

# Nor-Cal News & Views

Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association website address is: <http://www.nchpa.com>

## Secretary

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Welcome to our new board members Dave Lane and Jeff Williams. Dave has taken on the job of supplies/plaques so if you need any paper supplies or plaques, please contact Dave. Remember each club receives Two (2) plaques free and then pay \$20.00 each for additional. Some clubs have received their 2021 plaques already. Dave has a list and will monitor that list as to who gets what. Please try to meet with Dave at a tournament or have one of your members meet with him to pick up the plaques as postage to mail them is expensive and we may have to pass that cost on to you.

Jeff will be the person you send your By-Law – idea changes to. He will put them together to be voted on at the annual meeting.

If you pay your 2021 membership online, please remember to pay your local club dues to them as called for in our By-Laws. It is important that you belong to a NCHPA Club as the members are counted for voting delegate numbers for each club at the annual meeting.

We are the hosts of the 2021 State Tournament this year, and we will be

begging for help at the Stockton courts to prepare the courts and get things ready for this competition. There will be a lot of work to be done and we are so thankful that in the past we have had great help in the court preparation. Contact George Davis to volunteer PLEASE.

Clue Secretaries please remember to send me a check for \$45.00. This is to cover the State Raffle prize purchases (\$25.00) and for the NorCal (\$20.00 or a minimum of two raffle prizes of a minimum \$10.00 each in value).

Turlock club members – please help us to keep the Turlock Club alive. We understand Mike will not be able to handle things for your club this year but we really hate to lose the facility and its dedicated members. Maybe a group of you can work together to keep it alive. Share the duties. Please contact Alan Trusty or/and me to let us know you are able to contribute to your club duties.

We are now using the new eShoe program for stats. I have to tell you it is VERY USER FRIENDLY and once you tried it you would be amazed at how easy it is to use and understand. If ANYONE is wanting to learn how to use this tool, please contact me. We are hoping to get some members together for a training session. If you have a lap top computer, that would be great to have the program on and use it to run a tournament. Trust me when I started we did everything by hand – now it's like a miracle – so fast and tournaments are posted as soon as you

connect to WIFI. You can process the tournament and it will automatically post. Please let me know if you are interested in learning this tool.

We sincerely hope that we will be able to get together and pitch some shoes this year. Getting your Covid-19 shots is up to you. Be safe, wear a mask and we Americans will beat this dreaded disease. *Gail Sluys*

### 3rd VP

The NCHPA 2020-2021 season started immediately after Labor Day 2020 and as of early March 2021 NCHPA has pitched 21 tournaments and cancelled/postponed 13 tournaments. It remains to be seen how the covid-19 pandemic will affect the remainder of the 2020-2021 season. Let's hope we can all get out there and get some exercise. Best of luck to everyone in avoiding covid-19. Stay healthy.

Natstats has been replaced by eShoe. You club statisticians may now upload your tournament statistics directly to eShoe any time after your tournament is complete, but you still must email me ([meanderson99@yahoo.com](mailto:meanderson99@yahoo.com)) the comma-separated-values Results file (1 per tournament), the Class Boxscore files (1 per tournament class), and the All Class Standings Results file (1 per tournament) for my work. If you do not care to upload your tournament statistics to eShoe yourself then I will be glad to do it for you. Just let me know that

you would like for me to do it. The files that you send me are the same files that I have always asked for you to send me. And please be sure that the

boxscore files that you send are generated in HSMaster as Tournaments, Reports, Format, Results [not Results (Brief) ]. Keep in mind that I would like to see member numbers in

every file that you send. That means I want the long version, not brief version, of every file. Thanks for all your help If you have any questions about how to produce these files then please contact me by email or phone 408-738-4661. *Mike Anderson*

### 5th VP

I would like to introduce myself; my name is David Lane. I am very proud to become the Fifth Vice President in Charge of Supplies. My role here is to provide each club in the Northern California Horseshoe Pitching Association with any supplies they may need such as score sheets, round robin cards, etc. If you're in need of supplies, you can reach me by phone at (707) 208-4649 or by email at [movingdave@yahoo.com](mailto:movingdave@yahoo.com)

As Winter is ending and Spring is beginning it's beginning to look a lot like RINGERS. I hope that the 2021 horseshoe pitching season brings us all back together. Please all clubs check your supplies and let me know if you need anything. Looking forward to the 2021 horseshoe season. *Dave Lane*

### Website:

Hello ,Many of you may not know me, but my name is Jasmine Brady and I am the new website administrator for the NCHPA website. I've been pitching horseshoes going on 4 years now with the Sonoma County club. I have been working on building a new website these past few months and am very close to having the website complete and ready to launch. I'm hoping to have the new it up and running by the end of March. Going into this I was not at all familiar with the construction of all the tools and templates available for a website It's been quite a learning curve to get this completed, but I've thoroughly enjoyed

myself throughout the process. I'm hoping once the website goes live that we can better maintain and update our website so it becomes a useful place for current information. That way new and existing members will be able to use it as a tool to further their knowledge of our sport. We want members to be able to use the online resources, such as our social media pages, to give them quality and up-to-date information which will hopefully spark more interest in horseshoes for them.

If you have any questions or comments about the website or changes you'd like to see please direct all inquiries to Casey Sluys and he will forward them to me. Also, any photos you may have of you, your friends, your family, or your club pitching horseshoes that you might be willing to put on the website as well would be greatly appreciated. I'd love to update our website with new photos of current members showing them just how much joy we have pitching horseshoes. Thank you,

*Jasmine Brady*

## Regional Director

**Opening up:** We are at a critical juncture in the sport of organized horseshoe pitching. After an extremely difficult year in 2020 we are looking forward to a much better year in 2021. So far Texas and a number of other states have rescinded the mandatory mask orders and have *opened up* allowing indoor dining etc. and we hope to see more and more areas and states doing the same very soon. Opening of facilities is still sporadic, but with persuasion it is possible to conduct tournaments. Let's keep communicating with those that are in charge and continue to do everything in your power to facilitate a successful 2021 season. Open up America, let's pitch some shoes!

**Online Pitching:** Many of you are aware that there are multiple online Facebook pages that host various pitching tournaments. There primary difference is in the number of shoes pitched to constitute a game. It all began with Horseshoe Pitching Online (HPO). It was the brainchild of Ricky Muter OH and Steven Gibson UT they began this Fb live tournament structure and we thank them for it. (very deserving of an Achievement Award in my opinion) Had it not been for their dogged determination to keep horseshoe pitching alive during this pandemic the decline might have been much worse. There are at least two other non-sanctioned groups that are running tournaments. HPC is using 16 shoe games and the Backyard group has some tournaments set up also and they might be 21 point games. The one that bears watching though is Sanctioned Horseshoe Online Pitching (SHOP) these are 20 shoe games and must be done via Fb live or a form of video showing you releasing the shoe and the shoe landing in the pit. Please check them out the rules are in the FILES section of their respective pages. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1574399849397649> Most all online type events have an entry fee which is collected electronically. The prizes are also cash which is returned electronically also. Not only can you pitch online, but you can also participate in discussions about all things horseshoe pitching at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/731279450666242> This site have a picture contest and a question of the week. Another site is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/NHPAQ> this one promotes horseshoes and will answer your questions in a timely manner. We invite all of you to join both sites and participate. There are many Charters and local clubs that also have a presence online.

If you are new to the online community then ask your kids or grandkids for a couple of lessons as to how to negotiate your way through the maze called the internet. *Casey Sluys*

Be sure to read the article from the 1989 issue of the "Pitcher's Platform" the original Northern CA Newsletter.

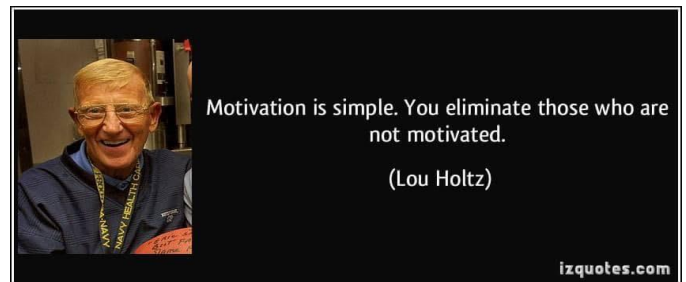
## World Tournament enter online

<https://www.horseshoepitching.com/world-tournament-signup-online-2021/>

<http://www.horseshoepitching.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/WTEntry2021F.pdf>

## 2021 Schedule updates

### #32 May 9th move to May 8th.



Thank you to the following clubs for your quarterly article.

1. Half Moon Bay
2. McBean/Lincoln
3. San Jose
4. Sonoma County
5. Vallejo
6. Shasta/Willows

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS ISSUE  
AND HANG ON TO IT. ALL YOUR  
APPLICATIONS FOR NCHPA PRE-  
REGISTERED EVENTS ARE IN  
HERE.



# NCHPA CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRY FORM

October 2, 2021



HOST CLUB – Vallejo Horseshoe Cub

*PRE-REGISTER - \$ PRIZE MONEY & PLAQUES*

*ENTRY DEADLINE POSTMARKED August 28, 2021*

*Takes just one sanctioned event to enter!*

Participants must have pitched in (1) NHPA sanctioned tournaments before September 11, 2021. **New members** who joined after August 1, 2021 and **Junior/ Cadet** Entrants need a minimum of one (1) NHPA sanctioned tournament before September 11, 2021.

**TOURNAMENT is open to all NHPA Members with Natstats Average  
ENTRY FEE \$20.00 per pitcher**

*Mail Entries to: Gail Sluys*

*1721 San Ramon Way*

*Santa Rosa, CA. 95409*

**NO EXCEPTIONS TO NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS WILL BE MADE.**

**NO REFUNDS AFTER SCHEDULE IS COMPLETED.**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

NHPA CARD # \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the Group you are entering.

OPEN MEN

OPEN WOMEN

ELDERS MEN

JUNIOR GIRL/BOY

CADET 12 & UNDER

SR.MEN

SR.WOMEN

**\*SENIOR GROUPS NOT HAVING A MINIMUM OF 6 PLAYERS WILL BE MIXED WITH OPEN CLASSES.**

**ENTRY FEE**

**\$20.00**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_**



## 2021 NCHPA DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Held in conjunction with the NCHPA Championships at the Vallejo Horseshoe Courts

**Entry Fee \$50.00 per team. Team Cap = 110% closing date September 11<sup>th</sup>.  
The 2021 NCHPA Doubles Championship Tournament will be held at the  
Vallejo Horseshoe Club on **October 3, 2021**.**

Pick your partner from any NCHPA, SCHPA, NEVADA Member. Send \$50.00 per team plus completed entry form in by September 11th. Each team will pay the scorekeeper \$2.00 per game (\$1.00 per player). The cap on a team is 110% combined. (Example player A is 65% player B cannot be more 45%) These are Championships – No Handicapping. Groups will be formed based on the number of entries, with a minimum of two (2) groups. Prize money and awards in each group will depend on number of entries.

Send entry form and entry fee to Gail Sluys 1721 San Ramon Way Santa Rosa CA 95409. Phone 707-538-3128.

More information to follow as the tournament nears.

**Player A** \_\_\_\_\_ **%** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charter** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Player B** \_\_\_\_\_ **%** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charter** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee \$50.00 per team \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# 2021 California State Championships

Hosted by: Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association (NCHPA)

Host Club: Stockton Horseshoe Club

4-6 September 2021

Louis Park 3121 Monte Diablo Ave

NHPA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ CA ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

How do you want your pitching schedule sent? Please circle one: E-Mail USPS

## Select Your Entry Division (circle one)

*Open Men (40ft)*   *Sr. Men (60+ (40ft)*   *Elders or Med Exempt (30ft)*   *Open Women* ,  
*Sr. Women (60+)*   *Jr. Boys*   *Jr. Girls*   *Jr. Cadets (20ft)*

**PARTICIPANTS LIABILITY RELEASE:** In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby, waive, release and forever discharge the Northern CA Horseshoe Pitchers Association, all officers, employees, agents and servants of the afore stated organization, and all fellow participants of this event, for any and all action, cause of action, damage, loss or injury, which I may suffer as a consequence of participating in the California State Horseshoe Pitching Tournament. In addition it is understood that the NCHPA has sole rights to any and all pictures and/or articles for publication.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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(Keep this section for future reference – Calif. State Championships, Stockton, 4-6 Sept. 2021)

Adult entrants **MUST** have participated in at least 3 sanctioned California tournaments during the 12 months prior to the below entry deadline date; for junior entrants, at least 1 sanctioned California tournament.

For a division with less than six entries, the tournament committee reserves the right to combine the division with another division with the same pitching distance.

Entrants must wear shirts with their name professionally printed on the back; do not rely on purchased shirts at the tournament because the vendor cannot guarantee timely deliveries.

Entry fee is **\$40.00** for adults and **FREE** for juniors and cadets; no refunds after the entry deadline date.

Entry deadline **date (or post mark date):** 1 August 2021 (**Late entries require an additional \$10 entry fee and will be used on a standby basis only.**) Make checks payable to: **NCHPA** 707-486-0594 Cell

If you must drop out, please immediately **notify** Gail Sluys (707-538-3128 or nchpagail@gmail.com).

Send entries to: Gail Sluys (707-538-3128 or nchpagail@gmail.com)  
1721 San Ramon Way  
Santa Rosa CA 95409

# 2021 CALIFORNIA STATE HORSESHOE PITCHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Awards Sponsorship Form



### Northern California Horseshoe Pitcher's Association



The Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association (NCHPA) will host the 2021 California State horseshoe Pitching Championships tournament In Stockton at Lewis Park over the Labor Day weekend Sept 4<sup>th</sup> through Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 2021. Please consider sponsoring an award for this prestigious event!

Both plaques and cash are awarded to the winners of 20-30 groups of players from throughout the state. This tournament establishes California State Champions for both men and women of all ages plus boys and girls under 19 years old. If you wish to sponsor a first or second place plaque award, each plaque costs about \$50. If we receive your plaque sponsorship by August 15<sup>th</sup>, the award plaque will reflect your support, and if you have a specific group you wish to sponsor please let us know, we will do our best to accommodate your request based on first come – first served.

Sponsor's Name (business, club, or person): \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's phone and/or E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount: \$50.00 (make check payable to **NCHPA**)

Please send this completed form with your check to the NCHPA awards coordinator:

Gail Sluys  
1721 San Ramon Way  
Santa Rosa, CA 95409



**ENTRY FORM (READ CAREFULLY)****National Horseshoe Pitchers Association**

July 19th - July 31st

**Winnemucca, Nevada****2021 World Horseshoe Pitching Championships**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 2021 NHPA Card # \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Print) First Last (or Canadian #)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check One I will print my schedule. \_\_\_\_\_ Mail my schedule to me. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (One per household please.)

Circle the Division you are entering: - You can enter only one division (See notes near bottom of page)

OPEN MEN 40ft	SENIOR MEN 40ft (see note #2)	OPEN WOMEN 30ft	SENIOR WOMEN 30ft (see note #2)	ELDER MEN / ME 30ft (see note #1)	JR. BOY 30ft (see note #3)	JR. GIRL 30ft (see note #3)	CADET BOY 20ft (see note #3)	CADET GIRL 20ft (see note #3)
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All applicable information above is required.

Form will be returned if not signed below or is incomplete.

Entry Deadline June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021No refunds will be made after June 12th, 2021

Note: A processing fee of \$15.00 will apply to all refunds.

**PARTICIPANTS LIABILITY RELEASE:** In consideration of participating in such activity, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, all officers, employees, agents and servants of the afore stated organization, and all fellow participants of this event, for any and all action, cause of action, damage, loss or injury, which I may suffer as a consequence of participating in the World Horseshoe Pitching Tournament. In addition it is understood that the NHPA has sole rights to any and all pictures and/or articles for publication.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ENTRY FEES: U.S. ADULTS -- \$130.00 • ALL JUNIORS/CADETS -- \$25.00 • U.S. FUNDS ONLY**  
**ALL OTHER ADULTS - \$133.00**

CANADIAN ENTRIES MUST USE MONEY ORDERS IF SENDING PAYMENT ENTRY FEE INCLUDES SCORE KEEPING

**MAIL THE TOP PORTION OF THIS FORM ONLY along with REGISTRATION FEES (PAYABLE TO NHPA)**

TO: NHPA  
 PO Box 205  
 Drexel, MO 64742

Direct Telephone & Email Inquiries to:  
 Phone (816) 738-0868  
 Email sec.treas@horseshoepitching.com

All Entries must be on this signed form and mailed with a **postmark no later than June 8th, 2021**. You may enter at anytime prior to June 8th, 2021. Entries received with a postmark after June 8th, 2021 shall be put on a waiting list and entered into the tournament only as space is available. All adults must have pitched in a minimum of two (2) US/Canadian sanctioned events in the twelve (12) months **prior to June 8th, 2021**, in the same division you are entering. Only one (1) event is required for Juniors. Exceptions for US Armed Forces members and family and foreign competitors (other than Canadians) are outlined in Rule 11, Sec D.1 of the RGS Book. Contact NHPA for more information regarding qualifying exceptions. All averages used will be the average on record in eShoe/ CANSTATS as of June 8th, 2021. Anyone qualifying under an exception must have those scores recorded by the same date. All NHPA and any special tournament rules apply. NHPA and CANADIAN entrants must provide identification by sanction card, or other form of ID, when checking in. Please see note regarding refunds.

**READ CAREFULLY:** Any adult male pitching from the full distance platform may enter the **OPEN MEN'S DIVISION** regardless of age, just as any adult female may enter the **OPEN WOMEN'S DIVISION**. To enter the **SENIOR DIVISION**, you must be 60 years of age or older before the end of 2021. Any man that turns 70 years of age in 2021, is older than 70, or has an **approved medical exemption** may enter the **ELDER MEN'S DIVISION**. Entrants in the **JUNIOR BOY and JUNIOR GIRL DIVISION** must be 18 years old or less for the entire 2021 calendar year. **CADET BOY AND CADET GIRL DIVISION** entrants must be 12 years old or younger for the entire 2021 calendar year.

**Note # 1:** 30ft Men with Medical Exemptions must be in eshoe as exempt to pitch in this division.

**Note # 2:** For class play, a minimum of 48 must enter this division or it will be canceled. All entrants will then pitch in the Open Preliminaries.

**Note # 3:** Junior Boys & Junior Girls divisions will be mixed for preliminary play. Cadet Boys & Cadet Girls divisions will be mixed for Preliminary play. For Championship play a min of 8 must enter this division or it will be canceled. The pitching schedule will be finalized by **June 12th, 2021** and published on the NHPA website. If you indicated above to receive the schedule by mail, it will be mailed to the address you have listed above during the second week in June.

**Please note:** The NHPA reserves the right to disallow your participation for any of the following reasons; any errors on this form, if your records don't appear in NatStats or CanStats, any false or misleading information on this form, if the NHPA cannot verify through its established procedure the validity of any Medical Exemption, or for any other reason by majority vote of the NHPA Council. The NHPA also reserves the right to add qualified entrants and to make class participant changes after the deadline. No pitcher will be moved from class time or division, without notification, after final schedule has been published.



# CLUBS

## San Jose

Welcome to the 2021 pitching season from San Jose! As of this date (Mar. 6, 2021) Santa Clara County is allowing gatherings of up to 200 people outdoors with social distancing and masks. So barring wet weather and changes to the covid-19 rules we hope to hold all of our 2021 tournaments. We will be avoiding physical contact, using fist and elbow bumps instead of handshakes with no hugging or kissing. Since losing our club building we will be trucking all equipment in and out each day. At this time we will not be having potluck lunch after any of our tournaments. The San Jose Parks & Recreation crew has done a good job of keeping Columbus Park ready for the season and our San Jose Horseshoe Club crew has the pits ready to go. Our 2021 tournaments are:

Sat. Mar. 13 San Jose Memorial

Sat. Apr. 17 Gary Greensmith

Sat. Jun. 5 Edward Moore

Sat. Sep. 11 Saunders Family

Sun. Oct. 30 Nakamoto Family

We hope to see you there and best of luck in your pitching. Stay healthy. *Mike Anderson*

## Shasta-Willows

Hello Everyone: Well after being shut down for 2020 we are happy to say that we are all ready to start pitching once again. Our first tournament will be March 27 & 28. We are hoping for nice weather hopefully. Our guys had a work party Saturday and there was a good turnout to help and get things ready. Thanks to Robert Jr. & Sr, Ray, Rob & Cory, Richard , Fred, Jeff . We will be

serving donuts as usual plus coffee and have water on hand. Jerry Smith is doing well finishing up his treatments and I'm pleased to say he will be with us a while longer and attending our tournaments before he makes his move to Ohio. Jerry we wish you well and thank you for everything you have done for our club while you were with us. As many of you know the Fortuna Club has closed. Even though we are saddened by this we wish to thank Fortuna for their generous donation to our club and we Welcome our newest members Bill & Sharon to our club and hope we will see them out soon. Please bring your masks. *Linda Hoelscher*

## McBean/Lincoln

It's seems we are coming out of the woods, but be cautious. We finally received approval from Guinness World Records "Longest Horseshoe Pitching Marathon", that Wayne Lockhart and Stan Cummings broke/set the record of 24 hours 15 minutes and 3 seconds, on Sept. 7, 2020 in Lincoln Ca. McBean Park. This means you can ask Google!!! So far with the few tournaments we've had entries are up. And the World Horseshoe Pitching Championships is in Winnemucca, NV, I'll be entering the Senior Men's Division (Thank You Rick Birmingham). I think I have a few more good tournaments in me.... McBean/Lincoln Club has our 1st Cadet pitcher, Steve Goodman. Big Shout Out to Josie Tellers, she has endured pitching in last place for over a year and it is finally paying off with winning her 1st couple of tournaments and 2nd's, moving on up, never giving up. I finally have people asking to qualify and pitch in tournaments, hope I don't scare them away, keep coming back, please. I've asked the city for a little help with improvements, I think I'll get a little more aggressive with all this money they are

giving Counties/State, now is the time for our government to come to the aid of its people!!! The "On-Line", Facebook, Live video horseshoe pitching has been a success with a lot of groups, you just have to push the right buttons on your phone to enter, I see even more happening on the Social Networking pages.

Hope to see you on the courts, *Jeff Williams*

## Vallejo

The Vallejo Horseshoe Club welcomes you all to the 2021 Horseshoe Pitching Season. Springtime is approaching and that means it's time to pitch some shoes. The NCHPA is off to a great start as many clubs, including the clubs in Lincoln, San Francisco, and our own Vallejo Club have already hosted tournaments.

We, here at the Vallejo Club, held our first tournament of the season on February 28, 2021. It was a fabulous, sunny day with temperatures in the high 60s. We had 19 pitchers that day. Sue Lichau from the Santa Rosa Club won the top group with Nathan Williams from the Lincoln Horseshoe club as runner-up. In group 2 we had Jasmine Brady from the Santa Rosa Club as the winner with runner-up John De Mello, a former NCHPA member who has returned to the Lincoln Club. In group 3 we had Steve Goodman from the Lincoln Club in first place with Steve Nakamoto from the San Jose Club in second. We also had Mr. Tim Saunders rejoin the NCHPA and re-qualify, it was great to see him on the courts again.

The Vallejo Horseshoe Club held our second tournament of the season on March 13, 2021. We had 13 pitchers join us in this

tournament. In the top group, we had Dave Lane from the Vallejo Club as the winner and Rick Bermingham from the Gold Country Club as runner-up. In group 2 we had George Davis from the Stockton Club as the winner and Steve Goodman from the Lincoln Club as runner-up.

I would like to give a big shout-out to the GVRD of Vallejo for helping us with the park. Our park is really looking good; we thank You. Our next tournament in Vallejo is scheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2021. We hope to see you all there. *Dave Lane*

## Sonoma County

We are looking forward to our first tournament of the 2021 season on March 27th (weather permitting). Please plan to attend. Bring a carload of pitchers and win one free entry. The person bringing the most people wins the free entry.

We've had an NHPA Sanctioned League at our club for the last 30 years and it grew significantly last year through the efforts of Paul Machado. All in all we had 11 new members and we hope they will return in 2021. Our club championships was held last year and Brian Wainwright won the prestigious perpetual plaque. This event has been held annually since 1936 a mere 85 years. Among previous winners are Gail Sluys, Travis Sluys, Hayden Lee, Paul Machado, Charlie Masson and Sue Lichau.

*Casey Sluys*

## Half Moon Bay

*\*There was a schedule misprint for the Chet Carter Memorial at Half Moon Bay. The tournament is scheduled for Saturday May 8, 2021, not Sunday May 9, 2021.*

Please join us for a one time only tournament. Monday Night Horseshoes on

May 10, 2021. This is a celebration tournament for the NHPA being 100 Years old as an organization. It is going to be a great win for whoever wins this onetime only Tournament.

Our Club held its annual meeting as we elected our officers, handed out sanction league awards and updated members on the latest news with the Horseshoe Community. That was followed by a random draw doubles tournament that enabled us to re-qualify 6 members.

We have 15 NHPA Tournaments scheduled for the 2021 Season along with 9 Club tournaments. We welcome all of you to compete at our Half Moon Bay Courts.

I would encourage all NCHPA members to go to the World Tournament in Winnemucca, Nevada & also the California

State Championships being held in Stockton, California. These tournaments are the equivalent to being in the Masters, World Series and Super Bowl. You will create long time lifelong memories that you will not regret. I have had the honor to play opponents from Denmark, Norway, South Africa & Canada, as well as players from many different States. It does not get better than that!

We wish everyone good health & safety for all your Family & Friends.

See you on the courts! ***Rick Della Santina***



**(both USA), in Lincoln, California,  
USA, on 7 September 2020.**



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**Subject:** Guinness World Records - Record Approved

Application Reference: 200423203612lhpm

Dear Jeff Williams

We are thrilled to inform you that your application for Longest horseshoe pitching marathon has been successful and you are now the Guinness World Records Title Holder!

You are now eligible for one complimentary Guinness World Records certificate.

You can order your complimentary certificate and purchase further certificates for your new record by visiting the [Guinness World Records store](#).

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## BATTLE OF THE BROTHERS!

(Story told by Jeff Williams  
by Billie Sue Pennington)

Jeff Williams, as a "Junior Boy", in 1975, established a new World Record of 44 consecutive ringers and lost the game! That loss had bothered him throughout the year. He had anxiously waited for World Tournament time again. When the time came to leave Auburn, Ca., he found himself cramped into a station wagon with the kid who had beaten him, his main opponent, his brother "Deadeye", Walter Ray Williams, Jr.

Both boys felt confident that they would emerge as champion. Walter Ray, pitching from 40-ft, had won in '75. In preparation for the 1976 event, Jeff had been pitching from 37-feet, but he moved to 30-feet just a day or so before his qualifying round. Upon doing so, he began making more ringers, and his confidence level shot sky-high. During the round, Jeff defeated "Deadeye", and felt sure he would be named "World Junior Champion". But it wouldn't be that easy, as he, too, was defeated, forcing a "2 out 3" play-off round between the Williams brothers. The play-offs began after midnight and

## SOME GAMES ARE NOT FORGOTTEN

FORM 188 PAGE #1 GAME SCORE SHEET

MRPA National CALL  
Horseshoe No score .....  
Pitchers 1 ringer each no score X X  
Association 2 ringers each no score XX XX  
1 ringer each one point X' X  
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Game No. 100 Court 2 ringers 8 points .00

W. WILLIAMS vs. J. WILLIAMS

Ringers	Points	Score	Time	Ringers	Points	Score
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X			4	XX	3	3
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XX			8	XX		
XX			10	XX		
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XX	3	3	18	XX		
XX			20	XX		
XX			22	XX		
XX			24	XX		
XX			26	XX	3	9
XX			28	XX		
XX			30	XX		
XX			32	XX	3	12
XX			34	XX		
XX			36	XX		
XX			38	XX		
XX	3	6	40	XX		
XX			42	XX		
XX			44	XX		
XX			46	XX		
XX			48	XX		
XX			50	XX	3	15
XX			52	XX		
XX			54	XX		
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XX			58	XX		
XX	6	12	60	XX		
XX			62	XX		
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XX			70	XX		
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XX			82	XX		
XX			84	XX	3	24
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XX			92	XX		
XX			94	XX		
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XX	3	18	98	XX		
XX			100	XX		

SUMMARY  
18 Points 24  
92 Ringers 94  
42 Double 45  
100 Time Pitched 100  
92% Percent Ringers 94%

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SUMMARY  
49 Points 51  
162 Ringers 163  
72 Double 75  
180 Time Pitched 180  
90% Percent Ringers 90.56%

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the winner wasn't determined until around 2 a.m. when Jeff beat Walter Ray two straight times.

After losing the first play off game, Walter Ray figured he could win the second one if he pitched

90%. He met that self-imposed goal, but victory was not to be. His younger brother, Jeff would be named 1976 Junior World Champion. "Deadeye" became the only person to pitch 90% . . . and lose the game!



**(Draft)2021 RGS Proposed Changes (Delegates)**

**PRC #1**

Reason: With the change from NatStats to NHPA eShoe in January 2021 we need to update the RGS book and word edit out NatStat and replace it with "NHPA eShoe (eShoe)".

Glossary; Pg 6

Delete NatStats

Add NHPA eShoe

**Current Wording with lined through deletion and underlined inserted wording to conserve space.**

**Section D - Seeding Contestants; pg 19**

Contestants shall be seeded into Tournament Classes based on their current ~~NatStats~~ NHPA eShoe (eShoe) ringer percentage at the time of the entry deadline. An exception could be the top seeding of a defending champion (not required) when his/her current ~~NatStats~~ eShoe ringer percentage isn't the highest percentage within the Championship group. All ~~NatStats~~ eShoe average ringer percentages shall be based on the three (3) highest NHPA sanctioned events pitched in the preceding twelve (12) months, or among the last ten (10) sanctioned events pitched during the same period, whichever occurs first. The ~~NatStats~~ average ringer percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of ringers by the total number of shoes pitched for those three (3) events. If a Sanctioned League ringer average is one of the three (3) highest NHPA sanctioned events, that Sanctioned League ringer average shall be converted to an average that is based on four hundred (400) shoes.

**REQUIREMENT 1 - TOURNAMENT/LEAGUE OFFICIALS; pg 22**

**Section A - Duties and Responsibilities**

All NHPA sanctioned tournaments and leagues shall have a designated director or committee to administer the activities of the event. The tournament/league officials shall:

**1. Before the Event**

- b. If the tournament requires pre-registration, the Classes for each Division should be made up in advance and the contestants are to be seeded based on current ~~NatStats~~ eShoe averages (see RULE 11, Section D).

**3. After the Event**

Tournament and League results must be submitted to ~~NatStats~~ eShoe upon completion of any tournament or league. See REQUIREMENT 2, Section I, below, for details and additional information.



## PRC #1 (cont)

### **REQUIREMENT 2 - ALL NHPA TOURNAMENTS/ LEAGUES; pg 24**

#### **Section E - Tournament Credit**

1. For singles and doubles events, a contestant must have pitched a minimum of 100 shoes to receive NatStats eShoe credit. Exception: If all games of the round-robin schedule have been pitched in less than 100 shoes, these statistics may be submitted for NatStats eShoe credit.
2. In team tournament competitions, any team member who has pitched a minimum of one hundred (100) shoes during that event may receive NatStats eShoe credit.
3. For elimination tournaments, a contestant must pitch one hundred (100) or more shoes to receive NatStats eShoe credit for that event.

#### **Section F - League Credit**

All seasonal, sanctioned Club/League play must be two hundred (200) or more pitched shoes to qualify as an official sanctioned event for NatStats eShoe purposes.

#### **Section I - Reporting Results**

1. Tournaments - The Tournament Director or statistician must send Tournament results to the Charter statistician (recommended) and/or to NatStats eShoe as soon as possible, upon completion of the tournament. A period of not more than two (2) weeks is recommended.
2. Leagues - League results must be sent to the NHPA Sanctioned Club/League Director as soon as possible, upon the completion of the league season. A period of not more than two (2) weeks is recommended. The Sanctioned Club/League Director will forward these results to NatStats eShoe.

### **REQUIREMENT 4 - WORLD TOURNAMENT PLAY; pg 27**

#### **Section C - Championship Finals**

Finalists in each World Championship Division will be determined by NatStats eShoe averages and/or by the results of preliminary Class play within their Division. All contestants will be seeded according to their ringer percentages.

#### **Section H - Eligibility**

All entrants shall have their eligibility and entering percentage verified by NatStats eShoe.

2. Exemptions - An exception to the requirement of four (4) sanctioned events shall be active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their immediate family (if married), provided they meet the other eligibility requirements. Entering averages for foreign entrants and active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their immediate family, not in the NatStats eShoe database, will be verified by other means. (See RULE 11, Section D.1)



PRC #1 (cont)

GUIDELINE 5 - PACERS; pg 35

Section C - Awards and Statistics

Since pacers are not "official" contestants in the Class competition, their games will always appear in the "loss" column, they are not eligible for prizes or awards, and their statistics are not to be reported to NatStats eShoe. Also, they may or may not be asked to pay the scorekeeper for the games they pitch.

GLOSSARY; pg 45

~~NatStats~~ NHPA eShoe – ~~Stands for National Statistics; a~~ A service of the NHPA that shows tournaments, receives, stores, and calculates the current average ringer percentage for all NHPA members who have a current card and competed within the calendar year. (Also see NHPA Website)

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Ringer Percentage – A pitcher's ringer percentage (for a game, tournament, or ~~NatStats eShoe~~) is determined by dividing the total number of ringers by the total number of shoes pitched. (See page 18, RULE 11, Section C)

PRC #2

Added wording to clarify that these rules are guidelines for local tournaments and leagues.

Add wording to front of RGS Book:

***"These rules and regulations have been developed and ratified by a majority of NHPA members for NHPA-sanctioned play. The Horseshoe Pitching rules are not a mandate, but rather a guideline to promote consistent, standard and fair play in Horseshoe Pitching. All World, State and Regional tournaments that are sanctioned by the NHPA must adhere to these rules, guidelines and specification."***

The previous 3 pages are the NHPA rules proposals for the convention of delegates at the World Tournament NHPA business meeting in July in Winnemucca, Nevada. **Pay particular attention to the last paragraph that will be added to the RGS book.**

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