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HALL OF FAME
2023
THE HUNTERS & FITZGERALD
ALAN OVERBAUGH





NEW YORK STATE
HORSESHOE PITCHING HALL OF FAME RECOMMENDATIONS

NAME OF PROPOSED CANDIDATE Alan Overbaugh
ADDRESS OF CANDIDATE OR REPRESENTATIVE _____

STREET 10 51 Daisy Hollow Rd.
CITY OR _____

TOWN Dryden NY ZIP 13053

TELEPHONE 607-708-1004

BORN 08-12-1952 DIED _____ AGE 70

MARITAL STATUS single SPOUSE'S NAME Patty Blackman - Partner

CHILDREN: Beth Barrett AGE _____

NAME: _____ AGE _____

NAME: _____ AGE _____

NAME: _____ AGE _____

NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE OF CLOSEST RELATIVE:

Beth Barrett 2088 St. Rt. 26 lot 25A Endicott NY 13760 Patty Blackman 607 708 1004
Requirements: 607-341-3866 1051 Daisy Hollow Dryden NY 13053

1. Print or type on separate sheet called write-up sheet. 2. Indicate in upper right corner of write-up sheet whether candidate belongs in Promoter OR Pitcher category. 3. Write-up sheet to include the personal interests and accomplishments of the applicant. 4. Applicant must have been a member of NYSHPA for at least FIVE consecutive years. 5. Three (3) additional signatures must be submitted when making request. These people must have been or do belong to the New York State Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

SIGNATURE VERIFICATION: 1. [Signature] PRINT NAME DANIEL OUGH

SIGNATURE VERIFICATION: 2. [Signature] PRINT NAME Harlan R. Redder

SIGNATURE VERIFICATION: 3. [Signature] PRINT NAME Eric Conrad

PROPOSED BY Patty Blackman PRINT NAME Patty Blackman
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Forward this form by December 31st to:
Rose Wright (Chairman of the Hall of Fame)
1 Englebride Pl
Newburgh, NY 12550

Jack Stenberg
1890 East River Road
Waterloo, NY 13165

WRITE UP SHEET

PITCHER CATEGORY PROMOTER CATEGORY

In the back yard with his Dad, Alan Overbaugh found a love for the game of horseshoes. After returning home from the Marines, 22 year old Alan joined the Dryden league and competed in tournaments around the area meeting new people and improving his skill.

Alan joined Luke Luther, Hard Luck and others at the Tri-County Horseshoe Club in 1993 when Luke and Hard Luck established and founded the club. He was encouraged by Luke to become a sanctioned player and has been a sanctioned player now for 33 years. Alan used what he learned from his mentor Luke to climb the ranks in his class winning many NY State Class Championships. He played with many of the greatest, including Bob Hayes, Art Tyson, "Bulldog" John Bogardus, Mike DiMartino, Bob Jones, George Schultz and Ken Frasier. Alan became Tri – County's first Pro Awardee.

In his younger days, Alan won a World Tournament Class H1 Championship in Syracuse NY at 49% and World Tournament Class E Championship at 53 % in Ontario Canada. Alan and his partner Dave Reynolds won the 1999, 2000 and 2001 NYS doubles Championships. Many times, Alan finished second in the NYS Championship class. Alan took 14 NYS Tournament Class A Championships at Tri – County and many others around NYS.

Over his career Alan not only played the sport of shoes with dedication, he promoted the game. As a director Alan has run Sanctioned tournaments and club leagues. Taking what his mentor Luke Luther taught him, he mentored many players over the years. From the small boys who came to his back yard pits to the people he plays along side today, Alan continues to teach and encourage. Many of them are now NYS Sanctioned Members encouraged by Alan to join.

In 1980 Alan was one of the first members of Owasco Horseshoe League that started with more than twenty teams. It continues still, with this year's teams at 9 and Alan still with them.

Though Alan never found that Championship he strived for many times over the years, he continues to play the game with love and passion. His resolve to not give up through injury and hardship shows his dedication to the game. Over the years he has continued to encourage and teach players. It is nothing to hear Alan helping an opponent during a game and cheering them when they do well.

As a player of our sport, Alan has been dedicated to his Tri – County members on league, Owasco league folks and his sanctioned tournament friends. Treating them as family and recognizing it is the people he plays with that keeps him in the game. The newly online games drew Alan's attention where he has played many sanctioned and non-sanctioned games.

Alan's love for the game comes before most anything else in his life. He made a personal choice of quitting his bowling league so he could commit more time playing shoes. He enjoys camping and fishing and continues to play golf at the Flynn Memorial every year and an occasional benefit Golf Tournament. More recently Alan started to play an occasional cornhole tournament to support his daughter Beth and her husband Tom at the Maine American Legion in which they have dedicated much of their time and talent. If there ever was a man that has spent an entire life on a sport and still enjoys it more than anything else, it would be Alan Overbaugh.