



RINGER REPORT

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Membership Renewals and checks made out to the MHPA should be mailed to John Stephenson at 12389 Crabapple, Grand Ledge, MI 48837.

Open Pitching will be starting up on Thursday, November 7th at 1:00 p.m. at the Jackson Facility; cost to participate is \$5.00. If interested, please contact Paul Bachelor.

STATE TOURNAMENT will be held on August 28, 2020 – August 30, 2020, location to be determined. Last day to sign up for the State Tournament will be August 22, 2020 in Lansing. Just a reminder that you need four tournaments in to be able to participate in this.

IN SEARCH OF

We are still in need of people to fill the following vacancy's: Secretary/Treasurer, Publicity Director and Ringer Report Editor. If interested in any of these positions, please see one of the board members. Steve Summerlin is also looking for someone to take over as Webmaster, if interested please get with him.

STATE DOUBLES TOURNAMENT
August 10, 2019
Lake Orion, Michigan

Class A

Doug Bailey and Ron Price

Class B

Mike Hess and Glynn Nowack

Class C

James Belifiori and Kevin Bastien

Class D

Ralph Klauka and Todd Vincent

Class E

Judy Dennis and Dawn Price

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
August 24, 2019
Jackson, Michigan

Elder's

JD Drake

Men's

Tom Williams

Women's

Denise Daly

Junior's

Kayden Fowler

STATE SINGLES TOURNAMENT
August 23, 2019
Jackson, Michigan

Class A

JD Drake

Class B

Doug Bailey

Class C

Quincy Johnson

Class D

Lawrence Hinton

Class E

Dan Brenner

Class F

Roland Block

Class G

Tom Gombos

Class H

Darrell Harris

Class I

Dean Schmitz

Class J

Steve Florek

Class K

Tiffany Bouvrette

Class L

Jonathon Birdsall

WOODY CUP CHALLENGE
September 14, 2019
Lake Orion, Michigan

Three clubs from across the great state of Michigan gathered at the Lake Orion Horseshoe Club to compete for the Woody Cup. All three clubs had an awesome day of pitching, however, only one could take the trophy home. The Lansing Club came out victorious earning 30 points with St. Clair Shores close behind with 28 points. Lake Orion did a fantastic job as host. Next year the Lansing Club will be hosting the Woody Cup. They encourage all of the clubs to put a team together and come on over.

2020 Pitching Schedule
Michigan Horseshoe Pitchers Association

INDOOR – Pre-Register with the Tournament Director. Sign-In 9:30, Start 10:00

<u>Date</u>	<u>Host Club</u>	<u>Tournament Director/Phone Number</u>	
01/11/20	Brighton	Paul Bachelor	810.772.8678
01/25/20	Kalamazoo	Josh Lull	269.838.7698
02/08/20	Brighton	Paul Bachelor	810.772.8678
02/16/20	Hillsdale	Ron DeForest	517.250.6991
03/07/20	Kalamazoo	Josh Lull	269.838.7698
03/14/20	Lake Orion	Doug Bailey	248.628.2417
03/21/20	Lincoln Park (St. Jude's)	Bob Wells	734.847.6429
04/04/20	Lincoln Park	Bob Wells	734.847.6429
04/18/20	Holt	Keith Schafer	517.256.8224
04/25/20	Jackson (Thrun/Vincent)	Keith Schafer	517.256.8224
10/03/20	Brighton	Paul Bachelor	810.772.8678
10/10/20	Holt	Keith Schafer	517.256.8224
10/31/20	Brighton	Paul Bachelor	810.772.8678
11/07/20	Lake Orion	Doug Bailey	248.628.2417
<u>OUTDOOR</u>			
05/02/20	Spring Meeting @ 10:00 Jackson		
05/03/20	Hillsdale	Ron DeForest	517.250.6991
05/09/20	Lincoln Park	Bob Wells	734.847.6429
05/16/20	Lake Orion	Doug Bailey	248.628.2417
05/23/20	Lansing	Randall Kamm	517.487.0188
05/30/20	Holt (Windmill Open Added Money)	Keith Schafer	517.256.8224
05/31/20	Rain Date for Windmill Open		
06/05/20	Kalamazoo (7:00 Sign In, 7:30 Start)	Josh Lull	269.838.7698
06/06/20	Kalamazoo	Josh Lull	269.838.7698
06/13/20	St. Clair Shores (Memorial)	Dean Schmitz	586.463.7488
06/20/20	Brighton	Paul Bachelor	810.772.8678
06/27/20	Lansing	Tina Schafer	517.256.3882
07/11/20	Jackson (Senior Tournament)	Keith Schafer	517.256.8224
07/12/20	Rain Date for Senior Tournament		
	World Tournament 07/13/20 – 07/25/20		
07/18/20	St. Clair Shores	Dean Schmitz	586.463.7488
07/25/20	Lake Orion	Doug Bailey	248.628.2417
08/01/20	Brighton	Paul Bachelor	810.772.8678
08/08/20	St. Clair Shores (State Doubles)	Dean Schmitz	586.463.7488
08/09/20	Rain Date for State Doubles		
08/15/20	Lincoln Park	Bob Wells	734.847.6429
08/22/20	Lansing (Last Day to sign-up for State)	Tina Schafer	517.256.3882
08/23/20	Rain Date for Last Day to sign-up for State		
08/28/20-08/30/20	State Tournament		
09/12/20	Woody Cup (Lansing)	Randall Kamm	517.487.0188
09/13/20	Holt	Keith Schafer	517.256.8224
09/19/20	Scheduling Meeting @ 10:00 Jackson		

M.H.P.A. Fall Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2019 7:19 p.m.
Meeting, Location: Jackson County Horseshoe Club

Officers in Attendance: Mark Burns, Michele Burns, Tina Schafer, and John Stephenson

Mark Burns called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m. on August 24 (41 Members present)

1. Mark led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Minutes for the Spring Meeting, read by Michele Burns. Motion to approve minutes by Roger Higgins. JD Drake seconded. Membership approved.
3. Financial Report by Michele Burns, balance in the Jr. Fund is \$2,486.65; checking account balance is \$4069.77; Hall of Fame balance is \$1433.91. Tina Schafer made a motion to put the financial report on file; John Stephenson seconded. Membership approved.
4. First Vice President, John Stephenson – nothing to report. No By-law Changes were submitted for review and voting at this meeting.
5. Second Vice President, Tina Schafer -no grievances at this time.
6. Secretary/Treasurer Report by Michele Burns: membership total-185= 53- 30' men, 36 women 91-40' men, 5 juniors/cadets. 31 new members or returning members (absence of at least one year). 13 Provisional members, two Provisionals have already converted to full membership and 2 trials have converted to full membership.
7. Hall of Fame Chairperson, Doug Bailey announced that there were no new nominations and therefore, no new inductees to the Hall of Fame.
8. St Jude's Chairperson – Nothing to report
9. Audit and Finance Report – Audit was held on June 15 at Jackson. Everything looked great. Just a note to the membership, if we would go to an electronic ringer report only, we could save each member \$7 on their membership.
10. Publicity – Nothing to report
11. Jr. Scholarship – Denise Daly would like to organize a just a Junior Tournament as a fundraiser for some Jr. patches, towels, and jackets.
12. Regional Director, Mark Burns. Mark will be stepping down as the RD and Keith Schafer, Assistant RD will take over as the RD. The sanctioning of the courts process was given an extension until December, Keith will follow up.
13. State Tournament Format Committee – John Stephenson - they will not meet again until September, if you have comments about the State Tournament, please share them with your club's tournament director.
14. Hall of Fame Museum – Pat Bailey has been asked to take over the committee. Pat has some ideas for updating the displays and will be working on forming a committee. Thank-you Pat!
15. Memorandum of President: Mark Burns – it has been a great year. As you know, we will be leaving by the end of the year, it was not our intention to leave so soon but life happens. It is so hard to leave the MHPA, thank you to Roger Higgins for the initial invitation to join the MHPA, I had no clue what that invitation would turn into for me. To the members, the new leadership will need you to help in any way you can. If you have thought about becoming more involved, now is the time.
Tom Williams addressed the group to Thank Mark and Michele for all that they have done for the MHPA and the Jackson Horseshoe Club. Keith Schafer will take over the Statistician responsibilities beginning in October.
16. Old business, none.
17. New business: Election of Officers – Call for nominations. John Stephenson was nominated and accepted the nomination by Keith Schafer and seconded by Rose Nowacki. No other nominations were brought forward and Keith Schafer moved to close the nominations, Tom Williams seconded. Nominations closed. Membership approved. John Stephenson was re-elected by acclamation. Nominations were opened for the secretary/treasurer position. No nominations were received. Brief discussion of job responsibilities was had. Tina Schafer will volunteer to fill the position until someone is identified to take over. Tina is not interested in being elected to fill the position.
18. World Tournament – Good showing from Michigan. If you haven't gone, try to go at least once.
19. State Tournament 2019 – Friday night pitching was great. Proposal needs to be submitted to change by-laws to allow for the 40 shoes games, technically, we are violating. Scheduling meeting will be held on September 21 in Jackson at 10 a.m. Jackson is looking for a tournament director.
20. Report of Good and Welfare Work –
 - o Bob Wells – History of Horseshoe pitching presentation, he has been doing this at the local YMCA, recently he presented to 50 kids, ages 4-12, they loved it and went home and told their parents. Bob is willing to travel to speak to other groups, just let him know.
 - o Keith Schafer – St. Jude Tournament \$200 raised – largest tournament in Holt, with donations back from the pitchers.
 - o Thank you to Owen in Kalamazoo for the week night tournaments – other clubs with lights should try.
 - o Carl Rennell – Jackson Horseshoe Club hosts the Special Olympics Horseshoe group a few times each year. This year the SO team won first place, due to their ability to practice indoors.
21. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Owen Mergan and seconded by John Stephenson.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Burns, Secretary/Treasurer

Full Member – Dues for Full adult members are the National dues of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) plus the amount set for State dues within their Charter. Three dollars (\$3.00) of every adult membership will be set aside for the World Tournament prize fund, for the next year. Only Full Members may enter State and World Tournaments.

_____ **Full Member \$45: Voting member with full privileges to entry all sanctioned tournaments upon paying fees.**

Provisional Member – Dues for Provisional adult members are the National Provisional dues of ten dollars (\$10.00). Provisional Members are allowed entry to regular tournaments/leagues (upon paying their full entry fee) for the period beginning at their first entry to the end of the current calendar year. At which time they must become Full members in order to continue participating in NHPA tournaments/leagues. During their provisional time, a member can upgrade to Full member at any time by paying the remainder of their National Dues (\$15) and their state charter dues. Provisional Member tournament/league statistics are reported to the NHPA and the member is provided an NHPA membership card number with a "P" at the beginning of their charter-assigned membership number (e.g., P095001) for tracking purposes. Provisional members cannot vote and do not count toward the awarding of charter delegates, but are reported on charter membership reports to the NHPA.

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

Trial Member – All dues for Trial members are waived and the member is allowed entry to one regular tournament/league (upon paying their full entry fee). Trial Member tournament/league statistics are not reported to the NHPA. Trial members cannot vote and do not count toward the awarding of charter delegates, but are reported on charter membership reports to the NHPA.

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

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 to entry 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: John Stephenson 12389 Crabapple, Grand Ledge, MI 48837

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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