Man *	McEntire 573-431-6107	
12/11,12	19-10-008	Sunrise Beach	Snowball Open *	Branson 573-372-6704	branson3ringers3@aol.com
12/17	19-10-127	Festus	Festus Open #6 *	Smetzer 636-937-2612	
12/19	19-10-134	Glen Allen	Bah-Humbug Scrooge Classic *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
2011					
1/8	19-11-032	Liberty	Happy New Year @Harris Arena * %	G.Craven 816-781-4132 %	gregg_audra@sbcglobal.net
1/8	19-11-010	Park Hills	January Freeze *	McEntire 573-431-6107	
1/8,9	19-11-038	Crane	Winter is Here @Hudson Hall *	Hudson 417-723-5429	
1/8, 9	19-11-001	Sunrise Beach	Cool Shoe Open *	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
1/9	19-11-021	Glen Allen	New Year Icicle Classic *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
1/15	19-11-016	Festus	Festus Open #1 *	Smetzer 636-937-2612	
1/15	19-11-043	Wentzville	Superbowl Special *	Gillette 636-456-4311	bernardjo@centurytel.net
1/22	19-11-033	Liberty	Deep Freeze @ Harris Arena * %	B.Craven 816-781-7581	bcraven2@kc.rr.com
1/23	19-11-022	Glen Allen	Winter Chilly Willy Classic *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
2/5	19-11-034	Liberty	Independence Open @ Harris *	Henderson	waynepam@juno.com
2/6	19-11-023	Glen Allen	Sweetheart Valentine Tournament *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
2/12	19-11-011	Park Hills	Chilly Days *	McEntire 573-431-6107	
2/12	19-11-044	Wentzville	Happy Hearts *	Foulds 636-583-6446	jankandf@esagelink.com
2/12,13	19-11-039	Crane	February Thaw @Hudson Hall *	Hudson 417-723-5429	
2/12, 13	19-11-002	Sunrise Beach	Peg In My Heart Open *	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
2/19	19-11-017	Festus	Festus Open #2 *	Smetzer 636-937-2612	
2/19	19-11-035	Liberty	Window of Opportunity @Harris * %	Straugh 816-246-0310	nmstraughn@spcglobal.net
2/20	19-11-024	Glen Allen	Birthday Party Blowout *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
2/26	19-11-045	Wentzville	Spring Team Hdcp Tournament *	Howard 636-441-7679	horseshoejc@yahoo.com
3/5	19-11-025	Glen Allen	Spring is in the Air *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
3/5	19-11-036	Liberty	Robin Red Breast @Harris Arena * %	B.Craven 816-781-7581	bcraven2@kc.rr.com
3/5,6	19-11-040	Crane	Spring is Coming @Hudson Hall *	Hudson 417-723-5429	
3/12	19-11-012	Park Hills	March Winds *	McEntire 573-431-6107	
3/12	19-11-046	Wentzville	Shamrock Fling *	Rahe 636-462-6337	grahe@centurytel.net
3/12, 13	19-11-003	Sunrise Beach	Daylight Savings Open *	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
3/19	19-11-018	Festus	Festus Open #3 *	Smetzer 636-937-2612	
3/19	19-11-037	Liberty	Cancer Action Benefit @Harris * %	Cooper 816-741-0043	ivdead@hotmail.com
3/20	19-11-026	Glen Allen	Spring Ringer Flinger *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
4/2,3	19-11-047	Wentzville	West vs East Challenge *	Claas 636-447-3039	djclaas@sbcglobal.net
4/3	19-11-027	Glen Allen	Fool's Classic *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
4/9,10	19-11-004	Sunrise Beach	Bluebird Open *	Bainter 573-372-3650	jbainter@charter.net
4/10	19-11-028	Glen Allen	Yee Haw Four Dead Surprise *	Williams 573-238-0047	nipdpeg2@yahoo.com
4/16	19-11-019	Festus	Festus Open #4 *	Smetzer 636-937-2612	
4/16	19-11-013	Park Hills	April Showers *	McEntire 573-431-6107	
4/16	19-11-029	Peculiar	Peculiar Spring Open *	Bowman 816-293-5403	
4/16	19-11-048	Wentzville	April Showers *	Hummel 636-978-6117	ralphandjan@yahoo.com
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