

Commentary:

Jim Link

s it the 'dog days' of summer that causes a pervasive negativity to hang in the air? We're all trying to promote our sport with dubious results and then an email arrives in the inbox from the Seattle Club that they are disbanding.

For those who have, for years, spent a disproportionate amount of their time doing the promotional work that we've been doing, and the numbers still go down, that they get "burned out" is not surprising. When one gets to a place in life where those chores should have been passed on to the next generation, and that generation failed to 'show up', it leads to exasperation and a time to "throw in the towel".

When one looks at the "New and Returning Members" list on page 3, it can dispel some of the negativity, but missing in that information is the number of old members who didn't renew. And 'old' is the key word in that statement. That the 'elders' classes in our organization is the only one that is growing makes a serious statement on who it is that is pitching horseshoes.

So...where do we go from here?

The most satisfying event for a horseshoe pitcher is when we introduce a youngster to our game who takes a knack to it. Young people can achieve success in a very short time.

If we are to revitalize our sport we must spend some time and energy to bring horseshoe pitching into our middle schools. Middle school kids are in a time of their lives when they are most curious and can adapt to a venue like ours.

With the funds in the WSHPA treasury that have been earmarked for promotion we should initiate a program that will bring horseshoe pitching into the schools. . Some of those funds could be used to buy horseshoes and equipment for that program.

When a young person of that age finds something he or she likes, they will enthuse their friends and curious parents as well.

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Hi all! Another trip to 'World' and it is more fun this time then it was the last...funny how these trips grow on you ! Other than the threat of a tornado, no big problems in Springfield, Illinois! I can not believe how much I learn every time I go. If you have never experi-

enced a World Tournament, you should go. It is like a BIG family reunion. Next year it will be in Cedar Rapids, Iowa from July 26 to August 7, 2010. The following year it will be in Monroe-West Monroe, Louisiana from July 18 to July 30, 2011. Make your plans early !!!.

Congrats to all of our Washington state winners. Matt Fuller was the only Washingtonian to make it to a Championship round. He placed 2nd in world in the Junior Boys Division. Way to go, Matt !

Russ, my younger brother Dan and I took a short trip to Wentzville, Missouri to visit the Horseshoe Hall of Fame. What a place !!! It is well worth the trip to see it. The Washington area of bricks looked great. Thank you to everyone who has purchased them. There are still many blank ones looking for a sponsor, so contact a state officer if you need help in doing that.

I pitched at the Bellingham International this past weekend. I had a great time.....good company, good food, good weather and great pitching. The Bellingham club did a great job ! Thanks...

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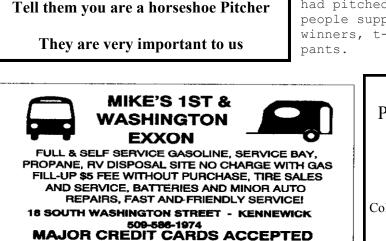
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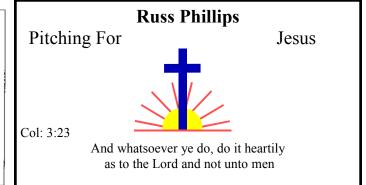
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The game was a wash with Archie throwing only ringers and not giving any mercy which he said I could find in the dictionary.

When the score was 36 to 9 in Archie's favor, I stopped him in mid throw to say "Archie, I hope you have enjoyed this game so far because you aren't going to score another point". Archie smiled and threw another double. I killed his double and went on a ringer run that brought the score to 36-36 all. Another double put me out.

Needless to say, Archie's jaws were locked tighter than a vise. His shoes went into his bag and all I saw as he and Wayne drove away was a plume of smoke that I think were coming out of Archie's ears.

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Top Ten Tournament Pitchers 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	Monosmith Open	Spokane open	Memorial Day Open	Everett Open	Tri City Open	Strawberry Open	Spokane	Kitsap Open	Seattle Open	Lakefair Open	I-5 I-84 Open	Ed Welch Open	Spokane Night Tourney	State Doubles	Bellingham International	Total	congratulated me on a gi come-back and we had a of laughs over my statem that reversed the game fr ashes to a win. Every game of Horseshoes
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Monty McLaughlin		27	15	23	27		30		30		14		27	20		29	28	8		278	a handshake
Mr. Tricky	22	40	30	31	30		22	30		27		26								258	
Don Davis	23			35	22		14	22		23				30	26				46	241	That is a
Russ Phillips			22	35	26	27	30		31	36					22					229	great tradition.
Art Sperber	22						22	18		27		30	37	26					46	228	B
Orlean Clinton	18	11	14	35	35		18	37	18	24		14								224	Let's keep it
Michael Watcher		23	20	35	24	10	18		14		22					31				197	alive
Gene Kuiken	27	16		19	19					33		18	15	12					34	193	

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Russ Phillips	3/2	62.50	75.00	W	ill Ro	obertson *	4/2	50.00		60.87			Barry Chapelle *		4/2		39.26	43.48
Gary Opper	2/3	58.96	68.52		n Lir		3/2	47.22		58.33			lanser		3/2		38.06	48.33
Jim Petersen	2/3	53.19	60.71			owell	2/3	38.58		58.82			Zumbuhl		2/3		36.94	43.55
Harvey Bontrager	2/3	51.28	60.00	-		awkins	2/3	29.66		33.33			Adams		1/4		34.45	45.24
Bernie Martell	2/3	47.64	56.76	Da	arrel	Coulson	0/5	32.50		36.96		Geor	ge Kaufer	•	1/4		32.94	40.48
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Les Myers	3/6	61.50	70.00			leistand	4/5	47.50		56.00			Presnell		3/6		32.25	45.00
Paul Tutewiler	1/8	44.50	58.00			on Lund	1/0	40.75	2	56.00			e Perry		2/7		31.25	42.50
Class B 40'	W/L	Т%	H/G%	Cla	ass	C 30'	W/L	Т%		HG%			ss C 40'		W/		Т%	H/G%
Ray DeBoer	6/3	33.25	42.50			Zander	8/1	24.5		35.00			nis Tutew	riler	7/2		23.75	32.50
Charlie Tapper	5.5/3.5	31.25	42.50			e McKay	5.5/3.5			22.00			Ebey		5/4		21.00	35.00
Ron McLaughlin	5.5/3.5	30.25	40.00			lcRae	3/6	18.7		32.50			Quist		4/5		19.00	32.50
Gerald Stangland	1/8	24.50	42.00	Lin	ida I	Pransky	1.5/7.5	7.2	5	12.50)	JIM	Grant		2/7		11.50	16.00

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Changes to Const. Anticle IV (officers) Add Regional Director to Appriated officers.

Officers shall take office (immediately upon election on appaintmen) as of January 1st of the year Following the State Tournement elections.

Acticle I (Outries of officers). Committee Chair Person.

Section II: Add - The Vice President shall also chave the Honoe Roll Committee and be in charge of securing judges at the State Towenament. The 2nd Vice President shall specifically overcee the Jr. Promotion committee. The Bed Vice President shall specifically overcee the Promotion Committee and be in charge of Scorekeepaes at the State Towenament. All the Vice Presidents shall assist the Towenament director of the State Towenament in any way needed.

Section IV: Delete - The Secretary shall determine to van, scheduling

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Add, Sec. VII - The Regional Director shall be to determine towenament scheduleing for the coming years issue towename Sonctions & obtain for distribution NAPA towenament patches. The R.D. Shall perform any other dubies to promote the state Arice. and be a liason for the NAPA and Follow the guildings laid



out For the Regional Director by the NHPA-

Add Sec. TITE. A plate and plaque person shall be appointed by the president. The person appointed shall maintain plate and plaque recends and also be responsible For the procurement and distributions of plates & plaques.

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Acticle III Meetings

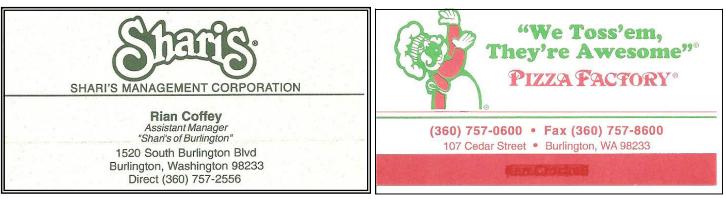
each calender year quarter) and (a minimum of two times each year.)

These Changes will be presented for discussions and approved by the general membership at the 2009 State Marding.

On the way back from a Cub Scout meeting, my grandson asked my son the question. 'Dad, I know that babies come from mommies' tummies, but how do they get there in the first place?' he asked innocently. After my son hemmed and hawed awhile, my grandson finally spoke up in disgust. 'You don't have to make something up, Dad. It's OK if you don't know the answer.



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We need to develop a new agenda to enhance our already excellent Jr. program. We have tools in the brochure developed by the Quists and our scholarships for Juniors, but we have to be more active to bring information into our schools and promote our healthy venue to those in our schools who are looking for ways to enhance the Physical Education programs.

The recent attempt to entice members of the community into E'Kone Park at Goldendale to pitch in a non-sanctioned tournament through advertising was a flop. We are picking up some interest in Tues. night pitching from advertising, but the ads in the weekly paper targeting former pitchers and the curious. didn't bear fruit. What that says is that if we are to sustain our numbers and grow we must find a new audience. In my opinion that audience is in the middle schools.

A most Memorable Game Gene Kuiken

Ted Bostwick 'to me' was one of those players I most wanted to be like. During his 40' days he was a real tough competitor and when he moved up to 30' "boy did his game improve".

I was hoping that one day I could find him in a down day so I could whip him good. Well one day in Seattle it finally happened. I was hot and he was cold. The score was 39, 6. Scoring one more point for me was going to be a cinch.

My mistake was saying to Ted, "I didn't think I would ever have a chance to beat you ever", and I didn't.

He started throwing doubles— the old Ted was back. When the game was over he said, "It ain't over till it's over"

	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

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Pitching Catagory (check one)
40' man
Less than 40' man
Woman
Jr. Boy*
Jr. Girl*
* 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.

Sept 05-07	WSHPA State Singles/ Burlington	Margaret Byfield	360-424-3642
	Entry Deadline Wednesday, August 26 at 9pm	No exceptions	
Sept 12	Kitsap Open/ So. Kitsap C Pk/Pt. Orchard	Bonnie Lewis	360-876-1055
Sept 18	NW Warm-up /South Hill Park / Sunnyside	Russ Phillips	509-882-2471
Sept 19-20	Pacific Northwest / Elks Park / Yakima	Phyllis Quist	360-384 4544
	Entry Deadline Sunday, Sept. 13 at 9pm	No exceptions	
Sept 26	South Puget Sound Open /Yauger Pk/Olympia	Paul Tutewiler	253-863-3322
Oct. 3	Odessa Open / Finney Field / Odessa	Dave Goodwin	509-639-2547
Oct. 10	Seattle Turkey Shoot / Woodland Park / Seattle	Norm Hansen	206-365-6521
Oct. 17	Goldendale Turkey Shoot / E'Kone Park/ Gold.	Jim Link	509-773-4111



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