

New York State Horseshoe Pitcher's Association

the "Mud"

A Pitch from the Editor

Wow, another pitching season will be approaching us before you know it. I hope all had a safe and joyous holiday season.

In the next few editions, of the newsletter, you will notice a small section of some "unwritten" rules of court etiquette.

There still is some indoor pitching going on at Tri-County HC, in Groton, Eric Conrad serves as tournament director. The first Saturday of the month is a sanction singles (these do fill up fast) also the 3rd Saturday of the month is a non-sanction walking doubles sign-up is 11:00.

Chuck Reigles is always coming up with a twist when pitching horseshoes. When does this happen? Every 2nd Saturday of the month. It is a quarter tournament right there at the Tri-County HC. Whatever, twist Chuck comes up with all that show up have a pretty good time.

Back in November, the 2014 World Tournament pins had become available. These pins are \$5.00 each you may contact President Frank K, on how to purchase one or the details are on our New York website.

Message from President Frank K

Hi everyone, I hope you had a good Christmas and the New Year will bring everyone good health and many ringers.

For me, as President, 2015 started off with a bit of disappointment. The response to my request to have members from each club who would be willing to work with me, towards improving not only our communication but our charters future, was dismal to say the least. I received a response from only one person representing only one club. My first thoughts to this were that no one cared, they don't want to be involved and maybe everyone was just too busy. Then as I started to think more about it I began to feel a little better and thought how good it was that, besides the one club, everyone must truly trust the executive committee to make all the decisions for them regarding our charters business concerns without having any input from them. Let me know?

Moving on, I would like to remind everyone that our annual Spring Meeting will be here soon. I urge all of our charter's clubs to please try to send at least one delegate from your club to represent your voting interest. There will be several issues of

Spring Meeting is set for April 25, 2015, at the Waterloo Sportsman's Club, 2654 Edwards Road, Waterloo also home of the Waterloo Ringers HC. Read more details on page 7 which includes a tournament and dinner.

May you pitch lots of RINGERS this pitching season!
~Karen



Extra! Extra!
NHPA'S
Newline magazine becomes
Electronic details
on page 3

To send in your 2015 membership.....see page 8
for the membership renewal application!



Hi everyone, I hope you

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SHOE NEWS



July 13th-July 25th

If you plan on attending the World Tournament in Topeka, Kansas you must send your entry fee in before May 15th. You must have played in 4 sanctioned events from May 16, 2014 to May 15, 2015. You can obtain the application by going to horseshoepitching.com and follow the links. Also, I will have it on our own website nyshpa.org/NYSHPA/index.html. Bookmark our website for easy access. Be sure to book your hotel stay and mention the world horseshoe tournament for a possible discount.

FUN FACTS

In 2014, at the indoor courts of the Tri-County HC, these fun facts were compiled using the 9 sanction events that were held there. 138 different players from 4 different states, combining for 403 total entries. 38,068 ringers were made in 118,764 shoes pitched for a 32.05 ringer % from all entries of 2014. They threw about 148.5 tons of steel and walked just under 450 miles in tournament play. Out of the 138 players 8 were women, 7 juniors and 18 elders.

NHPA NEWS:

The November/December issue of the **Newsline** was the last to be printed. Now anyone will be able to view the Newsline on www.horseshoepitching.com or through your email address.

Sara Otto, of Minnesota, will become eNewsline Editor. The increasing cost of publishing and mailing the printed Newsline, and decreasing subscriptions, has predicated this change to an newsletter. The NHPA will see a huge cost savings, yet will allow them to gain visibility, as well as bring news of the association to the entire membership at no cost to the member.

Stuart Sipma

NHPA - President

In January/February 2015 issue NHPA offering a refund for any unfulfilled portion of the print-version subscription. But it requires action from you prior to April 1. Requests must be made in writing, either by mail or email, to the NHPA office. No phone calls.

The amount refunded will be determined by NHPA records and the NHPA Secretary/Treasurer, minus \$1 per household postage and processing fee. If no action is taken, the NHPA will make a donation to the National Horseshoe Pitcher's Foundation (NHPF) using unclaimed refunds.

Send your refund requests, along with a valid mailing address, to NHPA, 17259 Jefferson Street, Omaha, NE 68135 or email NHPA Secretary/Treasurer Dave Sidles at sec.treas@horseshoepitching.com

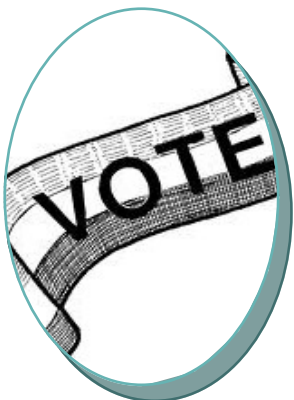
ELECTION NOTICE

The NYSHPA office of 2nd Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer are due to be held at the Spring meeting. Anyone interested in running for these offices, including the incumbents, which are Al Buckland 2nd VP and Bob Klock Sec/Treas. should send a brief resume and platform by **March 31st**.

To: Chairman of Elections

Rowland A Rupp
132 Burroughs Drive
Amherst, NY 14226

Call if you have any questions 716-839-1842



NYS CLUB DIRECTORY

Latest Club Contact List 21 Active Clubs Updated Jan 2015

<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBER</u>	<u>2014 SANC-CERT.</u>
Andes	Andes	Adam VanValkenburgh	845-676-4079	YES
Catskill Mountain	Deposit	Robert Mills	607-467-3730	YES
Chautauqua Lake	Jamestown	Ralph Whitney	716-789-4495	YES
Concord	Springville	Wayne Goodridge	716-592-5539	YES
Crow's Nest	Getzville	Norman Wehrung	716-688-9121	NO
Floyd	Floyd	Jim Moore	315-271-9357	YES
Forestville Flingers	Forestville	Lyle Dorler	716-965-2212	YES
Hornell	Hornell	Dave Wilkinson	585-728-2241	YES
Leroy	Leroy	Martin Lindner	585-538-4138	YES
Lockport	Lockport	Paul Thomas	716-434-1154	YES
Mid Hudson	Newburgh	Rose Wright	845-565-4601	YES
Odessa	Odessa	Ernie Pound	607-594-2169	YES
Pine Grove	Camden	Natanna Maggio	315-281-5153	YES
Pioneer	Syracuse	Lance Hinman	315-263-9311	YES
Queen City	Elmira	Jerry Bernard	607-684-3711	YES
Round Robin	Delevan	Dean Rogers	716-492-4676	YES
Seneca	Hammondsport	Al Buckland	607-292-6281	NO
S. New Berlin	S New Berlin	Gary Fisher	607-263-5479	YES
Southern Tier	Johnson City	Charlie Reigles	607-754-8208	YES
Tri County	Groton	Eric Conrad	607-239-1297	YES
Waterloo Ringers	Waterloo	Kevin Green	315-209-8811	YES

NYS ADDITIONAL SANCTIONED CERTIFIED COURTS/PITS

Farnes Road Pit	Canton	Dick Pike	315-386-2378	YES
Jessmore Courts	Oswego	Jerry Jessmore	315-342-2431	YES
Leo's Court	Dundee	Al Buckland	607-292-6281	YES
William Street Park	Corning	Ray Hall	607-962-3972	YES
Moose Club	Montour Falls	Ernie Pound	607-594-2169	YES
Olsen's Barn	Geneva	Kevin Green	315-209-8811	YES

Proposals to amend the Constitution & Bylaws

(continued from pages 2 & 5)

ARTICLE V STATE TOURNAMENT

Section 17 PRIZE MONEY AND TROPHIES:

Current Bylaw reads:

The Championship Men's and Women's Classes shall have the following prize money: 1st Place-\$200.00; 2nd Place-\$150.00; 3rd Place-\$100.00; 4th Place-\$75.00; 5th Place-\$50.00 6th, 7th & 8th Places-\$25.00.

Add: Elder's (after Women's)

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Submitted by Harold Uncapher

2015 NYSHPA TREASURER'S REPORT (As of January 31, 2015)

INCOME CATEGORIES

Interest/Donations Income

Interest/Donations 2002.00
 Total Interest/Donations Income 2002.00

Junior Fund Inflow

Afghan/Raffles 0.00
 Donations 700.00
 Total Junior Fund Inflow 700.00

Membership Dues

2014 27.00
 2015 4158.00
 Total Membership Dues 4185.00

Other Income

Misc. & bad check fee 0.00
 50/50 Draw (31) 155.00
 Total Other Income 155.00

Pins & Patches

2015 221.00
 Total Pins & Patches 221.00

TOTAL INCOME

7263.30

EXPENSE CATEGORIES

Hall of Fame

Jackets/Plaques (3 & 1) 0.00
 Postage/Supplies/Exp 0.00
 Total Hall of Fame 0.00

Jr. Program

NHPA Dues 2014 (0) 0.00
 NHPA Dues 2015 (6) 30.00
 Tickets/Awards 0.00
 Horseshoes 136.00
 Total Junior Outflow 166.00

Miscellaneous

Reorder pins/patches, etc 0.00
 Website Fee 63.78
 Total Misc 63.78

NHPA Dues

2014 Adult (1) @\$17 17.00
 2015 Adult (154) @\$17 2618.00
TOTAL NHPA DUES 2635.00

NYS TOURNAMENT

State Contribution 0.00 (0) juniors
 Doubles Contribution 100.00 (0) adults
 Total NYS Tournament 100.00 (25) teams

Office Supplies

Printer Cartridge 149.00
 Paper, Labels, etc. 132.80
 Total Office Supplies 281.80

Overpayment

50/50 draw payout 0.00
 Total Overpayment 0.00

Phone -2015

Total Phone 0.00

Postage

Newsletter 58.80
 Stamps 114.36
 Total Postage 173.16

Printing (copies)

Mud = 251 73.97
 Total Printing = 251 73.97

Stipend

Analyst 000.00
 Mud Editor 000.00
 President 000.00
 Sec/Treas 000.00
 Tourn Director 000.00
Total Stipends 000.00

TOTAL EXPENSES

3493.71

Previous Balance 9-1-14

10612.00

INCOME LESS EXPENSES

3769.59

Junior Fund 4132.43

NYSHPA 10249.16

Total Current Balance 14381.59

Submitted by Sec/Treas. Bob Klock

Proposals to amend the Constitution & Bylaws

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Example: \$20.00 entry fee plus \$1.00 for NYS Championship Funds = \$21.00 total

Tournament Directors will collect these funds and send them to the NYSHPA Treasurer with designation for Championship Funds. The fee will begin on August 1st 2015 through July 31st 2016 to be used for the 2016 State Championships then continue each year for the following year.

The purpose for this proposal is to raise monies needed to equalize the prize funds for the State Men's, Women's and Elder's Championship rounds.

Submitted by Kevin Green

Generic All- Purpose Tournament Application

Tournament Name: _____ Tournament Date: _____

Name: _____ NHPA Card #: _____

Address: _____ Ringer %: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Circle your pitching category: Men 40' Men 30' Women Jr. Boy Jr. Girl Jr. Boy 20' Jr. Girl 20'

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NYSHPA SPRING MEETING SET



Date: Saturday, April 25, 2015
Coffee & Donuts @ 9:30 am
Meeting Start Time: 10:00 am
Place: Waterloo Sportsman's Club

Any club or independent who would like an active voice in the NYSHPA should send a delegate to attend the annual Spring Meeting. **Election of officers, bylaw proposals, the state singles and doubles tournament host site** will be discussed and voted on. Following the meeting there will be a sanction tournament see entry form below.

The **Waterloo Sportsman's Club** will be serving a **Roast Beef Dinner** approximately at 5 PM cost around \$10.00. **Please circle Yes or No on provided application if you are attending the dinner.**

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

DATE	DEADLINE	HOST CLUB	FORMAT	ENTRY FEE
03-07-15	02-25-15	Tri-County March Open	Sanctioned Singles	\$20.00
03-21-15	None	Tri-County Walking Doubles	Walking Doubles sign in 11 am	\$25.00 a team
04-11-15	04-01-15	Tri-County April Open	Sanctioned Singles	\$20.00
04-18-15	04-15-15	Appreciation Tournament	Walking Doubles (Below)	\$25.00 a team
04-25-15	04-15-15	Spring Fling Waterloo	Sanctioned Singles	\$20.00

Tri-County HC Tournament Director

Eric Conrad, 9096 W. Creek Rd., Berkshire, NY 13736
 Phone: 607-239-1297 or 607-321-8938

Dinner YES OR NO

Spring Fling, April 25th Tournament Application (held at Waterloo Ringers after Spring Meeting)

Name: _____ NHPA Card No. _____
 Address: _____ Ringer % _____
 City: _____ Phone # _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____ Email _____

Make checks payable to: Kevin Green Sr. Cost: \$20.00 Deadline: April 15, 2015
 Send application to: Kevin Green Sr., 793 Spring Lake Rd., Port Byron, NY 13140

Appreciation Tournament

Tri-County HC Director Eric Conrad

On April 18, 2015 the Appreciation Walking Doubles will be dedicated to the Reigles family Chuck, Charlotte & son Charlie.

Deadline April 15, 2015
Limited to four, 8 team classes
110% cap on Combined Ringer %

\$25.00 per team~100% payback

C and D compete at 9 AM
Acknowledgement at NOON
A and B compete at 1 PM

All proceeds from 50/50 will also become prizes

Andes HC

The 3 sanctioned tournaments that were scheduled for this winter, at the Andes HC has had to be canceled. Owner of the building, has rented it out for the winter. So no indoor pits will be set up.

Tournament Director,
Adam VanValkenburgh

50/50 State Draw

2015 Payout is currently at \$77.50, 19.3% member participation so far
 2014 Winner Jim Czerwinski-Delevan \$222.50

Just a note: The annual winner of the **Junior Boys & Girls State Championship** will receive a new set of horseshoes from **ONLY** our State supplier "Bob Best"

Maximum \$75 per pair, any outstanding balance will have to be paid for by the parents.



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 Pitcher's Association
 Karen Graham, Editor
 P.O. Box 32
 North Bay, NY 13123

First Class



2015 Membership Application & Order Form NHPA & NYSHPA

Name: _____ Telephone Number: () _____

Permanent Address: Street _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Check one Newsletter communication method: NYSHPA WEBSITE _____ E-MAIL _____ HARD COPY MAIL _____

E-mail Address _____ Club Affiliation _____ Or Independent Member _____

Please check type of application and your division of participation. NEW _____ RENEWAL _____ Date of Birth: _____

Men 40' _____ Men 30'(must be 70) _____ Women _____ NHPA # _____

Junior Boy _____ Junior Girl _____ (a junior cannot be greater than age 18 during the entire year)

Junior Boy 20' _____ Junior Girl 20' _____ (until end of year following 11th birthday)

APPLICATION DUES & ORDER FORM TOTALS

Add \$5.00 _____ To enter NYSHPA 50/50 DRAWING on Labor Day	Junior State and National Dues	\$0
	2014 Adult State and National Dues	\$27.00

Make check payable to: NYSHPA or	N.Y.S. Shoulder Patch	\$3.00
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New York State Horseshoe Pitchers Association	N.Y.S. Patch Logo (regular.) Decal	\$3.00
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Please return to: Robert Klock, NYSHPA Sec/Treas	N.Y.S. Patch Logo (inside window) Decal	\$3.00
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P.O. Box 478	N.Y.S. Pin	\$4.00
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Spencer, NY 14883		
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607-589-4122	Total Dollar Amount:	\$ _____
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Email: tictoklock@frontier.com