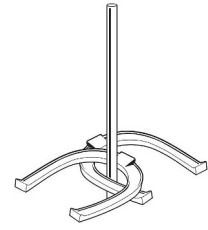


ILSHPA COURT REPORTER

August 2024



President's Pitch

Greetings from Southern Illinois,

Here we are, less than one month from the 2024 state tournament from beautiful Douglas Park in Danville. If you are going to make it to the state tournament please make sure you check the schedule and get your hotel booked. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Congratulations to all participants in the World Tournament, a special shout out to Austin Bailey for finishing fourth in the Men's Championship.

I am going to keep this one short...Please keep promoting horseshoes, sanctioned or non-sanctioned. Support each other and be kind. Communicate with each other and help however you can. Digging one extra court or helping to water and cover can go a long way. Just like your chores at home, or work for that matter, the more hands the easier the task. Don't take anything for granted.

Good luck to everyone and I wish all of you an increase in your ringer percentage!

A Letter form the Secretary

Well, here we are getting ready for another State Tournament. I for one am looking forward to going to Danville again. They have beautiful courts with lots of shade. I am also looking forward to seeing everyone again.

I am writing this before the world tournament is over and hoping that Austin has a good run in the championship round. We are all rooting for you! Next year the World is going to be in Salt Lake City. Who can go?

I will have a report on the finances at the state this year again. I bring this up due to the falling numbers Illinois is going through now. Last year we had 235 members and this year we have only 224. Every year for the last 10 we have been dropping. We have under 100 entries for the State tournament this year. This affects everything down the pipeline with money, payouts, getting cities to host. If we don't start to turn this around it could be too late to fix. Everyone must help get new members, old members to renew, recruit to all ages. I have been trying to get the message out in almost every court reporter, and its almost critical. Please, please recruit, recruit recruit.

Don Goers has developed a new system for us to sign up for state online and it has worked very well. Almost half of you have signed up through this. Thank you to those who did this. It is much easier for me and Austin.

Let's get out there and pitch some ringers!!!!

See you soon
Kenny Kiefer
Sec/Treas

2024 ILSHPA State Officers

<u>President</u>	<u>1st Vice President</u>	<u>2nd Vice President</u>	<u>3rd Vice President</u>
Dan Broeckling	Judy Long	Danny Freeman	Austin Bailey
6110 W Washington St.	120 Tunison Ave	13636 Winfield Dr	215 Dickinson Rd.
Belleville, IL 62223	White Hall, IL 62092	Manito, IL 61546	Springfield, IL 62704
(618) 978-3390	(217) 248-6204	(309) 371-9265	(217) 891-6531
tornadano@yahoo.com	sixpac6@frontier.com	Dannyfreeman88.df@gmail.com	2ringersix08@gmail.com
<u>Sec-Treas</u>	<u>Junior/Cadet Director</u>	<u>Publicity Director</u>	<u>Statistician</u>
Kenny Kiefer	Deanna Marvin	Don Goers	Tara Kinsella
1909 Herby Lane	PO Box 26	215 West Calhoun St.	317 N. 4 th Street
Swansea, IL 62226	Mechanicsburg, IL 62545	Woodstock, IL 60098	Dupo, IL 62239
(618) 277-8833	(217) 741-6839	(815)666-9172	(314) 306-3451
kennykiefer714@yahoo.com	ilshpa@aol.com	ilshpabd@gmail.com	Tara.horseshoes@gmail.com
	<u>Regional Director</u>	<u>Asst. Reg. Director</u>	
	Steve Denault	James McDaniel (Tater)	
	702 S. Borders Ave	122 W. Washington st.	
	Marissa IL, 62257	Columbia IL, 62236	
	618-317-4335	618-660-8659	
	fourdead3@outlook.com		

ILSHPA/Court Reporter
www.ilshpa.org

NHPA web site:
www.horseshoepitching.com

Illinois Hall of Fame Committee

Don Goers
 215 West Calhoun St.
 Woodstock, IL
 60098
ilshpabd@gmail.com

Anna Thornquist
 3408 N. Peoria Ave.
 Peoria, IL
 61603
agoers98@gmail.com

Shelly Coats Merritt
 5026 S. Chesterfield
 Mapleton, IL
 61547
gnmerritt2922@gmail.com

Larry Pohlman
 1577 East Poppe Ln.
 Brussels, IL
 62013
ringers43@yahoo.com

Jim Spidle
 3425 Chestnut
 Quincy, IL
 62301
six-pax5@yahoo.com

Larry Thomason
 701 North Oceola St.
 Effingham, IL
 62401
ringermaker@hotmail.com

Secretary/Treasurer Position

Hello fellow pitchers, My name is Don Goers, I am the ILSHPA publicity director. I am asking you for your support (nomination and votes) to become the new ILSHPA secretary/treasurer. I have been a member for 21 years and have been following in my dad's footsteps playing horseshoes and also raising my 3 daughters in playing in the junior/cadets division and now they are in the women's class. I enjoy seeing everyone at the state tournament which I have not missed since 2009. I have been very active in our organization and want a new challenge to take on and also learn more about the business. I am a fast learner as I have proved with the website. I would like the challenge of taking on both positions as I enjoy doing the website. Hope you consider me for the position.

THANK YOU

Don Goers

1st Vice President Position

Hello Ilshpa Members,

I am Anna Thornquist (Goers) and I am running for 1st Vice President. I have been a member of NHPA for 15 years, Pitching in juniors and women's classes. I pitch alongside my dad, grandpa, sisters, and many friends. I love pitching in tournaments, state being my favorite. I am on the hall of Fame committee and would like to become more active in the organization. I have many new ideas for this position. I would appreciate your nomination and votes.

Website - New Ideas

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer and getting some time out there pitching horseshoes. I have started a new section on our website WHERE TO PITCH IN ILLINOIS. If you have a club or pitch in a non sanction league please send me the information (club name, where you pitch, when you pitch, director name and phone number and a picture of the pits or logo) to ilshpapd@gmail.com. This year for the state tournament I set up online payments to enter and it was a huge success. We had 40 online submissions. If you have new ideas for the website please let me know and I will run with it. I need the information in order to put it on the website. Happy pitching to all and see you at the State Tournament.

ILSHPA Publicity Director Don Goers

Tournament Results

July

Danville Club July Tournament 7/1/2024

29-24-034 TD: Leo Bratland

Class A:

Bob Vandivier	3-0	65.33%
Glen Laird	2-1	46.67%
Walter Meeke	1-2	38.67%
Mike Schroeder	0-3	32.67%

Class C:

Connor Robison	2-1	17.33%
Jack Moore	2-1	22.00%
Ronald Phelps Jr.	1-2	11.33%
Ron Umbarger	1-2	14.00%

Class B:

Mickie Peterson	3-0	24.67%
Oliver Buford	2-1	24.67%
Loren Douglass	1-2	24.00%
Robert Block	0-3	18.67%

Class D:

Bob Heaton	3-0	2.00%
Troyel Brigham	2-1	11.33%
William Fares	1-2	4.67%
Michael Larson	0-3	2.67%

Larry Long Memorial 7/4/2024

29-24-048 TD: Austin Bailey

Class A:

Austin Bailey	5-0	69.00%
Jim Spidle Sr.	4-1	63.50%
Bob Vandivier	2-3	57.00%
Jim Spidle Jr.	2-3	51.50%
Michael Knop	2-3	51.50%
Linda Roach	0-5	43.00%

Class C:

Terry Murray	3-1	40.00%
Judy Long	3-1	33.50%
Guy Coats	2-2	34.00%
Steven Spidle	2-2	26.00%
Bob Laskowski	0-4	15.00%

Class B:

Kenneth Reid	5-0	47.50%
Kevin Wilke	4-1	45.00%
Mike Wood	3-2	31.37%
Christy Diveley	2-3	32.84%
Larry Best	1-4	28.50%
Shelly Merritt	0-5	26.00%

Class D:

Jack Rudd Jr.	3-1	14.00%
Sophia Mullen	2-2	12.50%
Tom McCloskey	2-2	12.50%
Wade Koonce	1-3	2.50%

Casey Horseshoe Club 7/4/2024

29-24-015 TD: Wayne Davis

Class A:

Larry Thomason	4-2	44.17%
Bill Devlin	3-3	51.25%
John Trigg	3-3	42.92%
Wayne Davis	2-4	45.83%

Class B:

Don Bartoszewski	6-0	31.25%
Dwen Firpo	4-2	25.42%
Jesse Starwalt	2-4	13.75%
Dennis Allsop	0-6	11.67%

July 4th Open 7/4/2024

29-24-026 **TD: Fred Morel**

Class A:

Russell Normand	5-1	41.67%
Dennis Reid	4-2	49.58%
Kevin Wilke	3-2	32.50%
Sam Mataya	2-3	35.50%
Marvin Robers	1-4	24.50%
Don Goers	1-4	22.50%

Class B:

Dennis Draper	4-0	24.00%
Bob Laskowski	3-1	18.00%
Terry Lewis	2-2	18.50%
Wayne Goers	1-3	5.00%
Eliza Goers	0-4	8.50%

July 4th Open 7/5/2024

29-24-053 **TD: Leo Bratland**

Class A:

Glen Laird	3-0	43.33%
Mickie Peterson	2-1	22.50%
Lannie Robison	1-2	6.67%
Troyel Brigham	0-3	13.33%

Class B:

Jim Bowen	3-0	6.67%
Bob Heaton	2-1	2.50%
William Fares	1-2	2.50%
Michael Larson	0-3	.83%

Crabtree July Open 7/7/2024

29-24-056 **TD: Mike Wood**

Class A:

Mike Wood	4-0	14.17%
Sophia Mullen	0-4	11.67%

July Open 7/13/2024

29-24-054 **TD: Sheila Johnson**

Class A:

Lester Dumstorff	4-0	58.75%
Kevin James	3-1	57.50%
Dennis Griesbaum	2-2	44.38%
Gary Wiederhold	1-3	34.38%
Robert Donjon	0-4	35.63%

Class B:

Charles Swan	3-0	28.33%
Terry Rea Jr.	2-1	25.00%
Robert Descher	1-2	19.17%
Loretta Standley	0-3	3.33%

July Open 2nd Tournament 7/13/2024

29-24-057 **TD: Sheila Johnson**

Class A:

Dennis Griesbaum	5-0	58.00%
Lester Dumstorff	4-1	52.00%
Glen Briley	3-2	58.00%
Terry Rea Jr.	1-4	26.50%
Charles Swan	1-4	25.50%
Robert Descher	1-4	24.00%

July Moline Open 7/13/2024

29-24-023 TD: David Anderson

Class A:

James McCord	2-1	46.67%
Danny McDaniel	2-1	52.00%
Kenneth Schaver	2-1	58.00%
Robert Schaver	0-3	38.00%

Class B:

Roger Doering	4-0	41.67%
Tom Jones	3-1	20.00%
Laverne Schroeder	2-2	19.17%
Jeanine Holden	1-3	23.75%
Michael Cathcart	0-4	13.75%

Danville Open 7/13/2024

29-24-035 TD: Leo Bratland

Class A:

Dale Moles	2-0	76.00%
Dennis Reid	4-1	65.00%
Austin Bailey	3-2	63.50%
Bob Vandivier	2-3	52.50%
Bill Devlin	1-4	44.00%
Daniel Broeckling	0-5	42.00%

Class B:

Kevin Wilke	5-0	43.50%
Glen Laird	4-1	50.50%
Larry Thomason	3-2	35.50%
Robert Bowser	2-3	33.50%
Mike Schroeder	1-4	30.50%
Walter Meeker	0-5	28.00%

Class C:

Tim Davenport	4-1	32.50%
Alan Eason	3-2	36.50%
Bill Winchester	3-2	30.50%
Loren Douglass	2-3	30.00%
Don Bartoszewski	2-3	23.50%
Larry Best	1-4	20.00%

Gene Hawkins Open 7/20/2024

29-24-040 TD: Larry Thomason

Class A:

Bill Devlin	4-0	51.50%
Bob Vandivier	3-1	67.00%
Bill Winchester	1-3	29.00%
John Trigg	1-3	29.00%
Dale Westendorf	1-3	25.00%

Class C:

Michael Strader	3-0	21.33%
Joseph Johnson	2-1	6.00%
Bob Niles	1-2	3.33%
Kimberly Wiseman	0-3	5.33%

Class D:

Dwen Firpo	4-1	27.00%
Mickie Peterson	4-1	20.00%
Oliver Buford	3-2	21.00%
Rick Swan	2-3	22.00%
Don Goers	1-4	23.50%
Chris Judson	1-4	15.00%

Class E:

Guy Modde	4-0	16.00%
Connor Robison	3-1	17.50%
Bob Laskowski	2-2	18.00%
Becky Norris	1-3	15.00%
Wayne Goers	0-4	8.00%

Class F:

Troyel Brigham	4-1	14.50%
Jack Rudd Jr.	4-1	14.00%
Bob Heaton	4-1	3.00%
Ronald Phelps Jr.	2-3	8.50%
William Fares	1-4	2.50%
Michael Larson	0-5	2.50%

Class B:

Dwen Firpo	4-0	31.00%
Don Bartoszewski	3-1	23.50%
Dennis Allsop	2-2	20.00%
Bob Laskowski	1-3	14.50%
Connor Robison	0-4	14.50%

Upcoming Horseshoe Tournaments

AUGUST

Aug 10 – August Open (Sanctioned) \$20 Entry Fee 9:00 AM start. Call Fred Morel (815) 695-5565 or (815) 483-9530. 207 E. Walnut St. Millington, IL

Aug 17 – Harold Rutan Memorial Open (Sanctioned) – Morton Park Charleston, IL. Sign-up 9-9:45 AM. Pitch at 10 AM, Entry fee \$2.00 (patches in lieu of prize money for 1st place in each class) \$1 of the entry fee goes to the Jr/Cadet state fund and \$1 goes toward tournament supplies Contact Larry Thomason, 217 690-7731 E-mail ringermaker@hotmail.com & Bill Devlin 217 714-9388.

Aug 24 – DUBY ERICKSON MEMORIAL (SANCTIONED).-Lincoln Park, Springfield (Sanctioned) \$21 entry fee. Sign up at 9 am and pitch at 9:30 am. Soft drinks available for purchase. Contact Austin Bailey @(217) 891-6531 or Deanna Marvin @(217) 741-6839

Aug 24 – Warm-up Open (Sanctioned) – KC Hall Courts, Effingham, IL. Sign-up 9:00 AM. Pitch at 10:00 AM, Entry fee \$2.00 Contact Bill Devlin, 217 714-9388. If scorekeepers are available \$1 per player at the beginning of each game will be charged.

SEPTEMBER

Sept 7 – Ellis Cobb Memorial (Sanctioned) 9:00 AM start time. Call Fred Morel (815) 695-5565 or (815) 483-9530. 207 E. Walnut St., Millington, IL

Sept 8 – September Crabtree Open (Sanctioned) Sign in at 12:00 pm and pitch at 1:00. Entry fee \$20 Contact Mike Wood at (217)324-4888 or Cell (217)851-5623.

Sept 14 – Warm-up Open (Sanctioned) – KC Hall Courts, Effingham, IL. Sign-up 9:00 AM. Pitch at 10:00 AM, Entry fee \$2.00 Contact Bill Devlin, 217 714-9388. If scorekeepers are available \$1 per player at the beginning of each game will be charged.

Sept 28 & 24 – Shelby Autumn, Shelbyville (Non-Sanctioned)

Sept 23 for Singles. Entry Fee \$20. Sign in at 10:00. Pitch at 11:00. 75% payout.

Sept 24 Bring your own partner doubles. Entry Fee \$20.00 per person. If not enough teams it will be a Round Robin. 75% payout.

Food will be available for purchase both days at the concession stand. Contact Jason Hazlet at (217) 820-9490.

OCTOBER

October 5 – Fred's 12th Annual (Sanctioned) \$20 Entry Fee 9:00 AM start. Call Fred Morel (815) 695-5565 or (815) 483-9530. 207 E. Walnut St. Millington, IL

2024 Opening Ceremonies

Call to Order:

- National Anthem –
- Invocation -
- Presidents Welcome (officer introduction)
- Introduce City Official – Leo Bratland
- Moment of Silence for those that have left us in the past year

Awards:

- Korte – Austin Bailey
- Franke - Mike Wood
- Tournament Director, Most Improved, Pitcher of the Year - Tara Kinsella & Kenny Kiefer
- Juniors - Deanna Marvin
- Hall of Fame winner(s) - Hall of Fame committee member or Dan Broeckling
- Don Goers recognize HOF Members in attendance and picture.

Break Before meeting

ILSHPA ANNUAL MEETING 2024 ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Roll Call - 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, 3rd Vice, Sec-Treas., Jr./Cadet Dir., Pub. Dir., Statistician
2. Approval of Minutes from previous Meeting (2023)
3. Reading of the Financial Report & Approval (2024)
4. Reports of Officers – President, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, 3rd Vice, Sec-Treas., Jr./Cadet Dir., Pub. Dir., Statistician
5. Old Business
 - a) Centralize State Tournament in Springfield annually instead of a rotation upon a majority vote of attending ILSHPA members.
6. New Business
 - a) Addition of a \$1 fee to each tournament entry fee per participant per Illinois tournament and sanctioned league.

ILSHPA Annual Meeting (Continued)

- A) Fees will be used to pay expenses and to increase state tournament prizes for all classes.

 - b) Amendments to Bylaws
 - A) Article VIII Section 1 – Jr/Cad state tournament requirements
 - B) Article VIII Section 6 – would like to omit “d.”
 - C) Article VIII Section 2 – Doubles cost was approved for 20.00 but not changed in by laws. Needs to be changed.
 - c) Open to the floor for new business.
7. Election of Officers
- a) First Vice Presidents – Currently Judy Long
 - b) Third Vice Presidents – Currently Austin Bailey
 - c) Junior/Cadet Director – Currently Deanna Marvin
 - d) Secretary Treasurer – Currently Kenny Kiefer
8. Announce Site for 2025 and let representative Speak
9. Accept Bids for Prospective Sites for 2026 State Tournament
- a. This is dependent on the vote of 5a.
10. Adjournment

Above is the order of the opening ceremony and the agenda for the Annual Meeting. Please review to see what is on the agenda and if you have anything that you would like to be discussed, please contact President, Dan Broeckling.

ILSHPA 2024 STATE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE IS POSTED ON THE ILSHPA WEBSITE.

Deanna Marvin

P. O. Box 26
Mechanicsburg, IL 62545-0026



ILSHPA 2024 STATE TOURNAMENT

August 30th to September 1st

Danville, IL

Can't wait to see everyone!!!!

Annual Meeting to be held on Aug. 31