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**1<sup>st</sup> VP**

## **The 2021 State Tournament:**

The 101<sup>st</sup> annual California State Horseshoe Pitching Championship was held at Louis Park in Stockton on September 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. The event was hosted by the Stockton Horseshoe Club and the Northern California Charter of the NHPA. This was the eleventh State Tournament held in Stockton. The weather was ideal for the morning pitching session, while the midday and afternoon shifts pitched in mid to high 90-degree temperatures. The schedule ran pretty much on time, and the Stockton Club had the clay in good condition.



**Bermingham wins 7<sup>th</sup> State Title**

Sacramento's Rick Bermingham won his 7<sup>th</sup> California State Men's Title! The year 2021 has been Rick's career best, finishing 6<sup>th</sup> place in the World Tournament in Winnemucca, Nevada in July, and capping it off with the California Men's Crown. Rick

threw an outstanding 71.09 % ringer average for the tournament. This was the first winning ringer percentage over 70% since 1997 when Walter Ray Williams, Jr. won the State Title with 79.40%, a period of 24 years! Rick's 7<sup>th</sup> State Title puts him one behind Fernando Isais who has 8, two behind Don Titcomb with 9 and three behind Guy Zimmerman's 10. A flip pitcher has won the State Championship for 7 years in a row, so Rick's win puts the Title back in the hands of a turn pitcher. Rick has the prettiest 1 ¼ turn you will ever see; he modeled his backswing after Walter Ray, his high reaching follow through after Monte Latino, and this year Rick has concentrated on throwing a higher shoe which was contributed by his long-time friend Glenn Rippetoe. Nathan Williams finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Nathan, a 4-time winner of the State Tournament, took Rick right down to the last game. That final matchup had the feel of a playoff game; Nathan certainly made Rick earn his Championship. The final score was 40-32 in 62 shoes, but the game was tight all the way. Birmingham threw 41 ringers for 66.1%, and Williams threw 40 ringers for 64.5%. Bobby Bartell finished in third place with second highest ringer percentage in the group at 51.93%. Socal's Tony Morales, Jr. was 4<sup>th</sup> and Vallejo's Dave Lane was 5<sup>th</sup>. The two high games thrown in the Men's Championship Class were thrown by Birmingham who had 81.8% against Ramiro Coronado, and 80 % against Bobby Bartell.

Tulare's Diane Luiz won the Women's State Championship with an 8-2 record while pitching 55.81%. Diane who pitches with the Exeter club caused quite a stir at Winnemucca at the World Tournament when she came in 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Senior Women's Championship Class. Diane throws a stylish single flip with Easy Flip

horseshoes and makes a very full backswing. She is a serious student of the mental game of horseshoes and at the pace she is improving her game, it would not be a surprise if she makes a serious move toward the Women's Championship Group next year at West Monroe. Luiz won all 5 games on Saturday in the first leg of the double round robin, but on day two she lost to Vallejo's Pauline McGrath 40-33 when Pauline hit her with a 63.4% game, and to Southern California's Martina Soriano 41-36 in the next to last game. Pauline McGrath had a great tournament pitching 6.2 points over her entering average and finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the group. She tied in wins and losses with 5-time State Champ Sandra Johnson but won second place on her ringer percentage. Sandra Johnson, the classy defending champ was third with Marina Soriano finishing 4th. High game in the class was pitched by Martina Soriano who dropped a 68.4% (26 out of 38) on Sandi Abbot.

John Garcia went undefeated with a 53.15% ringer average to win the Elders State Championship. This was John's first title after finishing second multiple times. Two-time Elder Champion Mike Oberlander finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. Norcal's John Demello finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Steve McGrath finished 4<sup>th</sup> while pitching the second highest ringer percentage in the group. High game in the group was pitched by John Garcia in his opening game when he threw a 64.7 % gem at Jerry Timms.

The Senior Men's Championship was won by Southern California's Eddie Montoya. Eddie beat 2018 Senior Men's Champ Roy West in a playoff game. Both men had finished regular play at 8-2. Montoya threw a clutch 46% game at West for the 40-29 over-time win. Donald Henry, the 2017 Senior Men's Champ finished

third. Norcal's Stan Cummings finished 4<sup>th</sup>. The highest game pitched in the class was Montoya's 46% playoff game.

The Junior State Championship Group was dominated by the phenomenal Hastiin Begaye. The current Cadet World Champion, Hastiin chose to compete at the 30-foot Junior distance for this year's Championship, and remarkably he went undefeated at 10-0 with a 70% ringer average. Hastiin totally dominated this talented field, pitching 4 games where his opponents scored 0 points against him, 2 games where he allowed 3 points, and 2 games where he gave up 4 points! Luke Zepponi managed to score 10 points, and Teo Espinola had 11 points against Begaye! The TOTAL points scored by all of Hastiin's opponents in all 10 games was 35 points, not enough to win a 40 –point game! Beyond incredible! Hastiin's high game was the high game for the group, a smoking 86.3% against defending Champion Dillon Kyle. Dillon came in 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the Championship Group, and Teo Espinola finished in 3<sup>rd</sup>. Kaidence Begaye won the Junior Girl's State Championship with a ringer percentage which was the highest for the Girls in the last ten years! She pitched a 30.3% game to defeat 2-time Boy's State Champ Luke Zepponi 42-39, and beat 2-time Cadet State Champion Kevin Kyle 40-28!

The 2021 Cadet State Championship came down to a battle between Adakai Begaye and Evelyn Espinola. Adakai emerged as the Boy's Cadet Champion pitching a nice 43.36% average, and Evelyn was the Girl's Cadet Champion with a 33.22% average. Both Cadet Champions pitched over their entry averages in a good competition that featured good sportsmanship. The final game between the two champions was won by Adakai 37-36 in

50 shoes. Adakai pitched 48% and Evelyn pitched 46% in that game, an outstanding performance by both youngsters!



### **The Begaye Family 3 State Champions!**

Men's B Class was won by Frank Rodriguez II from Southern California with a 10-1 record and a 41.82% ringer average. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8-3 was Norcal's Javier Espinola. George Garibay out of Socal took 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 7.5-3.5. Wayne Lockhart had a 7-4 record for 4<sup>th</sup> place. High games for the class went to Frank Rodriguez II who threw a 55% beauty at Southern California President Danny Kyle, and to Wayne Lockhart who also unleashed a 55%er on President Kyle!

Men's C Class was won by Sean Veteran Sean showed up for the first day without a shirt with his name on it so he needed to wear his name taped on his shirt, but by the time the tournament was over everyone in



the group knew his name. Sean won seven games, lost one to Steven Nakamoto, and tied one with Rick Eddy. Veteran had a 25.28% ringer average. Marshall Merino came in 2<sup>nd</sup> Place with a group high ringer percent of 32.78. Forebay Park's Rick Eddy finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Southern California's Jonathan Williams finished 4<sup>th</sup>, and told me he had pitched in every State Tournament going back to 1972! The highest games pitched in the class were 42.5%. Sean Veteran threw that percentage to beat Marshall Merino. Marshall pitched a 42.5% in beating John Flores, and Jonathan Williams tossed a 42.5 to beat Diego Vargas. Northern California President Joe Summers trailed the field at 1-8, but did manage to edge Steven Nakamoto 24-23 just before his shoulder seized up. One memorable "Summers Story" occurred when Joe was asked to judge a ringer, and since he had lent his judging tools to the Shift Judge he improvised and used a paint stick to judge the shoe. Why a paint stick? Because the flat edge of a clipboard wouldn't fit! Call made, play resumes!

Men's D was won by Travis Ritter who went 8-2 with a 23 % ringer average which was 5.24 over his entry %. John Chapman finished a game behind Ritter at 7-3 pitching 2.46% over his average. Onan Rice had a nice 3<sup>rd</sup> Place finish pitching close to 8 % over his entering average. High games in the class were pitched by Travis Ritter who pitched back-to-back 32.5% games against Danny Perales and David Goldstein.

Dee Rice ran away with the Women's B Class with a perfect 8-0 record pitching close to 4% over her entry average. Josie Tellers finished 2<sup>nd</sup> Place with the group high 31.56 ringer percentage. Stockton's energetic Christina Cordova, pitching in her first State Tournament, finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. High game in the Class was thrown by Jose Tellers when she hit Byrlyn McCormick

with a 45% effort. Dee Rice had a nice 32.5% game in her opener against Mary Henry.

Elders Class B was won by "yours truly," with a 10-0 record and a 47.5% ringer average. It was fun to finally have a good tournament after a couple of years of an injured elbow, and failed attempts at pitching a  $\frac{3}{4}$  turn, and even trying a flip! My 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn seems to be coming back, and resulted in 5 games at 50% or better including a Class high 60% in my final game. Wayne McGhee had a nice tournament finishing 7-3 with a 35.50 ringer percentage, almost 6 points over his entry average. Wayne had back to back 50% games. Mike Anderson finished 3<sup>rd</sup> Place at 7-3 with a 32.25 ringer average. Norcal Hall of Famer Bill Terry had to withdraw from the group on the first day due to heat exhaustion.

Junior Boys B Class was a head to head battle of the Rice Boys. Colter and Tryden Rice played a 9-game match in which all the games were close. Colter edged Tryden 8 games to 1. Colter made 20 ringers out of his 360 shoes (5.56 %,) while Tryden put 17 ringers on the stake out of his 360 shoes (4.72%.) More close shoes for Colter probably told the story!

Joe Summers, Danny Kyle, and Gail Sluys as co-Tournament Directors did a great job running the tournament. Gail did her usual superb job of setting up the tournament and administering it. Lorena Tournour and Jasmine Brady gave Gail a lot of help in the Stat Room. The Norcal Board Members did good work signing in pitchers, acting as Shift Directors, distributing drinking water, collecting scorecards, filling water jugs, distributing paint for stakes, stocking the restrooms, and bagging trash. Thanks to the Scorekeepers and Judges.

Health problems kept Casey Sluys from attending the State Tournament, the first one he's missed in decades! His absence was felt.....sometimes you don't realize how important someone is until they are not there!

We had an appearance on day one of Walter Ray Williams, Jr., who was in Northern California to bowl. Walter Ray paced a game with his brother Nathan. It was great to have the California Pitching Legend on hand at the State Tournament; between 1976 and 1997 Walter Ray won 17 California State Men's Championships!

Congratulations to the Begay family on winning three State Championships! A wonderful achievement!

It was great to see Gina Cyr at the tournament. All of our hearts have gone out to her after Chris Benson's tragic death in their truck accident. Gina was on crutches with her leg in a cast. She is a strong lady with a lot of life ahead of her!

One of the great horseshoe pitching families in the Northern California Charter is the "Rice Family," The Matriarch Dee Rice won the Women's B Class, but also note that Byrlyn McCormick who also pitched in Women's B is a "Rice Family Pitcher." Colter and Tryden Rice faced off in Junior B, Onan Rice was 3<sup>rd</sup> in Men's D, while Byrum Swinford (another "Rice") finished 6<sup>th</sup> in Men's D! The Rices certainly show that horseshoe pitching is a family sport!

It was an honor for the Stockton Club to host another State Tournament. A special thanks to the City of Stockton for their support!

California Horseshoes crowned some worthy champions, a lot of ringers were thrown, a lot of fun was had, and a lot of memories were made!  
*George Davis,*

## Sec/Treas

Well another great State tournament is over and though smaller than usual it was a resounding success. Thank you to all who helped on this event. Our Trophy Sponsors (see the list in this article) are the very best. They support us year after year and by doing so we are able to provide the beautiful plaques to our first and second place winners. A big Thank You to Raymond's' Trophy and Awards in Bakersfield: Kaitlyn for your diligence in getting things ready and Megan for the wonderful design. It was like she could see in my mind what I was thinking. Danny Kyle – Thank you for picking up and delivering the plaques to Stockton.

Thank You to George Davis and his crew for the excellent clay and court conditions: Joe Summers – besides the restroom shacks and other prep jobs – like making new stake units in case of breakage – for actually having to change 3 stakes during the tournament which he did quickly and proficiently; Dave Lane (along with Cheryl) for the shopping to make sure we had TP, paper towels, coffee and so much more available for our pitchers: Mike Anderson for covering anything needed during both days day and night; Alan Trusty checking in most shifts and Jeff Williams too. A special thank you to Evelyn Espinola for selling lots of raffle tickets – Lorena Tournour for her help with stats and my sanity and making me laugh. A special Thank You goes out to Tim Brady and his daughter Jasmine for being my travel partners, keeping me out of trouble and feeding me too along with many

other things they did at the courts to help run this tournament.

Our great sponsors – Thank you all for your generosity.

Atascadero Horseshoe League

Nancy Cloutier (2)

Barbara Persson (2)

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Richard Robbins

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Sonoma County Horseshoe Club

Gil and Lorena Tournour

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Bill Terry

Half Moon Bay Horseshoe Club

Randy and Sandra Johnson

Bill and Sharon Paddock

Harlen and Sharon Rippetoe

Casey and Gail Sluys (2)

Shasta Willows Horseshoe Club

Gold Country Horseshoe Club

NCHPA

Now on to the NCHPA championships and Doubles Championships. *Gail Sluys*

## 3rd VP

The NCHPA 2020-2021 pitching season officially came to an end on Labor Day 2021. The COVID-19 pandemic had an impact on the number of tournaments pitched and the number of pitchers entered in tournaments during the 2020-2021 pitching season. The 2020-2021 pitching season got off to a start on Sep. 19, 2020 after the first 5 tournaments were cancelled due to COVID-19. An additional 11 tournaments were cancelled during the season for various reasons. Nine tournaments were rescheduled during the season for various reasons. Let's hope that the 2021-2022 pitching season is much

better than the last pitching season. I hope to see you on the courts.

As always you club statisticians can make my task pretty easy if you send your HSMaster files (boxscore files, one file per class, tournament class standings file, and comma-separated-values Results file) to me in a timely manner. I would like to have them as soon after your tournament as is convenient. Please email your HSMaster files to me at: meanderson99@yahoo.com . 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 need member numbers in every file that you send. That means I want the long version, not brief version, of every file.

Create the HSMaster files as follows:

1) boxscore files, one per class: Tournaments, Play Singles or Play Doubles, Tournament (your tournament number and name), Class X, Load, Standings checked, Box Scores checked, Export; repeat for each class in place of X

2) tournament class standings: Tournaments, Play Singles or Play Doubles, Tournament (your tournament number and name), Reports, Results [not Results (Brief)], preview if desired, Text File

3) comma-separated-values Results file: Tournaments, Clean Up, Post Results to Player Stats set to (your tournament number and name), Results File. You may put these files in any folder you like, but C:\HSMasterData is a pretty common folder to put them in. Thanks for all your help.

*Mike Anderson*

## Regional Director

This position has been part of this family for 20+ years and we would love to have someone else take this over. Neither one of us travel that much anymore as our health won't allow it. We'd love to support whoever volunteers for this position to make the transition as smooth as possible. Someone who is actively involved with horseshoes at a Charter level, a person not afraid to travel to other areas to promote horseshoes, one who is willing to speak to city parks and rec departments to get horseshoe courts built in a city.

The criteria in this issues may seem overwhelming, but in reality it's not nearly as busy as it seems, especially now with the court sanctioning waived.

Your biggest job is coordination of the schedule, ordering the patches and sending out the sanction certificates. You don't even have to add a sanction number anymore because Eshoe does that automatically. Please think about it? I'll answer any question you have. *Casey Sluys*

## Things do do in the off season

As we in the NCHPA shift into our "off" season, please keep in mind that there are plenty of online horseshoes available. There is HPO 12 shoe games, there is HPC 16 shoe games both non-sanctioned. There is SHOP which means Sanctioned Horseshoes Online Pitching. They are sanctioned 20 shoe games and it will count for your stats. If you want to keep sharp during the off season join up with one of these three Facebook pages to keep your game ready for the 2022 season.

You can also poll your members and begin a Sanctioned League see this page on the NHPA website for those details:  
<https://www.horseshoepitching.com/leagues>

# CLUBS

## **Sonoma County (Santa Rosa)**

The following is a synopsis of Casey's health. On June 25th it was discovered he had tonsillar cancer. After consultation with various doctors the course of action outlined was 6 weeks of radiation daily and chemotherapy once per week. That took its toll on him though as he lost his sense of taste and it became difficult to swallow. This has caused him to lose 15 lbs. so far. He hopes that this intensive treatment has eradicated the cancer and will know by the end of October if it was successful. In the meantime he's been instructed to stay out of the sun, away from people during this pandemic because his immune system has been severely compromised due to the Chemo and radiation. He hopes to see everyone in Vallejo at the NorCal Champs.

Tim Brady has found the key taking 3 consecutive first place finishes in the last 3 tournaments he's entered. The state let him down a bit, but he's ready for the competition in the regular tournaments. Must be the new Gordon's he's pitching. That and some one-on-one coaching from his aunt Gail Sluys.

Our annual league will be wrapping up soon. This is the 24th consecutive year we've had an NHPA sanctioned league. They have some really nice patches and recognition awards through the sanctioned league program. If you want information please give Casey a call. Number is on the last page. **Brian Wainwright**

## **San Jose**

Congratulations to all the pitchers who managed to attend the 2021 World Tournament in Winnemucca, NV and to those who made it to the 2021 California State Championships in Stockton, CA. I am sure that fun was had by all.

The San Jose June 5 Edward Moore Tournament had 2 classes of 6 pitchers each. Edward Martin and Joe Sciarra were first and second respectively in the A Class. John Flores and Marisela Mauricio were first and second respectively in the B Class. Please join us in San Jose for our Sat. Sep. 11 Saunders Family Tournament and our Sat. Oct. 30 Nakamoto Family Tournament. Thanks to those who attended our 2021 tournaments.

We hope to see you and many others at our 2022 tournaments. Best wishes for the upcoming holiday season. **Mike Anderson**

## **San Francisco**

The October Golden Gate Classis tournament will most likely be at the Golden Gate Park Horseshoe Courts. I will make an announcement at the NorCal Championships the weekend before and post it on the NCHPA Facebook groups. A water main broke in front of the tennis courts at Stern Grove and flooded the courts and Stern Grove concert venue with nearly 800,000 gallons of water. There is now a \$4.5 Million dollar restoration going on and the East end of the park is closed. I wonder how much will go into the horseshoe courts? They are closed until further notice. I have heard the road into the Golden Gate Courts might be opening up before our next tournament. As of now GG Park our only option for courts.



Luke is a high school senior this year, and he is running his high school horseshoe club again. They had 28 interested kids sign up last week during the club fair. They had been meeting at Stern Grove, but now we're looking at other options. Possibly temporary or portable pits. Does anyone have a portable pit or two they are not using or some stakes they want to donate or let them borrow? Still that's the most sign ups they've had. *Peter Zepponi*



## Stockton

2021 has marked a resurgence of the Stockton Club with several new members. Christina Cordova has played a key role in promotion of the club.

It took a lot of work to get the Louis Park Courts in good shape for the State Tournament. New members David Goldstein and Mark Norman spent several hours tightening stakes, replacing stakes, working the clay in all 19 courts, and painting what seemed to be 10 miles of backboards! Member Tyson Newton reworked the sprinkler system, tightened stakes, and shoveled a lot of clay! Christina Cordova refurbished all of the scoreboards, and did a lot of watering. Many of the park's "friends of horseshoes" helped; Greg and Larry painted the green trim on the

courtside building, and Ginger put a lot of work into edging and working on the grass. Rick Padilla did some last minute work on the lawn that really helped us. We received many compliments on the condition of the clay during the State Tournament! The work turned into a good tournament, and made all of the effort worthwhile!

With the new Club Members we look forward to hosting up to six tournaments next year. We hope to schedule a tournament on April 9<sup>th</sup> which will be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first tournament held by the Stockton Club at Louis Park. Millie wrote that there were 65 pitchers at the tournament to pitch on the 12 new courts. That would have been a long two-shift day! We hope to celebrate with a hotdog lunch and anniversary cake! We hope to have a big turn out!

*George Davis*

## Half Moon Bay

The Half Moon Bay Horseshoe Club had a very successful World & State Tournaments. We had one World Champion as Evelyn Espinola became the very first Cadet Girls World Champion. Her High Game was 50%. Evelyn also was second in the CBG group for the California State Championship. Teo Espinola won the Junior's B1 with a high game of 57.5% and he finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the Juniors Boy's Championship with a high Game of 60%. Cesar Espinola won the Men's B2 with a high game of 57.5%. Associate member Richard Robbins won the Elders D1 with a high Game of 57.5%. Javier Espinola was third in the Men's C2 group and placed second in the men's B group in the California State Championships with a high game of 52.5%.



Evelyn Espinola  
Cesar Espinola

Teo Espinola  
Richard Robbins

We wish everyone good health & safety for all your Family & Friends.  
See you on the courts! ***Rick Della Santina***

## Willows

Happy Fall everyone. Last weekend we hosted two tournaments. Saturday's tournament was a money tournament with five hundred dollars added money from Jeff Norried and Corning Carpet. We had two groups of seven pitchers. The money was split between the two groups along with our normal payout being added to each group. The winners received 1<sup>st</sup> place \$130.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$85.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$65.00 and 4<sup>th</sup> place went home with \$40.00. On Both days we had special visitors it was so good to see and visit with Ken & Sally Woolery. Thank you to Gil and Lorena for bringing us all those delicious pears.

On Sunday was our benefit tournament for our fire victims from the Dixie fire Gene Washoe and Harry Begay who both lost their homes in this fire. We had only eight pitchers for this tournament. Sad turnout but, many generous people. We donated our raffle monies from both days along with all entry money on Sunday and received many donations. *We were able to give both guys over one thousand dollars each thanks to the generosity of many pitchers and people who just stopped by the courts and gave us donations.* On behalf of Willows club, Gene and Harry We Thank You all.

We had a club meeting on Sunday and our club voted to drop the word Shasta. We will be known as Willows Horseshoe Club. Our officers for 2022 is President Linda Hoelscher and contact person. Vice President Robert Gillett Jr. Sec/Treas. Edwina and our newest member Lance Taylor will be our court maintenance guy. Keep safe everyone and see you in 2022.

I dropped the ball so to speak this year for the Hall of Fame. I forgot to have Casey put the form in each issue of the news and views. And I received no nominations this year. ***Linda Hoelscher***

# Some Results:

## 03-21-082 Wayne & Vicki George

G1 Saturday, Sep 18 2021 10:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Timothy Saunders	23.79	16	30159	CA	6.5	0.5	266	49	0	0.46-	210	23.33
2.	Bill Faler	42.46	2	30145	CA	5	2	225	94	0	2.30	210	44.76
3.	George Davis	43.21	2	30065	CA	4.5	2.5	222	92	0	0.60	210	43.81
4.	Mike Cosio	22.34	17	31022	CA	4	3	242	52	1	2.42	210	24.76
5.	Cesar Espinola	45.93	0	31129	CA	4	3	167	82	0	6.88-	210	39.05
6.	Travis Ritter	22.12	17	801447	CA	3	4	211	47	0	0.26	210	22.38
7.	Joe Navarro	30.00	11	30999	CA	1	6	162	44	0	9.05-	210	20.95
8.	Joe Summers	22.78	17	30738	CA	0	7	169	24	0	11.35-	210	11.43

G 2 Saturday, Sep 18 2021 10:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Tyson Newton	7.50	10	801608	CA	6	0	146	16	0	1.39	180	8.89
2.	Jonathan Meza	18.03	3	801364	CA	4	2	143	26	1	3.59-	180	14.44
3.	Steven Nakamoto	22.02	0	30980	CA	4	2	125	25	0	8.13-	180	13.89
4.	John Flores	21.54	0	800303	CA	3	3	111	26	1	7.10-	180	14.44
5.	Alex Voskes	18.55	2	30860	CA	3	3	109	28	0	2.99-	180	15.56
6.	Christina Cordova	15.75	5	801540	CA	1	5	90	17	0	6.31-	180	9.44
7.	Allen Rogers	10.00	9	CA			0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00

## 03-21-084 Kooy & Cowles

G1 Sunday, Sep 19 2021 10:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Bill Faler	42.46	2	30145	CA	4	0	198	68	0	0.04	160	42.50
2.	Dale Koistinen	26.16	17	30842	CA	3	1	161	35	0	4.29-	160	21.88
3.	Wayne McGhee	33.52	10	800637	CA	2	2	177	61	0	4.61	160	38.13
4.	Allen Rogers	10.00	33		CA	1	3	145	3	0	8.13-	160	1.88
5.	Richard Robbins	44.37	0	30137	CA	0	4	104	47	0	15.00-	160	29.38

## 03-21-083 Corning Carpet\$\$

Group 1 Saturday, Sep 18 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
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1. Gil Tournour	49.61	16	30635	CA	5	1	273	103	0	6.69-	240	42.92
2. Fred Trujillo Jr	34.51	28	30767	CA	3.5	2.5	314	82	0	0.34-	240	34.17
3. Rick Bermingham	69.10	0	30370	CA	3.5	2.5	258	146	0	8.27-	240	60.83
4. Richard Lowry	51.81	14	30780	CA	3	3	284	108	1	6.81-	240	45.00
5. Carol Lanfair	56.39	10	70071	NV	3	3	261	110	0	10.56-	240	45.83
6. Cody McNeely	31.21	30	70067	NV	2	4	286	64	0	4.54-	240	26.67
7. Josie Tellers	31.85	30	31362	CA	1	5	276	60	0	6.85-	240	25.00

Group 2 Saturday, Sep 18 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
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1.	Robert Gillett Sr	22.81	5	30453	CA	6	0	231	68	0	5.52	240	28.33
2.	Mark Pierce	16.23	10	30037	CA	4	2	180	46	0	2.94	240	19.17
3.	Gene Washoe	24.49	3	30910	CA	3	3	170	57	0	0.74-	240	23.75
4.	Marshall Merino	24.74	3	30903	CA	2	4	172	49	2	4.32-	240	20.42
5.	Jeff Norried	17.86	9	30486	CA	2	4	162	32	2	4.53-	240	13.33
6.	Ray Szczepanski	9.07	16	30188	CA	2	4	177	13	1	3.65-	240	5.42
7.	Lance Taylor	28.68	0	801493	CA	2	4	129	47	1	9.10-	240	19.58

**03-21-085 Gene Harry**

Class A Sunday, Sep 19 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
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1.	Robert Gillett Jr.	41.92	15	30454	CA	4	2	285	134	1	2.75	300	44.67
2.	Gil Tournour	49.61	7	30635	CA	4	2	289	140	1	2.94-	300	46.67
3.	Carol Lanfair	56.39	0	70071	NV	3	3	244	148	0	7.06-	300	49.33
4.	Cody McNeely	31.21	25	70067	NV	1	5	281	81	0	4.21-	300	27.00

Class B Sunday, Sep 19 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - Rgr% - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
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1.	Gene Washoe	24.49	0	30910	CA	5	1	204	82	0	2.84	300	27.33
2.	Robert Gillett Sr	22.81	0	30453	CA	4	2	198	70	0	0.52	300	23.33
3.	Marshall Merino	24.74	0	30903	CA	3	3	182	75	0	0.26	300	25.00
4.	Lance Taylor	28.68	0	801493	CA	0	6	125	62	0	8.01-	300	20.67

**03-21-080 Gold Country**

Group 1 Saturday, Sep 11 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
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1. Wayne Lockhart	36.43	22	31365	CA	4	0	233	78	0	2.57	200	39.00
2. Nathan Williams	58.82	0	30358	CA	3	1	188	100	0	8.82-	200	50.00
3. George Davis	41.01	18	30065	CA	2	2	212	79	0	1.51-	200	39.50
4. Fred Trujillo Jr	32.47	26	30767	CA	1	3	185	59	0	2.97-	200	29.50
5. Richard Lowry	51.81	7	30780	CA	0	4	176	89	0	7.31-	200	44.50

Group 2 Saturday, Sep 11 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - Rgr% - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Gene Washoe	23.65	0	30910	CA	3	1	151	54	0	3.35	200	27.00
2.	Marshall Merino	23.33	0	30903	CA	2	2	143	50	2	1.67	200	25.00
3.	Josie Tellers	31.85	0	31362	CA	2	2	127	49	1	7.35-	200	24.50
4.	Jeff Szczesny	24.50	0	801844	CA	2	2	122	42	0	3.50-	200	21.00
5.	Steve Goodman	25.38	0	801062	CA	1	3	68	29	0	10.88-	200	14.50

Group 3 Saturday, Sep 11 2021 8:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - Rgr% - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Leroy Whittle	12.55	0	30009	CA	4	0	107	30	0	2.45	200	15.00
2.	Bret Burns	20.56	0	30041	CA	3	1	115	34	0	3.56-	200	17.00
3.	Doug Decamp	10.63	0	30006	CA	2	2	94	25	0	1.87	200	12.50
4.	Ray Szczepanski	9.07	0	30188	CA	1	3	69	14	0	2.07-	200	7.00
5.	Mark Pierce	16.23	0	30037	CA	0	4	81	25	0	3.73-	200	12.50

**03-21-074 Casey Gail Sluys**

G 1 Saturday, Aug 14 2021 10:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Rick Della Santina	49.66	2	30848	CA	5	2	209	99	1	2.52-	210	47.14
2.	Ramiro Coronado	52.64	0	31251	CA	5	2	199	93	0	8.35-	210	44.29
3.	Alva Ramirez	37.77	11	31126	CA	4.5	2.5	207	64	0	7.29-	210	30.48
4.	Javier Espinola	34.26	13	31127	CA	4	3	233	75	0	1.45	210	35.71
5.	Dale Tex	42.94	7	31155	CA	3	4	165	49	0	19.61-	210	23.33
6.	Evelyn Espinola	30.61	16	31141	CA	2.5	4.5	198	33	0	14.90-	210	15.71
7.	Joe Navarro	30.42	16	30999	CA	2	5	180	41	1	10.90-	210	19.52
8.	Teodoro Espinola	45.85	5	31131	CA	2	5	156	63	0	15.85-	210	30.00

G 2 Saturday, Aug 14 2021 10:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
1.	Annette Nakamoto	24.00	3	30967	CA	6.5	0.5	206	70	0	9.33	210	33.33
2.	Edward Martin	24.75	3	801152	CA	5	2	201	63	1	5.25	210	30.00
3.	Vince Eisma	28.50	0	30573	CA	5	2	195	71	0	5.31	210	33.81
4.	Steve Goodman	19.40	7	801062	CA	4.5	2.5	192	51	0	4.89	210	24.29



5. Joe Summers	23.01	4	30738	CA	2	5	139	44	1	2.06-	210	20.95
6. John Flores	21.48	5	800303	CA	2	5	160	45	0	0.05-	210	21.43
7. Marshall Merino	22.02	5	30903	CA	1.5	5.5	125	26	0	9.64-	210	12.38
8. Ted Haynish	18.89	7	31168	CA	1.5	5.5	104	16	0	11.27-	210	7.62

G 3 Saturday, Aug 14 2021 10:00 AM (Rank: W/L - H2H - OvrAvg - Pts)

Pos	Name	Entry %	Hcp	Card#	St	Won	Lost	Pts	Rgrs	HToH	OvrAvg	Sh	R%
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1.	Travis Ritter	17.76	0	801447	CA	6	1	159	47	0	4.62	210	22.38
2.	Jonathan Meza	12.24	4	801364	CA	5	2	148	31	0	2.52	210	14.76
3.	Danny Perales	13.56	3	31024	CA	4	3	155	29	1	0.25	210	13.81
4.	Mike Nakamoto	10.29	5	30964	CA	4	3	139	24	0	1.14	210	11.43
5.	Tim Allen	5.60	9	801355	CA	3.5	3.5	128	11	0	0.36-	210	5.24
6.	Alan Bernikoff	7.50	7	30423	CA	3	4	142	14	0	0.83-	210	6.67
7.	Fay Dumont	17.32	0	030108	AZ	2	5	114	34	0	1.13-	210	16.19
8.	Ian Allen	10.47	5	801354	CA	0.5	6.5	82	13	0	4.28-	210	6.19

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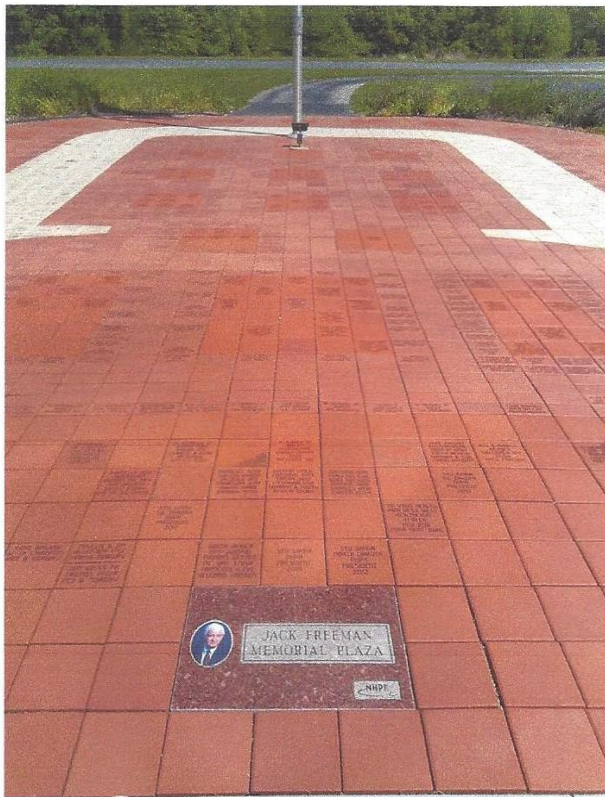
## Valid information

Don't forget your News and Views deadlines in 2022. They are **January 15, April 16, July 16, October 15**. All are on a Saturdays in the middle of the month.

In order to keep this newsletter pertinent I'm going to need a bit of cooperation from the NCHPA Council please? I need each of you to write some sort of article about what your job consists of, what you've been doing, how are you helping to NCHPA with the tasks you're involved with. You officers need to assist in keeping this publication a viable and valuable piece of information for the membership. You need to help promote, your ideas could lead to new and better horseshoe games, BUT we have to know them. Not a one-on-one conversation with one person sound off here so we can all hear you!

All club officers this pertains to you also. The membership need to know that your club is worth coming to. Brag it up about what types of events you're having, do different things 20 shoe games, 30 point games, mystery money tournaments, hi-lo doubles. There are many alternatives to the standard and boring 40 shoe games, become creative let's try different in 2022.

Happy Holidays!



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**REGIONAL DIRECTOR GUIDELINES**  
**REVISED 2019**

**ARTICLE I: Appointment**

**Section 1** Regional Directors (RDs) shall be appointed by the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs, based upon the selection and recommendation of the Charter officers. (See Article VI, Section 2)

**Section 2** In Charters where this applies, Assistant Regional Directors shall be appointed by the Charter Regional Director who will then notify, in a timely manner, the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs of this appointment.

**Section 3** Regional Directors shall be directly responsible to the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs and shall perform those activities requested by this Vice President, as well as other duties described in these guidelines.

**ARTICLE II. Duties/Requirements**

**Section 1** All Regional Directors and Assistant Regional Directors or other assistants to the Regional Directors as chosen by their individual charters, shall be subscribers to the Horseshoe Pitching eNewline magazine, official electronic publication of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

**Section 2**

- A.** Regional Directors shall assign all sanction certificate numbers for events that have been approved by the officers of their affiliated charter. The Regional Director shall then deliver, send electronically via email, or mail the completed tournament sanction certificates, along with the required tournament patches and a copy of the RGS Book, to the designated Tournament Director. If mailed, these materials should arrive at least one week before the tournament begins.
- B.** The directors of events that are denied a sanction number may appeal this decision, in writing, to the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs, so long as a copy of this letter is also sent to the Regional Director. In such cases, the ruling of the NHPA Council shall be final.

**Section 3**

- A.** The issuing of a sanction certificate certifies that during any NHPA sanctioned tournament, all NHPA rules will be enforced, sanctioned horseshoes will be used, all participants are current NHPA members, and the horseshoe courts are fully or conditionally sanctioned (see RGS Book, pages 34 – 35, Section A, Sanctioning of Courts).
- B.** Sanction numbers shall be assigned as follows: The first two digits denote your charter, the second two digits denote the year, and the third three digits denote the numbering sequence for that year. Example for the year 2019: The first tournament in region 1 would be 01-19-001; the second would be 01-19-002, etc.

**NOTE:** If a court complex has not been or cannot be conditionally or fully sanctioned by the Regional Director, a tournament sanction number cannot be issued by the Regional Director unless a temporary waiver has been requested and granted by the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs OR the grandfathering policy allows these courts to host the event. Any state, regional, or world tournament MUST be held on fully sanctioned courts.



**Section 4** The Regional Director is responsible for sanctioning all new or updated court facilities when the construction or update is complete. The Regional Director is also responsible for sanctioning or re-sanctioning all court facilities in the charter. This must be done every fourth year, commencing with the year 2007, then 2011, 2015, etc.

**Section 5** Regional Directors shall report at least semi-annually to the NHPA Vice President, summarizing all regional activities. Copies of these reports shall also be mailed to the Charter Secretaries in their region.

#### **ARTICLE III: Charter Activities**

##### **Section 1**

Regional Directors shall:

1. Attempt to meet with all officers of the charter and with their Assistant Regional Directors at least once a year to discuss subjects of general interest.
2. Report on all such meetings to the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs.
3. Be committed to the purposes and objectives of every state charter association in his/her region.
4. Become familiar with and act as an advisor for the interpretation of the NHPA Rules, Guidelines, Specifications, and Bylaws.
5. Maintain a schedule of all seasonal or annual tournaments and other activities within their charters and report this information to the NHPA Vice President in a timely manner.

##### **Section 2**

Regional Directors and their Assistants shall:

1. Actively recruit new NHPA members, promote the sanctioning of all horseshoe tournaments, and encourage members to subscribe to Horseshoe Pitching eNewsline magazine.
2. Attend as many of their charter's tournaments as possible and attempt to honor specific requests for their presence or assistance.
3. Seek out and attempt to enroll active clubs and pitchers not presently affiliated with the NHPA.
4. Assist clubs and tournament directors in the promotion of their tournaments.
5. Keep all tournament directors informed of current and future events in their areas.

NOTE: The NHPA Council has ruled that any Regional Director may also serve as a State or National Officer as there is no conflict of interest involved here.

#### **ARTICLE IV: World Tournament.**

**Section 1** Regional Directors shall make every attempt to attend the annual World Tournament meeting of Regional Directors, or provide the NHPA Vice President acting as chairman of the Regional Directors, in writing, with the name of an Assistant Regional Director who will attend this meeting.

**Section 2** Regional Directors who attend the World Tournament shall be available to assist the NHPA Vice President with the required weighing and measuring of all horseshoes pitched at the World Tournament and shift directing where needed.

**Section 3** Regional Directors and who attend the World Tournament shall make themselves available to assist the NHPA Council in duties associated with the running of this tournament.

**Section 4** The Regional Director for the charter in which the World Tournament is held shall have the responsibility of sanctioning the World Tournament for that year.

**ARTICLE V: Compensation.**

**Section 1** NHPA Regional Directors shall annually receive \$50.00 plus 20 cents per adult member per year within their charter(s), based on the year-end membership report of the NHPA Secretary/Treasurer. A full calendar year must be completed to receive this compensation. Any exception must be approved by the NHPA President and NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs.

**Section 2** Each Regional Director may be reimbursed for telephone calls and miscellaneous expenses when submitted to the NHPA Secretary/Treasurer on an NHPA expense form and with receipts attached. Any large expense items must receive prior approval of the NHPA Executive Council.

**ARTICLE VI: Removal From Office and Replacement**

**Section 1** Any Regional Director or Assistant Regional Director may be removed from office for knowingly or willfully violating the Bylaws of the NHPA or for failure to fulfill the duties set forth in these guidelines. It is also understood that Regional Directors may need to be replaced for health reasons, resignation, or death. If it becomes necessary, or if majority rule of the Charter officers vote to replace their Regional Director for any of the above reasons, the Charter President shall submit this request in a letter of explanation to the NHPA Vice President in charge of RDs for his/her review and approval.

**Section 2** The selection of a new Regional Director shall be made by the State/Charter Executive Council members as follows: The Charter President shall initiate a search and shall provide qualified candidates with a copy of this complete document plus copies of the RGS Book and Bylaws before the selection process takes place. After final discussions and review of all qualified and agreeable candidates, the final selection requires a 2/3 majority vote of the State/Charter Council members. After the new Regional Director has been selected, the Charter President shall submit this person's name and qualifications to the acting NHPA Vice President in charge of RD's for final approval and appointment. The new Regional Director's name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address if applicable, will be published in the eNewslane, when applicable.

**ARTICLE VII: Amendments.**

**Section 1** These Guidelines may be amended by a majority vote of Regional Directors and Assistant Regional Directors present at the Annual Meeting during the World Tournament, or by the NHPA Vice President, with the approval of the NHPA Executive Council.

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from the NHPA BYLAWS - ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

THE PURPOSE OF THE NHPA SHALL BE TO DEVELOP, FOSTER AND PROMOTE ORGANIZED HORSESHOE PITCHING AT LOCAL, STATE, REGIONAL, NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS, AS A RECREATIONAL PASTIME AND A COMPETITIVE GAME, BY PROVIDING DIRECTION, ORGANIZATION, PUBLISHED MATERIALS, AND APPROVED EQUIPMENT, WHEN NECESSARY, TO ENHANCE THE SPORT.





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## Court Sanctioning requirement

The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association's (NHPA) appointed Regional Director(s) (RD) for each charter should sanction courts in accordance with Rules/Regulations-Guidelines- Specifications (RGS) book revised January 1, 2019. Due to the decline in membership, the NHPA Council has agreed to allow "grandfathering" (exemption) of horseshoe courts. Courts that do not meet the conditional or full sanction requirements of the NHPA may receive a tournament sanction number and host local "weekend" tournaments/leagues. However, court facilities that do not meet the "full" sanction requirement from the NHPA will not be able to host State, Regional, or National Championships.

Stuart Sipma, NHPA President

cc: Rebecca Sidles – NHPA Newsline Editor

## **Court Sanctioning**

As you can read the court sanctioning requirements have been lifted for the foreseeable future thus making it much easier to hold a tournament on sanctioned courts. The way I interpret this is that virtually any court with a stake and some foul lines can be used. Therefore eliminating the stringent requirements on the back of a court sanctioning form.

Common sense will prevail in all instances. If there are uneven or broken pads, if there is upheaval because of tree roots those courts affected by such actions can be put out of commission until repaired.

Unless and until the previous statement is rescinded just send me a picture of your courts and I will determine from the photo, along with a few questions, whether or not to issue a sanction certification.

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