

New York State Horseshoe Pitchers Association

the "Mud"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First, let me begin by saying thank you to the independent members and all of those who made the effort to attend the spring meeting and represent their clubs. Overall attendance was disappointing because only half of our clubs were present. Delegate attendance needs to improve if all of our voices are to be heard.

Next, I would like to say thank you to Jerry Bernard and Pidge Cole for putting in their letter of intent for the position of President of our charter. I wish them both good luck. My congratulations goes out to Harold Uncapher on his nomination to the NYSHPA Hall of Fame, you have done what it takes to earn this honor. To all NY pitchers heading to the 2016 World Tournament, I wish them good luck. As it stands right now Jim & Ellen Perry will be our charters delegates, Thank you! Anyone who is going and would also like to be a delegate please let me know.

Finally, I would like to address tournament scheduling. All of our club presidents need to open lines of communication among themselves. starting in late December or early January regarding their tournament dates for the upcoming outdoor season. Once the presidents coordinate and agree on these dates, each club president should forward their scheduled tournaments to the Secretary and the Mud editor so they can be published in the February Mud and NYSHPA website. Any late changes should be sent to the secretary by March so they are available for the annual spring meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you on the courts and hope we all have a great pitching season.

*Sincerely,
Frank Kwiatkowski*

EDITOR'S PITCH ON SPRING MEETING

At this years Spring Meeting, held on April 30th in Waterloo, there were 2 sites that bid on the State Tournament which were Waterloo Ringers and South New Berlin. It was a close vote but South New Berlin will be our host. Roger Chase will be TD with his assistant Larry Shaw, which applications will be mailed to Larry. State Doubles Tournament will be hosted by Floyd Horseshoe Club in Floyd, TD will be Jim Moore with assistance by Ken Fraser & myself.

The one proposal submitted by Kevin Green Sr on changing the scorekeeper fee at the State Doubles Tournament from \$1.00 per team to \$2.00 per team (\$1.00 each player). Passed

We are asking clubs having their yearly tournament to set your dates by the end of Dec 31st so that it can be published on the website and listed in the Feb. MUD.

Hall of Fame News is that Harold Uncapher will be inducted into the NYS Horseshoe Pitching Hall of Fame in the pitcher category. Congratulations Harold!

~Karen

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2015 NYS CHAMPIONS

Men	David Conrad	56.35%
Women	Karen Graham	68.97%
Elders	"Zeke" Montroy	57.89%
Sr Men	Robert Mills	26.11%
Jr Girl	Alyssa Townsend	18.00%
Jr Boy	Gavin Barteau	20.50%

DOUBLES

George Harageones/Tim Collier

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

NHPA WEBSITE
www.horseshoepitching.com

2016 New Members (2nd Quarter)

Stanley Anderson	Andes
Dakota Frank	Berkshire
Brooke Burchard	Horseheads
Joshua Wilson	Horseheads
Lyle Deiter	Hunt
Benjamin Wilkins	Nunda



In Memoriam

Stephen Mayer
 Charlie Ridell

Rest In Peace

50/50 Draw is currently \$245 with 57 members participated current payout is \$142.50

Gary Barteau is stepping down as Youth Director and **Roland Rupp** would like to step down as Election Committee Chairman anyone interested in either position please contact President Frank Kwiatkowski.

NYS MEMBERSHIP

Adults:	235
40'	137
30'	63
Women	23
Juniors:	12
Boys	8
Girls	4

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.

Dates To Remember

- May 16-**Deadline for the NHPA World Tournament in Montgomery, Alabama
- Aug. 1-** Deadline for State Championship Tournament
- Sept. 2-5** NYS Championships ~ South New Berlin HC
- Sept. 19-** State Doubles Championships at Floyd HC
- Oct. 25-** Deadline for articles in the November Mud (limited space)

2018 WORLD TOURNAMENT BIDDERS

These following sites will have presentations in Montgomery, Alabama for the 2018 World Tournament site. They will provide handouts and answer any question you may have.

- 1.) El Paso, TX
- 2.) Shreve Bossier, LA
- 3.) Florence, SC

STATE TOURNAMENT SITE

Host for the NYS Singles Championships will be South New Berlin HC. Roger Chase will serve as Tournament Director w/Larry Shaw as his assistant, on Labor Day Weekend September 2nd-5th. Application on page 6.

Host for the NYS Doubles Championships on Sept. 17th will be Floyd Horseshoe Club. Jim Moore will serve as tournament director. You can sign up right a the state singles or through the mail deadline being Sept. 4th. (Contact info on page 4)

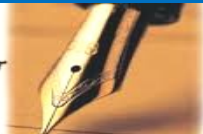


Congratulations to John Laughlin for his NHPA 2015 League Awards

35.00 Individual High Ringer Over Average-Elder

34.00 National High Point Game Over Average-Adult 40 shoe game

Memorandum
Just a Reminder
Memorandum



All tournament director's be sure to send a \$1.00 per player entered in your tournament to Sec/Treas Bob Klock. This is to help fund the State Tournament payout.

Election of Officers, when more than one candidate is running.

The voting information details will be communicated in the May MUD.

Who can vote:

One Club delegate votes once for the entire club membership total (Please state your club's name).

Independents can only cast one vote.

No one can vote for or represent any independent member other than the independent member themselves.

How to vote:

(No Phone calls will be allowed), letter form mail, email or face to face verbal votes can be made to Vote Collection Coordinator Karen Graham.

Winner Announcement:

Karen will track the voting results. Karen can announce an early winner if the candidate receives 50% + 1 YES votes of the total membership.

If no early winner can be declared, the winner will be announced at the State Meeting. If this is the case voting can continue right up to the state meeting start.

This year 2016- The total voting membership is 337 members from 2015. To be the early winner the candidate will need 169 membership yes votes.

On page 7 are the candidates resumes and ballot, also instructions on where to send it.

2016 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

DATE	DEADLINE	NAME	CLUB	FORMAT	COST	CONTACT
June 4	May 25	Ed Ryder Memorial	Waterloo	Open Singles	\$21	#3
June 5	May 25	Waterloo Open #1	Waterloo	Open-Singles	\$21	#3
June 11	June 1	William Hoag Memorial	South New Berlin	Open-Singles	A-\$26 Others-\$21	#2
June 25	June 15	Southern Tier Open	Southern Tier	54 Entries	\$22 (\$1 to NHPF)	#5
July 9	June 29	Rod Pratt Memorial	Floyd	Open-Singles	A-\$26 Others-\$21	#4
July 25-Aug 6	May 16	World Tournament	NHPA	Open-Singles	Adults \$130 Juniors \$25	
Aug 20	Aug 13	Pine Grove Open	Camden	Open-Singles	A-\$26 Others-\$21	#1
Aug 21	Sign Up 11:00 am	Hard Luck & Luke Memorial	Tri-County	Non Sanction Doubles	\$25 per team	#6
Aug 27	Aug 17	DiMartino Warm-Up (held at Waterloo Ringers)	Waterloo	Open-Singles	\$21	#3
Sept 2-5	Aug 1	NYS Singles Championships	South New Berlin	NYS Pitchers Only	*Championship \$52* All Other Adults \$27 Juniors-\$2.50	#7
Sept 17	Sept 4	NYS Doubles Championships	Floyd	NYS Pitchers 110% max.	\$30/Team	#4

~STATE TOURNAMENT~

The top **12 Men, 6 Women** and **8 Elder's** entered into the state tournament their entry fee will be \$52. This amount was always paid if you made championship the only difference is that it is paid up front. As there will be no more qualifying. This will be updated on the website under Top Averages.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION

	DIRECTOR	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	PHONE
#1	Karen Graham	PO Box 32	North Bay	13123	(315)245-4407
#2	Gary Fisher ~ Roger Chase	PO Box 233	Morris	13808	(607)263-5479
#3	Kevin Green	793 Spring Lake Rd.	Port Byron	13140	(315)776-1560
#4	Jim Moore	906 Dewitt Ln.	Rome	13440	(315)271-9357
#5	Charles Reigles	2707 North Street	Endwell	13760	(607)754-8208
#6	Eric Conrad	9096 W. Creek Rd.	Berkshire	13736	(607)321-8938
#7	Roger Chase ~ (Mail to) Larry Shaw	53 Elm Street	Delhi	13753	(607)746-6494

Barbeque

***Sunday, June 5 during the Waterloo Open, the Waterloo Sportsman's Club is doing a barbeque. Kevin Green Sr. stated, that the cost would be \$10.00. All you need to do is add this to your entry fee so they can have a correct head count.

Watch the website as Waterloo Ringers may schedule another sanction tournament or two.

2016 NYSHPA TREASURER'S REPORT

(9-1-2015 through 3-31-2016)

INCOME CATEGORIES

Interest/Donations Income

Interest/Donations 266.00
Total Interest/Donations Income 266.00

Junior Fund Inflow

Afghan/Raffles 0.00
Donations 100.00
Total Junior Fund Inflow 100.00

Membership Dues

2015 108.00
2016 5373.00
Total Membership Dues 5481.00

Other Income

Misc. & bad check fee 164.08
50/50 Draw (80) 285.00
Total Other Income 449.08

Pins & Patches

2016 93.00
Total Pins & Patches 93.00

TOTAL INCOME 6389.08

EXPENSE CATEGORIES

Hall of Fame

Jackets/Plaques (0 & 0) 0.00
Postage/Supplies/Exp 41.08
Total Hall of Fame 41.08

Jr. Program

NHPA Dues 2015 (0) 0.00
NHPA Dues 2016 (11) 55.00
Tickets/Awards 0.00
Horseshoes 136.00
Total Junior Inflow 191.00

Miscellaneous

Reorder pins/patches, etc 12.90
Website Fee 0.00
Total Misc 12.90

NHPA Dues

2015 Adult (12) @\$17 204.00
2016 Adult (199) @\$17 3383.00
TOTAL NHPA DUES 3587.00

NYS TOURNAMENT

State Contribution 0.00 (0) juniors
Doubles Contribution 116.00 (0) adults
Total NYS Tournament 116.00 (29) teams

Office Supplies

Printer Cartridge 50.00
Paper, Labels, etc. 0.00
Total Office Supplies 50.00

Overpayment

50/50 draw payout 155.00
Total Overpayment 155.00

Phone -2016

Total Phone 0.00

Postage

Newsletter 215.60
Stamps 98.00
Total Postage 313.60

Printing (copies)

Mud = 220-216-0 162.00
Total Printing = 436 162.00

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 4628.58

Previous Balance 9-1-15 15266.18

INCOME LESS EXPENSES 1760.50

Junior Fund 5348.43

NYSHPA 11678.25

Total Current Balance 17026.68

Submitted by Sec/Treas. Bob Klock

New York State Top Averages

Top Men

1. Ken Fraser 65.42
2. Jerry Bernard 61.41
3. Alan Overbaugh 58.16
4. Paul Black 56.87
5. Eric Conrad 56.13
6. Tom Bernard 56.12
7. Tim Collier 54.30
8. Dennis Leonard 53.08
9. Pidge Cole 51.95
10. George Harageones 50.96
11. G David Scott 48.75
12. John Perry 48.03

Top Elder Men

1. Harold Uncapher 58.25
2. Albert Montroy 53.55
3. Dale Catlin 53.51
4. Bradley Johnson 50.96
5. Jack Stenberg 50.76
6. Jim Zimmerman 50.57
7. Mark Riley 47.12
8. John Laughlin 46.76

Top Women

1. Karen Graham 67.76
2. Ellen Perry 65.74
3. Julie Bernard 59.29
4. Sue Laughlin 52.51
5. Sarah Gooch 50.85
6. Carolyn Slaughter 47.24

Stats as of April 27, 2016

2016 New York State Horseshoe Pitcher's Association Championships

*will be held on September 2nd through September 5th, 2016 at the
South New Berlin HC in South New Berlin, NY.*

The deadline to enter is **August 1, 2016**. All entries must include your 2016 NHPA card number and the correct pitching fees. **NO PHONE REGISTRATIONS!** You must be a New York State resident and have participated in a minimum of two (2) sanctioned events between August 1, 2015 and July 31, 2016 to enter. Your sanctioned events must be on file with NYS statistician Bob Klock or with NATSTATS.

ENTRY FEES: Men's, Women's and Elders Championship classes **ONLY** will pay **\$52.00**. All other Adults **\$27.00**, Juniors **\$2.50**, **non refundable after August 5th** (unless spot is filled by another pitcher). Each pitcher will pay **\$1.00 per game for scorekeeping and \$1.00 per shift for judges and "stat" people**. These additional fees are **NOT** included in the entry fee. Scorekeepers are to be paid before the game begins.

Make your check or money order (No Cash) payable to: **SOUTH NEW BERLIN HC**

Send your application and entry fee to:

Larry Shaw

53 Elm Street, Delhi, NY 13753

tel. (607) 746-6494 email: larrys@catskill.net

DRESS CODE: All contestants will wear a shirt with his/her name & city or town of residence imprinted on the back. **NO** cut-off shorts, sleeveless shirts or open toed shoes will be allowed.

ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____ **NHPA Card #** _____

ADDRESS: _____ **TEL #:** () _____

CITY: _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

E-mail ADDRESS: _____ **SHOE** _____ **turn or flip**

Please check your DIVISION OF PARTICIPATION:

OPEN MEN-40' _____ SR. MEN-40' (60yrs or more) _____ ELDER MEN-30" (70yrs or more) _____

WOMEN _____ JR. BOY _____ JR. BOY 20' _____ JR. GIRL _____ JR. GIRL 20' _____

Please include your date of birth: ____/____/____

IF YOU ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE TEAM EVENT, PLEASE INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE TEAM AND THE NAMES OF THE FIVE PERSONS ON THE TEAM. THERE IS NO CHARGE TO ENTER A TEAM. YOU MAY BE ON ONE TEAM ONLY BUT YOU MAY HAVE MORE THAN ONE TEAM. NO TEAMS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE TOURNAMENT STARTS ON FRIDAY.

PARTICIPANT LIABILITY RELEASE-YOU MUST SIGN TO PITCH

IN CONSIDERATION OF PARTICIPATING IN SUCH ACTIVITY, I HEREBY WAIVE, RELEASE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE THE SOUTH NEW BERLIN HORSESHOE CLUB, THE NEW YORK STATE HORSESHOE PITCHER'S ASSOCIATION, ALL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, AGENTS AND SERVANTS OF THE AFORE STATED ORGANIZATIONS AND ALL FELLOW PARTICIPANTS OF THIS EVEN, FOR ANY AND ALL ACTIONS, LOSS OF INURY, WHICH I MAY SUFFER AS A CONSEQUENCE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE NEW YORK STATE HORSESHOE PITCHING CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.

SIGNED: _____ **DATE:** _____

Election of Officers

This year we have two members running for president which means we will have a formal ballot system. The by-laws require that ballot and resumes be sent out to the membership by May 1st or May MUD and that the ballots should be returned by August 1st or 50% +1, (other explanations on page 3). The returned ballots should have the member's NHPA number in the return address area of the envelope to assure the member is current.

The resumes and ballot are included here, please return the marked ballot to:

Karen Graham, Ballots
P.O. Box 32
North Bay, NY 13123
email: Mueditor@yahoo.com

For President:

Gerald J. Bernard: My name is Gerald Bernard and I would like to run for the position of president of NYSHPA when such time as the next elections come up.

I am 55 years young and have been a member of the NYSHPA since approximately 1998 and have been an avid horseshoe pitcher from my teen years.

I believe that I would bring a renewed energy to the position and my main goal as president would be to boost membership by promoting the sanctioned game, also by enforcing current rules and by-laws and also promote local leagues.

I am currently the president of the Twin Tier Horseshoe League and the past president of the Queen City Horseshoe Club here in Elmira, NY. I also have been working with the city and community in Elmira and have plans for a new 20 court facility to start ground breaking in 2016.

I am willing to put forth a good effort to support our charter and the current officers and think I would serve the office of president proudly.

Pidge Cole: I am sending this letter to say that I would like to run for president of NYSHPA. I have been a member for 10 years, I run 4 leagues in Waverly, NY. I'm a member of the Groton Horseshoe club, I pitch in tournaments in NY and PA. I started in the J class and now I'm in A class; this is a great sport and I think I can make it better, we need to get more people involved in it and get more Jr. and more women. I enjoy teaching and letting people know about the sport. I have met a lot of wonderful people pitching horseshoes. I think I would make a good president. Thank you.

There is one candidate for First Vice President:

Roger Chase: I'm running for New York State 1st-Vice President. I have served one term. I have run local tournaments at South New Berlin, 10 years plus, also New York State tournament as Tournament Chairman or a Co-Chairman, 3 times.

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Ballot

For President (vote for one):

Gerald J. Bernard _____

Pidge Cole _____

For First Vice President:

Roger Chase _____



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First Class

«Sanction»

«First Name» «Last Name»

«Address Line 1»

«City», «State» «ZIP Code»

2016 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
	2016 Adult State and National Dues	\$27.00
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: Robert Klock, NYSHPA Sec/Treas	N.Y.S. Patch Logo (inside window) Decal	\$3.00
P.O. Box 478	N.Y.S. Pin	\$4.00
Spencer, NY 14883		
607-589-4122		

Total Dollar Amount: \$ _____

Email: tictoklock@frontier.com