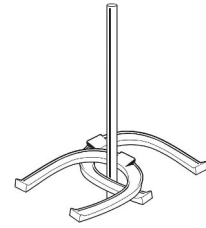


ILSHPA COURT REPORTER



November/December 2023

President's Pitch Greetings from Crabtree

It's hard to believe that another year is coming to an end. I hope your season was a good one. Just because the year is winding down doesn't mean that horseshoes is over. There are facilities that hold indoor tournaments all winter long. Be sure to keep your arm in shape.

A very good friend of horseshoes has passed away. Ed Fleming was known not only in Illinois but by horseshoe pitchers across the country. Ed was the founder of the Palmer Pitching Palace, one of the premier pitching facilities in the country. Over the years players came from all over the state to pitch at the Palace. Does anyone remember the cutthroat tournament? Seventeen teams, fifty-one players started at 9:30a.m. and finished around 7:30 that night. It was my pleasure to speak on behalf of the ILSHPA. Austin Bailey also spoke about his growing up in the PPP and how it helped to make him the pitcher he is today. In closing Austin clanged shoes together in a final farewell. Rest in peace Ed.

As this is my last President's Pitch I want to thank everyone for their support over the years. It is my hope that you will continue to support Dan in the same way. Make ILSHPA the best charter in the NHPA. Happy and safe holidays to all.

Mike

THANK YOU

A big thank you goes out to Mike Wood for his many years of service as an officer and member of the ILSHPA. He has ran many tournaments, answered a lot of questions, kept many score sheets and has always been there for the Illinois Horseshoe Community.

It was with all of your help and guidance that we have built the ILSHPA to what it is today. You will be missed, but we know we will continue to see you at the tournaments and at Crabtree.

Thanks again for all you have done and will continue to do for the ILSHPA.

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Tournament Results
November

Steve Karick Memorial 11/4/2023

29-23-067 TD: James Lazarus

Class A:

| | | |
|------------------|-----|--------|
| Jim Spidle Sr. | 4-0 | 60.00% |
| Jim Spidle Jr. | 2-2 | 53.13% |
| Steven Spidle | 4-0 | 28.75% |
| James Lazarus | 2-2 | 16.25% |
| Gary Bardelmeier | 0-4 | 15.63% |

Turkey Open 11/18/2023

29-23-072 TD: Mike Wood

Class A:

| | | |
|------------------|-----|--------|
| Jim Spidle Sr. | 3-1 | 57.50% |
| Jim Spidle Jr. | 3-1 | 48.75% |
| Gary Bardelmeier | 0-4 | 14.38% |

Class B:

| | | |
|---------------|-----|--------|
| Steven Spidle | 3-1 | 30.63% |
| Kevin Wilke | 3-1 | 28.75% |
| James Lazarus | 0-4 | 21.88% |

Friendsgiving 11/19/2023

29-23-078 TD: Sheila Johnson

Class A:

| | | |
|------------------|-----|--------|
| Lester Dumstorff | 5-1 | 52.08% |
| Glen Briley | 5-1 | 55.83% |
| Steve Denault | 4-2 | 63.75% |
| Ann McNelly | 4-2 | 46.25% |
| Dennis Griesbaum | 2-4 | 45.42% |
| Gary Wiederhold | 1-5 | 37.08% |
| Robert Donjon | 0-6 | 44.58% |

Class B:

| | | |
|-----------------|-----|--------|
| Mark Dulle | 5-1 | 35.83% |
| Tara Kinsella | 5-2 | 30.63% |
| Patricia Nelson | 4-2 | 19.67% |
| Judy Lijewski | 2-3 | 13.00% |
| Fred Pratt | 1-4 | 9.00% |
| Robbie Donjon | 0-5 | 5.00% |

SUMMARY OF STATE TOURNAMENT EXPENSES 2023

| | |
|--------------|---------|
| PLAQUES | 1230.00 |
| TOTAL PAYOUT | 4540.00 |
| MICROPHONE | 70.76 |
| SUPPLIES | 142.80 |
| TOTAL | 5983.86 |

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| TOTAL DEPOSITS FOR STATE | 4658.00 |
| DIFFERENCE | 1325.56 |

AS OF OCTOBER 28TH ACCOUNT HAS \$7312.41

SUBMITTED BY KENNY KIEFER SEC/TREAS.

Upcoming Horseshoe Tournaments

JANUARY

Jan 6 – New Year Opener (Sanctioned) – Dew Drop Sign in at 9:00am and pitch at 10:00am.
Entry fee \$5 Contact Jim Lazarus (217) 371-5386.

Jan 20 – New Year Open (Sanctioned) – Dew Drop Sign in at 9:00am and pitch at 10:00am.
Entry fee \$5 Contact Mike Wood at (217)324-4888 or Cell (217)851-5623.

FEBRUARY

Feb 3 – Ground Hog Play(Sanctioned) – Dew Drop Sign in at 9:00am and pitch at 10:00am.
Entry fee \$5 Contact Jim Lazarus (217) 371-5386.

Feb 17 – Valentine Open (Sanctioned) – Dew Drop Sign in at 9:00am and pitch at 10:00am.
Entry fee \$5 Contact Mike Wood at (217)324-4888 or Cell (217)851-5623.

MARCH

Mar 2 – Spring Opener (Sanctioned) – Dew Drop Sign in at 9:00am and pitch at 10:00am.
Entry fee \$5 Contact Jim Lazarus (217) 371-5386.

Mar 16 – March Open (Sanctioned) – Dew Drop Sign in at 9:00am and pitch at 10:00am.
Entry fee \$5 Contact Mike Wood at (217)324-4888 or Cell (217)851-5623.

JULY

Jul 13 – Danville Open (Sanctioned) \$400.00 ADDED SPONSORSHIP, Douglas Park, Danville, Illinois. PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Send entry and fee, \$20 to: Leo Bratland, 41 Country Club Dr, Danville, Illinois 61832. Ph 217-260-7594. Entries must be received by Saturday, July 6th. Classes may be mixed and may be morning 9am and afternoon, 1pm. Scorekeepers to be paid \$1.00 per game by each pitcher. Concessions will be available on site.

Top 5 in the running for 2024 Player of the Year Award

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Bob Vandivier | 121 |
| Don Bartoszewski | 98 |
| Jim Spidle Jr. | 91 |
| James McCord | 89 |
| David Anderson | 79 |

**Renewing Membership Online
For 2024 Cards
Kenny Kiefer, Sec-Treas**

Listed below are the basic steps to renewing your membership card online. This is the preferred method it saves ILSHPA time and money.

- Go to www.horseshoepitching.com
- Click on the E Shoe link
- Click in the Players search box
- Type name or your card number
- Click on your name
- Next to Card year Click Renew
- Then click Print

These 7 steps are the easiest way of renewing your card online. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call Kenny Kiefer and he will be more than happy to help you.

**2024 Cards
Adult Members \$40 Junior/Cadets Members \$5**

ADD \$20 TO HAVE THE COURT REPORTER MAILED TO YOU IN 2024

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

Zip Code (plus four) _____ Phone:(_____) _____

Circle One : 40' 30' Junior Cadet Woman Medical
Exemption

Date of birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Total years membership _____

Email Address _____

**Send to: Kenny Kiefer, 1909 Herby Lane, Swansea, IL 62226
Include a Self addressed stamped envelope and save the ILSHPA postage!!**

PLEASE, PLEASE—PRINT LEGIBLY!!

ILSHPA
2023 STATE MEETING MINUTES
STATE TOURNAMENT IN CASEY ILLINOIS
SUBMITTED BY KENNY KIEFER SEC/TREAS

Mike Wood calling meeting to order

ROLL CALL

Judy Long - stated that any lost items turn into her, and she has books of past tournaments for viewing.

Austin Bailey- the last minutes helped this year's entries; Zell has also helped.

Kenny Kiefer- proposing expense report later.

Deanna Marvin- reminded everyone about the \$1. Junior fund and needing to recruit the junior class division. Gave junior expense report.

Don Goers- will report information given from people to put on the website.

Tara Kinsella- be sure to give her the results of tournaments.

Mike Wood gave a Memorial for Lee Watkins

Kenny proposed expense report Tom Wilke motioned, Joel Hicks 2nd.

OLD BUSSINESS

Sanctioned Doubles Review

The question is to revert to a non-sanctioned or not. Discussion also was no patch if non sanction. Another question was to bring back the old way to play doubles, bring your own partner. Some say % went down. Motion for non-sanctioned Dave Anderson motioned Joel Hicks 2nd. Passed

Motion brings your own partner, motion denied Play to points not shoes.

BY LAWS

Larry Thomason was asking where to put the 3 awards in the bylaws? No one had an area so he would insert them.

\$6.00 Ad charge. Keep or stop? Deanna motioned to Stop. Larry Thomason 2nd.

New Business

Austin asked to change the deadline for state entries for the state tournament to July 15th. Austin motioned, Lannie Robinson 2nd. Voted passed.

Austin also asking for an increase of dues \$5. Patches were suggested by NHPA to charge each charter .50 per patch. Motioned Robbie Donjon, 2nd by Glen Briley.

Robbie Donjon asked about portable pits to help promote juniors. Another one was can we move up just a little bit, not without NHPA approval.

David Anderson suggested using a Central Location for the State tournament each year for the benefit of all for attendance, travel etc.... Was decided to put a survey on the website and table it until next year.

Elections

President Kenny Kiefer nom. Dan Broeckling Joel 2nd. Passed motion close Ed Broeckling 2nd was Sam Mataya

An Ovation for Mike Wood

Statistician Kenny Kiefer nom Tara Kinsella. Tom Worrell 2nd

Close Joel Hicks 2nd was Dennis Griesbaum Passed
Publicity Director Deanna Marvin nom. Don Goers, Eliza Gores 2nd close Austin Bailey 2nd Bob
Bowser Passed
State Tournament was Awarded to Danville Illinois Vote of 79-30 for Moline. Leo Bratland
spoke for Danville.
Voting for 2025 State Tournament will be between Moline and Springfield. Bids have been
accepted.
Mike Wood adjourned meeting, Sam Mataya motioned, 2nd was Ed Broeckling

Horseshoe Pitchers Will be Missed

Alvin J. “Al” Forsyth, 85, of Mascoutah, Ill. Died Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023 at MarKa Nursing
Home, Mascoutah, IL. Al enjoyed many hobbies including horseshoes and was a charter
member of the Mascoutah Horseshoe club. He also served in the U.S. Army Reserves for eight
years.

Edward L. Fleming, 85 a resident of Palmer, Il, passed away on November 15, 2023 at
Carriage Crossing Senior Living in Rochester, Il. Ed served in the United States Marine Corps.
Ed loved to pitch horseshoes and became a member of the NHPA. Ed and Nellie ran the Palmer
Pitching Palace (PPP) for over 20 years and was a friend to all who attended.

Both of these pitchers will be greatly missed.

*A
very
Merry
Christmas
and all best
wishes for a
Happy New Year*

Deanna Marvin

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