

Lewis Stiles Memorial Action!

Our most recent tournament held in 2025, on the last day of May, was the Lewis-Stiles Memorial. A tournament honoring two members from the KHPA past, local to the Elizabethtown Club. The late Curtis Lewis and Holmes “Brunner” Stiles. It was a beautiful day at the Etown courts!

Tyler Howard took care of the tournament title, going 4-0 and averaging 67.6%. Class A1 was won by Indiana’s Glenn Logan. Glenn defeated all A1 competitors, averaging 44.8% overall. Janice Anderson captured the Class B title, going undefeated at 4-0. Phil Douglas & Todd Marples tied for 2nd with equal ringers, so a 20-shoe playoff ensued with Phil taking the spot with a 14-11 victory. Class C came down to an old school rivalry between Alton Stone and Randy Johnson. Class C had four players competing in a double round robin. Randy defeated



Tyler Howard pitching against Glenn Logan.

Stoney in both games 24-20 and 22-19 but lost two games to two other competitors, David Genet 22-25 and Randall Johnson 20-22. In the playoff, the third time was the charm as Stoney defeated Randy 26-16 to take the Class! Class D took up another more recent rivalry between Tim Smith and Linda Stone. These two have been at the top of this Division in recent tournaments. Another playoff would be required between the two to decide Class D. Linda came out on top 33-24. Easton Watts tossed the Class high game of 28.0%. On to the Juniors in Class E! Our junior turnout has been really strong in 2025 and one of the top bright spots for the KHPA. Watching these kids pitch horseshoes, get along and have fun, makes it highly enjoyable! Madalynn Johnson has been on a hot streak of wins, going 4 for 4 on all the outdoor junior classes of which she has competed. Maddy is not dominating in ringers thrown but is doing it by slightly better shoe control and tallying more single points. Kids, focus on the toss, Close to the peg can

win you a lot of games in these lower classes. Notice the overall points in this class.

Class E	W/L	PTS	R%
Madalynn Johnson	5-1	62	6.11
Jared Gorczyca	4-2	61	2.78
Keaton Marples	3-2	45	3.33
Siren Tucker	2-3	34	4.00
Macie Marples	1-4	22	2.67
Kristie Smith	1-4	17	2.00



Madalynn Johnson is on a roll!

Throwback - 1981

Here is a throwback photo from 1981. This guy still pitches in the KHPA. I think this is an easy trivia piece of knowledge for a correct answer. Do you know this KHPA Horseshoe pitcher?



2025 New Members

Steve Strickland
Frank Anderson
Janice Anderson
Kira Gorczyca
Brantley Grant



Richard Mount
Siren Tucker
Tim Smith
Kristie Smith
Alexa Mather

WELCOME!

RINGER BLINGERS

Sarah Neagle Burch was the winner of the "Ringer Blingers" horseshoe painting contest with her alternating pink and yellow colors with flower designs. Sarah won a pair of horseshoes for her efforts. Sarah is very talented, lending her artistic efforts to create a tourney sign for the Brian Simmons Memorial. Keep up the good work Sarah!



TOLL OF TIME

DALE SNELLEN



Loss is never an easy thing here in the KHPA. Dale Snellen passed away on May 25th, at Baptist Health Hardin in Etown, after a

lengthy stay. Dale had been dealing with a few health issues in recent years that limited his ability to pitch. Dale pitched in the KHPA back in the late 1970's dating back to the old Culvertown court days. Dale was a resident of New Haven, Ky. and a member of the Nelson County HPA. Dale was the 2012 State Class F Men's Champion, winning the Elder Men's State Class B three years in a row, 2016-2018 and again in 2021. During Dale's return to the KHPA around 2012, Dale would share his love of the game with two of his Grandson's, Noah and Caden. Dale is survived by his wife of 52 years, Arlene. Dale was 76 years of age. He will be missed.

KENDAL CHENAULT

As can happen, we lost track of Mr. Kendal Chenault after he decided to hang up his horseshoes. In doing some random searching, I learned that we lost Kendal early last year. I did not want this news to go by without giving Kendal a proper tribute. Kendal started in the KHPA back in 1997 and became one of the core members of the

upstart Pine Ridge Horseshoe Club, located in Campton. Kendal was the 2006 State Men's Class F Champion. Kendal would pitch on through 2010, being the last member from Pine Ridge to pitch. Kendal also loved to play music and fish and had a nickname of "Bluegill". Kendal passed on March 4th, 2024 at age 87.



BRENDA HOWARD

Long-time member of our KHPA horseshoe family, Brenda Howard passed away unexpectedly on March 22nd, 2025.

Brenda was a rock in her family, the wife of Omer Howard, mother of Tyler Howard and Mother-In-Law of Destinnie Howard. She is greatly missed by all.



HAROLD DALE HOLLAND

Harold Holland of Lexington, Ky. passed away at 90 years of age on April 8th, 2025. Harold was the 1986 State Class C Champion, 6-1, 53.8%. Harold owned and operated "Holland's Contract Carpets. Harold pitched in the KHPA throughout the 1980's



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

FRANK & JANICE ANDERSON



Frank & Janice joined the KHPA in 2025, with their first Kentucky tournament at the Stan the Man Classic at Shorty's Indoor. Janice is a competitor! Janice has already racked up 4 Class Wins during the early 2025 KHPA Season! Frank has 1 Class win as well. Frank has some catching up to do, but let me know that Janice was nicknamed "Patches", during their horseshoe pitching tenure, as members of the Colorado Association! The Anderson's both were originally from Kentucky. Life's travels would move Frank out west to Gypsum Colorado. Later, Frank would meet Janice on a trip back to the Bluegrass State and the two would spend the next 35 years back in Colorado, where they were members of the Colorado Charter. Allen Baptist and others were early influences, exposing them to the sport. For careers, Frank made his life in the field of plumbing, or as Frank put it, he was a "Drain Surgeon"! Janice worked at a bulk fuel plant, supplying the area with fuel needs and supplies. As they neared retirement, the two made the decision to be closer to family members, now residing in Salt Lick, Bath County. The KHPA has a lot of history in Bath County. When asked what they enjoyed most about the sport of horseshoes, Frank answered "the camaraderie of the game". We are happy to have the Anderson's as members of the KHPA horseshoe community!

KHPA Memories *The First Win!*



I was catching up with Leland Fuller at the Etown tournament, picking his brain on some of his best Elizabethtown horseshoe memories. Leland grew up under the wing of his "Pap",

Lou Pottinger, friends, David Ward, Shelia Williams, Sissy Lewis and others. Leland shared a phone photo he had kept since the Jim Noble Memorial of 2014 when he won his very first KHPA Class. Leland was undefeated that day at 8-0!



KHPA PODCAST

Tune into the weekly KHPA Podcast, generated by Ronnie & Karen Meredith, to tap into an extra level of tournament action!



The Podcast has been posting on the KHPA Facebook and has been receiving a lot of positive feedback!! Tune in!!

Upcoming events: *The Chalybeate Open!*

This coming Saturday in Chalybeate Kentucky, we have some of the greatest horseshoe pitchers of the era, slated to make a return visit to the Chalybeate Open tournament. Those that are planned to attend are: Ohio's Alan & Amy Francis, Tennessee's Maxine Griffith, Marlene Ray, Tim Seagroves and Jim Muller. Holding down the fort for Kentucky will be Tyler Howard and Ben Webb. It is also planned to have Mr. Thomas Barlow on site to prepare his array of smoked meats.



Kori Webb also plans to be onsite to sell some tasty cookies and iced/hot coffee with donut.



Sign up for Chalybeate! Be a spectator and watch some of the horseshoe greats!

Kentucky Juniors

Kentucky Horseshoes has been bouncing around the idea of a Junior Director, since we have several kids taking up the sport. The Junior Director has been mentioned to be in line with our 3rd Vice President duties which falls to Todd Marples. I have spoken to Todd about helping out with ideas to keep the Juniors excited and interested for horseshoes. Todd has asked that he'd like a committee to assist. I have mentioned this to Tyler Howard and Randy Johnson to assist Todd with help in this area. Tyler came though the Junior ranks and knows the aspects of what it takes. Randy has years of experience working with and teaching kids also.



JUNIOR GIRL'S STATE TOP 8

1. Addison	Ashton	25.90
2. Kacey	Rose	11.64
3. Madalynn	Johnson	5.56
4. Sandi	Williams	5.48
5. Siren	Tucker	3.28
6. Candi	Williams	1.72
7. Kira	Gorczyca	1.67
8. Kristie	Smith	0.91



JUNIOR BOY'S STATE TOP 5

1. Jackson	Reynolds	20.61
2. Zach	Cox	6.60
3. JJ	Johnson	5.70
4. Andrew	Ashton	4.77
5. Jared	Gorczyca	2.73

JUNIOR CADET'S STATE TOP 5

1. Easton	Watts	13.57
2. Keaton	Marples	6.00
3. Macie	Marples	1.93
4. Alexa	Mather	0.61
5. Brantley	Grant	0.00



Tips for the JUNIORS to improve!

*Choose the right horseshoe. If you are having trouble with strength in getting your shoe to the pit, get some light horseshoes. Lasso or Cadet brand.

*Stand as close to you foul line as you can without crossing. The shorter distance **ALWAYS** will help your shoes land softer and score more points.

*Develop your swing. Not too high and definitely not low. Hit the right arch, and let the shoe flow out of your hand. Feel your proper release point. Same every time.

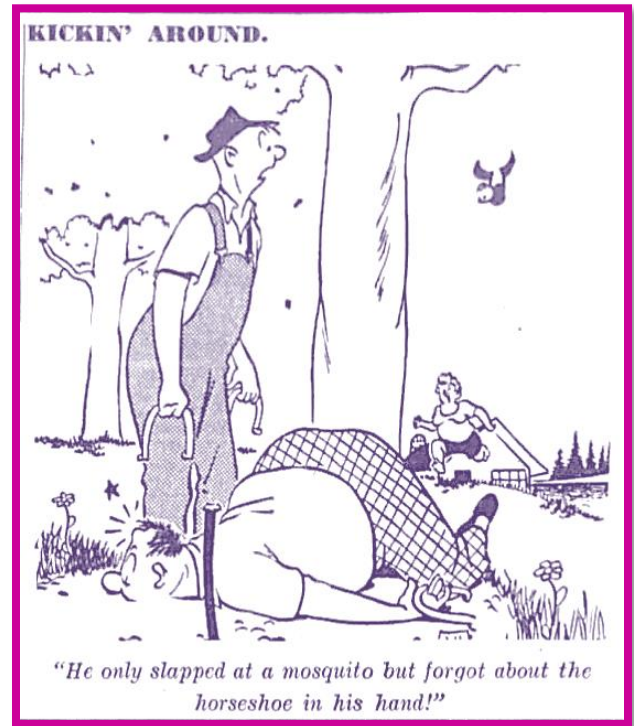
*Point your foot toward the stake. Your plant foot should be stepping towards the stake.

History Photo



Cold Spring's Harry "Ringer" Henn was a master promoter of the game. Harry could often be seen during his heyday setting up promotional matches with exhibition pitching including trick shots. Harry squared off frequently against visiting top players. Harry is standing here with the Schultz sisters Caroline and Charlotte. Harry had an exhibition match with the Schultz sisters in 1942 at Ft. Thomas, Kentucky. This is possibly from that event. Caroline Schultz was the 1933 & 1934 Women's World Champion. The Schultz sisters were also well known as promoters and exhibitionists, even working for Barnum & Bailey Circus. Helen Schultz Davisson (1905-1993), Caroline Schultz Decker (1912-1998) & Charlotte Schultz Goughnour (1911-1986).

CARTOON: Oldie but a goodie!



Tournament Numbers

2025 has provided us some strong turnouts. Keep up the good work KHPA!

Stan The Man Open	27
Barry McClure Memorial	35
Billy Followell Memorial	29



Scott County Open	21
Lou Colpitts Memorial	17 (Rain affected)
Nalley-Sauer Memorial	35
Brian Simmons Memorial	41
Jim Gleissner Memorial	22

Invite your friends out to KHPA organized horseshoes! Let's shoot for even higher goals!