

McClure wins horseshoe tourney

Mt. Vernon resident Barry McClure won Class B in Horseshoe Pitching at the Kentucky State tournament held in Mt. Sterling on August 31st. McClure competed against eight of the best horseshoe pitchers in the state to win the title.

In addition to that win McClure also defeated 12 league pitchers in the Madison County league in Richmond over the course of the summer to capture the League championship for 2002. He also won awards from the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association for the highest ringer percent pitched (74%) plus having the most points scored over his average

(123).

Other Mt. Vernon residents won NHPA awards in the Madison County League this year. Tommy Busell, who was last year's winner of the league earned a patch for a 60% game this year, while Dusty McClure earned a 30% patch.

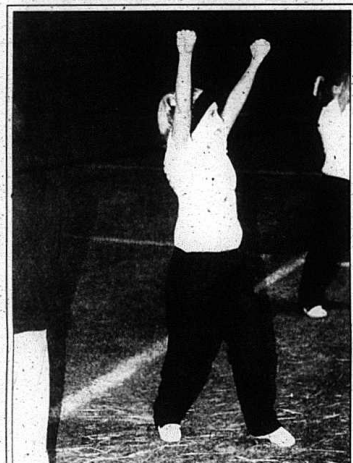
Bobby Robinson, also of Mt. Vernon, earned the award for having the highest ringer percent average for the year. Robinson also earned the Rookie of the Year award from the State and the NHPA. Even though Robinson has been pitching in the Mt. Vernon area for years this is his first year in a nationally sanctioned league or tournament.

Howard deployed

Navy Airman Roy C. Howard, son of Mattie M. Howard of Mt. Vernon, recently completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp, based in Norfolk, Virginia.

Howard was one of more than 10,000 Atlantic Fleet sailors and Marines aboard the ships of the USS John F. Kennedy Carrier Battle Group and USS Wasp Amphibious

Ready Group participating in joint service, multi-national operations in the U.S.-led war against terrorism. Sailors and Marines from Howard's unit also participated in Exercise Djibouti MEUEX 02 which included aviation, amphibious assault, and live-fire and maneuver training. The training exercises and humanitarian missions took place in the East African nation of Djibouti.



RCHS cheerleader Brooke Smith and the rest of the Rocket cheerleaders had to break out their winter wear at Knox Central on Friday night because of the cool temperatures. The Rockets play at Cawood High School in Hazen on Friday night.



Rockcastle County High School Chorus is off and running. In the past, the group has not participated in music festivals. This year 24 teens made it to the Bluegrass Choral Music Festival. They were able to perform with groups from all over the Bluegrass area. This was an honor for the students to be able to sing with a group from the U.K. College.

During the month of October, they participated in the Bittersweet Festival parade. They sang one of the old times favorites, America. The girls were very honored to be able to do this in their own country. Some say football, basketball and other sports are more important. It may be to some, but these teens train their vocal cords to be able to sing, that is a talent that you have to work at also. They feel that their singing is important too. The Rockcastle Chorus is also planning to participate in the many Christmas parades and in the spring there will be state tryouts and the Smokey Mountain Festival will be held in May. Their goal is to participate in all of them. Hope to see you there!

"Warden"

(Cont. from front)

the Rockcastle Courthouse on Tuesday.

All three have been charged with two counts of theft by unlawful taking, possession of burglary tools and attempting to elude police.

Darrell Blackburn is also charged with criminal trespassing after he apparently broke into Horn's home, after he fled the scene.

The Blackburns are in jail and Horn has been released on bond.

According to the citations issued by Isaacs, Horn told him that the two brothers had stolen the motorcycles.

Around 11:30 Saturday night Isaacs arrested Randal Glenn Hasty, 24, of Rt. 1 Brothead after Hasty approached Isaacs, another game warden and Deputy Sheriff Brian Coffey at Pine Hill.

According to the citation, Hasty was asking for a person named Jacko. According to authorities they found marijuana, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia on Hasty's person.

Hasty was lodged in the Rockcastle County Detention Center and later released on bond.

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