

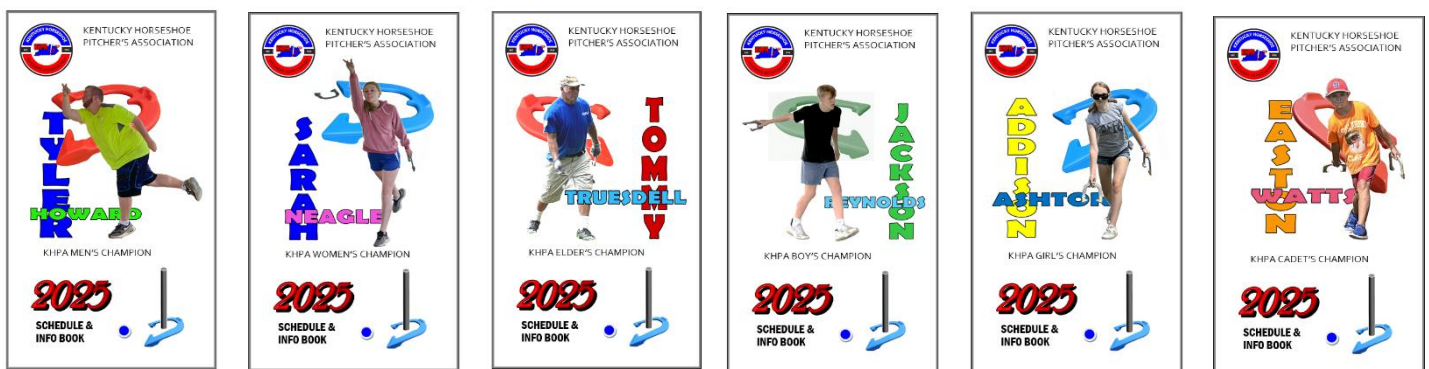
Watch The Action!

**SPECIAL
EDITION**

Battle At Shorty's!! As you hear me preach horseshoe pitching in the Schedule Book each year, I always include the phrase **"BE A FAN OF THE GAME!!"** By this I mean, take an interest in all the class and championship action being pitched. Root for your friends and cheer on your fellow club members. Watch the action, be a fan! So, in our last winter tournament at Shorty's, as the scoresheets started coming in, I noticed a good class battle shaping up between Mt. Vernon's Jackie Gleissner, Morehead's Janice Anderson & Bloomfield's Buddy Lampkin. Going into the final round of play in Class E, Gleissner, Anderson & Lampkin all only had one loss. In the final round Jackie pitched Buddy. Jackie jumped out to the lead at 18-4, but let Buddy back in the game after missing 10 straight shoes. Jackie battled back and had the lead at 43-36 with 4 shoes to go. Jackie could not connect and Buddy hit three out of four to take the win 45-43. Janice pitched Stoney and advanced to a playoff with Lampkin, winning against Stoney 45-19. The playoff match proved to be a really good game as Buddy got off to the early lead at 7-0. This spread would not increase any higher throughout the match as the lead swapped back and forth. It was tied at 50 shoes, 27 all. Buddy would prevail in the down and back with 4 points. This was so much fun to watch and it is what makes horseshoe competition fun!! Are you watching?? Don't miss a good game of horseshoes!



SCHEDULE BOOKS ARE OUT!



The 2025 Horseshoe Schedule books have been mailed! Thanks to Brad Rexroat for the print work. Hope you all enjoyed thumbing through them. Keep them, collect them, and use them! How about those Juniors!?!

Horseshoes On TV!

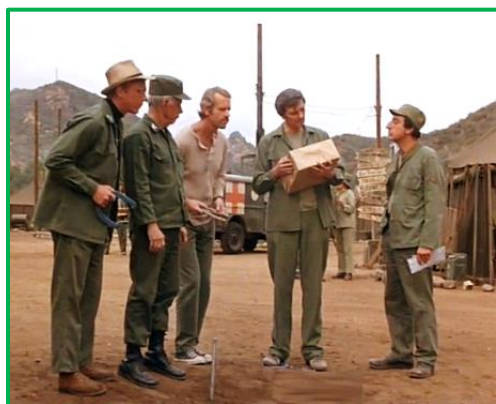
M*A*S*H

Season 10: Episode "Snap Judgement"

Col. Potter Quote: "I'm a leaner away from immortality!"



The horseshoe pitching scenes in this tv episode pick up right from the opening credits and lasts about two minutes. Several of the characters participate in the tossing and some are hamming it up just a bit on their delivery. This is mostly filler material with no real tie-in to the plotline. They appear to be using Royal horseshoes. MASH is available on DVD.



ECHPA LEAGUE



The ECHPA Sanctioned League will get off and running on April 22nd, Tuesday Night at 6:30PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend at least 15 minutes early to discuss the format. The Spring League will be singles and run for 10 weeks.

Added Memorials On Our Schedule

We had two tournaments on our 2025 Schedule that were added as first time Memorial Tournaments. These are the Brian Simmons Memorial and the Jim Gleissner Memorial.



After communicating with the Simmons and Gleissner families, we concluded that plaques as awards would be a good choice to honor the memory of Brian & Jim. I think this be a nice change of pace. These will be the only two events to present plaques. All other events will be trophies. I encourage everyone to attend if possible and have a good turnout to honor these two pitchers that had a true passion for the sport of horseshoes.

New Pitching Division, ELDER WOMEN

The Elder Women's Division inclusion was a rule change at the last World NHPA Membership Meeting.

Elder Women (become eligible to pitch in the Elders Division upon purchase of an NHPA card dated for the calendar year that they become sixty-five (65) years old) Elder Women may pitch from any place on either the extended or full distance platforms and shall observe the twenty foot (20') foul line.

We don't currently have any "Elder Women" on our roster but there may be some interest in the future.

Old School Stories

Millville legend, Britt Sanders, relays an old school story from a Millville Horseshoe Tournament when a player by the name of Joe Rice Sr. was winning his match handily until someone approached Rice, and asked him if he knew who he was pitching? He said "No, Who?" They informed him he was pitching against the State Champion, Howard Hamilton! Rice never scored another point and lost the match! (About 1970.)

RINGER BLINGERS



PAINT YOUR HORSESHOES CONTEST

Adults & Kids Combined

Paint Your Shoes Ringer Blingers!

Entry Deadline April 3rd, 2025

PRIZE
1st PLACE
New Pair of Horseshoes!

How to Enter:
Submit a picture of your two painted horseshoes on the KHPA Facebook Page or send to Robert Taylor at retaylor@nctc.com

EVENT RULES

- Open to all non-officer KHPA current members.
- One entry per member.
- One pair (2 horseshoes) must be painted.
- Shoes must be pitch-ready (nothing can fall off if pitched).
- Judging criteria include originality, creativity, and overall impression.
- Judged by Officers & Guest Panel.

Contact Information
For more information, contact Karen Meredith on Facebook

Painting contest reminder. Great contest idea from Karen Meredith! Get creative! Send in your entries to Robert Taylor or Karen Meredith. Way back in 2011 I stencil painted some Rockin' and Ringin' wording on my shoes. Paula Johnson, favors the orange and white stripes. Ricky Bell, was once a candy striper painter and Brian Sims has currently been coming up with some interesting stuff. Paint! Paint! Paint!



PRAYERS NEEDED

The Howard Family is going through a rough time right now and they are in need of prayers for the health of Brenda. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers daily in this time of concern.



Health Recoveries



We want to wish Frank Chaney well as he continues to recover from surgery from earlier this winter.

Charlie Meredith is now back home after a lengthy hospital stay, recovering from a broken hip and cardiology issues. The last report was that Charlie has tossed his walker and his looking to get back into horseshoe shape!

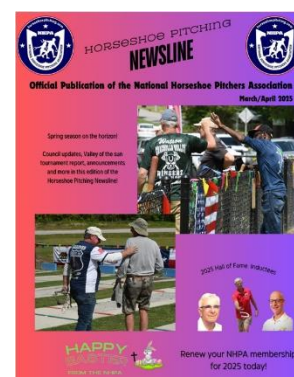
Phil Douglas has been recovering from knee replacement surgery. Phil is also doing well, eager to "kick some horseshoe butt", when well.

NHPA NEW MEMBER PRIZE

The NHPA is running a New Member Prize Pack drawing to be held on September 1st. If you refer a new member to join the NHPA and they attend one tournament, you can be eligible for the drawing. Links to enter can be found in the latest edition of NHPA Newsline.

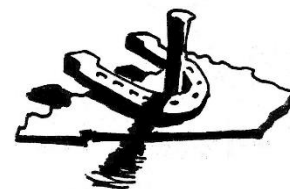
Found on the NHPA Website.

Scroll to Newsline/Media, then 2025- March April Edition.



KHPA LOGO HISTORY

Let's Take a look at various logos used Throughout the history of the KHPA. This old School horseshoe on state logo (right), was used in some of the KHPA's earliest newsletters, In 1970-1972. Jake Jacobs recalls that this logo was likely created by a lady named Barbara Burch. Jake says she helped type up and copy those early newsletters and was very creative. In the 1990's and early 2000's this logo was used on league shirts, worn by the Millville horseshoe club.



This simple horseshoe with interior wording was used During the mid to late 1970's and reappeared in use during the late 1980's. This logo and the ringers/stake logo was sometimes used in the same publication during the late 80's. Used by John Hankins.



This unique and interesting "k" logo was used on all official KHPA newsletters in 1981 and early into 1982. Joe Minnich was Secretary/Treasurer during this time frame.



This horseshoes, stake and lettering combination was used for the remainder of 1982. This model was adjusted to the horseshoes, stake and lettering now in the round circle around the stake, seen at right. This adjusted logo was used throughout publications from 1983-1985 but both logos would also reappear at various times through 1990.



This "court" style logo was created by Randy Hankins. It appears to have been used sparingly. It appears on info and stat books from 1992-1995.

The logo to the right was created by Robert Taylor in 1999 and has been used Consistently In the KHPA for the last 25 years. It has been seen in newsletters, on shirts, the website, round robin cards, and other KHPA materials.



The KHPA logo was upgraded with a nice wrap provided by Ronnie Meredith in 2024, using KHPA colors and our earliest known State Championship tournament date. It was also used on all 2024 materials in 2024 and beyond.

As a fun little quirk to keep our trophies interesting, I may include one Of these retros logo in the trophies at our one of our oldest sites such As Millville. Used sparingly, it can make that trophy hard to win!

