



The Ringer Report



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July 2022

It's State Tournament Time!

Qualifying for the Lansing World Tournament

Qualifying Events - All adult entrants to the World Tournament who reside in the United States or Canada must have completed at least four (4) NHPA or HCA sanctioned events at their Division pitching distance during the twelve (12) months preceding the cut-off date listed on the current World Tournament entry form. Note: Only one event is required for Juniors and Cadets.

Pitchers can start qualifying after May 17th, 2022 for the WT in Lansing

Qualifying for the MHPA State Tournament

To qualify for the State Singles Tournament a MHPA member must have completed four sanctioned events within Michigan, from the previous State Singles Tournament. A junior must complete one sanctioned tournament.

Qualifying for the MHPA Doubles Tournament

To qualify for the State Doubles Tournament a MHPA member must have completed one sanctioned event or league within Michigan during the last 12 months. The combined NatStats average of both players must not exceed 120.

Walking Doubles Championship - Lake Orion

If you have competed in one sanctioned tournament since the last doubles event, all you have to do is grab a partner or have one assigned to you. It is all in fun, we are all out to win, but the day we chose to pitch horseshoes proves that people do truly pitch for the love of the sport.

The Lake Orion Club has requested that all participants bring a dish to pass.



Saturday, August 6



State Championships - Kalamazoo

The excitement is building, in Kalamazoo, the State Tournament is quickly approaching and the final details are being put in place for a GREAT tournament! The most important detail is that this is YOUR tournament – get your registration sent in by the deadline.

Members must have pitched in four tournaments (in Michigan) since last year's state tournament in order to participate. If you have questions about your number of tournaments pitched, please contact MHPA Secretary Pam Nelson.

August 26, 27 and 28 are the dates for this great weekend for the sanctioned tournament activities. The Championship round will be included this year.



Vacancies are open for the positions of:

- St. Jude Coordinator
- Publicity Chair
- Finance/Auditor
- Assistant Regional Director

All can be filled by MHPA volunteers. Contact president John Stephenson for details.

2021 MHPA Champions are:

Champion	Name	City	Ringer %
Men's	James Dunlap	Detroit	67.21%
Women's	Terry Beagle	Clayton	61.15%
Elder's	JD Drake	Linden	66.11%
Junior Boy's	Kayden Fowler	Jackson	48.73%
Junior Girl's	Keara Hunter	Jackson	21.58%
Cadet Boy's	Bryce VanCleave	Schoolcraft	5.69%

Regional Director Report

Keith Schafer



Holt

The Holt Horseshoe Club began hosting MHPA tournaments in 2015 and before then, M-46 tournaments were held here beginning in 2003. Barring the park reversing some recent decisions, the July 2 tournament was the last sanctioned tournament to be held at this site. Here is the final list of the tournament champions from the MHPA tournaments at Holt:

	Date	Class A	Pitchers
Holt	7/19/2015	Paul Dewey Howard	6
Holt	6/4/2016	Larry Hinton	8
Holt	6/5/2016	Larry Hinton	4
Holt	7/9/2016	Larry Hinton	18
Holt	7/10/2016	Larry Hinton	13
Holt	6/24/2017	Larry Hinton	8
Holt	6/25/2017	Judy Curtiss	5
Holt	6/30/2018	Larry Hinton	7
Holt	8/18/2018	Denise Daly	10
Holt	6/29/2019	Sheryll Card	16
Holt	8/17/2019	J D Drake	18
Holt	8/15/2020	J D Drake	17
Holt	9/12/2020	Clip Connin	17
Holt	5/8/2021	J D Drake	14
Holt	7/2/2022	Robert Peek	11

Holt has given up the July 30 tournament date and Mecosta has taken the date for their initial tournament. Tournament director Tina Schafer thanks everyone from the club which has made these tournaments a success over the years, and hope the Tuesday league can continue to grow. Three new pitchers have joined the club from the park residents in the last month.

World Tournament:

The Lansing Sports Authority appears to have an excellent plan moving forward to promote and host the 2023 world tournament. Randall Kamm of the Greater Lansing Horseshoe Club and myself, along with President John Stephenson, will be meeting with them once the world tournament in Louisiana ends to find out more of how we can support them. We will be keeping the board updated, and they will be sharing information as needed. Set up dates for the

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world next year will be July 11 and 12, 2023. We know now that we will need some bodies to assist in this task. Please see if you can help.

Mecosta:

Regional Director Keith Schafer was approached by Helga and Jim Hewlett about checking on the possibility of sanctioning the new courts in Mecosta during the Memorial Day weekend tournament in Lansing. The site visit was made on June 17, the courts were approved, and the July 30 date has been given to Mecosta for their initial tournament. They are already a very active and enthusiastic club, with six new members pitching in the tournaments in Hillman and Lansing since their site approval. They are anticipating at least 15 pitchers just from their local area for the initial tournament. Depending on the success, other dates may be added to the schedule. We welcome the club to our association.

2023 court sanctioning

It will be 4 years since the last 2019 court sanctioning in 2023, so the Regional Director will be out to make the measurements for re-sanctioning next year. Please take care of any issues that you may find before the visit. I am still looking for an assistant to learn the processes to step up, learn the processes, and be the successor to the position. Contact me or an officer if you have questions or interest in this position.

Statistician's report: 45 adults and 2 cadets have pitched 4 or more tournaments to qualify to pitch in the state singles tournament as of July 8, 2022. The number 8 average among men is 45.55, the number 8 average among elders is 48.58, and the number 6 average among women is 33.72. Not all the top pitchers have qualified for state yet, so get your 4 tournaments in before the deadline on August 21.

Statistician's note:

To the club presidents: your tournament directors should be checking for eligibility when checking in pitchers. Those pitchers who buy their card at the tournament will have the monies and information sent to the secretary/treasurer soon after the tournament. Please give your tournament director at least a week before questioning them on eligible pitchers to allow the processing for forms, forwarding through the US postal service, and time for the information to be entered in EShoe.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the next MHPA board meeting we will elect a new President as John Stephenson isn't running for re-election.

Also, the 2nd vice-president will be reelected or elected.

Note: The president and 2nd vice-president are to be elected in even-numbered years. The 1st vice-president and secretary/treasurer are to be elected in odd-numbered years. Their term of office shall be two years. Election of officers may be by secret ballot. Elections are held during the state Championships Tournament. Elected officers are to begin January 1. A member nominated for office shall be present at the meeting to accept the nomination. A letter of acceptance for a nomination may be submitted if the member cannot be present at the meeting.

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GARY DENNIS

There will be a Celebration of Life for Gary on Aug. 14th from 1-4 p.m. at the Maple Valley Events Center, 7108 Maple Valley Rd., Brown City.



Oldest and youngest pitching in the Team World Tournament— George Parsons, 85 years young (MI), and Sarah Chaffee, age 15 (WI).

Horseshoe Pitching is for everyone!

Condolences

Harry Glynn Nowak

October 12, 1942 - July 9, 2022 - Age 79

Beloved husband of Carol Nowak.

Loving father of Annette Kowalski, Tony Nowak and Tammy (Sam) Falleti



Adored grandfather of Kevin Kowalski, Taylor Falleti, and Maria Falleti.

A Celebration of Harry's life will be held Saturday, Aug. 20th from 1-9 p.m. at Sugar Bush Tavern, 27900 21 Mile Rd, New Baltimore.

He was a member of the St. Clair Shores Horseshoe Club and MHPA.

Irvin 'Irv' Armstrong

January 30, 1943 - February 9, 2022

Irv loved horseshoes, bowling and enjoyed the outdoors of hunting, birdwatching and enjoyed watching snowmobile races in the winter.

He was always willing to lend a hand when needed.

Irv is survived by his wife of 55 years, Charlotte and loving father of Cherri and Carie. Grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He will be missed by all.



Irv helped to form the Taylor Horseshoe Club and maintained the pits back in the early days. He was a member of the NHPA/MHPA for many years.

Kelly Ann Spanke

Feb. 29, 1960 - June 24, 2022, age 62 of Orion Township. Loving wife of David. Dear mother of Zachary and Nicholas Spanke.

Grandma of Dominic Spanke. Daughter of Sandy and the late Walter Kasco. Sister of Danny (Rene) Kasco.

Daughter-in-law of Emily and the late David Spanke. Sister-in-law of Vickie Berger, Dawn Spanke, Tom (Karen) MacDonald and Kirk MacDonald. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.



MHPA HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

St. Clair Shores Memorial - Saturday, June 4

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Douglas Bailey	53.04	4-1	123	230	53.48
2. James Dunlap	66.94	3-2	103	204	50.49
3. George Parsons	55.91	2-2	81	170	47.65
4. Danny Markley	47.46	2-2	82	190	43.16
5. Ken Kuss	49.55	0-4	92	202	45.54

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. John Banks	39.76	6-0	84	244	34.43
2. Kevin Bastian	37.47	3-3	73	274	26.64
3. Zachary Spanke	43.31	2-4	74	268	27.61
4. Wayne Friesmuth	33.06	1-5	77	278	27.70

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Cathy Ardelean	29.38	3-1	39	164	23.78
2. James Belfiori	29.53	3-1	41	184	22.28
3. Joe Szarek	25.00	2-2	48	226	21.24
4. Darrell Harris	25.07	1-3	32	174	18.39
5. Tina Payne	23.83	1-3	26	148	17.57

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Thurman Brown	21.28	4-0	31	200	15.50
2. Tom Nevin	22.00	3-1	27	196	13.78
3. Bobby Mumford	18.49	2-2	27	196	13.78
4. Jeremy Helzer	23.00	1-3	19	204	9.31
5. Rosemarie Nowacki	14.43	0-4	4	188	2.13

Kalamazoo - Friday, June 10

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Bob Dale	40.25	4-0	50	164	30.49
2. Dan Mendhan	30.70	2-2	51	174	29.31
3. Gerald Harris	30.26	2-2	45	196	22.96
4. Chuck Osborne	25.82	1-3	48	196	24.49
5. Cody Cousins	26.09	1-3	39	182	21.43

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Joe Hettrick	22.89	4-0	58	182	31.87
2. Jake Mendham	20.02	2-2	56	168	33.33
3. John Cousins	23.92	2-2	49	174	28.16
4. Roger Keyes	19.26	1-3	44	172	25.58
5. Michael 08D. Waldon	21.43	1-3	42	188	22.34

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Kary Christiansen	17.53	4-0	39	186	20.97
2. Richard Andrews	17.28	3-1	40	178	22.47
3. Tiffany Bouvrette	18.51	2-2	33	200	16.50
4. Larry Majerski	14.90	1-3	30	200	15.00
5. Dave Durham	18.39	0-4	21	172	12.21

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Chris Nyenhuis	11.07	3-1	19	186	10.22
2. Bryce VanCleave	11.10	3-1	15	200	7.50
3. Larry Boes	3.75	0-4	2	186	1.08

Kalamazoo - Saturday, June 11

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Lisa Smith	53.74	3-1	88	158	55.70
2. Keith Schafer	45.74	3-1	70	144	48.61
3. Bob Dale	40.25	0-4	46	138	33.33

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Johnnie Smith	26.69	5-1	91	306	29.74
2. Gerald Harris	30.26	3-3	81	274	29.56
3. Cody Cousins	26.09	3-3	78	312	25.00
4. John Cousins	23.92	1-5	81	308	26.30

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Richard Andrews	17.28	5-1	50	284	17.61
2. Kary Christiansen	17.53	4-2	51	272	18.75
3. Tiffany Bouvrette	18.51	2-4	37	288	12.85
4. Dave Durham	18.39	1-5	23	268	8.58

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Chris Nyenhuis	11.07	5-1	40	288	13.89
2. Larry Majerski	14.90	4-2	26	284	9.15
3. Rod Bashore	16.22	3-3	44	280	15.71
4. Larry Boes	3.75	0-1	1	40	2.50

Lake Orion - Saturday, June 11

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. James Dunlap	66.94	6-0	146	234	62.39
2. JD Drake	70.21	4-2	133	240	55.42
3. George Parsons	55.91	2-4	122	254	48.63
4. Doug Bailey	53.74	0-6	80	216	37.04

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Danny Markley	47.46	5-1	99	240	41.25
2. Zachary Spanke	44.83	3-3	87	236	36.86
3. John Banks	39.76	2-4	79	250	31.60
4. Frank Giolando	33.00	2-4	76	246	30.89

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Ron Nelson	26.02	4-0	62	208	29.81
2. Sam Moore	28.70	3-1	57	204	27.94
3. James Belfiori	28.15	2-2	43	172	25.00
4. Darrell Harris	25.07	1-3	48	220	21.82
5. Frank Quillen	23.30	0-4	36	188	19.15

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Thurman Brown	19.27	5-1	49	276	17.75
2. Jacqueline Quillen	20.00	4-2	52	280	18.57
3. Marty Quillen	20.16	3-3	56	270	20.74
4. Darren Green	10.00	0-6	20	282	7.09

Jackson - Sunday, June 12

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Robert Peek	57.85	4-0	97	174	55.75
2. Clip Connin	56.21	2-2	90	184	48.91
3. Quincy Johnson	48.68	0-4	74	178	41.57

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Steve Florek	44.86	6-0	120	232	51.72
2. Dave Buikema	45.55	3-3	110	260	42.31
3. Brandy Morehead	46.33	3-3	88	236	37.29
4. Warren Westbrook	43.30	0-6	90	240	37.50

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Barbara Meadows	33.00	4-1	66	232	28.45
2. Gerald Harris	30.26	3-2	51	228	22.37
3. Randy Sheffer	20.90	0-4	18	156	11.54

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MHPA HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Brighton - Saturday, June 18

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. J.D. Drake	70.21	5-0	124	196	63.27
2. Robert Peek	58.07	4-1	107	204	52.45
3. Lisa Smith	54.55	2-3	104	210	49.52
4. Paul Bachelor	51.10	2-3	97	210	46.19
5. Douglas Bailey	53.74	1-4	97	218	44.50
6. George Parsons	54.64	1-4	70	186	37.63

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Keith Schafer	45.96	5-1	128	278	46.04
2. Ken Kuss	48.29	4-2	128	272	47.06
3. Danny Markley	47.46	3-2	90	250	36.00
4. Brandy Morehead	46.33	2-3	109	244	44.67
5. Bob Dale	37.15	2-3	85	220	38.64
6. Eric Gorde	23.00	0-5	52	180	28.89

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Cathy Ardelean	29.38	6-0	64	230	27.83
2. Jacqueline Quillen	18.57	5-1	55	244	22.54
3. Eric Gorde	23.00	4-2	75	294	25.51
4. Sam Moore	28.67	3-3	65	294	22.11
5. Johnnie Smith	28.73	2-4	56	272	20.59
6. Frank Quillen	21.32	1-5	37	268	13.81
7. Rosemarie Nowacki	11.89	0-6	41	230	7.83

Hillman - Saturday, June 25

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. JD Drake	70.21	6-0	140	220	63.64
2. Helga Hewitt	50.15	4-2	120	222	54.05
3. Douglas Bailey	53.74	2-4	91	218	41.74
4. Mike Lerner	52.00	0-6	48	172	27.91

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Ken Kuss	46.58	6-0	87	196	44.39
2. Donald Mueller	36.65	4-2	68	212	32.08
3. Dale Moore	34.00	2-4	55	254	21.65
4. Jim Benjamin	42.00	0-6	38	226	16.81

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Cathy Ardelean	29.53	4-0	107	130	20.77
2. Marty Quillen	20.59	3-1	117	178	22.47
3. Vaughn Shipman	16.00	2-2	92	178	12.92
4. Brandon Tremlett	5.14	1-3	66	198	8.08
5. Tina Payne	22.56	0-4	42	136	8.82

Holt - Saturday, July 2

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Robert Peek	58.07	4-1	110	216	50.93
2. J.D. Drake	66.67	3-2	122	222	54.95
3. Keith Schafer	46.78	0-4	70	190	36.84

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Paul Howard	43.58	4-1	70	198	35.35
2. Michael Mcdaniel	34.25	3-2	71	190	37.37
3. Sam Moore	28.67	0-4	38	152	25.00

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Mario Stewart	19.58	4-0	31	180	17.22
2. Rod Bashore	15.94	2-2	33	196	16.84
3. Chris Nyenhuis	12.69	2-2	26	180	14.44
4. Dave Durham	17.05	1-3	24	186	12.90
5. Lawrence Hinton	15.50	1-3	4	170	2.35

Lansing - Sunday, July 3

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. James Dunlap	65.19	4-1	122	202	60.40
2. Robert Peek	57.17	4-1	118	210	56.19
3. Quincy Johnson	48.68	2-3	109	232	46.98
4. Lisa Smith	54.55	2-3	113	258	43.80
5. Danny Markley	47.46	2-3	77	198	38.89
6. Helga Hewlett	50.87	1-4	98	224	43.75

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Paul Howard	43.58	4-1	61	204	29.90
2. Michael Mcdaniel	36.02	4-1	63	212	29.72
3. Tina Schafer	33.22	4-1	56	196	28.57
4. Johnnie Smith	28.73	2-3	44	188	23.40
5. Becky Sullivan	33.18	1-4	46	242	19.01
6. James Robinson	29.00	0-5	16	174	9.20

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Randall Kamm	23.06	4-0	43	170	25.29
2. Josh Lewandowski	20.00	2-2	35	178	19.66
3. John Stephenson	17.05	0-4	8	176	4.55

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Chris Nyenhuis	13.89	3-1	27	184	14.67
2. Lawrence Hinton	15.79	3-1	16	194	8.25
3. Robert Hewlett	7.98	0-4	16	190	8.42

St. Clair Shores - Saturday, July 9

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. J.D. Drake	66.28	5-1	129	244	52.87
2. James Dunlap	65.19	4-2	132	234	56.41
3. Douglas Bailey	51.68	3-3	113	296	38.18
4. Ken Kuss	48.58	3-3	120	284	42.25
5. Lisa Smith	54.55	3-3	131	280	46.79
6. George Parsons	54.64	2-4	90	202	44.55
7. Paul Bachelor	51.10	1-5	86	240	35.83

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Tom Gombos	23.19	5-1	114	266	42.86
2. John Banks	39.76	5-2	120	328	36.59
3. Bobby Mumford Sr.	34.00	4-2	94	298	31.54
4. Ron Nelson	27.92	2-3	63	228	27.63
5. Cathy Ardelean	29.53	1-4	52	228	22.81
6. Sam Moore	28.67	0-5	54	236	22.88

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Art Meadows	27.00	4-0	48	192	25.00
2. Johnnie Smith	27.74	2-2	57	230	24.78
3. Dean Schmitz	23.80	2-2	38	184	20.65
4. Darrell Harris	25.07	1-3	40	204	19.61
5. James Connors	25.00	1-3	35	190	18.42

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Mike Choyke	17.00	3-1	38	184	20.65
2. Tom Nevin	13.78	3-1	34	190	17.89
3. Thurman Brown	19.79	2-2	31	192	16.15
4. Tina Payne	22.56	1-3	33	194	17.01
5. Gene Meadows	17.00	1-3	18	192	9.38

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Class E	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Cathy Ardelean	29.53	4-0	107	130	20.77
2. Marty Quillen	20.59	3-1	117	178	22.47
3. Vaughn Shipman	16.00	2-2	92	178	12.92
4. Brandon Tremlett	5.14	1-3	66	198	8.08

Class D	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Krystle Price	25.00	4-0	50	166	30.12
2. Archie Canterbury	23.00	2-2	45	170	26.47
3. Jacqueline Quillen	20.42	2-2	35	192	18.23
4. Jr Wyatt	19.68	2-2	20	176	11.36
5. Frank Quillen	18.28	0-4	22	192	11.46

Lake Orion - Saturday, July 16

Class A	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Douglas Bailey	51.68	6-1	164	322	50.93
2. J.D. Drake	66.28	5-2	172	276	62.32
3. Lisa Smith	54.55	2-4	128	256	50.00
4. George Parsons	51.52	0-6	103	234	43.59

Class E	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Matthew Thomas	5.00	3-1	28	186	15.05
2. Rosemarie Nowacki	10.26	2-2	17	186	9.14
3. Darren Green	7.09	1-3	12	200	6.00

Class B	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Quincy Johnson	48.68	4-0	78	166	46.99
2. Ken Kuss	48.58	2-2	58	156	37.18
3. Keith Schafer	46.78	2-2	66	180	36.67
4. Paul Howard	43.58	1-3	54	174	31.03
5. Donald Mueller	36.62	1-3	43	148	29.05

Class C	Entry%	WL	Rgrs	Sh	R%
1. Sam Moore	28.67	4-1	83	244	34.02
2. Ron Nelson	28.14	3-2	82	242	33.88
3. Andrew Matthews	28.00	3-2	74	262	28.24
4. Johnnie Smith	27.54	2-3	58	214	27.10
5. Cathy Ardelean	29.53	2-3	63	254	24.80
6. Dave Eversole	26.00	1-4	57	248	22.98

Question: You may have noticed that the NHPA no longer codes each state with the first three digits of the NHPA number. Michigan was coded with 300, but now new members are all recorded with 800 as the first three digits. Please explain.

Answer: With the new system, *eShoes*, all new members in the NHPA are given an 800 number. Also, when a pitcher moves from one charter to another they retain their NHPA Sanction number.

— Jim Kinney Jr., NHPA Sec./Treas.

The Lake Orion Club has requested that all participants bring a dish to pass.

Welcome  to the Village of Lake Orion

2022 State Doubles Championship
Saturday, August 6

Hosted by the Lake Orion Horseshoe Club

- 9:30 a.m. Sign-In Deadline \$40.00 per Team
Note if the tournament is cancelled - The rain date will be Sunday, August 7
- Combined average cannot be greater than 120%
- Pick your partner or we'll find one for you
- Walking doubles
- Pitch your own shoes
- 50 shoe count-all scoring
- All money returned in prizes and trophies
- Roasted Chicken/Potluck Dinner



2022 MHPA SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT PITCHING SCHEDULE

Outdoor Tournaments - Check-in by 9:30 a.m

Indoor Tournaments must pre-register with the Tournament Director - Check-in by 9:30 a.m. - Starting time 10:00 a.m.

JULY

7 p.m.	<u>Friday</u>	<u>07/22/22</u>	<u>St. Clair Shores</u>
		<u>07/23/22</u>	<u>St. Clair Shores</u>
	<u>Sat. NEW</u>	<u>07/30/22</u>	<u>Mecosta (newly sanctioned 6 cts. sand pits)</u>
	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>07/31/22</u>	<u>Jackson</u>

AUGUST

		<u>08/06/22</u>	<u>Lake Orion - State Doubles</u>
		<u>08/13/22</u>	<u>Hillman</u>
		<u>08/13/22</u>	<u>Brighton</u>
		<u>08/20/22</u>	<u>Lansing - St Jude</u>
	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>08/21/22</u>	<u>Lansing Website Fund</u>
	<u>Friday</u>	<u>08/26/22</u>	<u>State Tournament - Kalamazoo</u>
	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>08/27/22</u>	<u>State Tournament - Kalamazoo</u>
	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>08/28/22</u>	<u>State Tournament - Kalamazoo</u>

SEPTEMBER

		<u>09/10/22</u>	<u>Lansing Senior Tournament</u>
Non Sanct.		<u>09/17/22</u>	<u>Woody Cup - Lansing</u>
	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>09/25/22</u>	<u>Jackson</u>

Fall Indoor Tournaments @ Jackson Facility

OCTOBER

		<u>10/01/22</u>	<u>SCHEDULING MEETING</u>
Pre-Register		<u>10/08/22</u>	<u>Jackson</u>
for your spot		<u>10/15/22</u>	<u>Brighton</u>
for all fall		<u>10/15/22</u>	<u>Lake Orion Mike Ardelean</u>
tournaments		<u>10/29/22</u>	<u>Lake Orion</u>

NOVEMBER

	<u>11/05/22</u>	<u>Jackson</u>
	<u>11/19/22</u>	<u>Jackson</u>

Tournament Directors

<u>Club</u>	<u>Director</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
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Mecosta	? ?	(?) ?-?	?
St. Clair Shores	Tina Payne	(586) 774-3223	tinapayne0828@gmail.com

**AUGUST
26, 27, 28**



2022 MHPA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Kalamazoo Area Horseshoe Club August 26, 27, 28

Entry Mailing Deadline: August 15, 2022

Entries will be accepted at the last two regularly scheduled tournaments in Brighton and Lansing

Entry Fee: \$40.00



Entry form in the Ringer Report and MHPA website

2022 MICHIGAN HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN
FRIDAY PM AUGUST 26, SATURDAY 27, SUNDAY 28.
(Friday P.M. start time TDB)
Saturday and Sunday start time 8:00 AM.

Championship Round commences after end of play Sunday August 28.

All pitchers must have pitched in 4 tournaments, have a current NHPA/MHPA membership. NHPA/MHPA Rules and Dress Code will be enforced. Last names are required on back of shirts. First names not required on front.

Fall Board Meeting is Saturday P.M. after dinner. The election of President and 2nd Vice President is one of the agenda items. If anyone would like to be included on the ballot for either position please let the Secretary/Treasurer know.

Lunch will be available both days. The dinner is August 27th before the fall Board Meeting. Self contained camping is available.

PLEASE FILL OUT AND MAIL PAYMENT TO:
MHPA PAM NELSON 660 S. COATS RD., OXFORD MICHIGAN 48371
\$40.00 PER PERSON
PAYMENT REQUIRED BY AUGUST 7, 2022

Name _____ MHPA Card # _____

Address: _____

City: _____, MI Zip code: _____

I would like to pitch
30' _____

40' _____

Please note that Juniors, and Cadets, are required to pay the entry fee and will be awarded cash rewards if they place 1st or 2nd in their class.

As a participant in the 2022 State Tournament August 26-28, 2022, by signing below I am hereby releasing and forever discharging the MHPA and Kalamazoo Horseshoe Club, and all officers and directors and all fellow participants of this event from and all illness, action, damage, loss or injury which I may suffer as a consequence of participation in the MHPA State Tournament.

Dated: _____ Signature: _____

Attention State Tournament Participants

- Please find here the State Tournament Championships information, to be held on August 26, 27 and 28 at the Kalamazoo Horseshoe Club.
- Each participant should read the included information and pay special attention to the important information for State Championship Pitchers.
- All pitchers must be at the Tournament site one (1) hour before their scheduled starting time on Friday, Saturday and Sunday (if pitching in the Championship Round). Rain or Shine! Pictures will be taken of your group, so please don't be late.
- Dinner hosted by the Kalamazoo Horseshoe Club will take place on Saturday 6:00 p.m: followed immediately by the Annual Membership Meeting. Dinner and the meeting will take place in the VFW Hall facility.
- The Most Improved Pitcher awards/Hall of Fame induction will take place during the dinner.
- The Awards Ceremony for class play and will be held following the completion of the groups on Saturday.

Championships/Move-Ups for Sunday's Championship Rounds

- The top eight (8) Men in ringer percentage will advance to the Men's Championship group, which will be played Sunday at 1:00 p.m.
- The top eight (8) 30' Men in ringer percentage will advance to the 30' Men's Championship group, which will be played Sunday at 1:00 p.m.
- The top four (4) Women in ringer percentage will advance to the Women's Championship group, which will be played Sunday at 1:00 p.m.
- Awards Ceremony for Championship Groups immediately following the completion of all three Championship groups on Sunday.
- Preliminary classes will play a 35 point game with classes under 25% playing to 30 points/60-shoe limit.
- Championships class will play to a 35-point limit.

Important Notes

1. The exact time assignments will be determined on Sunday, August 21. The schedule will then be posted on the website or you can contact President John Stephenson for your assignment.
2. Class assignments will be a bit different than in the past couple of years, when possible and competitive, we will be separating the 40' men and the 30' men/women. However, there maybe classes that will be mixed to ensure the most competitive class play for most.
3. We will be having preliminary class play on Friday evening with a start time of about 7 p.m.
4. Preliminary class play will continue on Saturday morning beginning at 8 a.m.
5. Here is a sample of what a pitching schedule could look like
 - Friday Night pitching groups @ 7 p.m. will pitch again at Saturday at 12 p.m.
 - Saturday morning pitching groups @ 8 a.m. will pitch their second round at 8 a.m. on Sun.
6. The Championship round for Men, Women, and Elders will take place on Sunday with a start time of 1:30 p.m.
7. Remember, per on By-laws, Article VII: State Tournament—Section 4.

While pitching, all participants of the State Singles Tournament shall wear a shirt or blouse with their last name professionally lettered on the back.

Please Read Carefully!

Important Information for State Championship Pitchers

Check In Time

All pitchers must be at the Tournament site one (1) hour before their scheduled starting time. At the check-in on Saturday, the scorekeeper fees for the tournament will be collected and shirts will be checked. Your name must be on the back of the shirt. Check in Rain or Shine! The groups picture will not be taken, individual pictures will be taken. Do Not Wander Off until instructed!

Introductions

Introductions of all pitchers will take place prior to their pitching on the first day. The round robin cards for the tournament will be handed out at that time. You must bring it with you the second day.

Warm-up

Each shift will be allowed a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes of warm-up each day. No warm-ups will be allowed until all pitching from the previous shift has been completed or at the shift Director's discretion. It will be announced when the groups may begin their warm-up.

Play Begins

There will be an announcement five (5) minutes before warm-up ends. At that time you should condition your court and be ready to begin pitching. Games will begin immediately when announced. All games for all classes will be 35 point cancellation unless both pitchers are below 25%, where the games will be 30 points or 60 shoes.

Scorekeeping and Round Robin Cards

After completion of a game, the scorekeeper will complete the bottom of the scoresheet. Please verify that information is correct. Each pitcher will receive a copy (the yellow one to the winner and the pink one to the loser) therefore, the round robin card will not be filled out. If you want it filled out please wait until after your entire shift to do so. This will help keep us on schedule.

Late Arrivals

Report to the Tournament Director immediately. If you are more than ten (10) minutes late, you will forfeit the game. If you are less than ten (10) minutes late you will be allowed to pitch, but you will only be allowed one (1) down and back. If you forfeit one or more games you will be allowed to play all remaining games.

Rain Delays or Rainout

All pitchers must report at their scheduled times both days, whether they think they will pitch or not, and wait for a decision to be made by the Tournament Committee.

Playoffs

All playoffs for first place are scheduled to be played at the conclusion of play. However, if there are no courts available a playoff may be scheduled for a later time.

Discrepancies/Errors in Standings

After each game, a computer printout will be posted with the latest results. After your shift each day, please check the board and bring any discrepancies to the attention of any one of the Tournament Committee so it can be looked into at that time. Do not wait until after the tournament is over and prizes awarded before bringing a mistake to our attention.

Between Games

After you have finished your game, go immediately to your next scheduled court and be ready to begin your next game as soon as the court is available and your opponent is there. You will usually have time to get a drink and use the facilities, but please don't get sidetracked on your way there or back to your court. Before you start each game, make sure you are on the right court and have the right opponent... Scorekeepers should also check to make sure they have the right two pitchers for each game.

Practice

Practice will be allowed all day and evening on Friday. Practice on Saturday and Sunday will end one half (1/2) hour before the starting time of the first shift. At that time, only scheduled pitchers for the first shift will be allowed on the courts. There is no open practice allowed during tournament times. Practice will be allowed at the end of play each evening. It is the decision of the host club as to how late practice will be allowed.

Tournament Committee

John Stephenson, President/Tournament Director
Brandy Morehead, 1st Vice-President
Debbie Markley, 2nd Vice-President
Pam Nelson, Secretary/Treasurer
Keith Schafer, Statistician/Computer Support

The decisions of the Tournament Director and Tournament Committee shall be final. The Tournament Committee shall act in good faith toward all rules governing horseshoes.

Tournament Statisticians: Keith Schafer, Josh Lull
Tournament Judges: TBD

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FIRST CLASS

NHPA/MHPA Membership Application

Name: _____ Last NHPA Card #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____ Is this a new address? [] Yes

Phone: () _____, Email: _____

How do you wish to get the Ringer Report? *website* *standard mail*

(Circle One) Category: Man 40' Man 30' Woman Junior Girl Junior Boy Cadet

Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____ **Mandatory for Juniors and Men Pitching at 30'.**

(We would appreciate all pitchers providing birth date for statistical purposes.)

____ **Full Member \$45:** Voting member with full privileges, able to enter all sanctioned tournaments upon paying fees.

____ **Provisional Member \$10:** Must pay entry fees and can play in as many tournaments as you like for the year.

____ **Trial Member \$0:** Must pay tournament entry fee and allowed only one tournament.

Make Check Payable to: MHPA

Mail to: **Pamela Nelson, 660 S. Coats Road, Oxford, MI 48371**

FULL MEMBER Card Costs: \$45.00 Adults - \$38.00 for second card in the same household.

\$0.00 Juniors \$7.00 for a junior wanting to receive the newsletter

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