RINGER ROUND-UP

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Juniors from the 2011 BC Champs

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FROM AROUND THE PROVINCE

MURRAY RAYNER

I just received a phone call from Anne Rayner letting me know that Murray passed away January 18, 2012 at the Nanaimo hospital apparently from complications from Murray's diabetes and maybe a virus as he had a very high body temperature, Anne would like to have a memorial service sometime in the future, I will let you know when and where. Murray was a horseshoe for almost his whole life.... Vince Herkel.

A tribute to Murray from Jerry Melissa:

I first met Murray in 1973. His friend Gordon Kreise invited me to his house in Chemainus so I could meet the man who threw the perfect 1 1/4 turn Horseshoe. Murray took the time to show me the grip and other finer points of throwing that turn. invited He immediately me Youbou where ı to his home in received additional lessons.

The following year I joined Murray in the 'A' class and our rivalry spanned almost 38 years. He was a fierce competitor and never played a game that he did not think he could win. I never heard him complain about anything!

My fondest memory of Murray was a game in Ladysmith and a B.C. Horseshoe Championship in the 1980s. I was one win away from the Title when Murray threw two ringers, dislodging my own ringers and defeating me by 3 points. To this day, I can't remember who won the 3 person playoff that ensued.

Murray was the B.C. Champion before I met him. But I will always remember the triumphant look on his face when he defeated the then favored B.C. Champion candidate in Cloverdale 5 years ago. Throwing from a shorter distance, he recorded his highest personal average to upset the higher ranked player, denying him the Championship. I know that Murray derived more pleasure from that game than if he had won the Championship himself.

Even this past summer, Murray was at his best and it took a super effort to play him competitively.

He supported every tournament that he could possibly attend. It would be impossible to put a number to the amount of shoes he threw and games he played in his lifetime. No one could or will every match his stamina and adoration of the game.

Eileen and I wish the surviving family well. We share their loss!

ABBOTSFORD HORSESHOE CLUB – Archie Radowits/Danny Coffin

Trusting everyone had a good Christmas and New Years.

This winter has been quiet at the Abbotsford Horseshoe Club. We moved a wall inside the clubhouse giving us more visitor space. Have cut down on junk so did not need as much storage space.

Our first tournament is scheduled for April 29, 2012. Hope to see a good turn out.

We had 4 successful tournaments this year. The only problem was that due to the ages and gender of the players we have a shortage of 30 ft pitches which we will change for next year. If the proposed amended 2012 schedule is accepted with the International at the end of July I feel this will be a better date for anyone that wants to play in the Canadians.

CLOVERDALE

Well 2011 saw our members have another successful year pitching shoes at the many events held through the year.

We also felt the effects of the drop in membership participation like most clubs did. Despite this we hosted our usual tournaments and the BC Championship tournament and all seemed to be well received and we wish to thank all those from other clubs that pitched in to help us with these tournaments.

Our AGM has produced another strong management group for 2012, we hope to meet you all at the various tournaments and share with you another memorable year of pitching shoes

In 2011 and already in 2012 we have lost many horseshoe pitchers and many are in physical distress, The Cloverdale Horseshoe Club members send our condolences and best wishes to those that have been touched. We wish all clubs and horseshoe pitchers everywhere good health and good pitching in 2012.

The Cloverdale Horseshoe Club is preparing for what we hope is another successful season of pitching shoes and sharing good times with our many friends within the horseshoe community.

On behalf of the Cloverdale Horseshoe Club Jim Grant, President

CENTRAL PARK HORSESHOE CLUB

Not much to report in the winter time. We did have an increase in membership in 2011.

We lost a number of members in 2011, Violet O'Neil and Bill Allan passed away.

When the weather permits, we play shoes, in the rainy days we play washers inside the club house.

We look forward to seeing everyone in 2012.

Jim Ball - President

JOHN HASSELL

Received some sad news John Hasell who created the shoes program passed away on December 13, 2011.

I don't know what a lot of us would have done had it not been for John. For the past number of years John has not been involved with updating anything new for the shoes program. I for one appreciate everything John did for our organization over the years.

Sam Tomasevic

NORTH - HELENE BOUDREAU / MARCEL PINETTE

We, in the north, are still quite frozen. We hope to begin throwing by May this year since we need all the practice we can get. Our season is so short.

The Western Classics are in Prince George this year. Quesnel is hoping to see all of you take some time to visit our beautiful Caribou and take in some of our usual tournaments. We have lots of room for motor home parking not too far from shopping facilities. The Casino will appreciate your patronage as well.

Quesnel has fun nights on Monday and Wednesday at 6.30 pm. everyone is welcome to join us. If there are people interested we could have extra fun nights. The pits are always open to anyone wishing to practice.

The north has had not a good winter on members. Phil Stolarski past away this winter. Earle Gillard has had two heart surgeries this winter and is doing well. Joe Brietkopf had a bad truck accident in Edmonton, totaled his big truck, He is doing good. Nora Scholefield had a pace maker put in her heart and doing well. Gloria got shingles and is getting better. It was in her left eye and the top of her head and is getting better.

Most of are pitchers are bowling Mondays and Wednesdays, which is a good place to get new pitchers. Georgina Gordon is on Kemo and not doing well. We need lots of prayers.

WINFIELD HORSESHOE CLUB

Happy New Year, already into the second month where does the time go. We are very active with our crib tournaments, every Saturday. Getting 22- 3 players every week. Joanne & myself do up sandwiches for sale. Brings in a little revenue for the club. As well as having a 50/50 draw. On Dec. 10th Verna Weingardt had a 28 hand. Membership dues are coming in for 2012. So nice not to have to fight to get them. Our General meeting will be mid April and then the shoes will start flying so to speak]. We always look forward to seeing every one in the spring & summer. We wish good health to everyone and for those who have lost loved ones.

May god bless. Sharon Fraser President

VICTORIA HORSESHOE CLUB – Sharon Daly

Last year got us off to a rocky start with the smoke damage to our clubhouse after a beverage fridge overheated. We look forward to a great year ahead of us, with no

hiccups.

After many decades of holding our annual membership fees at \$50.00, we have voted on raising our fees for this year to \$60.00. Juniors are still free.

Our three regular tournaments are scheduled as follows.

MAY 27 VICTORIA OPEN AUGUST 12 SAANICH OPEN

SEPTEMBER 09 AUTUMN MIXED CLASSIC

This year, we are also hosting the Provincial Championships. SEPTEMBER 01-02 PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

We hope to see many of you come out to our tournaments and reunite with friends of horseshoes.

Good pitching.

POWELL RIVER HORSESHOE CLUB

The Powell River Horseshoe Pitching Club is in a lull for the winter. Have not heard a clang clang at all since last mid September.....I can just imagine all shoes hanging on a wall somewhere, with all the sand attached......

There has been no word on an upcoming club meeting, hopefully sometime mid March. Then everything starts on a roll again for the 2012 season. Some members are still basking in the southern sun......

On Feb. 4th, a lovely get together for our young 90th year birthday, A club pitcher for many many years - Lionel Desilets - and he just can't wait until he is on the courts again. We all could take a few lessons from this heart, loving Lionel......

We live on the Sunshine Coast - so our wet season ended up with approx. 3/4 inch of snow for a few days, some winds, no damage, no power outages, and just erased a couple days of fog. So now we should be up and ready for the pitching season to begin.

Look forward to seeing everyone in every club soon.

Cheers from Island/Powell River Rep Lorraine Hubick

SALMON ARM - Amy Kidd

Thank-you Penticton for exchanging the May tournament dates with us. Penticton is on May 5 and Salmon Arm is on May 12.

We wish our Tom Shepherd a speedy recovery.

Our members continue to stay quite active during the winter - some of us bowl, others curl, while others go south or on short tours.

It sure hasn't been a hard winter, but it will be nice when we are able to get out and chuck shoes. See you all soon.

2012 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The schedule for 2012 is finalized, as always, subject to change. Please have a good look as some clubs have made minor changes for 2012.

The Western Canada Classic will be in Prince George.

The BC International as usual will be at Abbotsford, with a different date for this year to accommodate those going to the Canadian in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

The BC Championships will be hosted by the Victoria Horseshoe Club.

The world tournament will be in Knoxville, Tennessee.

2012 B.C. HORSESHOE ASSOCIATION SCHEDULE

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DATE	TOURNAMENT NAME	CONTACT	TELEPHONE
April 28 -April 29 Directions	Prince George Ice Breaker Open	Vic Vallee	250-962-5281
April 29 <u>Directions</u>	Abbotsford Memorial Open	Archie Radowits	604-854-2019
May 05 <u>Directions</u>	Penticton Mixed Open	Bud Perry	250-493-8891
May 06 <u>Directions</u>			604-525-2186 604-328-5276
May 12 <u>Directions</u>	Salmon Arm Mixed Open	Faith Juell Email	250-832-9873 amy007@telus.net
May 19 <u>Directions</u>	Winfield Open	Cindy Helgeson Email	250-491-9141 niceringer@yahoo.ca
May 20 <u>Directions</u>	Winfield Sharon Fraser Mixed Open	Cindy Helgeson Email	250-491-9141 niceringer@yahoo.ca
May 19 <u>Directions</u>	Ladysmith Mixed Spring Open	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341
May 20 - May 21 <u>Directions</u>	Ladysmith Spring Open Men, Elders, Jr Boys Saturday Ladies, Jr Girls Sunday	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341
May 26 - May 27 Directions	Quesnel Spring Opener	Jeanette Ferrara	250-747-3109
May 26 <u>Directions</u>	Cloverdale Frank Sterling Memorial Open	Jim Grant	604-585-6831
May 26 <u>Directions</u>	Kamloops Open	Terry Macready	250-372-7622
May 27 Directions	Victoria Open	Susan MacDonald	250-743-1694
June 02 <u>Directions</u>	Powell River Spring Mixed Open	Jim Hoffman	604-483-4853
June 02 – June 03 <u>Directions</u>	Prince George Open	Vic Vallee	250-962-5281

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June 03 <u>Directions</u>	Abbotsford Open	Archie Radowits	604-854-2019
June 09 <u>Directions</u>	Vernon Open	Sheldon Wessell	250-545-3504
June 10 <u>Directions</u>	Vernon Mixed Open	Sheldon Wessell	250-545-3504
June 10 <u>Directions</u>	Central Park Stan Dahl Memorial Open	Sam Tomasevic Cell	604-525-2186 604-328-5276
June 09 – June 10 <u>Directions</u>	Port Alberni Dry Creek Open	Margaret Onyschschuk	250-724-4770
June 16 – June 17 Directions	Quesnel Open	Jeanette Ferrara	250-747-3109
June 16 <u>Directions</u>	Doug Wilton Memorial Open	Cindy Helgeson Email	250-491-9141 niceringer@yahoo.ca
June 17 <u>Directions</u>	Doug Wilton Memorial Mixed Open	Email	250-491-9141 niceringer@yahoo.ca
June 23 – June 24 <u>Directions</u>	Western Canada Classic (Prince George) Entry deadline June 18, 2012	Vic Vallee	250-962-5281
June 24 <u>Directions</u>	Cloverdale Open	Jim Grant	604-585-6831
June 30 Directions	Bernice Busch Memorial Mixed Open	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341
July 01 - July 02 <u>Directions</u>	Bernice Busch Memorial Open Men, Elders, Jr Boys Saturday Ladies, Jr Girls Sunday	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341
July 11 - July 15	Canadian Championships (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan)	Wally Arnold	905-779-3409
July 21 - July 22 <u>Directions</u>	Quesnel Mid-Summer Open Formally Billy Barker Days	Jeanette Ferrara	250-747-3109
July 21 <u>Directions</u>	Penticton Open	Bud Perry	250-493-8891
July 28 July 29 <u>Directions</u>	BC International/Highway Man Open - Results Deadline July 22 Entry form	Sam Tomasevic Cell Number	604-525-2186 604-328-5276
July 31 – Aug 12	World Tournament Knoxville, Tennessee Entry Deadline May 17 Entry Form	Dick Hansen	262-835-9108
August 04 Directions	Ladysmith Stew Battie Memorial Mixed Open	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341
Aug 05 – Aug 06 Directions	Ladysmith Stew Battie Memorial Open Men, Elders, Jr Boys Saturday Ladies, Jr Girls Sunday	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341
August 04 <u>Directions</u>	Salmon Arm Open	Faith Juell Email	250-832-9873 amy007@telus.net
August 05 <u>Directions</u>	Salmon Arm Doubles (Unsanctioned)	Faith Juell Email	250-832-9873 amy007@telus.net
Aug 11 - Aug 12 Directions	Quesnel Fall wind-Up Open	Jeanette Ferrara	250-747-1694
August 12 <u>Directions</u>	Victoria Saanich	Susan MacDonald	250-743-1694
August 11 <u>Directions</u>	Summerland 56th Annual Open	Nick Culic	250-494-7828
August 12 Directions	Summerland Doubles (Unsanctioned)	Nick Culic	250-494-7828

August 18 Directions	Powell River Fall Wind-Up Mixed Open	Jim Hoffman	604-483-4853
August 19 <u>Directions</u>	Central Park Nothwest Open	Sam Tomasevic Cell	604-525-2186 604-328-5276
Aug 21 – Aug 25	BC Senior Games - Burnaby (Horseshoes At Central Park)	Zone Rep	Zone Rep
Sept 01 - Sep 02 Directions	B.C. Championships Victoria Results Entry Deadline August 21 Entry form	Sam Tomasevic Cell Number	604-525-2186 604-328-5276
September 09 <u>Directions</u>	Victoria Autumn Classic Mixed Open	Susan MacDonald	250-743-1694
September 08 <u>Directions</u>	Interior/Kootneys/North Championships - Winfield	Cindy Helgeson Email	250-491-9141 niceringer@yahoo.ca
September 09 Results <u>Directions</u>	Abbotsford Fall Wind-Up	Archie Radowits	604-854-2019
September 09 Results <u>Directions</u>	Quesnel Fall Doubles - Unsanctioned	Jeanette Ferrara	250-747-3109
September 16 <u>Directions</u>	Lower Mainland Championships Cloverdale	Jim Grant	604-585-6831
September 15 September 16 <u>Directions</u>	Island/Powell River Championships Ladies, Jr Girls Saturday Men, Elders Jr Boys Sunday	Vince Herkel	250-245-2341

NOTE: Tournament registration should be 24 hours prior to start of any tournament with the following exceptions: B.C. International entry deadline is July 22nd., World Tournament entry deadline May 17, Canadian Championships entry deadline TBA and the B.C. Championship deadline is August 21

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A GREAT SUGGESTION - Please read.

One thing I would like to see changed in ALL clubs is the way the pins get marked. Most clubs use an aerosol spray and paint the pins white. Everyone with an allergy then coughs and sneezes and has trouble breathing. This is usually done just before we step on the courts, and the smell is annoying.

We are all supposed to be going green these days. Why use aerosol cans in the first place? A piece of chalk or drywall and some good old elbow grease, can make the pins just as white as paint. Could we try not to use aerosol cans in the future, please?

Sharon Daly – Victoria

2011 CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS





Canadian Horseshoe Pitching Champions crowned in Blainville

Blainville, August 17, 2011- The Canadian Horseshoe Pitching Championships were held from August 11-14, 2011 at Blainville's Equestrian Park. There were 241 entries, making it the 6th largest of the history of these championships which began in 1927. Eight provinces were represented: Quebec (117 entries), Ontario (66), Saskatchewan (17), New Brunswick and Alberta (13), B.C. (11), Manitoba and Nova Scotia (2). The start was given with the opening ceremonies Thursday, August 11 at 9 am, with the presence of Honorary President Yvan Cournoyer, former Montreal Canadiens hockey star.

Two champions successfully defended their title earned last year in Victoria: Sylvianne Moisan who captured her 15th women's title, and Scotty Lumb who is Junior Boys Champion for the 4th consecutive year. All other champions won their first title in 2011, except Colin Finnie, now in its eighth feat of its kind in the Men's. In this division, a playoff was needed to break a four-way tie for first place. In the semi-finals, Finnie first defeated Duncan MacKenzie from Nova Scotia 42-25, while Adam Ellis came back from behind to defeat Ron Parisien 40-39. In the finals, Finnie emerged against Ellis 40-15, helped by 27 ringers out of 38 shoes.

The longest game of the tournament lasted 86 shoes when Duncan MacKenzie (75.6%) edged Ron Parisien (73.3%) by the close score of 42-37, at the ninth round. The high game was achieved by Scotty Lumb with 17 ringers out of 20 shoes (85%), while the highest overall ringer average for the tournament was the work of Sylvianne Moisan with 75% or 423 ringers in 564 shoes pitched. Besides Sylvianne, at least five other members of the host league (Blainville horseshoe league) won gold in their class. They are: Mario Gascon, Jacques Desmarais, Richard Perreault, Danielle Paré and Richard Sicard.

Other champions of the various divisions are Alvin Nanninga from Alberta (Elders), Ontario's Frank Weaver (Senior Men), Annette Tria from Quebec (Senior Women), Ontarian Kaitlyn Pond (Junior Girls) and Dalton Thomas of B.C. (PeeWee). The latter, age 7, was also the youngest participant of the championships, while the oldest was 89-years old Jack Adams.

The event held at the Blainville Equestrian Park was a huge success, including the final banquet that numbered about 200 people. Among the presentations there were special

gifts courtesy of the City of Blainville, from Mr. Guy Frigon, president of the Equestrian park, and the Mayor representative Mrs Nicole Ruel. Horseshoe Canada also inducted Angeline Moisan as a member of the Hall of Fame. After the medal presentations to the various winners, we proceeded to formal transfer of the "Silver Shoe" showing the hosts of the annual championships. Rene Croteau, president of the Blainville horseshoe league, presented the "Silver Shoe" to Tammy Christensen, president of Horseshoe Saskatchewan, which will host the event next year in Saskatoon.

The great horseshoe pitching family was reunited in the beautiful setting of the equestrian park, in a festive and fraternal atmosphere of which participants will likely keep very good memories. Thanks to the generous support from the City of Blainville and Equestrian Park, from the Quebec horseshoe Federation and its clubs, sponsors, our many volunteers (not just those of the Organizing Committee), members of the Blainville League and participants. Thanks also to Horseshoe Canada and more particularly to tournament directors Wally and Sheryl Arnold, for their dedication. Our organizing committee will certainly also keep lasting memories...

2011 Canadian Horseshoe Pitching Championships

Champions:

Men's A – Colin Finnie, Kenaston, Sask. (66.6%)

Women's A – Sylvianne Moisan, L'Epiphanie, Qc (75.0%) ***

Senior 30' (Elders) A- Alvin Nanninga, Neerlandia, Alb. (70.2%)

Senior Men's A – Frank Weaver, Waterford, Ont. (56.5%)

Senior Women's A – Annette Tria, Grenville, Qc (53.8%)

Junior Boys – Scotty Lumb, Aylmer, Ont. (61.9%)

Junior Girls – Kaitlyn Pond, Aylmer, Ont. (35.3%)

PeeWee – Dalton Thomas, Victoria, B.C. (10.4%)

Winners of the other classes:

Men's B – Mario Gascon, Bellefeuille, Qc (46.6%) ***

Men's C – Dana Howell, Belleville, Ont. (55.2%)

Men's D – Jacques Desmarais, St-Roch de L'Achigan, Qc (43.9%) ***

Men's E – Gilles Grenier, Beauport, Qc (44.8 %)

Men's F – Greg Palumbo, Barry's Bay, Ont. (38.4%)

Men's G – Glen Rideout, Brampton, Ont. (46.6%)

Men's H – Ed Sikkema, Newmarket, Ont. (36.2%)

Men's I – Dave Fisher, Perth, Ont. (38.0%)

Men's J – Paul Blais, Daveluyville, Qc (32.0%)

Men's K – Norm Henry Jr, Trenton, Ont. (32.1%)

Men's L – Ross Lemay, Shanty Bay, Ont. (29.1%)

Men's M – Denis Chaput, St-Germain de Grantham, Qc (23.4%)

Men's N – Doug Brown, Aylmer, Ont. (18.0%)

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Men's O – Richard Perreault, Sainte-Thérèse, Qc (15.5%) *** Men's P – Max Parker, St. Thomas, Ont. (20.5%)
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Women's B – Rosanne Laforest, Terrebonne, Qc (45.4%)
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Women's C – Danielle Paré, Montréal, Qc (48.9%) ***

Women's D – Tammy Beliski, Kitchener, Ont. (40.7%)

Women's E – Jean Brousseau, Airdrie, Alb. (34.1%)

Women's F – Martha Barker, Canal, N.B. (29.1%)

Women's G – Monique Labrèche, Rockland, Ont. (21.2%)

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Senior 30' (Elders) B – Jerry Melissa, Youbou, B.C. (49.8%)
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Senior 30' (Elders) C – John Jansen, Guelph, Ont. (50.2%)

Senior 30' (Elders) D – Richard Sicard, Ste-Dorothée-Laval (43.7%) ***

Senior 30' (Elders) E – Jacob Fehr, Swift Current, Sask. (28.8%)

Senior 30' (Elders) F – Jerry Melissa, Youbou, B.C. (49.8%)

Juniors B - Daniel Squires, Saskatoon, Sask. (18.2%)

2011 BC CHAMPIONSHIPS - CLOVERDALE

What a great job the Cloverdale Horseshoe Club did this past year, they set a standard for all of us to follow.

Everything seemed to run smooth, I must say, that having been involved with this association since 1969 this was one of, if not, the best run BC Championships I have ever experienced.

This years BC Championship saw a Champion continue to win, one wonders if anyone will be able to knock off Elyse Brunelle. 2011 also saw the continuing come back of Tony Rondow as he dominated almost every tournament he participated in; once again Tony is our Men's champion.

JUNIORS/PEEWEES

Mathew MacDonald retained his Jr. Boys title.

Our new Jr. Girls champ is Nicole Dabney from Port Alberni. It's nice to see someone like Nicola improve each year. Congrats Nicole, keep it up.

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JUNIORS BOYS - CLASS A (35 Points)
                                        W-L H/G
                                                   Rs S/P PERCENT
      MATHEW MACDONALD .... VICTORIA
                                        9-1 50.00% 137 364 37.63%
1st
                                       7-3 38.88% 113 478 23.64%
2nd
      SAM DEGRAAF ..... CLOVERDALE
                                       2-8 16.66% 41 426 9.62%
3rd
      MIKE ROY ..... QUESNEL
    JUNIOR GIRLS

    CLASS A (35 Points) W-L H/G

                                                  Rs S/P PERCENT
    NICOLE DABNEY ...... DRY CREEK 7-3 50.00% 117 410 28.53%
1st
      CHEYANN NEWMAN ..... QUESNEL
2nd
                                       5-5 30.55% 69 392 17.60%
                - CLASS A (35 Points) W-L H/G Rs S/P PERCENT
    PEEWEE
1st DALTON THOMAS ..... VICTORIA
                                       0-10 14.28% 27 450
                                                           6.00%
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MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS

As mentioned, Tony Rondow (Victoria) continued his 2011 domination, going undefeated. He had the high game of the class. No one really came close to defeating Tony. With the 2012 Canadian Championships in Saskatoon, we hope Tony is able to attend as he will give anyone a battle for a game and perhaps the title.

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1.4		•		70.58%			
1st	TONY RONDOW		10-0				56.06%
2nd	TOM MOFFAT		8-2	56.66%			46.39%
3rd *	PAUL ONYSCHTSCHUK	-	5-5	55.88%			39.19%
4th *	JACK DABNEY	-	5-5	50.00%			37.08%
5th	JEFF BARTON		2-8	36.84%		_	22.61%
6th	ROY DAWE	withdrew Rhd 4	0-10	41.66%	30	112	26.78%
	MEN - CLASS E	3 (40 Points)	W-L	H/C	De	g/p	PERCENT
1st	ALLAN CUMMINGS	•	9-1	50.00%		•	36.73%
2nd	SANTE MICHIELIN		8-2	50.00%			37.09%
3rd *	LOU BUSCH		5-5	43.18%			33.04%
4th *	RON DENMAN	_	5-5	52.63%	_		29.31%
5th	VINCE HERKEL	_	3-3 3-7	43.75%			31.77%
6th	JOE BRIETKOPF	-	_	26.92%		442	19.68%
OCII	JOE BRIEIROPF	QUESNEL	0-10	20.92%	07	442	19.00%
	MEN - CLASS O	C (35 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	DON CAMERON	•	8-2	38.63%	_	- •	26.84%
2nd	SCOTT O`NEIL		7-3	35.71%			23.80%
3rd	BEN MACMULLAN	-	6-4	30.00%		400	24.50%
4th	BOB BARKER		5-5	40.62%			20.86%
5th	DON MCSWAIN	-	3-7	23.91%	-	478	15.69%
6th	ROBIN DEGRAAF		1-9	31.48%	_	462	16.66%
0011	NODIN DEGLERE	CLOVLIDILL		31.400	• •	102	10.000
	MEN - CLASS I	(25 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st #	RON FLEET	VICTORIA	8-2	40.90%	87	338	25.73%
2nd	CLAYTON WHITE	VICTORIA	7-3	33.33%	84	348	24.13%
3rd	JIM GRANT	CLOVERDALE	4-5	34.37%	78	356	21.91%
4th	JACK WRIGHT	CENTRAL PARK	0-9	22.91%	40	338	11.83%
		E (25Pts/40Sh)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	JOHN JUTEAU	LADYSMITH	5-1	26.92%	30	218	13.76%
2nd	RICK HOBDAY	VICTORIA	3-3	20.83%	22	198	11.11%
3rd	CHRIS MACDONALD	VICTORIA	1-5	12.50%	17	212	8.01%
4th	ERIC WAKEFIELD	Withdrew Rnd 1	0-0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
		7 (25Pts/30Sh)	W-L	H/G			PERCENT
1st	DON WARD	ABBOTSFORD	6-3	13.33%		270	
2nd	DALLAS WAKEFIELD	CLOVERDALE	5-4	10.00%	13	274	
3rd	RAY COFFIN	ABBOTSFORD	4-5	16.66%	15	270	5.55%
4th	KYLE WAKEFIELD	CLOVERDALE	3-6	10.00%	6	274	2.18%

LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS

It's truly amazing to see someone dominate a class like Elyse has. She continues to win title after title at the BC Championships. The one title that she wants badly is the Canadian, with any luck and continued excellent play Elyse will have a shot at this in 2012.

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WOMEN - CLASS A (40 Points) W-L H/G Rs S/P PERCENT

1st ELYSE BRUNELLE ...... CENTRAL PARK 10-0 68.75% 250 402 62.18%

2nd * VIVIANN FENDLE ...... PENTICTON 6-4 66.66% 219 420 52.14%
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3rd *	JUNE THOMPSON VICTORIA	6-4	63.04%	192	370	51.89%
4th **	JUANITA LAYE SUMMERLAND	4-6		192	430	44.65%
5th **	LORRAINE HUBICK POWELL RIVER	4-6	50.00%	162	396	40.90%
6th	SAM BARTON Withdrew Rnd 6	0-10	48.21%	71	210	33.80%
	WOMEN - CLASS B (40 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	KATHY JUTEAU LADYSMITH	8-2	56.52%	225	506	44.46%
2nd	MARGARET ONYSCHTSCHUK DRY CREEK	7-3	57.14%	244	530	46.03%
3rd	SAMANTHA SALMON VICTORIA	6-4	56.81%	234	508	46.06%
4th	CHERYL DEGRAAF CLOVERDALE	5-5	46.55%	183	504	36.30%
5th *	SHARON DALY VICTORIA	2-8	52.27%	192	526	36.50%
6th *	ELAINE STERN PRINCE GEORGE	2-8	41.07%	163	470	34.68%
	WOMEN - CLASS C (35 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	ANNETTE BARONS CLOVERDALE	8-2	50.00%	152	398	38.19%
2nd	HELENE BOUDREAU QUESNEL	7-3	50.00%	150	436	34.40%
3rd	SUSAN MACDONALD VICTORIA	6-4	40.00%	124	406	30.54%
4th	PAT DUNCAN PRINCE GEORGE	5-5	42.59%	122	414	29.46%
5th	BETTY CLARKE VICTORIA	4-6				17.24%
6th	SUE BERTRAND CLOVERDALE	0-10	15.38%	14	328	4.26%
	WOMEN - CLASS D (30 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	DOROTHY KRIMMER VICTORIA		55.55%			
2nd *		6-4	38.23%			
3rd *		6-4	38.23%		364	
4th **	ANNABELLE SIEVERT CLOVERDALE		38.23%			27.11%
5th **	JESSICA DEGRAAF CLOVERDALE	3 <i>,</i> 3-7	46.15%		356	
6th	CINDY HELGESON WINFIELD	2-8	33.33%			20.78%
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	WOMEN - CLASS E (30Pts/40Sh)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	CHERYL BRIETKOPF QUESNEL	7-1	53.84%	79	280	28.21%
2nd *	FAITH JUELL SALMON ARM	5-3	30.00%	58	290	20.00%
3rd *	SHIRLEY HOPKINS ABBOTSFORD	5-3	27.50%	59	304	19.40%
4th	MARLENE HARGREAVES VICTORIA	2-6	22.50%	40	312	12.82%
5th	DONNA MINOT CLOVERDALE	1-7	17.50%	44	310	14.19 %
	WOMEN - CLASS F (25Pts/40Sh)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st #	ALINE PREVOST CLOVERDALE	7-2	21.05%	38	328	11.58%
2nd	SHAUN WAKEFIELD CLOVERDALE	6-3	22.50%		344	
3rd	SANDRA HANSON POWELL RIVER	5-3	18.42%	41	300	13.66%
4th	DIANE GRANT CLOVERDALE	2-6			294	
5th	ROBIN MORAN CLOVERDALE	1-7	8.82%		290	

ELDERS 30 FT CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS

Jerry Melissa is our new champion for 2012. The interesting news is that Jerry has also won the Men's 40 Ft Championship on several occasions. I would have to look through the records, but I think this is a first that someone has won both titles in their career.

ELDE	RS 30 FEET - CLASS A (40 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	JERRY MELISSA VICTORIA	8-2	70.58%	267	488	54.71%
2nd *	MAURICE STERN PRINCE GEORGE	6-4	68.18%	254	496	51.20%
3rd *	MURRAY RAYNER LADYSMITH	6-4	57.89%	241	520	46.34%
4th	AL GUSHTA KAMLOOPS	5-5	63.88%	253	518	48.84%
5th	JIM BALL CENTRAL PARK	3-7	52.77%	203	496	40.92%
6th	DARRYL OLSON ABBOTSFORD	2-8	51.92%	181	462	39.17%
ELDE	RS 30 FEET - CLASS B (40 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	LIONEL HANSON POWELL RIVER	8-2	52.63%	177	464	38.14%
2nd	JOHN COLLIN ABBOTSFORD	7-3	41.37%	148	468	31.62%
3rd	IRVINE THORPE ABBOTSFORD	6-4	47.82%	165	488	33.81%
4th	DAN COFFIN ABBOTSFORD	5-5	52.94%	134	492	27.23%

5th	ALBERT HELLYER PENTICTON					
6th	HANK HILDEBRAND Withdrew Rnd 9	0-10	40.90%	117	378	30.95%
ELDE	RS 30 FEET - CLASS C (35 Points)	W-T.	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	KEVIN SCALLON KAMLOOPS	8-4	39.47%			26.55%
2nd *	ARCHIE RADOWITS ABBOTSFORD	7-5	47.82%			32.36%
3rd *	TED PETERS SALMON ARM	7-5	38.88%			
4th	EDWIN KRIEG SALMON ARM	6-6	38.63%			26.73%
5th **	DON MYRFIELD VERNON	5-7	44.44%	_		31.97%
6th **	BRIAN RYDER PROVINCIAL		40.00%			
7th	BEN MEYER CLOVERDALE	_	34.37%			25.84%
ELDE	RS 30 FEET - CLASS D (30 Points)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st #	RON DUMONT VICTORIA	7-4	40.00%	122	422	28.91%
2nd	ERNEST SIEVERT CLOVERDALE	7-5	37.50%	126	496	25.40%
3rd	MIKE THOMPSON VICTORIA	6-5	34.37%	98	440	22.27%
4th	FRANK GALLANT ABBOTSFORD	5-5	39.28%	103	372	27.68%
5th	PHILIP DAVIDSON PROVINCIAL	4-6	50.00%	85	354	24.01%
6th	WAYNE HODGINS VICTORIA	3-7	36.11%	95	400	23.75%
ELDE	RS 30 FEET - CLASS E (25Pts/40Sh)	W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st	PHIL KREPPS ABBOTSFORD	7-1	32.50%	59	302	19.53%
2nd	GARY BECK CLOVERDALE	6-2	27.50%	50	300	16.66%
3rd	MARCEL PINETTE QUESNEL	5-3	25.00%	37	302	12.25%
4th	FRANK HUBICK POWELL RIVER	2-6	10.00%	24	310	7.74%
5th	ANDY MORAN CLOVERDALE	8-0	13.88%	26	274	9.48%

AGM SEPTEMBER 2, 2011 – CLOVERDALE

SIGN IN: Sam Tomasevic (President), Dorothy Krimmer (Treasurer), Cheryl Degraaf (Vice President), Sue Macdonald (Secretary), Marcel Pinette (Northern Rep.), John Hamler (Interior/Kootenay Rep.), Lorraine Hubick (Island/Powell River Rep.), Absent: Elyse Brunelle (Lower Mainland Rep.)

DELEGATE SIGN IN: (Abbotsford: Dan Coffin, Archie Radowits) (Central Park: Wendy Tomasevic) (Cloverdale: Jim Grant, Phylliss Knowles) (Kamloops: Muriel Scallon) (Ladysmith: Lou Busch) (Penticton: Vivien Fendle) (Port Alberni: Jack Dabney) (Powell River: Lionel Hanson, Sandra Hanson) (Quesnel: Helene Bodreau) (Salmon Arm: Faith Juel) (Summerland: Juanita Laye) (Vernon: Don Myrfield) (Victoria: Betty Clarke, Tom Moffat, Mike Thompson, June Thompson, Jerry Melissa) (Winfield: Cindy Helgeson) (Provincial: Robin Degraaf) (Prince George not represented)

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 PM

AGENDA: No additions

MINUTES FROM 2010 AGM IN PRINCE GEORGE: Motion by Cheryl Degraaf that the minutes be accepted as read. Seconded by Wendy Tomasevic. Passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: First I would like to thank the executive for their hard work in 2011, it's been difficult at times, we have a few new executive members who are learning on the fly and they have done an excellent job of catching on.

This has been a tough year for tournament attendance; the economy seems to be hitting us hard. Hopefully this improves in 2012.

We have 100 entries for the BC Champs, which is good and the weather sure looks great.

See you all next year, have a great off season.

FINANCIAL REPORT: No questions regarding financial statement. Dorothy Krimmer will put in application for gaming funds. Dorothy Krimmer moved that the financial statement be accepted as read. Seconded by Jack Dabney. Passed.

REGIONAL REP. REPORTS:

NORTHERN REP. MARCEL PINETTE:

Prince George will be hosting the 2012 Western Classic. The insurance company for Quesnel Parks overlaps the BCHA insurance. City of Prince George getting back to me as they also think it overlaps. Membership dues get in as fast as possible, but the snow stays longer so it usually later when we get started, so dues are sent later. The Prince George Club was short for members, Elaine and Maurice Stern moved to Chilliwack. Viv Vallee away for wedding in another country. Mike Cummingham was off for his leg. Elmer and Maureen Braun did not play this year as Elmer not feeling well. Quesnel Club was also short for members. Earle Gillard not well. Ted Kupperschmidt not playing much as getting forgetful at the age of 85. Lloyd Osborne had an accident in the Spring. Dave Dunlop has a bad shoulder. Roy Lecomte has a bad arm.

ISLAND/POWELL RIVER REP. LORRAINE HUBICK:

Ladysmith:

Hosted three sanctioned tournaments this spring & summer, incorporating into two of them, Mixed Open Tournaments, which were well attended. These tournaments took place on weekends with a holiday Monday and after receiving some good feedback from those attending we have decided to change the format as follows: The Mixed Open will take place on the Saturday, Men will play on the Sunday, & Ladies on the Monday. The reason for the change is that usually we only have a morning shift of Ladies playing and by having them play on the Monday will give players coming by ferry or from a ways, more time to get back home. At the present time we have drafted up plans to add to the back of the club house two showers and two more bathrooms, one will be wheel chair accessible.

We feel that this would greatly enhance our available amenities, not only for horseshoe players attending our tournaments but also for the many organizations that rent our facility and other groups that utilize Transfer Beach Park. We are just starting to work with our city works and recreation departments and it would be nice to have this in place for next summer, lots of work ahead of us.

Powell River:

Since the last report of July 8th, 2011 the Powell River Club has been going steady, and notice there are some pitchers that are practicing in between scheduled pitching days. They are becoming true horseshoe pitchers. Occasionally there will be some folks that come down on Open Sunday mornings to give the flying shoe a try, with our club. So nice to meet new folks in our community. Now sitting at 36 members. The League play has come to the end, with the Bob Simmons team (the Shoe-ins) as champs, but with the play off, the winners are Bob Simmon's team again, his fellow pitchers are Nina Markham, Leonard MacLean, Lionel Desilets and yours truly – Lorraine Hubick, What an awesome season we have had keeping ahead of the other four teams, not only this achievement, Bob also made 104 points in a 50 shoe pitch, in the same play-off.

A few pitchers have attended the Island Champs in Victoria, also the Ladysmith Stew Battie Memorial Open. On Aug 6-7th, Frank and Lorraine Hubick attended the Victoria Saanich Open and Victoria Open, then traveling to Blainville, Quebec, along with 9 other BC pitchers, for the Canadians. On our part, not doing so well as wanted, but truly enjoyed the fun and friendship of 239 pitchers. What an experience. A few of us will be attending the BC.'s in Cloverdale. On August 20th, our club held its Fall Wind-Up with 1 from Campbell River and 6 from Dry Creek attending; they helped us have a fun challenging day of 24 pitchers, with an outdoor Dinner that followed. When I catch-up with myself - I will post pictures on the Web page. Our club now ends for the 2011 season, but as long as the weather holds out in favor of pitching, most of us will come out on Open Sunday's 9:30am to 1pm. We will be having an awards and banquet evening the end of October. For those who choose to attend the last of the season pitching at the Victoria Open Classic, it will be fun. Look forward to being with all the BC pitchers in the 2012 season.

Victoria:

FALL DROP IN- After things wrap up for the season, in September, some die hards still come out for a mixed fun Sunday morning drop in. This continues until the cold rain of November makes us want to stay inside.

WINTER LEAGUE-There were about 2 dozen hardy members who braved the very cold, wet and windy season. Hot lunches at the end, were a welcome part of each Sunday. We played from early Feb to mid April.

LADIES LEAGUE-Our ladies' league had 9 teams (of 4 to 6 players each) playing this year. Our season went from late April to mid August, playing 2 games each Wednesday evening.

MEN'S LEAGUE- The men's league had 14 teams this year. Their season went from early April to mid August, playing 3 games each Tuesday / Thursday evening.

WEDNESDAY AM MEN'S DROP IN- This drop in league is still going strong with anywhere from 24 to 40 players competing every Wednesday morning. Afterwards, they enjoy a lunch of meat pies and coffee. The age for this group is from around 55 yrs to mid 90s. (yes 90s)

SCHOOL GROUPS - Dorothy Krimmer is still providing one hour information and playing sessions at our hs club, with various groups of high school students. There

are several schools involved each year. Dorothy reports that she has around 24 to 27 classes, ranging in size from 20-38 students in each. These classes generally start up in March or April, break for the summer in July and August, then run again in September and October. It is hoped that these students will talk to their parents and grandparents about our club and facilities, as we are always looking for new members, of all ages.

This past June, we had a 40 th grad reunion class come to our club, for an afternoon of "shoes" and a BBQ. A mini tournament was run, and a good time was had by all. It is hoped that next season we may see some of them come and play in our adult leagues. Other groups which have come out to play, are Big Brothers And Sisters, University Of Victoria, and the Penticostal Church.

TOURNAMENTS - The GVHPA holds 3 regular tournaments each year, with the addition of taking our turn at hosting the Canadian Championships, the Provincial Championships, or the Island Championships. The Victoria Open was scheduled for May 28 th. On May 23 rd, in the wee hours of the morning, our beer fridge overheated and caused smoke damage throughout the clubhouse. Thanks to our alarm system, we did not lose the entire club. Our first tournament had to then be rescheduled for August 06 th.

Island Championships- We had 71pitchers come out for this 2 day event.

Victoria Open- We had 67pitchers come out for this event, which was held on the Saturday before our Saanich Open.

Saanich Open- We had 63 pitchers come out for this event, which was held the day following our rescheduled Victoria Open.

Autumn Classic Mixed Open- This tournament is scheduled for Sunday, September 11 th. Still time for you to register for it.

CRIB NIGHT- This is held on Thursday evenings and attracts a group of regular players.

FRIDAY NIGHT DARTS. This popular event has been part of our club for many years.

FRIDAY NIGHT DOUBLES DROP IN HS. For something new, we tried a drop in doubles night. As it is on the same evening as darts, people can try either one or the other.

ENTERTAINMENT. There are a variety of evenings where no hs are played. There are dinner/dances, such as the very popular western themed night, complete with line dancing. Newfie Night,

complete with the Newfie Trio (of 2) is also very popular. Several times a year, there are Texas Holdem tournaments.

NEW MEMBERS -During the year, we try and reach out to the community through various events. We held an Open House in March, and also attended a fun day outside a local grocery store where a temporary hs pit was set up. New members came out after both events. We also set up a booth at the Seniors Expo, which is attended by seniors from all over Vancouver Island. Our League stats are put in the local paper, and some of the other community papers print articles and information on our club and its events. Our local TV stations have also been out to some of our tournaments and provided good exposure for the club.

ONGOING PROJECTS- Our club is always looking to improve or expand. There are many projects on the go at any one time. For the next season you will see some changes to our outdoor areas.

Our picnic table area with the tent overhead will be enlarged. Instead of the temporary white tent, we will have a permanent roof overhead.

The area near the BBQ out back, will also be enlarged and improved. Grass will be taken up, and patio blocks will be placed down. A brick wall will then surround the area.

We at the GVHPA look forward to seeing all our friends from other BC clubs next season.

Port Alberni:

We had a good year. Changed our format for our tournament in June and made it a 2 day event with a catered dinner on the Saturday evening. Our high school program brought out 8 students to volunteer at our tournament as well. Pete McMurdo and John Schroeder passed away.

INTERIOR/KOOTEANY REP. JOHN HAMLER:

I am not getting any input from the clubs in my area. I have reminded all the clubs to make sure if they have members attending this weekend to have their delegate(s) here at the meeting to exercise their voting privileges. We continue to see a decline in tournament participation. I keep hearing things like "They don't support us so to hell with them". I think this a bad attitude to have.

It doesn't look like there will be a club in Nicola Valley next year. I have not received official word as of yet. One of their founding members George McDonald passed away this year and some of the other members have had other things way more important than horseshoes to deal with.

I held a zone meeting in Penticton at their tournament on July 23. 28 members were present. I reminded everyone about the provincials. To get delegates to the AGM and get their entry forms & payment into Sam by the deadline. I answered questions about how averages are calculated and where they can be found. One thing that came up was Handicapping. As per our "Rules for running a Sanctioned Tournament" #22 it states that Handicapping for the 3 regional championships, The International / Highwayman & the Provincials is not allowed. A discussion followed by a vote to see how people felt about this. It was unanimous that all thought it should be allowed in the Interior -Kootenay - North championships. It would only be used if needed to make up fair groups. It was noted that with our dwindling numbers sometimes handicapping is a good way to do things. Especially in the 40' divisions. We often only get 4 or 6 and their averages can have a huge range. Way over the recommended 10% range. The group didn't want to change things for all the other tournaments I mentioned, just their own regional championship. We have done this before in other tournaments and everyone liked it. The group has asked me to discuss this at the AGM and I assume I can do that when we discuss "New Business". Some of the clubs would like a complete copy of the insurance policies in place for the BCHA and I have requested that from Dorothy.

I would like to wish all the pitchers good luck this weekend and I'm just glad I'm here.

LOWER MAINLAND REP. ELYSE BRUNELLE (Read by John Hamler in her absence):

Cloverdale members have been working very hard to prepare for the BC Championship Tournament to be hosted by our club. Repairs, painting and fund raising projects have been under taken and has produced great results which can be witnessed as the tournament gets under way. We are very proud of all members who participated in the BC Senior Games with all but 2 receiving medals. After the BC Championships our members will lay back then enjoy the Abbotsford Wind-up and Lower Mainland Championships at Central Park.

Central Park is doing well with quite a few new members but only a few are playing. We have held three very good tournaments so far this year. Our kitchen staff does a great job preparing the meals for us, no one can leave hungry.

We are hosting the Lower Mainland Championships on Sept 18th and we are hoping for a good turnout. Our Wednesday fun night is going well but we would like to see more. We were happy to have Elyse compete at the Canadian Tournament. We are very proud of her great effort.

Abbotsford: This year has gone by quite quickly and has been successful. Our first 3 tournaments have been good, even though we were hoping for more players. The BC International/Highwayman attracted 70 pitchers. Since then I have met with Diane Davies the owner of the Highwayman and she has confirmed her support for next year. We have changed the name of our club to the Abbotsford Horseshoe Club to save a lot of confusion people were having with M.S.A. We have got a few new members and we are getting a lot of people showing interest now that we are in a more visible location. We hope it will attract more for next year. We have been doing a lot of work around the clubhouse and have just put in kitchen cabinets which will give us more storage and a better work area. A few of us went to Bellingham's tournament and they were very glad to see some Canadians. They said more will try to come to our last tournament but they indicated that a lot of them don't play on Sundays.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Canadian Hall of Fame: Angeline Moisson

BC Hall of Fame: Linda Prentise

Supplies/Jackets/Crests: Inventory Sheet Available on request

BC Senior Games: Held in Castlegar. We had 35 medalists, congratulations to all.

2012 Tournaments: BC Championships – Victoria

BC Internationals – Abbotsford BC Senior Games - Burnaby

Western Classic - Prince George June 11-12

Canadians - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan July 11-14

Worlds – Knoxville, Tennessee July 23 – Aug 4)

NEW BUSINESS:

John Hamler made a motion for the Interior/Kootenay Championships to be handicapped. Seconded by Faith Juell. 23 in favor. 5 opposed. Motion Passed.

Robin Degraaf made a motion to increase BCHA dues by \$6 per member in lieu of insurance assessment to each club. Seconded by Jim Grant. 26 in favor. 2 opposed. Motion Passed.

ELECTIONS:

President: Sam Tomasevic let his name stand. Faith Juell nominated John Hamler. Betty Clarke nominated Cheryl Degraaf. Jim Grant nominated Archie Radowits. John Hamler declined. Cheryl Degraaf declined. Archie Radowits declined. Sam Tomasevic will stay on as President for another term.

Treasurer: Dorothy Krimmer let her name stand. Phyliss Knowles nominated by Jim Grant. Shaun Wakefield nominated by Dale Bauer. Phyliss Knowles accepted nomination. Shaun Wakefield accepted nomination. Voting took place. Dorothy Krimmer successful candidate for another term. Motion by John Hamler to destroy ballots. Seconded by Helene Bodreau. All in favor.

Northern Rep: Marcel Pinette let his name stand. No other nominations. Marcel Pinette will stay on for another term.

Island/Powell River Rep: Lorraine Hubick let her name stand. No other nominations. Lorraine will stay on for another term.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:45 PM

WINNERS OF BCHA RAFFLE:\$400.00 to Carolyn Fiddler from Cloverdale, \$300.00 to Bob Mayr from Port Alberni, \$200.00 to Sue Helgeson from Winfield, \$100.00 to Erle Salmon (team 5) from Victoria

HORSESHOE CANADA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 2011

The annual general meeting of Horseshoe Canada was called to order at 4:05 p.m., Aug 10th, 2011 in the "Manege" at Parc Equestre

1. President Cecil Mitchell welcomed all present. 29 people in attendance. DELEGATES & CONTACTS:

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- 2. A moment of silence was observed for horseshoe players whom have passed on.
- 3. The agenda was presented. Moved by Mary Holley, 2nd by Jane Cordingley that we accept the agenda, all in favour and carried.
- 4. Secretary read the minutes of the 2010 meeting. Tammy Christensen moved to adopt the minutes as read, 2nd by Jane Cordingley, all in favour and carried.
- 5. Business arising from minutes: Vice President, Tom Moffatt questioned the World Tournament Fund. It was explained that if Canada were to host a World tournament, we require \$3.00 for every adult member for the prize fund.
- 6. Auditor's report/Treasurer's report was combined and presented by Sheryl Arnold. \$4,370.94.00, World Tournament fund \$6,255.00. Loss as of May 31, 2011 was \$721.23. Sheryl noted that some provinces have not paid their dues; also yearbooks are not paid up. Jack E Adams inquired whether Sheryl had applied for the GST rebate. Sheryl replied no. Jack replied this should be done. Wally Arnold moved to accept the reports, 2nd by Elyse Brunelle.
- 7. Correspondence: none
- 8. REPORTS
- ➤ Tournament Director: Wally Arnold gave his report, 239 entries consisting of 131 men, 51 women, 4 SR women, 37 elders, 4 SR 40' men, and 11 juniors. Prize payout and playing schedule will be posted on the wall. Please help with scorekeeping and judging. 2012 entry form will be ready before the end of the tournament. Would like to pay scorekeepers \$3.00 per game for last shift of every day for this tournament only. Tammy Christensen had a concern of where would the money come from for this. Wally answer that there was enough money in the scorekeeping fund to cover this. Would like to work toward purchasing electronic scorekeeping.
- NHPA: Mary Holley reported this year. The savings for the NHPA using electronic scorekeeping was about \$10,000.00. The computers were donated and each scorekeeper keeps score for two games at a time.
 2012 Knoxville, Tennessee, (July 23 to Aug 4)
 2013 St George, Utah, (July 22 to Aug 3)
 Chances of Canada hosting the Worlds are slim because of the passport issues.
 Discussed senior ladies moving up three feet.
- Rules and Regulations: No changes
 Yearbook: Andre Leclerc: cost is now \$9.81. 140 books printed at a cost of \$1,373.00 included postage.
 We need to think about the future of printing yearbooks. Andre sends a letter with the order stating the number of books sent. Provinces should pay Horseshoe Canada's treasurer using this letter as a reference.
- Coaching: Tammy Christensen has had no luck with updating the coaching manual thru the University of Saskatchewan. President Cecil Mitchell will check with Dalhousie University in Halifax and work with Tammy on this project.
- ➤ Hall of Fame: Jack Adams: This year, outstanding female player, Angeline Moisan was inducted. Next year outstanding male player. Require resumes by the end of April 2011.
- ➤ Progress 2012 Championships: To be held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, July 11 thru 15 at the Curling Club. Tammy handed out several folders with info also there will be a web page available. Banquet and meeting will be held at the Club. 22 or 24 courts available.
- Progress 2013 Championships: Received an e mail from Jason Rideout, from New Brunswick regretting that they were unable to host the 2013 championship.

- ➤ CANSTATS: Andre Leclerc reported he is using an access program. He is working on a web feature that will have stats for each player for the last 3 years, hopes to have ready for next year.
- Public Relations: Mary Holley reported she has vests and a limited number of 2011 pins.
- > National Awards: Due to illness the 2010 awards were not ready.
- President: Cecil Mitchell thanked several people for their dedication to horseshoes. He welcomed PEI and congratulated Angeline Moisan. Lastly he thanked all the participants whom supported Horseshoe Canada at the 2011 championships in Blainville.

- 9. Motion to accept reports: Elyse Brunelle, 2nd Jane Cordingley, carried.
- 10. Business arising from reports: Motion by Wally Arnold, 2nd Mary Holly to appoint Joyce Branson as auditor, carried.
- 11. Unfinished business: Motion by Wally Arnold to pay last shift of the day \$3.00 for this tournament only, 2nd by Jane Cordingley, voted 5 for, 3 against, carried. Motion by Wally Arnold to pursue use of electronic scorekeeping, 2nd by Mary Holley, Amendment by Tammy Christensen to send the financial implications to the executive and bring back to the AGM in 2012 for discussion, vote 8 for, 0 against.
- 12. Canadian Championships: 2014 Alberta ready to go in Calgary, date to be determined.
- 13. Resolution: Motion by Dorothy Butts to eliminate the SR Men's 40' and Senior Ladies division from the Canadian Tournament, 2nd by Dale Squires, tables until 2011. A lengthy debate was held, when Jack E Adams suggested since we where getting no were, to go on with other business and have a meeting with the President, two members of the executive and one delegate per province later on and vote after the opening ceremonies on Aug 11, 2011.

14. Election of Directors:

- 1) President (two years) –nomination Cecil Mitchell, BC, no other nominations, Cecil accepted.
- 2) Treasurer (two years) –nomination Sheryl Arnold, no other nominations, Sheryl accepted
- 3) Public Relations (three years) nomination Mary Holley, no other nominations, Mary accepted.
- 15. Appointments by the President.

National Award Chairperson: Dorothy Butts

NHPA representative: Andre Leclerc

Rules and regulations chairperson: Jack Adams

Hall of Fame Chairperson: Jack Adams

Canstats: Andre Leclerc

Yearbook Editor: Andre Leclerc

Coaching: as above

- 16. Meeting adjournment Meeting adjourned until 8:30p.m.on Aug 10, 2011
- 17. Horseshoe Canada AGM (Aug 10, 2011) carried over until 8:30p.m., where all points negative and positive placed against the motion were reviewed by all Provinces towards a vote. The vote was again a summons to the extension of the meeting carried over August 11, 2011 at 10:30a.m., where the vote went along with very quick results where it was just a vote from each province to take place.
 - 1) This outcome of the Vote negative or positive will be stipulated to have a 5year term before it is brought back for future discussion or consideration, all Provinces agreed.
 - 2) That if any province could not attend the extension meeting because it followed directly after the opening ceremonies that the vote could be taken from them that day within the facility.
 Vote on the following: Motion by Dorothy Butts to eliminate the SR Men's 40' and Senior Ladies division from the Canadian Tournament, 2nd by Dale Squires, tables until 2011.

To eliminate: BC-2, Sask-2, Man-2 and QC-2 =8
To keep: AB-2, Ont-2, NB-2 and NS-2 =8, TOTAL = TIE WHICH WAS BROKEN
BY HORSESHOE CANADA PRESIDENT CECIL MITCHELL IN FAVOUR 9-8 TO
KEEPAND REMAIN IN PLACE.

Motion to adjourn at 10:55a.m., by Harold Tatton, 2nd by Duncan McKenzie.

PRESIDENTS REPORT - 2012

Welcome to 2012, it's been a long winter for most on us and I am sure we are all looking forward to getting out and pitching shoes.

Interesting to note how some people have told me they find our newsletter boring, well maybe if those that fine it boring would send in something they might realize how difficult it is to do a newsletter. A newsletter is only as good as what is given to the editor. The job of the editor is not to make up articles; it's their job to put it together from the information provided. Pardon me for ranting. As I have mentioned on several occasions, if someone wants to take over the newsletter they are more than welcomed to do so. I would be more than happy to give it up.

See you on the courts. Sam Tomasevic

B.C. INTERNATIONAL/HIGHWAYMAN OPEN JULY 28-29/2012

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CITY:POSTAL CODE:
TELPHONE NO:
CLASS: CHECK ONE ONLY
OPEN MEN'S (18+OLDER) OPEN LADIES (18+ OLDER)
JR. BOYS (18 AND UNDER) JR. GIRLS (18 AND UNDER)
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REGISTRATION FEE: \$20.00 MUST ACCOMPANY THIS ENTRY FORM.
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