

CRIBBAGE WORLD

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF
THE AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS

+ All 1982



Vol II No. 11

December 1981

Season's Greetings



- CRIBBAGE HALL OF FAME -

The Executive Committee, at a recent meeting in Orlando, FL decided to establish a Cribbage Hall of Fame. An extended discussion on the subject was led by Mr Nick Pond of Raleigh, NC, who is the presiding president of the North Carolina State Hall of Fame Commission.

The complex policy and procedure planning involved, eligibility requirements; acceptance of nominations; type of balloting to include when and by whom; and presentation of awards and honors to include type, where, when & by whom.

It is plain to see this intricate project cannot be created at a single meeting. Executive Committeemen carted it all home for further study. The think-tank committee will tackle it again at a scheduled meeting on February 5, 1982 in St Paul, Minnesota.

It is on the drawing board now but plans are expected to be complete and finalized before spring. Committee have vowed the first induction, inauguration, installation, enshrinement, or whatever it might be called, will be conducted at the first annual Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet which is scheduled for September 18, 1982, at the Red Carpet Inn which is located in close proximity to Billie Mitchell Airport in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The banquet will be held in conjunction with the Congress' first Championship Cribbage Tournament which will take place on the week end of September 18-19, 1982, at the same Red Carpet Inn. Executive Committeeman, Daniel Petrus Weir of Greendale, Wisconsin, has been unanimously elected as General Chairman of this massive undertaking.

- CRIBBAGE HALL OF FAME -

It is a fitting tribute to the area members that Milwaukee was chosen as the site for the Congress' first tournament and banquet. A meeting of the newly elected officers and directors will most likely take place. It is also an ideal time to present the 1981-82 awards.

General Chairman, Daniel P. Weir, says this is not going to be the usual fried chicken junket. It's going to be a feast fit for the finest. It will be announced as semi-formal dress but all those assigned to the head table will be in formal evening wear. Danny-boy also says the cost of the tournament and banquet will be in the neighborhood of \$50.00 per. It's a combination deal, you can't have one without the other.

Mark this special week end on your calendar. You don't want to miss it so mark it in extra large letters because it is going to be an exceptional week end for the Congress & its members.

More later - as it develops !!!!

American Cribbage Congress Members,

Thanks for your response to our book
"Play Winning Cribbage!"

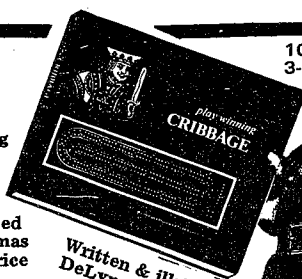
For a Christmas gift to your cribbage-playing friends, how about an autographed book, inscribed with your message (humorous or serious)? \$7.95 postpaid.

... and if you buy five books (all autographed and inscribed if you wish) we offer a Christmas special for \$29.75 (postpaid). The regular price is \$39.75 ... a saving of \$10.00.

We feel this FUN BOOK, completely illustrated and printed on the finest quality paper will make a great gift for the beginner or expert.

Nobs to you all ... and keep pegging!

Marilyn Starr
MARILYN STARR



10"x8", 148 pages
3-color printing

Written & illustrated
DeLynn C. Colvert



STARR STUDIOS
725 Alder
Missoula, MT 59802

- CONTRIBUTIONS PILING UP -

Contributions during October/November piled up to a heaping \$181.00. That's a lot of dough and all for a good cause - "National Junior Tournament."

Members who donate \$25.00 or more are commissioned a Cribadier General in the white-hat forces of Cribbage World. There are 50 CG's on this blue-ribbon roll. Commissions are tended on a parchment embellished with blue ribbon and the official gold seal. There is no other way to become a Cribadier General; one must give of oneself.

Donations for October/November:

Ralph Bigelow	\$25.	Placentia, CA
John Chambers	25.	Providence, RI
Bill Christofferson	25.	DeForest, IL
Gaylord Matti	25.	Madison, WI
Thomas Thorndike	25.	S Francisco, CA
Marguerite Dukes	20.	Madison, WI
Pete Danielson	10.	Marquette, MI
Russ Wallace	10.	Aurora, CO
Bill Campbell	3.	Shalimar, FL
Joe A. Jones	3.	Charlotte, NC
Edward L. Mohler	3.	Waterloo, IA
Seven Others	7.	Everywhere, US

- JR MEMBERSHIP REPORT -

At present there are 76 juniors signed-up in the Congress. The Board of Directors take a long look at the junior membership report before deciding in which state to conduct the National Junior Tournament:

MA	-	50	GA	-	1
WA	-	6	IA	-	1
CA	-	5	NY	-	1
ME	-	5	NC	-	1
WI	-	4	TN	-	1
CT	-	1			

- MEMBERSHIP REPORT -

As of November 30th there were exactly 1400 signed-up with the Congress. In the first three months of the cribbage year we have surpassed last years total enrollment which was 1319. Our goal of "3002 in 1982" could easily become a reality should the current trend continue for the next seven months... In the past two years we have exceeded our total recruitment goals, however, we have never, at any one time, had members in all fifty (50) states. This is the third year we have set this goal for ourselves & hopefully this will be the year we make it..... Right now we are lacking members in only 5 states (LA MS ND UT WY). If you have an old cribbage buddy or two in any of these states, sign them up as a Christmas present. It'll be the best two bucks you ever spent.

Wisconsin was the first state to break the 200 barrier, the 250 barrier and now the out-of-sight barrier of 300 has been topped. Presently there are 327 Badgers on the rolls... They heard a rumor up there that a certain Gopher was out to catch up and maybe even knot the score. Here is a look at the Big Dozen:

WI	-	327	CO	-	59
MA	-	143	IL	-	55
CA	-	112	RI	-	51
FL	-	91	VA	-	49
IA	-	67	MI	-	44
NC	-	60	MN	-	42

Recruitment roses to: Dick Kurz of Racine; Frank & Pat O'Connor of Dedham, MA; Peggy Pritchett of Cupertino, CA; & John Chambers of Providence, RI.

Thanx to: Nelson Pendergast, Bob Julian & Ralph Hart....

- MASTER POINTS -

Here we go again. It's about time we got our stuff together !!! This list of the top 25 rated tournament players includes the results of eight events. Three more events are not in as yet, however, two of the three we don't expect to hear from.

Ol Wendell Riherd of Forest City, Iowa is up there again. He finished last year like a whippet and he's starting 1981-82 where he left off, with second & seventh place finishes in two outings. A peek in the old & cracked crystal ball and it tells me it's Wendell all the way....

1	Wendell Riherd	Forest City, IA	317.54
2	Gene Beigler	West Bend, WI	247.54
3	Bob Beguin	Ottawa, IL	243.27
4	Jerry Knebel	Nashotah, WI	227.27
5	Ralph Madsen	Crystal Lake, IL	219.27
6	Dot Schwedrsky	Lyndon Sta, WI	213.54
7	Fred Tilker	Madison, WI	210.27
8	Joe Bernard	Libertyville, IL	203.27
9	Jeff Clark	Antioch, IL	192.52
10	Jack Picard	Brown Deer, WI	189.54
11	Russ Flint	Palatine, IL	188.27
12	Len Davy	Madison, WI	186.27
13	DuWayne Kastner	West Salem, WI	163.27
14	Steve Cox	LaCrosse, WI	155.27
15	Leo Schwedrsky	Lyndon Sta, WI	146.27
16	Don Rhode	Marinette, WI	145.27
17	Lois Tenge	Pewaukee, WI	139.27
18	Bill Christofferson	DeForest, WI	137.27
19	Ken Lessmiller	Green Bay, WI	124.52
20	Gerd Henken	Garner, IA	124.25
21	Patsie Kufahl	Brokaw, WI	121.27
22	Bob McCabe	Brown Deer, WI	113.27
23	Dave Brick	Jacksonville, FL	102.25
24	Harvey Cohen	Milwaukee, WI	100.75
25	Joe Wergin	Madison, WI	93.25

(end)

SANCTIONING: For a tournament to be sanctioned by the Congress it must meet certain requirements. These rules have been instituted for the benefit of the players. However, as of late, there has been much controversy and loud talk regarding the rule pertaining to a fair pay-back percentage.

The ruling used to read that operators had to be satisfied with keeping 15 percent of the entry fee income generated by the main event, with 100 percent of the Consolation and Q-Pools going back to the contestants. This has been changed to oblige the operators who were placed in a tight squeeze. Yes, we had a couple of tournaments which lost a few dollars and there are a few tournament operators who want to make more money.

At a recent Executive Committee meeting in Orlando, Florida, the pay-back requirement was changed to 15 percent of the gross income which includes Consolation & Q-Pools. This meeting was loud and heated but finally settled with the thought of unifying all the tournament operators around the country.

The pay-back requirement now reads that a minimum of 85 percent of the gross income must be returned to the players. This decision came from a group of men who are nearly all tournament operators and who thoroughly understand the expenses involved. To the man - they say it is most generous.

Surely all tournament operators can live with this ruling. It is generous, it not only covers expenses but leaves lots of room for all the hard work involved & still have enough left over to wine & dine the judges and other tournament workers.

- LATEST POOP -

M&M MASTER POINTS: The Executive Committee, by a vote of 8 to 1, rejected awarding Master Points for the M&M Open which was conducted back in mid September in Marinette, WI. It was advertised in CW as being sanctioned. There was a misunderstanding between the editor and tournament operator.

CALENDAR: President Joseph P. Wergin has volunteered to become tournament coordinator.. He is putting together a 1982 calendar of sanctioned tournaments. If you are a tournament director and have not already been contacted by Mr Wergin, please write to him at Box 5584, Madison, WI 53705 and furnish the particulars about your event - that's if you want on the calendar for 1982.

CRIBBAGE RULES EXAM: A special committee, headed by President Joseph P. Wergin, has put together a preliminary examination of the Congress playing rules. Those members who wish to become official certified tournament judges should write to Mr Wergin at Box 5584, Madison, WI 53705, for this preliminary test. Those who pass the test, which has not time limit, will be eligible for the final exam which will be scheduled later at various locations on the tournament trail. The final exam, presently in the making, will be a one hour test with multiple choice answers. When writing for the preliminary test, please enclose \$1.00 for postage and a rules book.

AWARDS: The secretary regrets to announce that he is miles behind in mailing out 28-hand framed certificates, All American & All State certificates and Cribadier General commissions. Our volunteer for the job evidently is overly busy tooo. Anyone else volunteer for the job of Asst Secretary (for awards)..

- LATEST POOP -

RULE BOOKS: Last month the second batch of rule books, 244 to be exact, was mailed to our newest members. A third batch is being stacked-up and when the pile reaches 200, minimum number of pieces for bulk-rate mail, it will be shipped out.

OLDEST MEMBER: Mrs Ruth Fagerstrom of Columbia, SC, write to tell us she claims the title of "Oldest Member" in the Congress. Come March 12th, 1982, charter member Ruth Fagerstrom, will be 94 years young. It was just two years ago, she reminds us, that she finished 16th in the highly regarded National Open Tournament. Also two years ago she was a co-runner-up in the first annual Mr & Mrs Cribbage World contest. Thank you very much, Mrs Fagerstron, for setting the records, like they should be, straight.....

MGM TOURNAMENT: The MGM tournament which is scheduled for Green Bay in the near future will not repeat not be a sanctioned event & Master Points will not be awarded. Tournament operator, Chris Martin, refused sanctioning, stating he is not satisfird with 15 percent of the gross income which is the maximum expenses/profits allowed for Congress sanctioning.

FOR SALE: Hand crafted cribbage boards made of black walnut with hand tooled pegs made of brass and personalized brass name plate. presently advertised in national magazine for \$28.95 but offered to members at a special introductory price of \$23.95. Write to: Cribbage Boards, PO Box 1244, Green Bay, WI.

LONGEST TOURNAMENT: The Vic Christofferson Cribbage Tournament of Racine, WI, operates seven monts straight. Yes, it is a tournament. Can you top this, seven months in a row?

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WEST BEND, WI: The first annual West Bend Open started off with a bang, 110 contestants. The victor here was Marinette's knight of the peg-board, Don Rhode. Jocular Don beat out Bill Christofterson who hails from DeForest. Finishing in the 3rd and 4th spots were Jeff Clark of Antioch, IL and Patsie Kufahl the little pretty from Brokaw. Norby Kniech, the champion from Brown Deer, walked-off with the Consolation event. Jerry Partl of Milwaukee was the runner-up of the Second-Try event.

WALLACE, ID: The inaugural Silver Valley Open was captured by author and all-around-good-guy, DeLynn Colvert of Missoula, MT. Lynn said it was easy as writing the book, "Play Winning Cribbage." Finishing in the runner-up spot was hometown Bobby Anderson. Bernice & Dal Christensen of Sunnyvale, CA finished in the 3rd and 4th slots. This happy twosome have been traveling the cribbage trail for a couple of years now and there is no telling where they will show up next. Rookie tournament operator, Roy Carlson, admitted making a booboo or two which set him back a few sheckles. BUT he says he will give it another GO next year. He says it will be either before or after the hunting season but definitely not during.

ENGLEWOOD, CO: The Arapahoe Sertoma Fall Classic, which is usually a warm-up for the Championship Rocky Mountain Classic, was snared by Clarence Field of Colorado Springs. Hometowneer and member of the Board, Dick Graham who is usually the heavy favorite, was the runner-up. The third place finisher was Troy Haynie of Los Gatos, CA. All American Dick Cornwell or Sunnyvale, CA conquered all in the Consolation event.

FT WINGATE, NM: The Ft Wingate World Classic Cribbage Open packed them in at Gerald's Cafe; had em just about hanging from the rafters. The big winner here was Scott Wiggins who edged out a sharp Fred Henson. Tournament Director, Ralph Hart, says this was his very first effort and now that he knows all the ropes it will be even better next year.

MILWAUKEE, WI: Bob Beguin of Ottawa, IL was crowned champion of the first Beer City Open. Young Bob had a rough row to hoe as he beat out Mr. Consistency, Wendell Rihard of Forest City, Iowa. Wendell, in his last four outings has finished 1st, 1st, 7th and now a 2nd. This is definitely some sought of world record. Jerry Knebel of Nastotah and Ralph Madsen of Crystal Lake, IL finished 3rd and 4th out of a field of 220. Leo and Dottie Schwedersky, the hubbv-wife champion team out of Lyndon Station, slugged it out for 15th and 16th places. If you think Leo won it, you're right, he usually beats the missus quite easily. Madison's hefty Len Davy was the high qualifier and he carried home a bag-full of money. In the Consolation it was a couple of MGM boys in the finals where Chris Martin edged out buddy and co-operator Tom Gallagher in a real close match. Jeff Clark finished third (again) while Ken Lessmiller took home 4th place money. Three players held and scored hard-to-get 28 hands: Dorothy Heldt of Merrill, Ron Kraft of Glenview, IL and Chris MGM Martin of Green Bay.

ORLANDO, FL: The Florida Open, with contestants from 13 states and from as far away as California, more than doubled last year's attendance. The big winner was Dave Brick of Jacksonvill. In the seventh and last game of the finals young Dave flew down home street to beat out a tough Gerd Henken of Garner, Iowa. Finishing 3rd and 4th were Richard Ricke of Greenville, SC and old pro Joe Wergin of Madison, WI. On his way to taking fifth prize, Arnold C. Crews of Jacksonville, currently reigning Master Point champion and captain of our All American team, copped the high qualifier prize and scored a once-in-a-life-time 28 hand. In The Consolation Special it was all-the-way with Ever-Ready Everett Bey of Quincy, CA. Ev beat out Scott Witherell who hails from Mount Dora, FL. Handsome Jack Griffin of Raleigh, NC and Bob Muelver of hometown Orlando finished 3rd & 4th respectively.

TOURNAMENT TRAIL

(All Sanctioned Events)

JANUARY 16-17: Rocky Mountain Championship at Denver, Colorado. For information and entry form write to: Richard N. Graham, 300 E. Hampden Ave, Englewood, CO 80110.

JANUARY 16: Kalamazoo Classic at Ramada Inn, Kalamazoo, MI. For information and entry form write to: Scott Kooistra, 1815 Bloomfield, Kalamazoo, MI 49001.

FEBRUARY 6-7: Minnesota Open at Ramada Inn in St. Paul, MN as a part of the gala Winter Carnival. For information and entry form write to: Bob Immel, 1220 Washington, Northfield, MN 55057.

MARCH 13: American Legion Championship at Post #178 Crystal Lake, IL. For details and entry form write to: Warren Swett, 24 Paddock Street, Crystal Lake, IL 60014.

MARCH 20-21: Western New York Open at Regency Motor Hotel in Hamburg, NY. For details and entry form write to: E. Hargesheimer Jr, 40 Main St., Hamburg, NY 14075.

APRIL 24-25: Corn Belt Classic at Des Moines, Iowa. For details or entry form write to Allen Lichty, 3216 7th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50313.

MAY 15: The 11th Annual World Championship at Quincy, CA, booked as the largest tournament in the USA. For information or entry form write to: Address furnished later.

JUNE 26-27: 2nd Annual Beer City Open at Milwaukee, WI. For info or entry form write to: Address furnished later.

JULY 31-AUGUST 1: National Open at Raleigh, NC - More later.

AUGUST 28-29: The Last Shot Classic at Chicago, IL - More later.

SEPTEMBER 18-19: 1st Annual American Cribbage Congress Championship tournament at Red Carpet Inn at Milwaukee, WI. Daniel P. Weir, General Chairman - More later.

FEBRUARY 20-21: Gateway to the World Classic at Elks Lodge in Kissimmee, FL. For information and entry form write to: Dave McGuire, 2765 Cornwell Ave, Kissimmee, FL 32741.

MAY 22-23: The Master Classic at Holiday Inn #2 in Madison, WI. For information or entry form write to: Midwest Cribbage Assn, Box 5584, Madison, WI 53705.

Bernie
Krebsbach

Life, Health, Fire, Auto, Commercial, Farm

DARE TO COMPARE

Bernie Krebsbach Insurance Agency
1616 Forest Ave, Fond Du Lac, Wis 54935
Office 923-2626 Home 923-1388



440 Main Street Ridgefield Ct., 06877

"At The Sign Of
The Wooden Indian"

Jim Cannatelli (203) 438-4494

YES WE MAIL ORDER

- FINE BRIARS • CUSTOM BLENDS
- IMPORTED CIGARS
- FINE SMOKING ACCESSORIES

How to Win at Cribbage

by

Joseph Petrus Wergin

**240 PAGES HARDCOVER
SCIENTIFIC**

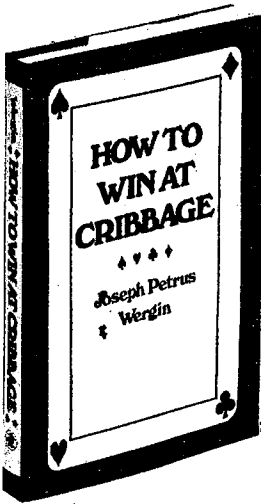
PERFECT GIFT for All Occasions

Order directly from writer and receive
an autographed copy.

Priced at\$10.95

Shipping Charges 1.00

**Wergin Distributing Company
Box 5584
Madison, Wis. 53705**



AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

P. O. BOX 565

KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA 32741

BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID

Kissimmee, Fl
32741
Permit No. 5