

COURT CHATTER

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LSHPA

MARCH, 2018

President's Message

Hello to everyone. The 2018 season has begun, and a couple of Tournaments are already in the books. The annual state officers' meeting was held on Feb, 25, 2018 in Baton Rouge. Thanks to all the officers and regional director, Ron Smith, for attending. Discussions included the web site, upcoming state tournaments, the Horseshoe Tour and the Harahan and Shreveport situation. It was also decided to initiate a most improved player award in each category, Men, Women, Elders, and Juniors. These awards will be presented at the State Singles Tournament during the annual delegate meeting, The basis of the award is the improvement of the book average of players from August 1, to August 1 of the following year.

Thanks to the Bayou Horseshoe Pitchers for hosting the 2017 State Singles. Results can be found later in this issue. Congratulations also go out to Tim Gilmore on his induction into the State Hall of Fame. Also congrats to Jerry Sneary of Shreveport and Louis Gaudet of Cajun Horseshoes for achieving their 30 year membership award.

State offices up for Election this year are President, 2nd Vice President and 3rd Vice President, currently held by Ricky Richard, Larry Pertuit, and Tim Gilmore, respectively. Anyone wishing to be considered for these positions must announce their candidacy by August 1. The election will take place at the Annual Meeting in Monroe in September.

The 2018 World Tournament will be held in Florence, South Carolina, from July 9 to July 21. Entry forms are available on the LSHPA and NHPA websites.

On a sad note, we lost one of our elder statesman of the LSHPA with the passing of Bob Hogan. Bob was long time President of the Harahan Association and the LSHPA. He was one of the early pioneers of the LSHPA who helped in keeping the Association viable and successful during the 1980's and into the new millenium.

Reminder to all Club Officers and Tournament Directors that all pitchers must be resanctioned to participate in sanctioned Tournaments and Leagues, Sanction Applications were sent out and are also available on our web site. Please make them available to your members. Also, please remember that entry fees for all State Events are now \$25.00 and if you drop out after the deadline, you are still responsible for the entry fee.

Looking forward to seeing you on the Courts!

**Ricky Richard
LSHPA President**

State Singles Tournament

Sanction #27-17-032

Patterson, Louisiana

9/30/2017

Men's Class "A"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Ricky Richard	6	1	45.4
Second	Junior McCowin	5	2	36.3
Third	Mike Ricardo	4	3	31.7

Men's Class "B"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Randy Giroir	7	0	28.3
Second	Mack Thibodeaux	5	2	25.0
Third	Glenn Miller	4	3	22.9

Men's Class "C"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Bill King	7	0	25.4
Second	Clay Canty	6	1	20.4
Third	A.J. Duplantier	5	2	20.4

Men's Class "D"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	C.J. Bertrand	7	1	17.5
Second	Julius Lovell	6	2	16.1
Third	Bryan Phenix	5	2	17.9

Men's Class "E"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Joe Primeaux	7	0	13.3
Second	Danny Navarre	5	2	10.4
Third	Robert Woodall	4	3	6.3

Women's Class "A"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Pat Pertuit	5	1	40.4
Second	Wanda Lantz	4	2	44.6
Third	Sharla Fontenot	3	2	41.5

Women's Class "B"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Angela Percle	6	2	41.8
Second	Nancy Woods	6	3	29.4
Third	Rhonda Smith	5	3	31.8

Women's Class "C"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Erica Noblit	5	0	33.5
Second	Belinda McClain	3	2	24.5
Third	Amanda McMullen	3	2	27.5

Elders		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Tim Gilmore	7	1	57.5
Second	Al Dodson	6	2	48.8
Third	Gerald Prados	5	2	51.8

CHPA HIGHLIGHTS

The Cajun Horseshoe Pitchers held their Awards Banquet on February 17, 2018 in Churchpoint. The following awards were presented:

PERCENTAGE PATCHES:

60%:	Mary Begnaud
40%:	Cheryl Matt
30%:	Joe Primeaux
10%:	Bob Brown & Clay Weaver

HIGH GAME RINGER %: Male: Ricky Richard 62.5%
 Female: Mary Begnaud 67.5%

HIGH RINGER % AVERAGE: Male: Ricky Richard 47.5%
 Female: Mary Begnaud 38.2%

HIGH GAME OVER AVERAGE: Male: Joe Primeaux 37.5% Game +23.0
 Female: Mary Begnaud 67.5% Game +29.3

LEAGUE CHAMPION: BENITA WILLIAMS 19 wins/4 losses

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD: Male: Clay Weaver
 Female: Sharla Fontenot

MOST IMPROVED: 40 Ft.: Eddie Guidry +11.5%
 30 Ft. : Charles Savoy +9.0%

PITCHERS OF THE YEAR: 30' MARY BEGNAUD
 40' MACK THIBODEAUX

Cajun Classic

Sanction #27-18-002 Welsh, Louisiana 3/24/2018

Class "A"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Wanda Lantz	6	1	52.1
Second	Tim Gilmore	5	2	63.6
Third	Ricky Richard	3	3	40.8

Class "B"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Charles Savoy	4	1	46.0
Second	David Reed	3	2	32.5
Third	Mary Begnaud	3	2	37.5

Class "C"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Cheryl Matt	5.5	0.5	28.3
Second	Angie Taylor	4	2	20.4
Third	Ron Smith	3.5	2.5	26.7

Class "D"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	C.J. Bertrand	5	0	20.0
Second	Mike Fonseca	3	2	13.0
Third	Randy Johnson (Tx)	3	2	17.0

Class "E"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Louis Gaudet	5	1	15.0
Second	Danny Navarre	4	2	18.3
Third	Allen Duplantis	2	3	7.0

Class "F"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Benita Williams	5	0	5.5
Second	Joan Garrison (Ala)	4	1	7.5
Third	Travis Pousson	3	2	5.5

BHPA HIGHLIGHTS

Singles for Dollars

Sanction #27-17-037 Patterson, Louisiana Saturday 10/28/2017

Class "Clubs"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Al Dodson	5	0	45.3

Second	Jimmy Caillouet	3	2	19.0
Third	Joe Primeaux	3	2	13.5
Class "Hearts"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Cheryl Matt	4.5	1.5	29.2
Second	Wanda Lantz	3.5	2.5	44.6
Third	Pat Pertuit	2.5	2.5	37.5
Class "Diamonds"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Tim Gilmore	4.5	1.5	61.3
Second	Ron Smith	3.5	2.5	30.0
Third	Linda Dodson	3	2	48.0
Class "Spades"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Glenn Miller	4	1	31.3
Second	Danny Navarre	3.5	1.5	16.9
Third	Mary Begnaud	3.5	1.5	38.1
Championship Class		Won	Lost	
First	Tim Gilmore	3	1	
Second	Glenn Miller	2	2	
Third	Cheryl Matt	1	2	
Fourth	Al Dodson	1	2	

Doubles for Dollars

Sanction #27-17-042

Patterson, Louisiana

Saturday 12/2/2017

Class "Blue"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Al Dodson/Junior McCowin	5	0	38.8
Second	Linda Dodson/Travis Bourdier	3	2	31.8
Class "Black"		Won	Lost	Rgr.%
First	Pat Pertuit/Chris Rogers	5	1	32.7
Second	Mary Begnaud/Cheryl Matt	4	2	31.5
Championship Class		Won	Lost	
First	Al Dodson/Junior McCowin	4	1	
Second	Mary Begnaud/Cheryl Matt	3	2	
Third	Linda Dodson/Travis Bourdier	2	3	
Fourth	Pat Pertuit/Chris Rogers	0	3	

2017 B.H.P.A. SUMMER LEAGUE AWARDS

TEAM CHAMPIONS:

ALL BLUE

Al Dodson Captain
Julius Lovell

Jimmy Percle
Tyler Bourdier

HIGH AVERAGE:

DUDLEY MICHEL (30') 52.2%
AL DODSON (30') 73.3 Point

CLYDE LANDRY (40') 56.3 Pts.
GLENN MILLER (40') 34.4%

HIGH SCRATCH GAME:

AL DODSON 91Points

AL DODSON/DUDLEY MICHEL

67.5% Ringer

HIGH HANDICAP GAME:

GLENN MILLER 101 Points

HIGH GAME OVER AVERAGE:

MEN: GLENN MILLER + 24.4 pts over ave.
WOMEN: ANGELA PERCLE + 18.5 pts over ave.

BEST W/L RECORD:

AL DODSON 14-4 Record - 77.8 %

40' Class "D"	Junior McCowin	1st	30.7%
	Randy Giroir	3rd	18.3%
	Jimmy Percle	3rd	30.0%
40' Class "E"	Travis Bourdier	3rd	13.3%
	Jerry Sneary	3rd	3.3%
40' Class "F"	Roosevelt Morse	1st	20.0%
	Steve Rotach	2nd	16.7%

FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA TOUR EVENT **November, 2017**

30' Class "E"	Al Dodson	2nd	50.0%
30' Class "G"	Pat Pertuit	3rd	42.5%
30' Class "J"	Linda Dodson	1st	30.7%
40' Class "J"	Larry Pertuit	1st	28.1%

FINAL BIG GAME MONEY FOR THE 2017 HORSESHOE TOUR EVENTS

(Top 50 Places Nationwide)

5 th Place:	Al Dodson	
25 th Place:	Larry Pertuit	
26 th Place:	Linda Dodson	
35 th Place:	Pat Pertuit	
45 th Place:	3 Way Tie:	A.J. Duplantier Gerald Prados Ron Smith
50 th Place:	Tim Gilmore	

HHPA HIGHLIGHTS

The Harahan Association held their Awards Banquet on February 24, 2018
The following awards were presented:

Spring League Champions: (63-45 Record)
Captain Bill Seither, Gil Gerard, Bob Gentry, and Gordon Terrell

Spring High Game: Roy Wille 90 Points
Spring High Average: Pat Pertuit 74.8

Fall League Champions: (73-62 Record)
Captain Bill Seither, Larry Pertuit, Mike Fonseca, and Edie Corso

Fall High Game: Edie Corso 95 Points
Fall High Average: Roy Wille 71.4

Individual awards included:

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR: NEIL WHITNEY

PERCENTAGE PATCHES:
80% Pat Pertuit 50% Neil Whitney 30% Mike Fonseca

The new Courts in Harahan will be used for League Play this year.
Due to a few issues that need to be resolved, Tournaments at this point will be held in Waggaman, La.

SHPA HIGHLIGHTS

Thankfully, the Moose Lodge is still available for the Shreveport Club this year. Hopefully, it will be there for a number of years to come.

Summer Singles League

LEAGUE CHAMPION: **DARREN ADAMS**

	<u>Class "A"</u>	<u>Class "B"</u>	<u>Class "C"</u>
1 st :	Ronnie Ellis	Roosevelt Morse	Darren Adams
2 nd :	Greg Ellis	Mike Ricardo	Robert Mayes
3 rd :	Jack Caudle	Steve Rotach	Tommy Zmek

High Ringer %:	Men:	Mike Ricardo	33.33%
	Elder:	Jack Caudle	54.47%
	Women:	Marie Stump	34.86%

2017 Fall Doubles League

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS: **MIKE RICARDO & JERRY SNEARY**

	<u>Class "A"</u>	<u>Class "B"</u>
1 st :	Mike Ricardo/Jerry Sneary	Mike Waters/Tonya Palmer
2 nd :	Jack Caudle/Greg Ellis	Ronnie Ellis/Jennifer Breedlove
3 rd :	Belinda McClain/Rene' White	Steve Rotach/Roosevelt Morse

High Ringer %:	Men:	Greg Ellis	28.23%
	Elder:	Jack Caudle	59.69%
	Women:	Marie Stump	38.40%

High Ringer Game: Jack Caudle 76.67%

High Game Over Average: Greg Ellis+28.23

2017 Spring League

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS: **DARREN ADAMS & ROBERT MAYES**

	<u>Class "A"</u>	<u>Class "B"</u>
1 st :	Jeff Trammell/Jerry Sneary	Darren Adams/Robert Mayes
2 nd :	Alan Bass/Lisa Bass	Tonya Palmer/Maybeth Johnson
3 rd :	James Breedlove/Nelda Addison	Mike Waters/Paul Thompson

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR: Men: Roosevelt Morse Women: Rene' White

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR: Tommy Latiolais

NORTHEAST SIX PACK CLUB

The Northeast Club will be hosting the Louisiana Games again this year in May. They will also host this year's State Singles and the annual delegates meeting.

Warm-up Tournament

Sanction #27-18-001 **Monroe, Louisiana** **Saturday, 3/17/2018**

Class "A":	Nancy Woods	33.0%
Class "B":	Roosevelt Morse	22.9%
Class "C":	Matt Lyon	7.2%

TOURNAMENT CHAMPION: ROOSEVELT MORSE

LOUISIANA NHPA TOP TEN AWARD RECIPIENTS

**Pat Pertuit: HHPA
(Women)**

**4th Hi Ringer Game - 80.0% Game
6th Hi Ringer Game over Average +30.00**

**Linda Dodson: BHPA
(Women)**

**4th Hi Ringer Game over Average +31.11
5th Hi Point Game over Average (40 Shoes) +34.76**

**Gil Girard: HHPA
(Elder)**

1st Hi Point Game over Average (40 Shoes) +48.50

**Eddie Corso: HHPA
(Women)**

8th Hi Point Game over Average (40 Shoes) +32.3

Go to “horseshoepitching.com” under LEAGUE and see the complete final TOP TEN standings from around the country.