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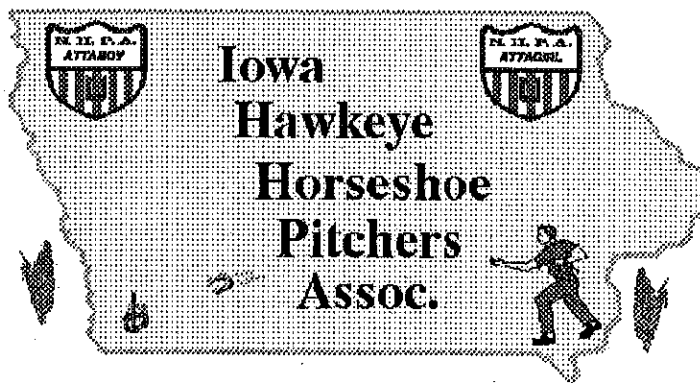
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Putt Mossman Indoor Arena, Eldora, Iowa:

Iowa Winter Games (Non-Sanctioned)
Saturday, February 4, 2006, 9:00 a.m.
Sanctioned Tournaments:

Register by 9:30 a.m., play at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, February 5, 2006
Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006 & Sunday, Feb. 12, 2006
Saturday, March 4, 2006 & Sunday, March 5, 2006
Saturday, March 11, 2006 & Sunday, March 12, 2006
Saturday, April 1, 2006 (Eldora Championship)



**Eldora Horseshoe Club
Of Central Iowa**



**Eldora Horseshoe Club of Central Iowa invites players
and fans to our Tournaments, November through
April, the first two weekends of each month.**

**Pitch in comfort on nine clay courts- - no wind, snow or
rain in the Putt Mossman Horseshoe Pitching Arena,
Hardin County Community Building, Hardin County
Fairgrounds, Eldora, Iowa**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE :

The 2006 New Year is upon us and I hope everyone is as enthused as I am about Horseshoe Pitching in the coming months !!

There are eight Sanctioned tournaments left following the Winter Iowa Games Tournament on Feb. 4th. For those of you who have not pitched in Eldora, I am sure you will enjoy the comfort of a very nice indoor facility, good food and time to spend with your fellow Horseshoe friends. Call up your pitching buddies, car pool and know you will be more than welcome. For more info or to let them know you're coming, call Director Bob McKee 641 - 753 - 7311 or sign up by 9:30. Play starts at 10:00 A.M. the first two weekends of the month through April 1st.

Update: Glen Warden and I attended a meeting in Cedar Rapids December 6th with Ralph Palmer, Larry Purcell and Ronnie Burgess. While there are a few loose ends that have to be tied, I was very impressed with everything the Cedar Rapids pitchers, The Cedar Rapids Convention and Business Bureau, and the Ice Arena management have initially put together. After the meeting we toured the Ice Arena and again was very impressed. Two large arenas under one roof and oohh yes, Air Conditioning.

The IHHPA Rewrite Committee assigned to send comments to the NHPA Rules Rewrite Committee has finished doing so and our suggestions were forwarded before the Jan. 1st deadline. The NHPA Rules Rewrite Committee will finalize and present the proposed document that will be voted on at the National Convention in Gillette, Wyoming at the World Tournament this year. The Rewrite will be published on the NHPA Website and in the next issue of the NEWSLINE. For those of you who currently do not subscribe to the NHPA NEWSLINE, I find it to be very informative and recommend that you do subscribe. Subscription prices for one, two, or three years are \$12.00, \$22.00, \$30.00. Send your name, address, City/State/Zip code. Make checks payable to NHPA Secretary/Treasurer - 3085 76th St. Franksville, Wi. 53126.

Included in the Jan/Feb issue was the announcement that a contract was finalized and the NHPA Hall of Fame will be moving to St. Charles County, Missouri. The site of the new facility will be located at the intersection of I - 70 and I - 64 (Hwy 40 -60) in Wentzville. The NHPF will build the facility on a three-acre tract in Quail Ridge Park. The NHPF plans to spend \$625,000 on its facility that will include about 24 indoor courts and eight outdoor courts that will be open to the general public. After many years having a portion of the NHPA Hall of fame displayed during the Iowa State Fair, (Thanks to Earl and Vicki Winston) it is nice to know that finally this memorabilia will once again be on display. Over the years thousands of Fair goers visited the display and now thousands will once again see the national history of our sport. Now that the reality of the Hall of Fame is a certainty, I urge Iowa Horseshoe pitchers to support our neighbors to the South and the NHPF by sending a tax - deductible donation payable to the NHPF at P.O. Box 1628, Penn Valley, Ca. 95946. There are many Iowa National Hall of Fame members including Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Iowa, who became The first World Horseshoe Pitching Champion in 1909. The Hall of Fame display will insure their accomplishments will not be forgotten.