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President's Message



I hope you have all had a great time this summer pitching shoes and working on goals you have set. I still have my goal to pitch a 30% tournament, and I am getting closer. Melanie and I are in Montgomery, AL getting ready to pitch next week in the 2016 World Tournament. It is hot and humid here, but they have

a great facility, the Multiplex at Cramton Bowl.

I am also excited to host the 2016 Idaho State Singles at Ross Park in Pocatello, Idaho August 27-28, 2016. You need two tournaments to be eligible and make sure you pre-register by Thursday, August 25 so we have time to setup the classes. I will try and post them and the times on the Idaho Facebook page Friday morning.

I will announce the results of the proposed Bylaw change at the annual meeting August 27 after first pitching session. Hope you got your vote in.

I still hope that we are all doing what we can to promote horseshoes and getting other people involved in this great sport. There is room for all, and the 2017 World Tournament coming back to St George, Utah should be a great reason to talk to everyone we come in contact with and get them pitching in our clubs. We would like to see a lot of support from Idaho in Utah!

Thanks for all you are doing and for the efforts that are being made to help with all the tournaments. We had a great turnout for the Idaho Doubles Tournament on July 16, 2016. We had 29 adults and 1 junior pitch in the tournament. It was a great time and I hope we get a few more next year.

Hope to see you soon! Keep pitching!

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Dollars and Sense



I would like to thank all of our scorekeepers. The ones that come out and do all the work for our players can make a smooth, fast moving tournament.

The scorekeepers help the game go faster. With no scorekeepers, the players must carry the clipboard from one end to the other. Or, some leave it at one end and

try to remember what the points were at the other end. Many lose the pencil, and some do not even know how to keep score. Most players pay the scorekeepers 50 cents per game. If you have ever been to a World Tournament you know how hard scorekeepers work. The scorekeepers sit for hours, not moving much as it disturbs the players. I myself have kept score for up to four courts at once (but I have taught my club to be patient with me). When there are scorekeepers helping out at our tournament, please be patient with them as they are there to help you.



Scorekeepers at Northern Idaho Jamboree Tournament in Coeur d'Alene, May 14

As the State Singles Tournament begins August 26th with a pre-warm up to State, we will be needing lots of scorekeepers. State Singles are August 27th

and 28th. Come out and cheer on our players and help them have a smooth, fast moving tournament.

If you are going to pitch in State please notify me by phone 208-484-4685 or email: idkegler@aol.com or Brian Poole at 208-237-3459 as soon as you know you are going to pitch. Since I am new at putting the state tournament together on a computer, it would be nice if you let me know very soon that you will be pitching.

Hope to see lots of you at State in Pocatello. Come out and pitch, have some good food, and meet your fellow state pitchers.

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Hall of Fame Report



Hello from Boise. As we come up on the State Singles Tournament this year at Ross Park in Pocatello, we will be inducting three individuals into our Hall of Fame. These individuals are Nick Piva, Bobby Faulkner, and Bob Zausch. All three of these

individuals have given unselfishly of themselves for many years to better the game/sport of horseshoes here in Idaho. The Induction of these individuals will take place Saturday, August 27th during the annual meeting which will take place in the early afternoon after the morning pitching session.

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Thank you.

Casey Sluys, NHPF Board of Directors President



New Pitchers in Pocatello

Not only can Doug Palmer pitch horseshoes, he can also do woodworking.

Doug got the patterns for the pitchers this spring when he was pitching in Kennewick, WA (he won Class B).

Doug cut the plywood, and his wife helped with the two coats of paint for these two pitchers who now

are on a shed at Ross Park in Pocatello. Doug and his wife also have a pair of these plywood pitchers at home.



Idaho Tournaments 2016

WT Qualifier #1

Pocatello		April 9, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.	
Class A				
1. Evan Pickett	5	1	40.43%	
2. Jim Wike	4	2	37.50%	
3. Doug Palmer	3	2	40.80%	
4. Phil Baldree	3	2	34.65%	
5. Pep Plummer	1	4	26.38%	
6. Carey Jennings	0	5	31.40%	
Class B				
1. Danny Romero	7	0	23.21%	
2. Jackie Wells	5	2	22.50%	
3. Jim Robinson	4	3	23.93%	
4. Michael Curzon	4	3	21.07%	
5. Gary Curtis	4	3	13.57%	
6. Durell Lewis	2	5	16.07%	
7. Ron Jenkins	1	6	11.79%	
8. Keith Lewis	1	6	8.21%	
Class C				
1. Nanette Spangler	6	1	27.86%	
2. Barry Mangum	6	2	21.56%	
3. Steve Lewis	5	2	17.14%	
4. Danny Shutran	2	4	13.75%	
5. Lori Powell	2	4	11.25%	
6. Steve Cornwell	2	4	6.25%	
7. Steve Lenon	0	6	7.92%	

Spring Fling

Nampa		April 16, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.	
Class A				
1. Gary Kollmann	4	0	50.00%	
2. Ray Carpenter	3	1	45.00%	
3. Rodney Pickering	2	2	38.13%	
4. Pep Plummer	1	3	25.00%	
5. David Schutte	0	4	27.50%	
Class B				
1. Floyd Eldred	5	1	18.33%	
2. Jayce Pickering	4.5	1.5	24.44%	
3. Christine Hernandez	2	4	25.00%	
4. Larry Miller	0.5	5.5	0.00%	

WT Qualifier #2

Pocatello		April 23, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.	
Class A				
1. Phil Baldree	6	1	36.57%	
2. Denise Mead	4	2	42.67%	
3. Doug Palmer	4	2	37.67%	
4. Brent Wood	2	3	21.60%	
5. Teresa Brown	1	4	16.40%	
6. Keith Lewis	0	5	5.20%	
Class B				
1. Danny Hendricks	7	1	25.83%	

2. Kent Sorensen	6	2	19.58%	
3. Durell Lewis	5	3	22.50%	
4. Gary Curtis	5	3	15.42%	
5. Carey Jennings	3	5	23.75%	
6. Shane Davidson	3	5	17.50%	
7. Michael Curzon	3	5	17.08%	
8. Shaylene Lanz	2	6	21.25%	
9. Ron Jenkins	2	6	9.17%	

Class C				
1. Steve Cornwell	3	0	9.33%	
2. Barry Mangum	2	1	20.00%	
3. Tonya Briggs	1	2	5.33%	
4. Miles Lanz	0	3	2.67%	

WT Qualifier #3

Meridian		April 30, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.	
Class A				
1. Rodney Pickering	5	1	43.75%	
2. Pep Plummer	4	2	33.33%	
3. Jayce Pickering	4	2	23.33%	
4. Larry Miller	3	3	6.25%	
5. Ray Carpenter	3	3	37.92%	
6. Floyd Eldred	1	5	11.25%	
7. Brent Wood	1	5	30.42%	

WT Qualifier #4

Pocatello		May 7, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.	
Class A				
1. Brent Wood	5	2	42.50%	
2. Carey Jennings	4	3	26.43%	
3. Phil Baldree	3	3	28.33%	
4. Brian Poole	3	3	26.25%	
5. Denise Mead	2	3	32.00%	
6. Danny Hendricks	1	4	18.50%	
Class B				
1. Nanette Spangler	5	1	32.92%	
2. Michael Curzon	4	2	25.83%	
3. Jackie Wells	3	3	22.92%	
4. Kent Sorensen	3	3	17.92%	
5. Barry Mangum	3	3	13.75%	
6. Gary Curtis	2	4	12.50%	
7. Shane Davidson	1	5	20.83%	
Class C				
1. Ron Jenkins	5	0	19.50%	
2. Steve Lenon	3	2	9.00%	
3. Keith Lewis	3	2	5.00%	
4. Tonya Briggs	2	3	5.00%	
5. Danny Shutran	1	4	9.00%	
6. Steve Cornwell	1	4	3.00%	

Bill Travis Memorial

Boise		May 7, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.	
Class A				
1. Gary Opper	6	0	60.42%	
2. Gary Kollmann	4	2	48.75%	

3. Rodney Pickering	4	2	40.00%
4. Ray Carpenter	4	2	33.75%
5. David Schutte	2	4	29.58%
6. Pep Plummer	1	5	31.25%
7. David Spears	0	6	13.33%

Class B

1. Jayce Pickering	6	0	29.17%
2. John Sproul	3	3	13.33%
3. Floyd Eldred	3	3	12.92%
4. Larry Miller	0	6	3.33%

Northern Idaho Jamboree

Coeur d Alene May 14, 2016



Class A-D winners, L-R: Kay Keskinen, Chet Ness, Glen Wessel, Nancy Bartee

Name	W	L	Pct.
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Class A

1. Kay Keskinen	5	0	59.00%
2. Earl Hertlein	4	1	52.00%
3. Karen Wickham	3	2	51.00%
4. Roger Baker	2	3	38.50%
5. Rusty Butterfield	1	4	22.50%
6. Laurie Dale	0	5	24.50%

Class B

1. Chet Ness	5	0	36.00%
2. Cindy Reeves	3	2	31.50%
3. Wayne Peterson	3	2	31.50%
4. Homer Kleinsmith	2	3	38.50%
5. Pep Plummer	2	3	27.00%
6. Darla Wessel	0	5	22.50%

Class C

1. Glen Wessel	5	1	38.33%
2. Stu Hinz	4	2	25.42%
3. Tom Gasper	3	2	25.50%
4. Mike Watcher	2	3	28.50%
5. Dave Ferebee	2	3	26.50%
6. Dave Allinger	0	5	27.00%

Class D

1. Nancy Bartee	5	0	22.00%
2. Cory Sturgis	3	2	17.50%
3. Tom Gasper II	3	2	13.00%
4. Shirley Madson	2	3	4.50%
5. Kyle Siegert	1	4	8.50%
6. Ray Schoch	1	4	6.50%

Meridian Parks & Recs

Meridian May 21, 2016

Name	W	L	Pct.
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Class A

1. Gary Opper	3	0	75.00%
2. Gary Kollmann	2	1	46.67%
3. Ray Carpenter	2	1	42.50%
4. Brent Wood	1	2	47.50%
5. Rodney Pickering	1	2	43.33%
6. Clyde Marquez	0	3	22.50%

Class B

1. Pep Plummer	2	0	41.00%
2. Jayce Pickering	2	0	27.00%
3. Sam Glenn	1	1	12.00%
4. Logan King	1	2	13.33%
5. Shawn Huntington	0	3	10.00%

Class C

1. Don Weatherhead	3	0	9.17%
2. Floyd Eldred	2	1	12.50%
3. Larry Miller	1	2	4.17%
4. John Sproul	0	3	11.67%

The Schutte Open

Nampa May 28, 2016

Name	W	L	Pct.
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Class A

1. David Schutte	4	2	42.92%
2. Logan King	4	2	24.58%
3. Jerry Smith	4	2	22.08%
4. Pep Plummer	3	3	32.92%
5. Ray Carpenter	3	3	43.75%
6. Floyd Eldred	2	4	13.50%
7. Paula King	1	5	27.50%

Nampa Classic #4

Nampa June 4, 2016

Name	W	L	Pct.
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Class A

1. Ray Carpenter	5	1	46.25%
2. David Schutte	4	2	39.17%
3. Gary Kollmann	3	3	52.92%
4. Pep Plummer	0	6	22.50%

Class B

1. Brandon Thompson	6	0	3.75%
2. Floyd Eldred	2	4	11.25%
3. Terry Little	2	4	5.00%
4. Larry Miller	2	4	3.75%

Juneteenth

Pocatello June 16, 2016

Name	W	L	Pct.
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Class A

1. Art Ross	6.5	0.5	67.14%
2. Jim Price	6	1	48.29%
3. Denny Mead	5	2	39.71%

4. Roy Buhler	4.5	2.5	50.57%
5. Doug Palmer	2	5	35.43%
6. Gary Curtis	2	5	27.71%
7. Phil Baldree	1	6	22.86%
8. Juan Hernandez	1	6	25.14%

Class B

1. Carey Jennings	7	0	30.00%
2. Dan Rollins	6	1	28.93%
3. Shaylene Lanz	5	2	25.36%
4. Ron Lorenz	4	3	16.43%
5. Curtis Crane	2	5	26.79%
6. Jim Robinson	2	5	18.57%
7. Brian Poole	2	5	16.43%
8. Blain Scott	0	7	2.86%

Class C

1. Jackie Wells	7	0	23.93%
2. Rick Sprague	5	2	18.93%
3. Danny Hendricks	4	3	24.64%
4. Allen Thomas	3	4	18.93%
5. Michael Curzon	3	4	16.07%
6. Gayden Nelson	2	5	22.14%
7. Richard Vaughan	2	5	21.79%
8. Sam Glenn	2	5	19.64%

Class D

1. Teresa Brown	5	0	21.00%
2. Durell Lewis	3	2	23.00%
3. Steve Lewis	3	2	14.00%
4. Stewart Brown	2	3	20.00%
5. Shawn Huntington	1	4	8.00%
6. Maralee Anderson	1	4	4.00%

Class E

1. Brent Buhler	7	0	15.36%
2. Mike Beall	6	1	19.64%
3. Lori Powell	5	2	12.86%
4. Miles Lanz	3	4	9.64%
5. Steve Lenon	3	4	8.93%
6. Danny Shutran	2	5	6.79%
7. Brandon Beall	1	6	7.86%
8. Steve Cornwell	1	6	6.43%

Meridian Open #3

Meridian	June 18, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.

Class A

1. Gary Opper	5	0	60.33%
2. Ray Carpenter	4	1	45.28%
3. Rodney Pickering	3	2	38.00%
4. David Schutte	2	3	33.65%
5. Ed Shanley	1	4	31.90%
6. Pep Plummer	0	5	25.26%

Class B

1. David Spears	6	0	21.67%
2. Jayce Pickering	4	2	23.33%
3. Jerry Smith	3	3	21.25%
4. John Spoul	3	3	19.58%
5. Floyd Eldred	2	4	12.50%
6. Dolly Shanley	2	4	8.75%

Wood River Open

Hailey	June 25, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.

Class A

1. Doug Palmer	6	0	44.17%
2. Rodney Pickering	3	3	42.50%
3. Brent Wood	2	4	38.75%
4. Pep Plummer	1	5	18.75%

Class B

1. Jayce Pickering	4	0	26.88%
2. Rick Sprague	2	2	18.75%
3. Nanette Spangler	2	2	13.75%
4. Ron Lorenz	1	3	22.50%
5. Sam Glenn	1	3	21.25%

Class C

1. Stewart Brown	4	0	21.25%
2. Richard Vaughan	2	2	15.00%
3. Shawn Huntington	2	2	15.00%
4. Lori Powell	2	2	13.13%
5. Maralee Anderson	0	4	6.88%

Class C

1. Mike Beall	4	0	22.50%
2. Brent Buhler	3	1	16.25%
3. Brandon Beall	2	2	11.25%
4. Aiyana Brown	1	3	5.63%
5. Joseph O'Rayehn	0	4	3.13%

Treasure Valley Open

Meridian	July 9, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.

Class A

1. Gary Kollmann	5	0	57.00%
2. David Schutte	4	1	47.00%
3. Ray Carpenter	2	3	38.50%
4. Randy De Jong	2	3	33.00%
5. Rodney Pickering	2	3	29.00%
6. Pep Plummer	0	5	15.50%

Class B

1. Jayce Pickering	5	0	26.00%
2. Mark De Jong	4	1	19.50%
3. Jerry Smith	2	3	20.00%
4. John Sproul	2	3	19.00%
5. Floyd Eldred	1	4	13.00%
6. Brandon Thompson	1	4	5.50%

NHPA Benefit

Boise	July 16, 2016		
Name	W	L	Pct.

Class A

1. Gary Opper	4	0	63.37%
2. Gary Kollmann	3	1	53.29%
3. Ray Carpenter	2	2	43.16%
4. Karen Wickham	1	3	36.50%
5. David Schutte	0	4	37.50%

Class B

1. Clyde Marquez	4	2	36.11%
2. David Spears	4	2	28.33%
3. Jerry Smith	4	2	26.11%
4. John Sproul	0	6	16.11%

Idaho State Doubles

Pocatello

July 16, 2016



Class A winners, L-R: Jayce Pickering and Rodney Pickering



Class B winners, L-R: Brian Poole and Jim Robinson

Class A

1. J. Pickering-R. Pickering	7	0
2. T. Horrocks-C. Crane	6	1
3. D. Palmer-P. Plummer	4	3
4. E. Pickett-J. Price	4	3
5. D. Mead-D. Lewis	3	4
6. P. Baldree-D. Romaro	2	5
7. C. Jennings-D. Hendricks	1	6
8. B. Wood- S. Brown	1	6

Class B

1. B. Poole-J. Robinson	6	0
2. D. Rollins-J. Wells	5	1
3. R. Sprague-T. Brown	3	3
4. N. Spangler-R. Vaughan	3	3
5. L. Powell-A. Shutran	2	4
6. M. Beall-B. Beall	1	5
7. A. Thomas-S. Lewis	1	5



"Pep Talk" Corner



Another hello from the "live" ringers, in the "hope" of creating a "dead" one.

In my last article (in the spring issue) I talked about a body happening termed SYNAPTIC RESISTANCE, stemming from the inner mind of feel which is a sense of Awareness difference. Change creates a feeling of uncomfortable behavior or activity. Change isn't working---so---we go back to what "felt comfortable," back to what you're not happy about which is why you decided to try something else in the hope of improving your game. But an uncomfortable awareness, HABIT VS CHANGE surfaced. It gives you a sense of noncoordination of motor skills, translated into Disappointment. You've just experienced "SYNAPTIC RESISTANCE!" Habit VS

Change, VS Mind over Matter. Which leads into this *Four Dead* article "FOCUS VS CONCENTRATION."

The dictionary gives many definitions of these two words and their individual applications. However---they are sometimes used in the same context, such as in an activity relating to competition. Competition doesn't always refer to sporting activities. But---as we are engaged in a game activity requiring physical application--these two words Focus VS Concentration are a misnomer in the true sense of application! Focus VS Eyesight---Concentration VS Pay Attention. The true application of focus is on your Intermediate Goals that hopefully will get you to your ultimate goal. That's where your FOCUS BELONGS!!!! Amen

Now---where does concentration "or" how does concentration fit into activity requiring a set of Motor Skills?

Go back in time to when you were "Learning to ride a bike." Did you have training wheels? If not, who helped you learn about "Balance, Feel, and Relaxation?" With training wheels, all that is done for you. However, once the training wheels are removed, you still need "Help." You begin to experience "AWARENESS, uncertainty, and even danger. After a few times at trying you begin to get the hang of it---Whee! that was a trying experience! During that trial and error period you "concentrated" heavily on Control and Balance through feel of motion, equilibrium and direction. All of these come into play as you learned to ride a bike without help.



Concentration is 100% a feeling of motion, of awareness of activity. Concentration is the "feel" of what's happening with your physical gears as flowing or meshing. The phenomenon known as "GRAVITY" is your #1 by-product that produces feel. The feel you're looking for is "NO FEAR," it's as if your shoe weight is feather weight. You allowed PHYSICS to be in charge of ACTIVITY, rather than the "BRAIN" constantly telling the body all its parts what to do! You performed without thinking about it.

CONCENTRATION is playing this game horseshoes.... means... just do it without thinking about it.

Concentration is FEEL WHAT'S HAPPENING! Thinking evolves into being physical which makes you "tight," not relaxed and flowing. You are meshing your gears.

Feel can only be experienced as no feel when you concentrate on RELAX----RELAX----RELAX..... Your awareness of what's happening, when, where, is your physical (as in applying force, energy, throwing) rather than 'Swing, Release, Toss the shoe' without thinking, is concentration. It's action without conscious intervention! Consistency in repeatability breeds confidence.

So focus on your goals, but FOCUS on concentration, of relaxing to gain feel. It will tell you what's going wrong and what to do to fix it. These two areas are critical when you are in the process of change or experimenting to improve your game.

In the next "PEP Talk" time I will talk about WINNERS VS LOSERS, EXCUSES VS COPING OUT!!!!

Added Note: The Idaho State Singles Tournament is coming up; get out there and work on your.... you know what!!!

FOCUS / CONCENTRATION

GET YOUR GAME TO FLOW..... STOP BEING PHYSICAL.....STOP THINKING "*****JUST DO IT*****"

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