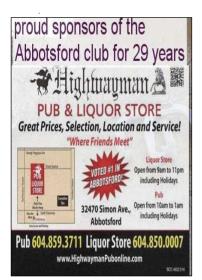


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2018 BC INTERNATIONAL/HIGHWAYMAN OPEN – MAY 19-20, 2018 – ABBOTSFORD HORSESHOE CLUB - HODGINS RETAINS TITLE, DAVIS RECAPTURES TITLE, CHAPELLE NEW ELDERS CHAMP

On a lovely weekend 55 players entered the event (we had the same number in 2017). The BCHA and the Abbotsford Horseshoe Club did a great job. Saturday night the Highwayman Pub had a dinner, which is always well attended. See you next year

Attending from Washington State:, Phyllis and Jim Quist, Jon Turnbull, Don Davis and Rhonda Davis. From Oregon, an old friend, Barry Chapelle and Russ Watkins

MEN	- CL	ASS A	(40 Poi	nts)	W-L	H/G	Rs S/I	PERCENT
1st	DON DAVI	s		WASHINGTON	8-1	69.23%	255 40	62.80%
2nd	TOM MOFF	AT		VICTORIA	7-2	80.00%	241 42	.6 57.93%
3rd	KEVIN CU	THBERT	·	VICTORIA	2-7	51.72%	177 42	20 42.14%
4th	RUSS WAT	KINS .		OREGON	1-8	57.50%	181 42	24 42.68%

In 2016 Don won this event, last year Tom won the event, this year Don got his title back, could this become a Don and Tom show??????





MEN	- CLASS B (35 Points)	W-L H/G	Rs S/P	PERCENT
1st	JON TURNBULL WAS	HINGTON 9-0 47.228	144 372	38.70%
2nd	SANTE MICHIELIN VIC	TORIA 6-3 33.33%	\$ 113 380	29.73%
3rd	CLAYTON WHITE VIC	TORIA 2-7 30.778	88 410	21.46%
4th	GORDON JULES KAM	LOOPS 1-8 22.928	\$ 55 374	14.70%

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MEN CLASS C (25Pts/40Sh) 1st GAETAN BENOIT CENTRAL PARK 7-1 29.17% 52 258 20.15% 2nd CLAUDE CLICHE VICTORIA 3rd * JOHN HAMLER WINFIELD 4th * DON MCSWAIN ABBOTSFORD 5th RAY COFFIN ABBOTSFORD



W-L H/G Rs S/P PERCENT 5-3 26.57% 48 272 17.64% 3-5 16.67% 27 272 9.92% 3-5 15.00% 23 280 8.21% 2-6 12.50% 16 286 5.59%



WOMEN (40 Points) CLASS A W-L H/G Rs S/P PERCENT _ 8-0 86.67 266 344 77.32% 1st LINDSAY HODGINS VICTORIA 2nd JUANITA LAYE SUMMERLAND 0-8 66.13%192 344 55.81%





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WOMEN	-	CLASS B	(40 Poi	nts)	W-L	H/G	Rs S/	P PERCENT
1st	JENNA	JOHN		KAMLOOPS	8-2	61.90%	219 5	510 42.94%
2nd *	DIANE	DUCHESNE		CENTRAL PARK	7-3	38.64%	175 5	540 32.40%
3rd *	LORRAI	NE HUBICK		POWELL RIVER	7-3	36.00%	174 5	558 31.18%
4th	PHYLLI	S QUIST .		WASHINGTON	4-6	51.47%	179 4	188 36.68%
5th	PAT ST	EVENS		VICTORIA	3-7	37.50%	141 4	498 28.31%
6th	CINDY	HELGESON		WINFIELD	1-9	35.48%	112 4	494 22.67%





THE
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BREWHOUSE

WOME	N –	CLASS	С	(35	E	oints)
1st	CHANTAL	WILSO	Ν			. SOOKE
2nd	LOUISE	HAMEL				. VICTORIA
3rd	DORIS W	ILTON				. WINFIELD
4th	PATTI J	OHNSON	•			. VICTORIA
5th	ELAINE	STERN	••		••	. ABBOTSFORD



W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
7-1	50.00%	111	324	34.25%
6-2	64.29%	126	324	38.88%
4 - 4	42.31%	80	314	25.47%
2-6	22.06%	49	308	15.90%
1-7	36.67%	91	366	24.86%
5		City.		



WOMEN	- CLASS D (25Pts/40)	Sh) V	N-L I	H/G	RS	S/P	PERCENT
1st #	GAIL BISHOP	SOOKE	7-3	32.14%	72	338	21.30%
2nd	SUE BERTRAND	ABBOTSFORD	6-4	39.29%	72	342	21.05%
3rd	CHERYL CLICHE	VICTORIA	5-4	50.00%	71	312	22.75%
4th	DOROTHY HARROLD	PENTICTON	1-8	23.53%	46	308	14.93%









ELDERS 30 FEET CLASS A (40 Poi	ints) W-L H/G	Rs	S/P	PERCENT
1st BARRY CHAPELLE OREC	GON 5-3 68.42 ⁹	206	386	53.36%
2nd DON FLEMING ABBO	DTSFORD 4-4 76.47	≥ 174	368	47.28%
3rd DARRYL OLSON ABBC	DTSFORD 3-5 60.71	≩ 177	390	45.38%









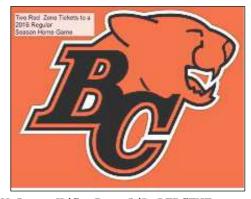
ELDERS 30 FEET CLASS C (35 PC	oints) W-L	H/G	Rs	S/P B	PERCENT
1st HENRY DYCK WI	INFIELD 7-2	41.67%	142	434	32.71%
2nd JIM WILLIAMS AB	BOTSFORD 5-4	50.00%	144	424	33.96%
3rd ARCHIE RADOWITS AB	BOTSFORD 4-5	34.00%	114	418	27.27%
4th DWAYNE BERTRAND AB	BOTSFORD 2-7	36.84%	113	404	27.97%





FROM THE EDITORS DESK This edition of the ringer round up is being produced in 2 sections. One section with articles and the 2nd section will have entry forms and other pertinent information on major events





FEET CLASS D (30 Points)	W-L H/	G RS S/P PERCENT
KEN SMORANG ABBOTSFORD	9-1 34.21%	\$ 105 410 25.60%
BRIAN RICKABY ABBOTSFORD	8-2 40.00%	\$ 93 366 25.40%
JIM QUIST WASHINGTON	5-5 34.21%	\$ 99 408 24.26%
BRIAN RYDER ABBOTSFORD	4-6 34.48%	\$ 99 448 22.09%
PAUL JAMES PENTICTON	3-7 25.00%	\$ 62 422 14.69%
JIM HARROLD PENTICTON	1-9 28.26%	\$ 67 426 15.72%
	KEN SMORANGABBOTSFORDBRIAN RICKABYABBOTSFORDJIM QUISTWASHINGTONBRIAN RYDERABBOTSFORDPAUL JAMESPENTICTON	JIM QUIST WASHINGTON 5-5 34.218 BRIAN RYDER ABBOTSFORD 4-6 34.488 PAUL JAMES PENTICTON 3-7 25.008



ELDERS 30 FEET -1st DAN COFFIN ABBOTSFORD 2nd * ROD HERRIOT ABBOTSFORD 3rd * FRANK HUBICK POWELL RIVER 4th LORNE LISTOEN ABBBOTSFORD 5th IRVINE THORPE ABBOTSFORD

CLASS E (25Pts/40Sh)



W-L H/G Rs S/P PERCENT 8-0 15.79% 34 310 10.96% 4-4 23.53% 42 312 13.46% 4-4 20.59% 26 308 8.44% 3-5 34.62% 42 302 13.90% 1-7 11.54% 15 300 5.00%







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Brian Ryder - Penticton +5.91%

Gail Bishop - Sooke +9.55%





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ON THE MEND



Tony Rondow our Vice-President had a heart attack on April 15, 2018 – he had 3 stints put in. Tony wants to thank everyone for thinking of him and any prayers said. Following, from Megan, just wanted to say Tony is home, thank God we are all together again I wanted to say thank you to Sheri and Christine we would've have been together if it wasn't for you guys and to George and Melanie for giving us a place to stay the Rondow family are internally grateful to you guys and thanks everyone for there's prayers I believe that everyone helped him with his recovery, we still got a ways

to go but slow and steady we will get there.



LAST SHOE – FROM MUNJ MANHAS

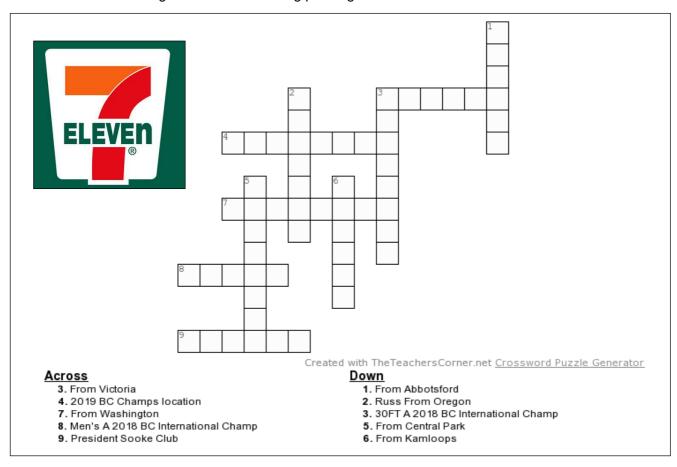
Hi Sam, my father (Jaswant "Bunt Manhas) passed away on Sunday April 15, 2018. He battled a brain tumor the past two years and was very ill near the end. He helped, and was a proud supporter of the Victoria horseshoe club in the early eighties with building supplies from his mill; I have many memories of him watching me play as a junior. Bunt was born on June 25, 1936 in Duncan, BC

TOM BLIGH BY BRENDA ARNOLD



It is with profound sadness that I'm passing on the news that Tom Bligh passed away April 23/18 after a hard fought battle. Our thoughts, love and sympathy go out to Faye, his children and his grandchildren (the lights of his life). We are also thinking of all his Good friends in Sooke. Tom was so involved in all things sport/community no matter where he resided. He was very involved with the Executive of the Victoria Horseshoe Club and was more than active in various activities in Sooke, most recently the start of the Sooke Horseshoe Club. He was an invaluable source of information, know-how and experience in all things "Committee". Just a small reason that he will be missed

so much. He loved to share stories and tell a joke or two and was so Proud of the success his grandkids were having pitching shoes.





BCHA 2018 BC INTERNATIONAL RAFFLE - 50/50 WINNERS

Vancouver Canadian baseball team 4 tickets \$64 - Tiffany Canadian Brewhouse \$328 – Brian Rickaby Coast Capital Savings – laptop knapsack \$40 – Sam Tomasevic PNE passes \$56 - Gordon Jules UBC MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY - \$75 – Jenna John AGASSIZ SPEEDWAY - \$75 – Dan Coffin 7-ELEVEN CANADA - \$100 - Gordon Jules WINGS - \$100 - Diane Cummings BC LIONS - \$146 - Ann Gushta WAVES COFFEE - \$25 - Cindy Helgeson Elements Casino Surrey - \$52 - Cheryl Cliche **KEG - \$25** – Cindy Helgeson Charles Chocolate Factory \$50 – Dorothy Harrold Richardson Group \$100 – Frank Gallant Canadian Tire \$50 – Brian Ryder Tim Horton's \$40 - Wayne Hodgins Boston Pizza \$60 – every attending got one 50/50 Draw - \$1045.00 - Bernie Lepper

Player draws

My Pillows - Jim Quist, Don Davis, Lorne Listoen, Jim Williams

Cash draws - \$25 – Jim Harrold, Juanita Laye, Lorraine Hubick, Doris Wilton Grandfathers Draw – Washington – US\$25 - Russ Watkins, Juanita Laye, Gordon Jules, Archie Radowits

RAFFLE – 50/50 WINNERS TO BE DRAWN AT THE BC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Open Road Hyundai USB power bank and a portable compressor Chilliwack chiefs hockey team – baseball cap and 4 2 for 1 tickets Old Spaghetti Factory Ltd. \$25 gift certificate Fraser Valley Wireless \$100.00 gift certificate Cabela's Canada – raffle item 4 IMPRINT CANADA - Tube Rechargeable Power Bank, Contigo Madison Sport Bottle - 24 oz. 7-ELEVEN CANADA \$100 gift card INSTANT POT COMPANY/COOKBOOK ctric Pressure Cooker Model LUX60 V3 6qt capacity SPORTSNET 650 2 am/fm weather radios, other merchandise and other prizing MY PILLOW – 2 Pillows WHITE DISTRIBUTORS - Horseshoe on line compact horseshoe carrying bag Hub INTERNATIONAL 50/50 - Player draws - My Pillows – Cash draws CANADIAN LEGION – Two golf shirts, Men's XL and Ladies L EIGHTEEN PASTURES GOLF COURSE 2 gift certificates at our pro-shop for one green fee each.

MEMBER PROFILE – LIL COLLINS – CENTRAL PARK HORSESHOE CLUB



Lil has been in charge of the Central Park club kitchen for about 10 years and makes sure we are fed and looked after.

When Lil retired she walked her dog, Nike, daily in Central Park circa 1 p.m.

Before the kitchen Lil went and played horseshoe with the boys. Started talking to John, then Ed, Gary and Harry.



They talked her into playing with them so she did that for a number of years. They liked her company and Lil liked theirs so it was very easy for Lil to go there every day. Her dogs loved them.

She got to know, Elyse on Saturdays and the rest of the group through time.

The club is very lucky to have a member like Lil; she has a bubbly personality, always a smile.

Lil tells me the big mistake she made was offering her help to Budd/Betty, they took her up on it and then one year they decided that she could do more than help. So that was the start. That's Lil's story and she's sticking to it.



PLAYER PROFILE - GVHPA MEMBER – JIM HOWARD

Jim Howard was born in Central Alberta, in the small town of Eckvile, just West of Red Deer, April of 1944. Shortly thereafter, in late 1945, his family relocated to Victoria, BC. to start a new life on the west coast.

In later years, Jim married and along the way had 4 daughters and 1 son. Hence; life in those days was busy and hectic. To date he has acquired 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Oh how the family tree has grown!

Jim's career interests in those early years were diversified, having worked for the likes of Canada Dry Bottling, Babco Paints, CP Transport; before working in the construction trade for B.C. Gypsum and Benson & Overbury to name a few; later retiring from the Victoria School District.

When his daughter, Sheila, hooked up with Kirk Galbraith in 2006, Jim was introduced to the Victoria Horseshoe Club. (Kirk and Sheila held their reception at the GVHPA Clubhouse). A few years later, after the death of his wife, Jim found himself needing to get out of the house and involve himself with something; but what? He needed to help fill that ever so present void in his life. His family encouraged him to take up the Sport of Horseshoe Pitching; what a great idea that was! As a matter of fact, Jim reunited with old acquaintances and horseshoe players, Sante Michielin and Dedar Dillon, who he worked alongside of during his work days. What a small world it is! Hence, in March 2015, he joined the GVHPA and has never looked back. The GVHPA members have all been great mentors and coaches to Jim; both in horseshoes and life in general. Their role in his life has helped him feel 'Full of Life' again and is very grateful to them all.



Jim's horseshoe game has improved tremendously since 2015, presently boasting a 19% ringer average. A memorable tournament for Jim was winning the 2017 Elders E during the Victoria Mixed Open. A fun day he calls. As the old adage says: "practice makes perfect"... Fall, Spring and Summer League Play, along with Wednesday AM and Sunday PM Drop-in's have been great times; and of course Bingo's and other Special Events that the club puts on has also added to his repertoire.

Jim says "It really is a great club to belong to. I had heard members say 'The GVHPA saved my life' and now know what they meant, because in a lot of ways, it's saved mine as well. Horseshoes has been great exercise and has helped align and balance myself. I've really noticed a difference. It's been a great ride!"

You'll see Jim arriving in the parking lot driving one of his old family heirlooms (a 1980 Toyota Cressida) which has provided him reliable transportation for all these years. Just recently, Jim visited his cousin, Rudy, and acquired another great gem; a 1988 Chrysler Fifth Avenue. He remembers being with Rudy on the day he bought that car brand new. Rudy was a stickler at not letting anyone drive his car, but when the day came to move it on, Jim was 'The Man'. How wonderful! Adding to the mix is Jim's 1963 Mercury Montery. Great memories! Life is just full of surprises and gifted pleasures; along with playing horseshoes, it just couldn't get any better. Jim is now looking forward to many more surprises, both on and off the courts, this 2018 horseshoe pitching season. Jim Howard is affectionately known as our 'Jimbo' on the courts. - Interviewed: 2018-04 L.A.Hamel



PISE - 2018 - VICTORIA

Big Thank You's ...go out to Bob McCauley and Wei Xiao for Spear-Heading a spot for the GVHPA at the 9th Annual Family Sport & Recreation Festival held on Saturday, May 5th at the Pacific Institute for Sport Excellence (PISE). Fabulous Job! Good on you ~ you've made our Club proud.

Jumping in to help organize and set up for the day was Sante Michielin, Nick Nicholas, Louise Hamel, Tom Moffat, Dalton Moffat and Lance Whitworth.

The GVHPA 'Bowden family', with Asia and Emily, joined us as well for our activities, rounding out what I would call a perfect day! A pre-

summer event to entice all aspects of sporting activities in the immediate area. It really was great being part of something that big.



This event was co-hosted by the Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame and PISE. The Festival featured over thirty (30) activities for kids and families to try, including our horseshoes this year.

Amongst the mix was rock climbing, soccer, cricket, dirt biking, judo, karate, tennis, obstacle courses, and more. It was such a fun filled day too; great exposure for our Club and the GVHPA. PISE's primary purpose is to transform



lives through healthy activity and sport.

This annual event is meant to inspire families to be more active and encourage them to play their way to confidence, skill development and more... and we all know Horseshoes does exactly that!Let's plan to be there for their 10th Anniversary Celebrations!

THANK YOU Volunteers, PISE and the Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame. L.A. Hamel







President's Report June 2018 – TOM MOFFAT

Horseshoe pitching in the whole province is now in full swing. BC International/Highwayman tournament has come and gone. People have looked at the tournament schedule and made plans for what tournaments they can attend. And leagues are underway. In BC we have some travel difficulties with long distances, ferries, and hotel costs and not as many camping available at some clubs. But players that want to make it find a way. Sharing rides, hotels, or camping together to cut costs. Where there is a will there is a way.

As we move forward some clubs are declining and some are growing. Congrats to the clubs that are growing, we encourage the others to see what they are doing to get new members.

Horseshoe Mania was started in Victoria, and overall it was a success. I encourage all clubs to look at running one each year. Its takes the whole club to get behind and promote it, and its fun. Maybe, instead of having 2 tournaments a year maybe have one and a horseshoe mania.

Get the word out in the community by posters; free advertising, online such as social media. It takes everyone to move forward. I keep coming back to this but if 2 people work hard at bringing in new players they might reach 2. If 30 people work hard at it they might bring in 30. But continue to work at this, even if your efforts are not successful this time, next time they might or the time after. I like horseshoe, you like horseshoes, we all like horseshoes. Lets each one Reach one.



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PENTICTON – JUANITA LAY

Penticton Tournament held June 12, 20 18, went well. We had 39 entries. Had a couple late entries so had to move entrants in 4 classes around. We had around 7 new pitchers. The day turned out to be sunny and a little cool this morning, then very hot this afternoon but no one collapsed for lots of bottled water on hand and shaded tent. Everyone had great day with 4 playoffs and one play off was with one of Summerland new members Terry Huzar.





BELLINGHAM INTERNATIONAL

DATE: AUGUST 18th & 19th, 2018 - ENTRY DEADLINE: Thursday Aug. 16, 9:00 p.m. CALL: Phyl Quist 360-384-4544. CHECK IN: 8:30 A.M. ENTRY FEE: US\$20.00

Everyone will pitch both days. Pay scorekeepers 50 cents. LUNCH: Hamburgers, etc. (The best burgers around!) Tournament Day cell phone contact: 360-961-6561. Lunch will also be served on Sunday Donuts and coffee available each morning. The International Grandparents Fund will have four \$50.drawings. phylquist@openaccess.org Lodging info available upon request.



SUMMERLAND – JUANITA LAYE

So far it has been a great start to the Horseshoe Season. All is well here. Summerland has 4 new members Signed up and 2 of them were in their very first tournament in Penticton .Terry Huzar and his son in law Troy really enjoyed the games and camaraderie. We have an 8 year old boy coming to pitch with his mother. He is so ENJOYING pitching and already is haha asking for a shirt. What a little go getter.

We had an incident at our Clubhouse. It looks like someone took a ball pine hammer to the side of our Clubhouse and made a big hole trying to get into the inner bricks President Ron Moser was going to let RCMP know about it.

The weather has been great for pitching season and hope it sticks around for a while. We are looking forward to Kamloops Tournament Saturday May 26. Hope to see you all at the B's in Kamloops in September





HORSESHOE MANIA

Horseshoe Mania debuted in Victoria on May 12, 2018. Members of Victoria posted flyers all over town to invite people to come out and try the sport of horseshoes for one day Members also were encouraged to bring out friends and family to come out and play. Cost was \$10. Kids free and

again members were encouraged to pay for their friends.

We started with registration at 9:00 am and we got started around 10am Names were drawn for partners and courts. Each team played another team to a quick game of 25 points in cancelation format. If a team was at 24 and scored 6 points they could count the overage of 30. Each player of each team received the points their team earned. Example Team A won 25-21, then each member of Team A would receive 25 points and each member of Team B would receive 21 points.

We then did this for 7 rounds with the teams and courts drawn at random. We played 4 rounds before breaking for lunch. A concession was provided. Then 3 rounds after lunch.

After all 7 rounds were completed, all points tabulated, we gave out cash prizes to the top 8 people and made them into 4 teams. Kids were given a prize for competing. It was a simple format with people catching on quickly. For our first try at this we did ok. We had 36 players with 9 being new adults and together with 10 kids from our youth program. There were a few new kids out of that number. This accomplished a few goals, getting the word out to the community that the horseshoe club exists and that we have a great facility to play in. Also we received 6 new players so far and 2 new players joined the Sooke Club. It shows with a little work by the whole club, we can grow. We look forward to our next Horseshoe Mania.

Thank you to the Joseph Richard Group Public Houses (Townhall Public House, Micky's Public House, Edith + Arthur Public House, The Hemingway Public House, The Henry Public House) gift certificate good for 1 encore and 1 drink per person for 4 people.

WINFIELD HORSESHOE CLUB – BERNIE LEPPER

The Winfield Horseshoe Club is starting to decline in membership the last couple of years because of aging members who are journeying to the beautiful days that come after the storms of life.

Because of fewer members it is increasingly more difficult to maintain the horseshoe courts and clubhouse that is expected for a sanctioned tournament.

The Winfield Horseshoe Club has about a dozen horseshoe huckers who play in some tournaments and one or two that only play in our league twice a week.



We do have four new member this year and expecting at least two more, and of these, three are new horseshoe pitchers.

The aging members who are capable to help with the maintenance of the 14 courts are few, so the work is lengthy and difficult. For the last tournament on June 2nd in Winfield it was three full days to finish maintaining the courts and many more days to organize the tournament. Three days does not seem to be all that difficult but with aging Members it is very trying.

and the weather cooperated as well and as an added incentive to participants we did have 500 dollars added money divided evenly in all classes.

Unfortunately in our last tournament we did have a participant who was unable to finish the tourney for health reasons and was transported to the hospital emergency. There was confusion on how to handle the wins and losses. In the past if a player had to drop out for health reasons that pitcher was assessed all losses for all the games even though the participant may have won some of the games. I understand that the new Horseshoe Canada rules for this situation has changed so that all wins and losses played are recorded and not the ones that were forfeited which happened to me at the 2017 B.C. Championships in Cloverdale.

The Winfield Horseshoe Club's summer league which plays every Tuesday's and Thursday's at 1 p.m. is still going strong with a regular participation of about 7 members. We usually play 3 games of 50 shoes and the ringer percentage is recorded for prizes that are awarded at a gathering at the end of the season.

We only have two tournaments this year and the second one is on Saturday September 22nd, on the end of the schedule. Hope the weather cooperates. Looking forward to seeing some of you huckers in Sept. My thoughts and statements are not necessarily those of the Winfield Horseshoe Club.



CENTRAL PARK HORSESHOE CLUB – SAM TOMASEVIC

The club has held 2 tournaments; the first on May 6th drew 29 participants. Thank you to our out of town players, 6 from Victoria, 2 from Sooke and 2 from Washington State.

We had 7 raffle items, the club made \$88.00, our 50/50 was \$83, and Louise Hamel from Victoria was the luck winner.

We handicapped the Mixed A to make the playing field more equal and e this format if necessary for all future tournaments. Also as we do not have many 40

competitive. We will use this format, if necessary, for all future tournaments. Also as we do not have many 40 foot men we may have to mix classes.



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rtanzola@rennie.com rennie.com/reggistanzola Our 2nd tournament saw the attendance lower, but that did not discourage those that came out, we had 2 raffle items and a 50/50 draw. Like all clubs we are hurting in attendance.

We hope you will attend our next tournament which will be the last one for 2018, CENTRAL PARK NORTHWEST OPEN – July 29th.



POWELL RIVER – LORRAINE HUBICK

The Powell River club started the year with our Thursday night league set-up under the leadership of Betty Blacklock. We managed 7 teams. Because the shortage of players some players pitch as well as walking the

score slates. The 1st of our 2 Tournaments was held on May 26th, with 23 pitchers battling to improve their %.



Two pitchers from Comox (Arnie Morrison and Lyle Trockastad) joined us for the day, picking them up at the ferry and returning, when the tournament was finished.

Soon the start of our local level tourneys will take place on Sunday mornings, throughout the pitching season.

June 2-3, eight Powell River members (Glen Woloschuk, Carol Skrodolis, Lorraine Hubick, Margie Woloschuk, Sandra Hanson, Sylvia Sheldon, Dave Antle and Frank Hubick) attended the Island/Powell

River Championships hosted by the Dry Creek Club (Port Alberni) each of these players had a great time, as always, some pitched in the rain, other times in the heat. Until next time, eyes on that peg!



QUESNEL – JEANETTE FERRARA

Our May tournament was a very small one, 8 Saturday and 5 Sunday, a few pitchers from Prince George attended. High games: CIRIL NOVAK QUESNEL 67.85%, PHIL ERICKSON QUESNEL 60.00% LORENZO FERRARA QUESNEL 60.00%, MIKE CUNNINGHAM PRINCE GEORGE 60.00%. We have about 5 new members, but they are not pitching in tournaments as of yet, hopefully soon. The club is holding on but without new members; don't know how long it will last.





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SALMON ARM – AMY KIDD

We held our annual Spring Tournament on May 5, which is the first one in the Shuswap/Okanagan this year. We had 38 pitchers from various clubs from Penticton to Kamloops. Everyone enjoyed the beautiful sunshine after such a long winter. It was nice to see

"Old friends" and meet new ones. The 50/50 was won by Marshall Meroniuk, who was unable to play, but came out to keep score.

Six of our members journeyed to Penticton on the 12th, and enjoyed the sunshine and hospitality of their club.

Our members are looking forward to the upcoming tournaments and the B.C. Championships which are close enough to home, so more will be able to attend.

That is about it for now. Have a good summer pitching shoes. Ciao

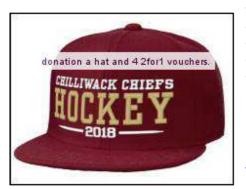




Peace Arch Trophy

BC Horseshoe Association and Washington State Horseshoes have agreed to have a friendly challenge trophy to promote good will and competition between the 2 areas.

The Peace Arch trophy will be awarded each year to the Province/State that gains the most points in games between BC and Washington State players played anywhere. Points are gained any time you play an opponent from the other area. For Example if Sante Michielin from BC plays Jon Turnbull of Washington State in a game in Burlington, WA. And Sante wins BC gets one point.



The period to collect points will be from the Day after the BC International tournament till the completion of the next BC International tournament. The trophy will be awarded to the winning Province/State at the awards ceremony at the BC International tournament. The winning Province/State can take the trophy home till the next year. We will make a spreadsheet to compile all games between players from the both areas. We will watch all tournaments to record these games. But please send in any results you know of It's better to have more eyes looking for these games and we can just delete any duplicate games. Send dates, tournament, and who one the game to Tom Moffat <u>xpostiex@gmail.com</u> early results after tournaments in Cloverdale and Central Park, BC leads 7-3.



FROM THE GREATER VICTORIA HORSESHOE PITCHING ASSN. (GVHPA) Victoria Horseshoe Club – LOUISE HAMEL

Since our last insertion to Ringer Round-Up our members and Clubhouse have been a going concern. We have had numerous rentals to date, including the Cops for Cancer event.

The recent departure of our long-time dear member, Tom Bligh, shook our roots and hearts at the GVHPA. His presence still accompanies us though to our tournaments; as was evident at the Abbotsford's Internationals, for a few of us I'm sure. It's amazing how his words of wisdom and coaching linger within.

Well, let's see if I can share a few of the happenings over the last few weeks and then some:

- On May 5th members attended the 9th Annual Family Sports Festival (see separate report on that event) what a great day that was!
- Many of our members, and those from Sooke, participated in the Burnaby Central Park Spring Open on May 6th for a day of fun and pitching. Although that made for a long day, it was well worth the effort in supporting our fellow *Horseshoe Family* across the pond. Mega Thank You's go out to our Drivers (both pick-ups and take-backs) to and fro the ferry terminal. Bravo!
- Horseshoe Mania on May 12th brought out 'new faces' and awareness to the pits of the GVHPA. A true *Family Affair* and a chance for members to have a whole heap of fun. Raffle tables were very well supported by local businesses and our membership.
- The Victoria Open of May 13th went very well with many again having a great time. As well, our Raffle Tables were well represented by local merchants and member contributions. Thank you to all who helped make that a fabulous success story for both days.
- GVHPA members along with Sooke members attended Abbotsford's BC International Highwayman's Open on May 19th and 20th. A great gathering of the clan that was! Great raffle, prizes galore and fun activities that followed. It was fun schmoozing with our horseshoe family of the Mainland, Up-country and South of the Border. The cottonwood rained down upon us like fairy dust at times; which I'll call 'Podium Dust' for now. See the results on line. A fun time was had by all. Thanks Don for my great carving and other friends we packed home with us. The Highwayman's Pub gathering was a great place accompanied with delicious food and that notorious horseshoe banter.
- GVHPA's Summer Mixed League (Tues/Thurs evenings) sporting 16 teams, has been a whole lot of fun
 with new and existing members participating; showcasing their talents in the first half of the season; Look
 out folks, we've a few new pitchers you'll have to reckon with I'm sure in the coming days... Highlights of
 our Summer League, Players of the Week, Incentive Pins etc. can be seen on our website: gvhpa.org
 THANK YOU Tom Moffat for being our Statistician. What would we do without you!
- GVHPA's Summer Youth League is held on Tuesday evenings as well, and have 4 new juniors to date, if not more. Thanks so much Bruce Bodnaruk for your great expertise and enthusiasm.

- The School Program schedule is filling up quite nicely with pre-existing schools from last year. New schools that have come on stream and participating this year are:
 - St. Andrews High School; and
 - Pacific Christian School

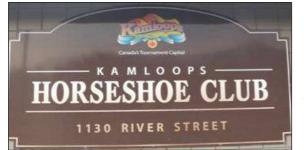
Welcome aboard. Thank you to Bruce, Nick, Sante, Lance and others who have helped out.

- We have implemented a Year Round Bottle Drive to help support our Youth & School Programs. Our Recycler Extraordinaire, Ron Fleet, has been doing a great job along with the Club Recycling Program, riding shotgun with Sante Michielin, Lynn Cousins and a few other members taking the bull by the horns when need be. Thank You Every One! The Truth: Many hands make light of work.
- Wednesday AM Mixed Drop-in has been consistently well attended ... 3 games of Doubles followed by a light lunch; great banter sessions prevail!
- More members are coming out for the Sunday 1pm Drop-In (pending tournament play of course); a more relaxed place to pitch and hang complete with music on the courts. A great fulfilling afternoon of comradely that is, not to mention a great opportunity of introduction to the novice player. Bring a friend!
- BC Horseshoes Assn. has asked for member profiles which I am struggling with. How come you ask? Their unwillingness mostly... but hey, I managed to get on for this issue, our Jim Howard. Have a read. Jim's having a great time with his shoes... Also, I never laughed so hard in reading Cindy Helgeson's profile/story in the last issue... What a gal! We need more stories like that one... BC Horseshoe's Assn. Tickets are selling well and streaming back to the clubhouse during League Play. Hopefully very soon they will have been sold out.
- A grease trap has now been installed and certified off the Clubhouse Kitchen complying with Saanich Municipality's by-laws. Big thanks go out to those members who were involved from its start and in seeing that come to fruition. Yes!
- We are all looking forward to the Victoria Memorial Doubles Mixed Open on June 9th and 10th; along with the Victoria GVHPA Open on July 14th. Mark your calendars! Hope to see some Mainland pitchers over for that; maybe some of our American friends as well.

Other than the above, we are continually brainstorming on looking at ways to bring about a greater awareness to the Sport of Horseshoe Pitching.







KAMLOOPS - JIM MICHIE – PRESIDENT

For our Kamloops Open May 26th, we had 26 contestants, 3 new players, Lorne Ames, Eric Allen and Angelo Anastacio. The weather was good not to hot the girls put up a good lunch, \$62.50 on the 50/50 won by Jenna John. We had about a dozen prizes that were pretty good for the most part.

We are gearing up for the BC Champs, see you on the courts.

ISLAND/POWELL RIVER CHAMPIONSHIPS – DRY CREEK (PORT ALBERNI) JUNE 2-3, 2018 – MARYSE ATKINSON



THANK YOU PORT ALBERNI FOR A GREAT TOURNAMENT in honor of the Island Championship. I had a lot of fun! Meeting some, and reuniting with others that I had not seen for a while. New experience for me to participate in a B event and pitching new people (I loved my experience to pitch with Patty

Johnson never had the pleasure beforePattie Sunshine is full of fun. Chantal has a true dead I and will be advancing quickly also Maggie what a sweetheart you are Lorraine congratulations on your win and Brenda Well, one day she beats me and the next its my turn). The ladies AA/A great pitching. Tons of folks camping; made me think how sad that Victoria can no longer offer that to the playersIs there a solution? Could one of the near by arena or school offer their parking lot and bus or vans provided to transport campers when there is a major tournament to be put on??? Thanks to everyone that made for such a good week end and particular thanks to score keepers and Megan and Tony and the kids that gave me a ride home......hope to see you all soon



SOOKE HORSESHOE CLUB – CHANTAL WILSON

Sooke has started this year off in a bad way with the passing of 2 of our founders Gordon Butts and Tom Bligh. But we continue to honor them with moving forward with our small club hoping to fulfill their dreams of the game.



We are hoping to finish our new 6 pits by the end of summer. We have just finished our spring league with 21 players participating. Summer

league starts June 20 with new players joining in for this. Tournament season is off and running and our little club is off to a good start. We have a strong tournament group of about 12 and hopefully this will grow also. We continue to have students from the schools and outside groups come by and give it a try. Awareness is starting to spread in Sooke which is great as we keep getting people who are interested and wanting to play.

I would like to thank everyone in our small club for all the countless volunteering hours. Also to all the clubs who hold tournaments It is a lot of work to pull these off and everyone does a great job and always so helpful.

I personally am still learning the ropesand as I am sure you are all aware ...following two great pitchers like Gord and Tom are big shoes to fill. SHPA is determined to make them proud and so we focus on the spreading the word of this great sport. Sooke spring league had playoffs June 6th Louise Hamel and Erick Wickham are champs. Thank you to everyone who helps me out with all this you have been wonderful.



CLOVERDALE HORSESHOE CLUB – JIM GRANT

Well the season is well under way and our 2 tournaments so far have had great weather.

Those attending our Memorial Open got to see our new deck and our 4foot X 4foot horseshoe and banner back drop we use for podium pictures. This was to cover the hole left by the tear down of our rotten tournament shed.

Our next Tournament is the Cloverdale Summer Open Sun June 24 and we hope to

see some of you there.

Our Tuesday Night Social Tournament a bi-weekly fun night is open to all members and non members. We thank our member Parri Kirk for organizing this social which has 4 15 minute games with 10 min refreshment breaks between each game, this seems to be the right mixed for success. Attendance is averaging 28 or more each night for 2017 and 2018. Check our web site for the dates and maybe come on out for a social evening.

Again Cloverdale was not present at the BC International/Highwayman and we are sorry but since this tournament



ent at the BC International/Highwayman and we are sorry but since this tournament was moved to the Rodeo weekend it is a real conflict for Cloverdale members. Without our Rodeo parking the Cloverdale Horseshoe Club would have folded many years ago, Choices are Family or Horseshoes you pick family naturally and for us parking or Horseshoes?

It looks like the weather will be great this year so best wishes to all clubs for successful tournaments.

Cloverdale is experiencing the new trend for a more social oriented membership. This is evident with injuries, age and the loss of many hard core pitchers reducing

our pitching membership.

You ask what social activities we have! .Every Thursday night we have Crib which has replaced our no show Thursday night practices, Wed 11 am fun Horseshoes followed by Darts, Some Afternoon/evening Horseshoes and BBQ followed by Bunko... Special Crib, Texas Holdem and Bunko dates....a Our new family/friend Picnic Day with a multiple games challenge for kids and big kids and lots of food....and our previously mentioned Tue Night bi-weekly Social Fun Night.

Finally for this issue Cloverdale is pleased that the BCHA has released a suggested procedure for Handicapped Classes, there should be no confusion for members or tournament directors alike. A great positive. Well until next time good pitching to all from the Cloverdale Horseshoe Club.



HANDICAP TOURNAMENTS

To all tournament directors, players and members of the BC Horseshoe Association. There has been some concern the last few weeks about how to break ties in a handicap tournament. Because of big differences in classes in our tournaments tournament directors have started going to handicap classes in some cases. This is fine as it makes things more equal to all players in a class with big spread in handicaps. The BC executive has come up with some clarification for Directors to use.

When breaking a tie in a class after all games are played. We recommend that for first place it be broken by a playoff, and other ties for example 2nd and 3rd to be broken by head to head, and if still ties use closest to average. Closest to average means closest to the % that you entered the tournament at either above or below. All of these are at the discretion of the tournament director, but we ask that if you hold a handicap class that you explain at the beginning to the contestants how you plan to decide ties.

We hope this will bring some clarification and to be used as a guideline for everyone to use. Good luck everyone in your pitching and always have fun. Life is short.

Tom Moffat - President BC Horseshoe Association

LADYSMITH HORSESHOE CLUB REPORT – VINCE HERKEL

The Ladysmith Horseshoe Club has 15 members so far, a few more new members will be joining at the end of June. Weather permitting our fun evenings Tuesday & Thursday are fairly well attended, starting to get ready for our first tournaments June 30 & July 1.

On behalf of the Ladysmith Horseshoe Club, Vince attended a Town Council meeting where they adopted and passed a bylaw allowing the Town to develop or sell to developers the vacant piece of land located on the north

side of the horseshoe pitches. A petition with 750+ signatures of eligible Ladysmith voters who objected to the sale of the land was submitted prior to the meeting and the petition was not even mentioned at the meeting. The new boundary line will reduce us down to 12 pitches but according to the Town planning dept. because there is a drainage ditch called the "old flume line", next to our back pitches, the developers will probably have to stay on their side of the ditch and our back pitches will remain intact. This vacant property has been zoned to accommodate 5 or 6 condo/townhouse complexes up to 6 stories high, accommodating 200 to 250 units.

The only bright side is the possibility of more new horseshoe pitchers joining the club. Could be a year or two before anything gets going, guess we wait and see. Now we have to get our work parties going to be ready for our upcoming tournaments.



PLAYER PROFILE DON FLEMING ABBOTSFORD BY DAN COFFIN

Don was born and raised in Abbotsford but he did live all over the province until he settled down in Misson

Don and Tina have a blended family of 6 kids and 4 grandchildren and he enjoys spending time with them taking them to their swimming and other sports.

Don spent 23 years as correction officer and then retired early due to back injuries.

Don has only played horseshoes for 3 years and probably because of many years of playing ball

He caught onto horseshoes very quickly and is usually playing in the A class with an average around 50%. He has won a B.C. Provincial and done well when he as played in the International. He also won a gold medal in the senior games.

His dog Ally is a Catahoula Pressa which he spends a lot of time walking and training Ally.

Whenever he has time he loves to fish the Fraser. Another hobby that takes up a lot of his time is doing chainsaw carving of all shapes and sizes. He is very creative with his projects

They recently bought a motorhome and plan to start to travel beginning

with this years Canadians

THANKS TO DARRYL OLSON FOR YOUR DONATION TO THE NEWSLETTER



ISLAND/POWELL RIVER CHAMPIONSHIPS – DRY CREEK (PORT ALBERNI) JUNE 2-3, 2018 – LORRAINE HUBICK

Sante Michielin, President, GVHPA and Jack Dabney, President of Dry Creek Horseshoe Club; after talking biz about the Island/Powell River Championships, the Prez's sit back and bask in the sunshine!

June 1, 2018 arrive at Dry Creek, cloudy, rain, cold wind! The Horseshoe camping area was packed with campers and tenters. There was no canteen, so the area was

aroma of home cooking meals

The 68 pitchers, from Sooke, Victoria, Ladysmith, Comox, Powell River, as well as Dry Creek., starting June 2nd, with the chatter and clanging, over the 18 courts. The day started with a cool overcast in weather, changing into Hot Hot in the afternoon.



During this time of day, one could look; way up, in the sky, there was a large Drone with its sparkling lights! (Courtesy of Derek Greveling)

This event ended with a supper, catered by a local establishment. A great variety of food fed the empty tummies.

June 3rdstarted with the reverse schedule, in a cool, but comfortable day for pitching, ending the day in rain.

You guessed it, all present, had to gather in an area, so Derek could fly his smaller Drone to capture everyone waving up to him.

The raffle table was full of prizes for all to chose. These 2 days went over well under the direction of Margaret

Onyschtschuk. It was her first time at such a large event.

All ended up with the winners receiving their awards. Frank and I missed the ending, as we had to rush to catch our ferry home.



VERNON HORSESHOE CLUB REPORT – DWIGHT COUSINS VICE-PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone:

Well now that our Annual Two Day Tournament is over we can finally take a breather and bring you up to date on what our members have been up to...

First and foremost is our tournament which was held June 9-10. In spite of the wet weather, we had an excellent turnout with approximately 40 competitors on Saturday and 24 on Sunday. Our attendees ranged from as far away as Trail, Surrey, Golden and Kamloops as well as the more local Clubs of Summerland, Salmon Arm and Winfield...it was great to see and renew friendships with some of our long term members and to see so many new members who wanted to get involved... Our thanks go out to everyone that came out to support us. Hopefully next year the weather will be a little more cooperative and we will see an even higher attendance.

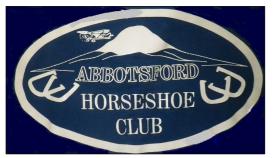
As was indicated, the weekend was a little damp but everyone survived ok... Unfortunately, we did have one casualty....our portable shelter. We had put it up on_Friday_night in preparation for the expected rain which overwhelmed and collapsed a portion later that night. Temporary repairs were made on Saturday which were promptly lost on Saturday night... We did without that portion on Sunday.

We are hoping to rectify our exterior shelter problem by installing a "permanent" patio roof later this summer. Hopefully the City of Vernon will agree with our proposal and allow us to proceed. We owe our ability to do this to a grant we applied for and received from the B.C. 55+ games committee that advised all clubs in the spring about residual funds that were available for club improvements. This will definitely be a greatly appreciated improvement for our club.

While a number of Clubs have seen a general decline in membership, we have seen a renewed interest in our area with several new members joining us last year and at least 4 new couples showing considerable interest this year. We primarily attribute this to our investing in some local advertising and to our members promoting the club within their social circles.

In an effort to encourage some "younger" interest, we have hosted two groups of students from different high schools this year. While, to date, this effort has not yet increased our membership, it is hoped, over time, it may Produce some results.

Our members look forward to attending the upcoming scheduled tournaments and seeing and renewing friendships, both old and new. We are, however, disappointed that the 55+ games this year do not allow for our "favourite" sport HORSESHOES that's it from Vernon for now. Meanwhile, Take Care and "GOOD PITCHING"



ABBOTSFORD HORSESHOE CLUB – DANNY COFFIN

It's hard to believe that it's only the beginning of June and we have already held 3 tournaments. The two one day events had less pitchers than we hoped for but that seems to be the way things are going.

The International / Highwayman went really well and it was good to see the amount of people that went to the Highwayman Pub for dinner and

from all of the comments we think it was enjoyed by all. It was nice to see pitchers from Oregon and Washington. Some of the local pitchers are planning to go down to the USA to support them.

Since it will be 10 weeks until our next tournament we plan to play at other clubs through out the summer. Some of our members are planning to attend the Western Classic, the Canadians and the B.C. Champs.

We are pleased to get 3 new members Norm Roy Sid Dehaan and Brian Rickabee and they are all fitting in really well and will be good members.

We were fortunate to have The City working in the area and they provided the concrete that we needed to extend some of our 40 foot pitches into 30 footers, they even sent a crew to help place the concrete.



PRINCE GEORGE – ALICE BOSCHMAN

Vic Vallee is leaving us, hopefully he doesn't forget where Prince George is and comes back once in awhile and throws with us.

Work on the pits should start soon, so we will have good pits to play on for the Western Classic. I am getting excited, hope everyone is too.

A word of advice..... We can not change the winds but we can adjust our sail

FROM VIC VALLEE - Hey Sam...Just to let you know...We bought a condo in Edmonton and our house went on the market today. Life gets very busy for us for a while and somewhat stressful. Why Edmonton? Three grand-kids I have mixed feelings about leaving BC and Prince George

NEWS FROM COMOX HORSESHOE CLUB FROM TOM MOFFAT VIA JESS FESTER PRESIDENT COMOX

Comox is planning on hosting the Vancouver Island/Powell River Championships in 2019 and everyone is excited about that. No date yet as they are working with the city of Cumberland on that.

Comox for this year are going to try a tournament no date so far and they will get back to Tom Moffat in a week. When a date is know we will let you know and Sam will add it to our schedule on our website.

2018 CANADIAN - DENISE SQUIRES



Horseshoe Saskatchewan invites you to the 2018 Canadian Horseshoe Championship at the Whitewood Community Centre in Whitewood Saskatchewan from August 15th to 18th

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The AGM of Horseshoe Canada will be held upstairs in the civic centre on Tuesday evening. HSI will be holding a silent auction and a china auction during the week along with a raffle which will be drawn on Saturday at the Banquet.

There are 10 practice courts close by and campground and Hotel are minutes away. Please Checkout our HSI website for more details HorseshoeSask.ca. The Saskatchewan contingent are looking forward to seeing you in Whitewood

