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Dear Friends and Members,

Enclosed is your copy of the 1977 Press Kit for the World's Log Rolling Championships at Hayward, Wisconsin. This will be the 55th renewal of the series that dates to Omaha in 1898.

This year's competitions will be held on July 29, 30, and 31, with competitors vieing for \$5250.00 prize money and trophies.

Last year's results are printed on the back of the enclosed Press Kit; anyone needing extra copies, please let me know.

Results of the 1976 North American Log Rolling Championships are:
Men's Open; 1st place: Fred Wickheim, Shawnigan Lake, B.C.
2nd place: Ti Sasaki, Nagoya, Japan
3rd place: Mike Herrling, Sooke, B.C.

Some important changes were discussed and approved at the 1976 International Log Rolling Association meeting. They are:

1. The Prize Committee will submit their prize money distribution to the International Log Rolling Association at the drawing meeting. (This way everyone will know how many places are paid and what amount they are.)

2. The Prize Committee will consist of the Vice-Presidents.

3. In the Boy's and Girl's Jr. and Sr. Amateur Division's, tournaments will be held to determine who will qualify for the World's Championship Tournament. For the World's Tournament 12 from each County will qualify.

Jr. Boys 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Jr. Girls " " "

Sr. Boys " " "

Sr. Girls " " "


4. Jr. Amateur Division will consist of Boys & Girls 12 yrs. of age and younger.

Sr. Amateur Division will consist of Boys & Girls 13 yrs. of age and older.

I am enclosing your Membership Card if your dues are paid.

Your Dues Status is indicated below. Please forward your \$10.00 if not paid up.

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Hayward, Wis. (Special).--When the 50th renewal of the World's Log Rolling Championships is held at Hayward July 28-30, a record field of birlers from the United States and Canada will compete for men's title.

Although American cities have hosted all but one of the world's championships, the largest contingent from a state or province--ten in all, including the defending men's champion--will come from Nova Scotia.

The defending men's champion is Phillip Scott of Barrington, Nova Scotia, and he also won in 1968 and 1970. Two recent runners-up will be among the 32 men who will vie for honors. They are Jerry Phillips of Walla Walla, Wash. (1971) and Jim Ogle of Marquette, Mich. (1970). No American has won the men's title since 1954.

The defending women's champion is Phoebe Morgan, a 15-year old student from Hayward, and eight girls and women will vie for the 1972 title. Included will be Penni McCall, 17, from Lewiston, Idaho, who finished second in 1971 in a classic finals match to Miss Morgan.

Competition will also be held in trick & fancy and oldtimers log rolling among the professionals, and in amateur log rolling and trick and fancy for boys and girls. The growing popularity of log rolling among professionals and amateurs has prompted the scheduling of morning competition on each of the three days, starting at 9:00 A. M. Altogether, 64 birlers have entered the competition.

The contestants in the men's division

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include 22 Americans from six states, as follows:

Washington--Russ Ellison of Aberdeen, Roy Bartlett of Clarkston and Phillips.

Idaho--Charles McCall of Lewiston.

California--Ray Heideman Sr., Ray Heideman Jr. and John Heideman from Downey.

Michigan--Donald Jacobs of Escanaba, Robert Taylor, Raymond Nevala and Ogle from Marquette.

Minnesota--Harold and James Fischer, Robert Teske and James Picht of Stillwater.

Wisconsin--Jerry, Michael and Thomas Isham and George Heideman, Chippewa Falls; Andrew McNamer and Philip Martin, Hayward; Kenneth Roof, Whitefish Bay.

In addition to Phillip Scott, the defending champion, the Nova Scotians entered in the men's division are Fred, Raymond, Rene and Stanley Scott and Gerald Hudson of Barrington; Steven Jaudry of S. Brookfield; James McLeod of Eureka, and Eddie Crouse and Harvey MacLean of Caledonia.

Youth again dominates the women's division, although there are three housewives (two of them from Nova Scotia) among the contestants. Miss Morgan and Miss McCall rank as the favorites. Their teen-age rivals will be Judith Scheer, 15, of Hayward; Roseanna Gurwell, 16, of Rainier, Ore.; Bonnie Fischer, 18, of Stillwater, Minn., as well as Connie LeCaptain, 20, of Escanaba, Mich. The housewives are Pat Taylor of Marquette, Mich., and Pat Hudson and Lillian Perry, both of Barrington, Nova Scotia.

Jerry Phillips of Walla Walla and Penni McCall of Lewiston are the defending champions in trick & fancy division.

Competition will be held in two girls' and two boys' amateur divisions.

Entries to date are: BOYS--Edward Nevala, James and Michael Taylor, Pat Ogle of Marquette, and Lee LeCaptain, Fred Saykilly and George Bartley of Escanaba, Mich. Chris and David Fischer and Dwight and James Bryant of Stillwater, Minn.; Winslow Wise, Peter Henderson, Andy and Mark Kiser, Brad Heinkel of Hayward, Wis. GIRLS--April Scott and Valerie Jaudry of Nova Scotia; Lori Anderson of Stillwater;

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Michelene Saykilly of Escanaba; Sandy Swatek, Bridget and Janie Wise of Hayward.

Tournament drawings will be held Thursday, July 27.

This will be the 13th time the World's Log Rolling Championships will be held in Hayward. Prizes and trophies total a record \$4,500. Logs varying in diameters from 17" to 13" and all 13' long will be used. Small diameter logs assure intense competition as birlers compete on an elimination basis.

Historyland Logging Camp of Hayward sponsors the championships with the cooperation of the International Log Rolling Assn., headquartered in Chicago. Log chopping, sawing, tree topping, axe throwing and canoe jousting will be presented as a part of the 1972 World's Lumberjack Championships.

By George Mathison

ABC-TV Covers Hayward Events
For "Wide World of Sports"

The American Broadcasting Company announces that it will televise the 1972 World's Lumberjack Championships and the 50th renewal of the World's Log Rolling Championships for later showing on its "Wide World of Sports" program.