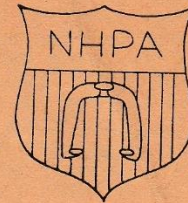


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REMINISCING

1967, our first year in many, under NHPA was an exciting year to many of our members who were able to participate in a for real horseshoe tourney for the first time. We are organized and I hope working to expand our clubs, increase the interest and generate more enthusiasm.

My sincere "THANKS" to all.

GOALS FOR 1968

Our potential for growth is just tremendous. We should double our present membership of 53 this year—a goal not excessive to reach. We should promote our boys and girls to the healthful benefits and fun of pitching. The ladies should be invited to participate in our tournaments and our organization this year. Each of us needs to talk horseshoes and spread the word of what we are attempting to do. In this regard we need to get close to our hometown and area newspaper editors and strive to get our story told.

IT CAN BE DONE!

NEW FOR 1968

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS—at a cost of \$1.00. This can actually be described as a gift or a donation as it does not entitle the owner to tournament participation but merely identifies the person as a friend of the game of horseshoes. I URGE you to ask your friends, relatives and associates in your everyday life to subscribe and help further to advertise the game of horseshoes throughout the country which is exactly what the NHPA will do with the money so collected. The NHPA has appointed Will Gullickson of North Dakota, to handle the nationwide publicity for us this year. This is an endeavor badly needed, as we all recognize, and worthwhile if we are to continue growing.

1968 MEMBERSHIP

Your secretary has the new 1968 cards. The cost this year, like most everything else, is up—NHPA \$1.50, STATE \$1.50—total \$3.00. The NHPA DIGEST (monthly magazine, is optional) at a cost of \$2.50, the same as last year. Each club will receive their cards very shortly.

COURT REGISTRATION

Something else new for 1968 is the registering with the NHPA individual and groups of horseshoe courts throughout the entire USA. The suggested fee is \$1.00 per court which seems nominal and all of the courts registered will be included in the DIGEST so people everywhere will know where courts are in the event they should be in your area or visa-versa. This facet is being handled by NHPA Ralph Dykes and such fees should be mailed to him at 433 West North St., Lombard, Illinois 60148. The funds so collected will be used to finance publicity nationally and improve the DIGEST.

I registered mine and will get the two clubs in my area to do so also. I hope that you will do the same—PLEASE!

TOURNAMENTS

For those interested in participating in the best run and most attended, I urge you to watch the Digest for the exact dates of the following:

GREENVILLE OPEN—Greenville, Ohio. Usually over Decoration Day.

GREENVILLE RINGER CLASSIC. Held around July 4th.

JUST ANNOUNCED—New Albany Open, at New Albany, Ind., May 18-19.

KY. STATE TOURNAMENT, Frankfort, Ky.—Juniper Hill Park Courts, Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 1.

I attended last year's Ringer Classic and had a "shoe" (can't call it a ball can I?) Everybody gets money back and one fellow that went with us stated "It was worth the \$5.00 entry fee just to watch them pitch." I'm sure you will feel this way too and hope you will plan to go—as I do. You bet!

Your 1968 NHPA card is all that is required to pitch in any open tourney anywhere in the good ole USA. So use it often and take advantage fully of being an NHPA member.

YOUR PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Greetings from your president! I feel like we had a very good year membership wise. For the first State tournament in quite a few years, I thought it was very good. I am hoping we can double our membership and have a bigger, better tournament this year. That can only be done by everyone working hard. I am hoping for an OPEN tournament this year as it would help us nationally speaking. We are working hard on this and hope to advise you later of our results. Keep pitching!

—HAROLD McPHEARSON

...FINANCES...

INCOME—

52 Memberships, Men, at \$1.50.....	\$78.00
1 Membership, Junior, at 50c.....	.50
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	\$78.50
Balance from State Tourney.....	5.10
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	\$83.60

EXPENSES—

Cost of printing State entry forms.....	\$21.00
Cost score cards, pads, and individual score cards.....	9.10
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	\$30.10
Balance on deposit.....	\$53.50

...STATEMENT OF STATE TOURNAMENT...

33 entries at \$5.00.....	\$165.00
12 class "A" at \$5.00.....	60.00
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	\$225.00
Cost of trophies.....	\$ 53.90
Prizes, Awards "A".....	145.00
Prizes, Awards "B" "C" "D".....	21.00
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	\$219.90
Balance	\$ 5.10

Maynard Brewer, 10th place in Class A, did not collect his prize of \$7.00. I can send him a check or if he wishes, he can apply this to the 1968 tourney. Therefore, bank balance is actually \$7.00 more than reported.

1967 STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

CLASS "A"	W	L	%
H. Hamilton, Georgetown.....	10	1	53.4
J. Noble, Louisville.....	9	2	53.3
H. McPhearson, Covington.....	8	3	53.6
W. Henn, Bellevue.....	8	3	51.7
V. Wood, Georgetown.....	8	3	49.2
J. Wethington, Walton.....	5	6	42.2
S. Lovelace, Covington.....	4	7	47.9
F. Godsey, Covington.....	4	7	44.0
W. Thompson, Covington.....	4	7	41.9
M. Brewer, Tuttle.....	4	7	40.4
C. Baumann, Dayton.....	2	9	40.9
E. Becknell, Union.....	0	11	33.0

CLASS "B"

L. Hawkins, Burlington.....	5	2	44.7
D. Rimer, Covington.....	5	2	34.3
S. Reynolds, Newport.....	5	2	38.2
E. Webb, Cold Springs.....	4	3	36.2
L. Robbins, Corbin.....	4	3	35.4
W. Henn, Covington.....	2	5	30.5
C. Schadler, Walton.....	2	5	25.5
W. McGinty, Lexington.....	1	6	23.8

CLASS "C"

H. Meece, Georgetown.....	5	0	40.0
W. Farris, Corbin.....	4	1	35.2
M. Glass, Georgetown.....	2	3	39.3
E. Sanders, Frankfort.....	2	3	34.4
J. Glossner, High. Hgts.....	1	4	30.8
S. Jacobs, Frankfort.....	1	4	26.7

CLASS "D"

F. Jacobs, Independence.....	5	0	33.6
W. Kenton, High. Hgts.....	4	1	18.0
L. Lynn, Elsmere.....	3	2	19.0
B. Dalzell, Georgetown.....			Forfeit
T. Glass, Georgetown.....			Forfeit
S. Kelley, Lexington.....			Forfeit

SECRETARY'S RAMBLINGS

It seems like there is always something to do. I have a request from the state of New Jersey Secretary asking for information about all of the horseshoe courts in the state, i/e, location, type of fill, indoor or outdoor, lighted or not, regulation or not, and to top it off, a history of the players, jobs and horseshoe championships won. A task none of which I can accomplish without your HELP. So I must ask that each club secretary or someone in the club get this information and forward it to me so I can combine it. SO WILL YOU PLEASE DO THIS AT YOUR EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

Your secretary in keeping with the NHPA thinking is doing all he can to promote horseshoe pitching in this state. There is always much correspondence and occasionally a phone call for which, as you can tell from the financial report, no such expenses are recorded. This is being absorbed by me. I have talked with a number of you and have done much writing and I expect to continue doing so. To let you in on some of the interesting things that transpire, I've had letters from Arizona, Georgia, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, New Jersey and Virginia. We have been in the NHPA just a year and yet everybody in writing, writes as if they have known about us for years. It is an educational experience. Little did I know what I was getting into a year ago.

Your secretary is always at your beck and call, anytime I can be of help or aid to you. Don't be bashful to ask.

HORSESHOES

Your secretary can get for you any brand and any amount of horseshoes that you desire. So give a call or drop me a card when you have need.

The following list of brands are approved by the NHPA with prices:

AMERICAN'S.....	\$5.50 per pair
ALLEN'S.....	\$7.75 per pair
DIAMOND'S.....	\$5.50 per pair
GORDON'S.....	\$5.00 per pair
IMPERIAL'S.....	\$8.00 per pair
LEE'S.....	\$5.50 per pair
OHIO'S.....	\$6.50 per pair

SHIRTS, CAPS, ETC.

Some members in Northern Kentucky are interested in purchasing shirts and caps. Anyone else interested, if they will tell me the size, and for the shirt the lettering they want, I'll be glad to order them. The shirts are sport shirts with a collar and NHPA insigna above pocket, available in small, medium, large or extra large. Price in lots of six, \$2.75; lettering \$1.50 extra for first 25 letters, added letters 5 cents each. Usually the last name, city and state are used: Caps cost \$2.00 each.

Also available from NHPA are these items:

T shirts, \$2.00 each, six or more, \$1.75, which can also be lettered at prices shown above for sport shirts.

Auto plates, \$1.00 each, six or more, 75 cents.

Belt buckles, \$2.00 each.

Horseshoe bolo or Western ties, \$1.00.

Cigarette lighters, \$3.25. Zippo with engraved horseshoe pitcher.

Wooden horseshoe carrying case, \$5.00.

Metal horseshoe carrying case, \$3.00.

As a suggestion to you wives, these items make perfect birthday or Christmas presents, and will be sure to please your horseshoe pitcher with a capital "H."

FINIS

I do not pretend to be an editor but hope that this effort meets with your approval. I feel like this type of communication with possibly more personal news of the various fellows and club activities can do our organization more good than most anything else we might try to do. Your comments will be appreciated as well as your suggestions.

The cost of getting such an item printed, particularly in small quantities ordinarily would be prohibitive but it has been suggested that if we were to accept a sponsor or two that we could publish this on some consistent basis. If you have any ideas on this score, they will indeed be welcomed.

FRANKFORT-MILLVILLE

Hard at work planning for the State Tournament. In league play last year tremendous enthusiasm was displayed and team play on an individual basis, with handicap, is being planned. This was the first time that anything like this had occurred in the area and it is hoped that it can be expanded. Shirley Jacobs, Chester Black, and Ezra Sanders are the boys who make these iron tamers tick.

LEXINGTON

Horseshoe pitching gained considerable strength here last year with the formation of league play for the very first time. With this momentum, we are looking forward to a grand season which, as usual, will be highlighted by our BLUEGRASS FAIR TOURNAMENT. All of this has occurred under the direction of the Lexington Recreation Department. It has been learned also that IBM has a great number of horseshoe courts and excellent facilities which are used by IBM employees. It is hoped that something can be worked out here for tournament play in the future.

PARIS

Plans are being formulated to start a horseshoe league for the first time in this city, spearheaded by Billy Woodward.

GEORGETOWN

Have had hopes that their efforts to obtain indoor pitching facilities for the winter season would reach fulfillment, but have not done so as yet. The season ahead is being planned but details have not been worked out fully. It has been reported that they have found new blood and will have seven new players this coming season. They are looking forward to annual tournament trail which proved so successful to them last year in that they have the current 1967 State Champion in their club, the Class "C" State Champion, the Bluegrass Champion and last, but not least, the Millville Champion. Quite a club and one of which they are extremely pleased.