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## President's Reflections



May 29, 2023 is Memorial Day. It is the one day set aside to honor those who have died defending our country and everyone else who has served or is currently serving. We are so blessed to live in the United States of America. Our country is not perfect and never will be but we have freedom and we strive for liberty and justice for all. I am proud to join with you as we pledge allegiance to the flag, Old Glory, before every horseshoe tournament. Winning or losing, pitching well, or having a rough day on the courts happens because we have this freedom. Thank God for our country.

Four tournaments, Odessa Spring Fling, Kitsap Open, Sperber Open, and Russ Phillips Memorial are in the books since our last Shoes News. We had 48 entrees at the Russ Phillips Memorial tournament in the hot sun and then we were treated with a great barbecue lunch provided by Big Weezy's Barbeque, owned by Russ's son, Matt. The shaded picnic shelter was packed! It was great to see Russ's wife, Linda, and some of her family. God bless, Jon.

**[The All American Money Tournament on May 27 and the Rehard Open on June 3 in Spokane have been cancelled.](#)**

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# ***SPERBER MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT***

by Phyl Quist

It was a beautiful day for a special tournament in Everett. The entries were not great but the quality was superb.

We were so honored to have Art and Carol Sperber make the trip over from Bremerton. Also long time pitcher Gaylord Lund stopped by to help keep score and catch up with everyone. What a great day it was. I sure miss so many of our family of pitchers who are no longer able to pitch. True horseshoe pitchers never stop competing in their hearts, it's just the physical body that sometimes says stop. So remember to stay in touch with those near you - I know saying you care means a lot. Phyllis Quist



# **RUSS PHILLIPS MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT**

## **It was a WOW weekend.**

**WOW** – Just being able to gather and remember and honor our friend Russ who we all miss so much.

**WOW** – 47 pitchers participated – including several friends from Oregon and Idaho.

**WOW** – The temp was in the high 90's – almost did some of us in but was a great day of pitching. And Carol Magnus supplied neck bands for cooling off.

**WOW** – Being able to receive from Russ's lovely wife, Linda, one of Russ's white shirts, a pair of his horseshoes and gloves and a great picture to be put in the Hall of Fame Trailer & Museum.

**WOW** – Enjoying a great meal, compliments of Linda & Russ's family.

**WOW** – Winners! Class F – Chris Gordon, Class E – Marty Luther, Class D – Jay Stumpf, Class C – Dennis Tutewiler, Class B – Cyrus Squeochs and the Tournament Champion Class A – Blanca Hettinga.

**WOW** – Special Hats commemorating this tournament honoring Russ.

**WOW** – A great job by the Kennewick club at hosting this tournament – Vic, Jay, Sharon, Gene, Kathy, Sid, Frank, Lonnie & Herb.

**WOW** – Our horseshoe family doesn't get any better than this. What a privilege to be a part of it.

Phyl Quist



**Russ Memorial**



**Class B**



**Class C**



**Class D**



**Tournament Champions**



**Class E**



**Class A**



**For HOF**

## Event: Sperber Open

Player	Shoes	Ringers	Ringer %	Points	Class	Rank	Wins	Losses	Hi Gm %
John Bruhn	240	180	75.0%	246	A	1	6.0	0.0	80.0%
Don Davis	240	122	50.83%	106	A	2	2.0	4.0	62.5%
Larry Pelham	240	136	56.67%	131	A	3	1.0	5.0	65.0%
Ed Ludwig	240	107	44.58%	200	B	1	5.0	1.0	57.5%
Bob Sperber	240	100	41.67%	194	B	2	4.0	2.0	47.5%
Derek Young	240	97	40.42%	147	B	3	2.0	4.0	47.5%
Bill Hadley	240	83	34.58%	131	B	4	1.0	5.0	40.0%
Stan Speers	240	76	31.67%	191	C	1	4.0	2.0	40.0%
Gerald Stangland	240	72	30.0%	136	C	2	3.0	3.0	42.5%
Rick Bidwell	240	76	31.67%	169	C	3	2.5	3.5	40.0%
Ron Burt	240	78	32.5%	158	C	4	2.5	3.5	45.0%
Jon Martin	200	52	26.0%	172	D	1	4.0	0.0	30.0%
Phyllis Quist	200	60	30.0%	145	D	2	3.0	1.0	38.0%
Barry Gentle	200	50	25.0%	128	D	3	2.0	2.0	36.0%
Charlie Tapper	200	47	23.5%	139	D	4	1.0	3.0	28.0%
Gary Gibbs	200	7	3.5%	45	D	5	0.0	4.0	8.0%

## Event: Kitsap Open

Player	Shoes	Ringers	Ringer %	Points	Class	Rank	Wins	Losses	Hi Gm %
Gene Lindbo	160	99	61.88%	138	A	1	4.0	0.0	65.0%
Derek Young	160	68	42.5%	96	A	2	2.0	2.0	50.0%
Bob Sperber	160	66	41.25%	98	A	3	2.0	2.0	55.0%
Larry Pelham	160	74	46.25%	109	A	4	1.0	3.0	55.0%
Bruce Miller	160	67	41.88%	98	A	5	1.0	3.0	55.0%
Nora Lindbo	200	104	52.0%	191	B	1	4.0	1.0	67.5%
Larry Parsons	200	89	44.5%	117	B	2	3.0	2.0	52.5%
Ed Ludwig	160	72	45.0%	108	B	3	2.0	2.0	57.5%
Curtis Lee	160	64	40.0%	100	B	4	2.0	2.0	50.0%
Bill Hadley	160	48	30.0%	57	B	5	0.0	4.0	37.5%
Rick Bidwell	200	79	39.5%	157	C	1	4.0	1.0	50.0%
Dennis Tutewiler	200	68	34.0%	128	C	2	3.0	2.0	50.0%
Debi Luther	160	50	31.25%	86	C	3	2.0	2.0	40.0%
Stan Speers	160	46	28.75%	81	C	4	1.0	3.0	35.0%
Ron Burt	160	43	26.88%	86	C	5	1.0	3.0	35.0%
Barry Gentle	160	48	30.0%	112	D	1	4.0	0.0	42.5%
Larry Smith	160	40	25.0%	101	D	2	3.0	1.0	30.0%
Charlie Tapper	160	33	20.63%	99	D	3	2.0	2.0	30.0%
Marty Luther	160	26	16.25%	83	D	4	1.0	3.0	17.5%
Lee Stafford	160	17	10.63%	51	D	5	0.0	4.0	15.0%

## Event: Odessa Spring Fling

Player	Shoes	Ringers	Ringer %	Points	Class	Rank	Wins	Losses	Hi Gm %
Blanca Hettinga	200	112	56.0%	187	A	1	4.0	0.0	68.0%
Laurie Dale	200	86	43.0%	154	A	2	3.0	1.0	48.0%
Vic Magnus	200	71	35.5%	138	A	3	2.0	2.0	42.0%
Cyrus Squeochs	200	55	27.5%	108	A	4	1.0	3.0	32.0%
Curtis Lee	200	59	29.5%	89	A	5	0.0	4.0	38.0%
Roy Garza	200	68	34.0%	126	B	1	5.0	2.0	40.0%
Gerald Stangland	200	42	21.0%	118	B	2	4.0	3.0	33.33%
Larry Pogue	180	57	31.67%	124	B	3	3.0	3.0	56.67%
Rob Hettinga	180	32	17.78%	61	B	4	1.0	5.0	26.67%
John DeMello Jr	200	35	17.5%	130	C	1	5.0	0.0	25.0%
Ron Heutink	200	17	8.5%	102	C	2	4.0	1.0	12.5%
Zach Knudsen	200	28	14.0%	129	C	3	3.0	2.0	17.5%
Chris Gordon	200	25	12.5%	109	C	4	2.0	3.0	17.5%
Melikai Orozco	200	9	4.5%	56	C	5	1.0	4.0	7.5%
Michael Nieman	200	9	4.5%	44	C	6	0.0	5.0	7.5%
Janessa Knudsen	120	8	6.67%	67	D	1	3.0	1.0	13.33%
Alexander Blanchard	120	8	6.67%	49	D	2	3.0	1.0	13.33%
Addi Knudsen	120	4	3.33%	20	D	4	0.0	4.0	6.67%



## Event: Russ Phillips Memorial

Player	Shoes	Ringers	Ringer %	Points	Class	Rank	Wins	Losses	Hi Gm %
Blanca Hettinga	232	154	66.38%	256	A	1	8.0	0.0	81.82%
Cindy Clausen	240	125	52.08%	193	A	2	7.0	1.0	66.67%
Don Davis	240	128	53.33%	195	A	3	5.0	3.0	66.67%
Matt Fuller	240	142	59.17%	187	A	4	4.0	4.0	86.67%
Nora Lindbo	232	94	40.52%	154	A	5	4.0	4.0	66.67%
Cortlan Mathewson	240	101	42.08%	124	A	6	3.5	4.5	50.0%
Laurie Dale	240	105	43.75%	165	A	7	2.0	6.0	60.0%
Derek Young	240	102	42.5%	116	A	8	2.0	6.0	56.67%
Bob Sperber	240	78	32.5%	97	A	9	0.5	7.5	46.67%
Cyrus Squeochs	280	110	39.29%	237	B	1	6.0	1.0	45.0%
George Green	278	120	43.17%	240	B	2	5.0	2.0	50.0%
Debi Luther	280	101	36.07%	192	B	3	5.0	2.0	42.5%
Bonnie Lewis	280	114	40.71%	212	B	4	4.0	3.0	50.0%
Charles Moppin	280	108	38.57%	178	B	5	3.0	4.0	52.5%
Russ Watkins	280	99	35.36%	152	B	6	3.0	4.0	42.5%
Bruce Wattenburger	278	91	32.73%	141	B	7	1.0	6.0	40.0%
Curtis Lee	280	83	29.64%	114	B	8	1.0	6.0	47.5%
Dennis Tutewiler	320	93	29.06%	221	C	1	7.0	2.0	40.0%
Larry Pogue	292	95	32.53%	223	C	2	5.0	3.0	53.13%
David Spears	300	97	32.33%	229	C	3	5.0	3.0	45.0%
Darla Wessel	272	99	36.4%	223	C	4	4.5	2.5	50.0%
Frank Easterly	272	67	24.63%	139	C	5	3.0	4.0	40.0%
Trudy Oye	280	68	24.29%	201	C	6	3.0	4.0	30.0%
Phyllis Quist	272	58	21.32%	136	C	7	1.5	5.5	35.0%
Stan Speers	280	57	20.36%	115	C	8	1.0	6.0	25.0%
Jay Stumpf	280	90	32.14%	200	D	1	6.0	1.0	37.5%
Gerald Stangland	280	77	27.5%	189	D	2	4.0	3.0	35.0%
Barry Gentle	274	73	26.64%	179	D	3	4.0	3.0	41.18%
Rich Pena	280	68	24.29%	178	D	4	4.0	3.0	32.5%
Gary Shinpaugh	200	49	24.5%	139	D	5	3.0	3.0	30.0%
Roy Garza	274	65	23.72%	149	D	6	3.0	4.0	40.0%
Jon Martin	256	49	19.14%	165	D	7	3.0	4.0	27.5%
Lonnie Peterson	280	41	14.64%	130	D	8	1.0	6.0	20.0%
Marty Luther	224	59	26.34%	190	E	1	6.0	1.0	50.0%
Mike Watcher	280	56	20.0%	200	E	2	5.5	1.5	30.0%
Al Barcus	240	44	18.33%	169	E	3	4.5	2.5	30.0%
Ron Heutink	280	42	15.0%	154	E	4	4.0	3.0	22.5%
John DeMello Jr	280	34	12.14%	105	E	5	3.0	4.0	20.0%
Peggy (PJ) Shinpaugh	226	25	11.06%	90	E	6	3.0	4.0	22.5%
Charlie Tapper	278	37	13.31%	134	E	7	2.0	5.0	20.0%
Larry Lewis	120	14	11.67%	48	E	8	0.0	7.0	12.5%
Chris Gordon	150	18	12.0%	89	F	1	4.5	0.5	16.67%
Rosalie Knutsen	150	21	14.0%	98	F	2	4.0	1.0	26.67%
Zach Knudsen	150	11	7.33%	77	F	3	3.5	1.5	10.0%
Michael Nieman	150	10	6.67%	60	F	4	2.0	3.0	10.0%
Melikai Orozco	150	4	2.67%	37	F	5	1.0	4.0	3.33%
Brandon Mcmath	150	5	3.33%	30	F	6	0.0	5.0	10.0%

Our sympathy goes out to Ron Heutink and family. Ron lost his brother on May 18th.

Also prayers and healing for Larry Lewis who is going through Chemo treatment – and also to Chris Martin, Jon’s wife, who had major back surgery on May 26th and will be having months of recouping. We hold you all in our prayers.

## The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc.

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc., a 501(c) (3) nonprofit educational organization, was established in 1947 to dispel the mounting belief among our nation's youth that the American Dream was no longer attainable.

Originally called Decoration Day, from the early tradition of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths and flags, Memorial Day is a day for remembrance of those who have died in service to our country.

was first widely observed on May 30, 1868 to commemorate the sacrifices of Civil War soldiers, by proclamation of Gen. John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of former Union sailors and soldiers.

During that first national commemoration, former Union Gen. and sitting Ohio Congressman James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, after which 5,000 participants helped to decorate the graves of the more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers who were buried there.

This national event galvanized efforts to honor and remember fallen soldiers that began with local observances at burial grounds in several towns throughout the United States following the end of the Civil War, such as the May 1, 1865 gathering in Charleston, South Carolina organized by freed slaves to pay tribute and give proper burial to Union troops.

In 1873, New York was the first state to designate Memorial Day as a legal holiday. By the late 1800s, many more cities and communities observed Memorial Day, and several states had declared it a legal holiday.

After World War I, it became an occasion for honoring those who died in all of America’s wars and was then more widely established as a national holiday throughout the United States.

In 1971, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act and established that Memorial Day was to be commemorated on the last Monday of May.

Memorial Day is commemorated at Arlington National Cemetery each year with a ceremony in which a small American flag is placed on each grave. Traditionally, the President or Vice President lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

“We do not know one promise these men made, one pledge they gave, one word they spoke; but we do know they summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens. For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue.”

– James A. Garfield, May 30, 1868, Arlington National Cemetery

## *Fun Fact*

*There's a good reason June is so popular for weddings. In addition to nearly perfect weather, the month of June is considered auspicious for weddings because it's named after Juno, the Roman goddess of marriage, home, and family.*

This is the remainder of our inventory. Please contact Rhonda Davis at: [donald.rhonda.davis@outlook.com](mailto:donald.rhonda.davis@outlook.com), if you are interested in any of these items.

### **WSHPA ITEMS FOR SALE**

<b>Qty</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Price per Unit (includes Tax)</b>
<b>HORSESHOES</b>		
1	Americans (4 shoes)	\$47.30
3	Bronco pro flip	\$66.00
2	Bronco Thoughtbred	\$66.00
1	Condor	\$88.00
5	Deadeye Clydesdale	\$71.50
1	Gordon Spin on	\$60.50
1	Imperial Viper	\$81.50
1	Mustang	\$73.70
1	Stinger	\$77.00
<b>NOTIONS</b>		
1	8" pickup stick	\$14.30
4	12" pickup stick	\$15.40
1	18" pickup stick	\$16.50
4	32" pickup stick	\$17.60
13	<b>WSHPA Ball caps winter/summer in green and white</b>	\$6.60
15	Tie-tac pins (10 large, 5 small)	\$3.30
68	Stickers - Shoes you never outgrow	\$1.65
250	Window Stickers - WSHPA	\$1.65
26	Score pads - 50 shoe count	\$5.50
21	Score pads - 100 shoe count	\$5.50
8	Percentage Books	\$3.85
3	Mouse Pads	\$6.05
3	SS "hooker" pickup hooks (stainless)	\$16.50
6	Davis measuring tools	\$24.75
5	Measurer w/abrasive	\$11.00
1	HS bag - single	\$22.00

## WSHPA 2023 Sanctioned Tournament Schedule

Date	Tournament	Location	Director	Director Phone	Entry	Sanction #	
14-Jan	Winetrou 1	Woodland Park	Seattle	Martin, Jon	206/226-7729	\$17	01-23-001
28-Jan	Winetrou 2	Woodland Park	Seattle	Martin, Jon	206/226-7729	\$17	01-23-002
11-Feb	Winetrou 3	Woodland Park	Seattle	Martin, Jon	206/226-7729	\$17	01-23-003
25-Feb	Winetrou 4	Woodland Park	Seattle	Martin, Jon	206/226-7729	\$17	01-23-004
11-Mar	Winetrou 5	Woodland Park	Seattle	Martin, Jon	206/226-7729	\$17	01-23-005
25-Mar	Winetrou 6	Woodland Park	Seattle	Martin, Jon	206/226-7729	\$17	01-23-006
1-Apr				Open Date			
8-Apr	Tulip Open ***	Skagit Riverside Pk	Burlington	Clausen, Cindy	206-240-5300	\$20	01-23-007
15-Apr	Columbia Basin Open	Eastgate Park	Kennewick	Vic Magnus	509-554-2768	\$25	01-23-008
22-Apr				Open Date			
29-Apr	Odessa Spring Fling	Finney Field	Odessa	Ron Heutink	509-754-5132	\$20	01-23-009
6-May	Kitsap Open	S. Kitsap Cnty Pk	Prt. Orchard	Lewis, Bonnie	360/876-1055	\$20	01-23-010
13-May	<b>NEW</b> Sperber Open	Forest Park	Everett	Bob Sperber	425-347-7372	\$20	TBD
17-May				<b>World Tournament Entry Deadline - Entry forms on "Horseshoepitching.com" website</b>			
20-May	Russ Phillips Memorial***	Eastgate Park	Kennewick	Magnus, Vic	509-554-2768	\$25	01-23-011
27-May	All American Money Tournament	Franklin Park	Spokane	Reeves, Kaiti	509-389-7781	\$20	non sanctioned
Cancelled							
3-Jun	Rehard Open	Franklin Park	Spokane	Reeves, Kaiti	509-389-7781	\$20	01-23-012
Cancelled							
10-Jun	Strawberry Open	Skagit Riverside Pk	Burlington	Clausen, Cindy	206-240-5300	\$20	01-23-013
11-Jun	Skagit Memorial	Skagit Riverside Pk	Burlington	Clausen, Cindy	206-240-5300	\$20	01-23-014
17-Jun	Hanson Brothers Memorial	Forest Park	Everett	Martin, Jon	206-226-7729	\$20	01-23-015
24-Jun	Kitsap Memorial	S kitsap County Park	Port Orchard	Lewis, Bonnie	360-876-1055	\$20	01-23-016
1-Jul				Open Date			
8-Jul	Lakefair Open	Yauger Park	Olympia	Tutewiler, Dennis	253-405-5524	\$20	01-23-017
17-Jul	<b>World Tournament Starts</b>						
22-Jul	<b>Open Date</b>						
29-Jul				<b>World Tournament ends</b>			
29-Jul				<b>Open Date</b>			
5-Aug	Seattle Open	Forest Park	Everett	Martin, Jon	206-226-7729	\$20	01-23-018
12-Aug	Earl Kettleon Night Tournament	Franklin Park	Spokane	Reeves, Kaiti	509-389-7781	\$20	01-23-019
19/20	Bellingham International	Cornwall Park	Bellingham	Quist, Phyllis	360-384-4544	\$20	01-23-020
26-Aug				Open Date			
02/03 Sept	WSHPA State Singles	Yauger Park	Olympia	Martin, Jon	206-226-7729	\$20	01-23-021
4-Sep	<b>WSHPA Doubles</b>	Yauger Park	<b>Olympia</b>	Martin, Jon	206-226-7729	\$20	01-23-022
9-Sep				<b>Open Date</b>			
16/17 Sept	Pacific Northwest	Eastgate Park	Kennewick	Russ Watkins	503-804-1929	\$30	01-23-023
23-Sep	South Puget Sound Open	Yauger Park	Olympia	Tutewiler, Dennis	253-405-5524	\$20	01-23-024
30-Sep	Odessa Open	Finney Field	Odessa	Heutink, Ron	509-754-5132	\$20	01-23-025