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## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Milwaukee was the host city for the second annual Wisconsin State Classic which drew 150 contestants from eight states.

Ray Rodahl, a local lad, was the winner. He took home the biggest chunk of the purse. Leonard Davy of Madison was the runner-up while while another player, Rudy Hebain, finished third. Twenty-eight hand framed certificates were awarded to Herman Krupp of Milwaukee, Richard Haby of Lafayette, IN and Bob madsen of Chicago. Top eight were:

Ray Rodahl	Milwaukee, WI
Leonard Davy	Madison, WI
Rudy Hebain	Milwaukee, WI
Arnold Crews	Jacksonville, FL
Vic Steaven	Chilton, WI
Vern Hackbart	Poynette, WI
Dan Sokolowski	Milwaukee, WI
Rich Maringer	Greendale, WI

Ed Schotanus of Groton, CT was the winner of the 4th annual Western Massachusetts Meet held in Springfield earlier this month. Bob Fiorini of Feeding Hills, MA & Mike Maretea of Chicopee were the runner-up and third place finisher. This was the third year in a row this tournament had a full field of 128 players. Tis no wonder !! The price is right !! Coming out of the \$10.00 entry fee, besides the \$1000.00 prize fund, was the Congress sanction fee and coffee & doughnuts for all contestants on both mornings. Good SHOW - receives the Congress stamp of approval. Top eight were:

Ed Schotanus	Groton, CT
Bob Fiorini	Feeding Hills, MA
Mike Maretea	Chicopee, MA
Mike Poppi	Easthampton, MA
Gordon Fricker	Grandy, MA
Jack Karch	Pelham, MA
Ken Martin	Agawam, MA
Dagg Henderson	Groton, CT

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James Zip Foley of Myrtle Beach, SC, National Open Champion of 1977, was the winner of the Florida State Tournament played earlier this month. The runner-up, all the way down from Massachusetts, was Frank O'Connor who also happens to be chairman of the Congress Youth Program. Arnold Crews, dean of Florida cribbage, finished third and he was the high qualifier of the play on Saturday. The Florida Cribbage Assn did it up right, they added another \$150.00 to the prize list in the way of gift certificates from popular local restaurants, several cases of premium beer & bags of fresh citrus. In the sunshine state they boast of the 110 percent return to the players and thereby receives the Congress stamp of approval. Top eight were:

James Z. Foley	Myrtle Beach, SC
Frank O'Connor	Dedham, MA
Arnold Crews	Jacksonville, FL
Dave McGuire	Kissimmee, FL
Haley Johnson	St Cloud, FL
Del Taylor	Greensboro, NC
Marie O'Connor	Dedham, MA
Tony Pesce	Orlando, FL

### - FIRST CELEBRITY -

Congress signs-up its first celebrity. Well, that is besides you of course.

Ken Keltner - 3B - Cleveland Indians. He's the player who gets credit for stopping the 56 game hitting streak established by Mr Coffee, Joltin Joe DiMaggio back in July 1941.

Ken played in the Wisconsin State Classic this month & he loves the grand old game, says it is a carry-over from his baseball traveling days. Welcome aboard Ken, we're proud to add your name on our rolls - keep pegging.

- THE TOP TEN -

In November there were three major events on the cribbage tour; the Wisconsin State Championship at Milwaukee, the Western Massachusetts at Springfield and the Florida State at Orlando. AND after a couple of hours of tabulating and calculating Master Points a top ten list was finally established. We are showing the top eleven best because only .12 of a point separates tenth & eleventh places.

Arnold Crews, dean of Florida cribbage, is in the NUMBER ONE spot by virtue of a fourth place finish in Milwaukee and a third place finish in Orlando. Deano Crews plans to stay on top of the heap as he readies himself for the Rocky Mountain Championship Tournament scheduled for mid-January in Denver, Colorado.

Here is a look at the first listing of "The Top Ten" plus one. Our All American Cribbage Team as it stands after five sanctioned tournaments:

1	Arnold Crews	187.68	Jacksonville
2	Ray Rodahl	164.50	Milwaukee
3	Leonard Davy	156.50	Madison
4	Rudy Hebain	148.50	Milwaukee
5	Ed Schotanus	140.62	Groton, CT
6	Vern Hackbart	124.50	Poynette, WI
7	Rich Maringer	118.50	Greendale, WI
8	Dan Sokolowski	116.50	Milwaukee
9	Vic Lyngaas	100.50	Middleton, WI
10	Ken Martin	92.62	Agawam, MA
11	Warren Sondericker	92.50	Greenfield, WI

Of the three major events this month, the Wisconsin meet drew the most contestants & therefore, the most Master Points. Of the top 16 finishers in Milwaukee only one was not a member of the Congress. In Orlando membership was 100 percent. However, this was not the case in Springfield where only three members were among the top finishers.

## PEGGING POINTERS

By Dan Barlow, 1980 National Open Champion

In our previous columns, we have seen how we can sometimes gain a few holes, or at least minimize our losses, by looking ahead, and anticipating our opponent's play. This principle is not limited to special cases; it may be applied almost anytime.

Let's say you are leading from 3-4-7-8. You decide to lead either the 3 or the 4, since your opponent can only peg with a 3 or a 4 of his own. By assuming that your opponent will peg on your lead, you realize that the 4 is a better lead. If he pairs up your 4, you play your 7; 15 for 2. Had you been leading from 3-4-8-9, you would have led the 3 - if the 3 gets paired up, you have the 9 for protection.

You do not have to be leading to use this idea. Say you hold 5-6-7 and the count has reached 11. You play the 7, because if your opponent pegs two holes with a 7 of his own, you play your 6; 31 for 2. If the count is 12, instead of 11, you play the 6 or the 7, and if the card you play gets paired-up, you can make the count 31. Likewise, if the count is at 14, you can play your five or your six in complete safety, and if the count is at 15, you play the 5; the 6 is your insurance.

Whenever you have a choice from two or more cards, any of which may be played with reasonable safety, take a moment to decide whether one of those cards might be even a bit safer than the other. Often you can arrange things such that your opponent's only chance to peg will result in an equal amount of counter-pegging on your part.

## TOURNAMENT TRAIL

January 17-18 - Rocky Mountain Championship, Denver, CO. Entry fee for Singles/Doubles \$25.00 each, Sat lunch included. For info: Dick Graham, 300 E. Hampden Ave, Englewood, CO 80110. Sanctioned by the Congress.

February 7-8 - Minnesota Open at Ramada Inn St Paul, as part of the Winter Carnival. Qual rds of 21 games on Sat; top 32 will play single elim (4/7) on Sun. Entry fee \$25.00. Consol tmt on Sunday \$10.00 with all money being returned to prize fund. For info: Bob Immel, 1220 Washington Street, Northfield, MN 55057. Sanctioned by the American Cribbage Congress.

April 26 - Iowa State at Memorial Colliseum, Marshalltown, IA starts at 1:00 PM sharp. If you want to play be there to register between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM on April 26. Singles \$1.00, Doubles & Team events are optional. Lunch available by the Blue Star Mothers. No entry form necessary.

May 8 - Tenth Annual World Championship Cribbage Tmt in Quincy, CA. Entry fee \$40.00 includes Singles, Doubles & Awards Banquet. Entries limited to first 224 singles contestants submitting paid-up entry forms. Info: Plumas County Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 1018, Quincy, CA 95971. Sanctioned by the American Cribbage Congress.

May 23-24 - Midwest Masters Classic for 1981 in Des Moines, IA. Qual rds of 21 games on Sat with top 32 playing single elim (4/7) on Sun. Entry fee \$31.00. Qual Pool \$10. with all money being returned. Concol tmt on Sunday only \$10.00. For Info: Midwest Cribbage Assn, Box 5584, Madison, WI 53705. This event sanctioned by the American Cribbage Congress.

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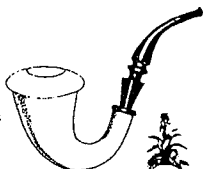
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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Just a couple of days ago our membership hit the 700 mark - the exact total now being 709 card carrying members. Speaking of cards, our secretary is finally getting the cards in the mail since receiving the foil labels which are used on cards of "Charter Members."

Connecticut, the Nutmeg State, leads the pack with 176 members, followed by Wisconsin with 104 and Massachusetts is again on the rise with 78. The only other state with more than fifty members is Florida with 56 members....

Get the Christmas spirit, give a \$2.00 membership to one or all of your cribbage conies. Put a membership card in her stocking - make her feel accepted in the Wonderful Land of Cribbage World.

Don't be a Scrooge - say it with a 15-2 and the same to you.. Merry Christmas to all..

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