

RINGER ROUND – UP THIS WEEK IN HORSESHOES #2-2022 – APRIL 19, 2022



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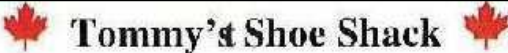
FROM JERRY MELISSA – BUD PERRY

How sad to read where BCHA, lost two of the best this past month. I first met Bud Perry in Yuma, Az. He was a snowbird who volunteered as the Yuma Horseshoe Pitcher's Association Tournament Director in the late 1990s. He was super respected and did a great job integrating Canadians from every province and the members of the State of Arizona Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Later when I had returned to the B.C. Horseshoe scene I was able to see him again while playing several tournaments in Penticton. I only wish I had more occasions to play and visit with him! He threw a hard shoe that stuck to the peg more often than not.

FROM JERRY MELISSA – LLOYD REYKLIN

Lloyd Reyklin was unique! Delivered the shoe with an unorthodox delivery: wrong foot forward! And boy, did he make it work. Never did see him throw a tenpin ball but I imagine he was one of a kind there also. I participated in many games of Horseshoes with Lloyd in the late 70s and early 80s and I'm proud to say I was able to bring out the best in hm. I was so pleased when he finally became B.C. Men's Horseshoe Champion. I don't recall him ever throwing from the shorter distance! Many were not aware that he was a master craftsman and produced first class 'canoes'.

Both men were a credit to the game and did more than their share to advance Horseshoes in British Columbia!


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TOM MOFFAT - NEW FORMAT – ULTRA HORSESHOES

I have been playing around with a new way of playing horseshoes. It's called Ultra horseshoes. Ultra fast and Ultra quick.

We have tried it in Victoria BC Canada with limited players and will be trying it out more this spring and summer. The idea is to get new players of younger age out playing horseshoes.

It is not the same as we have done but its a great way to grow horseshoes. Please think of this as a promotional tool to get new players interested in the sport.

Be nice to hear your feedback but please don't come back with the comment, "We don't do it that way".

Ultra Horseshoes Ultra Quick, Ultra Fun

Why Ultra Horseshoes. Cornhole is fast and has already passed horseshoes in popularity as a sport for people to play. Why? Because its fast , short games , portability, and you can pick the game up fairly quickly.

So tackling those issues bringing the game of horseshoes up to date to attract the younger generation we need to adapt those same things that make cornhole attractive.

Fast To make the game fast we need to make the game flow, alternate pitch meaning one shoe then the opponent. This takes away the time people walking backwards after they pitch. Over a game and tournament it takes time to play games and tournaments. Everyone throwing from 30ft. standing beside your opponent. No exceptions. This will be met with some resistance as we have never done it that way before. But it will speed up the game and as I will explain later get people more interested.

Short Games are played to 21 points short fast games. Weaker players have more of a chance in a short game compared to a longer game. Everyone is starting in short round robin games. Games will take 15 min avg. with some as short as 5 min.


Portability Unfortunately we cant do too much with this . But we do have wonderful facilities so that's an advantage of finding places to play.

Pick up game quick When a new player starts at 40 ft they get maybe 1-5 ringers a night the first time and miss the pit a lot.. But pitching at 30ft they get more success and they do not miss the pit as much. Right now a new player after playing the first time finds it hard and most times does not want to come out again because its hard not much success. At 30 ft this takes a lot of that away as they find some success right away and do not miss the pit much. They have a great time. Look at the growth in the 30ft game now. We have more seniors playing because new players are successful at this distance.

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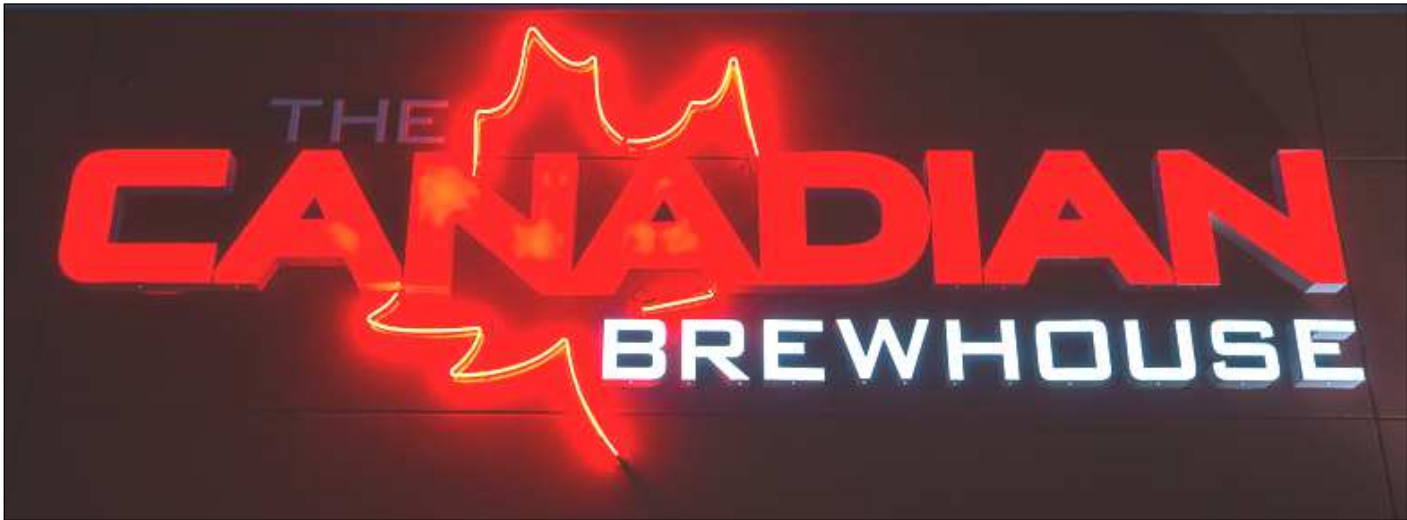




Use Scoreholio With the use of scoreholio app there is no need for scorekeepers keeping cost down and not struggling to find scorekeepers. People use a tablet to enter their final scores and it goes right to the internet and the standings are updated in real time. No need for people to enter

scoresheets on a computer The tournament once set up runs its self.

Lots of formats With this format you can play singles, doubles, mixed doubles , blind draw, switchholio (a format with different partner each game in round robin), single and double knockout brackets. A typical tournament A typical tournament would see people enter using the scoreholio app using a email. This keeps that person as a entrant and stats can be kept (not ringer %) using the SPR ranking in scoreholio. Each team (or player) plays 4 short games to 21 round robin with different partners each round (switchholo. Then after the round robin format it is moved into a single or double bracket format. This is great for people watching the winning players at the end. Get the crowd involved. You can have one or more brackets like having the top half play in the A bracket and the lower ones in the B bracket.

This is a very much loved format for cornhole.conclusion We have now recreated conhole but for horseshoes. The only exception is the portability but explained earlier we have great facilities. New people come and have some success , and it's a fun atmosphere (music could be playing too) It uses technology to keep that tournament running and keep a ranking system. The cream rises to the top and the better players will have a higher SPR ranking. We now have what cornhole has for game play and now we need to market the game like cornhole

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CENTRAL PARK HORSESHOE CLUB



The club will host 2 events this year. The Stan Dahl memorial open in may and the lower mainland champs in September

We will not have elaborate food like in the past. Breakfast will be 1-2 several items, Coffee tea donuts muffins pastries maybe toast.

Lunch will be sandwiches. Darlene Salisbury will be in charge of the kitchen with help from Diane Cummings and Gail Bremer.

Jim Grant, associated member, has volunteered to run the tournaments and we will find members willing to learn. .

Regretfully till we can increase the membership no ferry pick up will be available perhaps; next year. War would love to see you, perhaps your club can get a group to come over in a vehicle and cut down on costs. That's the bright news from Central Park. Sam Tomasevic

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FROM POWELL RIVER - SYLIA SHELDON

You probably have heard that we finally have meet and now have an established executive. We are much more optimistic this year in getting up and started.

We will have to see if we have any members left...many of our regulars are not as young or as healthy as they would like to be. Our president is

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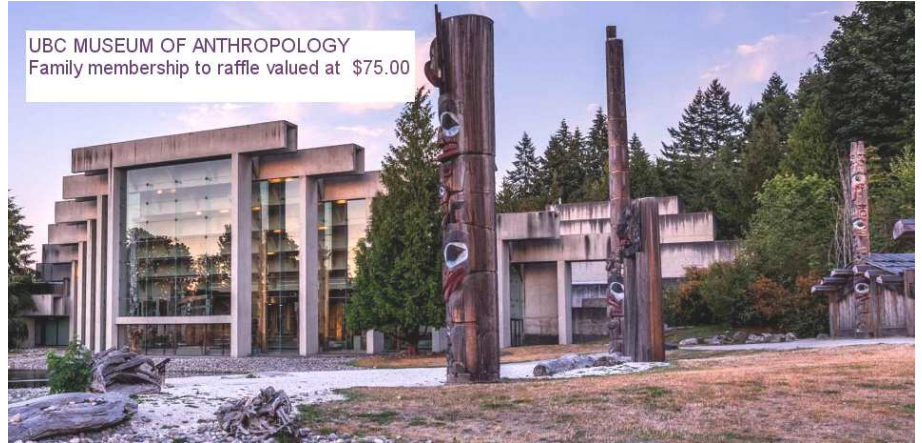
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and a bag that holds
2 pair of horseshoes.

Carol Skrodolis who you most likely know from horseshoe tournaments. She is currently away and not back until first week in March.

We are meeting on the 10th to finalize our start dates etc.

Margie Woloschuk is still in charge of tournaments and I have asked her to confirm if there are changes to our tournament dates. Take care

Pres: Carol Skrodolis
Vice: Serge Dube
Sec: Sylvia Sheldon
Treasurer: Diane Norman
Tournament: Margie Woloschuk
Handicap local tournament: Sandra MacLean
Directors: Sandra Hanson, Lorraine Hubick, Dave Antle, Irene Smith
Draw captain/stats: Betty Blacklock




Powell River currently has the Spring Mixed Open Tournament listed for **Saturday May 28th**. We will need to change that date to **Saturday May 14/22**. The fall mixed Wind Up open tournament can remain on Saturday August 20/22. So far we are planning to host the tournaments but will keep you posted if things change.

You can put my name and email address as the contact person for Powell River tournaments. Margie Woloschuk: mwoloschuk@shaw.ca. phone number: 604 485 - 4804

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The most important way to assist the directors is to **pre-register** with them in advance of the event, **check in at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time** or call and let them know you are on the way so they can get round robin cards made up and make last minute preparations so the tournament can be started on time. |

It is also a huge help if you can pay your tournament entry fees with \$1, \$2, \$5 or \$10 bills at least nothing larger than a \$20 bill.

The worst thing that can happen to a director is for someone to be pre-registered and not show up or call the director and let them know they can't come to the tournament. It is best to have the director's cell phone number available so you can **call (not text) and talk to them in person or leave a voice mail if you are going to cancel or be late.**



LAST SHOE - Ernest Ernie Roy Connolly 1934 – 2022



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Ernest (Ernie) Roy Connolly on February 27th, 2022, at the age 87.

Born on August 27th, 1934, in Kamloops B.C., he grew up the youngest of 6 in Upper Deadman (Criss Creek), Monte Lake and Kamloops.

As a teenager he worked for his Uncle Stewart Johnson's Ranch next to the Casa Grande in Upper Deadman and his sister Margret and her husband Stuart Morison's Ranch in Knutsford. After a short time in the military, he started his fulltime career driving commercial transport.



In 1967 he met the love of his life Diane, they raised 4 children together, Donalda, Coleen, Lyle (Monique) and Michael (Erika). In 1970, the family moved to Pinantan Lake, where they resided until 1989. After leaving Pinantan, Ernie and Diane moved to Westsyde, Kamloops. Ernie loved his family, music (playing his bass guitar and jamming with friends), motorcycles, snowmobiles, woodworking and playing horseshoes (often traveling with his family to tournaments).



Ernie and Diane would pack up the R.V. and the kids most weekends and head out camping to Adams Lake (Bush Creek), where they played horseshoes and dirt biked all weekend.

Ernie worked 35 years driving truck, operating equipment for Plateau Construction at Lafarge cement plant. After retiring from Lafarge, Ernie found retirement boring and started to drive truck again till he was 75. Ernie is survived by his loving wife Diane, the 4 children they raised together and his 3 daughters from his previous marriages, Debbie (Art), Michelle (Rod) and his



youngest daughter Sherry, 14 Grand Children, 11 Great Grand Children (with 2 more on the way). He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.

There will be a celebration of life on June 18, 2022 @ Dreamscape Ranch 6200 Long Lake Road, Knutsford B.C. starting at 2:00pm. Offer Condolence for the family of Ernest (Ernie) Roy Connolly 1934 – 2022

Our most sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Ernest Ernie Roy Connolly 1934

FROM THE EDIOR:

Ernie was on the BCHA Executive as interior/Kootneys regional rep and supply officer from 1999-2008.

Ernie was a good horseshoe player having played in the ELDERS "A"

Ernie was a good friend and I will miss him.

THINGS TO REMEMBER AS WE APPROACH THE START OF THE HORSESHOE SEASON

Etiquette

Personal "etiquette" by contestants, judges, scorekeepers and spectators is not always established by "Rules". A few "unwritten" practices have helped standardize nearly all well conducted horseshoe tournaments....

Here are a few of the generally accepted "unwritten" rules of etiquette in horseshoe pitching:

Without loss in competitive spirit, all participants shall maintain a friendly, civil attitude with one another, officials, scorekeepers and spectators, all of whom are expected to reciprocate in like manner. Boasting, fault finding, whining and complaining only serve to lessen respect for individuals and for the sport.

Opponents should shake hands prior to and following play of every game, to wish one another good luck and to thank one another for the opportunity to compete.

Play should start on time for each game and continue in timely fashion with no delays, excepting for conditions beyond control of participants. Individuals who practice tactical disruptions which slow the pace may be subject to strict discipline by tournament officials. Pitchers are asked to stay on or near their assigned courts throughout tournament play to be available for play. They should report any necessary temporary absence to the judge covering their courts.

Contestants should never visit with **anyone** when an opponent is in position to pitch. Equal respect should also be shown throughout the game because any sound or motion by contestants during the course of a game may be disruptive to an opponent's concentration.

Competitors may speak with one another between innings as they choose but such conversations or actions shall not be distracting to pitchers on other courts.

Scorekeepers are part of the court conditions and must officially record all scoring calls. They are to stay focused on play, without visiting with contestants or spectators. They may question contestants on scoring problems provided they do not interrupt a pitcher preparing to pitch. They may announce the current score when asked by the contestants. They should avoid shifting and moving their body or scoreboards when contestants are pitching to avoid unnecessary distraction. They must certainly remain in their chair instead of walking with contestants or moving around on the court during a game.

Judges have a need to move or "walk the fence" to observe play on courts assigned to them. Judges must respond to requests for judgment calls and in so doing, they must not cause disruption by their own actions. Crossing courts inside the fence on which contestants are in the act of pitching is both distracting and unsafe.

Spectators have responsibilities too. For the most part, horseshoe games are played with very little spectator or contestant "chatter". Both jeering and humorous comments as well as conversations between spectators and contestants on the court have no place in a well conducted tournament. Contestants should be allowed to play each pitch free of distraction. Polite applause is a well received acknowledgement of good play if made between innings and is encouraged by most tournament directors. Overly enthusiastic crowd noises should be held in check.



Hello to all...

I guess we all are excited about the Horseshoe Season ahead. Cloverdale Members are transitioning from our Winter schedule ending and Horseshoes beginning soon.

April 5th our Tuesday Evening Social Horseshoes returns..

April 10th is our first of 6 tournaments this year.

Hope to see you at one of them. Good pitching to all

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JUDGING RINGERS & CLOSE SHOES

Tournaments have designated "Judges" to enforce the rules and issue the proper penalties if violations occur; to measure for ringers, the closest shoe to the stake and shoes in count when asked to do so by the contestants; to help make the proper decision in situations involving broken shoes, broken stakes, shoes and stakes moved by contestants during measurement, shoes pitched out of turn and a contestant's shoes mistakenly pitched by the opponent; and to act as a liaison between the contestants and the tournament committee in all possible situations.

Pitchers should carry straightedge and measurement tools or have them available at courtside and should always attempt to determine measurements and scoring calls before calling upon a Judge. This will save time and disruption of contestants on adjacent courts and allow Judges to keep their attention upon other tournament conditions.

THE START OF CLOVERDALE'S HORSESHOE SEASON
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MENU
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Pitchers should be familiar with all rules of the game and how to determine measurements for ringers and close shoes.

A "Ringer" is a shoe which comes to rest encircling the stake. A straightedge touching both heels and any part of the heel calks of the shoe must clear (not touch) the stake in order for a shoe to be declared a ringer. A Ringer has a value of three points.

A "Close Shoe" or "Shoe In Count" is a shoe which is not a ringer but comes to rest with any portion of it within 6 inches of any part of the stake. A shoe in count has a value of one point. A "leaner", or any other shoe which is touching the stake (but not a ringer), is considered a shoe in count and has a value of one point.

Pitchers and Judges must use care in taking measurements to not disturb the placement of the stake or shoes. They should also use care in stepping upon or moving material in the pit which may cause the stake or shoes to move.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT – SAM TOMASEVIC



Been asked why i don't allow cornhole into or comment on cornhole on the bcha Facebook or website.

First this is a horseshoe site that should be for our sport. Not supporting another league

Create a cornhole site and I might comment

Sick of the crap horseshoes a dying sport I heard that back in 1969 and we still going. Yes changes need to happen. I recently asked a group of changes need to Be changed to tell me. The answer I got nothing to say. Then shut up.

Look cornhole has tourney in April on Ontario \$40,000'added money. Go to it leave us dedicated horseshoe people alone while we figure out what we Can improve on.

Long live horseshoes. Like the Canadian football league who said it would die. We've survived xfl American football league usfl. We find ways to survive



FROM JUANITA LAYE – IN MEXICO

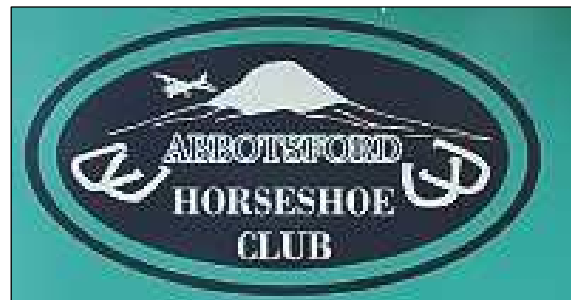
We are doing well except 3 weeks ago a rock beside the caraterra (highway) decided to take me down. No alcohol involved on my part this time haha.

Well the rock decided to stay put but my body kept going. I landed on a rock on my chest

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