

Below you will find a little knowledge of how it all began hope you enjoy. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday and Happy New year. Hope to see you all next year on the courts. Cathy

Horseshoe pitching, game for two or four players, most popular in the <u>United States</u> and Canada, in which players attempt to throw horseshoes so as to encircle a stake or to get them as close to the stake as possible. When two play, they pitch from a pitching box, 6 <u>feet</u> (1.8 m) square, in the centre of which is an iron or steel stake extending 14 inches (36 cm) from the surface and <u>inclined</u> 3 inches (8 cm) toward another stake 40 feet (12 m) away (30 feet [9 m] for women and juniors). After both players have pitched two shoes each (an inning), they walk to the opposite box and pitch from it. When four play, each pair of partners pitches from opposite boxes. Regulation games are played to a winning score of 50, more informal games, to 21. After all shoes have been pitched in an inning, scoring is as follows: one point for each shoe closer than an opponent's, if the shoe is six inches or closer to the stake, and three points for each ringer (shoe enclosing the stake). If shoes are equally distant or if opponents have the same number of ringers, these are considered ties and no points are scored. A leaning shoe has no more value than one touching the stake. Horseshoes designed for pitching (usually made of iron or steel) weigh 2.5 pounds (1 kg) and are 7.5 inches (19 cm) long, 7 inches wide at the greatest width, with a space 3.5 inches (9 cm) between the calks, as the small toes at each open end are called.

Horseshoe pitching may have derived from the game of <u>quoits</u> played by Roman officers during the Roman occupation of Britain (1st to 5th century). Their men, lacking quoits, presumably used horseshoes, though the existence of iron U-shaped horseshoes at that time remains undocumented. It is thought that peasants in <u>medieval</u> Britain also adapted horseshoes for use in improvised games of quoits. The sport was introduced into <u>North America</u> by English settlers in colonial times. The National Horseshoe Pitchers Association of America became the governing body of the sport in the United States in 1926 and holds national and world championship tournaments annually.



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2022 NYS CHAMPIONS

Men Ken Fraser 72.76%

Women Sue Laughlin 66.73% Elders Jack Stenberg 63.44% JR Boy Tucker Carey 8.33%

DOUBLES

Championship Perry & Way

Class A Stenberg & Dombrowski

Class B Gordon & Dorrell

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HALL OF FAME

Lee horseshoe pitching career has taken him all over New York State. He is also a member of the Tri-County Horseshoe Club in Groton, NY. Lee enjoys pitching in both Groton and the Floyd Horseshoe Pitching Club in Floyd, NY as both clubs have indoor and outdoor pits. The Pine Grove Horseshoe Pitching Club in Camden, NY has hosted the NY State Tournament for many years as has the Waterloo Horseshoe Club in Waterloo, NY where Lee won many of his awards. Lee also pitched at the Southern Tier Horseshoe Pitching Club in



Johnson City, NY, Canton Horseshoe Pitching Club in Canton, NY, the Pioneer Horseshoe Pitching Club in Syracuse, NY, Deposit Horseshoe Pitching Club in Deposit, NY, Pulaski Horseshoe Pitching Club in Pulaski, NY, and the Moreau Horseshoe Pitching Club in South Glens Falls, NY. In league play at the SNB Club, Lee and his partner, Ed Kohler, sponsored by Kelly's Flowers of Norwich, NY, took first place in 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2022.Recently, Lee pitched fourteen ringers in a row in SNB. Our local newspaper has done a great job this summer promoting the SNB Horseshoe Pitching League. Lee's hard work and dedication landed his team in the headlines taking another first place this fall. In the early years, Lee donated his trophies back to a junior league to honor their accomplishments. His selflessness speaks volumes. Lee is still a strong and devoted pitcher and his love for the sport shines through every day. We believe he would be much deserving addition to the New York State Horseshoe Pitching Hall of Fame for 2023

NYS MEMBERSHIP

MEN 107
WOMEN 29
ELDERS 55
JUNIORS
BOYS 1
GIRLS 1

NEW YORK STATE 50/50 WINNER JOESPH MILLER \$160

New Members

Marty Weaver	Castile
Steve Parson	Deposit
Ryan Mclaughlin	Hornell
Andre Peterkin Sr	Kingston
Jamie Schery	Pike

NYS LONGEVITY 2024

INTO LONGEVITT	2024
Michael Dimartino	50 yrs
Gary Fisher	40 yrs
Jack Stenberg	40 yrs
David Wilkinson	40 yrs
Kevin Reidel	20 yrs
Gary Dawley	20 yrs
Wendy Maston	20 yrs
Edward Corbin	20 yrs
Robert Wells	10 yrs
Cathy Snayczuk	10 yrs

Generic Tournament Application

Tournament Name:	Tournament Date:
Name	NHPA Card #
Address	Ringer %
City	
Phone Numberdress	Email Ad-
Circle your pitching category: Men 40' Men 30'	Women Jr Boy Jr Girl Jr Boy 20' Jr Girl 20'

NHPA First Vice President Selected

Brian Poole vacated the

First Vice President office to become the NHPA Secretary/Treasurer in October, 2023. After evaluation of interested persons, the Executive Council has chosen Austin Bailey of Illinois as the new First Vice President effective November 1, 2023. Austin has been very active in the Illinois Charter and currently serves as 4th Vice President. As First Vice President he will inherit the Rules and Bylaws along with addressing any grievances filed. We wish Austin very good luck in assuming these important duties.

We know that there are a number of Rules/Bylaws that have been discussed among the NHPA members this year for potential changes. The deadline for submitting changes to be reviewed in the Annual Delegate meeting during the 2024 World Tournament is December 31, 2023. We encourage you to submit all proposals to Austin Bailey before that deadline.

NHPA Executive Council

NHPA Members,

The NHPA Executive Council would like to thank you for your patience as we have been considering the format of the 2024 World Tournament. Many options were considered, but we have determined that the only change for 2024 will be to schedule the Championship Classes during the first week of the tournament. The Junior Division will pitch the same days as before at the end of the first week.

There will not be any shoe limits on the Championship finals nor will there be any ceding into the Championship Classes.

All first week pitchers will participate in the preliminary rounds to determine the Championship Classes. We hope this will also allow many of those pitching in the second week to join us for the Annual NHPA Delegate Convention, the annual awards banquet and auction. We encourage those pitching in the first week to stay and be a part of those events as well.

Hopefully each of you are already planning to join us for a great 2024 World Horseshoe Tournament sponsored by Tri-Cities, Washington and held in the Toyota Center in Kennewick Washington.

Gary Roberts, NHPA President

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 horseshoes with dedication, but he also 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 backyard pits to the people he plays alongside 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 on 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 new online games drew Alan's attention where he has played many sanctioned and non-sanctioned games. Alan's love for the game comes before almost 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.

STATE SINGLES TOURNAMENT

NY State Single Tournament will be held at Waterloo Ringers HSC, Waterloo Your Tournament Directors will be Jack Stenberg and Ron Bowerman. Tournament will be held August 31– September 2, 2024

STATE DOUBLES TOURNAMNET

NY State Doubles Tournament will be held at the Round Robin HSC, Machias. Your Tournament Directors will be Cathy Snayczuk and Charlie Kromer. Tournament dates are September 21-22, 2024

NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

ELDER'S CHAMPIONS	<u>SHIP</u>	WOMEN'S CHAMP	IONSHII	<u> </u>	MEN'S CHAMPIOS	<u>HIP</u>	
Jack Stenberg 9-1	63.44%	Sue Laughlin 1	.1-1 66	5.73%	Ken Fraser	14-0	72.76%
Glenn Davis 8-2	56.76%	Karen Graham 9	9-3 61	L.69%	Douglas Kannus	8-6	51.35%
Norbert Mccanney 7		Ellen Perry 3-	-9 49	.14%	Buck Gufgosky	7-7	45.89%
Gordon Crosby 3-7		Cindy Cornwell 1	L-11 37	7.95%	Eric Conrad	7-7	43.99%
Pete Newey 3-7					Dakota Frank	6-8	49.85%
Alan Overbaugh 0-1	.0 26.08%	WOMEN'S A CLASS			George Haragones	4-1	0 43.89%
		Penny Harageones	5-0	35.00%			
Elder's A Class		Cheri Allen	3-0 4-1	32.50%	MEN'S A CLASS		
Ronald Bowerman 6	-0 43.75%	Terri Miner	3-2	29.00%	Peter Mauer	6-1	45.71%
Charles E Reigles 5	-1 39.17%	Robin Eberhardt	_	18.00%	Gerald J Bernard	5-2	46.79%
David Gordon 4	-2 46.67%	Lucinda Miller	2-3 1-4	18.27%	Bob Sandlas	5-2	36.43%
Timothy J Marks 3-	-3 37.50%			5.50%	Linwood Standish	4-3	38.57%
Lee V Coon 2-	4 31.25%	Theresa Cassady	0-5	5.50%	Mike Surprise	3-4	33.21%
Fredrick Sheldon 1-	-5 27.08%				Adam Vanvalkenburgh	2-5	32.53%
Frank Kwiatowski 0	-6 26.67%	MEN'S B CLASS			Robert K Berninger	2-5	40.90%
		Kenneth Dombrows	ski 6-1	30.00%	Randy Vincent	1-6	30.14%
Elder's Class B		David Reynolds	4-3				
Robert Berninger	6-0 26.67%	Donald Dombrowsk	ki 4-3	27.86%	MEN'S C CLASS		
Joesph Miller	5-1 13.75%	Ron Beagle	3-4	26.79%	Mark Welch	6-1	21.07%
Albert Strohl	4-2 18.33%	Charles M Reigles	3-4	24.24%	John Peters	5-2	26.43%
David Wilkinson	3-3 17.50%	William T Lawson	3-4	22.50%	Kevin Pierce	4-3	27.86%
Robert Trank	2-4 11.67%	Gary P Spry	3-4	28.98%	Dennis Gildner	4-3	23.31%
Roger Chase	1-5 5.83%	Lauren Taylor	2-5	28.23%	Joel V Hines	3-4	26.79%
					Brian Heater	2-5	27.86%
MEN'S D CLASS					Michael McLaughlin	2-5	26.79%
Robert Mills	5-0 20.00%	MEN'S E CLASS			Scott Ellis	2-5	18.21%
Nathan Willet	3-2 26.50%	Edward Corbin	5-1	14.58%			
Mark Vanletino	3-2 21.50%	Kevin A Green	3-2	11.62%			
Lyle Dieter	2-3 18.50%	Kevin Green Jr	3-2	12.27%			
Ryan Corbin	1-4 12.50%	Dave Claver	1-3	12.50%			
Kenneth Bragg	1-4 9.50%	George D Corbin	0-4	12.00%			

The officer positions of President and 1st Vice President are up for election in 2024. Please send your letter of intent to run for these positions to the Election Committee Chairperson Sue Laughlin by March 31, 2024.



2023 NYSHPA TREASURER'S REPORT

(Sept - 2023)		10/1//2022	Through	9/30/2023		cum date	
sub						cut-off	9-30-23
INCOME CATEGO	RIES			NHPA Due	es 2023		
				Ad (119) @	0\$25/(1) Prov	2990.00	
Interest/Donations In	come			1 Jr @\$5	ES(71) @ -	-715.00	
Int./Donations/\$1.Fe	552.00			Total NHP	'A Dues		2275.00
Total Interest/Donati	ons Incom	552.00					
				NYS Tour	nament		(0) juniors
Junior Fund Inflow				State Con	tribution	952.00	(76) adults
Afghan/Raffles	0.00			Doubles C	ontributio	68.00	17)(0) teams
Donations	60.00			Total NYS	Tourname	nt	1020.00
Total Junior Fund Infl	ow	60.00					
				Office Su	pplies		
Membership Dues				Printer Ca	rtridge	120.58	
2022	70.00			Paper, Lal	_	98.92	
2023	4130.00				ce Supplies	S	219.50
Total Membership Du	ies	4200.00					
. –				Overpayn	nent/refun	0.00	
Mud Subscriptions				50/50 draw	pay out	160.00	
2023	0.00			Total Ove	rpayment	0.00	160.00
Total Mud Subscription	ons	0.00			enses - 202		
				Total Phone			50.00
Other Income							
Misc & bad check/fee	5.00			Postage			
50/50 Draw (64)	320.00			Newslette		0.00	
Total Other Income		325.00		Stamps		4.28	
		020.00		Total Post	age	25	4.28
Pins & Patches							
2023	135.00			Printing	(copies)		
Total Pins & Patches		135.00		Mud =114		162.79	
				Total Print	ing = 0		162.79
TOTAL INCOME		5272.00					
				Stipend			
EXPENSE CATEG	ORIES			Analyst		100.00	
Hall of Fame				Mud Edito	or	100.00	
Jackets/Plaques (2 &	314.70			President		100.00	
Postage/Supplies/Ex	147.11			Sec/Treas		194.50	
Total Hall of Fame		461.81		Tourn. Di		150.00	
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Jr Program				100000000			
NHPA Dues 2022 (0)	0.00			TOTAL EX	PENSES		5183.43
NHPA Dues 2023 (1)	5.00						
2023 E-shoe (1)	0.00			Previous	Balance	9-30-22	15507.67
Horseshoes/Awards	0.00		\$75 Max Ea.				
Total Junior Fund Outfl		5.00	2.2	INCOME	ESS EXPE	NSES	88.57
		5.00	checks				
Miscellaneous			meeting rental		Junior Fu	4463.48	
Re order-pin/patches	100.00		name plates		NYSHPA	11132.76	
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Total Miscellaneous	80.33	180.55	**************************************		- rent Balan		15596.24
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50/50 Draw (64) \$320	35 55% ma	mhershin partic	ination	curre	nt draw nav	out is \$16	0.00

2023-2024 TRI-COUNTYHORSESHOE CLUB TOURNAMNET SCHEDULE

DATE	TOURNAMENT	OPEN DEADLINE	FORMAT	PITCH- ING FEE
Dec 2	December Open	Nov 22, 23	Sanction Singles	\$26
Dec 16	December Doubles	Sign up at club 11am	Walking Doubles	\$30
Jan 6	January Singles	Dec 27	Sanction Singles	\$26
Jan 20	January Doubles	Sign up at Club 11am	Walking Doubles	\$30
Feb 3	February Singles	Jan 24, 2024	Sanction Singles	\$26
Feb 17	February Doubles	Sign up at Club 11am	Walking Doubles	\$30
March 2	March Singles	Feb 21	Sanction Singles	\$26
March 16	March Doubles	Sign up at Club 11am	Walking Doubles	\$30
April 6	April Singles	March 27	Sanction Singles	\$26

***Advance sign up for sanctioned (Open) tournaments require. Contact Director Eric Conrad at 607-321-8938. Mail check or money order to Eric at

9096 West Creek Rd, Berkshire NY 13736





DAWLEY'S BARN SANCTION TOURNAMENT



DATE	DEADLINE	FORMAT	PITCHING FEE
Dec 9	Dec 2	Sanction Singles	\$26
Jan 13	Jan 6	Sanction Singles	\$26
Feb 10	Feb 3	Sanction Singles	\$26
March 9	March 2	Sanction Singles	\$26
April 13	April 6	Sanction Singles	\$26
May 11	May 4	Sanction Singles	\$26

^{***} Advance sign up for sanctioned tournaments is required. Contact Gary Dawley 315-462-3208 or Ron Bowerman 585-747-5962 *Send payment to Ron Bowerman at 1132 County Rd, Farmington NY 14425



«Sanction»

«First Name» «Last Name»

«Address Line 1»

«City», «State» «ZIP Code»

2024 Membership Application & Order Form NHPA & NYSHPA

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Please check <u>typ</u>	<u>e</u> of application and your <u>division</u> of participation	on. NEWRENE	WALDate of Birth:	:
VIen 40'	Men 30'(must be 70 or medical)	Women	NHPA #	
unior Boy	Junior Girl (a junior cannot be	e greater than age 18	during the entire year)	
	Cadet Girl 20' (until 12 years old			
	APPLICATION DUES & To enter NYSHPA 50/50 DRAWING on Labor Day			.00
	•	2024 Full Adult Stat	e & National Dues \$35	.00
		2024 Provisional M	embership Dues \$10	.00
		2024 Trial Member	(1 tournament) \$00	.00
Make check pay	able to:			
NYSHPA or			I.Y.S. Shoulder Patch \$3	
		N.Y.S. Patch Logo (regular.) Decal \$3	.00
Please return to:	Frank Kwiatkowski, NYSHPA Sec/Treas N.Y.S	5. Patch Logo (inside		.00
	5700 Minerva Dr.		N.Y.S. Pin \$4	.00
	Lakeview, NY 1408			_
	716-627-4708		Total Dollar Amount:	\$
	Email: nyftk221@aim.com			