



# Horseshoes

## Ken Fovargue Park

2255 Trane Road, Bullhead City, AZ 86442

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

CHECK IN: 10:00AM

EVENT START: 10:30AM

### FEES:

- MANDATORY, ONE-TIME ATHLETES FEE: \$35.00 (Includes official athlete t-shirt and swag bag, entrance to Athlete Mixer, and athlete refreshments at each event.)
  - SINGLES HORSESHOE EVENT FEE: \$5.00
  - MEN'S AND WOMEN'S DOUBLES HORSESHOE EVENT FEE: \$5.00
  - MIXED DOUBLES HORSESHOE EVENT FEE: \$5.00

### DIVISIONS:

- 5-Year Age Brackets : Age group is determined by the competitor's age on December 31, 2021.
- Games officials reserve the right to cancel any event or combine age divisions due to insufficient entries

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- All competitors must be registered athletes.
- All participants must show proof of age at check in (I.E. Drivers License, Birth Certificate, Passport, Etc.)

# RULES/FORMAT:

## RULE 1 – PITCHING DIVISIONS

Men 50-69 will pitch 40 foot distance.

Men 70+ and Women may pitch 30 foot distance.

## RULE 2 – PLAY OF THE GAME AND VALUE OF THE SHOE

### Section A – Innings

The game is divided into innings. Each inning consists of four (4) pitched shoes; two (2) by each contestant.

### Section B – Value of the Shoe

1. Pitched shoes – After all shoes for the inning have been pitched, they are either considered to be “live shoes” or “dead shoes” and may then be scored accordingly.
  - (a) Live Shoe – Refers to any shoe that has been pitched in compliance with the rules of the game and that comes to rest within the pit area.
  - (b) Dead Shoe – Another term for a foul shoe that was delivered in non-compliance with one of the rules of the game. This term may also refer to a ringer that has been “cancelled” by an opponent’s ringer.
2. Shoe in Count
  - (a) Ringers – A ringer is a *live* shoe that comes to rest while encircling the stake. A straight-edge touching either the points or any part of the heel calks of the shoe must clear (not touch) the stake in order to be declared a ringer. A ringer has a value of three (3) points.
  - (b) Points – A *live* shoe that is not a ringer, but comes to rest six inches (6”) or closer to the stake, has a value of one (1) point. This includes a “leaner”.
3. Shoe out of Count – A shoe that comes to rest more than six inches (6”) from the stake is a shoe “out of count” and has no scoring value. A foul shoe is also considered to be a shoe that is out of count, no matter where it comes to rest.

### Section C – Delivery of Shoes

1. Delivery – The contestant pitching first shall deliver both shoes (underhanded, and one at a time) and then the other contestant shall deliver both shoes (underhanded and one at a time). A contestant may deliver the shoes from either the left or right pitching platform, but in any one inning, both shoes must be delivered from the same platform. A contestant shall pitch the entire tournament with the same hand/arm, except in the case of a medical emergency.
2. The Pitcher – During the entire address and prior to the release of the shoe, the contestant must not start or step completely outside the platform with either foot.

Exceptions: A contestant observing the thirty-seven-foot (40’) foul line may start directly behind the platform provided they step within it when they release the shoe. Or, a physically challenged contestant requiring assistance of special equipment, such as a wheelchair, must have at least some contact with the platform and be completely behind the twenty-seven-foot (30’) foul line when the shoe is released.
3. Accidental Release – Any shoe that leaves a contestant’s hand once the final step (if taken) and final forward swing of the delivery process has started, shall count as a pitched shoe. A shoe that is accidentally dropped by a contestant before the final step (if taken) and final forward swing has started, shall not be considered a foul shoe and may be picked up and pitched.