

Eastern Pennsylvania Horseshoe Pitchers Association
EPHPA Directors Meeting
Stone Creek Lions
September 26, 2021

President David Jadlocki called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

A discussion of how to handle pitchers getting out of hand at tournaments. Tournament directors are to announce the sportsmanship conduct rules before each tournament, and post the following (Rule 12) somewhere that can be seen by all pitchers:

Rule 12: Appropriate NHPA Member conduct:

On the courts - An NHPA member, while in competition, shall make no disturbing noises or movements that would distract the opponent or contestants on adjacent courts. Other inappropriate behavior would include profanity, abusive language, obscene gestures, etc. The first offense shall call for a warning from the judge or a Tournament/league Official. A second offense shall call for a forfeiture of the game being played. Any further offenses shall call for a forfeiture of all games. This member shall also be subject to a one (1) year suspension from the NHPA (see Bylaws for additional information.)

Sportsmanship - Any NHPA member who indulges in heckling or unfair rooting, uses profanity or abusive language, makes obscene gestures, or exhibits any other form of un-sportsmanlike conduct toward the contestants. Tournament/League Officials, or other NHPA members who are in the area of the courts, may be subject to expulsion from the Tournament/League and from the Tournament/league site. This member may also be subject to a one (1) year suspension from the NHPA (see Bylaws and page 34 for additional information).

A Tournament Director, if possible, choose a judge before each tournament. This judge will wear a yellow vest and should be called to handle unsportsmanship conduct as well as questions on the courts.

Treasure Report:

Beginning balance as of February 19, 2021 \$18,807.46
Ending balance as of September 25, 2021 \$21,212.56

David Holliday suggested the possibility of Huntingdon holding all state tournaments because of its central location. Tournaments out west get poor attendance and is hoping with a more central location this might increase the attendance. The west would run the tournament when it is their turn and the east would run the

tournament when it is their turn. Each year a different club would be responsible for food, 50/50, etc. This would need to be discussed with the west league.

David Holliday mentioned that Eric Brown would like to get input from the directors on running a raffle to raise money for the EPHPA to help with payouts, improve courts, etc. This is a nonprofit organization so all earnings would be used.

Points Championships were announced for 2021:

1st place: Richard Connelly
2nd place; Walter Burtner
3rd place: Ray Yoder

Meeting was ended and will be continued at our club challenge on October 3, 2021 when more directors will be in attendance.

October 3, 2021

David Jadlocki called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

A discussion regarding changing the dates for the state tournament to be held the last weekend in August. A discussion following regarding moving the state tournaments to a central location (Huntingdon). With a unanimous vote the east is in favor of moving the tournaments to Huntingdon. We are going to reach out to the west for their input.

Eric Brown discussed his thoughts on a raffle for the EPHPA. It is an easy way to make money. EPHPA would keep 40% of the earnings and must show how 60% was used: example scholarships, charity, etc. Since EPHPA is a nonprofit organization we should already have a number for tax exempt use for the raffle. Dave Jadlocki will ask Denny Hall to prepare the procedure for a raffle. We will vote on this matter at our Spring Directors and Members Meeting.

Eric Brown announced that Boy and Girl Scouts could be trained to be score keepers at our tournaments. They would do this to help earn merit badges. Since the individual scouts cannot be paid we would give the money to their club.

David Holliday brought up the payout at state tournaments. It was suggested the champion would get a plaque and a jacket and for each year the individual wins after receiving the jacket get a patch for that years winning. We will vote on this at our Spring Directors and Members meeting.

Kevin Leitenberger announced that Dick Scott's wife was willing to pay the yearly dues for a new youth pitcher, hoping to encourage

youth to start pitcher. Kevin will check into this more and report back at our Spring Directors and Members meeting.

Mike Taylor asked if the Farm Show would be held this coming year. David Holliday will find out if the farm show will be held and then let Kevin Leitenberger know if it is Kevin will contact Ron Baker to see if he would help with the horseshoe pitching at the farm show. Kevin will report at our spring meeting.

Mike Taylor asked about the indoor leagues this year. Rick Hawk stated he spoke to those in charge at their indoor location, and they're under lockdown orders of the governor on visits to state buildings. Once he hears of any change he will let us know.

The 2022 Horseshoe Outdoor Tournaments

April 24 (Sun) Club Challenge - Carlisle
May 7 (Sat) Carlisle
May 8 (Sun) Carlisle Doubles
May 14 (Sat) New Cumberland
May 21 (Sat) Selinsgrove
May 28 (Sat) New Holland
June 4 (Sat) Reedsville
June 11 (Sat) Huntingdon
June 12 (Sun) Huntingdon Doubles
June 18 (Sat) Reedsville
June 25 (Sat) Dallas
July 2 (Sat) OPEN
July 9 (Sat) Huntingdon
July 10 (Sun) Huntingdon
July 16 (Sat) New Cumberland
July 23 (Sat) Mackeyville
July 30 (Sat) Selinsgrove
August 6 (Sat) Carlisle
August 7 (Sun) Carlisle Doubles
August 13 (Sat) Reedsville
August 20 (Sat) Dallas

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Directors attending (September 26): David Jadlocki, Karen Connelly, Justin Foster, David Holliday, and Denny Hall

Directors attending (October 3): David Jadlocki, Karen Connelly, Eric Brown, Rick Hawk, David Holliday, Randy Zeiders, Kevin Leitenberger and Bob Myers