

the "Mud"

From The Editor's Corner:

I am sitting here just days after the Bomb Cyclone Storm (freezing temperatures that hit the northeast), finding myself daydreaming about **Florence, South Carolina** where the World Tournament will be held this year.

You now can register online on the NHPA website. Please take note that it will cost you \$5.00 more. The fee is \$130 (\$135 online) and the tournament starts July 9-July 21, deadline is May 14th, you will need to have 4 sanctioned tournaments. It would be wonderful for New York to have a good showing at this event. If you have never experienced the world tournament you are missing out. Your opponents ringer percent is the closest you'll ever see in any one tournament.

Clubs out there should start thinking about your leagues and how to recruit some new players. Get some flyers made and post them anywhere that has a bulletin board such at the grocery store, laundry mat, hardware store, bars and pubs the list is endless. It has worked for us here, at Pine Grove, in Camden. If you get one player or one more team that is more than what you had. We are pleased that our leagues have grown little by little the past

couple of years.

Always keep in mind that I am always looking for news to print to share with our fellow horseshoe pitchers. I do my best to keep on top of things but sometimes over the winter months I don't get hear if someone has been sick, had an operation or injured in some way. I certainly would like to send good wishes to these individuals.

In closing, may 2018 bring you lots of ringers and to

get there **practice, practice, practice!** Summer tournaments will be listed in the May Mud.

~Karen



*Extra! Extra!
Read All About It!*

To send in your 2018 membership.....see page 8 for the membership renewal application!



Message from President Bernard

I encourage each and every member to attend our spring meeting, on April 28th, at 10:00 a.m. at the Waterloo Sportsman's Club (details on page 7). Your attendance is important because this is when new bylaw proposals are discussed and voted on. At this meeting, it is also voted on where our State Singles and Doubles Tournaments will be held.

Please take advantage of your membership by voting on items that could affect YOU.

As of to date, there has been no work started on the new courts in Elmira. All of the financial ducks are lined up and we are waiting for the city crew to prep our ground to grade and then work can commence.

I am looking forward to warmer weather and the upcoming 2018 outdoor season. See you soon!!!!

Thank you,
Jerry Bernard
NYSHPA President

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2017 NYS CHAMPIONS

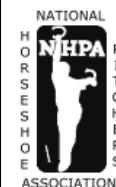
Men	Ken Fraser	68.75%
Women	Karen Graham	69.03%
Elders	Jack Stenberg	65.57%
Jr Boy	Jared Hecht	23.89%
Cadet	Kailey Lester	15.00%

DOUBLES

Dale Catlin/Zeke Montroy

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Make checks payable to "NYSHPA"



NYSHPA WEBSITE:
<http://nyshpa.org>

NHPA WEBSITE
www.horseshoepitching.com

Proposals to amend the Constitution & Bylaws

Article 2, Section 3-Standing Committee/Appointments.

(A) Tournament Director:

Old-The Tournament Director shall be responsible each year for conducting at least one statewide tournament for selecting a champion in each class sanctioned by the Association, with preference being given to the Championship class in case of inclement weather or unforeseen complication. He/she shall conduct all sanctioned tournaments in strict compliance with the regulation set forth in the By-Laws. He/she will be appointed by the host club. If this is not possible, the Tournament Director will be appointed by the president of the association. He/she will be empowered to appoint two assistants to aid in conduction the State Tournament. He/she will receive a stipend of \$100 after fulfillment of State Tournament obligations.

(A) Tournament Director:

New-The Tournament Directors shall be responsible each year for conducting at least one statewide tournament for selecting a champions in each class and **one doubles tournament to determine the state doubles champions**, sanctioned by the Association, with preference being given to the Championship class in case of inclement weather or unforeseen complication. He/she shall conduct all sanctioned tournaments in strict compliance with the regulation set forth in the By-Laws. He/she will be appointed by the host club. If this is not possible, the Tournament Director will be appointed by the president of the association. He/she will be empowered to appoint two assistants to aid in conduction the State Tournament. He/she will receive a stipend of \$100 after fulfillment of State Tournament obligations.

Article 1: Membership Dues

New- Annual membership dues for the NHPA and NYSHPA are \$35.00. The annual dues include membership in the NHPA (25.00) and membership in the NYSHPA (\$10.00). It also includes NHPA Liability Insurance and the State Newsletter "**the Mud**". Membership dues are payable and due January 1, or upon joining, and last until December 31 of the current year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Frank Kwiatkowski

Appreciation Tournament
Tri-County HC Director Eric Conrad

On April 21, 2018 the Appreciation Walking Doubles will be dedicated to the Jim and Dianne Toolan. This is an acknowledgement to what Jim & Dianne has and does contribute to the game of horseshoes and as a member of the Tri-County HC.

Deadline April 11, 2018
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 1:30 PM

All proceeds from 50/50 will also become prizes

Men

1. Ken Fraser 68.42
2. Tom Bernard 60.59
3. Jerry Bernard 57.49
4. Eric Conrad 55.13
5. Tim Collier 52.44
6. George Harageones 51.58
7. Richard Marks 51.05
8. Linwood Standish 50.29
9. Paul Black 48.37
10. Mike Pierce 45.89
11. Pidge Cole 45.56
12. **Wayne Wright 44.79**
13. Alan Overbaugh 44.52
14. Dale Lund 44.50
15. G David Scott 44.48
16. Edward O'Rourke 43.97

Elders

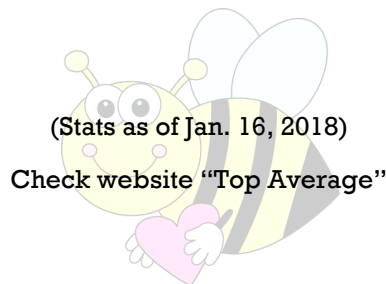
1. Jack Stenberg 69.76
2. James Zimmerman 60.54
3. Dave Flavin 51.39
4. Dale Catlin 50.67
5. John Pautler 48.95
6. Albert Montroy 47.56
7. Harold Uncapher 45.74
8. **Chuck Kromer 44.36**
9. Fred Bailey 42.50
10. John Laughlin 41.45
11. Cliff Bidwell 40.83
12. Gregory LeBoeuf 39.07
13. Chuck Reigles 38.17
14. Dave McNaulty 36.47
15. Frank Kwiatkowski 36.25
16. Gerald Way 36.25

Women

1. Karen Graham 69.96
2. Ellen Perry 64.22
3. Sue Laughlin 62.16
4. Julie Bernard 61.10
5. Carolyn Slaughter 53.19
6. **Sue Way 49.28**
7. Cathy Snayczuk 41.68
8. Rose Wright 39.09
9. Wendy Maston 37.68
10. Diane Mills 36.56
11. Nicole Wright 34.71
12. Penny Harageones 32.65

Juniors

1. Jared Hecht 21.81
2. Kailey Lester 12.72
3. John Burnett III 7.85
4. Hunter Martin 6.87
5. Chloe Lester 5.84
6. Mateo Rodriguez 5.47
7. Jakob Owens 4.71
8. Tom Westfall 4.28
9. Ella Owens 3.20
10. Gregorie Cullen 2.85
11. Cayden Schaus 1.69



REMINDER:

You DO NOT receive a hard copy of the May Mud if you DO NOT renew your Membership before then.

Your May Issue has a list of tournament dates, any changes in officers, amended by-laws, Host of the State singles and doubles tournaments as well as some darn good reading material!

ELECTION NOTICE

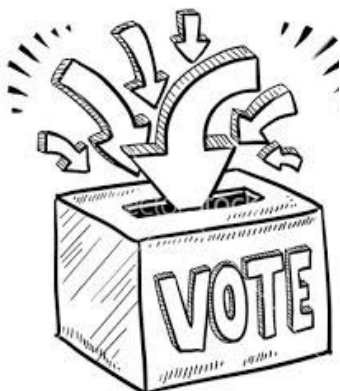
The NYSHPA office of President and 1st Vice-President are both open this year to candidates seeking those positions. Anyone interested in running for these offices, including the incumbents, should send me a brief resume and platform by March 31st. The eligible candidates will be announced at the Spring meeting. Resumes can be mail To:

Chairman of Elections

Ellen Perry
4701 W. Lake Rd.
Dunkirk, NY 14048

Call if you have any questions 716-366-4431

Thank you and good luck to all candidates



NYS CLUB DIRECTORY

Latest Club Contact List 18 Active Clubs Updated Aug 2017

<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBER</u>	<u>2016 SANC-CERT.</u>
Arcade Village Park	Arcade	Wendy Maston	716-307-2015	YES
Catskill Mountain	Deposit	Robert Mills	607-467-3730	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
Hornell	Hornell	Dave Wilkinson	585-728-2241	YES
Leroy	Leroy	Kenneth Hirsch	585-584-3829	YES
Lockport	Lockport	Lorraine Thomas	716-434-1154	NO
Mid Hudson	Newburgh	Rose Wright	845-565-4601	YES
Odessa	Odessa	Ernie Pound	607-594-2169	YES
Pine Grove	Camden	Norbert McCanney	315-245-2153	YES
Pioneer	Syracuse	Lance Hinman	315-263-9311	YES
Queen City	Elmira	Jerry Bernard	607-207-3779	YES
Round Robin/Jans	Delevan	Cathy Snayczuk	716-535-1811	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	607-223-4355	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	NO
Jessmore Courts	Oswego	Jerry Jessmore	315-342-2431	NO
Leo's Court	Dundee	Al Buckland	607-292-6281	NO
William Street Park	Corning	Ray Hall	607-962-3972	YES
Moose Club	Montour Falls	Ernie Pound	607-594-2169	NO
Olsen's Barn	Geneva	Kevin Green	315-209-8811	YES

Junior News

Summer Leagues will be organizing soon so I ask all clubs, around the state, at their respective club's spring meeting to discuss and/or ask for volunteers who would be interested forming a youth league or holding a clinic for our youth. The plan is to get our young people onto the horseshoe courts. Although our clubs are spread throughout the state, maybe a joint effort can be made to help those who cannot do it alone. Please I encourage you to contact me at anytime if you have any ideas or questions. We can work together to make our Youth Program successful.

Wendy Maston is working hard on building and raising monies for her Junior Horseshoe League, this spring. **On February 10, at 11:00 am**, in Arcade there will be a junior chili cook-off. This will be setup at the Creekside Fabrics, on Main Street. If anyone is in the area please stop in and support Wendy and thank her for her efforts.

I personally, appreciate Wendy's hard work and thank her for what she is doing for the junior's in her area.

*Junior Director,
Norm McCanney*

2018 NYSHPA TREASURER'S REPORT (As of January 14, 2018)**INCOME CATEGORIES****Interest/Donations Income**

Int/Donations/\$1 Fee	111.00	
Total Interest/Donations Income		111.00

Junior Fund Inflow

Afghan/Raffles	138.00	
Donations	130.00	
Total Junior Fund Inflow		268.00

Membership Dues

2017	135.00	
2018	2835.00	
Total Membership Dues		2970.00

Mud Subscriptions

2018 (0)	0.00	
Total Mud Subscriptions		0.00

Other Income

Misc. & bad check fee	10.00	
50/50 Draw (23)	115.00	
Total Other Income		125.00

Pins & Patches

2018	97.00	
Total Pins & Patches		97.00

TOTAL INCOME**3571.00****EXPENSE CATEGORIES****Hall of Fame**

Jackets/Plaques (0 & 0)	0.00	
Postage/Supplies/Exp	0.00	
Total Hall of Fame		0.00

Jr. Program

NHPA Dues 2017(0)	00.00	
NHPA Dues 2018 (0)	00.00	
Tickets/Awards	140.00	
Horseshoes (75 + 75)	150.00	
Total Junior Outflow		290.00

Miscellaneous

Reorder pins/patches, etc	0.00	
Website Fee/Ck service	0.00	
Total Misc		00.00

NHPA Dues

2017 Adult (5) @\$17	85.00	
2018 Adult (81) @\$25	2025.00	
TOTAL NHPA DUES		2110.00

NYS TOURNAMENT

State Contribution	00.00	(0) juniors
Doubles Contribution	72.00	(0) adults
Total NYS Tournament		72.00 (18) teams

Office Supplies

Printer Cartridge	56.92	
Paper, Labels, etc.	101.07	
Total Office Supplies		157.99

Overpayment

50/50 draw payout	10.00	
	00.00	
Total Overpayment		10.00

Phone -2018

Total Phone	00.00	
Total Phone		00.00

Postage

Newsletter	98.00	
Stamps	156.39	
Total Postage		254.39

Printing (copies)

Mud = 182	58.93	
Total Printing = 182		58.93

Stipend

Analyst	00.00	
Mud Editor	00.00	
President	00.00	
Sec/Treas	00.00	
Tourn Director	00.00	
Total Stipends		00.00

TOTAL EXPENSES**2795.32****Previous Balance 8-31-17****14554.89****INCOME LESS EXPENSES****775.68****Junior Fund 4837.87****NYSHPA 10492.70****Total Current Balance 15330.57***Submitted by Sec/Treas. Frank Kwiatkowski*

G. David Scott, of Endicott, is recovering nicely from a broken ankle and is back pitching.

Bob Best Jr., of Camden, rotator cuff surgery in December. His goal is to start pitching in April.

Joe Miller, of South New Berlin, has been under the weather. The good news is he had a cauterization and there is no blockage.

Here is wishing these fellows a speedy recovery!

Welcome

2018 New Member (1st Quarter)
 Barry Lee Stanley

<u>NYS MEMBERSHIP</u>	
Adults:	106
40'	57
30'	37
Women	12
Juniors:	0
Boys	0
Girls	0

50/50 State Raffle Update
To date is at \$57.50
2017 winner Robert Wagner,
of Hamburg, \$160.00

Dates To Remember

March 31-Send the names of the delegates attending the Spring Meeting to **Frank K**

March 31-Names of candidates running for office to **Ellen Perry** Election Committee Chairperson.

April 28-NYSHPA Spring Meeting
 Waterloo Sportsman's Club
 Start Time: 10:00 am

May 14-World Tournament application deadline & 4 sanction events for it.

As Ken Nixon use to tell me years ago
 "Honey if you wake up in the morning it's a good day!"

If anyone is interested in obtaining a Medical Exemption Form please contact Sec-Treas Frank Kwiatkowski, contact info on Page 2



Service Year Award Patches

Lorraine Thomas	50yrs
Paul Thomas	50yrs
Charles Dickenson	50yrs
Harlan McFann	40yrs
Harold Uncapher	30yrs
Robert Chadwick Sr	30yrs
Cory Pruner Jr	20yrs
George Cobin Jr	20yrs
Terry Newwine	20yrs
Ryan Cobin	10yrs
William Marks	10yrs
Leo Disbrow	10yrs
Lori Pierce	10yrs
Richard Marks Jr	10yrs
Manley Nipe	10yrs
James Kemp	10yrs
Jerry Moss	10yrs
Daniel Ough	10yrs
Jeff Johnson	10yrs
William Wittmeyer	10yrs
Robert Fagnan	10yrs



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'



NYSHPA SPRING MEETING SET

Date: Saturday, April 28, 2018
 Coffee & Donuts @ 9:30 am
 Meeting Start Time: 10:00 am
 Place: Waterloo Sportsman's Club
 GPS: 2654 Edwards Road, Waterloo



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, state singles and state doubles host site will be discussed and voted on. Following the meeting will be a tournament, start time approximately 1:00 pm.

UPCOMING SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

DATE	DEADLINE	HOST CLUB	FORMAT	ENTRY FEE
03-03-2018	02-22-2018	Tri-County March Open	Sanctioned Singles	\$21.00
04-07-2018	03-28-2018	Tri-County April Open	Sanctioned Singles	\$21.00
04-21-2018	04-11-2018	Tri-County Appreciation	Walking Doubles	25.00 Team
04-28-2018	04-21-2018	Spring Fling Waterloo	Closed Singles NY App below	\$21.00

Tri-County Horseshoe 2018 Schedule

Send check or mo to Eric Conrad, 9096 West Creek Rd., Berkshire, NY 13736
 Cell: 607-239-1297

Spring Fling, April 28 Tournament Application (held at Waterloo Ringers)

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

Make checks payable to: Waterloo Ringers HC Cost: \$21.00 Deadline: April 21, 2018
 Send application to: Kevin Green Sr, 793 Spring Lake Rd., Port Byron, NY 13140
 315-776-1560

Call The Scoring Correctly
Shoes in Pit **Correct call**

No Score _____	No Score
1 Point _____	1 Point
2 Points _____	2 Points
1 Ringer _____	1 Ringer 3 Points
1 Ringer 1 Point _____	1 Ringer 4 Points
2 Ringers 6 Points _____	2 Ringers 6 Points
1 Ringer each No score _____	2 Dead No score
1 Ringer each 1 point _____	2 Dead 1 point
3 Ringers 3 Points _____	2 Dead 3 points
2 Ringers each No Score _____	4 Dead

The person who scores the points calls the score. If neither person scores, the last person to pitch calls the score.

Did You Know?

Rick & Wendy Maston have been busy with a village park in Arcade located at 20 Madison Ave. When weather breaks they will be finishing up the full walk ways. They have replaced all stakes to spec. These are 6 sand pits and they plan on hosting a sanctioned tournament there this summer. They are not stopping there, Wendy plans on having a junior league on Fridays. At this sight, there is plenty of parking, bathrooms and the village plans on building a snack bar near the pits and by April have lighting put in.

I know, Wendy will be working hard on trying to sanction more pitchers and looking to recruit more junior pitchers.





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First Class

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2018 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 or medical) _____ Women _____ NHPA # _____

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

Cadet Boy 20' _____ Cadet Girl 20' _____ (until 12 years old for entire calendar year)

APPLICATION DUES & ORDER FORM TOTALS

Add \$5.00 _____ To enter NYSHPA 50/50 DRAWING on Labor Day Junior State and National Dues \$0.00 _____

2018 Adult State and National Dues \$35.00 _____

Make check payable to: NYSHPA or N.Y.S. Shoulder Patch \$3.00 _____

New York State Horseshoe Pitchers Association N.Y.S. Patch Logo (regular.) Decal \$3.00 _____

Please return to: Frank Kwiatkowski, NYSHPA Sec/Treas N.Y.S. Patch Logo (inside window) Decal \$3.00 _____

5700 Minerva Dr. N.Y.S. Pin \$4.00 _____

Lakeview, NY 14085

716-627-4708

Email: nyftk221@aim.com

Total Dollar Amount: \$ _____