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NO WALK-INS ACCEPTED AT THE GRAND NATIONAL TOURNAMENT!

Make your plans now to celebrate the accomplishments of the 1983-84 cribbage year and to get acquainted with fellow cribbage enthusiasts from across the nation. In order to insure an orderly event we ask you to register in advance. We will not be able to accept walk-in entries! All entries must be in our hands by Monday, September 24, 1984. We must have your banquet reservations as well. We have to notify the hotel of the number of dinner reservations by Tuesday, September 24th. We cannot accept late entries or dinner reservations!

The Junior Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 1984. There is no entry fee for ACC members, however non-members will be asked to join the ACC (dues are \$2.00). Pre-registration is required. Encourage your young people to participate in this national event held exclusively for them. Director Ralph Madsen is hoping for a lively day of competition among our junior members for some very nice prizes.

PLEASE, let us know as soon as possible if your junior player will be attending. Write to Ralph Madsen, 78 N. Williams St., Crystal Lake, IL 60014 or call (815) 459-2713.

NATIONAL OPEN CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT
JULY 28-29-30, 1984 RALEIGH, NC

The National Open has been the site of many "firsts" and this year was no exception. The championship was captured for the first time by a Canadian, Roger Stirling from L. Sackville, Nova Scotia. He played some unbelievable cribbage for the three days of the tournament. He never lost a match! Runner-up was Scott Kooistra of Brooklyn Park, MN, a familiar name on the tournament trail and a hard working member of the Board of Directors of the ACC. Third place winner was Ev Bey, VP of the ACC from Quincy, CA followed by Bob Gombatz of Raleigh, NC taking fourth. Alex Wingate from Golsboro, NC was fifth and another ACC director who is also the #1 master point achiever, Bob "Mick" Michaelis, of Marinette, WI placed sixth.

The consolation tournament was won by Dorothy Chance from Richmond, VA with Carl Palmer of W. Springfield, MA as runner-up. Maxine Maddox, Wilmington, NC took third over Bob Blackford in fourth.

Tournament director, Nick Pond, though somewhat disappointed in the fact that there were fewer players this year; extended his thanks to all 298 participants representing 26 states and 2 Canadian provinces and his congratulations to all the winners. He will be making adjustments and preparing for 1985 as soon as he helps get the Chicago Cubs into the World Series. For any of you who don't yet know, Nick is a "Die-hard Cub Fan" and is hoping that this will be their year!

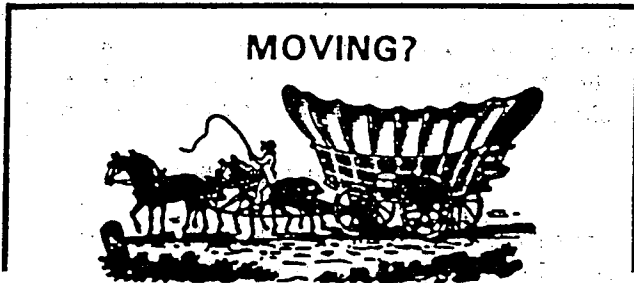
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To those of you who responded so quickly, we do thank you. Many of you were kind enough to include a personal note of thanks and appreciation for our efforts. You have lifted our spirits during this extremely busy time and for this we are most grateful.



LET THE CONGRESS KNOW

REFLECTIONS FROM YOUR EDITORS

This past year has been a learning experience for us and if you will allow us a personal comment we want to offer some special thanks; first to our son, Mark Madsen for having the confidence that his parents could learn something new (this computer) and for his guidance in setting up programming and procedures; and additionally to his friend and fellow cribbage enthusiast, Bill Martin for the many hours of programming he developed for us as the need arose. We could not have survived the year without their help and moral support.

"GRASS ROOTS"

THAMES RIVER

Eileen Loser of Groton, CT, secretary of the Thames River Cribbage League reported a unique circumstance in their league play this year. Doris L. Hann was dealt a second "28 Hand" for this year in their league competition.

Although their league is small, just twelve members, their 3rd Annual Banquet was held on May 12, 1984 and prizes were awarded to all members. Three of their members; Jean Pinette and Bob Salley along with Doris Hann, received their "28 Hand" certificates from the ACC. In addition they were awarded U.S. Savings Bonds from the league; Jean and Bob a \$50.00 bond each and a \$75.00 bond to Doris for her two "28" hands. The highest number of points were won by Kathleen Loser who is also the youngest member of the club but the lower scorers were not forgotten they were honored with "boobie" prizes. It's easy to see why this group is looking forward to their 84-85 season. Keep peggin'!

VA MEDICAL CENTER

The President of the VAMC Cribbage Association, "Knobs" Pendergast keeps us up-to-date on the activities of this group which conducts a monthly tournament and continuous recruiting for the ACC. Their secretary, Mary Rogers submits their monthly minutes and Agnes McLaughlin acts as treasurer. We salute them and their devotion to the game of cribbage and the many players at the VA Center.

MISSOULA CRIBBAGE CLUB

The Missoula, MT Cribbage Club's Sunday match on August 12, 1984 was the site of Milo Roinstad's first "29 Hand". It came on the heels of DeLynn Colvert's "28 Hand". Delynn was still whooping it up when Milo upstaged him by scoring his "first 29". Congratulations, and thanks for sharing your excitement with us.

FAIRFIELD, CALIFORNIA

George Halterman reports to us that the first cribbage tournament ever held in Fairfield was a good day of fun, food and prizes. The local Senior Center benifitted with a donation to its building fund after a 75% pay-back to the winners among the 38 participants. First place went to Al Wigger of Cupertino, CA, second to Modesto Hernandez of Hayward, CA; third to Truey Miller also from Hayward and coming in fourth was Karen Hartman of Martinez, CA.

Mary Cornwell, a member of the ACC board of directors, and her husband, Dick, an ACC judge were in attendance and provided some expertise and a bit of fun. Mary suggested they use a "skunk bucket" and a cowbell had to be rung by anyone getting skunked. A total of 48 bell ringers were rung up through the day of play. Perhaps a new tradition has begun, another tournament is being planned for January, 1985. Maybe we'll start to hear "skunk buckets" ringing across the land. Thanks for the report, George.

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At the Board of Directors meeting in Raleigh, NC, an election was held to select a Chairman of the Board. This new officer is Richard Graham from Englewood, CO. Dick, an attorney, has been an active member of the BoD representing his state of Colorado. In addition, he has conducted many local tournaments benefitting the Sertoma Club and has participated in tournaments across the country. The Board considers him eminently qualified to conduct the business of the Congress and is grateful for his acceptance of the responsibility.

NEW DIRECTORS

Joe Nelson of Prineville, OR who has been conducting Congress tournaments for several years in the Northwest has been named to the Board of Directors by President Joseph P. Wergin for a one-year term beginning September 1st. Two other vacancies on the Board were filled by the selection of Ken Cambell, Modoc, South Carolina, and by E. Hargesheimer, Hamburg, New York, to represent their respective states.

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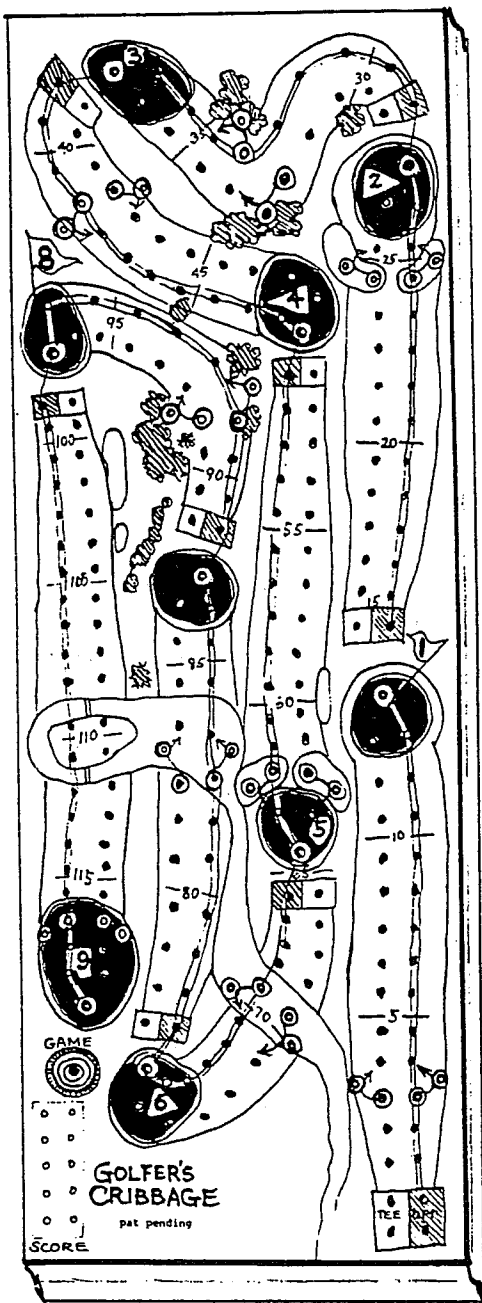
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SEPTEMBER 22-23: 1st Annual Blue Mountain Open Cribbage Tournament at the Eagles Lodge, 1212 Jefferson, La Grande, OR. Entry: \$26.00. Contact: Ron Lesley, 2508 North 4th, La Grande, OR 97850 Tel: (503) 963-7887.

SEPTEMBER 29-30: ACC Grand National Championship Tournament, Ramada O'Hare Inn, Des Plaines, IL. Entry: \$36.00 ACC Members, \$41.00 non-members. Contact: ACC Sec. Bob Madsen, PO Box 48893, Niles, IL 60648 Tel: (312) 774-3813. Entry form enclosed.

SEPT.29: 3rd Annual Wine Valley Cribbage Tournament, Fairgrounds, Napa Valley, CA Entry: \$48.00 incl. cont'l breakfast, lunch, wine tasting and dinner. Contact: No. Napa Rotary Club, 3640 Young Av., Napa Valley, CA 94558

OCT.6-7: Montana Cribbage Championship, Missoula, MT. Entry fee: \$31.00 Contact: DeLynn Colvert, Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806 (see ad this issue CW).

OCT.14: West Bend Classic at the Washington House on Main St., West Bend, WI. Contact: Gene Biegler, PO Box 862, West Bend, WI 53095. More details to follow.

OCT. 20: 3rd Annual Calif. State Singles Championship at Harry's Hofbrau Banquet Room, 390 Saratoga Av., San Jose, CA. Entry fee: \$43.00 incl. dinner. Contact: Mary Cornwell, 622 Torrington Dr., Sunnyvale, CA 94087 (408) 736-0914 or Peggy Lawson, 2970 Miles Av., Santa Clara, CA 95051 (408) 984-2044

OCT. 20-21: 5th Annual Colorado Cribbage Championship at Littleton Elks Club, Littleton, CO. Entry fee: \$26.00 includes coffee and donuts, also charitable donation. Contact: Dick Graham, 300 E. Hampden Av., Englewood, CO 80110 (303) 781-7854

OCT. 21: 1st Annual Vermont Open Cribbage Tournament at the Sheraton Burlington Hotel. Exit 14W off Inter.89, Burlington, VT. Entry fee: \$26.00. Contact: Ned O'Brien, 40 Brewer Pwy., So. Burlington, VT, 05401 or call: (802) 862-8835.

OCT.27: Minnesota Valley Open at the Legion Post #57, Chaska, MN 55318. Entry fee: \$21.00. Contact: Joan Rein, P.O.Box 6, Carver, MN 55315

NOV.3-4: 1st Annual Hawaiian Islands Cribbage Tournament, Turtle Bay Hilton, Oahu, Hawaii. Entry fee: \$50.00. Contact: Dr. Wilbur Lummis, 469 Ena Rd.#207, Honolulu, HI 98815. Tel.(808) 941-9663.

NOV.4: Great Plains Fall Cribbage Tournament, Airport Inn, LINCOLN, NE. Entry fee: \$11.00 Contact: Jack Wunderlich, 2821 'P'St., Lincoln, NE 68503 or Tel. (402) 477-2900

NOV.4: 8th Annual Dante Club Singles Cribbage Tournament, Agawam, MA Entry fee: \$25.00 includes coffee, donuts and lunch. Contact: George Bickford, 35 Elbert Rd., Agawam, MA 01001. Tel. (413) 786-8199

NOV.10-11: River City Cribbage Classique. Ramada Inn, LaCrosse, WI. Entry fee: \$36.00 incl. lunch on Sat. For info: contact Dick Sjolander, Rt.1 Box 160, West Salem, WI 54669.

NOV. 17-18: Florida Open at Elks Lodge, 12 N. Primrose Av. Orlando, FL. Entry fee: \$31.00 incl. Sat luncheon. Non-profit(over 100% payback every year) Contact: Florida Cribbage Assn. PO Box 565, Kissimmee, FL 32741



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SOLITAIRE

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