



information acquired from the WSHPA Hall of Fame Book, newsletters and other sources

FRED L. SMITH JR.

Dimondale, MI

inducted 2000



Fred started pitching horseshoes as a Junior. He was Junior Boy's State Champion as follows:

- 1966 4-0 38%
- 1967 5~0 63%
- 1968 4-0 69%
- 1969 4-1 74%

Fred pitched in 3 World Tournaments as a Junior.

- 1961 4-1 50%
- 1968 3-4 67%
- 1969 2-5 63%

In 1968 he held a World Record for two games, High Game Loser 75.6% 62 out of 82.

Mid-West Ringer Round-Up

- 1967 2-3 50% 4th Class A
- 1968 6-1 72% 2nd Class A
- 1969 5-2 63% 3rd Class A

Water Wonderland:

He was runner-up in the Junior's class A in 1966, 1968, and 1969 behind Mark Seibold.

High Game a Junior.

1968 21 of 24 87.5%

The best game he ever played was in the 1969 State Championships in a play-off game against his brother

Norm. He had 60 out of 74 for 81.1% and Norm had 50 out of 74 for 67.6%.

Fred was Men's Class B State Champion 4 times





1971 9-2 57 %
 1972 10-2 45.9%
 1986 9-2 61 %
 2005 11-0 52.9%

Other State Championships: 1970 6-5 53% 5th Class B
 1980 8-3 50% 3rd Class C
 1981 4-7 60% Hi" Class A

Total record in 11 State Championships 74-22

Water Wonderland

1986 9-2 49% 1st Class C

Fred was the Lansing City Champion in 1980.

Fred has belonged to the WSHPA and NHPA for 13 years. He has belonged to the Dimondale Horseshoe Club and the Greater Lansing Area Horseshoe Club. He also played in a league in Marquette for one year.

In 1967 and 1968 he helped run the Junior League in Dimondale. In 1981 he was the Greater Lansing Area Horseshoe Club Secretary and ran the Men's and Junior Leagues.

In 1981 He was the "Most Improved Player" in the WSHPA. In 1981 he was appointed to the Lifetime Membership Committee. He was the WSHPA horseshoe salesman for a year.

Fred also pitched in Class A in the State Championships in 1990 and 1991.

1990 6-5 60.2% 4th
 1991 7-4 61.4% 3rd

Fred Was elected Treasurer of the WSHPA in 1987, he was a member of the Audit and Finance Committee. He was member of State Championship Committee, Chief Okemos Club-League Champion, Greater Lansing Area Club Champion. Second Class B-1 8-3 64.8%. It was 3rd highest average among the men's groups in the State. He won a Silver Medal at the Great Lakes State Games in Marquette.



In 1988 Fred was Horseshoe O-Rama Tournament Director, and member of State Tournament Committee. Fred was elected President of the WSHPA. Fred was responsible for sweeping changes in the WSHPA that year. Fred served as president until 1995.

In a letter from NHPA President Dave Loucks he was congratulated for "outstanding leadership".

