



The Post

Horseshoe Saskatchewan Inc.

Spring 2009

President's Message

Happy Spring everyone. The gophers are out playing and the robins are back and singing their happy tune so it will only be a short time until horseshoe season is once again upon us. I look forward to seeing everyone out pitching this year and I hope that this will be a year of great growth for our organization. Please let people know we are out there. If people don't know about our organization they don't have the opportunity to join up. Use your contacts, invite friends and family even advertise at local social spots. Let's keep this fantastic sport thriving and meet a few new friends along the way too.

I'm also very excited at the work your executive has been doing since the wind up of the 2008 season. There was a fantastic response to our "Team Saskatchewan" shirt campaign and I'm sure that fundraising efforts are still continuing at the club level. Watch for this year's "Pay and Pull" tickets to support our junior players' efforts in developing their skills. Proceeds from this lottery go directly back to junior players so if you have children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or friends of the family let's get them playing to take advantage of the funds we raise. We will also continue with 50/50 draws at the tournaments and we will be hosting our own lunches to assist with our fundraising efforts. If you have any other fundraising ideas please contact Dale Squires who is doing a fantastic job of heading this effort.

We are also working on updating the organizations documents including the constitution and bylaws, MAP Grant funding guidelines and we hope to create a multi-year planning document throughout this season to offer clearer direction for the organization. If you have any suggestions for documents or communication you or your club would like to receive please let us know so we can serve your needs better and make the organization stronger.

Thank you to everyone for your dedication to the sport we love. I look forward to the season! Until then – take care and good pitching.

Tammy Christensen

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A Message from Dale Squires

First of all, I would like to thank the members and friends of Horseshoe Saskatchewan Inc. for their contributions of recyclables which has benefited our organization to the tune of \$1,100. Some people have given cans and bottles; others have given a straight donation, while others have taken the bottles in to the exchange and turned the money in to me to add to a very nice total. A Saskatoon business, CPCN Networks, has come on board with a donation with more to come. I believe everyone noticed that I had asked at all tournaments for cans to put toward our goal, the Canadian Championships 2012. This endeavour will continue into the future and we hope to have as good a result if not better. The tax receipts should be in the mail in time for the 2008 tax returns, hopefully. If anyone is interested in donating to the cause you can phone me at 374-8233 or talk to me when you see me at the pits in the spring. Thanks again to all for your support and see you in the spring. I have new glasses now, so maybe I will see what I'm shooting at. I thought I would throw that out there kind of a psyche moment for over the winter. I can't play much worse.

I thought it would be appropriate to acknowledge the demise of our once proud Moose Jaw horseshoe club. The remaining members of the club sold the property to the city of Moose Jaw. Gerald Frostad was contacted and his Caronport club picked up three more courts to upgrade their existing club. Gerald called me and a couple of phone calls later the "Four Amigos" were on another road trip. Colin, Daryl, Dean and Dale went down to Moose Jaw and collected ten courts, pins, backboards and some of the items are now in my back yard. I would also like to thank Colin for the use of his truck and trailer in the picking up of the Paddockwood pits. It took two trips to get everything gathered and put in my backyard. Also, a BIG thank you to the Allard family for their help in removing and saving the courts for the Saskatoon club. It is with the great anticipation that the Saskatoon club purchased these items for the expansion of more courts in town. We are looking at an area just behind Market Mall in a city owned park where there will be room for nine courts. Everything is in easy access, bathrooms, food and in a location where horseshoes will be noticed by many more people. We received blueprints from the city and are attempting to have a design in place for the spring. The original courts at the Exhibition will still be used by our members as well. Things are progressing nicely with the city. It is our hope, if everything goes well, to start building in the spring and unclutter my backyard. Although Paddockwood's pits are gone they will play their tournament at the Prince Albert pits. Again, thanks to everyone for their involvement in trying to get the new pits in Saskatoon.

Horseshoe Saskatchewan is also in need of new coaches. If anyone is willing to take the course, expenses will be paid by the organization. This will help get more money into the organization plus more money would be given to the clubs that have coaches. This is one area that Sask Sport has been asking how many we have and how many are active. So, please, if you can help in this area, contact Dale or someone on the executive to get set up with the training necessary. This would usually be a Friday night and a Saturday afternoon for about 6 or 8 hours. The executive have an idea who has their coaching but it would sure be nice if those people with any coaching level would contact the president of their local club just in case someone has been missed.

Our membership is another issue that need to be addressed. The association needs more members for the upcoming season. If we can get more new members playing, great, otherwise associate members will also increase the members in our organization. Any interested players, relatives, grandchildren or friends of the family would be appreciated in our goal to get more people involved in horseshoes for the future.

At this time, I would like to thank Cheree Morozoff for the printing of the newsletter. The executive decided to do two newsletters. The first newsletter contains the results, averages and winners of different raffles and 50/50 draws throughout the season. The second letter would be our "PR Letter" on how things are going along with Provincial, Western and Canadian entry forms. The executive have been on the phone quite often to the presidents of all the clubs with the result that all the follow up reports were in early and have been calculated in rough copy and set for delivery. The last of 2007/08 map grants were sent out to all clubs. Once the final payment is received from Sask Sport all the map grants will be paid out for the 2008/09 season and the books will be up to date. For this I would like to thank our new treasurer, Daryl Squires for his many hours put in to achieve this goal. Also, a big thank you to Tammy whom has

been available on the phone and is now home with her new baby girl, Cassandra Rose Christensen, 20 in, 8.2 lbs., healthy and going strong. Also, thanks to Kathy Beznoska for her help on the smooth turnover of the books to Daryl. The 2009/10 season should start with everything caught up to snuff and a major awareness of all things needed to get the grants done quicker. I tip my hat to all the executive and ex-executive for their help in getting an understanding of the process needed to keep Horseshoe Saskatchewan Inc. a very successful organization in this transitional time.

This year the coffers are empty in our junior account. Our organization has to do some fundraising to replenish the coffers for the junior players of the future. In the past, junior players have been covered by costs to the larger tournaments as well as getting travel assistance at our provincially run tournaments. I believe this is an excellent way to get and keep our younger people involved in horseshoes.

One idea to raise funds for this account is with the "Pull and Pay" tickets in which each club will receive a low amount of books to sell and return to the treasurer before the draw date. The ticket amounts would be 25¢, 50¢, 75¢ and \$1.00 with \$15.00 total for the book. This will put some money back into our account.

Another way to raise funds is for our organization to run its own concession at all dates held at Manitou Beach. The sale of all food, drinks and candy items would go into the junior account. By doing this the clubs should not be burdened down with having to sell a boat load of "Pull and Pay" tickets.

The selling of shirts for those members going to the Canadians and anyone else who would like to have the Saskatchewan colors. A new shirt at an excellent price would be beneficial for all.

If anyone has any fundraising ideas to help our organization be a success, please contact Dale Squires at 374-8233.

Three Cheers, Yours Truly,
Dale Squires, Fundraising Chairman

Tournament Dates for 2009

Date	Tournament	Location	Contact
May 25	HSI Spring Fling	Manitou Beach	Denise Squires (306) 374-8233
May 30	North Battleford	North Battleford	Marg Kemp (306) 445-5646
June 6	Yorkton	Yorkton	Enid Mroske (306) 782-7355
June 13	Manitou Beach	Manitou Beach	Denise Squires (306) 374-8233
June 20	Saskatoon	Saskatoon	Jack Adams (306) 373-5184
June 27	Prince Albert	Prince Albert	Ernie Poulin (306) 922-8231
July 4	Swift Current	Swift Current	Jacob Fehr (306) 778-9121
July 7	Canadians	Aylmer, Ontario	Walter Arnold (950) 779-3409 PO Box 84, Fisherville, ON N0A1G0
July 18	Whitewood	Whitewood	Ken White (306) 735-2672
July 25 – 26	SK Provincials Skins	Manitou Beach	Denise Squires (306) 374-8233
July 27 - Aug 8	World Tournament	Springfield, Illinois	Pre-register by July 20 Dick Hansen (262) 835-9108
Aug 1 – 2	Western Classic	Cloverdale, BC	Cheryl DeGraaf (604) 533-752
Aug 8	Regina	Manitou Beach	Tammy Christensen (306) 565-1409
Aug 15	Paddockwood	Prince Albert	Clara Allard (306) 763-0444
Aug 22	North Battleford	North Battleford	Marg Kemp (306) 445-5646
Aug 29	Caronport	Manitou Beach	Gerald Frostad (306) 756-2455
Sept 12	Budget Meeting	Manitou Beach	Denise Squires (306) 374-8233

Upcoming NCCP Courses

Introduction to Competition

Part A (replaces Level 1 Theory)

Part B (replaces Level 2 Theory)

Competition - Development

(replaces Level 3 Theory)

New 2009 (Spring and Fall) NCCP

Competition – Development Modules:

- Coaching & Leading Effectively
- Developing Athletic Abilities
- Psychology of Performance
- Prevention & Recovery
- Managing Conflict
- Leading Drug Free Sport

All modules are being held in both Regina and Saskatoon

Southeast Connection Sport, Culture and Recreation District

Contact Bob King – Phone: (306) 842-2188 – Fax: (306) 842-5594

Call the Southeast Connection Sport, Culture and Recreation District for dates

ReginaSport District Inc.

Contact Darlene MacQuarrie – Phone: (306) 780-9274 – Fax: (306) 781-6021

Introduction to Competition Part A:

Regina	March 7-8, 2009
Regina	May 30-31, 2009
Regina	October 3-4, 2009
Regina	November 28-29, 2009

Introduction to Competition Part B:

Regina	March 21-22, 2009
Regina	June 13-14, 2009
Regina	October 17-18, 2009
Regina	December 12-13, 2009

South West District for Culture, Recreation and Sport

Contact Dwinell Stevenson – Phone: (306) 297-3217 – Fax: (306) 297-3218

Call the South West District for Culture, Recreation and Sport for dates

Parkland Valley Sport, Culture & Recreation District

Contact Dan Gallagher – Phone: (306) 786-6585 – Fax: (306) 782-0474
Call the Parkland Valley Sport, Culture & Recreation District for dates

Prairie Central Sport Culture & Recreation District

Contact Stephanie Cuddington – Phone: (306) 554-2414 – Fax: (306) 554-2412

Introduction to Competition Part A:

Humboldt March 13-14, 2009

Saskatoon Sports Council

Contact Cindy Labrash – Phone: (306) 975-0830 – Fax: (306) 242-8007

Introduction to Competition Part A:

Saskatoon March 6-7, 2009

Saskatoon April 24-25, 2009

Saskatoon June 5-6, 2009

Introduction to Competition Part B:

Saskatoon February 28 & March 1, 2009

Saskatoon May 9-10, 2009

Ethics Module:

Saskatoon March 30, 2009

Rivers West District for Sport Culture & Recreation

Contact Lyndsey Bowman – Phone: (306) 446-6770 – Fax: (306) 446-7172
Call the Rivers West District for Sport Culture & Recreation for dates

Lakeland District for Sport Culture & Recreation

Contact Lyle Campbell – Phone: (306) 953-1623 – Fax: (306) 953-1624

Introduction to Competition Part B:

Prince Albert February 27-28, 2009

Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District

Contact Nicole Beauregard – Phone: (306) 425-3127 ext. 4 – Fax: (306) 425-4036

Introduction to Competition Part A:

JRMCC March 14-15, 2009

(Jonas Roberts Memorial Community Centre – Lac La Ronge Indian Band)

Introduction to Competition Part B:

JRMCC March 21-22, 2009

Canadian Horseshoe Association Awards

2007 Awards

Recipient	Award	Further Info
Sheena Dubyk	Saskatchewan Jr. Girls Most Wins	38 Wins
	Saskatchewan Jr. Girls Most Improved	7.79% Improvement
	Saskatchewan Jr. Girls Highest Game	22.50% Game
Donovan MacDonald	Saskatchewan Jr. Boys Most Wins	21 Wins
	Saskatchewan Jr. Boys Highest Game	20.00% Game
Daniel Squires	Saskatchewan Jr. Boys Most Improved	3.48% Improvement
Colin Finnie	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Most Wins	74 Wins
	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Highest Game	80.00% Game
Dean Squires	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Most Improved	5.31% Improvement
Howard Weitzel	Saskatchewan 30' Mens Most Wins	44 Wins
	Saskatchewan 30' Mens Highest Game	80.00% Game
William Kalyn	Saskatchewan Mens 30' Most Improved	6.13% Improvement
Clara Allard	Saskatchewan Women Most Improved	5.70% Improvement
	Saskatchewan Women Highest Game	62.50% Game
Tammy Christensen	Saskatchewan Women Most Wins	35 Wins

2006 Awards

Recipient	Award	Further Info
Sheena Dubyk	Saskatchewan Jr. Girls Most Wins	23 Wins
	Saskatchewan Jr. Girls Most Improved	7.37% Improvement
	Saskatchewan Jr. Girls Highest Game	25.00% Game
Donovan MacDonald	Saskatchewan Jr. Boys Most Wins	28 Wins
	Saskatchewan Jr. Boys Highest Game	27.50% Game
	Saskatchewan Jr. Boys Most Improved	6.80% Improvement
Colin Finnie	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Most Wins	61 Wins
	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Highest Game	77.50% Game
Gerry Wingham	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Most Improved	14.73% Improvement
	Canada Most Improved Male	14.73% Improvement
Dale Squires	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Most Tournaments	12 Tournaments
Daryl Squires	Saskatchewan Mens 40' Most Tournaments	12 Tournaments
Howard Weitzel	Saskatchewan 30' Mens Most Wins	45 Wins
	Saskatchewan 30' Mens Highest Game	80.00% Game
Eugene Levitsky	Saskatchewan Mens 30' Most Improved	10.10% Improvement
Clara Allard	Saskatchewan Women Most Tournaments	11 Tournaments
Tammy Christensen	Saskatchewan Women Most Wins	30 Wins
	Saskatchewan Women Most Improved	5.48% Improvement
	Saskatchewan Women Highest Game	67.5% Game
Florence Hamel	Saskatchewan Oldest Active Player	89 Years

It was brought to the attention of the executive that our dress code meets the standards for the Canadians but it could be spruced up a little bit. Most of the other provinces have matching shirts or t-shirts with the same colors and print on them. The executive has put a plan together so that the members of Horseshoe Saskatchewan can have matching shirts or t-shirts to improve the look of the members and not just known for our colourful entrance and noise. Although our dressing up and enthusiasm at our entrance is barnone the best of all the provinces and has been on many picture rolls and even on the cover of a city newspaper. A few stores have been approached in regards to availability and pricing of shirts and t-shirts .Samples of both shirts were obtained and shown at an executive meeting held in Saskatoon. It was thought the color green should be the colour of preference and our logo would be on the shirt. Shirts of different shades of green were looked at and modeled by our own president and proud mother of a baby girl[Casandra Rose]. At a second meeting of the executive the colour forest green was chosen to be our colours for the Canadians. Our original colour was discarded when it was not available in golf shirts. After a third problem arose when the pricing of the shirts were far above the original quoted price.Out of all this mess something good appeared .A friend of Tammy's and myself known through our curling circles said she would help us out in our needs for embroidering.The executive made the decision to purchase a certain amount of shirts to get a nice price on the items. Golf and t-shirts will be bought in different sizes and will be available for purchase to the members of Horseshoe Sask. Inc. The price of a t-shirt will be \$10,a golf shirt will be \$15.This will include the logo and for \$2 more your first name will be put on the sleeve of the shirt. The shirts will be available at the spring fling at Manitou Beach on May 23. The presidents of all clubs will be phoned with the possibility of contacting members of their club regarding the purchase of the new shirts.. Anyone inquiring information on the shirt issue can call Dale at 374-8233. Below are pictures of the shirts with the front logo so people can see how it will look when completed. AMEN.



1golf shirt
 2 t-shirt
 3 front logo

Due to the overwhelming response to our shirt promotion which pushed the numbers far beyond what had been predicted. The person who was going to do the embroidering won't be able to do it because of the volume and the time required getting the logo done. The logo has to be done commercially to be done in time. The price of the shirt will be the same but the extra for the fundraiser has been eaten up .Hopefully you would not mind adding an extra \$2to the cost to make this event a success.

