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DOUBLE YOUR PLEASURE, DOUBLE YOUR FUN

Everything for the 10th Annual National Open Cribbage Tournament has been doubled = field, entry time, space, prize fund and pay-off recipients.

Nick Pond recently announced the player limit will be doubled to a whopping 512 entries for the 1983 tournament which is scheduled for July 30-31 & August 1st, 1983.

One insignificant step for man but one giant step for all cribbagedom.

The total prize money for the combined events (Championship, consolation, two Q's and the Last Chance) will be in the neighborhood of \$28,000-\$30,000... AND that's a neighborhood as posh as they come !

Big Nick didn't take this giant step without hours and hours of soul searching, brain searching, pocketbook searching and whatever other kind of searching there had to be done. It was a tremendous strain, mental as well as physical, but luckily Nick escaped practically unscathed with the only minor injury being a bruised brain. But there are a few who will say, he always had that condition.

All kidding aside; honest we were kidding ?

(Continued)

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More good news. The hospitality room will be like it was away back in '78. That's when you got your money's worth and more. The hospitality committee will expend all of the income for food & drink. The gouging corkage fee, an immense 35%, is out, down the ol tube, kaput. Another big step in the right direction....

Add all the 1983 pluses & what do you have ? A good question with a prompt answer = "The World's Best, Biggest and Richest Cribbage Tournament."

- NC STATE CHAMPIONSHIP -

The rumor had been going around in cribbage circles for over a year and finally the official word is out. A couple of Fayetteville's solid cribbage citizens, Howie Baum and Jay DeJaynes, are heading a committee which will sponsor and conduct the NC State Championship cribbage tournament.

The event will be in Fayetteville & scheduled sometime in April, just a few short months away. You will know the dates as soon as they are announced officially. The location is ideal, in the heart of tobacco country, right off I-95. Not to mention it is on the east coast almost midway between Maine and the sunshine state of Florida.

The master point hungry easterners will eventually flock to this shin-dig. Who knows, the flocking may commence with the very first event. Nick "The Greek" Burpadaloudas says it's an even money bet the event will make it big on its first showing....

- JUNIOR PROGRAM -

The 3rd Annual National Junior Cribbage Tournament, usually conducted during the spring of each year, has not been officially scheduled for 1983. In all probability the event will again be scheduled in Massachusetts. It should be, about 70 percent of our junior members are from the Bay State.

A couple of BIG THINKERS say, "why not hold the Jr contest in conjunction with the 2nd Annual Grand National Championship Tourney which has been scheduled for October 1-2, 1983 in Springfield, where-else, Massachusetts ?

A very good question. The BoD will undoubtedly look into the matter. Hey Kids, Moms and Pops, let's hear your comments on this !

Junior program donations were interrupted as the Grand National Booster Program took over for a brief period earlier in the FY. And would you believe the kid's pot is not too healthy nor is it anywhere near the brim. The total is \$104.40... But not to sweat it, the Jr event is still four months away. OR is it eight months away ?

9 Donors	28.40	Everywhere, US
Dave Drick	6.00	Tallahassee, FL
Nick Pond	5.00	Raleigh, NC
Joseph Seigle	25.00	Mansfield, CT
Jim Arblaster III	10.00	Vidalia, GA
Bill Campbell	5.00	Shalimar, FL
Doris Conner	<u>25.00</u>	Milwaukee, WI
	\$104.40	

Let's go gang ! Anyone tossing \$25.00 or more in the hat will be commissioned a Cribadier General and will be tended a certificate complete with Gold Seal & Blue Ribbon.

- CRIBADIER GENERALS REGROUP -

The ranks of the CG have been depleted by one-third. Reaganomics and cutting the budget had nothing to do with the reduction-in-force. Only 52 CG remain fit for active duty; 25 CG have decided to become inactive and transfer to the Ready Reserve.

CG annual dues is now \$10.00 per year (Jan 1 thru Dec 31). For your annual dues you will receive a membership card and a CG memento with logo (Cap, decal, auto-plate. patch, belt-buckle and eventually a new commission certificate printed in color to include the Congress gold seal along with blue ribbon). The idea behind issuing each CG with a memento with logo each year is to advertise & thereby probably increase the ranks.

A separate treasury has been set-up with the provision that annual profits, if any, are to be expended for the benefit of the Jr Program. Hopefully, one day, the Honorable Order of Cribadier Generals will operate & fund an expanded National Junior Tourney.

The sole requirement to become a Cribadier General remains unchanged and that is to donate \$25.00 or more toward the Junior Program.

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- MEMBERSHIP REPORT -

The membership drive bogged down during the holiday months of December and January. It happens every year. For Christmas people spend money for everything except cribbage. You'd think everyone in Cribbage World would place a membership card in the stocking of a good buddy or place a life-membership under the tree of an older good buddy. Surely not all Cribadiers are Scrooges !

We gained 250 members in the past two months. Not good, but not bad. VFW Post #10301 at Racine, Wisconsin just came in with a bunch and-a-half (91) to save us from having to report an embarrassing small gain. Wisconsin is back on the track with 466 members, thanks to the VFW, now ol Joe can breathe easier.

The reverse order strength report we made a couple of months ago sought of helped out. Gains reported in ten of the 24 states which were under ten members. Only two states, Ohio and Tennessee, were removed from the endangered species list. Two other states, Kansas and South Dakota, are sitting on the brink with nine members. The reverse order report originally listed five states at ZERO. Now it is down to four as North Dakota came in with three brand new members.

Top ten in the Recruiting Dept:

WI	-	466	NC	-	90
CA	-	159	MN	-	88
MA	-	143	NY	-	85
RI	-	131	IL	-	74
FL	-	119	NE	-	73

ZERO States = DE - KY - LA - MS.. Surely someone in Delaware plays cribbage !!!! But I wouldn't bet on the other three....

- WHAT'S GOING ON -

BoD to meet in May (83) at Quincy, Calif in conjunction with World Championship Cribbage Tournament. This event, a longtime favorite for Californians, was sired by Everett Bey, one of Quincy's leading citizens. Sir Everett has been our Director for the Golden State since Founders Day, August 6, 1979.

Movement underway to award Master rating pts to those who played in the Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas last month. The motion is to award 20 points to all who participated and 30 points to the top 16 qualifiers. We never had more gripes on any subject. Maybe this will get ol Joe's neck out of the makeshift noose.

Tournament of Champions may be moved around the country. Someone mentioned Reno next year and maybe Atlantic City (NJ) in 1984.

Another move - top 16 finishers in the Tournament of Champions will automatically qualify for entry the following year.

Congress statistician, CG Robert A. Read, now has the Master rating point system in his brand new home computer. He can also whack out all the tournament stats.

Also in the wind: Those who are selected to the various All State cribbage teams for 1983 will be eligible for the Tournament of Champions. How is one selected to an All State cribbage team? Any state with five members who have been awarded Master Points will have a team. It's not as easy as it sounds. Last year only 16 states had five or more members on the Master Rating Points super list. How about them apples? You didn't know that did you?

- WHAT'S COMING OFF -

The Secretary-Treasurer plans to ask BoD to add \$300.00 to the prize fund of the 1983 Grand National Championship which is slated for October 1-2, at Springfield, Massachusetts. The added cash will represent a large portion of the profit made on the 1982 event held in Milwaukee this past September.

WHAT ARE THE ODDS: While cutting to start a game of cribbage in one of Marinette's better hang-outs; Jim Dzurick cut first and his card was the Ace of Diamonds. Mick Michaelis cut next and his cut was the Ace of Spades. Cutting again from the remainder of the pack, Jim cut the Ace of Clubs and Mick, dumb-lucked upon the remaining ace, the Ace of Hearts. We immediately got a letter off to Mr Dick Cornwell of Sunnyvale, California. Dick is an ace himself when it comes to getting such info out of a computer. We will publish the answer here in your prize winning CW. That's if we get an answer. By the way, Don Phillips was the bug-eyed kibitzer to this fantastic but true happening....

DEFENDING CHAMP WINS AGAIN: Shaun Hawkins, Portland's All State footballer, repeats as student winner of the Portland (Maine) High School Cribbage Tournament. This is the 1st time in the history of the Congress that a player has successfully defended his title. Shaun is a junior. Miss Margaret Brown was declared the Faculty Champ. Peter Gribbin, the Congress state representative, was the humiliated runner-up in the faculty division. "Wait til next year," cries Peter....

IN MEMORIAM

Morris Shulman

Lewiston, Maine

- MASTER POINT PARADE -

Results of the River City Classic were just added to the computer which every so often spits out the blue ribbon list. Since the CY began, we find someone other than Jimmie Pershing in the lead. Jim is now 4th.

Norm Whizzer Wright was second at LaCrosse, good enough to earn him the #1 spot. Norm is now on the throne....

On the list we find 22 have played in less than three tournaments. If you recall, a new ruling for 1982-83 requires a member to play in a minimum of three events to be eligible for a berth on the All American or All State teams. One of the "top ten" has not played in three sanctioned events, consolation events excluded.

1 Norm Wright	Madison, WI	315.56
2 Robert McCabe	Brown Deer, WI	312.91
3 Syl Lulinski	LaGrange Pk, IL	300.23
4 Jim Pershing	Milwaukee, WI	279.98
5 Jim McManus	Milwaukee, WI	245.23
6 Peter Dukes	Madison, WI	237.64
7 Allan Lichty	Des Moines, IA	234.17
8 Mary Cornwell	Sunnyvale, CA	224.65
9 Doris Donalies	Union Grove, WI	212.73
10 Leo Schwedrsky	Lyndon Sta, WI	204.23
11 Clayton Brotski	Green Bay, WI	203.73
12 Scott Kooistra	Brooklyn Pk, MN	201.61
13 Patrick Flannick	Franklin, WI	189.73
14 Bob Immel	Northfield, MN	188.23
15 Jim Hartley	Raleigh, NC	178.26
16 Gene Biegler	West Bend, WI	177.35
17 Al Wianecki	Milwaukee, WI	174.50
18 Jim Fabian	Naperville, IL	173.50
19 Jack Miller	Northfield, MN	165.73
20 Jon Orten	Grafton, WI	164.73
21 Vince Meicher	Madison, WI	159.31
22 Alvina Smith	Lyndon Sta, WI	150.90
23 Bruce Neviasser	Madison, WI	148.73

- MASTER POINT PARADE -

24	Phyllis Schmidt	Williamstown, MA	135.73
25	Ulysse Fournier	Hartford, CT	129.93
26	Modesto Hernandez	Yountsville, CA	123.92
27	Lee Franklin	Aurora, CO	122.92
28	DeLynn Colvert	Missoula, MT	120.23
29	Joe Brown	St Charles, IL	118.54
30	Frank Abernathy	Clayton, NC	118.39
31	Jack Gauthier	New Britain, CT	117.93
32	Lloyd Seidel	Racine, WI	117.85
33	Fred Tilker	Madison, WI	117.73
34	Nick Pond	Raleigh, NC	117.73
35	John Chambers	Providence, RI	116.93
36	Russ Flint	Palatine, IL	116.85
37	Don Rhode	Marinette, WI	115.90
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39	Barbara Buntrock	Cedarburg, WI	104.50
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42	Joe Bernard	Libertyville, IL	95.50
43	Pat Kufahl	Brokaw, WI	95.04
44	Don Edens	Eagan, MN	93.50
45	Tom Gleason Sr	Milwaukee, WI	92.29
46	Doris Conner	Milwaukee, WI	89.29
47	Ervin Patrin	St Paul, MN	88.85
48	Dan Barlow	Chapel Hill, NC	88.10
49	Pete Kufahl	Brokaw, WI	86.07
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HOW I STARTED A LOCAL CRIBBAGE LEAGUE

By Gail Mercier

I love to play cribbage. Four months ago I knew only one other person who played cribbage. Thanks to encouragement of the American Cribbage Congress and Robert Gottcent, the New Jersey representative to the Congress, I decided to try to start a cribbage league in my area. I submitted a news release to a few local newspapers. Twenty interested people called, most of them avid players, but a few were interested in learning. What did we all have in common? Our enthusiasm for playing cribbage, and excitement for getting a league started.

Three months ago the South Jersey Cribbage League was formed, with fourteen members. We now have a mailing list of thirty players. We are planning to rent a hall to hold our monthly meetings, since we expanded and have outgrown my home. We have set-up a separate monthly meeting date for the beginners and novices.

I would encourage anyone who is interested in starting a local group in your area to contact the American Cribbage Congress to find out the name and address of your state Director or Representative. They can provide you with the help you need to get started, answer your questions, and put you in touch with the right people. Soon you too can be sharing the game of cribbage with many new friends.

Editor's Note: The Congress is presently putting together a booklet entitled, "So You Want to Start a Cribbage Tournament," which is expected for release in a month or so... After that comes, "So You Want to Start A Cribbage League."

- SOLITAIRE CRIBBAGE -

By

"Dan Barlow"

The booklet 150 Ways To Play Solitaire shows three forms of Cribbage Solitaire. The best of these, while not as entertaining as the real thing, can help while away the time when you can't find an opponent.

Deal six cards face down to make the hand, and two face down to start the crib. Look at the hand and lay away two cards to crib. Turn up the next card of the pack for the starter. If it is a Jack, take two points. Score the hand, then score the crib. Place the starter on the bottom of the pack, and discard the other eight cards. Deal again in the same manner. Continue dealing and discarding until only four cards remain in the pack. Turn these up and score them as a hand without a starter.

The object, of course, is to score 121, but any score over 100 is excellent. This game will give you practice at deciding how to throw to the crib, and if you can remember which cards have already been discarded, you will have a better idea of what your cut is likely to be. Perhaps the best thing about Cribbage Solitaire is that the whole game can be played in two or three minutes, so it never gets boring.

When you do have an opponent available, a game you might want to try is Cribbage to Lose. The rules are the same but the loser wins. This is a challenging, exciting, and often hilarious game, in which the crib is usually the best hand at the table. You might actually find it more entertaining than cribbage to win....

- HOW THEY STAND -

Warren Klauser leads the Vic Christopherson tourney with a total of 2138 pegs. This is the tournament played at VFW Post 10301 in Racine once a month but goes on for eight months, October thru May. They've been doing this for the past 14 years and they say it's the greatest. Take a look at the top ten in the standings. It can't get any closer than this:

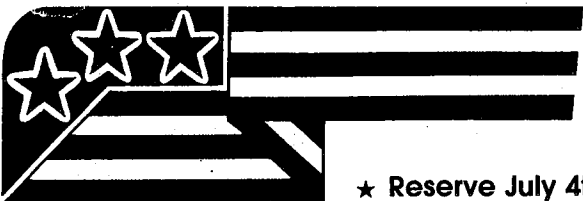
Warren Klauser	2138
Doris Donalies	2131
Gene Lamberton	2130
Vicki Magnuson	2130
Dawn Stapleman	2122
Bill Weaver	2114
Randy Youngs	2113
Chuck Zielesch	2096
Ed Weill	2093
Lou Polzin	2092

Augusta 29'ers League Standings (top 5) as of January 2, 1983....

Paula Hancock	113.69
Tony Weissenburger	113.55
Irvin Ingraham	113.44
Ken Campell	112.77
Rosalie Heitzig	112.16

Rhode Island Cribbage Assn (RICA) standings (top 5) and it appears to be a run-a-way by Bessie Wilson, the sharpie from Greenwich:

Bessie Wilson	117.11
Sam Hannah	116.07
Henry Rusack	115.64
Richard A'Hearn	115.21
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* February 19-20: Oregon State Championship at Prineville, OR. Joe Nelson PO Box 760 Prineville, OR 97754.

February 19-20: Gateway to the Worlds at American Legion Post #10, Kissimmee, FL. (Limited to first 150 players). Florida Cribbage Assn, PO Box 565, Kissimmee, FL 32741.

February 26-27: MGM at Midway Motor Lodge in Green Bay, WI. Chris Martin, PO Box 552, Green Bay, WI 54305.

February 26-27: Rocky Mountain Championship at Elks Lodge in Littleton, CO. Dick Graham, 300 E. Hampden Avenue, Englewood, Colo 80110.

* March 5-6: Warren L. Swett Memorial American Legion Post #171 Open at Crystal Lake, IL. Limited to first 200 entries. PO Box 366, Crystal Lake, IL 60014.

March 19: Sontag's Classic at Elks Lodge in Milpitas, CA. Harold Sontag, 3194 Mat-tos Ave, San Jose, CA 95132.

March 19-20: Western NY Open at Buffalo, NY. Elbert Hargesheimer Jr, 40 Main St, Hamburg, NY 14075.

April 9-10: Tri-Cities Open at Dome Restaurant in Marinette. Bob Michaelis, 1120 Pierce Ave, Marinette, WI 54143.

* = Latest Change or Addition....

- April 24: Rhode Island Open at Providence, RI. Double elimination. John Chambers, 34 Homestead Ave, Esmond, RI 02917.
- April 30 May 1: Corn Belt Classis at Des Moines, IA. Mr J. Crouch, 508 Madison Pl, Indianola, Iowa 50125.
- May 14: World Championship Tournament at Quincy, CA. Everett Bey, PO Box 1018, Quincy, CA 95971.
- * May 21-22: Alaska State Championship at Skagway, AK. Joe Nelson, PO Box 760, Prineville, OR 97754.
- * May 21-22: Masters Classic Tournament at Madison, WI. Midwest Cribbage Assn, Box 5584, Madison, WI 53705.
- * May 22: Connecticut State Championship at North Windham, CT. Joe Seigle, PO Box 133, Mansfield Depot, CT 06251.
- * July 2-3: Beer City Open at Marriott Inn, Brookfield, WI. Dan Weir, Box 153, Greendale, WI 53129.
- * July 30-31 August 1: National Open at the Mission Valley Inn & Conference Center in Raleigh, NC. Limited to first 512 players. Nick Pond, PO Box 12000, Raleigh, NC 27605.
- * August 20-21: Montana State Championship at Missoula, MT. DeLynn Colvert, 3903 Lincoln Rd, Missoula, MT 59801.
- * August 27-28: Illinois State Championship at Ramada-O'Hara Inn in Chicago, IL. The "Last Shot" for rating points. Bob Madsen, 7441 N. Osceola, Chicago, IL 60648.

- ADDRESS ASSISTANCE -

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