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A GAME AT CRIBBAGE

OUR COVER

An original copy of this magazine was discovered in a Madison antique shop and the writer's daughter just had to purchase it for her dad.

The picture has been framed and adorns the living room-office of the recipient. Note that the picture is now over 100 years old.

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Note: Your President, the assistant editor, has prepared this issue to give Secretary Jim a little relief from his duties.

Mr. Frank Rose
c/o Mr. Hank Prehall
2140 Briarwood
Santa Clara, California

April 12, 1983.

Dear Mr. Rose:

Please excuse my lateness in dropping you this note of thanks. Unfortunately, my schedule since the Crosby has not afforded me much time back in the office.

However, I didn't want to go without expressing my appreciation for the handmade wooden cribbage board, inscribed as a memento of the 1972 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach. Of course, that was a tournament I'll never forget, and I hope the outcome will be repeated at Pebble Beach this June!

Again, thank you for your very thoughtful gift.

Best regards,



JACK NICKLAUS

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TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

The Committee for the Second Annual Tournament of Champions met in Quincy, California, on May 13th and decided to stage this year's tournament again at the Riviera in Las Vegas.

The tournament date is November 11 and 12, 1983, and about the same rules will govern the selection. The top 16 of last year's meet plus the top 100 players from 1980, 1981, and 1982 will make up the eligible list. However, the closing date will be August 31 and any tournaments played in September, October, and November will not be eligible.

NEVADA STATE OPEN

On Saturday, November 12th, while the finals of the Tmt of Champs are being played, the Nevada State Open has its qualifying round with playoffs the next day. Here's your opportunity to play while waiting for a friend.

LET'S GET THE VOTE OUT.

Every member is now receiving a mail ballot to choose directors for the Congress. In the past, it was more or less a popularity contest and some elected directors failed to attend a single Board meeting in two years.

The wheels are in motion to retire directors who fail to participate in our deliberations.

So, when you vote, consider if your selection has the time and/or money to sacrifice for the benefit of the grand old game.

The contest for Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage of 1983 is a three-cornered race and interest is running high among people backing their respective candidates.

The straw vote on segments of the game will be interesting, but this vote will not change anything at this time.

TOURNAMENT REPORTS

NORTH CAROLINA STATE OPEN at Fayetteville, N.C.

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1 - Ken Cambell | Modoc, S. C. |
| 2 - Nick Pond | Raleigh, N. C. |
| 3 - Jim Arblaster | Kissimmee, Fla |
| 4 - Dan Barlow | Chapel Hill, NC |

Consolation:

- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 - Wm. Bright | Virginia Beach, VA |
| 2 - Don Buchek | Fayetteville, NC |
| 3 - Faydene Corbett | Wilmington, NC |
| 4 - LuAnn Kirchgassner | Raleigh, NC |
- 28 hands by Herman Andersen of Warrenton, NC
and Lois Lamb of Fayetteville, NC

TRI-CITIES OPEN at Marinette, Wisconsin

- | | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 1 - Norby Kniech | Brown Deer, Wis |
| 2 - Sylvester Hall | Iron River, Mich |
| 3 - Russ Uecke | Menominee, Mich |
| 4 - Ray Boesel | Glenbeulah, Wis. |

Consolation:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - Peter Dukes | Madison, Wis |
| 2 - Chet McCafferty | Madison, Wis. |
| 3 - Al Czerniewski | Crivitz, Wis |
| 4 - Jeanette Goffett | Iron Mountain, Mich |
- 28 hands by Vi Kastner of Menominee, Mich
and Ann Tork of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.

CORNBELT CLASSIC at Des Moines, Iowa

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1 - Gerd Henken | Garner, Iowa |
| 2 - Craig Shelstad | Hastings, Minn |
| 3 - Gary White | Bondurant, Iowa |
| 4 - Lena Mae Kelly, | Waterloo, Iowa |
| 5 - Ray Fenton | Des Moines, Ia |

VIKING TURNERING

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 1 - Joan Rein | Mount Horeb, Wis |
| 2 - Bill Cameron | Carver, Minn. |
| 3 - Judy Mueller | Grayslake, Ill |
| 4 - Robert Madsen | Milwaukee, Wis |
| | Chicago, Ill |

MASTERS' CLASSIC

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| 1 - Lloyd Seidel | Mt. Horeb Wis |
| 2 - Jack Miller | Milwaukee, Wis |
| | Northfield, Mn |
| 3 - Chet McCafferty | Madison, Wis |
| 4 - Glenn Fischer | Madison, Wis |

STATE OF WISCONSIN APPROACHING 600 MEMBERS.

As this publication goes to press, Secretary Jim Arblaster reports that the Badger State now has 592 members. The 600th membership to be registered will bring with it a special award for that person.

Gene Lindgren, a Minnesota director, made a lot of hay at the Cornstate Classic in Des Moines as he signed up 26 members mostly from the States of Iowa and Minnesota.

He hit the jackpot when he signed up for life memberships Esther and Allan Lichty.

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FREE PLAYING CARDS

A few years ago a telephone call to a playing card manufacturer would bring a gross or two of the jumbo cards to all the major tournaments.

Apparently, the crib officials worked this good horse to death. There just aren't any more free cards. However, one manufacturer gives a break to tournament officials. Here is a quote:

"We will provide cards at a cost to cover our expenses, Most cribbage people request the official jumbo face and they are available in two brands--- at \$11.22 a dozen and at 6.54 a dozen." If you need cards, contact the secretary.

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HOW ABOUT A PICTURE?

If you make the tour of the tournaments and sometime or other you may make the big news with a championship or a 29 hand, a black and white screened picture of you should be in the secretary's file of this magazine. We need pictures of newsmakers to put more life into this publication. The screening costs about \$5 so send this amount when your picture appears.

GUIDE FOR BYES

When a tournament has 96 entries, one-fourth of the players are entitled to qualify for the elimination tournament. The Congress has taken the position that the ratio be 1 to 4.

The tournament bracket system deals with 16, 32, 64, and 128. This pattern does not fit 24 players. Therefore, byes are necessary. The top players have earned their byes.

The set-up below will help the tournament director to make the proper pairings.

| ROUNDS | <u>1</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>3</u> |
|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| | 1 - bye | | |
| | 17 vs 16 | | |
| | 8 - bye | | |
| | 24 vs 9 | | |
| | 5 - bye | | |
| | 21 vs 12 | | |
| | 20 vs 13 | | |
| | 4 - bye | | |
| | 6 - bye | | |
| | 22 vs 11 | | |
| | 19 vs 14 | | |
| | 3 - bye | | |
| | 7 - bye | | |
| | 23 vs 10 | | |
| | 18 vs 15 | | |
| | 2 - bye | | |

SYSTEM OF BYES

| <u>Number of Players</u> | <u>Qualifiers</u> | <u>Byes</u> | <u>1st Round Pairings</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 142/144 | 36 | 28 | 29 to 36* |
| 146/148 | 37 | 27 | 28 to 37 |
| 150/152 | 38 | 26 | 27 to 38 |
| 154/156 | 39 | 25 | 26 to 39 |
| 158/160 | 40 | 24 | 25 to 40 |
| 162/164 | 41 | 23 | 24 to 41 |
| 166/168 | 42 | 22 | 23 to 42 |
| 170/172 | 43 | 21 | 22 to 43 |
| 174/176 | 44 | 20 | 21 to 44 |
| 178/180 | 45 | 19 | 20 to 45 |
| 182/184 | 46 | 18 | 19 to 46 |
| 186/188 | 47 | 17 | 18 to 47 |
| 190/192 | 48 | 16 | 17 to 48 |
| 194/196 | 49 | 15 | 16 to 49 |
| 198/200 | 50 | 14 | 15 to 50 |
| 202/204 | 51 | 13 | 14 to 51 |
| 206/208 | 52 | 12 | 13 to 52 |
| 210/212 | 53 | 11 | 12 to 53 |
| 214/216 | 54 | 10 | 11 to 54 |
| 218/220 | 55 | 9 | 10 to 55 |
| 222/224 | 56 | 8 | 9 to 56 |
| 226/228 | 57 | 7 | 8 to 57 |
| 230/232 | 58 | 6 | 7 to 58 |
| 234/236 | 59 | 5 | 6 to 59 |
| 238/240 | 60 | 4 | 5 to 60 |
| 242/244 | 61 | 3 | 4 to 61 |
| 246/248 | 62 | 2 | 3 to 62 |
| 250/252 | 63 | 1 | 2 to 63 |
| 254/256 | 64 | 0 | 0 to 64 |

* In the pairings top plays the lowest ranking, that is, 29 vs 36, 30 vs 35, 31 vs 34, down to the last pair in which 32 meets No. 33.

GRANDPA'S WORDS OF WISDOM

"Son trust everyone, but cut the cards!"

Tom Gleason, one of our members from Milwaukee, came up with the idea of reciting the Pledge Allegiance before the start of our major tournaments. Many thanks, Tom, for this important suggestion.

CHIT CHAT

Be sure to consider a trip to Quincy, Cal., for their annual cribbage tournament. The town of Quincy is nestled away in the mountains of Northern California and the place is serene and beautiful.

Nick Pond, Frank Abernathy, and this scribe participated in the recent tournament along with the Floridians--Haley Johnson, Arnold Crews, and Jim Arblaster.

There were 294 entries in the one-day event and the Easterners failed to make the honor list. However, the group stopped at Reno for a day and have reported great success with the slots.

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The petition project is still alive but it is necessary to keep reminding the Postal Department that we do want a commemorative stamp honoring our game. So, please, everyone, write a letter with your personal request.

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The Congress must do something for the Grass Roots so that the small communities may have some organized cribbage activities. At present, we have emphacized the major tournaments. You may write to Box 5584 in Madison, Wis. 53705 if you want some ideas for clubs 12 to 20 players.

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A Paper Cribbage Board! Yes, you are reading it right. There is a gentleman in the State of California who has copyrighted such a board and it will soon be available to the membership.

The advantage of the board is that one has a record of his games and will rarely make a mistake in pegging. There are no pegs to fall out and no way will you ever move an opponents pegs in error.

Scoring is done with a pen and there is a code to indicate if the last move was pegging, counting the hand or crib, and even for penalty points.

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MASTER RATINGS AS OF MAY 2, 1983

| | | | |
|-----|-------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 1. | Norman Wright | Madison Wis | 548.79 |
| 2. | Scott Kooistra | Brooklyn Pk, Mn | 497.62 |
| 3. | Robert McCabe | Brown Deer, Wis | 486.59 |
| 4. | Jim McManus | Milwaukee, Wis. | 413.29 |
| 5. | Syl Lulinski | LaGrange Pk, Ill | 392.53 |
| 6. | Warren Bush | Santa Clara, Cal | 352.83 |
| 7. | Norbert Kniech | Brown Deer, Wis | 350.40 |
| 8. | Peter Dukes, | Madison, Wis. | 339.57 |
| 9. | Bob Michaelis | Marinette, Wis | 333.00 |
| 10. | Mary Cornwell | Sunnyvale, Cal | 320.20 |
| 11. | Tom Page | New Berlin, Wis | 307.17 |
| 12. | Don Rhode | Marinette, Wis | 306.83 |
| 13. | Larry Rowley | Madison, Wis | 304.17 |
| 14. | Leo Schwedersky | Lyndon Station, Wis | 297.16 |
| 15. | Dave Bartlett | Greenfield, Wis. | 294.10 |
| 16. | Jim Pershing | Milwaukee | 279.82 |
| 17. | Ken Lessmiller | Green Bay, Wis | 272.93 |
| 18. | Doris Donalies | Union Grove, Wis | 272.73 |
| 19. | Rob Palmer | Baker, Oregon | 270.59 |
| 20. | Gene Biegler | West Bend, Wis | 266.58 |
| 21. | Clayton Brotski | Green Bay, Wis | 253.73 |
| 22. | Allan Lichty | Des Moines, Ia | 249.01 |
| 23. | James Arblaster | Kissimmee, Fla | 246.59 |
| 24. | Rudy Hebein | Mukwonago, Wis. | 244.93 |
| 25. | Vince Meicher | Madison, Wis | 234.15 |
| 26. | W. Sondericker | Greenfield Wis | 232.00 |
| 27. | Alvina Smith | Lyndon Station, Wis | 231.15 |
| 28. | DeLynn Colvert | Missoula, Mich | 229.18 |
| 29. | Dick Cornwell | Sunnyvale, Cal | 225.55 |
| 30. | Joe Bernard | Libertyville, Ill | 224.67 |
| 31. | Bob Immel | Northfield, Mn | 223.91 |
| 32. | Jim Fabian | Naperville, Ill | 219.18 |
| 33. | Lee Franklin | Aurora, Colorado | 214.66 |
| 34. | Nick Pond | Raleigh, N. C. | 208.07 |
| 35. | Pat Flannick | Franklin, Wis | 204.73 |
| 36. | Joe Wergin | Madison, Wis | 203.55 |
| 37. | Charles Best | San Jose, Cal | 203.55 |
| 38. | Al Wianeki | Milwaukee, Wis | 200.18 |
| 39. | Gordy Zindler | Waukesha, Wis | 196.93 |
| 40. | Dale Christianson | Sunnyvale, Cal | 189.55 |
| 41. | Pete Kufahl | Merrill, Wis | 186.32 |
| 42. | Louise Johnson | Paso Robles, Cal | 185.55 |
| 43. | Jack Miller | Northfield, Mn | 180.73 |

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|------------------|------------------|--------|
| 44. Ray Boesel | Glenbeulah, Wis | 180.55 |
| 45. Joe Brown | St. Charles, Ill | 178.38 |
| 46. Jim Hartley | Raleigh, N. C | 178.26 |
| 47. Ken Cambell | Modoc, S. C. | 177.85 |
| 48. Pat Kufahl | Merrill, Wis | 175.29 |
| 49. Judy Mueller | Milwaukee Wis | 174.38 |
| 50. Fred Tilker | Madison, Wis. | 172.73 |

This list includes 27 tournaments: 3 since the last publication. 1-NC Open, 2-Tri-Cities Open, 3-U S Cerebrial Palsy Championship. Submitted by Robert Read, statistician & asst. sec., American Cribbage Congress, Winter Garden, Florida 32787.

Walbridge, Ohio

April 16, 1983

Dear Sirs:

Enjoy reading the Magazine. Like to read about the odds for different things.

We play noon hours at work. My partner, Clint Wagner, and I were playing doubles against Verlin Wagner and Paul Schultz.

Clint and myself double skunked WEaver and Schultz twice in a row--back to back.

What are the odds for this happening?

Tom Jordan

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Weir, Box 153, Greendale, Wis. 53129.

July 9-10: 20th Annual Hawaii State Tournament
at Kona Surf Resort in Kailua-Kona, HI. Entry
Fee \$50. For Info: Hawaii Cribbage Tournament,
78-128 Ehukai St. Kailua-Kona, HI 96740.

July 16-17: Minnesota Open at Regency Plaza
Hotel, Mpls, Mn. Entry Fee \$31.00. Info:
Scott Kooistra, 7540 Kentucky Ave, N. (#303)
Brooklyn Pk, Mn 55428.

July 30-31 August 1: National Open at Mission
Valley Inn in Raleigh, N. C.. Limit 512
players. Nick Pond, Box 12800, Raleigh, N.C.
27605.

August 7: Great Plains Summer Classic, Airport
Best Western, Lincoln, NB, Entry Fee \$11.00.
Jack Wunderlich, 2821 P St. Lincoln, NB 68503.

August 20-21: Montana State Championship at
Missoula. Write DeLynn Colvert, 3903 Lincoln
Road, Missoula, Mont. 59801.

August 27-28: Illinois State Championship at
Quality Inn, Schiller Park, Ill. near O'Hare
Field. Bob Madsen, Director. 7441 Osceola,
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WHEREAS, in the last few years we have staged cribbage tournaments which have consistently attracted several hundred players at each event, and

WHEREAS, it is customary in the United States to begin all important events with the playing and singing of the National Anthem.

THEREFORE, I HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THE START OF ALL IMPORTANT TOURNAMENTS, PLAYERS RISE AND SING THE ANTHEM WHEN MUSIC IS AVAILABLE OR RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES.

Joseph P. Wergin
Joseph P. Wergin, President
American Cribbage Congress

May 30, 1983

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