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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

December is a poor month for your distraught editor when it comes to getting material to fill up space in CRIBBAGE WORLD; everyone is very busy with festivities and family things this time of year. For example, I lent Plourde a few bucks because he said he needed grocery money and then he flew off (first class, no less) to Hawaii with his bride of 25 years. I'm left here to shovel snow, to run his Grass Roots and to get the December issue out by myself. It's mighty tough to find good help these days!!

The end of the calendar year has rolled around again, and I'll begin by wishing every American Cribbage Congress member a joyous holiday season and a safe, prosperous and happy New Year; may everybody receive a ton of Master Points in 1988.

Let's reflect a moment on the year 1987 as it relates to the ACC. The number of tournaments increased, membership was improved, Grass Roots received enthusiastic support, and more people everywhere volunteered their time and effort toward improving our organization -- a plus year by most standards.

The big names in the national news were Bork, Hart, Ginsburg, Biden and the New York Stock Exchange (not a great year), Toll, Sondericker, and J.P. Wergin (we

all should do so well). Most of us who bothered to make New Year's resolutions wasted our time and never made whatever goals we were pursuing. Our intentions were good, but chalk off the defeat to human frailty; try again in 1988. I read somewhere recently that making New Year's resolutions produces about as much joy as being dragged behind a flatulent camel -- I have found it to be so.

For kicks, I would love to beat Harry Palmer more than once a year. I beat him in October only because he fell asleep out of sheer boredom around the 100th hole. I took my count, waited awhile for him to take his points and then mugginsed him and went out. He never knew what struck him!!

McCabe's another one who can't wait to play cribbage against me; unfortunately, he has never fallen asleep and thus I've never found a way to beat him. I could name several others, but then you'd know why they finish so high in the Master Point ratings; if I retired from the tournament trail, they'd fall off the charts.

In any event, I've strayed way off the point; but I think I've been able to fill a little space, make a few people drowsy, and let you in on some important cribbage inside scoop.

See you next year.

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THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Joseph P. Wergin

Don't get excited if you haven't received your 1988 membership card. Several thousand sets of dues expire in September/October, and the Membership Secretary is swamped. Don't forget -- he holds down a regular job 40 or more hours a week. Our policy is to process the new applications first.

Frank Zabrowski, Monterey, California, the Testing Examiner, writes that he has issued 116 Judges' Certificates. Every community should have a qualified Judge.

Many peggers are assembling in Arizona and the Southwest for the winter. Grass Roots Clubs are being formed now. Have your friends and relatives call Burt Mantlo in Mesa at 602-832-6245 or our new Board Director John Ranne at 602-299-2346. The writer's plans to go to Arizona have been delayed for family reasons.

Now, let's talk "cold turkey"! Congress officials are like the ordinary hometown preachers -- they dislike talking about money with their memberships. But, sometime or other, someone has to "bite the bullet." Here goes!

Most of the dues we collect will be paid at the old rate before the \$7 dues increase goes into effect January 1, 1988. But the expenses continue to rise, and the extra two bucks early next spring will not help if the postal rates rise.

A gentleman wrote me during the summer about the Congress and when he received the promotion material, he promptly mailed a check for \$60, saying: "Take out the dues and put the rest in the treasury. I like what I read about your organization and I want to help!"

So, \$55 went to our Treasurer Fred McGibney. The amusing thing about this incident is that the man had received no benefits, no magazine, no rating points, no tournament schedules, nor money prizes.

Many organizations have two classes of membership -- regular and sponsoring. The latter receives a gold card as they make an additional contribution of \$10, \$15, \$25, or even more, to show their great appreciation for all the benefits received.

There have to be hundreds and hundreds of you out there who belong to one or more organizations; I ask you, how many do you enjoy as much as you do the American Cribbage Congress? We are not in desperate shape financially, but we haven't any extra money to promote ourselves and thus grow and prosper. In all my years as President, I've never asked anyone for a dime to help the ACC; I'm asking now. Something must and will be done. What do you think of this approach?

Happy holidays to everyone.

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Joe Wergin in the President's Column this month is making an appeal for American Cribbage Congress sponsors. Joe raised this issue at the BOD meeting in Hartford in September, but somehow the bigger issue was whether or not to have a dues increase; and his project was somehow shuffled to one side. Joe has poured his heart and soul into our organization for almost a decade and has at all times been a dignified representative of the Congress. He's asked for help in the past, but he's never asked any one to dig in and help with financial support. His idea won't produce hundreds of thousands of dollars, but it might produce enough money to finance some promotion and advertising, which is something the ACC has never had the funds for in the past (and it still doesn't).

He's confident if he can get some financial backing from the membership, a committee can be formed to determine the most effective, least expensive way to promote the ACC.

All of us who tip the blackjack dealer when we've had a streak of good luck, put \$20 into a one-winner Q or win a few bucks once in a while at a tournament, let's dig in and give a few dollars back to an organizations that's given all of us, win or lose, a lot of pleasant hours over the years.

Send Joe a check, drop him a line, do something to let him know you'll support him.

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WEST BEND CLASSIC

West Bend, Wisconsin
October 11, 1987
Director: Gene Biegler
Number of Entries: 128/74

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Leo Lawrence	West Allis, WI	168
2. T. Dahl	Blair, WI	140
3. Jeff Shimp	Allegan, MI	122
4. Norm Wright	Madison, WI	109

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. John Mayer	Pt. Wash'n., WI	57
2. Jeff Clarke	Antioch, IL	43
3. G. Cummings	Madison, WI	34
4. Al Wiancki	Milwaukee, WI	28

COLORADO CHAMPIONSHIP

Littleton, Colorado
October 17-18, 1987
Director: Dick Graham
Number of Entries: 50/32

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Tom Steinhauser	Littleton, CO	90
2. Les Johnson	Golden, CO	62
3. David Todd	Englewood, CO	44
4. Ed Hambeck	Lakewood, CO	31

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Janet Gross	Denver, CO	16
2. H. McFadden	Green Mtn., CO	12
3. Bill Shirland	Denver, CO	8
4. C. Schaeffer	Conifer, CO	4

SUN COAST CLASSIC

Bradenton, Florida
October 16-18, 1987
Director: Woody Stokes
Number of Entries: 44/22

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Ray Poirier	Hialeah, FL	84
2. Lindsay Peever	Orlando, FL	56
3. Arnold Crews	Jacksonville, FL	38
4. Carol Morris	Ellenton, FL	25

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Ed Thompson	Simpsonville, SC	11
2. Jim Herold	Ellenton, FL	7
3. M. Arblaster	Kissimmee, FL	3
4. Robert Read	Winter Gdn., FL	-

GREAT GAMES FESTIVAL

Portland, Oregon
October 18, 1987
Number of Entries: 62/44

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Brad Cordes	Portland, OR	102
2. Dot Richmond	Gladstone, OR	74
3. Joyce Gearin	Dufur, OR	56
4. Sylvia Hornbeck	Washougal, WA	43

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Phyllis Naish	Milwaukie, OR	42
2. Frank Ingels	Dufur, OR	28
3. Bob Grubbs	Milwaukie, OR	19
4. Steve Hofbauer	Washougal, WA	13

CALIFORNIA STATE TOURNAMENT

San Jose, California
October 17, 1987
Director: Warren Bush
Number of Entries: 102/40

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Byron Terry	San Jose, CA	142
2. Pete Boviolet	Campbell, CA	116
3. Jesse Jarrell	Pittsburg, CA	98
4. F. Zabrowski	Monterey, CA	85

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Harold Sontag	Vacaville, CA	40
2. Henry Ferlack	Scotts Valley, CA	26
3. Elizabeth Rice	San Jose, CA	17
4. Sundae Jarrell	Pittsburg, CA	11

VERMONT TOURNAMENT

South Burlington, Vermont
October 18, 1987
Director: Fred McGibney
Number of Entries: 94/54

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. John Chambers	Providence, RI	134
2. Rick Lemire	Burlington, VT	106
3. Joe Ramos	W. Warwick, RI	88
4. Pat O'Connor	Dedham, MA	75

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Phyllis Schmidt	Williamstown, MA	47
2. Al Companion	Middlesex, VT	33
3. Neal Friets	Keene, NH	24
4. Ken Vetterline	Bar Mills, ME	18

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

CAL-ORE CHALLENGE

Brookings, Oregon

October 24, 1987

Director: Dan Mitchell

Number of Entries: 27/18

DANTE CLUB TOURNAMENT

West Springfield, Massachusetts

November 1, 1987

Director: George E. Bickford

Number of Entries: 192/128

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. James Brooks	Crescent City, CA	27
2. Ruthine Hepburn	Portland, OR	19
3. Georgia Wurtz	Brookings, OR	11
4. Lynn Mitchell	Crescent City, CA	3

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Tony Newsom	Lowell, MA	232
2. Harry Palmer	W. Spfld., MA	204
3. Bob DeKenipp	Shirley, MA	186
4. Charles Palmer	Belchertown, MA	173

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Verne Neilsen	Portland, OR	9
2. Jack Burgess	Zenia, CA	5
3. F. Grimmesey	Ashland, OR	1
4. James Madison	Zig Zag, OR	-

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Kathleen Lund	Westbrook, ME	84
2. H. Prescott	Rockland, MA	70
3. Cliff Westcott	Westbrook, ME	61
4. Maurice Ramsey	Providence, RI	55

MINNESOTA VALLEY OPEN

Chaska, Minnesota

October 24, 1987

Directors: Jim and Joan Rein

Number of Entries: 112/58

GREAT PLAINS CLASSIC

Lincoln, Nebraska

November 1, 1987

Director: Jack Wunderlich

Number of Entries: 124/68

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Scott Kooistra	Yankton, SD	152
2. Jeffrey Hill	St. Paul, MN	124
3. Oats Settle	Bloomington, MN	106
4. Jack Dockter	Cannon Falls, MN	93

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. L. Jensen	Shelby, IA	164
2. Dennis Linden	Lincoln, NE	136
3. Aloha Zimmer	Friend, NE	118
4. Dana Rodgers	Des Moines, IA	105

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Russ Adams	Minneapolis, MN	49
2. Duane Toll	Milwaukee, WI	35
3. O.V. Sannes	Minneapolis, MN	26
4. John Browning	Golden Valley, MN	20

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Bill McQuarrie	Omaha, NE	54
2. Brad Thorman	Lincoln, NE	40
3. Helen Railsback	Syracuse, NE	31
4. Don Wright	Minden, NE	25

IDAHO STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Wallace, Idaho

October 24-25, 1987

Director: Roy Carlson

Number of Entries: 48/26

<u>Main Tournament</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. N. Whitsett	Baker, OR	88
2. Karl Paddock	Missoula, MT	60
3. Shirley Carlson	Silverton, ID	42
4. Liz Collins	Kennewick, WA	29

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Leo Might	Missoula, MT	13
2. Bill Hill	Hermiston, OR	9
3. Gene Sissel	Baker, OR	5
4. Ellen Chausee	Missoula, MT	1

The Master Points listed in the Tournament Results are correct to the best of our knowledge. The final authority for accuracy of both the names and points rests with Statistician Bob McCabe and Tournament Commissioner Syl Lulinski.

A NEW CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT FOR BOSTON

Word is in that a new weekend tournament is set for Boston on March 18-20, 1988.

Co-directors Harry Molloy and Larry Samet promise lots of cribbage and excitement, including a Friday night Early Bird, a Saturday Qualifying Round, and a Saturday night choice of a Pairs Tournament or a High Rollers singles event. Sunday will feature the Championship Playoffs, a Consolation Round Robin and a Last Chance.

The tournament will be held in the Boston theater district at the Quality Inn-Downtown (formerly the Hotel Bradford), and it is within walking distance of the Freedom Trail and shopping.

Bring the family to Boston and welcome the springtime. (See Tournament Trail this issue)

TOURNAMENTS CANNOT BE SCHEDULED WITHIN 250 MILES AND TWO WEEKS OF ONE ANOTHER AND BE APPROVED BY THE ACC UNLESS PREVIOUSLY AGREED UPON BY THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS WHO ARE INVOLVED.

AN UPDATE ON JUDGING

As of November 1987, there are 121 certified Judges of the American Cribbage Congress. The most recent judges are as follows:

Bellamy, Ron	Denver, CO
Dempsey, K.A.	Clackamas, OR
Franklin, Lee	Aurora, CO
Hepburn, Ruthine	Portland, OR
Hofbauer, Roy	Washougal, WA
Killion, Amelee	San Luis Obispo, CA
Killion, Lew	San Luis Obispo, CA
Lackey, Ivan	Seaside, CA
MacDonald, Wm.	Fresno, CA
McGibney, Fred	S. Burlington, VT
McKibbin, Sam	Gladstone, OR
Perkins, Cathy	Bear Creek, NC
Pykonen, Maxine	Aurora, OR
Rasmussen, Kurt	Portland, OR
Reader, Chuck	Scappoose, OR
Sontag, Helene	Vacaville, CA
Swain, Barbara	Monterey, CA
Van Orsow, Ray	Portland, OR

In November 1987 Revised Test #3 was issued to new potential judges. It has been updated and clarified.

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I'm sure you understand that it's impossible to write and thank every person who sent a card and condolences to Terry and me after the untimely and tragic death of our daughter Lisa on June 12, 1987.


Lisa attended and competed in several tournaments for part of her 17 years and was known to many of you.

I'd like to express a sincere thank you for the kindness and consideration of so many friends.

Harry Palmer
West Springfield, MA

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DELAYED

Jim Law, Membership Secretary, reports he's inundated with new membership applications and asks your indulgence for the delay in getting out renewal membership cards; everything should be mailed within a short period of time. He has given priority to the new members, and each new membership involves the mailing of a card and rule book and a great deal of intensive handwork. Remember, there isn't any salary involved here; it's all volunteer time!!





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THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

January 23-24, Rocky Mountain Championship

Littleton Elks, 5749 South Curtice, Littleton, Colorado. Entry fee: \$31. Coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pool, Consolation, Sunday Pairs Tournament.
Contact: Dick Graham, 300 East Hampden, Englewood, CO 80110, 303-781-7854.

January 23-24, Georgia Open

VFW Post 3200, I Gun Club Road, Augusta, Georgia. Entry fee: \$38. Friday Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Luis Lizzaribar, 262 Greystone Drive, Martinez, GA 30907, 404-860-2686

January 23-24, Belle City Classic

Apple Valley Lodge, 5005 Washington Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Bill Harvey, 3223 Kensington Square Road, Sturtevant, WI 53177, 414-886-4236.

January 30, Clackamus Classic

Cypress Inn, 9040 S.E. Adams, Clackamus, Oregon. Entry fee: \$30. Friday Night Doubles, coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Pat Crozier, 14491 SE 172, Clackamus, OR 97015, 503-658-5595.

February 5, The Tournament of Champions

(by invitation only - no Master Points awarded)

Sands Regent Hotel, 345 North Arlington Avenue, Reno, Nevada. Entry fee: \$100. Invitations will be mailed to those qualified to enter. See criteria in October CRIBBAGE WORLD.
Contact: Joan Rein, Box 306, Carver, MN 55315, 612-448-2459 (home), 612-448-2801 (work).

February 6-7, American Cribbage Congress Open

Sands Regent Hotel, 345 North Arlington Avenue, Reno, Nevada. Entry fee: \$46. Coffee, danish, Q-Pools, Consolation.
Contact: Syl Lulinski, 1429 Scotdale, LaGrange Park, IL 60525, 312-352-4759.

February 7, Great Plains Classic

Airport Inn, I-80 and Cornhusker Highway, Lincoln, Nebraska. Entry fee: \$14.
Contact: Jack Wunderlich, 2821 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68503, 402-477-2900.

February 12-14, Florida Classic

Quality Inn, Florida Turnpike at Exit 65, Kissimmee, Florida. Entry fee: \$36. Friday Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation.
Contact: Jim Arblaster, Box 565, Kissimmee, FL 32742, 305-396-8615.

February 19-21, Arizona State Tournament

Elks Club, 243 South Mesa Drive, Mesa, Arizona. Entry fee: \$41. (\$46 non-ACC member). Early Bird, Saturday lunch, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Charlie Fletchall, 2248 Floyd Drive, Mesa, AZ 85205, 602-985-8705.

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The American Cribbage Congress Open will be held Saturday and Sunday, February 6-7, 1988 in Reno, Nevada at the Sands Regent Hotel/Casino. This tournament will be held the day after the Invitational Tournament of Champions.

MAIN TOURNAMENT (Saturday & Sunday):

The entry fee is \$46 with an optional Insurance (Q) pool of \$15. Entries **must** be received no later than **6 P.M.**, Friday, February 5. It is highly recommended that you mail your entries early to ensure receipt by the Sands Regent before the deadline. **ENTRIES CLOSE AT 6 P.M. FRIDAY.** On Saturday at 7:00 A.M. the tournament will begin with drawing for seats, orientation, rules, and then play. Play will consist of 22 games (2 games vs. 11 opponents with alternate deals). The top 25% (max. 128) will advance to Sunday's playoffs which will be elimination matches, best 3 of 5 (first 4 positions, 4 of 7, dealers provided). Pay back: **Over 100%**, Q Pool **100%** (graduated, to approximately 1 out of 8 entrants).

CONSOLATION TOURNAMENT(Sunday):

The entry fee is \$25 with an optional Insurance (Q) pool of \$10. Registration will be Sunday from 8:30 A.M. to 10 A.M. The tournament will begin with drawing for seats, rules and play shortly after registration closes. Play will consist of 9 games (1 game vs. 9 opponents, cut for deal). The top 25% (max. 64) will advance to Sunday afternoon playoffs for elimination matches which will be best 2 of 3 (first 2 positions, 3 of 5). Pay back: **100%** Q pool **100%** (graduated, to approximately 1 out of 8 entrants).

The Sands Regent Hotel/Casino has set aside a limited number of rooms at a reduced rate of \$29 per night, single or double occupancy. A hotel reservation form is included at the bottom of this page.

NOTE: Regardless of whether or not you are playing in the Invitational on Friday, the Sands/Regent must have your separate entry for the American Cribbage Congress Open no later than 6 P.M. on Friday, February 5.

If you have any questions contact: Syl Lulinski
1429 Scotdale Road
LaGrange Park, Illinois 60525
(312) 352-4759

ENTRY FORM

AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS OPEN

All entries **must** be received **before 6 P.M. Feb. 5, 1988**

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February 6-7, 1988

THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

February 20, Willows Tournament

Willows Elks Lodge, 150 South Shasta Street, Willows, California. Entry fee: \$35. Coffee, doughnuts, lunch, door gift.
Contact: Carl Martens, P.O. Box 666, Willows, CA 95988, 916-934-7961.

February 20-21, Oregon State Championship

Carey Foster Hall, Crook County Fairgrounds, Prineville, Oregon. Entry fee: \$30. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Joe Nelson, P.O. Box 706, Prineville, OR 97754, 503-447-1548.

February 28, Central New England Open

Moose Lodge #1129, Fitchburg Street, Marlboro, Massachusetts. Entry fee: \$33. Coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation.
Contact: Paul Cormier, Sr., 28 Washington Street, Marlboro, MA 01752, 617-485-4252.

March 11-12, Fairfield Tournament

Fairfield Senior Center, 1200 Civic Drive, Fairfield, California. Entry fee: \$42. Early Bird Doubles, breakfast, lunch.
Contact: George Halterman, 3410 Astoria Circle, Fairfield, CA 94533, 707-428-4343.

March 18-20, Warren L. Swett Memorial

American Legion Post 171, 406 Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, Illinois. Entry fee: \$35. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: John Swett, P.O. Box 214, Crystal Lake, IL 60014, 815-459-4276.

March 18-20, Western New York Open

Regency Best Western, 4408 Milestrip Road, Buffalo, New York. Entry fee: \$35. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Consolation.
Contact: E. Hargesheimer, 3536 South Creek Road, Hamburg, NY 14075, 716-649-1622.

March 18-20, The Boston Classic Tournament

Quality Inn Downtown, 275 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Pairs or High Rollers, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Harry Molloy, 32 Janock Road, Milford, MA 01757, 617-478-0102.

March 26-27, Super Bowl III

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PLAN AHEAD

President Joseph Wergin has appointed John E. Ranne of Tucson, Arizona, to the ACC Board of Directors effective immediately and for a period of time to expire on August 31, 1988.

John E. Ranne (pronounced 'ran') is a semi-retired real estate broker in Tucson. John is a very outgoing person and a natural promoter and salesman. He is an avid cribbage player and likes the idea of organized cribbage. He will use all his efforts and extra time in furthering the Congress and its programs.

At present, Ranne is attempting to establish the Grass Roots Program among the regular citizens and the winter visitors of Southern Arizona and the Southwestern United States.

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SIGNING UP NEW MEMBERS

Attempting to sign up new members during the weekend that a tournament is being held is at best a haphazard event. The tournament directors and helpers have their hands full with last-minute details and arrangements and, at the very least, they are trying to answer questions coming at them from all directions. Someone usually stands up and invites non-ACC members to join the organization -- some do, some don't. Membership applications may or may not be available and, more often than not, someone volunteers to make a list and collect from the few people who happen to wander up to the head table. Heaven forbid if some prospective member has a few questions to ask prior to parting with \$5 (soon to be \$7). Picture if you will a prospective new member who has been invited to attend a tournament by a neighbor, friend or business associate. We don't know from looking at all the faces in the crowd who a non-member is; the non-members wander about, with coffee in their hands, trying to figure out what's going on. They've just been told that if they're not a member of the

ACC and they happen to get a 29 hand or if they cash, they'll receive neither a 29 hand cash award nor any Master Points. Here are a few people attending perhaps their first or second tournament now facing this terrible threat hanging over their heads. "What to do?," they ask.

Doesn't it make a lot more sense to increase the entry fee for non-ACC members and give them an automatic membership. No fuss, no bother, it's all taken care of beforehand. Some tournament directors are already doing this, but most are not. If the non-ACC member feels this is coercion and chooses not to attend that particular tournament, what has the ACC lost?

Why should the non-member be given the same benefits, be allowed to compete and sometimes cash and not to contribute to the organization that makes it all possible? Sure, the same entry fee was paid as everyone else, but where's the commitment that the rest of us have made?

AN UPDATE ON JUDGING Continued from page 6

Many Judges have written about special situations occurring at tournaments where they have officiated. (These situations have been written down and will be used as test questions when it comes time for renewal of certified judges.)

Many little problems have become big problems when judges violate section XV c of "General Tournament Guidelines" found in "The Official Rules and Regula-

tions." XV c states "When a contested play situation is not covered specifically by the rules, three Judges shall confer before a decision is rendered."

In our passout material for judges, this situation is covered. If judges follow section XV c, it would do away with many of the problems and make for a better tournament.

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Consolation Tournament: Top 1/8 earns one-half points, i.e., 64 players, 1st earns 32 points, 2nd earns 28 points, 3rd earns 24 points, etc. BONUS POINTS are earned: 1st earns 20 bonus points, 2nd earns 10 points, 3rd earns 5 points and 4th earns 3 points. In this example, No. 1 earns 52 points (32 + 20).

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5	MILLER, ALBERT	NASHUA	NH	236
6	SEYMOUR, WILLIAM	WARWICK	RI	226
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22	WALLIUS, JAMES	ROCKPORT	MA	140
23	KERR, RICHARD	RUTHERFORDTON	NC	138
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CENTRAL REGION

	NAME	CITY	ST	POINTS YEAR
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3	ROWLEY, LARRY	MADISON	WI	211
4	MADSEN, BOB	CHICAGO	IL	196
5	ST. JOHN, ED	SUPERIOR	WI	178
6	LAWRENCE, LEO	WEST ALLIS	WI	176
7	TOLL, DUANE	MILWAUKEE	WI	157
8	JULIAN, BOB	MILWAUKEE	WI	153
9	AIRD, DONNA	GLADSTONE	MI	146
	DAHL, JAMES	BLAIR	WI	146
11	CROUCH, JOHN	INDIANOLA	IA	131
12	DANIELSKI, FRANK	APPLETON	WI	125
13	SHIMP, JEFF	ALLEGAN	MI	122
14	DOCKTER, JACK	CANNON FALLS	MN	119
15	MCCABE, BOB	BROWN DEER	WI	116
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17	WRIGHT, NORM	MADISON	WI	113
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22	HANES, BOB	ANKENY	IA	104
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16	WHITE, DEAROL	MODESTO	CA	145
17	MOHLER, JOHN	SEASIDE	CA	142
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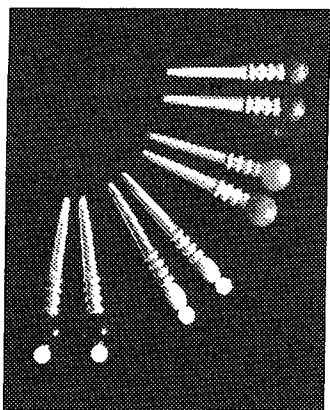
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It's not only important, it is extremely helpful to those of us who extract information from tournament results if you'll fill in the home towns of your tournament winners when completing your results forms. We'd like to make our records as complete as possible, and our membership lists are not always up to date; your help is greatly appreciated.

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Dan Barlow

In past months we've discussed endgame situations in which your opponent had only one card left. You had to decide which of your two cards was safe to play to your opponent, based on the board position. While it's true that these situations arise only at the end of the game, it's also true that the end of the game may be closer than you think. Don't be lulled into a false sense of security simply because your opponent needs 25 or 30 holes to go out and you need only 7.

You need 7, opponent needs 34, your deal.

<u>Your Hand</u>	<u>Cut</u>
2-3-4-5	4

The Play So Far

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>You</u>
4	2 (6)
3 (9-3)	3 (12-2)
3 (15-8)	?

What a nightmare! You knew pairing a 3 might be disastrous, but every play looked dangerous and you decided to gamble the pone didn't have a pair. Besides, the possibility that you might actually lose this game is only now occurring to you. Do you play the 4 or the 5? What would you play if he/she had needed 28 holes? 26? (Solutions at end of column)

Let's assume you're playing against Phyllis Schmidt. You needn't have seen three of her cards to solve these problems. Suppose you hold 6-8-9-10. The cut is a 5. Phyllis leads a Queen, you play your 9,

and she scores a go with another Queen. If she is now 24 holes from winning and you are 6, you might feel so confident that you carelessly lay down your 10. And if her last two cards are 5s, you've thrown away a game you should have won. You should have led the 6 or the 8. If she pegged on one of those, she couldn't possibly have had enough to go out.

Suppose you have enough to go out and Phyllis needs 31; the cut is a 5. Assume from a defensive point of view that she has a 29 hand and play accordingly until it's proven otherwise. If she leads a 4 to you, great; you now know she doesn't have a 29!! Now, still on defense, assume she has a 24 hand and play accordingly. By being pessimistic, you'll save a lot more games.

Solutions:

If Phyllis needs 34, you should play the 5. Her only hope of winning is if her last card is a 5 and you let her peg 3 more holes. If she needs 28, again you play the 5. True, she'll win the game, but you couldn't have prevented that. You can prevent a defeat if she's holding a deuce by playing the 5. If she needs 26 points, she's already won if she's holding a deuce or a 5. If, however, she has a 4, she has a 12 point hand and needs to peg three more holes. Play the 4 and Phyllis ends up in the dead hole where she ends up so often!! Play the 5 and she wins a game she should have lost.

Dan Barlow is author of the book "Cribbage for Experts* and Future Experts" (\$5.00) and now resides at 4114 Livingstone Place, Durham, NC 27707.

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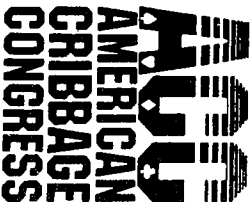
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