



# CRIBBAGE WORLD

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## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Let's get right to the point, the American Cribbage Congress needs your financial help. If our organization is to grow and prosper, we have to have more income to carry out the various functions that have been proposed for fiscal year 1987-88.

The ACC is strictly a volunteer organization. The individuals who serve the ACC on the Board of Directors, the Officers, the Tournament Commissioners, the CRIBBAGE WORLD, the Grass Roots Director, the Treasurer, the Secretaries, the Judging Examiner, those who give of their time at the local Grass Roots level and the ninety or so tournament directors receive not one cent for their time and effort. A small number of individuals theoretically receive expense money (backed up by receipts) for incurred costs for whatever project they are responsible for; but, in fact, almost everyone spends money from his or her own pocket and does so willingly and without complaint for the love of the game and the ACC.

You have every right to know where the money the ACC receives comes from and where the money is spent. It is anticipated the ACC will receive \$25,000 in dues for 1987-88. It is projected the printing and mailing of CRIBBAGE WORLD will cost approximately the same amount, providing there isn't an increase in mailing costs. The ACC

receives \$10,500 annually in sanctioning fees. From this amount is taken the annual mailing and printing costs of membership renewals, membership cards and election ballots. The remainder is eaten up by rule book printing, certificates and awards for 28 and 29 hands, office supplies, tournament and judging administration, junior tournaments, and incidental committee and tournament expenses.

Almost every one of us learned of the ACC from word of mouth or somehow we just stumbled across the organization -- there isn't now nor has there ever been any money for advertising and promotion to let people know we exist.

The Board of Directors wrestled with the budget problem at the Hartford meeting, held in conjunction with the Grand National on September 25, at great length. The choices were to make this a bare bones organization and to chop out all the areas that help us to function so well or increase income and thus assist us in becoming an even better organization.

Costs will be cut by eliminating annual BOD elections, beginning with the next fiscal year. The possibility of mailing membership renewal applications via CRIBBAGE WORLD is being investi-

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Joseph P. Wergin

A famous midwestern author plays cribbage for relaxation. He is the writer of Anatomy of a Murder and Trout Magic, two top sellers. Robert Travers, 84, will put all his projects on hold and will indulge in a friendly game of cribbage whenever another fanatic appears on the scene. This columnist would like to cross Travers' path and pause for several games of Sir John Suckling's creation.

Jim Law, our Secretary-Membership, reported at the Board meeting in Hartford that his bank charges 8¢ a check for the dues money deposited. This money doesn't stay in the account very long because it is transferred to the Treasurer in another city. It is a fair charge, considering all the time consumed in handling 5,000 or more checks. In other words, these 5,000 checks cost us \$500 in service charges. A considerable amount of time can be saved for Law and service charges can be drastically reduced if two or more sets of dues are combined in one check. Everyone can help this project.

A Grass Roots convention! A fantastic idea and an excellent one! Commissioner Jerry Dickinson jumped at the suggestion and immediately scheduled and announced that the First Annual Convention of the Rooters will be staged at Madison, Wisconsin, in conjunction with the World Masters Cribbage Classic. The date for the convention is Friday, April 22, 1988, with the Masters being staged the next two days, April 23 and 24.

It is, indeed, very fitting and proper that the first Grass Roots convention be staged in Madison, because the idea of hometown and neighborhood clubs originated in the Four Lake City; and the Madison Metro Club received the first charter.

Then, too, the modern format of staging tournaments germinated in Wisconsin's capital city, and the World Masters Classic was the first using this new plan. Commissioner Dickinson says that chartered clubs will be requested to send delegates to his historic gathering.

A PEGGER'S TALE

DeLynn Colvert

Years ago, being a numbers nut, I began a compilation of cribbage statistics to see if the game could be beaten by skill ... not luck, as so many players have implied. We've all heard the statements of long-term competition: "Well, I won 499 and Joe won 501" ... almost like flipping a coin to determine a winner. And being this "numbers nut" and having a competitive nature, I set out to see if the winning edge could be improved.

I was playing my friends at a 53% winning clip. Could a thorough analysis raise this percentage? Well, to make a long story short, I collected and analyzed thousands of numbers. Numbers of all sorts; points per non-dealer hand, points per dealer hand, pegs per non-dealer, pegs per dealer, deals per game, percentages for blank hands up to the maximum. It was quite a workout, and it took years to get a substantial sample. And slowly I modified my game. I edged up to 55% ... 56%. I began to work out a theory of play. After analyzing reams of numbers, my winning percentage again inched up slowly. After much experimentation, I settled on a "26-Theory" that seemed to produce the greatest winning percentage.

One day, thumbing through a book on cribbage at a bookstore, I was shocked to see that the author's numbers conflicted with mine ... and no precise information such as when to play on or off was given the reader; the book was in the 8th reprint! Wow! I felt my numbers were proven on the playing table. As a graphic artist with experience in the publishing game, I just had to tell the world about my "26-Theory."

So I spent my life savings on my book, Play Winning Cribbage, and began selling through mail order by placing small ads in national magazines.

Lo and behold, one of my first customers was honorary Master Player Dagg Henderson. "Why not join the American

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gated, and there are other cost-saving measures under consideration.

In the meanwhile, dues are going to have to be increased for the first time in four years to \$7 individual and \$10 for a member and spouse, effective January 1, 1988.

Sanctioning fees will increase from \$1 to \$1.50, effective September 25, 1987, for all future tournaments not previously sanctioned by that date.

The dues increase amounts to less than 4 cents a week annually for an individual member. That 4 cents a week spells the difference between being a strong, growing, flexible organization or mediocrity.

Your comments are welcome; let's grow together.

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### IN MEMORIUM

Bob Gilbert Ankeny, Iowa

Bob Gilbert passed away on October 15, 1987; he was liked and respected by all who knew him. Bob was a dedicated cribbage supporter, an ardent member of the Board of Directors and a gentleman. God bless you, Bob Gilbert -- you'll be missed by all of us.

A few of us ventured down to Virginia from New England in October to visit with Stan Daniels and attend the Portside Open.

For those of you who have never visited the Tidewater area of Virginia, you've missed a treat. I hadn't been there for years, and the waterfront areas of Portsmouth and Norfolk are now being restored and rebuilt. The restaurant and lounge of the Holiday Inn, where the tournament was held, looks out over the harbor. The stern wheeler ferry runs between the two cities every half hour. Tug boats are working around the clock, handling huge tankers, freighters and military ships, which ply the waters of the Elizabeth River only a few feet away.

Retired Navy Chief Stan Daniels devoted 72 hours to being the perfect host. His wonderful wife Jean worked by his side constantly for the weekend; her home-made nut breads and cakes were gobbled up by the players. The entire crew of helpers at the Portside Open did a terrific job of keeping things organized and humming.

If you've never been to the Portside Open, take a few extra days next year and attend the tournament and visit the area. Ride the trolley through Portsmouth's Old Town, walk the waterfront, see Fort Monroe and Williamsburg. You'll enjoy yourself and you'll meet the Daniels family, which is a special treat for any guest.

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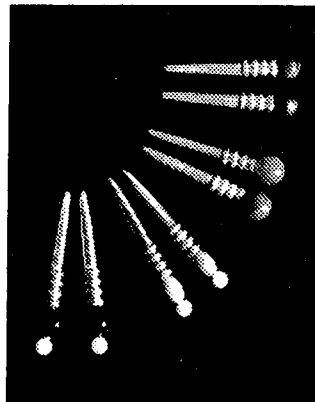
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## CRIBBAGE CORNER

### PEGGING POINTERS

Dan Barlow

A good player occasionally decides which card to play based on suit rather than denomination. Say you're playing against me, and I lead a King. You play a 7 for 17, my Queen makes the count 27, and you score 31 for two with your 4. Now I lead a Jack. You must play either the 3 of clubs or the 2 of hearts. If all three of my cards are hearts, you would play the 2. You suspect that I have a flush and if I do, I can't possibly pair your 2. If all three of my cards are clubs, you would play the 3, again fearing I have the flush.

A related strategy I first encountered in DeLynn Colvert's fine book, Play Winning Cribbage, could help you gain a few holes every now and then. When you hold three cards of the same suit, try to play them first. Your opponent may become so concerned with your "flush" that he/she makes the wrong play. Here are two examples:

1. You're playing Nick Pond. You hold 9-10-J of spades and the 10 of clubs. You lead off with a 10, making sure that it's the 10 of spades. Nick scores 15-2, you play the 9, and Nick scores 31-2 with a 7. Now you lead the Jack. Nick's last two cards are 6-9 of diamonds. Normally, he would play the 6 to prevent you from scoring a run, and he may well do that anyway; but with those three spades staring at him, you know he's at least thinking flush. And he knows you can't peg on his 9 if you have a flush. He's worried that you have the 6 of spades. He squirms in his seat, smokes a couple of cigarettes, and plays ... THE 9! The flush fake claims another victim. Had you led the 10 of clubs, there would have been little or no chance of Nick's giving you those three holes.

2. You're playing Joe Wergin, which is nothing to worry about normally, but Joe's been unusually sharp this match. Joe leads an 8, you score 15-2, his 7 pairs you, and you make the count 30 with an 8. He says go, and your Ace gets you 2 holes. Joe must lead from 7-9 of clubs. He notices that all three of your cards are diamonds. He knows you can't peg on his 7 if you have a flush, but that you COULD peg on his 9. Perspiration is pouring down the sides of his face. Finally he plays ... THE 7! Your card is the 8 of spades! Flush Fake! Two Hall of Famers in one tournament! You may not win, but at least you have something to tell the grandchildren.

Faking a flush can backfire. If your fourth card in Example 1 had been the 6 of hearts and your flush fake convinced Nick to play the 9 rather than the 6, you lost two holes. How do you know when to fake the flush and when not to? You probably don't, unless you have xray vision. But go ahead and fake those flushes, because in the long run, the more often you convince your opponent that you have something you don't have, and the more often you give him/her something extra to worry about, the more often he/she will make the mistake that gives you the holes that win you the game that qualifies you for the finals of the tournament you were destined to win from the very beginning.

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# GRAND NATIONAL POTPOURRI

Duane Toll of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the American Cribbage Congress #1 ranked player in 1986-87, ventured back to Connecticut and repeated his August effort and missed qualifying by only one position. His competition all described him as "Mr. Nice Guy."

Jed Deppman of Amherst College led a three-collegian delegation from the Massachusetts school and cashed in the championship round. The trio convinced Joe Seigle to contribute 40 cribbage boards and several dozen decks of cards with which to start a cribbage league at Amherst.

After being inducted into the ACC Hall of Fame on Saturday, Bob Madsen of Chicago, Illinois, came on to finish second on Sunday. Nine out of the ten top finishers were from the Northeast Cribbage Association, all, of course, ACC members.

Bob Plourde, John Chambers, Harry Palmer, Dale Munroe and Joe Seigle, the tournament's directors, surprisingly, all advanced past the qualifying round.

Gil Sote of Adams, Nebraska, the top qualifier Saturday, and Ed Blecker of

Kenai Peninsula, Alaska, winner of the Consolation Tournament, were both late walk-ons. So much for planning.

This is the first Grand National not to be 100% subsidized by the ACC. Consequently, \$195 of entry fee funds was used for expenses in addition to a residue of previously committed ACC funds. Future ACC-sponsored tournaments will be required to pay all expenses out of entry fees, in accordance with action taken by the Board of Directors in August 1987.

By paying the first place finisher 11% of the prize pool, or \$800, the 27th finisher earned \$100, a real novelty in this day of paying out about 50% of the prize pool to the top four finishers. Hopefully, the trend will be to spread payments more equitably among more players.

A pending strike at the hotel resulted in less than satisfactory performance by some hotel employees. The tournament directors offer an apology to any guest who was discomforted.

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Contact: Jack Miller, 22 Park Drive, Northfield, MN 55057, 507-645-4513.

### November 21-22, Florida Open

Quality Inn, Florida Turnpike at Exit 65, Kissimmee, Florida. Entry fee: \$37.  
Friday Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special Consolation.  
Contact: Jim Arblaster, P.O. Box 565, Kissimmee, FL 32742, 305-396-8615.

### December 5-6, Midway Open

Midway Tavern, 1750 North 1st, Hermiston, Oregon. Entry fee: \$26. Friday Night Doubles, Q-Pools, Consolation.  
Contact: Allen Stilwill, 1750 North 1st, Hermiston, OR 97838, 503-567-5180.

### December 6, Connecticut Yankee

Hartford Elks Club, 34 Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut. Entry fee: \$36 (\$41 non-ACC member). Coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation.  
Contact: Dale Munroe, 109 River Road, Unionville, CT 06085, 203-673-4007.

### December 12-13, John Hill's Elbow Room Championship

Elbow Room, 1025 Strand, Missoula, Montana. Entry fee: \$26. Q-Pools, Consolation.  
Contact: John Hill, 1628 Wyoming, Missoula, MT 59801, 406-728-8316.

### 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, 1 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.

## DOWN THE ROAD

### FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

1988

Fairfield Tournament (CA)	Mar. 11-12
Warren L. Swett	
Memorial (IL)	Mar. 18-20
Super Bowl of Cribbage (CA)	Mar. 26-27
South Shore Tournament (MA)	Mar. 27
World Masters Classic (WI)	Apr. 23-24



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Date

December 6, 1987

Place

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Entry Fee

\$36 (\$41 non-ACC members) Deadline for entry is December 3, 1987.

Q Pool

\$10 (Shared equally by all qualifiers)

Registration

8 a.m. (Coffee and doughnuts)

Orientation

8:30 a.m.

Play Begins

9 a.m.

SEE NEW FORMAT EXPLANATION ON NEXT PAGE

Lunch

12 noon (Additional lunches \$8)

Consolation

1:30 p.m. (Traditional format)

Consolation Entry

\$15 with \$5 Q-Pool

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# MAIN TOURNAMENT FORMAT

9:00 a.m.

12-game round robin starts. (Each player faces 12 opponents) 1 out of 4 will qualify for finals.

Scoring: 1 point for each win; no extra points for skunks; muggins will apply.

1:15 p.m.

Qualifiers will be seated at tables of 10 or 12 for a new 9-game round robin. Same scoring as above.

4:00 p.m.

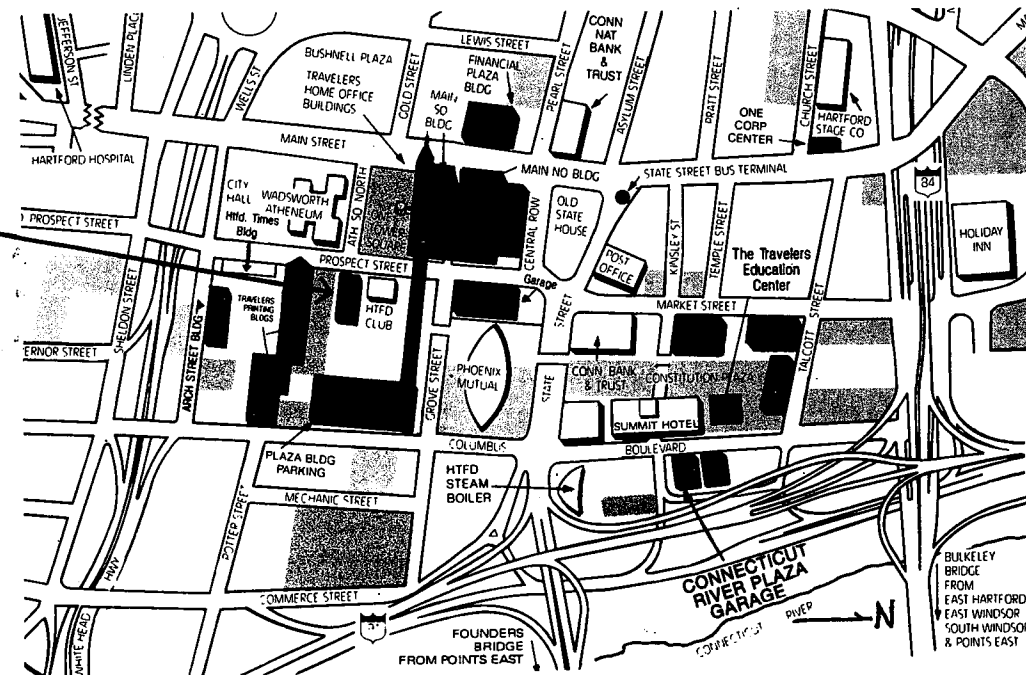
Winners from each table play a final round robin to determine champion.

Example: 40 qualifiers at 4 tables of 10 each; 4 winners play a 3-game round robin to determine 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place.

5th through 40th places determined by scores achieved in 1:15 9-game round robin.

For more information, call:

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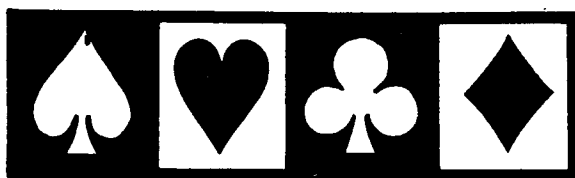
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### February 5, The Tournament of Champions

(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.

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### 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 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.

### 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.

## DOWN THE ROAD

### FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

1988

Great Plains Classic (NE)	May 1
Palmetto Classic (SC)	May 20-22
Minnesota Open	May 21-22
California Classic	June 11
Pacific Coast Championship (CA)	June 25-26

ALL-AMERICAN TEAM 1986-1987

THE TOP TEN MASTER POINT SCORERS  
IN SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

1 Duane Toll	Milwaukee, WI	1971
2 Warren Sondericker	Greenfield, WI	1415
3 Bob Hanes	Ankeny, IA	1200
4 DeLynn Colvert	Missoula, MT	1178
5 Syl Lulinski	LaGrange Park, IL	962
6 Ed Blecker	Aurora, CO	945
7 Larry Samet	Wellesley Hills, MA	941
8 Bob Michaelis	Marinette, WI	930
9 Richard Clukey	Thomaston, CT	816
10 Bill Jensen	Los Altos, CA	806

ALL-REGIONAL TEAMS 1986-1987

Players who finished among the top five in their region but not among the top ten nationally.

Eastern Region

Al Miller	Nashua, NH	684
(Similarly honored in 1985-86)		
Harry Palmer	W. Springfield, MA	660
George Blessing	Narragansett, RI	632

Western Region

Dave Jampolsky	Baker, OR	784
Gregg Schleusner	Truckee, CA	718

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*By John E. Chambers*

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Cribbage Congress?", he wrote. Well, I immediately joined, becoming Montana's first member. President Joe Wergin appointed me to the Board, and I began organizing tournaments in Montana, as well as playing in other tournaments throughout the country using my "26-Theory" in competition.

My first few years were shaky (playing at about 57%), but by refining my play, the winning percentage reached 60.38 in 1986 and culminated in a national #1 rating! As a three-time All-American winner, I feel my numbers are, indeed, solid!

This has certainly been an exciting time in my life ... I've met many wonderful, competitive players from all over the country. I'm convinced cribbage players are the greatest group of people around. It's easy to see why the American Cribbage Congress continues to grow.

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#### GRASS ROOTS SEASON OPENS

Commissioner Jerry Dickinson reports that about 50 hometown clubs have opened their season in the Grass Roots Program and more clubs are being formed. The recent season found over 1,350 cribbers vying for places in the national standings. The top 10% in each division are slated for Presidential Invitations to compete in the Tournament of Champions at Reno the weekend after Superbowl Sunday.

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## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### WISCONSIN DELLS CLASSIC

Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin  
September 11-13, 1987  
Director: Leo Schwedrsky  
Number of Entries: 74/36

### MARINETTE CLASSIC

Marinette, Wisconsin  
September 19-20, 1987  
Director: Robert Michaelis  
Number of Entries: 138/86

#### Main Tournament

1. Lee Ladish	Milwaukee, WI	114
2. Tom Green	Milwaukee, WI	86
3. Bob McCabe	Brown Deer, WI	68
4. R. Schweig	Carpentersvl., IL	55

MP

#### Main Tournament

1. Ed St. John	Superior, WI	178
2. Joe Bernard	Libertyville, IL	150
3. Larry Rowley	Fitchburg, WI	132
4. Donna Aird	Gladstone, MI	119

MP

#### Consolation

1. Russ Adams	Minneapolis, MN	18
2. I. Rutherford	Minneapolis, MN	14
3. Gordy Zindler	Waukesha, WI	10
4. L. Schwedrsky	Lyndon Sta., WI	6

MP

#### Consolation

1. H. Tetzhauff	Depere, WI	63
2. Jerry Goedert	Palmyra, WI	49
3. Al Wiannecki	Milwaukee, WI	44
4. Shirley Sepple	Depere, WI	34

MP

### COPPERHEAD CLASSIC

Anaconda, Montana  
September 11-13, 1987  
Director: Dave Carlson  
Number of Entries: 24/12

### GOLD COAST CLASSIC

Boca Raton, Florida  
September 19-20, 1987  
Director: John J. Gella, Jr.  
Number of Entries: 60/32

#### Main Tournament

1. Dan Fletcher	Helena, MT	24
2. DeLynn Colvert	Missoula, MT	16
3. Merle Boast	Anaconda, MT	8

MP

#### Main Tournament

1. C. Broughton	Orlando, FL	100
2. John Harris	Maitland, FL	72
3. Jim Arblaster	Kissimmee, FL	54
4. M. Richardson	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	41

MP

#### Consolation

1. Karl Paddock	Missoula, MT	6
2. Annie Schill	Helena, MT	2

MP

#### Consolation

1. Sally Stokes	Ellenton, FL	16
2. Robert Read	Winter Garden, FL	12
3. Lindsay Peaver	Orlando, FL	8
4. Joe Daesch	Miami Springs, FL	4

MP

### CAPITOL CITY CLASSIC

Helena, Montana  
September 18-20, 1987  
Director: Vivian Carter  
Number of Entries: 30/14

### WINE VALLEY TOURNEY

Napa, California  
September 25-26, 1987  
Director: Jack Monroe  
Number of Entries: 148/-

#### Main Tournament

1. M. Stellmon	Helena, MT	30
2. Charlie Clark	Missoula, MT	22
3. Amos Olmstead	Helena, MT	14
4. DeLynn Colvert	Missoula, MT	6

MP

#### Main Tournament

1. Omer Bolduc	Salinas, CA	188
2. June Kindelt	Fairfield, CA	160
3. Harvey Yorke	Novato, CA	142
4. Melanie Shelton	Redwood City, CA	129

MP

#### Consolation

1. Donna Strand	Bozeman, MT	7
2. Rex Paddock	Missoula, MT	3

MP

## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

**BLUE MOUNTAIN OPEN**  
 LaGrande, Oregon  
 September 26-27, 1987  
 Director: Ron Lesley  
 Number of Entries: 108/82

**MONTANA CHAMPIONSHIP**  
 Missoula, Montana  
 October 3-4, 1987  
 Director: DeLynn Colvert  
 Number of Entries: 84/42

Main Tournament

1. Les Sissel	Baker, OR
2. Sharon Harsin	Moses Lake, WA
3. Lynn Gillespie	Kennewick, WA
4. Dan Capper	Caldwell, ID

MP	<u>Main Tournament</u>		MP
148	1. S. Hejtmanek	Missoula, MT	124
120	2. Dean Bauman	Corvallis, OR	96
102	3. Gene Miller	Florence, MT	78
89	4. C. Rennerfeldt	Helena, MT	65

Consolation

1. L. Endicott	Prineville, OR
2. Jim Hartung	Kennewick, WA
3. M. Scarbrough	Baker, OR
4. Susan Stillwell	Hermiston, OR

MP
61
47
38
32

**PORTSIDE OPEN**  
 Portsmouth, Virginia  
 October 10-11, 1987  
 Director: Stan Daniels  
 Number of Entries: 86/52

**NEW HAMPSHIRE OPEN**  
 Nashua, New Hampshire  
 October 4, 1987  
 Director: Al Miller  
 Number of Entries: 214/128

<u>Main Tournament</u>		MP
1. Tony Williams	Arlington, VA	126
2. Carol Jablonski	Fayetteville, NC	98
3. Dan Barlow	Chapel Hill, NC	80
4. Dave Rotundo	Portsmouth, VA	67

Main Tournament

1. Al Dinwoodie	Slocum, RI
2. Bernice Taylor	Providence, RI
3. Beverly Foster	Gorham, ME
4. John McGibney	Burlington, VT

MP	<u>Consolation</u>		MP
254	1. Henry Douglas	Reidsville, NC	46
226	2. Melvin Bright	Va. Beach, VA	32
208	3. Luther Lanier	Jacksonville, NC	23
195	4. Jack Wilkins	Chapel Hill, NC	17

Consolation

1. Richard Andrew	Hinsdale, NH
2. R. Freedman	Medfield, MA
3. Tony Newsome	Shirley, MA
4. Ray Petit	Pawtucket, RI

MP
84
70
61
55

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By mid-October, more than half of the 50+ chartered Grass Roots clubs had begun reporting their 1987-88 tournament results. Clubs recently chartered are:

- Old Mill CC #47, Chilton, WI  
Rosemary Daun
- The Pub, Etc. CC #48, Cupertino, CA  
Dennis Moore
- Pine Lake CC #49, Duluth, MN  
Carl Larson
- Rose City CC #50, Rives Junction, MI  
Gerald W. Adams
- John Hancock Fin. Svcs. #51, Boston, MA, Sue Urbani
- Charter #31, transferred from Naragansett, RI, to West Warwick, RI, for merger with new club  
Joe Ramos

Interested groups who are wondering if it is too late to organize a club for the 1987-88 season are being advised that with the new 6-division format, the time of the year that one starts a club is immaterial. All that is needed for equitable placement in the program at any given time is the number of tournaments that a club plans to schedule during the remainder of the season and a realistic estimate of the average number of club members who will participate in a tournament.

National standings for the program are now being compiled and will be published regularly by the National Statistician for the program, Robert A. Read of the Greater Orlando Cribbage Club #22.

## 1988 AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS OPEN

Make your plans now to attend these events, which will be held in Reno, Nevada, at the Sands Regent Hotel Casino. The Tournament of Champions is scheduled for Friday, February 5, 1988, and the ACC Open for Saturday and Sunday, February 6 and 7, 1988. The

premier edition of a National Grass Roots Program newsletter, edited by Jim Arblastner, will soon be off the press.

Regionalization of the Grass Roots Program has been talked about for quite some time, and it is felt that the time to act on it is imminent. A National Grass Roots Convention, to be held in Madison, Wisconsin, on Friday, April 22, 1988, is in the planning stage. The primary objective of the convention will be to arrive at a consensus on how regionalization should be accomplished and how the program should operate under a regional structure when it is accomplished. The convention will be open to everyone having an interest in furthering the program, and those in attendance may consider themselves to be either delegates-at-large representing their own views or delegates representing the views and interests of a particular geographical area of the country.

Delegates who arrive on Thursday, April 21, will be invited to participate that evening in a regularly scheduled Grass Roots tournament conducted by Madison Metro Cribbage Club #1; and, following the convention, they will have the opportunity to play in the 1988 World Masters Tournament X on April 23 and 24, which was originated by President Joe Wergin in 1979. Mark your calendars now, and plan to participate in this momentous series of events!

Jerry Dickinson

## 1988 TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS INVITATIONAL

Sands is contributing \$7,000 to the purses of these tournaments (\$3,500 added to each). More information will follow in the next few issues, and a flier for the Open will appear in the December CRIBBAGE WORLD.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP  
IN THE CONGRESS

Joseph P. Wergin

1. It is, indeed, an honor to be associated with a national organization such as the American Chess Federation, the National Writers Guild, the National Golf Association, or the American Cribbage Congress.
  2. A Congress membership entitles a person to participate in any of the 80 or more major tournaments that are staged during the year.
  3. CRIBBAGE WORLD is mailed monthly to all members. The schedule of major tournaments is printed; rating charts of leading players are printed; rule interpretations are made; strategy of play is discussed; "columnists'" writings appear; late news is added; and there is much more. The magazine is important and is mailed First Class.
  4. The Congress itself stages three tournaments a year--the Grand National, the Tournament of Champions, and the Congress Open. The latter two are played in Reno, with the Tournament of Champions an invitational event based upon tournament records in the majors, Grass Roots, and league standings for the past season.
  5. One of the important reasons for the organization of the Congress was to standardize the rules and tournament procedures. Every new member receives a current copy of the playing rules and regulations; the booklet alone is valued at \$2.
  6. Players on the local level may receive national recognition by reports and standings published in CRIBBAGE WORLD.
  7. The Congress has an extensive awards program for excellence. The following categories have been implemented:
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    - The Hall of Fame selection.
    - Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage USA.
    - Masters status for earning 1,000 Rating Points.
    - Grand Master for 2,000 points.
    - Leading players for the past season.
    - Champions of the Grass Roots Divisions.
    - HOLDERS OF THE PERFECT 29-HAND.
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