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Commentary:

Jim Link

ost Memorable Games, continues to be a hit. In this issue is the account of Herb Crisis's 'Perfect Game', that happened with an assist from Stan Speers, told by Stan himself. We're all waiting to hear from each of you, an account of your 'Most Memorable Game'. Send Shoes News a letter, an email, or get on the telephone and tell us about your "Most Memorable Game". Let's hear from you.

Interesting to all of us who work to find ways to increase our averages is what those who achieved success did that gave them the edge. Henry Knauft for example had the smoothest, most consistent almost effortless delivery that took him to the top of our game in those years when to be a top pitcher meant sustaining a ringer average of nearly 80%. Several of us have wanted to see him pitch one more time. We had that opportunity at the Northwest Open last year. Henry only threw a few shoes but for several of us who were watching, it made a difference.

Art Sperber's comment in May's 'Most Memorable Games' "I was loose and relaxed" is another bit of information that all of us can use that will improve our game. I remember Peter Clark saying "I was in a zone" after pitching a game of nearly 90% when I was first introduced to horseshoe pitching. If we can relax and remind ourselves to stay loose, that can make a difference.

And it's also remarkable how top pitchers can block out distractions. "I don't see anything that happens behind the stake" is a quote from a World Champion. Most of us wish we could say "It doesn't bother me" when someone walks behind the stake or other distractions occur, but few are wired that way. It's best not to make an issue out of it but those who consistently forget to extend that courtesy to others need to be reminded that they are creating a distraction.

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2008 WSHPA State Champions

Men **Don Davis** Women **Carol Sperber**Elder **Mr. Tricky** Jr Boy **Matt Fuller**Jr. Girl **Kati Reeves**

Doubles Champions 2008 Bob Clark Phyl Quist







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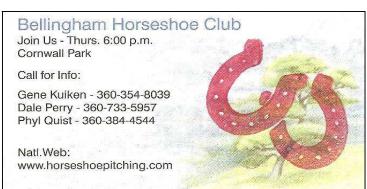
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Ok where do I start? It is Tuesday afternoon and I have had a day to think about the tournament in Goldendale. I guess... first, I would like everyone to think about this. On Tuesday before

the tournament a young eighteen-year-old young man that I had been around since he was in kindergarten, died. Over the years, I coached him in baseball, flag football, and soccer. I saw him often at the high school where my son and daughter go to school. I watched him play football on the team with my son for 5 years. He was always polite saying, "Hi Mr. Davis", when we would cross paths. Well, he was driving on that Tuesday and made a fatal mistake. I wasn't really close with him, but was so saddened by the news that he had been killed. Therefore, my point would be to think about WHAT IS IM-PORTANT. Is it where the clothespin is on the scoreboard, the noise around the horseshoe courts, or is it the time we share while we play a game that brings us all together?

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Remember Ken and Beth Carvo in your prayers. It is a difficult time for both of them coping with health issues.

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Many of us over 50, WAY over 50, or on the way to 50 are quite confused about how we should present ourselves.

We're unsure about the kind of image we are projecting and whether or not we are correct as we try to conform to current fashion. In spite of what you may have seen on the streets, the following combinations DO NOT go together and should be avoided:

- 1. A nose ring and bifocals
- 2.. Spiked hair and bald spots
- 3. A pierced tongue and dentures
- 4. Miniskirts and support hose
- 5. Ankle bracelets and corn pads
- 6. Speedo's and cellulite
- 7. A belly button ring and a gall bladder surgery
- 8. Unbuttoned disco shirts and a heart monitor
- 9. Midriff shirts and a midriff bulge
- 10. Pierced nipples that hang below the waist
- 11. Bikinis and liver spots.
- 12. Short shorts and varicose veins.
- 13. Inline skates and a walker...

And the ultimate 'Bad Taste' in fashion for the older folks.....

14. Thongs and Depends.

Please keep these basic guidelines foremost in your mind when you shop.



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WSHPA website

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for the Web Page

You can see and download the WSHPA schedule, rules and bylaws, a WSHPA entry form, read Shoes News and see lots of other information on the website. The website is growing.

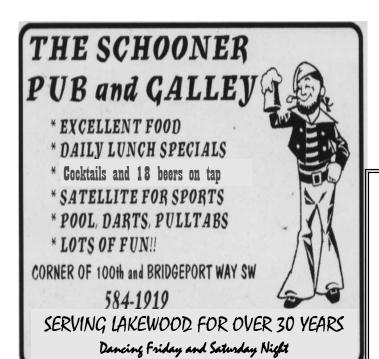
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Uniforms

Following are the regulations for uniforms to be used in all National Tournaments as adopted at St. Petersburg, Fla., Tuesday, Feb. 5, 1929:

"Each uniform shall consist of shirt and trousers or knickers, and white hose. A cap or hat is also suggested. The trousers or knickers to be made of white duck, with two black stripes down the outside seam of each leg. The stripes to be onefourth inch wide and to be placed one-half inch apart, the entire length of the trousers or knickers, starting at the belt above and down on e side of each front pocket. One stripe to be on each side of the opening of the pocket.

The trousers to be with or without cuffs at the bottom. The shirt to be of a good grade of white broadcloth to cost not less than two dollars. A double stripe of onefourth inch bias black tape, same as on the trousers leg to be placed around the cuff of each sleeve. Also a horseshoe, or still better, an emblem of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association made in the shape of a horseshoe, must be, sewed on the shirt on the left breast just above the heart."



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Date: June 13th

Entry Deadline: Thursday June 11th 9:00PM

Check In Time: 9:00AM

Starting Time: 9:30AM

Games: 40 Point Cancellation Mixed Classes

Entry Fees: \$15.00

Where: Skagit Riverside Park

Directions: I-5 Exit #229, East on George Hopper Rd, left at light (S. Burlington Blvd), right at next light (Pease Rd). After crossing RR tracks 1st. Right (Whitmarsh Rd). Courts on left, about 2 blocks.

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Wilkommen to Odessa Courts are at the back of Finney Field

HOW TO PITCH RINGERS (Continued on Page 6)

Author Unknown

There was a day when a lucky ringer along with a few points would win a horseshoe game. This is still true at many family reunions and company picnics. In tournament competition it is a different story though. A player who is interested in winning at any level of competition, and more particularly one who is interested in becoming a tournament champion will have to learn how to throw ringers with regularity.

Phase one: the mechanics of pitching a ringer

1. Select a brand of shoe. Any one of the 40+ brands on the market most listed in the NHPA sales brochure will work. If you have access to all brands you may choose one because some aspect of the shoe appeals to you more than another. The size of your hand may cause you to choose a wide shank or a narrow one. Gripping the shoe on or near the calk might cause you to choose a shoe with slopping calks.

Once you have decided to pitch a certain shoe, give it a good trial before going to another brand. The shoes are balanced differently and you cannot get a shoe to work for you unless you give it adequate time.

2. Wear comfortable clothing. It is important that you wear comfortable clothing whether you are practicing or playing tournaments. The shoes on your feet should be comfortable and have soles that will grip the surface on which you are to stand. The shirt should have roomy shoulders so that there will be no binding or skin irritation. There should be no loose ends flapping in front of the arms and legs.

EVERETT OPEN STATE AND NATIONAL SANCTIONED

DATE: JUNE 6, 2009 SITE: Forest Park, E

Forest Park, Everett, WA
NOTE CHANGE IN DIRECTIONS

DIRECTIONS: Take I-5 to Everett. From the **North**: take the 41st St. Exit. (Exit 192)

and go west (turn right). From the **South:** take the **new** 41st St. exit (just past the exit for Broadway) now on the right side of the freeway and go west (turn left). Follow Mukilteo signs. Park is 8/10 mile from freeway exit.

is 8/10 mile from freeway exit.

CHECK IN TIME: 8:30 A.M.

STARTING TIME: 9:00 A.M.

ENTRY DEADLINE: Thursday, June 4, 2009@ 9:00 PM

ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 juniors free but must notify intent to pitch.

GAME TYPE: 40 point cancellation or 40 shoes.

Plaque system and cash.

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(425) 481-5499 Cell Phone: (206)948-1902 NOTE: The Brumfield Open in October has been can-

celled.

3. Choose a grip and a turn. Choosing a grip is one of the most important steps you will take on the road to pitching ringers. When you choose a grip you are also deciding which turn you will use.

The same grip can be used for more than one turn. For example, the most common grip is the 1-1/4. This grip can be used for the reverse 3/4 or the reverse 1-1/4. The second most popular grip is the 1-3/4. This can also be used for the 3/4 and the reverse 1-3/4. The third is a flip of one revolution. This can also be used for multiple flips.

If you are just beginning it is recommended that you adopt either the 1-1/4 or the 1-3/4 turns. However, if you are already using some other turn and have confidence it, you must decide for yourself whether you will try to make it work or change to another turn. any type of pitch is permitted by the rules and most will work.

If you happen to be close to one of the top pitchers there is some wisdom in adopting their turn. They have mastered it and will be able to teach you how to throw it.

- **4. Adopt a stance**; just where you stand at the start of your step will depend on the length of your stride. Stand so that the step will carry the front foot almost to the foul line. If you have a short stride stand even with the stake. If you have a long stride back up as far as you must to avoid stepping on the foul line.
- **5.** Compete regularly. Once you have mastered the art of throwing ringers you need to compete regularly to keep your competitive edge. Pitching on top of double ringers knowing that each miss will put three points on the scoreboard for your opponent makes a difference. Adjusting to the speed of your opponent is also different from practice, where the tempo of the pitching is entirely up to





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Stan Speer's

Looking back through my old records
I found my most memorable games
of horseshoes. It was at the Northwest
Open in Yakima on Sept. 17, 1994.

In those days I was pitching better than I am now. I went in at 59.47% average but didn't do that well that day. Good thing I kept records as

my memory is pretty poor.

I was playing Herb Criss on court #1. He was then the state champion. Herb hadn't missed a ringer till the last throw. First one went on perfectly. The second one hit the stake but bounced back off about 6 inches and landed a little cockeyed. I told Herb "no problem, I'll put it back on". He said "no way".

My first, low and hard, knocked it up a couple of inches and straightened it up. My second low and hard, hit it perfect to put it back on, giving Herb 100%. He said this was his first perfect game.

I didn't feel bad a bit about getting skunked.

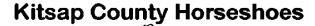
"Most Memorable Games".

6. Make plans and keep records. While it is not necessary to make foolproof plans and to keep records in detail, it is beneficial to do a reasonable amount of both. Making a long range plan to compete in certain events will help you overall attitude. Keeping track of your ringer's percentage will tell you when you are up or down and at what rate of improvement you are progressing for any given period of time. It is helpful to keep a record of your practice because it helps you to bear down and creates a certain game like pressure.



- **7. Correct mistakes immediately.** The great ones only make a mistake once. They correct it on the very next pitch. On your way through the first phase of pitching you have learned every detail about your pitch. You know how to increase or decrease the turn and the distance and adjust the alignment of the shoe. How often do you hear a pitcher say, "My shoe has been turning past the stake all day"? Why didn't that pitcher adjust his turn to slow it down?
- **8. Confidence.** No pitcher is complete until they build up confidence in themselves. This confidence comes only when they put together all parts of their game. There will always be physical differences in ability, age, and experience of competitors which affect the peak performance each one can produce. Each person must determine how far their own abilities will take them and base their quest for confidence on their own capability.

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Odessa Spring Fling

4/25/2009

| Class A 30' | W/L | T % | HG% | Class A 40' | W/L | T% | H/G% |
|------------------|-----|-------|-------|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|
| Mr. Tricky | 5/0 | 60.65 | 72.73 | Earl Hertlein * | 4.5/1.5 | 31.92 | 42.00 |
| Les Myers | 4/1 | 47.06 | 54.17 | Larry Getts * | 3.5/2.5 | 32.22 | 36.00 |
| Russ Phillips | 3/2 | 49.20 | 59.52 | Ron Heutink | 3/2 | 24.58 | 30.00 |
| Hollis Morris | 2/3 | 38.74 | 46.00 | Hans Rasmussen | 2/3 | 32.00 | 36.00 |
| Monty McLaughlin | 1/4 | 40.52 | 43.75 | Harold Boyer | 2/3 | 30.97 | 47.22 |
| Dave Goodwin | 0/5 | 23.68 | 32.00 | Orlean Clinton | 1/4 | 26.40 | 30.00 |

| Mixed Class B | W/L | I % | HG% |
|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|
| Charlie Tapper | 3/2 | 27.54 | 32.61 |
| Loren Totusek | 3/2 | 23.31 | 29.55 |
| Cliff Dunbar | 2.5/2.5 | 24.58 | 36.96 |
| Michael Watcher | 2.5/2.5 | 22.92 | 32.50 |
| Jeff Saunders | 0/5 | 13.39 | 20.00 |
| | | | |

| Mixed Class C | W/L | T % | HG% |
|-------------------|-----|------------|-------|
| Chris Poe | 4/0 | 13.50 | 16.00 |
| Cindy Reeves | 2/2 | 14.00 | 22.00 |
| Sharon McLaughlin | 2/2 | 12.50 | 20.00 |
| Ralph Barnett | 2/2 | 7.00 | 12.00 |
| Cindy Bell | 0/4 | 4.00 | 6.00 |

 Junior B
 W/L
 T%
 HG%

 Kaiti Reeves
 4/1
 22.33
 27.50

9. Pressure. Every pitcher is plagued by pressure. There is no better way to combat pressure than to be ready ahead of time. If a person is in good physical con-

dition, has a healthy mental attitude, and has the confidence in their game, they have half the battle won before it gets under way.

01-09-010

Snipes Mt. Open WA

5/09/2009

| Class A 30' | W/L | T % | HG% | Class A 40' | W/L | T% | H/G% | Mixed Class B | W/L | T % | HG% |
|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|----------------|-----|-------|-------|------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Russ Phillips | 6/0 | 62.12 | 69.05 | Don Davis | 6/0 | 58.28 | 70.59 | Orlean Clinton | 6/0 | 43.38 | 46.00 |
| Mr. Tricky | 5/1 | 59.27 | 75.00 | Paul Quam | 4/2 | 48.78 | 55.56 | Edward Ludwig | 5/1 | 45.19 | 61.36 |
| Nick Piva | 4/2 | 60.36 | 71.43 | Jim Link | 4/2 | 44.92 | 65.79 | Paul Tutewiler | 4/2 | 49.21 | 72.73 |
| Les Myers | 3/3 | 53.79 | 76.92 | Ray Powell | 4/2 | 42.86 | 54.17 | Monty McLaughlin | 3/3 | 36.52 | 46.00 |
| Blanca Hettinga | 2/4 | 48.03 | 58.33 | Gene Kuiken | 2/4 | 44.85 | 53.13 | Phyllis Quist | 2/4 | 34.25 | 38.00 |
| Ron Smith | 1/5 | 41.27 | 53.33 | Stan Speers | 1/5 | 35.51 | 39.47 | Dave Goodwin | 1/5 | 27.17 | 40.00 |
| Hollis Morris | 0/6 | 36.00 | 39.66 | Ron McLaughlin | 0/6 | 30.97 | 41.18 | Jon Turnbull | 0/6 | 23.68 | 28.00 |

| Mixed Class C | W/L | T% | HG% | Mixed Class D | W/L | T% | HG% |
|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Michael Watcher | 6/0 | 30.00 | 46.67 | Dave Dow | 3/2 | 25.43 | 34.00 |
| Charlie Tapper | 3/3 | 30.21 | 41.30 | Terry Fahlenkamp | 3/2 | 18.60 | 22.00 |
| Larry Getts | 3/3 | 27.82 | 37.50 | Jim Quist | 2/3 | 19.40 | 35.00 |
| Cliff Dunbar | 3/3 | 23.70 | 32.00 | Riley Bonds | 1/4 | 15.42 | 26.00 |
| Carol Bonds | 1/5 | 21.77 | 31.25 | Richard Fahlenk- | 1/4 | 9.83 | 14.00 |
| Rob Hettinga | 0/6 | 13.83 | 20.00 | | | | |

| | Mixed Class D | W/L | T % | HG% |
|---|-----------------|-----|------------|-------|
| | Gene Wertman | 2/2 | 11.00 | 14.00 |
| _ | Chris Poe | 2/2 | 6.00 | 10.00 |
| | Cindy Reeves | 1/3 | 10.50 | 14.00 |
| | Sharon McLaugh- | 1/3 | 10.00 | 16.00 |
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| Junior A | W/L | T % | HG% |
|---------------|-----|------------|-------|
| Truman Hopper | 5/1 | 33.22 | 45.83 |

| Junior B | W/L | T% | HG% |
|--------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Kaiti Reeves | 5/0 | 22.03 | 40.00 |

| Junior C | W/L | T% | HG% |
|---------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Reuban Hopper | 4/0 | 14.50 | 20.00 |

One must try to relax and this is doubly difficult in horseshoe pitching since it is a game of such intense and constant concentration. Pressure is a state of mind which can overcome a player to the point where their nerves and muscles do not respond normally and the result is a sub par performance. Some way must be found to free the mind from these shackles and different players employ different methods. Some think of their own game and are able to ignore all outside interference. Others will count to themselves, or think of snowcapped mountains. Anything that will work for you is the thing to use. When you find a formula that will work every time, write it down you will be able to sell it to every pitcher in the world.

10. Waste no practice: Never pitch less than you can pitch. Never practice without concentrating. Bad practice will develop bad habits that will be repeated in games. If you are not mentally ready to concentrate, don't practice. (Continued on Page 8)





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| Mixed Class B | W/L | T% | H/G% |
|---------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Mr. Tricky | 5/0 | 69.34 | 74.14 |
| Russ Phillips | 4/1 | 65.08 | 72.73 |
| Don Davis | 3/2 | 60.75 | 76.47 |
| Les Myers | 2/3 | 56.45 | 65.91 |
| Paul Quam | 1/4 | 52.50 | 69.57 |

| Mixed Class E | W/L | T% | HG% |
|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Blanca Hettinga | 5/1 | 49.59 | 60.71 |
| Stan Speers | 3/3 | 41.26 | 50.00 |
| Ray Powell | 3/3 | 38.96 | 50.00 |
| Jim Link | 3/3 | 38.75 | 46.88 |
| Phyllis Quist | 3/3 | 37.42 | 44.00 |
| Paul Tutewiler | 2/4 | 41.50 | 52.78 |
| Gene Kuiken | 2/4 | 41.38 | 50.00 |





Monasmith Open

| Mixed Class B | W/L | T% | H/G% |
|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Blanca Hettinga | 5/1 | 49.59 | 60.71 |
| Stan Speers | 3/3 | 41.26 | 50.00 |
| Ray Powell | 3/3 | 38.96 | 50.00 |
| Jim Link | 3/3 | 38.75 | 46.88 |
| Phyllis Quist | 2/4 | 37.42 | 44.00 |
| Paul Tutewiler | 2/4 | 41.50 | 52.78 |
| Gene Kuiken | 2/4 | 41.38 | 50.00 |

| Mixed Class E | W/L | T % | HG% |
|-------------------|-----|------------|-------|
| Terry Fahlenkamp | 5/1 | 18.26 | 30.00 |
| Chris Poe | 4/2 | 11.67 | 15.00 |
| Richard Fahlenk- | 3/3 | 13.75 | 27.50 |
| Riley Bonds | 3/3 | 11.25 | 17.50 |
| Cindy Reeves | 2/4 | 12.08 | 17.50 |
| Jim Quist | 2/4 | 10.43 | 17.50 |
| Sharon McLaughlin | 2/4 | 9.58 | 20.00 |

5/10/09

| Mixed Class C | W/ | T % | HG% |
|------------------|-----|------------|-------|
| | L | | |
| Orlean Clinton | 6/0 | 40.40 | 46.67 |
| Monty McLaughlin | 4/2 | 39.42 | 50.00 |
| Edward Ludwig | 4/2 | 39.29 | 46.00 |
| Ron McLaughlin | 3/3 | 36.67 | 42.00 |
| Gerald Stangland | 3/3 | 34.06 | 44.00 |
| Larry Getts | 1/5 | 34.01 | 38.00 |
| Jon Turnbull | 0/6 | 21.37 | 32.00 |

It will do more harm than good. Less practice will be needed than when you were learning. But you will never reach a stage where no practice is needed.

11. Goals. The only goal worth setting is to do the best you can. It is a mistake to set a target which you intend to reach or else. There is no use to grieve over past tournaments, but it is fine to profit from past mistakes, look forward to your next tournament.

01-09-012

Memorial Day Open

Jesus

| Mixed Class A | W/L | T % | HG% |
|---------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Russ Phillips | 5/0 | 69.26 | 75.93 |
| Mr. Tricky | 3/2 | 62.20 | 66.67 |
| Carol Sperber | 3/2 | 62.11 | 71.15 |
| Art Sperber | 3/2 | 57.72 | 73.08 |
| Don Davis | 1/4 | 58.94 | 66.67 |
| Paul Quam | 0/6 | 47.25 | 62.50 |
| | - | | |

| Mixed Class D | W/L | T% | HG% |
|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Vic Magnus | 4/1 | 31.20 | 42.00 |
| Charlie Tapper | 3/2 | 25.20 | 34.00 |
| Michael Watcher | 2/3 | 32.00 | 38.00 |
| Carol Bonds | 2/3 | 27.20 | 32.00 |
| Jeanette McCarthy | 2/3 | 27.20 | 44.00 |

| Junior A | W/L | T % | HG% |
|--------------|---------|------------|-------|
| Kaiti Reeves | 2/3 | 30.40 | 38.00 |
| Junior B | W/L | T % | HG% |
| Deanna Boyle | 3.5/1.5 | 22.80 | 28.00 |
| Junior B | W/L | T % | HG% |
| Kyler Magnus | 1/3 | 10.00 | 16.00 |

| Mixed Class B | W/L | T % | H/G% |
|-----------------|-----|------------|-------|
| Blanca Hettinga | 5/0 | 61.43 | 70.83 |
| Ray Powell | 3/2 | 47.25 | 53.57 |
| Vey Allen | 3/2 | 42.54 | 52.63 |
| Orlean Clinton | 2/3 | 42.86 | 54.55 |
| Hollis Morris | 2/3 | 36.84 | 47.22 |
| Jim Link | 0/5 | 30.00 | 37.04 |

| Mixed Class E | W/L | T % | HG% |
|------------------|---------|------------|-------|
| Dave Dow | 4/1 | 27.20 | 34.00 |
| Rob Hettinga | 3.5/1.5 | 26.00 | 36.00 |
| Terry Fahlenkamp | 2/3 | 20.40 | 28.00 |
| Riley Bonds | 2/3 | 15.60 | 22.00 |
| Kathy Wertman | 0/5 | 11.20 | 18.00 |

| | Mixed Class C | W/L | T% | HG% |
|---|------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| 1 | Monty McLaughlin | 5/0 | 47.18 | 56.67 |
| 1 | John McCarthy | 4/1 | 35.85 | 57.14 |
| 1 | Larry Getts | 2/3 | 37.84 | 46.00 |
| 1 | Gerald Stangland | 2/3 | 34.25 | 43.42 |
| 1 | Bob Hummell | 1/4 | 37.06 | 48.28 |
| 1 | Dave Goodwin | 1/4 | 32.85 | 41.07 |
| | Bob Hummell | 1/4 | 37.06 | 48.2 |

| Mixed Class F | W/L | T% | HG% |
|------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Chris Poe | 4/0 | 13.50 | 18.00 |
| Gene Wertman | 3/1 | 8.50 | 12.00 |
| Richard Fahlenk- | 1/3 | 12.00 | 16.00 |
| amp | | | |
| Sharon | 1/3 | 11.00 | 20.00 |
| | | | |

Don Titcomb, formerly of the San Jose Club, now a resident in Florida, won the World Championship in 1960 in Muncie, Indiana. Although he was only 35 years old he had been pitching horseshoes for 23 years. During most of those 23 years he had aimed for the title. Winning the world title takes more than the ability to throw ringers. It takes physical endurance, mental temperament, some luck, and an absolute refusal to yield to pressure. It took Don six hours of pitching a day for six consecutive days to win the

tournament, 2878 shoes and 2443 ringers. Getting ready for the championship was no accident. Don Titcomb spends three months in training for a world championship tournament, gradually building up his strength. He throws a hundred shoes a day for the first month. He increases the pace to 200 a month for the second month, and the last month averages 300 to 400. Then there follows a week's rest before the big event.

The strain of competition is so great that each year Don says, "never again." In 1958 and 1959 he was second. Each year he returned, however, until he won the dream title. Once that goal was achieved he relaxed. Don has remained active in the game, winning the 1967 California state title, the Worlds Intermediate Championship and the 1995 World Senior Championship.

(Continued in July)

Russ Phillips

Pitching For



And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily as to the Lord and not unto men

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| Top Ten Tournament Pitcher of the year 5 points each tournament 5 points each win 3 points each tie 1 point each loss | Tulip Open | Columbia basin open | Odessa Spring Fling | Snipes Mt. Open | | Memorial Day Open | Total |
|---|------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----|-------------------|-------|
| Mr. Tricky | 22 | 40 | 30 | 31 | 30 | 22 | 175 |
| Charlie Tapper | 31 | 34 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 22 | 156 |
| Larry Getts | 22 | 38 | 25 | 23 | 15 | 18 | 141 |
| Orlean Clinton | 18 | 11 | 14 | 35 | 35 | 18 | 131 |
| Monty McLaughlin | | 27 | 15 | 23 | 27 | 30 | 122 |
| Michael Watcher | | 23 | 20 | 35 | 24 | 18 | 120 |
| Russ Phillips | | | 22 | 35 | 26 | 30 | 113 |
| Terry Fahlenkamp | | 33 | | 22 | 31 | 18 | 104 |
| Gerald Stangland | 30 | 28 | | | 23 | 18 | 99 |
| Ray Powell | | 27 | | 27 | 23 | 22 | 99 |

Spokane Open

Date: June 6, 2009 Place: Spokane

Entry Deadline: Thursday June

4, 9:00 PM

Check In Time: 8:30am

Start Time: 9:00am

Entry Fee: \$15.00 juniors free but

must register

Scorekeepers: 50 cents

Call or Mail to: **Cindy Reeves**

509 217 1576

Enjoy a two day pitch...call Glen Wessel
@ 208 667 3668 to pitch
at Coeure D' Elaine on the 7th



Fathoms O Fun Tournament

unsanctioned

South Kitsap Park Port Orchard, WA Jackson and Lund Ave June 27, 2009 Sat check in 830am start about 900am cost \$15.00

play will be based on 30 shoe count all
All will end up with handicap and will determine
who winners are.

Will be open for public.
Refreshments Provided for both tournaments

Kitsap Memorial Open

Sanctioned

June 28, 2009 check in 830 am start at 900am cost 15.00 jrs notify if pitching

mixed classes, 40 pts/40 shoes depending on en-

tries

scorekeepers .50 per person Contact Bonnie Lewis (360)876-1055

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| World | Tournament | Prize List | 2009 |
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| | Championship Classes | | | | | | _ | Class Play | | | | | |
|--------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------|-------|----------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|----------|
| 1 | | | Sr. | | | | Sr. | | | | | - | |
| Place | | Women | | Elders | - | Girls | Women | Cadets | Place | 12 | 14 | 16 | |
| 1 | \$4,000 | | | \$1,500 | | \$600 | \$800 | \$300 | 1 | \$500 | \$500 | \$500 | |
| 2 | \$2,500 | | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$400 | \$400 | \$500 | \$200 | 2 | \$250 | \$275 | \$275 | |
| 3 | \$1,800 | \$1,800 | \$750 | \$750 | \$300 | \$300 | \$400 | \$150 | 3 | \$150 | \$200 | \$200 | |
| 4 | \$1,240 | \$1,240 | \$600 | \$600 | \$270 | \$270 | \$300 | \$135 | 4 | \$125 | \$150 | \$175 | |
| 5 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$500 | \$500 | \$230 | \$230 | \$250 | | 5 | | \$125 | \$150 | |
| 6 | \$800 | \$800 | \$400 | \$400 | \$200 | \$200 | \$200 | | 6 | | Ţ\$ | \$125 | |
| 7 | \$600 | \$600 | \$350 | \$350 | \$180 | | \$175 | | | | | Ψ120 | |
| 8 | \$500 | \$500 | \$320 | \$320 | \$160 | | \$150 | | | | | | |
| 9 | \$450 | \$450 | \$300 | \$300 | \$140 | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | \$400 | \$400 | \$280 | \$280 | \$120 | | | | | \$1,025 | \$1.250 9 | 1.425 | |
| 11 | \$360 | \$360 | \$260 | \$260 | \$110 | | | | _ | * ',' | ., | | |
| 12 | \$320 | \$320 | \$240 | \$240 | \$100 | | | | | RRIS HC | | KENNEWICK | Е |
| 13 | \$280 | \$280 | | | | | | | | ILLIPS R | | | Е |
| 14 | \$240 | \$240 | | | | | | | | ERBER A | | BREMERTON | E |
| 15 | \$220 | \$220 | | | | | | | | ICKY MR | | MONROE | Е |
| 16 | \$200 | \$200 | | | | | | | | TEWILEI LLER M <i>A</i> | | SUMNER V LEBUM | E JB |
| 17 | \$180 | \$180 | | | | | | | | PPER RE | | KENNEWICK | JВ |
| 18 | \$170 | \$170 | | | | | | | | PPER TR | | KENNEWICK | JВ |
| 19 | \$160 | \$160 | | | | | | | | EVES KA | | SPOKANE | JG |
| 20 | \$150 | \$150 | | | | | | | CL | INTON O | RLEAN | BURIEN | M |
| | | | | | | | | | | VIS DON | | AUBURN | M |
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| Totals | \$15,570 | \$15,570 | \$6,500 | \$6,500 | \$2,810 | \$2,000 | \$2,775 | \$785 | | ISTAND | | PORT ORCHARD | |
| | | | | | • | • | • | | | ERBER C | | BREMERTON | SW |
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Prize List and WA entrants into the 2009 World Tournament



While visiting the Land of Lincoln, the Show-Me State invites you to "Cross over the Bridge" and visit the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association Hall of Fame. After you tour the Hall of Fame and the Jack Freeman Memorial Plaza you will want to enter into the very exciting and interesting and interesting tournament co-sponsored by the NHPA and the Quail Ridge Horseshoe Club. Contact Joe Faron 314-704 082.









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The names of WA pitchers who are going to World, are in this issue. 19 pitchers are making their way to Springfield. We wish them the best. Although Matt wasn't up to his game at Yakima, late word is that he is practicing, and has pitched some games in the nineties.



It's gratifying that the WSHPA has programs that help Juniors with financing on their trips to World. Expectations are that Matt has a very good chance to pull out a top finish in Springfield this year. If we could put together a substantial sponsorship for Matt, in addition to the WSHPA funds, that would make a statement of support and appreciation for the work and dedication that Matt and his parents have given us. Let's work on it.



Orlean Clinton is working on Matt's behalf through his VFW club. They are raising money through the sale of poppies. Way to go Orlean, you have provided a path for some of us to follow.

In the mail this morning, is a surprise from the City of Goldendale. For the use of the courts at E'Kone Park, (that were put in by yours truly with the help of donated materials and labor) is a bill for \$50 plus campers fees.

We will have words with the City Council about the \$50 use fee, but I did forget to mention to those of you who camped in the park that there was a \$10 per night camping fee which I did not collect.

Would those who camped at E'Kone park at the Memorial Day Open, please send me a check? Thank you in advance.

| | Men | Women | Associate | Associate w/Shoes News | Junior | Lifetime w/Shoes News |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| NHPA Dues and Insurance | \$17.00 | \$17.00 | -0- | | \$5.00 | \$17.00 |
| WSHPA Dues including Newsletter | \$20.00 | \$20.00 | \$3.00 | \$13.00 | \$1.00 | \$15.00- |
| Total | \$37.00 | \$37.00 | \$3.00 | \$13.00 | \$6.00 | \$32.00 |

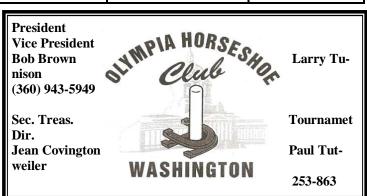
| ` . | | (Pitcher over 70 years. Must notify Margaret.) |
|---|------------------------|--|
| Please send completed form along with your | annual dues to: | WSHPA Treasurer |
| Margaret Byfield | | |
| 17040 Brunswick | | |
| Mt. Vernon WA 98273 | | ake Check Payable toWSHPA. |
| | Check if Associate Mem | |
| Name | | Date of Birth |
| Spouse's Name | | Date of Birth |
| Address | E | mail Address |
| City | Zip | Tel |
| Pitching Catagory (check one) | • | |
| 40' man | | Summary of your payment: |
| Less than 40' man | | Associate Dues |
| Woman | | Pitchers Dues |
| Jr. Boy* | | Newsline Subscription |
| Jr. Girl* | | Total |
| * 18 th Birthdate in 2007 or younger | | |

WSHPA 2009 Tournament Schedule

Entry Deadline Thursday at 9:00 PM prior to the tournament unless otherwise noted.

| June 06 | Everett Open / Forest Park / Everett | John Alexander | 425-481-5499 |
|--------------|--|------------------|--------------|
| June 06 | Spokane Open | Cindy Reeves | 509-217-1576 |
| June 12 Fri. | Bellingham Community Tourn - Unsanctioned | Phyl Quist | 360-384-4544 |
| June 13 | Strawberry Open /Skagit Riverside Pk./Burlington | Margaret Byfield | 360-424-3642 |
| June 20-21 | Oregon Money Open/Weber Field/Hermiston, OR | Rick Rebman | 541-567-8560 |
| June 27 | Inland Empire Open | Cindy Reeves | 509-217-1576 |
| June 27 | Fathoms O'Fun/So. Kitsap Pk/Pt. Orchard Unsanct | Bonnie Lewis | 360-876-1055 |
| June 28 | Kitsap Memorial /So. Kitsap C Pk/Pt. Orchard | Bonnie Lewis | 360-876-1055 |
| July 11 | Seattle Open /Woodland Park / Seattle | Norm Hansen | 206-365-6521 |
| July 18 | Lakefair Open / Yauger Park / Olympia | Paul Tutewiler | 253-863-3322 |





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