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Presidents message:

Congratulations to all of our Big Winners at the State Championships this year! Rick Bermingham is once again the Men's State Champion. Rick and Jeff Williams both went in to the last game without losses, which made their game very exciting. Jeff gave Rick a run for his money. Our own John Sylvester also went clean winning the Senior Men's Championship Division. Great job John! You can get the full results at www.horseshoepitching.com

I'd like to thank the Southern California Officers for putting on a great tournament. It was a very hard task in the conditions that they had to deal with. The temperature on Friday and Saturday was 110+. We had some relief on Sunday with a high of around 95. Special thanks to the Bakersfield Shoe Crew for hosting and keeping everyone hydrated. They made sure that there was cold water available all day, every day for us to drink. Providing bottled water in large buckets, covered with ice. We went through cases and cases of that water at no charge. Nice work Shoe Crew!

I haven't heard from anyone interested in running for the positions that are up this year on the NCHPA Committee. Those positions are 2nd, 4th, and 5th V.P.'s as well as President. The original deadline was August 1st and I haven't had any inquiries. That is actually pretty sad. It takes a lot of time and hard work to keep this organization going, and we need good people to do that. I'd like to hear from those of you that are interested in either running or would like to remain in office.

Those of you that normally attend the Quartzsite tournaments in January, there will not be any tournaments held. We received an email from John Sargent and he advised that he would not be there to direct tournaments. However, the Valley of the Sun Tournament will still be held in Mesa. The dates are from February 3rd to the 8th. The deadline is January 21st 2009 and they are limited to 144 pitchers. If you need an application, you can either keep checking the NHPA website, under coming events, or you can call or email me and I'll send you a copy. Mitch and I will be attending. See all of you snow birds there!

I'd like to thank everyone ahead of time for all of their hard work getting the Norcal Championships up and going. I'm looking forward to our Friday night festivities! And of course, the dinner and year-end awards ceremony on Saturday night. Hope to see you all there!

Kimmy Stockli, President NCHPA

Annual Meeting:

Our annual meeting will be once again held at the Vallejo Community Center at 225 Amador St., November 8th, at 12pm. I've included directions below. We'll be looking forward to seeing all of the delegates there.

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Secretary/Treasurer:

A NEW IDEA? There was quite a bit of talk at the State Championships in Bakersfield this year about the heat and the heat factor at Yolo when we host this tournament. The question came up, through a number of people, is it time to change the dates of the State Championships to either earlier in the year or even later?

Would you like the idea of scheduling the state tournament on a 3- day weekend like Memorial Day, or maybe around Columbus Day weekend in October? All of those that pitch in the state championships really love the competition of the game of horseshoes, but does that mean they want to die from the heat? I would love to have some input to this question at our annual meeting, so if you are the delegates please come prepared with some ideas to kick around. If you are not expecting to be a delegate at the meeting, please pass your ideas to your club officers or email me and I will bring those ideas to our meeting.

We can't change this on our own – it would have to be approved by both the NCHPA and the SCHPA in order to make a change but, do you think you would pitch in the State Championships if they were held a different time of the year? **Gail Sluys**

“IT’S THE “PITS”

I have asked Bill Paddock to write an article for me on the proper care and turning of the clay....very important, it really keeps the shoes from bouncing and flying everywhere...MORE close points and more ringers that stay on the peg.

I would also like to encourage everyone to attend the Northern Calif. Championships... bring your RV, trailer, tent, or get to your motel early and join us for a fun FRIDAY NIGHT HORSESHOE CARNIVAL AND POT LUCK DINNER. Games start at 5:00 and potluck at around 7:00.

We have games of 51 planned, \$3.00 entry fee....all money paid back to the Grand Champions.... Try your luck at Carnival Shoes Entry fee \$5.00, all monies paid to top 3 point getters. I won't tell you what you need to do to

win, that would spoil the fun plus you can't practice up. Heh, heh.

BUT MORE important is Sat. and Sun. Your Northern California Championships....Money paid to each class...our annual Dinner Sat. night...may be music...and lots of visiting with your fellow

Horseshoe players, it's a “MUST BE THERE

2nd. Vice President

So. California ran a great tournament, congratulations to Kimmy to her 2nd title in a row, Gary Smith on placing 2nd for his first state tournament and Jessie Gonzalez for his comeback victory in the Elders division. Also my good ol' buddy John Sylvester for winning again in the Senior Men division. He will be 80 years old next June and still pitching at 40 ft. I hope everyone had a good time down there.

Rick Bermingham

3rd. Vice President

As Third VP I am in charge of the new members packets as well as the schedule for 2009. I had set a deadline date for the new schedule to be to me either by snail mail or email for Sept. 13th. As of this date I still need 2009 dates from the following clubs Half Moon Bay and Indian Valley so please get them in so I can start working on this when I return from Florida. Thanks. I also have been in charge of sending out our new member packets this year and would like you to know that we have had 118 new or returning members this year. And all packets have been sent out with only a small handful being returned to me with the wrong address. Sorry if this was one of you. I did try then to hand deliver at various tournaments that I attended. Hope to see many of you at the Nor Cal and the team tournament and at the northern meeting. **Linda Hoelscher**

TURNING THE CLAY

Horseshoe pitchers like soft clay, it equals close points and ringers.

I interviewed Tom Webb, who was a top pitcher for years and one of the best at turning clay.

Follow these Steps in preparing your clay court.

1. Test the clay with your shovel before doing anything. Press the shovel down in the clay to feel whether it is hard, medium, soft or wet. This will give you a better idea of the moisture content than just looking at it.
2. Use the shovel to cut clay into four pieces around the peg (to flip over later). This makes the job of turning easier. You will want to turn an area of about a foot in front, behind and on each side of the peg.
3. Now sprinkle water on the surface of the clay (every time you turn it.) unless it is sopping wet. The cuts you made in the clay help some of the water to get down under the clay. If the clay is hard it needs sprinkled twice, if it is medium it only needs sprinkled once, if wet or soft do not sprinkle, just smooth and make surface less wet.
4. Now turn the clay, shovel down to about ½ the depth of the clay. A turning that just skims under the clay does not keep the clay bed loose and soft.
5. After turning over the clay, **do not pat it down or stomp on the clay**, this hardens the surface, defeating the turning process. Shave off the high spots of the clay and place in the low spots. Let the pitching of the shoes settle the clay down gradually while pitching.
6. **Important!** If the clay feels just right, it still will dry out if not sprinkled and turned each game.
7. **Keep the clay sloping toward the back of the pit**, half an inch higher in front of the peg than behind the peg, so the horseshoe does not jump BACK after hitting the peg. Bring clay from back to the front of the court when needed.
8. **Do not water the top of the clay after it has been turned. Always turn water under.**

NOTE! *Just like it is unsportsmanlike to distract your opponent by some means*, it is not right *to over wet* the clay to cause your opponent poor pitching conditions. **Bill Paddock**

Statistician Report:

As of September 7, 2008 we have held 109 sanctioned tournaments in Northern California. A total of 2,324 people pitched in these tournaments. That rounds out to 21.32 pitchers in each tournament. How many of us feel like we are that 0.32 person when we have a bad day pitching?

Our members also pitched in 38 tournaments outside the NCHPA area. There were 159 of our pitchers in these tournaments, including 56 in the State Tournament, 11 in the World Tournament finals and 1 in the Championship round. This made for a total of 147 tournaments and 2,483 pitchers.

Some of the clubs are using HS Master to set up your tournaments. There has been a problem with sending me the results from this program. Gail Sluys has been talking to Paul Stewart about this and he has sent her information on how to create this report from HS Master. If you need this information, contact Gail Sluys. The only problem I have with this report is that it does not include the high percent games for each pitcher. Leon Moore figured out a way to add this to the report.

All of the information to determine the winners for Pitcher of the Year Awards and other awards has been sent in. At our annual meeting this year we will be discussing the possibility of changing the way we determine these winners. This is just one of the things that every club should be involved in. Each club should make an effort to have at least one member present at that meeting. Don't let just a handful of people make all the decisions for all of us. **Lee Roy Lassiter**

Club News

Madera Club: Rippetoe Brothers Strike Gold in Idaho. Harlen and Othal Rippetoe won the horseshoe pitching gold medal in doubles competition at the Western Police and Fire Games held August 23, &24, 2008, in Boise, Idaho. The Western States Police and Fire Games are held annually and attract competitors from 13 Western States. In horseshoe singles play Harlen won the silver medal and Othal won the gold. Both

brothers are Nor-Cal members, Harlen from the Madera club and Othal from the Sacramento club.

In addition to the horseshoe competition both brothers, were inducted into the Western States Police and Fire Games Hall of Fame at a ceremony held on August 19, 2008. The brothers were the first ever correctional peace officers and horseshoe pitchers to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The Rippetoe brothers have been participating in the Police and Fire Games for the past 18 years and have won gold medals in Canada, Australia, and the United States. Both Harlen and Othal are past Nevada, Arizona, and California state champions. The brothers enjoy the competition of other law-enforcement athletics and serve as ambassadors for the sport of horseshoes in state and world events.

The horseshoe event was sponsored by the Boise Horseshoe Club and long time Sacramento horseshoe pitchers Jerry Smith and Don Titcomb provided the statistical and scorekeeping support. Both Don and Jerry expressed a big hello to all the Nor-Cal members.

Indian Valley: Richard McCutcheon has authored a book about Indian Valley. It's full of the history of one of the most beautiful places in California, see website for more information; <http://www.imagesofindianvalley.com/>

Indian Valley has just finished up another league. I think it is our 26th sanctioned league we have had in our club. We had the worst turnout that we have ever had. I cannot even count all the forfeits with no shows this year. We need to do something to get the players to show up and make it more important to them on just one night a week.

Indian Valley is going to start a program next year and pass the word to the schools that any Junior that would like to try horseshoes for the first time IVHP'S will buy there annual card. That way they can try it without costing them a thing and if they don't like it they have not lost anything. I think possibly there are kids out there that would maybe love to try it but do not have the money to sign up.

The league was led again most of the year by the team of Engelmine, but with all the forfeits Village Drug edged them out in the final night by having 9 games forfeited to them. I guess it did all work out as Engelmine had 9 games forfeited to them the week before.

Forebay Park: Our club has acquired an office trailer, set up close to the pits. This is where we will store all of our hardware, tools, etc.

It is also set up for a computer to do the stats during a tournament. Our club now has 20 members of which only 17 are full card members; including 4 Junior pitchers.

The sprinkler system and lawn has really made a big improvement to the courts, thanks again to Rick Eddy & Kim Stovall.

Our sanctioned league [97-C-04] went very well. The league (this year) started April 17 and ended on the 28th. of August. I sent in the application for the National Top Ten awards of which we have four members eligible.

Our Junior League started last year with 4 members. This year again we had 4 members. There seems to be too many other junior activities in our area to get more juniors. We keep trying!

We hosted four great tournaments this year and look forward to next year. Our results of our tournaments on the 23rd. and 24th. of August are as follows:

Saturday- Rick Bermingham took 1st. Place in the **A Division** and Dean Setters took 2nd. Place.

Division B, Reb Billingsley took 1st. Place and Dud Setters took 2nd. Place. **Division C**, Bill Lee took 1st. Place and Tom Burns Jr. took 2nd. Place.

Sunday the 24th., **A Division**, in a 40 shoe playoff; Rick Eddy took 1st. Place and John Barney took 2nd. Place. **B Division**, Bill Lee took 1st. Place and Ray Donley took 2nd. Place.

I think our biggest problem and other clubs too; is getting good score keepers. We had some

beginners that had a difficult time, that kind of slowed things down a little.

One of the things that I did during the Calif. State Championships was go online to see how the tournament was going. NOTHING! I was disappointed. Have the results ever been posted during this annual tournament? I did hear on Monday that NCHPA members did well. It would be great to read about it *during* the tournament. (Like the World Tournament)

We have sent in our request for tournament dates for 2009 and I urge all clubs to send theirs in, so the committee has lots of time to work it out before the printing of the tournament schedule.

Good luck to all. **Bill Harris**

Tuolumne Club: The Tuolumne Club held its 7th annual Black Oak Casino Tournament on June 28th and 29th. The weather was great, the pits were great, the food was great, and as always, all the pitchers were great, and a lot of fun to pitch and socialize with. The club would like to extend a special thanks to Glenn Jamison (and Shirley) for doing a great job on keeping the scores, which kept the tournament moving right along at an even pace. THANK YOU, Glenn & Shirley. A job well done. We had 28 pitchers so all pitchers pitched in the morning. As always, on the Black Oak Casino tournament, half of the pitchers will get money. (28 pitchers-14 winners). This year's tournament champion went to Mel Roberts with a total of 830 points. Mel went home with a big smile and \$250.00 in cash. Right on his heels for 2nd place was Ray Kinores with 824 points winning \$175.00. 3rd place went to our one and only Kimmy Stockli with 784 points and taking home \$125.00. 4th place was Manual Costrilla, \$100.00. 5th place Ken Weir \$80.00. 6th place Bill Faler \$70.00. 7th place (yours truly) Fred Reibin \$60.00. 8th place John Ortega \$50.00. 9th place Ted Haynish \$40.00. 10th place Teddy Guillotte \$30.00. 11th place Pat McGowan 25.00. 12 place Tommy Jones \$20.00. 13th Place Ed Engle #20.00. Last, but not least of the pitchers getting money, 14th place Byrom Rice \$20.00. In addition, \$20.00 went to whom ever pitched the highest game in their group. Group 1 there was a tie between Mel Roberts and Ray Kinores, both

throwing a 106 point game, and getting \$10.00 each. Group 2 was won (solely) by Manual Costilla, throwing a 102 point game for \$20.00. And group 3 was again a split Between Ken Weir & Fred Reibin pitching a 97 point game, and both receiving \$10.00 each. Tuolumne Club will at times throw in a last minute surprise payout. Which has never made any of the pitchers unhappy. A SPECIAL THANK YOU has to go to RAY KINORES for donating back to the club, his 2nd place winnings of \$175.00 and his high game winnings of \$10.00. and to PAT MCGOWAN for donating back his raffle winning of \$10.00. This money will go towards the payouts in the 6th annual Mother Lode tournament to be held Sept 27th & 28th. This tournament will be count all, handicapped, total point, two day tournament. And will be pitched and paid by groups. Hope to see you all at this, our last tournament of the season, and hope all of you had a great pitching year. **Fred Reibin**

Feather River Club: The Feather River Club would like to thank all who participated in our 2008 tournaments making them a pleasure.

Larry Eastman came all the way from Tuolumne to pitch. Such dedication! Also Bran Starbuck comes from Ukiah. I don't actually know which comes the longest distance but we are happy to have them.

Cathie Loucks and Susan Behrbaum are always greeted with open arms as they volunteer (or are conned into) keeping the stats which enables Lois and me to pitch. Thank you both.

It takes all of us to keep our club going and we appreciate the help before, during and after our tournaments. Good old standbys John, Reb and Lee and also Ed, Tony, Ron and Mike do a great job preparing the pits. Vern and Marlys were a big help putting things away. Linda and Lois are always there. Hope I haven't forgotten too many but thank you all.

We want to welcome new members Troy Lowry, Bud Temple, Janet Parker and Rickey Rainey and look forward to having them participate in next year's tournaments.

Hope everyone enjoys the rest of this season and we'll see you all in 2009. **Audrey Winters**

Sacramento Club: Congratulations to all Northern pitchers who braved the heat and showed their best for the State in Bakersfield and KUDOS to those who shared in the spoils. It seemed forever since we hosted a tournament but we managed to remember what had to be done for the Sept. 6th. Open, even though the weather lady kept warning that Saturday would top out at 100 degrees and it did. Horseshoe pitchers are smart and check this out and most stayed home Saturday. Eight brave souls went out in two groups, 30 shoe games, double rounds and we were all out of there by 1:30 P.M. Dean Setters beat out Rick Bermingham in the first group and Glenn Rippetoe took first place from Gary Smith in a play-off in group two. Sunday was better weather for we had a breeze and one 40" group with Rick Bermingham beating Dean Setters in a playoff and one group of 30" where Carl Newsom won over Juanita Haas also in a playoff. We were happy to welcome Sue Lichau and Terri Treder from the Sonoma Club who were in town for Sue's daughter's college graduation. Good to see Sacramento's Carol Pappas has healed enough to be pitching again.

Thanks to all who ventured out to Granite Park this year. **Joan Bryan**

Stockton Club: All is quiet on the home front here in the home of the Stockton Horseshoe Club since our Tournaments ended in June 2008. Hopefully by now our new schedule for 2009 has been submitted for approval by our President. We will know by October if our schedule has been approved or if we need to submit a revised schedule.

I have been real busy, getting the Clubs paper work written and up to date and filed, and I am still behind in getting it done. I have three stakes that need to be changed before the 2009 tournament schedule starts but due to the heat here in Stockton, the start time to change the stakes will have to wait till it cools off somewhat. We had triple digits just about three days a week in August from 100, 101, 102, 104, 106, up to 107.

I picked up about seven rolls of rugs that I will need to cut to size as time permits, I have been looking for some plastic to buy to replace the torn ones covering our pits, I checked the pits Sunday the 31 of August and the grass is starting to grow inside so that's another little task that's got to be done.

I'd like to congratulate Danny Hernandez, Delia Garza, Robert Russ, Doug Martin, Harvey Monk, and myself for pitching at other club's Tournaments after ours ended.

Since the gas prices went up, pitchers didn't travel too far from home to pitch and when the gas prices went down somewhat we did start traveling to other clubs to pitch. Now the gas prices are going up again and I venture to say that traveling to other club to pitch will go down again. I plan on going to Sacramento, San Jose, and Madera, God willing. That's it for this time, so keep on pitching. **Peter Chavarria**

Shasta Club: Our club did not schedule any tournaments during the hottest part of the Summer this year. The heat is usually real bad at this time of year in Redding. Of course this year we had to contend with the smoke from over 100 fires also. We do have tournaments coming up on October 25th and 26th. The weather should be fine then. It should be much cooler and it has not rained up here in such a long time that I think it has forgotten how.

Our membership has really dropped this year. Various reasons have been given by those who did not renew their membership and several have indicated that they will be back next year. One of our members, Clancy Coates, has not been able to pitch for several years. His Doctors and his daughters had him put in a care facility for people with Alzheimer's disease. Clancy thinks the doctors are the ones with Alzheimer's. I have been taking Clancy to our practice sessions on Wednesdays and he really enjoys it. We had to get him some lighter shoes because he is so weak, but he is now getting some ringers. He hopes to be able to pitch in our Club Championships this November.

Another former member, Troy Hartman has been practicing with us and plans to re-join and pitch in our November tournament. **Lee Roy Lassiter**

Tri-Valley Club: The Glenn and Shirley Jamieson tournament was held Sept. 13th with 27 pitchers attending and a few scorekeepers. The Jamieson's had a vase with Gold Dollars in it and each person was allowed one guess of how many Gold Dollar Coins were in the vase. There were a total of 409 in the pot of gold and the person who guessed the closest was Judy Vargo with her guess of 403. Way to go Judy. She won six dollars for her great guess. Then each pitcher got paid three dollars for every game won from the Pot of Gold along with the usual payout to 1st and 2nd place. The scorekeepers also got an extra gold dollar for each game they kept score. All of winners wish to Thank you Glenn and Shirley. It was a fun day.

Tri-Valley held their annual picnic and club tournament on Sunday. Ten pitchers pitched three forty-shoe count all games. The tournament was ran by Glenn Jamieson and Bill Brown who handled the stats and fun facts and payouts to all. Everyone who pitched got some kind of payout and so did our great scorekeepers. Thanks Shirley, Marthe, Bill, and Lee & CB for scoring. Ray Szczepanski took 1st with a 3-0 record averaging 37.50% and scoring 262 points Linda followed in 2nd with a 2-1 record pitching 59.17% and scoring 241 points. Doug Jones brought up the rear raking in several envelopes with greenery in them. Thirty members and guests enjoyed our catered BBQ and a special thanks to Jean Brown for supplying a Happy Birthday cake for me which everyone enjoyed for dessert. **Linda Hoelscher**

A visit to George from his Friends.

On July 25th Al, Linda & David Hoelscher along with Duane & Marilyn paid a visit to see George in Healdsburg. What a nice day it was, seeing all of George's handiwork and reminiscing over our horseshoe stories.

Linda brought the lunch, Marilyn & Duane supplied the dessert and George furnished the beautiful home with a window picture view and the red wine. A super time was had by all.

George is 98 years YOUNG and never seems to age. Keep it up George. WE LOVE YOU.

Sonoma County Club: It takes great members like Charlie Mason to make a club like our work. Charlie was watching Dale Haskin edge the walkways last month when the guard snapped off the edger. Dale finished but was splattered by dirt, grass, and pieces of cement (every time he hit the concrete) As luck would have it Charlie said, "Hey I have an edger at home that I never use anymore. I'd love to donate it to the club." Needless to say we didn't turn that offer down! It works like a champ because I edged today with it. Thanks Charlie!

On a sad note Frank Cmelik a member of our club for 3 years has cancer and has been under going treatment in the hospital. He has some good days; we are not certain what his prognosis is though? I've known Frank (the barber) for 27 years. He's been my barber ever since I first moved here in 1981. Frank can tell you stories with the most precise detail, it's amazing to listen to him.

Reed Beaman another hard working member of our club just recently pitched a 15 ringer game in league. (That's an even 30% his highest ever) He also beat the top seeded player that night with a 13-ringer game. During that game he was coached the whole way by the person he beat. Hmmmm it pays to listen to yourself sometimes. Travis Sluys had his highest game ever also with an 18 ringer game for 36%.

Welcome to our newest member Jeff Rydman! You'll see him in one of the 3 Sonoma County Club Teams we are fielding for the Club Team Championships. See entry form in this issue. **Casey Sluys**

Martin Earle Dunn (Marty) 12/27/22-7/10/08 Marty was born in Gustine, CA and lived most of his early life in Hayward. In 1941, he enlisted in the USMC. He served in the South Pacific until wounded in the Marine invasion of Saipan.

Marty passed away quietly at home with his wife, of 63 years, Marthe by his side. He is survived by his wife, 2 daughters, 2 granddaughters, 2 grandsons, and 7 great grandchildren.

His working years were with Pacific Telesis. He loved organizing and playing on softball teams until his vision began to fail at age 75.

He was an active member of the NHPA for over 35 years, and served as NCHPA charter president for 6 terms. He was instrumental in bringing the World Horseshoe Pitching Championships to Pleasanton in 1988.

State Championships.

When we host to California State Championships I certainly hope that we have souvenirs for sale such as shirts, hats and other items. Some of us that have been around for a while and have a closet full of shirts and a hat rack full don't realize that there are newer members who would love to have something to remember their state championship with. Let's really work at next years state championships and make it one that will be remembered by all. It will be held at Yolo.

Those of you wanting to save the NCHPA some money, please read this on our website. If you do that you'll save the NCHPA quite a bit. Unfortunately I still only have 8 names of those wishing to read this online. I know there are more of you. Let's all do our part to help our organization. Thanks in advance.

Please look at our website. We have the potential of beginning a NEW San Francisco Horseshoe Pitching Club! Peter Zepponi has developed a very nice website for potential new SF members. Here's the link, www.sfhorseshoepitching.com

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CLUB TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

DATES: October 11th & 12th 2008

LOCATION: Tri-Valley Club

1. ENTRY FEE: \$80.00 per team. This is a **2-day event** and **pre-registration is required.**
2. Teams may be mixed, may include juniors (but may not be all juniors), and must have 4 players per team. Each team may register 1 alternate player to be used in case of injury,
3. All players must be NCHPA members and be a member or associate member of the club they represent. **All participants must wear appropriate name shirts of the club they represent.**
4. Day One Tournament play will consist of 7-30 shoe, count-all games using an 80% handicap. Qualifying starting times to be on Saturday, at 9:00A.M, 11:30A.M and 2:00 P.M if we have a full field of 24 teams. The finals will consist of the top 8 teams from the qualifying rounds carrying over their qualifying totals to be played at 10:00A.M. Sunday. The 2-day points total will determine final standings, including bonuses. Finals will be 7-40 shoe, count-all games using an 80% handicap with 20 bonus points for each player win and 40 points for each team that wins 3 or more games in any single round. All teams should plan to play on Sunday because the first alternate team will replace any team not able to return for the Sunday finals.
5. Prize money will be determined by the number of teams entered and will be announced.

A maximum of 24 teams will be fielded in 3 shifts – 9:00 A.M, 11:30A.M, and 2:00P.M. We must have even numbers of teams: 16, 20, and 24 in order for each participant to play 7 games. Each day will count as a separate tournament because they are played under different formats. Pitchers are required to pay scorekeepers .50 cents per game each day.

ENTRY DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 1, 2008

Club Name _____

Team Members: 1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

Team Captain _____ Alternate _____

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