

# Nor-Cal News & Views

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

## President

It's nice to see the sun again. It looks like we're all ready for the 2017 season. I'm looking forward to a great year!

The officers held our first meeting of the year on March 11th after the Pleasanton tournament. It was very productive with lots of discussion about the State. Northern is hosting this year and we will be at the Stockton club. Let's all work together and demonstrate our northern hospitality.

Looking forward to seeing everyone this year. Call me if you have any suggestions or concerns. **Joe Summers**

## Secretary/Treasurer

Hi all – hope you are ready for the 2017 season as it has begun! If you haven't paid your dues yet please do so we can be up to date for National.

To be sure everyone knows Alan Trusty has taken on the task of being our statistician. He is getting some training on the program and we really appreciate him stepping up. For those of you using HS Master, when you send your stats to Alan – please copy me (Gail) on them. That way I can get them on the NCHPA Facebook page and our Web site fast. Also, I am going to retain a file for the year, and if Alan has questions he can call me – it will be easier if we can both be looking at the stats as we talk. Thank you all. Both of our email addresses are on the front of the Schedule. For those of you still using paper Summary Sheets for stats please complete the overview page and send with your individual Summary sheets to Alan. I will be emailing the overview out this next week – still tweaking it a bit to make it easy for everyone. We are all excited about the first NCHPA doubles tournament to be held this year, watch for the flyer to come out. Good news on the Sluys front - our Travis will be stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA – Semper Fi...OOHRAH! **Gail Sluys**

## 1st Vice President

Well, Mother Nature did it again! Rain, rain go away. We had quite a few tournaments canceled or rescheduled because of the rain. I did luck out and made a couple so far. The clay was still wet, but with a rag and some dry clay, everything worked out.

I did notice a few things that each club members could improve on. Wearing a shirt with your name on the back. Once your game starts, you don't walk off the courts because you're thirsty, and when giving the announcements; remind the pitchers alcohol is not allowed in the pitching area.

Now everyone should start to make plans for the upcoming big tournaments. July the World horseshoe pitching championship, September California State Championship and the NCHPA Doubles Championship and in October the NCHPA Championships. (I have it on good word that Linda and Sharon are working hard to have a good and fun Doubles Championship)

With all that said, my usual reminder for club secretaries; if you need score sheets or round robin cards, let me know.

Let's have a good year. **John Barney**

## 3rd Vice President

Hello everyone, as the new statistician, I look forward to seeing everyone at our various tournaments, and meeting and welcoming the newest members of the NCHPA. I would like to ask that after a tournament if you could please send the stats to me as soon as you can that would be appreciated, thank you. I ask for your patience, as I am still learning. Good luck, and most of all have fun. **Alan Trusty**



# NCHPA CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRY FORM

October 7th and 8th

(One or Two Days of Pitching depending on number of Entries)



## HOST CLUB – Vallejo Horseshoe Cub

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

**ENTRY DEADLINE POSTMARKED September 23, 2017**

Participants must have pitched in (3) NCHPA sanctioned tournaments before September 23, 2017. **New members** who joined after August 1, 2017 and **Junior/ Cadet** Entrants need a minimum of one (1) NCHPA sanctioned tournament before September 23, 2017.

TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE \$20.00 FOR ADULTS NO CHARGE FOR JUNIORS OR CADETS

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.**

-----Cut Here-----Cut Here-----

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

NCHPA CARD # \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Please circle the Group you are entering.**

OPEN MEN	OPEN WOMEN	ELDERS MEN	JUNIOR GIRL/BOY
CADET 12 & UNDER (20 ft.)		SR.MEN	SR.WOMEN

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

ENTRY FEE                      \$20.00    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## 4th Vice President

2017 is rolling along with lightening speed as we all prepare for and take part in our pitching season.

The executive council met at Tri-Valley on March 11th. It was a long but productive meeting since we have the State Tournament this year at Stockton as well as the Doubles Tournament in Willows. The EC all have jobs to do and will probably be asking for help in different areas as we work to make all of our tournaments good experiences. The Doubles Tournament is a new experience for all of us and the Shasta Willows club with the help of the Fortuna club are already making plans and gathering helpers.

Keep in mind the NCHPA Doubles Tournament is scheduled for September 23-24 and is being held in Willows this year. As you pitch in various tournaments this season look for a partner since you can partner with any pitcher from any club as long as your combined averages don't exceed the maximum.

If you have ideas or concerns you would like to share about anything horseshoe related, contact one of your officers and let them know. Our contact information is on the front of the 2017 Schedule!

Blessings to you all and hope to see you soon,  
**Lorena Tournour**

## 5th Vice President

We've had 24 new members that have joined the NCHPA so far this year, so I have been busy sending out new member packets. I look forward to pitching with the new members and the several pitchers that are returning to the horseshoe wars. Sonoma leads the way with 4 new pitchers, while San Francisco, Vallejo, and Ukiah Valley have added 3 new members. Any new member that has a question or an issue that they need help with as they become active in Norcal Horseshoes can feel free to call me at 209-365-1190.

Early season rainouts gave way to great tournaments and good turnouts at Tri-Valley and Vallejo. It is good to see Vallejo up and

running again, but Ben Yost was missed. We had a good board meeting following the Tri-Valley tournament on March 11....I look forward to serving on this board...a nice mix of enthusiasm and experience. Joe will provide good leadership, and Alan Trusty will be a good Statistician! It is nice to see the results posted quickly on the NCHPA website. Happy 2017 to all, let's make this a year to remember!  
**George Davis**

# CLUBS

## Tri-Valley

Hello all – what a winter California has had – can honestly say glad to see the sunshine - Tri Valley sustained little damage from the recent storms – but those trees did drop the leaves – also after some consideration it was decided to replace one side of court 7 – it's ongoing as we speak, ( Ed note: rework is complete) but hope to have it completed by our next tournament of April 1.

We have such hard workers in our club and have to do a shout out to – Bill Faler (Pit Master), Wayne Majors, Rosie Buna, Harvey Kooy, Mark Bernard, Buddy Huffman, Tim and Sue Saunders – for all your mowing, sweeping, digging, cement busting, vacuuming, potty room cleaning, etc – it takes a village to keep the club running – and a special thank you to our leader Richard Robbins for coming back from AZ.

We had our first tournament March 11 with beautiful 76 degree weather and 30 pitchers – March 12 we had 15 pitchers and again beautiful sunshine – a special thank you to our resident cooks Mark Bernard and Janice Hughes (happy birthday Janice) who provided a fabulous spread of fresh cut meats, cheeses, buns, chips, tomatoes, lettuce and mini cupcakes – always great.

We have several tournaments at Tri Valley this year – please try to make one: April 1 and 2nd, May 6 and 7th., August 5 and 6th., September 16 and 17th., October 28 and 29th. and November 18 and 19th.

As a side note Tim had left knee surgery about 3 weeks ago and pitched his first tournament March 12 – he said he's getting ready for St. George, UT –

lets show the world what California can do – let's get out there and pitch.

**Sue & Tim Saunders**

**Look what I found Sue:** December 6, 2016

Tri-Valley news – by Tim and Sue Saunders

Starting the November 11 Tri-Valley tournament Acting President Joe Summers was presented with a special trophy and a motorcycle (one that will prevent speeding tickets) as a show of appreciation from NCHPA members.

Weather was absolutely beautiful and a fun time was had by 32 pitchers on November 11 with winners Dale Koistinen and John Carver and 22 pitchers on November 12 with winners Wood-Huffman and Sample-Robbins.

Following the Saturday tournament was the NCHPA annual meeting with Richard Robbins and Mark Bernard representing Tri-Valley. Tri-Valley has several tournaments scheduled for 2017. Let's get out there and pitch more in 2017 "use it or lose it".

## Fortuna

Man it is cold outside, hard to think about pitching. We got a cold snap up here, it was 28 degrees last night. Here's wishing all the Horseshoe Pitching clubs and their members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I went by the Fortuna horseshoe courts the other day and they are sure wet and soggy. Next year we hope to improve on our big money tournament, maybe add another day of pitching. Hey got a joke for you; This lady has a face lift and it turned out excellent. She was most pleased with how young she looked. While shopping at a department store she asked the sales clerk how old would you say I am, he said you don't look a day over 35, she said I am actually 47. Later at another store she again asked a clerk how old do you think I am, the lady sales clerk says early 30's. Then at lunch time she stopped into McDonald's and while ordering she asked the young checker how old would you say I am, and he said 29, she thanked him and said I am actually 47. Later in the day she went to the grocery store, while still in the parking lot, she and a nice gentleman were getting grocery baskets and talked a bit. She said to him, I'm doing an informal survey on how old people think I am, would you be willing to participate, he said sure. She said guess how old you think I am. He said I can tell you exactly how old you are, if I can kiss and hug you. She said well I don't know but then got thinking it would be

ok and told him to go ahead. He kissed her and hugged her and then kissed her some more and hugged her some more and then did it a third time and finally came up for air and said you are 47 years old. She said how did you determine that to be my age by kissing me and hugging me, he said I was in line behind you at McDonalds. Ha, Ha, Ha.--

-----  
After a long wet and snowy winter we finally got out to pitch. Had a great time at Shasta/Willows this week-end. A total of 49 pitchers for the 2 days...Players from Reno and Oregon joined us for a fun time.

On another note, please be looking for a partner for the first ever NCHPA doubles tournament to be hosted by the Shasta/Willows club In September. This is a pre-register tourney...Details to follow in next News and Views.

Mark your calendar for the Fortuna Money Tournament August 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> –Equal pay-outs in all groups—Free membership drawing for the year 2018, SURPRISE MONEY EACH DAY IN ALL GROUPS, reserve your tents ahead of time—RV parking (no hook-ups) FLYER IN NEXT NEWS AND VIEWS

**Bill Paddock and Blair Rowley**

## San Jose

Welcome to the 2017 pitching season from San Jose! The weather over this way has not been very conducive to pitching or prepping courts. Several of us, however, have managed to get in some practice pitching on the sand courts that are in the area. Court prep is another story. The clay is way too wet to pitch in, but we have high hopes to have everything up and running for our first 2017 tournaments on April 22 and 23. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at these tournaments. See you then and best of luck to you in the 2017 season. **Mike Anderson**

## Sonoma County

We are working hard to gain a few new members. Paul Machado is working overtime talking up the club and gathering people. We will be eventually switching our practice/league night to Thurs. First change of this sort in 32 years. It's just that some of the new people have other things happening on Tue. Thanks to all the club members who stepped up during a trying period this year. **Casey Sluys**

## Stockton

It is great to get the 2017 horseshoe pitching season underway! Unfortunately the weather didn't cooperate last week in Stockton, steady rain early in the week, plus rain most of the day Friday put our courts under water! We were not able to have the Tony Marino Tournament.....Tony was not going to be able to pitch anyway.....he jumped in to help some guy lift a freezer onto the back of his truck, and blew out his back and now requires hernia surgery. There is a message in that.....be kind to others just don't be so helpful! We'll regroup in Stockton and be ready for our April tournaments on the 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.

After the wet winter I think all of us are ready to get outdoors and throw some ringers. It promises to be a great year for Norcal Horseshoes, with the State Tournament in Stockton, and the World Tournament in Utah. Everyone should get out to get your qualifying tournaments in so you can participate in both events. The World Tournament is truly something a horseshoe pitcher should get to at least once in his life.....a horseshoe pitcher's "bucket list" should include at least two things...pitch in a World Tournament and beat Joe Summers at least once! **George Davis**

## Half Moon Bay

Like every other club, we have had very wet three months. This has prevented us from being able to start the cement work on our courts. We hope to start within the next two weeks. The Best Western next to Cameron's is near completion. Once this is completed, it will be walking distance from our courts. Cameron's is an English Pub & Restaurant on the corner of Highway 1 & Wavecrest Road in Half Moon Bay.

Our club has started pitching on Thursday nights with good turnouts. Thursday, April 20 the Roy Ebbel Open, will be our first club tournament. Thursday, May 4 The Pat McGowan Open will be our first NHPA tournament. We will be hosting 11 weekday Club & NHPA Tournaments throughout the season, we hope you will join us for many of them. **Rick Della Santina**

## Ukiah

Hello again from Ukiah. Rain, rain, rain . . . At this point we may be pitching in water mixed with a little clay!! We check our courts periodically and dry out the clay only to have another rain storm around the

corner. Today we checked our courts and there is one of the 11 available that is dry enough to pitch on and another rain storm on the way. Our first tournaments are April 22 & 23 so we have time to dry out and hopefully time to practice a little and throw the rust off of those shoes! We have tournaments in April as I mentioned and May 20 & 21 and June 3 & 4 so mark your calendars and plan your journeys to include a trip to Ukiah. We have an In N Out burger joint right around the corner and down the street from the pits – it's busy all the time but people who travel tell me that they always are. Our lodging list includes some very nice and reasonably priced hotels/motels a few:

- 1) Comfort Inn on Airport Park Blvd.
- 2) Best Western on Orchard Avenue
- 3) Quality Inn on South State St.
- 4) Travel Lodge on North State St.

check them out and plan a visit, we would love to see you and remember – the best donuts in Mendocino county as well as some fruit, coffee and if I'm ambitious there might even be a pot of beans offered to all pitchers and their families. God bless you all. **Lorena Tournour**

## Shasta/Willows

Fritz & Bobbi stopped over for a night on March 20<sup>th</sup> to visit and catch up on the horseshoe news. Both are doing great and told me to say hello to everyone. They had been in Az. For the winter in their nice new motorhome.

This weekend was a great weekend for us to start our horseshoe season. On Saturday we had plenty of sunshine and 28 pitchers signing in but only 27 pitching as Bill Paddock decided to sit out and keep score instead. So 27 pitchers pitched and we used all but, two courts. We had pitchers join us from Oregon and Nevada. Thank you to Lee Oliver for driving Audrey over to visit us for the day and to Audrey thanks for coming with Lee I know it was a long day for you but, we loved that you joined us. Thank you to all the scorekeepers you are always appreciated by us pitchers. Our club would like to welcome Ray Szczepanski and Larry King we're glad you're joining us.

Sunday's tournament the weather wasn't as nice and we did have a few sprinkles but us 22 die hards bundled up and sprinkled some kitty litter on the walkways and pitched on. Ukiah club came out in force for our money tournament and with three new members. Welcome to you all. We were able to get the whole tournament in and wouldn't you know it that there were play-off games in each

group. The winners were in Group 1 our six time women's state champion, birthday girl and assoc. member Sharon Paddock took first. Carol Lanfair from Nv. placed second. Group 2: Gene Washoe 1<sup>st</sup> and Robert Gillett Jr. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Group 3: Larry Pacheco assoc. member took 1<sup>st</sup> and Robert Gillett Sr. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Group 4: Eugenio Chana new member for Ukiah took 1<sup>st</sup> and Jeff Norried 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Our next tournament will be Elaine Butcher & Linda Hoelscher money tournament. Calling all pitchers come out and pitch. Who wants to win some \$\$\$\$? Robert Gillett Sr. owner of Gillett Electric has donated a LARGE SUM of money to be added to our prize fund for this tournament. So please come on over and join in the fun.

It's time to start thinking about the NCHPA first ever Doubles tournament being hosted by the Shasta/Willows horseshoe club being held on Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> in Willows. Make sure you keep that date open and search for a dependable partner to join you in the fun. Please keep your eyes open for the flyer and information on this event. Here is a list of Hotels and RV's parks with phone numbers for you to use in making your reservations. There is dry camping at the courts no hookups. Rolling Hills Casino has two hotels and an RV park with your stay here you get a free breakfast buffet. The Lodge 530-824-3220; The Inn 530-824-8300; RV park 530-528-3586 full hookups.

Willows RV park 888-435-8237. Hotels in the Willows area Holiday Inn & suites 888-734-8507. Baymont Inn & suites 888-945-3972. Motel 6 888-673-2059. Super Eight 888-675-8872. Best Western Inn 888-724-6413.

Hope this information helps everyone. See you in Willows. **Linda Hoelscher**

## Feather River

Not much news around here except rain and flooding mixed in with warmer weather. Looking forward to going to Willows to pitch Sat. the 25th if it doesn't rain. We haven't been to tournaments yet. Should be in the thick of it soon. Hope all have had a good winter. **Audrey Winters**

*Turn in a nomination for the Hall of Fame see form on page 9.*



## Regional Director

Three of our court facilities sustained some sort of damage during this wet winter. Pollock Pines had a huge fir tree come down and take out 6 courts worth of fencing. A few of the guys cut the tree up and are working on putting in new fence. Gold Country suffered flooding and a few thousand pounds of silt needs to be removed. The city told the club they would do it. Tri-Valley has a tree up heaving court 7. The rain really spurred it's growth, but that's all been dug out and a new pad poured. It's been a busy off season here in Northern CA. Pictures of the damaged and repair work are available of our Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/481228218748973/>

Did you know that there is a record of the Vallejo Club having pitched the Alexander Valley Club in 1925? Check this URL out: <https://cdnc.ucr.edu/cgi-bin/cdnc?a=d&d=HTES19250416.2.5>

If you don't sign up for this year's World Tournament you will be missing the closest one to CA in the next number of years. St George Utah is a beautiful area and the people are fantastic. Look for the entry form on page 11, the deadline is May 15th. In 2018 it's going to Florence, SC.

If you are an adult and you played in the 2013 WT in St. George, you can get a \$100 rebate if you team up with an adult who did not go in 2013.

Go to [www.horseshoepitching.com](http://www.horseshoepitching.com) and "Host Informational Website", Promotions, Tournament Entry Rebate.

Or directly: <http://worldhorseshoes.com/tournament/rebate/>

If you are in the first 100 to fill out the form and you and your new player both compete and stay in separate rooms, you win! Read all the details to see if I missed anything. **Casey Sluys**



# 2017 California State Championships

**Sponsor: Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association (NCHPA)**

**Host Club: Stockton Horseshoe Club 2-4 September 2017**

**Louis Park 3121 Monte Diablo Ave Stockton, CA**

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

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

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

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

## 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      Cadets 12 & under (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 \_\_\_\_\_

-----**Cut here**-----**Cut here**-----

(Keep this section for future reference – Calif. State Championships, Stockton, 2-4 September 2017)

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 2017** (Late entries require an additional **\$10** entry fee and will be used on a standby basis only.)

Make checks payable to: **NCHPA**

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

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



The NHPF would like to request a favor. If you purchase things online through Amazon, please use Amazon Smile. It costs nothing and is a wonderful way members can begin to contribute to the NHPF.

What happens is that 1/2 of 1% of your total purchase price goes to the NHPF through Amazon Smile. That means if you spent \$100.00 on a purchase, 1 % of that is \$1.00, a half of that is 50 cents. Yes, it's a pittance when you look at it this way, but over \$100,000 it becomes \$500.00. A completely painless way to participate.

If you have any question please call me at 707-477-8893

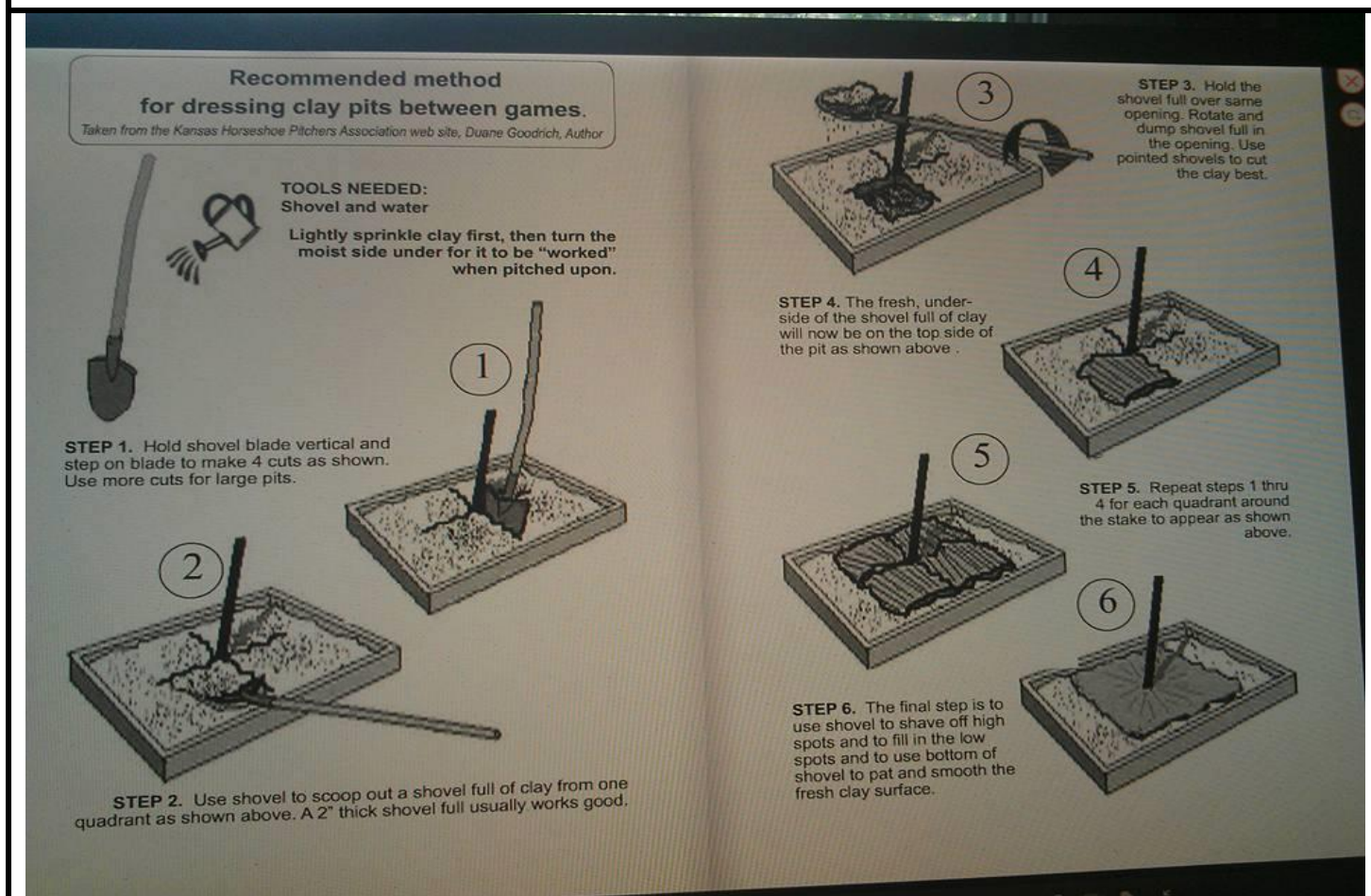
Thank you, Casey Sluys NHPF Board of Directors President

**Share this link:** <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/62-1671910> and ask your donors, volunteers, employees, and friends to bookmark this link so all their eligible shopping will benefit *National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation*.

**Send an email:** In your next email newsletter to supporters, promote your AmazonSmile participation and include the link above.

**Copy and paste this message in a Facebook post:** When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to *National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation*. Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/62-1671910> and support us every time you shop.

**Copy and paste this message in a Tweet:** Amazon donates to *National Horseshoe Pitchers Foundation* when you shop @AmazonSmile. <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/62-1671910> #YouShopAmazonGives





## **Hall of Fame Nomination**

### **Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association**

Any member in good standing may nominate any NCHPA member for consideration to be inducted into the NCHPA Hall of Fame. Nominees must have ten years of consecutive membership and may be nominated as a Pitcher or Promoter.

This form must accompany any and all supporting documentation concerning your nomination. Tell us all you can about the person that you are nominating so as to assist the selection committee in considering your nomination for induction. You may use as many additional pages as needed for you to justify why your nominated person should qualify for induction. All submitted documentation must be type written to be considered. Provide copies as materials will not be returned.

**Return form:** Linda Hoelscher: 24334 Hoag Road, Corning CA 96021 (530) 824-1392, [linal74@aol.com](mailto:linal74@aol.com)

<b>Nominee Name:</b>
<b>Number of Years as NCHPA Member:</b>
<b>Nominated By:</b>
<b>Nominated as a Pitcher or Promoter:</b>

#### **Highlights of Pitching Career**

<b>Tournaments Won</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Average</b>

#### **NCHPA or Club Offices Held**

<b>Office Held</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Date</b>

#### **Provide Examples of Promotional Efforts**

# 2017 CALIFORNIA STATE HORSESHOE PITCHING CHAMPIONSHIPS



## Awards Sponsorship Form

### Northern California Horseshoe Pitcher's Association



The Northern California Horseshoe Pitchers Association (NCHPA) will host the 2015 California State Horseshoe Pitching Championships tournament in Stockton, CA Louis Park 3121 Monte Diablo Ave Stockton; over the Labor Day weekend September 2-4 2017. 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 20<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

Davis tools available \$15.00



Meet me at a tournament. No serious pitcher should be without a tool. 707-477-8893.

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

July 17th - July 29th St. George, Utah

**2017 World Horseshoe Pitching Championships**

<b>Name:</b> ( Please Print )		_____	_____	<b>2017 NHPA Card #</b> (or Canadian # )	_____
<b>Address:</b> _____					
<b>City:</b> _____	<b>State/Prov:</b> _____	<b>Zip/Postal Code:</b> _____			
<b>Telephone:</b> _____	<b>Cell:</b> _____	<b>Birth Date:</b> _____			
<b>Email:</b> _____		<b>Local Newspaper:</b> _____			
<u>Check One</u>		<u>I will print my schedule.</u>		<u>Mail my schedule to me.</u> ( One per household please. )	
<b>Circle the Division you are entering:</b> - You can enter only one division (See notes near bottom of page)					
<b>OPEN MEN</b> 40ft	<b>SENIOR MEN</b> 40ft (see note #2)	<b>OPEN WOMEN</b> 30ft	<b>SENIOR WOMEN</b> 30ft (see note #2)	<b>ELDER MEN / ME</b> 30ft ( see note #1 )	<b>JR.BOY JR.GIRL</b> 30ft ( see note #3 )
					<b>CADET</b> 20ft

All applicable information above is required.

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

Entry Deadline May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017No refunds will be made after May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017

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:** \_\_\_\_\_

----- mail top half only -----

**ENTRY FEES: ALL ADULTS -- \$130.00 • ALL JUNIORS -- \$25.00 • U.S. FUNDS ONLY**  
CANADIAN ENTRIES MUST USE MONEY ORDERS ENTRY FEE INCLUDES SCORE KEEPING

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

TO: NHPA  
17259 Jefferson St  
Omaha, NE 68135

Direct Telephone & Email Inquiries to:  
David Sidles NHPA Sec/Treas.  
(402) 763-8882 sec.treas@horseshoepitching.com

All Entries must be on this signed form and mailed with a postmark no later than **May 15, 2017**. Entries received with a postmark after May 15th 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 four (4) US/Canadian sanctioned events in the twelve (12) months prior to May 15, 2017, 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 NATSTATS / CANSTATS as of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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 show their 2017 membership card when checking in. You may enter at anytime prior to May 15<sup>th</sup>. 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 2017. Any man that turns 70 years of age in 2017, 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 2017 calendar year. **JUNIOR CADET DIVISION** entrants must be 12 years old or younger for the entire 2017 calendar year.

**Note # 1.** 30ft Men with Medical Exemptions must include a copy of their NHPA Charter Acceptance letter or a copy of their NHPA card showing the ME box checked to verify your eligibility to participate 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 and Cadet divisions will be mixed for preliminary play.

The pitching schedule will be finalized by **May 31st** 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 first 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.

Casey Sluys 20-2  
1721 San Ramon Wy.  
Santa Rosa CA 95409-3964

**NCHPA.com**



## **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION**

### **President**

#### **Judges Training**

Joe Summers  
231 Escondido Dr.  
Martinez, CA 94553  
925-260-0915  
[40ftforever@gmail.com](mailto:40ftforever@gmail.com)

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President**

#### **Statistics**

Alan Trusty  
2734 E. Whitmore Ave  
Ceres CA 95307  
831-245-9254  
[alant\\_21@yahoo.com](mailto:alant_21@yahoo.com)

### **Secretary/Treasurer**

Gail Sluys  
1721 San Ramon Wy  
Santa Rosa, CA 95409  
707-538-3128; 707-486-0594  
[nchpagail@gmail.com](mailto:nchpagail@gmail.com)

### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**

#### **Paper Supplies/Social Sec.**

John Barney  
270 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St.  
Lincoln, CA 95648  
916-253-9897  
[barneyjhon@yahoo.com](mailto:barneyjhon@yahoo.com)

### **4<sup>th</sup> Vice President**

#### **By-Laws/Schedule**

Lorena Tournour  
PO Box 113  
Calpela, CA 95418  
707-485-7894  
[latournour@gmail.com](mailto:latournour@gmail.com)

### **NCHPA Statistician**

Alan Trusty  
2734 E. Whitmore Ave  
Ceres CA 95307  
831-245-9254  
[alant\\_21@yahoo.com](mailto:alant_21@yahoo.com)

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**

#### **Junior Rep.**

Andrew Ryan  
PO Box 74  
Snelling, CA 95369  
209-484-1117  
[handy.andyplumbing@yahoo.com](mailto:handy.andyplumbing@yahoo.com)

### **5<sup>th</sup> Vice President**

#### **New Members**

George Davis  
1435 W. Vine St  
Lodi, CA 95242-3861  
209-365-1190  
[guydavis@comcast.net](mailto:guydavis@comcast.net)

#### *Regional Director/Newsletter Editor*

Casey Sluys  
1721 San Ramon Wy  
Santa Rosa, CA 95409  
707-477-8893  
[kcslus@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kcslus@sbcglobal.net)