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THE INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

The Tournament of Champions, which was held on January 31, 1986, in Sparks, NV, at Karl's Silver Club, was a tremendous success. It drew 110 of the top-rated players from all over the country, with 22 states being represented. The tournament was won by Frank Schweig of Carpentersville, IL. In a hotly contested 6th game of a best of 7 match, Frank pegged out to beat Dick Graham of Englewood, CO. First prize was worth more than \$3,000. A beautiful trophy was awarded to Frank by Karl Burgee, the host of the tournament and the owner of Karl's. A perpetual trophy will also be displayed at the club with the champion's name engraved. Congratulations to Frank and his wife Roberta, his most avid fan. Third place was won by Duane Toll of Milwaukee, WI. Finishing fourth was Bob Plourde of Unionville, CT.

There were two 28 hands during the day. Al Dinwoodie of Slocum, RI, and Walter Lewis of Solvang, CA, were the recipients. This was the most successful Tournament of Champions in the four-year history of the event. We wish to thank the entire staff at Karl's and especially Bill Abshire. Our thanks also to Bill Irons for his efforts.

During the afternoon, a consolation tournament was held for 72 people who did not qualify for the Tournament of Champions. The event was won by Bob McCabe of Brown Deer, WI. In second place was Danny Mitchell of Crescent City, CA. Mary Cornwell, Sunnyvale, CA, took third over Betty Carrera of Sparks, NV. None of the winners of this tournament or the Tournament of Champions will be awarded master points because they were closed tournaments.

IN MEMORIAM

It is with sadness that we learned of the passing of Arthur Fortier of Lancaster, MA, a fine cribbage player and a gentleman.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

President Joe Wergin has appointed a Nominating Committee which includes Everett E. Bey, Chairman; Rich Maringer and Harry Palmer.

They will nominate a slate of 13 Directors to be elected to the ACC Board in the annual election slated for May. Directors whose two-year terms expire August 31, 1986, include: James Arblaster, Kissimmee, FL; John Chambers, Esmond, RI; DeLynn Colvert, Missoula, MT; Dick Graham, Englewood, CO; Scott Kooistra, Yankton, SD; Syl Lulinski, La Grange Park, IL; Ralph Madsen, Crystal Lake, IL; Bob McCabe, Brown Deer, WI; Bob Michaelis, Marinette, WI; Dale Munroe, Unionville, CT; Joe Seigle, Coventry, CT; Jeff Shimp, Allegan, MI; and John Williams, Minneapolis, MN.

The Nominating Committee will submit names of people it considers to be actively involved in the game of cribbage and who would make every effort to attend meetings of the Board of Directors which are held at the National Open in Raleigh, NC, the latter part of July each year; at the Grand National Tournament in September, wherever it is held; and at a changeable site and date during the winter months. Names of potential nominees are being solicited by the committee. In addition, any person not nominated can submit his or her name on a petition signed by at least 5 active members of the ACC. Only 4 members from any one state can serve on the Board of Directors.

Suggestions for nominations to the ACC Board of Directors should be sent to: Ev Bey, P.O. Box B, Quincy, CA 95971; Rich Maringer, 5741 Rochelle Drive, Greendale, WI 53129; or Harry Palmer, 16 Southworth, West Springfield, MA 01089. Deadline is March 31, 1986

KEEP PEGGING ALONG

MEMO TO TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

I work bit-by-bit during the month putting Cribbage World together. I have to submit all material to the word processor, set up galleys, and go to the printer around the third week of the month so that I have time to apply mailing labels and get Cribbage World to the Post Office during the first week of the issue month. The closing date for my receiving information, through necessity, has to be the 21st of the month preceding the publication date.

I received phone calls and mail from individuals who wanted material in Cribbage World after I had gone to the printer. I feel badly about the problem because, after all, the function of Cribbage World is to inform the members on a timely basis. It's aggravating for a tournament director to find his or her tournament not listed or listed a week or two before the event.

I'm asking all tournament directors to write or call me (203) 673-4607 as far in advance as you are able and let me know the following:

Tournament name
Where it is to be held
When it is to be held
Entry fee
Name of person(s) to contact
(address and telephone)
Player limits and closing dates, if any.

If you want me to add coffee, doughnuts, lunches, early birds, and specials, let me know and I'll get it in.

For the time being, I can no longer put tournament flyers (inserts) in Cribbage World. I had promised Ike Rutherford and Scott Kooistra I'd place the Capitol City Cribbage Open in the February Cribbage World, and I had to let them down because their material came in two boxes, four and seven days, respectively, after I had to go to the printer. Ike is mad at me for life, and Scott isn't speaking to me; they went to a great deal of time and expense to get their material to me, and the end result was zero.

After I get some experience under my belt and I'm able to work out the time constraints and the one-ounce mailing weight restrictions of Cribbage World, I'll give stuffing inserts positive consideration. In the meantime, I hope you'll bear with me.

Dale E. Munroe

ALL-REGIONAL TEAMS

In addition to the All-American and All-State teams that have been designated each year, the ACC Board of Directors has approved creation of All-Regional teams, which will be comprised of the top 5 tournament scorers in each of the Eastern, Midwest and Western Regions.

THE PRESIDENTS COLUMN

Joseph Petrus Wergin

"The pendulum will always swing in the other direction!"

So it is with the Tournament of Champions. In 1982, the first year of the meet, 66 champions answered the call and assembled at the Riviera in Las Vegas to vie for the title. The next 2 years, the numbers fell off to less than 40 players.

With a change of scenery and an enthusiastic host, Karl's Casino in Sparks, there is an upswing. The players enjoyed Karl's hospitality, and many voiced their desire to return on January 23, 1987.

We met with the Casino staff and have tentatively agreed on additional player benefits as well as the dates. Karl said: "We will block off the entire hotel for cribbers."

ANOTHER SWING OF THE PENDULUM

The total vote in 1985 for Congress Directors was at the low point of 446. Watch the pendulum swing the other way this year. Election observers predict a record vote over the 1,000 mark.

MANAGEMENT OF TOURNAMENTS

MUST IMPROVE

During the past year we noted the lack of control in the staging of tournaments in which the tournament director competed without having a backup person taking over. Someone must be at the controls at all times, and everyone wants to play.

Perhaps the answer is to award rating points to the official who makes the sacrifice of not playing. It is done in other card meets.

ORDERING OFFICIAL PLAYING CARDS

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The American Cribbage Congress was organized August 6, 1979, at Raleigh, NC.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

ANN ARBOR OPEN AT ANN ARBOR, MI

Main Tournament

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|--------------------|---------------|
| 1. David Kruse | Jackson, MI |
| 2. Wink Birch | Bay City, MI |
| 3. Glen Schleicher | Ann Arbor, MI |
| 4. Carolyn Haapala | Jackson, MI |

Consolation

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. Carl Bartz | East Troy, WI |
| 2. Rheta Collins | Jackson, MI |
| 3. Billie Coffelt | Parma, MI |
| 4. Fremont Boyer | Chelsea, MI |

WESTERN OPEN AT SPARKS, NV

Main Tournament

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|-----------------------|----------------|
| 1. Gene Miller | Florence, MT |
| 2. Joe Lusignan | Salinas, CA |
| 3. Larry Loupee | Newton, IA |
| 4. Warren Sondericker | Greenfield, WI |

Consolation

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Heidi Vinsonhaler | Concord, CA |
| 2. Mick Michaelis | Marinette, WI |
| 3. Grover O'Brien | Chicopee, MA |
| 4. Danny Mitchell | Crescent City, CA |

28 Hands

- | | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Jack DaRosa | Lincoln, RI |
| Heidi Vinsonhaler | Concord, CA |
| Warren Sondericker | Greenfield, WI |
| Isabel Demale | Concord, CA |

FLORIDA CRIBBAGE CLASSIC AT KISSIMMEE, FL

Main Tournament

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Charlie Broughton | Orlando, FL |
| 2. Carl Claussen | Kerrville, TX |
| 3. Arnold C. Crews | Jacksonville, FL |
| 4. Tracy Denninger | Altamonte Springs, FL |

Consolation

- | | |
|------------------|----------------|
| 1. Jim Hartley | Boca Raton, FL |
| 2. Haley Johnson | St. Cloud, FL |
| 3. Jim Shea | Shalimar, FL |
| 4. Orville Huss | Wild Rose, WI |

28 Hands

- | | |
|---------------|----------------|
| Joe Seigle | Coventry, CT |
| Veronica Sosh | Boca Raton, FL |

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GRASS ROOT INQUIRIES

While in Sparks, Stan Daniels of Portsmouth, VA, wanted more details about the Grass Roots Program. Daniels declared, "We have been talking about it for two years. I am going back home and make every effort to get a club organized. I have been impressed with the enthusiasm of members of the local clubs."

Other serious inquiries were made by Al Swenson of Anchorage, AL, who said, "We have a lot of players up there. It sounds like it would be a great idea."

Lindsey Shears and Harry Dunlap of Grass Valley, CA, said that we would hear from them in the near future.

DE LYNN COLVERT TO THE RESCUE

I've received several comments and a few letters from members during the past month on the appearance of our publication. The consensus was that the masthead "Cribbage World" and the elliptical world that's appeared on our front page for many years were becoming dated and ready for retirement.

DeLynn Colvert of Missoula, MT, graciously offered his talent and a few days after we had discussed this subject in Sparks, NV, he sent in a couple of choices. DeLynn and I hope you like the "new look."

Of interest to aspiring cribbage players in the Milwaukee, WI, area:

Cribbage instruction and competitive play is held on Mondays from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at the Beulah Brinton Community Center, 2555 South Bay Street (Bay View). Call 421-3494 for information.

THE RUMOR MILL SPARKS, NEVADA

The rumor is that Marian Quackenbush did so well at single deck blackjack that she made an offer to buy Karl's Casino from her winnings.

No poker slot machine is safe in the hands of Bob Plourde of Unionville, CT. Bob held an Ace and Queen of Clubs and drew the King, Jack and Ten of Clubs. Lights, bells and sirens went off, and I'd hate to tell you how much that paid. The money was sent home via Brinks armored car. What poker skill this man possesses!!!

This rumor is so hot that no names can be mentioned for fear of libel. The Director of the National Open Cribbage Tournament in Raleigh, NC, a guy who is usually around until the last gun is fired, had actually turned in for the night by 9 p.m. on the eve of the Invitational Tournament; the time zone changes got to him, he said!!!

PROGRESS REPORT POST-SURGICAL RECOVERY

Jim Arblaster, Kissimmee, FL; Bob Madsen, Niles, IL; and Joe Wergin, Madison, WI, underwent surgery recently, and I've seen and talked to each of them during the past month. These three long-time members of the ACC are back on the tournament trail, and I'm pleased to report they're doing extremely well and are as feisty as ever.

Dale B. Munroe

"Your tournament doesn't have to be the largest to be the best!"

MASTER POINTS

The master points shown below include all tournaments through January 31, 1986 except the following:

Wine Valley	Napa, CA	9/28/85
Sierra Nevada	Sparks, NV	10/25-26/85
Great Plains	Lincoln, NE	11/3/85
River City	LaCrosse, WI	11/9-10/85
Belle City Open	Kenosha, WI	1/11-12/86

ACC EASTERN REGION

RANK	NAME	CITY	POINTS YEAR
1	DEVEREAUX, LELIA	SOMERVILLE, MA	210
2	MILLER, ALBERT	NASHUA, NH	188
3	FRIETS, NEAL	KEENE, NH	168
4	PICCIANDRA, ROMOLO	MANSFIELD, MA	163
5	BERHAUPT, ED	SCHENECTADY, NY	150
6	GILLIS, FRAN	MILLIS, MA	146
7	MOLLOY, HARRY	MILFORD, MA	140
8	BICKFORD, GEORGE	AGAWAM, MA	136
9	O'CONNOR, FRANK	DEDHAM, MA	132
	PALMER, HARRY	W. SPRINGFIELD, MA	132
11	LEPAGE, ROCH	WILTON, CT	130
	RYAN, JOE	COLUMBIA, SC	130
13	MONROE, BABE	HONEA PATH, SC	124
14	SEIGLE, JOE	COVENTRY, CT	119
15	PACKARD, LEON	FAYVILLE, MA	114
16	DINWOODIE, AL	SLOCUM, RI	112
17	CORBETT, FAYDENE	WILMINGTON, NC	111
18	AMATO, MARCO	W. SPRINGFIELD, MA	102
19	MOORE, CORINNE	WESTMINSTER, MA	99
20	BUCHANON, LEROY	PORTSMOUTH, VA	98
21	LAFERRIERE, RICHARD D.	WINOSKI, VT	96
22	LANIER, LUTHER	JACKSONVILLE, NC	95
23	WOYTOVICH, PAUL	HICKORY, NC	94
24	STROMBERG, STUART	W. SPRINGFIELD, MA	88
25	BELLEMARE, MAURICE	SPRINGFIELD, MA	86

ACC MIDWESTERN REGION

RANK	NAME	CITY	POINTS YEAR
1	MICHAELIS, BOB	MARINETTE, WI	304
2	LIPINSKI, MIKE	MUNDELEIN, IL	300
3	BOOTH, AL	COL. HTS., MN	253
4	ATKINSON, BUD	NORTH CHICAGO, IL	228
5	SONDERICKER, WARREN	GREENFIELD, WI	208
6	MADSEN, BOB	CHICAGO, IL	203
	HANNA, DENNIS	ALBERT LEA, MN	203
8	LOUPEE, LARRY	NEWTON, IA	201
9	SCHWEIG, FRANK	CARPENTERSVILLE, IL	197
	BOYCE, ARTHUR	MADISON, WI	197

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HONORARY CRIBBAGE MASTER

Dagg Henderson of Waterford, CT, has been designated an Honorary Cribbage Master by the ACC Board of Directors. The Board made the appointment at its meeting in Sparks, NV, on January 30, 1986.

Mr. Henderson, well known in cribbage circles, is a charter and lifetime member of the ACC, a former Board member, and is designated as 001 among the Connecticut membership. He was awarded the honor for long-time devotion to the game, his support of the Congress, and his enthusiasm for cribbage in general. Mr. Henderson has a unique collection of cribbage boards, which he has willed to the National Open Cribbage Tournament held annually in North Carolina.

The American Cribbage Congress is preparing a plaque to be presented to Mr. Henderson to honor his appointment as Honorary Cribbage Master.

ROOT DIRECTORS VISIT SPARKS

Several Root Directors made the trip to Sparks to compete in the Tournament of Champions and/or the Western Open.

Butch Reynolds came from California; Liz and Dale Brandon, Bill Dunn, Jeanie Hill and Rob Palmer from Oregon; Charlie Fletchall from Mesa, AZ; and Bob McCabe from Milwaukee, WI.

THE CARRERAS MOVING TO CANADA

Mel and Betty Carrera, popular players in the Sparks area, want to gain experience in directing a major tournament before moving to British Columbia.

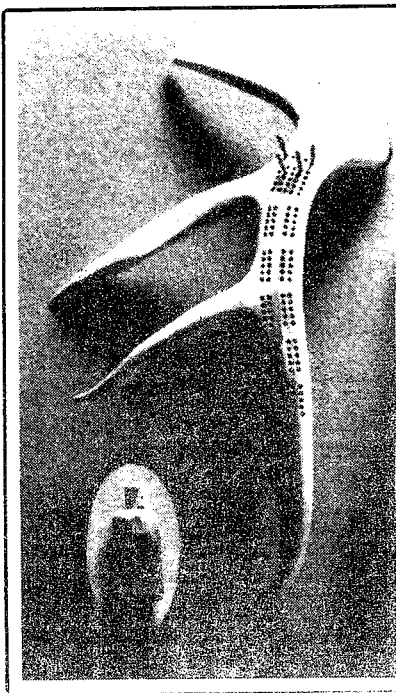
Mel will be selling his warehouse business sometime this summer and, as he is a cribbage buff, he wants to promote the Congress and organize tournaments in the Canadian province.

At the Tournament of Champions, Mel said, "Betty and I want to direct a local tournament of about a hundred players before going north. We know it is a lot of work, but we don't have anyone up there to answer our questions. Maybe Ev Bey or somebody like him will help us. We want the experience."

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS WELCOMED

Ray Statz and your Director, Joe Wergin, stayed over a couple of days at Sparks while attending the Tournament of Champions and had the honor of playing with the Sierra Nevada Club #11 that plays at Karl's.

Although the Madison Metro representatives did not win any laurels, they had the opportunity of meeting and playing with the western group.



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THE CRIBBAGE CORNER

by John E. Chambers

Whenever it is a players crib, it's only natural to try to salt it. Of course, there are times when salting a crib will mean breaking up one's hand. In this case you would not salt the crib. However, there are other times when a different approach and different thinking will be needed if you are to get into position or win the game. Take the following example:

You are dealing with 28 holes to go and your opponent needs 20 holes. Not a very good position for your three counts.

Suppose further that in your hand you have the following:

As - 2h - 3c - 4d - 10c - Kh

Okay, you say, it's my crib. I've three counts and I'm a long way from home. What should my strategy be?

1. You can do the obvious by keeping the As, 2h, 3c, and 4d, throwing the 10c and Kh to the crib.
2. You can keep the 2h, 3c, 10c, and Kh, throwing the As and 4d to the crib.
3. You can keep the As, 4d, 10c, and Kh, discarding the 2h and 3c to the crib.

Let's examine our options.

Option 1 is the obvious play, but is it the best? After all, the best you can hope for in your hand is ten points, with very little in the crib, unless you are extremely lucky.

Option 2 is better, but is it the best? There is still a possibility of ten points in your hand, with a possibility of ten more points in the crib. But you could throw the 2 and 3 into the crib to set up a possible run with a chance for twelve points.

Option 3 is the best. You are still holding a potential ten hand, plus you are discarding a 2 and 3 in which you may not only fifteens but set up a run possibility. If an ace or four is the starter, it will help both the hand and crib; if the starter is a two or three, it will help the crib; and if the starter is a tenth card (10, Jack, Queen or King), it will help both the hand and the crib.

With the above discard, there is more potential for a ten hand and a twelve crib.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

GREAT PLAINS WINTER CLASSIC AT LINCOLN, NE

Main Tournament

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|--------------------|----------------|
| 1. Louie Gillispee | Lincoln, NE |
| 2. Bret Bishop | Lincoln, NE |
| 3. Allen Lichty | Des Moines, IA |
| 4. Darwin Bradley | Brewster, NE |

Consolation

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|--------------------|--------------|
| 1. Ben Garner | Milford, NE |
| 2. J.A. Henry, Jr. | Goff, NE |
| 3. Buzz Railsbach | Syracuse, NE |
| 4. Ron Harbers | Lincoln, NE |

28 Hands

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| Ken Odle | Lincoln, NE |
| Marden Mays | Lincoln, NE |

THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

March 15-16, 9th Annual Northwest Open

Copper Kitchen, Baker, OR. Entry fee: \$31. Friday night doubles tournament and a Friday night \$100 special (limited to 16 players).
Contact: Rob Palmer, 2771 2nd, Baker, OR 97814, (503) 523-4231.

March 15-16, Warren Swett Memorial Tour

American Legion Post 171, Crystal Lake, IL. Entry fee: \$35 including lunch on Saturday. Early bird 8 p.m. Friday night.
Contact: John Swett (815) 459-4276 or Ralph Madsen (815) 459-2713.

March 15-16, Western New York Open

Regency Best Western, 4408 Milestrip Road, Exit 56, New York Thruway, Buffalo, NY 14219, (716) 825-8100.
Contact: E. Hargesheimer, 128 Lake Street, Hamburg, NY (716) 649-1234

March 22-23, 4th Annual North Carolina Open

Sheraton Inn, Southern Pines, NC. Entry fee: \$35 includes Saturday lunch. Early bird tournament Friday night.
Contact: Howard Baum or Jay DeJaynes, 3003 Ft. Bragg Road, Fayetteville, NC 28303, (919) 484-5178.

April 5-6, Tri-Cities Open

The Dome, Marinette, WI. Entry fee: \$35. Friday night classic, \$50.
Contact: Mick Michaelis, 1120 Pierce Avenue, Marinette, WI 54143.

April 6, South Shore Cribbage Tournament

Ann's Place, Norton, MA. Entry fee: \$31 including coffee, doughnuts and lunch.
Contact: John Marston (617) 285-3183 or Ed Bowes (617) 698-9815.

April 11-12-13, Montana Open Cribbage Championship

Amvets Club, Missoula MT. Entry fee: \$30 includes pig roast, early bird doubles Friday, Saturday night special, Sunday night last chance.
Contact: DeLynn Colvert, Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806 or call Amvets (406) 728-3137.

April 19-20, Palmetto Cribbage Classic

Quality Inn, Columbia, SC. Entry fee: \$35.
Contact: Al Odom, 1042 Indigo, Cayce, SC 29033.

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THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

April 25-26-27, The Greater Hermiston Open

Elks Lodge, Hermiston, OR. Entry fee: \$31 (A.C.C. members) or \$36 (Non-members). Early bird Friday night singles and doubles. Tournament hosted by Oregon's First Grass Roots Cribbage Club.

Contact: Jeanie Hill, 1290 West Poplar, Hermiston, OR 97838

April 26-27, Sertoma Cribbage Classic, Littleton, CO

Contact: Dick Graham, 300 East Hampden, Englewood, CO 80110, (303) 781-7854.

April 27, The Rhode Island Cribbage Open

Valley Country Club, Warwick, RI. Entry fee: \$29 including coffee, pastries and lunch.

Contact: John Chambers, 34 Homestead Avenue, Esmond, RI 02917.

Call: (401) 232-1638.

May 4, Great Plains Open

Airport Inn, Lincoln, NE. Entry fee: \$11.

Contact Jack Wunderlich, 2821 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68503.

May 18, Connecticut Cribbage Championship Tournament

North Windham, CT. Entry fee: \$30 including coffee, doughnuts and lunch.

Contact: Joe Seigle, 825 Flanders Road, Coventry, CT 06238.

May 17-18, Mission Valley Cribbage Classic

Bob's Place, Ronan, MT. Entry fee: \$20. (limit 48 players)

Contact: Bob Starkle, (406) 676-9481.

May 17-18, Portside Cribbage Tournament

Holiday Inn, Waterfront, Portsmouth, VA. Entry fee: \$36 including coffee and Saturday lunch. Early bird Friday night special.

Contact Stan Daniels or Russ Cummings, P.O. Box 2095, Portsmouth, VA 23702, (804) 485-2857.

May 31-June 1, Minnesota Open Cribbage Tournament

Sheraton Park Place Hotel, Golden Valley, MN. Entry fee: \$41 including Saturday lunch.

Contact: Minnesota Open, P.O. Box 3202, Minneapolis, MN 55403. Call Joy (612) 588-5122 or George (612) 890-2106.

LOST

A black, collarless, 3/4-length wool coat with pleated shoulders and button cuff sleeves.

Heidi Vinsonhaler, 4316 Rose Lane, Concord, CA 94518. Telephone: 415-676-9928

Heidi reports that she was playing at the Western Open in Sparks, NV, and the coat was gone when she went to get it from the chair where it had been left.

If you picked it up thinking it was yours, you obviously had no way of knowing to whom it belonged or where to return it. Heidi needs the coat, and she'll appreciate your contacting her.

PROBLEM OF THE MONTH

Luis Lizarribar of Martinez, GA, poses the following problem:

Four players are playing partnership cribbage. On the same deal of the cards, after the starter card has been turned, each has a 24 hand; the crib also has 24 points. Luis wants to know what is the common starter card.

ANSWER APPEARS ELSEWHERE IN THIS PUBLICATION.

"In 1982 Dick Kurz of Racine sold over 100 memberships."

DO WE NEED A RULE CHANGE?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

I received 37 responses to the question raised last month. Several people were quite upset that I would even entertain such a thought. Let me clear up a point or two: first of all, I wasn't serious about making such a change and, secondly, I haven't the authority to make changes in the rules even if I wanted to.

It's fun to jockey these questions about, and I appreciate the time taken by the membership to respond. I hope you'll do so in the future.

I am printing the response from Keith W. Boyles of Summerville, SC, as being representative of the letters I received.

"I claim no personal relationship with Sir John Suckling, nor has he spoken to me from the grave. However, I feel that when he invented the game, he specifically designed 31 as a stopping point. The count can go no further than 31. If the players run out cards before 31 is reached, the person playing the last card gets 1 peg for a 'Go.' Likewise, if the players run out of cards as one of them attains a count of 31, that player gets 2 pegs. I can understand that if the players run out of cards as one player reaches a count of 15, that player should get 2 pegs for the 15 and 1 peg for a 'Go,' because the count would have continued past 15 had the players had more cards to play. But no matter what happens, the count will never go past 31; hence, 2 points for a count of 31 and no more. I say 'No' to any such proposed rule change."

THE GODS OF CRIBBAGEDOM

Somewhere far, beyond our star,
Or deep in the bowels of our Earth
The Gods of Cribbagedom abide
And they weigh each player's worth.

Thes Gods, they number thirty-one,
Have six-score eyes apiece
With which they watch all cribbage games
Their vigils never cease.

They tote up all your muggins
And peg them against your score
They measure fine, so beware their skunk line
Get caught, and you'll not win anymore.

Pray heed the Gods of Cribbagedom
Don't enrage them with bad play
For no matter where, you are under their stare
and if you err, they'll make you pay.

Submitted by
Bob DeAngelo
Fredericksburg, VA

THE MILLION DOLLAR CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

The Board of Directors has informed Jack Wunderlich that Cribbage World can no longer allow advertising space for the Million Dollar Cribbage Tournament. A majority of the Board members were of the opinion that allowing further advertisements implied the American Cribbage Congress endorsed the tournament. The ACC, as an organization, does not now nor has it ever endorsed the Million Dollar Cribbage Tournament.

As a matter of clarification, it should be pointed out that many members of the ACC, including Board members, have entered the tournament and as individuals have hoped for its success; they continue to do so. Jack Wunderlich, the President of the tournament, is a respected member of the ACC, and his character and integrity have never been in question.

PERSONAL EDITORIAL COMMENT:

In reality, the Million Dollar Cribbage Tournament's objectives have fallen far short of its goals, and it would appear that a realignment of those objectives is in order. It is, perhaps, time for a reevaluation and a more realistic approach should be considered.

I submitted \$35 to Jack Wunderlich over a year ago, and I don't feel my entry fee is in any way in jeopardy. It is my personal opinion, however, that a good idea just hasn't materialized; I don't know why, and I'm not going to hindsight now. I've received two letters and one phone call in reference to the Million Dollar Tournament since I became editor of Cribbage World two months ago. I answered all inquiries to the best of my ability and urged those making inquiries to contact Jack. During late January and early February I travelled approximately 7,000 round-trip miles to attend three tournaments. I point this out only to make the point that if I survived the Million Dollar Cribbage Tournament elimination rounds, I certainly wouldn't object to travelling to Nebraska to play for the prize money that now exists. Unless I'm misinformed, it would still be the largest cribbage payoff ever.

Dale B. Munroe

SEIGLE APPOINTED

Joseph Seigle of Coventry, CT, has been appointed chairperson of the Rules Committee by ACC President Joe Wergin. Joe Seigle succeeds Jim Arblaster of Kissimmee, FL. All future rule changes will be printed in Cribbage World or mailed to ACC members. Any member of the Congress may propose a rule change by writing to Seigle at 825 Flanders Road, Coventry, CT 06238.

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JUPITER DIVISION SWEET SIXTEEN

(Plays Weekly)

Although there are only three clubs playing weekly, competition is keen and very competitive. Fred Tilker, Madison, WI, star player, took over the lead and held it two weeks. Tilker is one of the most respected players in the Midwest. Here are the standings as Cribbage World went to press:

1.	Fred Tilker, Madison, WI #1	177
2.	Vince Capaul, Madison, WI #1	169
3.	Gil Tollen, Bend, OR #12	168
4.	Len Davy, Madison, WI #1	146
5.	Bud Hauge, Madison, WI #1	135
	Scott Henderson, Madison, WI #1	135
7.	Cliff Schmidt, Bend, OR #12	133
8.	Ray Statz, Madison, WI #1	126
9.	Ray Rasmussen, Bend, OR #12	125
10.	Roberta Dyer, Bend, OR #12	123
11.	Marguerite Williams, Bend, OR #12	122
12.	Sue Snyder, Bend, OR #12	120
13.	Bo Van Orsow, Bend, OR #12	115
14.	Ray Wileman, Madison, WI #1	114
15.	John Tilker, Madison, WI #1	112
	Butch Reynolds, Santa Maria, CA #4	112

SATURN DIVISION SWEET SIXTEEN

(Plays Twice a Month)

Frank Schweig, Carpentersville, IL, who won the recent Tournament of Champions at Sparks, is still on the roll. The genial player scored 20 points in last week's session of the Crystal Lake Club #3 and took over the top spot in the standings with 87 points. Here are the leaders.

1.	Frank Schweig, Crystal Lake, IL #3	87
2.	Dan Mills, Prineville, OR #14	84
3.	Jerry Gagnon, Orlando, FL #22	83
4.	Allan Lichty, Des Moines, IA #17	82
5.	Sam Samuelson, Minden, NE #16	77
6.	Ginny Hoover, Orlando, FL #22	76
	Mary Lou Proctor, Mesa, AZ #24	76
8.	Ken Capper, Hermiston, OR	74
	Shamus O'Connor, Hamburg, NY #5	74
10.	Larry Hoover, Orlando, FL #22	73
11.	Larry Loupee, Newton, IA #17	68
12.	Audrey Dunn, Prineville, OR #14	66
13.	Harry Anderson, Mesa, AZ #24	64
	John W. Trapp, Mesa, AZ #24	64
15.	Bud Bishop, Prineville, OR #14	60
16.	John Crouch, Newton, IA #17	60
	William Dunn, Prineville, OR #14	60
	Mary Riggs, Oregon's First #2	60

MASTER POINTS

Continued

11	BUNTROCK, BARBARA	CEDARBURG, WI	190
12	KLIORA, TED	NORTH CHICAGO, IL	182
13	COSSACK, DICK	LITTLE CANADA, MN	172
14	JONES, RAY	PRESCOTT, WI	166
15	LULINSKI, SYL	LAGRANGE PARK, IL	151
16	CHOWANEC, WALT	MILWAUKEE, WI	148
17	CUMMINGS, GRACE	MADISON, WI	146
18	LARKIN, RUSS	MAHTOMEDI, MN	145
19	LICHTY, ALLAN	DES MOINES, IA	139
20	KATZUNG, FRED	MILWAUKEE, WI	138
21	REIN, JIM	CARVER, MN	132
22	BIEGLER, GENE	WEST BEND, WI	130
23	STATZ, RAPHAEL	CROSS PLAINS, WI	127
24	GRUBER, JERRY	MINNEAPOLIS, MN	125
25	REIN, JOAN	CARVER, MN	122

RANK	NAME	ACC WESTERN REGION	CITY	POINTS YEAR
1	LUSIGNAN, JOSEPH		SALINAS, CA	485
2	MILLER, GENE		FLORENCE, MT	291
3	JARRELL, JESSE		PITTSBURG, CA	278
4	KOOISTRA, SCOTT		YANKTON, SD	196
5	REYNOLDS, BUTCH		SANTA MARIA, CA	191
	HARRIS, NANCY		VACAVILLE, CA	191
7	CORNWELL, MARY		SUNNYVALE, CA	189
8	GILLISPIE, LOUIE		LINCOLN, NE	175
9	COLVERT, DELYNN		MISSOULA, MT	172
10	MILLS, LESTER		NAPA, CA	168
11	MURPHY, DICK		INCLINE VILLAGE, NV	166
12	HONEYCUTT, HARVEY		BEATTY, OR	162
13	THOMAS, JUDY		SUNNYVALE, CA	160
14	TOMKO, LAWRENCE		LITTLETON, CO	154
15	WEBB, SUNDAE		PITTSBURG, CA	151
16	ZABROWSKI, FRANK		MONTEREY, CA	143
17	DIBBLE, MORTON		ALAMEDA, CA	136
18	CHRISTENSEN, DALLICE		SUNNYVALE, CA	132
	AYOOB, NICK		QUINCY, CA	132
20	NASH, DAVE		KENNEWICK, WA	128
	CARNEY, BILL		HAYWARD, CA	128
22	KELSO, BUTCH		BAKER, OR	123
23	HADDAD, COSTY		AURORA, CO	117
24	SIMMONS, STEVE		DENVER, CO	116
25	GARD, CHET		QUINCY, CA	113

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LITTLE BIRD DEPARTMENT

The Cribadier General Adjutant is looking into an attractive bumper sticker for the Honorable Order of Cribadier Generals. It most likely will be in two colors depicting the 29-Hand and long board with the Cribadier logo. The cost of the stickers plus postage will be prorated and passed along to the 100 or so active members as dues for 1986. Cribadier Generals, look for a letter from your Adjutant and Keeper of the Seal....

Jim Arblaster

BELATED NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION OF A TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

As a direct result of sweating out late entries to the 3rd Annual Georgia Open Cribbage Tournament, I hereby resolve: If I know for sure I'm going to attend a certain cribbage tournament, I will not wait until the last moment but will mail my entry form and entry check as soon as possible.

Ken Cambell
Director, Georgia Open

CRIBBAGE WORLD HAS A "VOLUNTEER"

I've asked Bob Floude, a neighbor, a good friend for almost 30 years, an ACC member, and a pretty fair cribbage player to give me a hand with Cribbage World. He insisted upon a title, so he'll be known henceforth as Associate Editor. The first month he helped set up galley proofs, he learned how to use rubber cement, and he applied labels to all the Cribbage Worlds; after a while, we'll let him write something.

It's always good to have a backup.

JUNIOR TOURNAMENT FUNDING

A contribution of \$100 will be given to any tournament director who conducts a Junior Tournament of 8 or more entrants, according to action approved by the ACC Board of Directors at its January 30 meeting at Sparks, NV.

PROBLEM-OF-THE-MONTH ANSWER

Hand #1	4,4,5,5
Hand #2	4,4,5,5
Hand #3	7,7,8,8
Hand #4	7,7,8,8
Crib	8,8,8,8
Starter Card	8

Luis didn't say it was very probable, but it is possible!!

Luis likes to toss away a 6 when he's dealt 4,4,5,5,6--he says it offers more of a challenge and builds character.

CAPITAL CITY REPORTS TWO 28s

Dick Ogden, promoter of the Capital City Club #17 at Des Moines, IA, reports that Al Lichty and Jerry Roeder have held 28 hands this season. The Club was a little slow in getting organized but now is rolling along.

In order that no one is missed, all directors should review their records and send the names of the 28 holders to Madison promptly. We want to publish a complete list.

"The founders of the Congress stated that Cribbage must be a Lady's and a Gentleman's game at all times."

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

COLORADO CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT AT BOULDER, CO

Main Tournament

- | | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| 1. Bill McEwen | Boulder, CO |
| 2. Ruth Holt | Boulder, CO |
| 3. Ed Hambek | Lakewood, CO |
| 4. Wilfred Mertens | Merino, CO |

GEORGIA OPEN AT AUGUSTA, GA

Main Tournament

- | | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 1. Babe Monroe | Honea Path, SC |
| 2. Faydene Corbett | Wilmington, NC |
| 3. Luther Lanier | Jacksonville, NC |
| 4. LeRoy Buchanan | Portsmouth, VA |

Consolation

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Carol Jablonski | Fayetteville, NC |
| 2. Catherine Perkins | Bear Creek, NC |
| 3. Herman Anderson | Warrenton, NC |
| 4. Earl Luton | Elizabeth City, NC |

28 Hand

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| Eric Davis | Raleigh, NC |
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ROCKY MOUNTAIN CRIBBAGE CHAMPIONSHIP AT LITTLETON, CO

Main Tournament

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|--------------------|----------------|
| 1. Gus Klimek | Aurora, CO |
| 2. Rick Zinn | Denver, CO |
| 3. Tom Steinhauser | Littleton, CO |
| 4. Art Golden | Broomfield, CO |

Consolation

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|------------------|------------|
| 1. Les Johnson | Golden, CO |
| 2. Norel Stark | Denver, CO |
| 3. Lew Martell | Aurora, CO |
| 4. James Nohrden | Aurora, CO |

OREGON STATE CRIBBAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS AT PRINEVILLE, OR

Main Tournament

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|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. Audrey Dunn | Prineville, OR |
| 2. Clyde Ault | Baker, OR |
| 3. Jack Rhodes | Prineville, OR |
| 4. Ralph Reynolds | Baker, OR |

Consolation

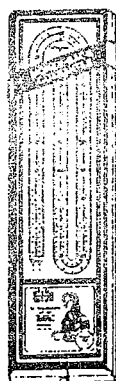
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| 1. Bill Dunn | Prineville, OR |
| 2. Jim Glover | Redmond, OR |
| 3. Miles Davis | Molalla, OR |
| 4. Roger Judd | Salem, OR |

29 Hand

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| Noel Gould | Missoula, MT |
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