

TENNESSEE RINGER ROUNDUP



Tennessee Horseshoe Pitchers Association Newsletter

TNHPA website: www.tnhorseshoepitching.com

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From the President
Harold Morgan

Hey Pitchers,

Hope this finds everyone doing okay. I sure hope that this virus is staying away from each of you, as it has certainly slowed our horseshoe pitching down. Through this down time, please think about what we can do to increase membership, as we have seen a big reduction due to deaths and corn hole. Let us continue looking for new members.

Have a good year and hopefully we will be back to full schedule soon.

Charters such as NE have stopped pitching "in-person" because they do not want to risk spreading the virus. They have resorted to mail-in" tournaments. Where pitchers go to court complexes or even in their back yard courts, pending RD approval, on their leisure and record all scores and send it in via email, text, or snail mail. This is a great alternative to pitching. This saves the NHPA and the individual charters potential hardship for those whom may spread or contract COVID-19. Even though you are not showing symptoms, you may be a reservoir for the virus. You could be spreading it and not know it.

All RDs for each charter should have this information. If they do not they should call me at once to get the information.

Dalton

This only applies for those tournaments that are cancelled by the TDs or the TD does not want to risk the spread of the virus.

The NHPA is not liable for anyone contracting coronavirus or even death from pitching in person.

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Rule Waiver Number: 2020-T01 Original written date: 04-13-2020 Date approved: 04-20-2020

According to the NHPA RGS book revised January 01, 2019, Requirement 5- Sections A and B allows the NHPA Executive Council to approve or deny special tournament requests. During this time across the world, members of the NHPA have been limited to NHPA sanctioned tournament play due to the corona virus. The NHPA members are unable to compete socially and therefore causing a disruption in pitching schedules across the United States. With our ever-decreasing membership including the decreased match play, this time is crucial to gain membership and aide in the process of keeping horseshoe pitching on the market for posterity. Furthermore, with the current wording of the RGS book and the reasons stated above, the NHPA Executive Council is allowing at home, mail-in, online, horseshoe pitching tournaments to be sanctioned. The "grandfathering" policy approved in 2019, allowed for horseshoe courts to receive "sanctioned" status if unable to meet current specs. With that being said, tournaments may be hosted temporarily anywhere. Members should get in contact with the RDs of

your respective charter to allow for these temporary sanctions of courts. The NHPA Executive Council asks that members keep the integrity of their ringer percentage each game. Tournament directors may execute each event as he/she sees fit. However, all other NHPA Rules and Bylaws must be followed. Games or matches completed that are not used for the specific tournament listed during this time will not be counted for tournament credit. All games completed are a one-time match and must be recorded for the tournament listed in. They cannot serve as double purpose for events. Please keep all games on hand as they are to be sent electronically, or snail mail to each director as having proof of score for the game(s) for that tournament. Leagues may be completed and scored by the means stated above during this time. We hope everyone stays safe during this time and we hope to see everyone on the courts together for tournament competition.

This waiver ends on June 01, 2020 at 12:00am (CST.)

ATTENTION

From the desk of Lois Cooper

Please correct my phone # on your schedule to 865-429-7864. It also should be corrected on the website, but I am not sure who to contact to get that done.

Thank You!!!!

NHPA Members:

Each of us have been watching the impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) on our communities and families. Lives continue to be disrupted with imposed limitations that have affected our activities, including the opportunity to pitch in scheduled NHPA horseshoe tournaments. Many of those tournaments have been canceled to meet community safety guidelines and regulations. The NHPA remains committed to provide a

safe environment for our members while also providing competitive opportunities to pitch horseshoes.

The NHPA council recognizes that with many tournaments being canceled, some members may be limited to meet the minimum required tournaments to qualify for the World Tournament. To provide the best opportunity for individuals to qualify for the World Tournament scheduled July 13-25, the NHPA council has extended the registration deadline until June 1st and reduced the number of tournaments required to qualify from 4 tournaments to 2.

The NHPA Council President, Stuart Sipma, is in regular communication with officials from the City of Monroe, Louisiana and will continue to monitor the situation and the impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The World Tournament is planned to continue as scheduled at the present time. Additional information and adjustments will be made as additional information becomes available.

Your safety is our primary concern! We are looking forward to putting this behind us and seeing each of you bring your best pitching to Monroe Louisiana for the 2020 World Horseshoe Tournament.

NHPA Officers



Donate trophies or plaques, contact JoAnn Stanford. These items are donated and reused for a juvenile BB shooting team and individual competitions held at Bend of the River Shooting Range in Cookeville, TN. Contact JoAnn at 931-243-2648.

Jack Mack Stanford – 78 Of Celina, Tn, US Army 16+ years died on Sunday April 20,2020 at home. Cremation was chosen, family and friends will meet to celebrate his life at a later date. Jack was born March 13, 1942 in Middlesboro, Ky to the late Mack and Tressa (Bruce) Sanford. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brother Gary Stanford, his sister-in-law Lori is in Michigan. He is survived by wife JoAnn (Studeny) Stanford. He is the 2nd of five children and is survived by 2 brothers and 1 sister – Bill Stanford and sister-in-law in Michigan, Larry Stanford in North Carolina, and sister Brenda Sue Ferris in Fla. Jack was the proud father of his 2 children, Todd and spouse Lori (Warunek) Stanford and his daughter Allison Marie, daughter Tracy (Stanford) Stacy and her daughter Taylor Paige.

Donations may be made to: Parkinson’s Foundation TNKY Chapter at 200 SE 1st St Suite 800 Miami, FL 33131 or at: [www. Parkinson.org/TNKY](http://www.Parkinson.org/TNKY)



