

# CRIBBAGE WORLD

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## **ELECTION RESULTS**

A total of 15,255 votes were cast on 1,661 ballots for 21 candidates seeking 12 seats on the Board of Directors for a 1-year term of office. Voting totalled 1,453 for the title of Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage World.

The voting breakdown for the BOD and Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage World is as follows:

## THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (The top 12 were elected)

1. Bob Madsen 2. Syl Lulinski 3. Scott Kooistra 4. DeLynn Colvert 5. Dale Munroe 6. Joan Rein 7. Jim Arblaster 8. Jeff Monroe 9. Bob McCabe 10. John Chambers	Niles, IL LaGrange Pk, IL Yankton, SD Missoula, MT Unionville, CT Carver, MN Kissimmee, FL Napa, CA Brown Deer, WI Providence, RI	1073 1051 952 912 897 860 809 802
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11. Joe Seigle	Coventry, CT	663
12. Jim Fabian	Naperville, IL	654

3. Jerry Dickinson	
14. Martha Fingleton	
15. Jim Angell	
16. Dick Graham	
17. John Ranne	
18. Mickey Griffin	
19. Larry Samet	
20. Joe Ramos	
21. Gene Biegler	

Mt. Horeb, WI	640
Milwaukee, WI	625
Concord, CA	613
Englewood, CO	593
Tucson, AZ	556
Lincoln, NE	549
Wellesley H., MA	510
W. Warwick, RI	497
West Bend, WI	462

#### THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Joseph P. Wergin

Jim Landrum, a Portland, Oregon, member, reports that he is boosting the Congress by inserting a membership application in every packet that he distributes. His company, the Drumski Enterprises, has developed the Grand Prix Cribbage Board Games and Jim reports that 500 were shipped out recently.

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Director Bob Plourde writes that Dave Procter, a resident of East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, developed a considerable interest in cribbage during the past school year within the school system of his home town. A club was started among the students, and it appears that it will be a big success. Dave is a member of Grass Roots Hartford Metro #26 and donated 25 long boards to the young people.

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The cribbage classes conducted by Jim Love and the writer in the primary grades of five Madison schools were very interesting, especially at Shorewood Grade School. Here the children of professors and graduate students from the Orient, Africa and South America are enrolled along with kids of many professional people.

These students picked up cribbage in a

breeze. One eight-year-old girl from Colombia stopped at our table and watched a few minutes and then said, "I play cribbage." So I invited her to play one game, and that little second grader did very well. Previous to that, Jim and I thought that we should start with fifth graders and top fourth graders. learned something that day at Shwood, which is known as the "crossroads" of the world.

Your scribe has often wondered how cribbage could be introduced on a large scale to the Japanese and Chinese. How wonderful that would be for millions of people! The best card game for all people is cribbage, and I am confident that someday this international move will take place.

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The Public Relations Committee, which is conducting a drive for more Grass Roots Clubs, will go into the schools next fall with a program of forming grade, junior high and college clubs to enjoy tournament play as the adult community does. Schoolchildren like to be associated with clubs, and here is a great opportunity for both the Congress and the schools to reach their objectives. The sky is the limit with cribbage promotion!

## MR. & MRS. CRIBBAGE WORLD (1 couple elected)

1. Ken & Betty Capper	Hermiston, OR	514
2. Jeff & Jackie Shimp	Allegan, MI	477
3. Russ & Cathy Perkins	Bear Creek, NC	298
4. Frank & Roberta Schweig	Carpentersville, IL	164
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#### THE JUDGE'S EXAM

As of August 1, 1988, the cost of taking the judge's examination will be \$3. This is due to increased cost of printing, materials and postage. For those wanting to take the test, contact:

Frank Zabrowski Testing Examiner 901 Via Mirada Monterey, CA 93940

## YES, THERE ARE CRIBBAGE PLAYERS IN UTAH

In March I received a postcard from Garry Blake of Salt Lake City, Utah. Garry stated that his father in Oregon had sent him a CRIBBAGE WORLD and Garry asked, "Are there any ACC members in Utah?" and how can he and his wife join our organization.

replied that, to the best of my knowedge, we haven't any Utah members; but if he and his wife did join, he would be assured of a very low ACC number, plus he could get the ball rolling in Utah. There are three big Nevada tournaments each year (not very far away by Western standards) and if he joined, I'd write a feature article about him in our publication.

He sent back a check and said he could not refuse such an offer. I had planned to follow up and write a little feature but, lo and behold, I received the following letter from the Blakes. They both write so well, there isn't any point in my paraphrasing -- here's what they wrote the way I received it:

Remember when you wrote us a few months ago? You told us how to join the ACC, and you suggested a short write-up about the first members in Utah. We joined the Congress, and just as you promised, we're members UT0001 and UT0002.

For two reasons, we were intrigued when you suggested an article. First, we'd like to flush some other Utah players out of the woodwork. Second, we wanted to surprise my father (a veteran cribbage player who doesn't know we've joined).

I was born in Idaho, but moved to Salt Lake City 17 years ago. I supervise a group of technical writers at a computer company. My wife Karen grew up in Salt Lake City. She's a photographer who works for a national advertising agency. I'm 35 and Karen is 28.

Card-playing is regarded with some suspicion by the more traditional families in Utah and Idaho, and cribbage is normally shunned in these parts. My father's family were Utah pioneers, too - and from a pretty strict mold. Nevertheless, I remember their unusual keenness for cards. Great-Grandma Rose was a fierce double-solitaire competitor even in her nineties.

Like most of your readers, I learned to play cribbage almost as soon as I could add. I learned from my father, who recently retired to Oregon and joined the ACC. He's a card-playing master and a cribbage devotee.

Karen learned last summer. I taught her how to play cribbage soon after our marriage. (And judging by her passion for the game, I'm glad we waited until after the honeymoon!)

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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

Karen and I enjoy playing doubles whenever we see my folks. These are terrific games, and in our hearts it's clear: Erle and Shirley Blake are the "Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage World."

My brother-in-law, Gary Fisher, is a keen player as well. (He and my father are likely to turn up together at tournaments in Oregon.) For Christmas last year, Gary and my sister Cheryl sent Karen and me two new decks of cards. In a game the first week after Christmas, I drew four fives and a Jack. Karen followed only a few days later with four fives and a Queen. (She was jealous of my Jack, of course, but I told her the Queen was a tribute to her beauty.) These were hot cards!

Now we're members UT0001 and UT0002. We hope other Utahns will, like us, read about ACC in a borrowed copy of CRIBBAGE WORLD. We hope they acknowledge their one small sin, send in a membership application, and join us in a Utah grass-roots movement.

Sincerely,

Garry Blake and Karen Winslow-Blake Salt Lake City, UT

#### Editor's Note:

If you wish to contact the Blakes, send me your note and I'll forward it unopened.

The annual \$200 Gene Kozlowski Memorial Award for the top Nevada player went to Dick Murphy of Incline Village. It was presented by LaMerne Kozlowski of Reno, Gene's widow.

A \$100 Polio Plus prize was awarded to Rotarian Ben Long of Paradise for presentation in his name to the Gri Rotary Club, his home club.

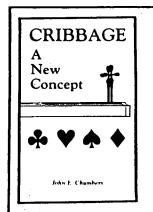
Placer Savings' \$19 prize for the "worst player" of the tournament went to Priscilla Stasulat of El Macero, California, winner of but two games. Three 28-hands were counted in tournament play by Ken Chaffee, Hilmar, California; Greg Schleusner, Truckee, California; and J.D. Blesse, Quincy.

Jim Wilson, a fire captain from Chico, California, was the winner of the 17th Annual World Championship Cribbage Tournament at Quincy, California, on Saturday, May 14, 1988.

The charity event, sponsored by the Quincy Rotary Club with Mike Taborski as director, attracted 284 players.

Wilson won \$1,200 for first place, with Dave Pritchett, Ontario, California, winning \$600 for second. \$10,900 in cash prizes and trophies were awarded to 74 players.

Plumas Stokes, Quincy, won the 120player consolation tournament and \$300; with John Ryan, San Lorenzo, California, as runner-up, winning \$225.



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#### DOWN THE ROAD

#### **FUTURE TOURNAMENTS**

#### 1988

Great Plains Classic (NE)	Aug. 7
New England Championship (CT)	Aug. 26-28
ACC Grand National Tournament (WI) ital City Classic (MT)	Sept. 23-25 Sept. 23-25
New Hampshire Open	Oct. 2 Oct. 7-9
Portside Open (VA) Niagara Falls Championship	Oct. 7-9
(NY)	Oct. 14-16
California Singles	Oct. 15
Vermont Tournament	Oct. 16
Oroville Round Board Tournament (OR)	Oct. 22
Colorado Championship	Oct. 22-23
Minnesota Valley Open	Oct. 29
Bay Area Championship (CA)	Nov. 4-5
Fayetteville Classic (NC)	Nov. 4-6
Polish Open (WI)	Nov. 4-6
Dante's Tournament (MA)	Nov. 6
Great Plains Tournament (NE)	
Veteran's Day Classic (NV)	Nov. 11-13
River City Classique (WI)	Nov. 12-13
Florida Open	Nov. 18-20
Jesse James Open (MN)	Nov. 19
Connecticut Yankee	Dec. 4
1989	
MGM Open (WI)	Feb. 24-26

#### THE CONNECTICUT CHAMPIONSHIP

The reigning champions of all three American Cribbage Congress sponsored tournaments vied for the Connecticut State Championship, but all three struck out. Grand National winner Bill Seymour of Warwick, Rhode Island, missed in both the main event and the consolation. Stu

omberg of West Springfield, Massasetts, Invitational winner in Nevada, finished sixth in the championship event. Harry Palmer of West Springfield, Massachusetts, winner of the ACC Open, took fourth place in the consolation.

(See winners in Tournament Results)

#### ATTENTION, CRIBADIER GENERALS

I've just recently learned that those members who donated \$25 or more during fiscal year 1988 to the Cribadier General program have not been recognized. The money, about \$400, was banked and earmarked for the youth program. In fact, the Treasurer has recently distributed \$200 toward a couple of youth activities.

The donors are entitled to receive a beautiful piece of parchment, 10" x 15", printed in blue and red, adorned with blue ribbon and a gold seal, attesting to the honorable deed of contributing to the Congress youth program.

Those who contributed \$25 or more to the CG program within the last 9-10 months are asked to drop a line to the Cribadier Adjutant stating your name, approximate date and amount of the contribution. In return, the Adjutant will issue a commission certificate, a handsome item suitable for framing. Please address your correspondence to: The Honorable Order of Cribadier Generals, PO Box 565, Kissimmee, FL 32742.

Other members who wish to contribute \$25 to the Congress youth program will have their names added to the roll of the Honorable Order of Cribadier Generals and will be issued a commission attesting to their generosity.

Dues statements along with an item displaying the CG logo are periodically sent out to the generals. Dues have never been over \$10, and items sent out in the past have been decals, bumper stickers, t-shirts and the newly developed colored commission. The roll now contains about 100 sustaining members. Those who fail to pay dues for three consecutive times are dropped from the rolls.

Thank you and I apologize for any inconvenience.

CG J. Wellington Arblaster Cribadier Adjutant and Keeper of the Seal

## THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL 1988

July 30, Arrowhead Classic

Sawmill, Highway 53 at 13th Street South, Virginia, Minnesota. Entry fee: \$38. Early Bird (7/29), Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation.

Contact: Carl Larson, 725 West 2nd Street, Duluth, MN 55806, 218-727-3551.

July 30, 31, August 1, National Open Tournament

North Raleigh Hilton, Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, North Carolina. Entry fee: \$55. Coffee, hospitality room (optional), Q-Pools, Saturday luncheon, Consolation, Last Chance, Loser's Losers.

Contact: Nick Pond, PO Box 12800, Raleigh, NC 27605, 919-890-6064.

August 5-7, Bill Mitchell Memorial Tournament

VFW Hall, 810 H Street, Crescent City, California. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance, Sunday team tourney.

Contact: Dan Mitchell, 1833 Adams Avenue, Crescent City, CA 95531, 707-

464-5319.

August 6, Fairfield Tournament

Fairfield Senior Center, 1200 Civic Center Drive, Fairfield, California. Entry fee: \$42. Coffee, breakfast, Saturday a.m. doubles tournament, lunch, Saturday p.m. singles tournament.

Contact: George Halterman, 3410 Astoria Circle, Fairfield, CA 94533.

August 7, Great Plains Classic

Airport Inn, I-80 and Cornhusker Highway, Lincoln, Nebraska. Entry fee: \$15. Contact: Jack Wunderlich, 2821 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68503, 402-477-2900.

August 12-14, Belle City Classic

Inn on the Lake, 535 Main Street, Racine, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, Q-Pools, lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance. Contact: Donald L. Wrzesinske, 8524 Westminster Drive, Sturtevant, WI 53177, 414-886-6360.

August 19-21, Portland's Tournament

Holiday Inn-Portland South, I-5 at Stafford Road exit, Wilsonville, Oregon. Entry fee: \$38. Early Birds (2 events), Q-Pools, lunch, Saturday dinner and auction, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Pat Crozier, 14491 SE 172, Clackamas, OR 97015, 503-658-5595.

August 26-28, Illinois Open

Sheraton Naperville, I-88 and Naperville Road, Naperville, Illinois. Entry fee: \$42. <u>Junior Tournament</u>, Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Bob Madsen, 7441 North Osceola, Niles, IL 60648, 312-774-3813.

August 26-28, New England Championship

Howard Johnson Conference Center, Center Street at I-91, Windsor Locks, Connecticut. Entry fee: \$42. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Joe Seigle, 825 Flanders Road, Coventry, CT 06238, 203-742-7234.

August 26-28, Koocanusa Open

VFW Club, 108 West 2nd, Libby, Montana. Entry fee: \$35. Early Bird Doubles, coffee, rolls, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special. Contact: Pat McNulty, 626 West 2nd Street, Libby, MT 59923, 406-293-7496.

## THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL 1988

September 9-11, Wisconsin Dells Classic

Holiday Inn, Highway 13 at I-90, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$48. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Iunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance. Contact: Leo Schwedrsky, Box 251, Lyndon Station, WI 53944, 608-666-2602.

September 11, Albany Open Tournament

American Legion Zaloga Post 1520, 388 Clinton Avenue, Albany, New York. Entry fee: \$39. Coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation. Contact: Nelson Pendergast, 325 Hamilton Street, Apt. 215, Albany, NY 22210, 518-434-0367.

September 16-18, Gold Coast Classic

Pompano Beach Moose Lodge, 3321 N.E. 6th Terrace, Pompano Beach, Florida. Entry fee: \$37. Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation.

Contact: Raymond J. Poirier, 1811 West 79th Street, Hialeah, FL 33014, 305-

822-4801.

September 23-25, ACC-Grand National Tournament

Red Carpet Inn, across from the airport, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$40 (\$47 non-ACC members). Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Awards Banquet (\$30), Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Bob McCabe, 9393 N. 60th, Brown Deer, WI 53223, 414-354-0103.

September 23-25, Blue Mountain Open

Eagle's Lodge, 1212 Jefferson Avenue, La Grande, Oregon. Entry fee: \$27. Early Bird Doubles, Q-Pools, Consolation, Last Chance. Contact: Ron Lesley, 2508 N. 4th, La Grande, OR 97850, 503-963-7887.

September 23-25, Capital City Classic

Moose Lodge, 4750 North Montana Avenue, Helena, Montana. Entry fee: \$31.50. Early Bird, Saturday Night Special, Consolation. Contact: Vivian Carter, 415 Leslie, Helena, MT 59601, 406-442-8376.

September 24, Wine Valley Tournament

Napa Town & Country Fairgrounds, 575 Third Street, Napa, California. Entry fee: \$58. Friday Night Doubles, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation, wine tasting, dinner.

Contact: Jack Monroe, 811 Jefferson Street, Napa, CA 94559, 707-253-2020.

October 2, New Hampshire Open

Holiday Inn, Northeastern Boulevard, Exit 4, Route 3, Nashua, New Hampshire. Entry fee: \$37. Saturday Night Doubles, Q-Pool, lunch, Consolation. Contact: Al Miller, 12 Michael Avenue, Nashua, NH 03062, 603-882-7204.

October 7-9, Portside Open

Holiday Inn, 8 Crawford Parkway, Portsmouth, Virginia. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, Q-Pools, coffee, Saturday luncheon, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Stan Daniels, 604 Cornwall Road, Portsmouth, VA 23701, 804-488-0651.

October 9, West Bend Classic

West Bend Royal, West Washington Street, West Bend, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$37. Early-Bird, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation.
Contact: Gene Biegler, PO Box 862, West Bend, WI 53095.

#### "CARRY ME BACK TO OLD VIRGINNY" AND TO THE PORTSIDE OPEN IN '88

James A. Bland wrote the nationally familiar song "Carry Me Back to Old Virginny" in 1878, and it become Virginia's official state song in 1940.

For those of you who haven't made your October vacation plans, and even for those who have, it's not too late to include a visit to the great Commonwealth of Virginia. First and foremost, Virginia is a beautiful state north to south and east to west. It's steeped in history; from Jamestown to Williamsburg to Civil War battlefields preserved as if the War ended yesterday; so serene that the pull of these places is overwhelming. It's the home of Presidents - Monticello (Jefferson), Ashlawn (Monroe), Mt. Vernon (Washington) and Montpelier (Madison). It offers the ocean on the east to the Shenandoah National Park with the awesome Skyline Drive and Blue Ridge Parkway in the west. To top all this off, Virginia is for lovers and if you don't feel like a lover, you will once you arrive and start breathing mountain air or the ocean's salty breezes. Now, last but not least, there is on October 7-9 the Portside Open in Portsmouth.

There is something very relaxing about sitting in the Holiday Inn lounge and

having the drink of your choice right next to the water and watching the sternwheeler ferries, ocean-going ships and tugs plying the harbor between Norfolk and Portsmouth. If you haven't been to Tidewater Virginia in a while, yo going to be pleasantly surprised at he he old seaports have dressed themselves up with restoration of the waterfronts, ships and harbors.

Tournament Director Stan Daniels (CPO-USN-Retired) and Gean, his wonderful bride of many years, treat every player as a personal guest. If something goes wrong, Stan is right there to fix it and he devotes, along with his family, the entire weekend to making sure you have the best time possible.

Don't do Stan Daniels any favors; give yourself a treat and see if the Portside Open in old Virginia isn't one of the nicest places around to have a pleasant time, meet new and old friends and have a great cribbage tournament. Hope to see you there - don't miss it!!

(See the Tournament Trail for more info)

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#### A TRIPLE "DOUBLE, DOUBLE RUN"

The Grass Roots II national tournament conducted on June 5 at the Western New York Cribbage Club, Charter #5, produced a most unusual sequence in scor-

perhaps even a Guinness record. In one game, three CONSECUTIVE hands provided the following count for Don Shaw:

#### First

A double run of four cards consisting of aces, deuces and treys - the starter card producing a double, double run - 16 points

#### Second

A double run of four cards consisting again of aces, deuces and treys - the starter card producing a second double, double run - 16 points

#### Third

A double run of four cards consisting yet again of aces, deuces and treys - the starter card producing for the third time a double, double run - 16 points.

Can you top this? The three hands were not only consecutive, but all of the 15 cards involved were combinations of aces, deuces and treys.

Donald C. Shaw Hamburg, NY

#### QUALIFYING 1 OF 4

I enjoyed Joe Seigle's article "The Deck is Stacked Against the Average Player" in the May issue.

It was stated that one of our goals was to retain more of our members. You might consider the following:

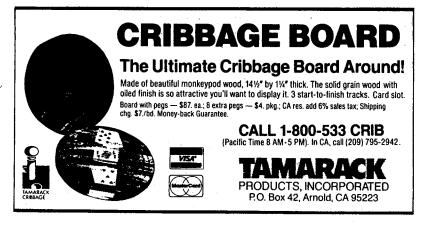
In the qualifying round, you may want to have all non-winners for the year, several months, etc., begin tournaments playing each other, while all winners play against winners. This would allow more of the average non-winners to make the qualifying list and playoffs since they would be playing players more on their own levels before reaching the finals against the "better players." In the finals, as all know, anyone has a chance for a few games regardless of skill.

All non-winners appreciate players on their own level to compete against from time to time; it works in our bowling tournaments.

> Lauren Fries 2-year member (non-winner) Milwaukie, OR

#### Editor's note:

Jee Seigle has been a strong advocate of just such a position, as outlined above, for several years.



#### **EDITORIAL**

#### THE BUILDING OF A HOME

I received almost 400 nice letters following the announcement a few months ago of my resignation as Editor of CRIB-BAGE WORLD. A couple said "good riddance," but most took the time to express kind comments. The reason for the resignation was because I had planned to spend the summer and fall building a house, and I knew time would be at a premium. Weeks went by and the phone was mighty quiet; there were no "Necessity is the mother of volunteers. finally, with some invention," and streamlining here and there, we found someone who would apply labels (8 hours per month), run 8 cartons from the printer to the labeler to the Post Office in a timely fashion, and Gene Gorlewski of Grass Roots, Hartford Metro #26, said he'd do the "paste ups" (another 6 hours) each month. Now all I have to do is answer correspondence, do a little writing, set the pages up for typing and delegate -- not too tough. Henceforth, CRIBBAGE WORLD will be a committee-type project and we'll have to see how it goes; where we once had 2 people involved, we now have around 8 -- we'll

keep our fingers crossed.

The house project is coming along fine, although slowly. We spent February and March clearing 2 acres to expose a nice view of the Farmington River. We then surveyed the house site, staked it -t, excavated, set forms, poured foc and a few days later the basement walls. The last week of May we backfilled and next come the framers. After weeks of rain and cold temperatures, we're only a month behind schedule and wallowing in a sea of mud. For you would-be general contractors, if you don't have 25-30 hours a week to spend telephoning subs, lumber yards, the bank, building inspectors, utility companies plus on-site time -- don't do it. It's all fun and the adrenalin flows, but a little frustrating -- and there's a long way to go yet.

Thanks again to all of you for your kind letters of support. Cribbage folks are good people!!

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#### THE GAME AT CRIBBIDGE

By Charles Cotton The Compleat Gamester, 1674

At cribbidge there are no cards to be thrown out, but all are made use of; and the number of the set is sixty one.

is an advantage to deal, by reason of crib, and therefore you must lift for It, and he that hath the least card deals.

There are but two players at this game, the one shuffles and the other cuts, the dealer delivers out the cards one by one, to his antagonist first and himself last, till five apiece being dealt to one another; the rest being set down in view on the table, each looketh on his game, and ordereth his cards for best advantage.

He that deals makes out the best cards he can for his crib, and the other the worst, because he will do him as little good as he can, being his crib; which crib is four cards, two a piece, which they lay out upon the table, not knowing nor seeing one anothers cards, and then they turn up a card from the parcel that was left of dealing, and each of them may make use of that card to help them on in their game in hand, and when they have play'd out their three cards, and set up with counters their games in their hands, the crib is the others the next deal, and so they take it by turns.

The value of the cards is thus: Any fifteen upon the cards is two, whether nine and six, ten and five, king and five, seven and eight, &c.

A pair is two, a pair-royal six, a double pair royal twelve, sequences of three is two, sequences of four is four, of five 'e &c., and so is a flush of three, oree, of four, four, &c. Knave noddy is one in hand and two to the dealer; that is, if you have a knave of that suit which is turned up, it is knave noddy. A pair of aces, kings, queens, knaves, tens &c., as two; three aces, kings queens, &c., and is twelve games to him that hath them.

Having lookt on your cards, you count your game afther this manner; suppose you have in your hand a nine and two sixes, after you have laid out two cards for the crib, that makes you six games, because there is two fifteens and a pair, by adding your nine to the two sixes, and if a six chance to be turned up, then you have twelve games in your hand; for though you must not take the turned up card into your hand; yet you may make what use you can of it in counting, so that the three sixes makes you six, being a pair-royal, and the nine added to every six makes three fifteens, which six more added to the former, make twelve, which you must set up with counters or other wise, that your opponent may know what you are, though you must not see his cards, nor he yours; if you think he plays foul by reckoning too much, you may count them after the hand is played.

Thus you have set up your twelve, your opposite it may be hath four, five and six in his hand, that is two, because of sequences of three, then it is two more because it is four, five and six; again, taking in the counting six that is turned up, that is in all four then there is fifteen and fifteen, four and five is nine, and six is fifteen, and then with the six turned up it is fifteen more, which makes eight games, this he like wise sets up, keeping his card and undiscovered. Here note, he that deal not sets up three in lieu thereof.

Having thus done, he that dealt not plays first, suppose it a six, if you have a nine play it, that makes fifteen, for which set up two, the next may play a four which makes nineteen, you a six twent-five, and he a five that is thirty, you being not able to come in, having a six in your hand, he sets up one, (for it is one and thirty you aim at in playing the cards), because he is most, and two for sequences four, five and six, which were his four after fifteen, your five and his six; and that doth not hinder them from being sequences, though the six was played between the four and the five; but if an ace, nine, king, queen or the

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## 5TH ANNUAL



## **NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP**

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<u>DATE:</u> Friday, August 26 - Early Bird 7:30 p.m. Saturday, August 27 & Sunday, August 28

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like, had been play'd between, they been no sequences; so the two for the sequences, and the one for thirty being most (as at one and thirty) makes him three, which he must set up to the rest of his game, and in this playing of the cards you may make pairs, sequences, flush, fifteens, pair-royals, and double pair-royals, if you can, though that is rarely seen.

Lastly, you look upon your crib, that is the two cards apiece laid out at first, which is the dealers; if he find no games in them, nor help by the card that was turned up, which he takes into his hand, then he is bilkt, and sometimes it so happens that he is both bilkt in hand and crib. Thus they play and deal by turns till the game of sixty one be up.

Here note, if you get the game before your adversary is forty-five (forty four will not do it) you must then say, I have lurkt you, and that is a double game for whatever you play'd with six shilling, or a greater sum.

Today's game of cribbage is not the same as was originally played when its inventor, Sir John Suckling, first played it.

The name of the game has changed from Cribbidge to Cribbage.

Only two players could participate in the original game. Today, as many as eight players can play at any one time.

The length of the standard game was 61 holes, 44 holes for a skunk. Today the standard game is 121 holes, 60 holes being a skunk.

At the start of each hand, the non-dealer was awarded three points for not having a crib. Today there is no such rule.

Another change that has occurred is that only five cards were dealt to each player originally. Two cards were discarded, leaving each player with three cards in

his hand and four cards in the crib. Since that time, the game changed so that six cards are dealt to each player, two cards are discarded from each player's hand, and four cards are left in the crib. Four cards remain in each player's hand.

The hands were also counted before the start of the play. If you thought your opponent was "reckoning" too much, yo could count your hand after the play.

The counting was also somewhat different. A run of three cards was worth only two points, not three. There were also three-card flushes, because there were three cards in the hand.

The right Jack (or His Nobs) was called "Knave Noddy."

The last change is the elimination of the flush during the Play. During the early years of the game, three successive cards of the same suit were considered a flush. You would get one point for each card in the flush during the Play.

As can be seen by the changes in the game, cribbage has become more refined and more sophisticated over the years. The game of cribbage should continue to grow in popularity because of the changes that have been made over the years.

The preceding was extracted from the book CRIBBAGE: A NEW CONCEPT, by John E. Chambers. You may obtain the book by writing to: John Chambers, 46 Ivy Street, Providence, RI 02906, and enclosing \$5.95.

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See ad elsewhere in CRIBBAGE WORLD,

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#### POST-ELECTION ANALYSIS

Bob Madsen and Syl Lulinski, both from Illinois, appeared on 65% and 63% of the ballots returned and received a popular vote of 1,073 and 1,051 respectively, both record-breaking totals.

1,661 persons voted, which breaks the revious record of 1,642. The percentage vote to total membership dropped, however, from 42.6% of all ACC members voting to 31.4%. This means that 3,183 members failed to cast a ballot -- a sad fact, indeed.

Each ballot averaged 9.18 votes; in 1987 each ballot averaged 10.5 candidates (13 running); and in 1986 the figure was 7.1 (12 running). Official ballot counter Dan Weir stated that Oregon and Washington members voted heavily in the West, with a lower vote count per ballot. Massa-

chusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut members voted most heavily in the East, with the majority voting for a higher number of candidates. The Central region had the lowest percentage of voter response. The East and Central regions showed a greater impetus toward multi-regional voting than did the West.

A current list of members of the BOD, their addresses and phone numbers, will appear in the October issue of CRIB-BAGF WORLD.

Next year all members of the Board will run at the same time for two-year terms of office. The reasoning behind this move was to eliminate the mailing and other costs associated with having annual elections, a savings of over \$1,000 per year commencing in 1990.

#### Jeff Monroe Is Ready!

The new Secretary-Membership Jeff Monroe assured the committee that his staff is ready to handle an expected increase in membership. All advertising is directed to leaders to limit the 800-number calls. The club leaders receiving packets will be directed to make application for charters to Commissioner of Grass Roots Jerry Dickinson or one of his assistants.

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HAYWARD TOURNAMENT Hayward, California March 5, 1988 Director: Kate Macdonald Number of Entries: 82/	THE HAWKEYE CLASSIC  Des Moines, Iowa  April 29-30, May 1, 1988  Director: Larry Loupee  Number of Entries: 89/60			
Main Tournament 1. John Clemson 2. Rae Fedde 3. Butch Reynolds 4. G. Halterman Santa Clara, CA Santa Maria, CA Fairfield, CA 63	Main Tournament 1. Larry Kacer 2. Mickey Griffen 3. H. Railsback 4. Russ Nelson  MP 179 179 179 179 179 179 179 179 179 179			
SOUTHERN OREGON TOURNAMENT Ashland, Oregon April 15-16, 1988 Director: Beatrice Parker Number of Entries: 64/44	ConsolationMP1. Bob MichaelisMarinette, WI502. Lloyd KraftSeymour, WI363. M. FingletonMilwaukee, WI274. Al LichtyDes Moines, IA21			
Main Tournament 1. Jesse Jarrell 2. Ray Meade 3. Roy Hanes 4. Travis Crow  MP Pittsburg, CA 104 Las Vegas, NV 76 Soldatna, AK 58 Sacramento, CA 45	MISSION VALLEY OPEN Ronan, Montana May 14, 1988 Director: Tommy Meeks Number of Entries: 37/20			
Consolation 1. Jim Waldorf Madras, OR 42 2. Ben Honeycutt Beatty, OR 28 3. Dan Abbott Incline Vill., NV 19 4. Joe Ott Springfield, OR 13	Main TournamentMP1. Chris BurrellLibby, MT372. Buzz EmeryMissoula, MT293. Gene MillerFlorence, MT214. Angela MightMissoula, MT13			
GREATER HERMISTON OPEN Hermiston, Oregon April 29-30, May 1, 1988 Director: Jeanie Hill Number of Entries: 176/122	ConsolationMP1. Leo MightMissoula, MT102. Gil JohnsonSpokane, WA63. Jim McNultyLibby, MT24. E. FuddBayou Blue, LA			
Main Tournament  1. Ray Van Orsow 2. Willie Evans 3. Bernie Nelson 4. Bob Kirkpatrick Richland, WA 188 170 170 170 187 187 188 189 189 189 189 189 189 189 189 189	"100" CRIBBAGE CHALLENGE Delavan, Wisconsin May 14, 1988 Director: Judy Mueller Number of Entries: 106/76			
1. Debby Hardy Boring, OR 81 2. DeLynn Colvert Missoula, MT 67 3. Doug Brown Pasco, WA 58 4. Lowaine Pruitt Aurora, OR 52	Main Tournament  1. Gene Biegler  2. Dave Bartlett  2. Mike Heineman 4. Jim Fabian  Mest Bend, WI Vaukee, WI Naperville, IL  87			
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.	Consolation  1. Bob Michaelis Marinette, WI 58 2. LeRoy Ladish Milwaukee, WI 44 3. Roxy Mamsen New Berlin, WI 35 4. John Swett Crystal Lake, IL 29			

#### TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

MINNESOTA OPEN

Quincy, California May 14, 1988 Director: Mike Taborski Number of Entries: 284/120			Minneapolis, Minnesota May 21-22, 1988 Director: John Williams Number of Entries: 142/94			
3	Main Tournament  1. Jim Wilson  2 Dave Pritchett  I.I. Karjala  4. Glenn Ellis	Chico, CA Ontario, CA Clear Lake, CA Arcata, CA	MP 324 296 272 272	Main Tournament  1. Ron Sather  2. Earl Roberts  3. F. Danielski  4. Fred Detling	Northfield, MN Superior, WI Appleton, WI Aurora, CO	MP 182 154 136 123
	Consolation 1. Plumas Stokes 2. John Ryan 3. Edna Hawkins 4. John Cullen	Quincy, CA San Lorenzo, CA Graeagle, CA Quincy, CA	MP 80 66 57 51	Consolation 1. R. Tschimperle 2. Larry Meath 3. Karen Trojan 4. Joe Kennedy	Burnsville, MN St. Paul, MN New Brighton, MN Minneapolis, MN	MP 67 53 N 44 40
	Nyssa May 20 Director:	RIVER OPEN , Oregon J-22, 1988 Michelle Park Entries: 64/44		Columbia, May 2 Directo	TO CLASSIC South Carolina 1-22, 1988 Ir: Al Odom Entries: 58/28	
	Main Tournament 1. Paul Dyer 2. Leon Christy 3. Dale Brandon 4. Perry Peplow	Bend, OR Richland, WA Bend, OR Lolo, MT	MP 104 86 58 45	Main Tournament 1. Tom Horigan 2. Henry Douglass 3. Paul Mycek 4. Andrea Kerr	Largo, FL Reidsville, NC Tampa, FL Rutherfordton, N	98 70 52 IC 39
	Consolation  1. Roy Hofbauer  2. Gene Sissel  3. Touts Kanonen  4. Jeanne Hofbauer	Washougal, WA Baker, WA Pendleton, OR Washougal, WA	MP 42 28 19 13	Consolation 1. Wilbur Wright 2. Al Kucera 3. Harry Stoops 4. Richard Ricke	Niceville, FL W. Columbia, SC Hialeah, FL Greenville, SC	MP 14 10 6 2
	May : Director	ANIS TOURNAME o, California 21, 1988 : Lou DeLu Entries: 60/26	NT	North Windh May Director	T CHAMPIONSHIP am, Connecticut 22, 1988 : Joe Seigle Entries: 118/76	ı
٠	Main Tournament Skee Kawiaka teve Reynolds John Ryan 4. Ron Guidotti	Oakland, CA Concord, CA Lorenzo, CA W. Covina, CA	MP 100 72 54 41	Main Tournament 1. Al Miller 2. Ed Law 3. Bill Shoemaker 4. Roy Michael	Nashua, NH Longmeadow, MA W. Hartford, CT Somerville, MA	MP 158 132 114 101
;	Consolation 1. Al Wigger 2. Catherine Ryan 3. Millie Coffey 4. Bill Venn	Cupertino, CA Gilroy, CA Concord, CA San Jose, CA	MP 13 9 5 1	Consolation 1. Henry Rosack 2. Corrine Moore 3. Gloria Welch 4. Harry Palmer	Cranston, RI Westminster, MA Braintree, MA W. Sp'field, MA	MP 58 44 35 29

# MASTER POINT PARADE



HOW MASTER POINTS ARE EARNED:

TOURNAMENT MUST BE SANCTIONED BY THE AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS.

Qualifying Round: Top 1/8 earns one-quarter points, i.e., 100 players, top qualifier earns 25 points, 2nd earns 23, etc.

Main Tournament: Top 1/8 earns full points, i.e., 100 players, champion earns 100 points, 2nd earns 92, 3rd earns 84, etc. If 40 or more players, BONUS POINTS are earned: 1st earns 40 bonus points, 2nd earns 20, 3rd earns 10 and 4th earns 5. In this example, No. 1 earns 140 points (100 + 40).

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).

#### TOURNAMENTS ENTERED THIS MONTH

- 1 CONNECTICUT CHAMPIONSHIP
- 2 CUPERTINO TOURNAMENT
- 3 GREATER HERMISTON OPEN
- 4 HAWKEYE CLASSIC
- 5 MINNESOTA OPEN

- 6 MISSION VALLEY OPEN
- 7 100 CRIBBAGE CHALLENGE
- 8 SNAKE RIVER OPEN
- 9 SOUTHERN DREGON

#### EASTERN REGION

	•			POINTS
	NAME	CITY	ST	YEAR
1	NAME PALMER, HARRY	W. SPRINGFIELD	MA	1224
2	SHEEHAN, FRANK & B	CANTON	MA	879
3	CLUKEY SR., RICHARD	THOMASTON	CT	860
	O'BRIEN, ED	S. BURLINGTON	VT	536
5	DINWOODIE, AL	SLOCUM	RI	524
6	NEWSOM, TONY	SHIRLEY	MA	515
7)	PLOURDE, BOB	UNIONVILLE	CT	513
_	printing coint	ESMOND	ŖI	508
	GUDAUSKAS, WILLIAM		CT	449
	MILLER, ALBERT		NH	441
	SCHMIDT, PHYLLIS	WILLIAMSTOWN	MA	411
		PROVIDENCE:		
		W. HARTFORD	CT	399
		BURLINGTON	NC	391
			RI :	\
		ENFIELD	CT	
		TAUNTON	MA	372
	HORIGAN, LEO	EASTON	MA	
	,	WOONSOCKET	RI	349
20	CAMBELL, KEN	MODOC	SC	346
	LUND, KATHLEEN RAMOS, JOE PETRARCA ROBERT	GORHAM	ME	346
	RAMOS, JOE	W. WARWICK	RI	346
23	PETRARCA, ROBERT	WARWICK	RI	343
24	DEKENIPP, BOB	SHIRLEY	MA	331
	SEYMOUR, WILLIAM	WARWICK	RI	324
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#### CENTRAL REGION JUNE 15, 1988

JUNE 15, 1988								
				POINTS				
	NAME	CITY	ST					
1	GEORGE, GARY	STURTEVANT	WI	1025				
	ROBERTS, EARL	SUPERIOR	WI	1014				
	MCCABE, BOB	BROWN DEER	WI	969				
	KNIECH, NORBERT	BROWN DEER	WI					
	LADISH, LEE	MILWAUKEE	WI					
	TERRY, DICK	KINGSLEY	IA					
	AIRD, JOE	GLADSTONE	MI	686				
	SLOTÉ, GIL	ADAMS	NE					
	ROWLEY, LARRY	MADISON	WI					
	DANIELSKI, FRANK	APPLETON	WI	581				
	CANNON, JOHN	MINNEAPOLIS	MN	506				
	SONDERICKER, WARREN	GREENFIELD	WI					
	CUMMINGS, GRACE	MADISON	WI	442				
	SHIMP, JEFF	ALLEGAN	MI	441				
	PAULSÓN, GARY	MINNEAPOLIS	MN	435				
	NEUNSINGER, RICHARD	DELWEIN	IA	404				
	DAHL, JAMES	BLAIR	WI	397				
	BOESÉL, RAY	GLENBEULAH	WI					
	HANES, BOB	ANKENY	IA					
	GRUBER, JERRY	MINNEAPOLIS	MN	388				
21	HENZE, EARL	RUSHFORD	MN	373				
	WRIGHT, NORM	MADISON	WI.	369				
	MICHAELIS, BOB	MARINETTE	WI	359				
24	DANIELSKI, VIRGINIA	APPLETON	WI	355				
	MCMANUS, JIM	MILWAUKEE	WI.	353				
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#### **EDITORIAL**

#### THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

A huge round of applause for a job well done to our Election Committee from Wisconsin.

Dan Weir and Rich Maringer of Greendale and Dan Tofte from Madison have established procedures, printed, labeled and mailed out ballots, and have tabulated the results. While nothing is routine, after three years' experience, it is hoped that the burden wasn't too great; and you can relax with the knowledge that you and your families can take a year off.

Thanks also to Election Chairperson Jeff Shimp of Allegan, Michigan, for a tough job well done; his coordination deserves a special degree of appreciation.

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## THE RHODE ISLAND MILLER LITE CLASSIC

From the Cross pen and pencil sets to the blue tablecloths, the Miller Lite Tournament, conducted by Directors George Blessing and Al Dinwoodie, was a class act. The setting at the Club Le Foyer in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, provided an atmosphere that's hard to beat.

176 cribbage players from 11 states competed for prizes and master points on Sunday, June 12, 1988.

The main tournament winner was Bob Kaplan of Randolph, Massachusetts. Finishing second was Stan Forczyk of Fall River, Massachusetts. In the consolation, Frank Sheehan of Canton, Massachusetts, took 3 of 5 from Donna Doolittle-La Fleur of Bristol, Connecticut. There were 104 entries in this event.

28 hands were held by Beverly Jones and Peter Setian, both of whom will receive \$25 from a new fund created by the Northeast Cribbage Association.

#### MEMBERSHIP PROBLEMS

In the very near future Membership Secretary Jeff Monroe will supply to CRIB-BAGE WORLD a list of ACC members who cannot be located. Each month we receive, on average, about 30 CW issues from the Postal Service marked "addressee unknown, forwarding order expired, incorrect address, addressee moved and left no forwarding address," etc., etc. is hoped that by printing a list of "missing persons," some of our membership will know persons on the list and notify us.

Bear in mind, all you good people out there, that we're still a 100% volunteer organization and mistakes have been made, are being made, and will be made; but everyone is doing his or her utmost to solve all problems involved with the transition of well over 5,000 records. If you are, or know of anyone, having a problem with membership or anyone not receiving CRIBBAGE WORLD, drop Jeff Monroe a line at PO Box 10486, Napa, CA 94581.

All problems will be resolved and if there's any gray area, it will be resolved in your favor.

#### CRIBBAGE PLAYER'S PRAYER

Someday, Lord, when I have played, My life's full hand of cards; And to my Cribbage Board, I've paid, My final, fond regards.

If I have dealt them squarely, And missed not 'Nobs' nor 'Flush'; If I have 'pegged' them fairly, Skipped no 'fifteens,' in my rush.

If I did all the rules obey, And played my 'runs' with care; May I have the chance to play, In that Cribbage Game, up there.

When that final game is done, And You have scored each soul; May I not be found the one, Left in that old 'STINK HOLE'!!

> By Mavis McCoy Reynolds Baker, OR January 1985

#### SNAKE RIVER OPEN TOURNAMENT

Held May 20-22, 1988, at the Nyssa Eagles Hall, the Snake River Open Cribbage Tournament had 76 players from 31 towns in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. \$4,567 in cash prizes and 24 trophy cribbage boards were awarded. There were 65 players in the main tournament, 44 in consolation, in doubles, 32 in early bird, 5 in high rollers, and 24 in the crybaby tournament. Trophy boards won by local players were first place in doubles to Larry Wilson and Bill Purcell of Ontario, Oregon, and high qualifier board and 13th place board in the main tournament went to Dan Capper of Caldwell, Idaho. There were three 28-hands dealt, two in the main tournament and one in the early

The cribbage players told the tournament director that they very much enjoyed meeting the people and seeing our area. They also said that next year they would bring more friends and players with them. On Sunday three of the players personally thanked the sponsors of the board that they won.

bird.

The tournament director wishes to thank the Eagles Hall for hosting the tournament, all of the sponsors who made it possible, and all of the people who helped make it a success.

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Complete entry form will appear in August issue of CRIBBAGE WORLD. Please make plans and book your hotel and airline early.

For more information, write:

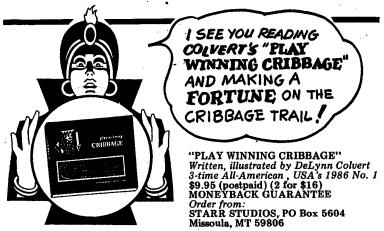
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## PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE IS HOT! HOT! ON NEW CLUBS

With the addition of Bob Boss, Hillsboro, Oregon, and Ivalene "Ivy" Heggestad, St. Cloud, Minnesota, things are beginning to happen. Boss, a retired radio broadcaster and expert in advertising, has cut a half-dozen tapes that will soon be aired in 50 U.S. cities in the pilot program.

Ivy is an experienced feature writer, and she will focus on several national magazines. An 800 number has been applied for in the drive to attract leaders who want to organize their own clubs in the Grass Roots program. Here are some samples of tapes that are ready to go.

#### Public Service Announcements - Free

#### 15 second PSA

"Start a cribbage club in your area. For your free club information packet, call the American Cribbage Congress. Simply dial toll free 1-800-zzz-zzzz. Call today!"

#### 20 second PSA

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#### 30 second PSA

"Do you enjoy playing the game cribbage but can't find anyone that plays? Think of how many others are like yourself. The American Cribbage Congress will help you start a cribbage club in your area. Your members can then attend district, state and national tournaments. For your free informational packet, just dial toll free 1-800-zzz-zzzz and your free informational packet will be in the mail soon. That's toll free 1-800-zzz-zzzz. Do it now!"

The committee has available a list of about 5,000 radio stations. On target will be cities and states with a small number of Congress members. President Joe Wergin is Chairman of the committee, and George E. Webb of Avon, Massachusetts, is also a member. A fifth member will be recruited in the Hillsboro area to assist Bob Boss, who is directing the new club push.

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## THE ACC ONWARDS AND UPWARDS

This is being written on June 15, the closing date for voting in this year's election for the Board of Directors. Although the results, of course, are not in, Dale Munroe, the CRIBBAGE WORLD Editor, must be congratulated for his get-out-the-vote campaign. Hopefully, over 50% of the membership will have wated when the final tally is compiled.

This marks the first time that Directors will be elected for a one-year term, preparatory to the election in 1989 that will elect 25 Directors for a two-year term. That will be the first such election. Five additional Directors will be appointed by the President, as usual.

Because voting for the ACC officers has been pushed back to the September meeting, this will also mark the first time "lame duck" Directors will not be voting for next year's officers. because 14 of the present Directors and 7 other ACC members are running for the 12 openings, there may be many new faces on the Board next year. Members interested in one of the five presidential appointments to the Board should make their wishes known. Also put in place in 1988 was a provision to drop a Director from the Board of Directors if that person's attendance at Board meetings fell below a prescribed standard.

The 1987-88 cribbage year has been marked by a major reorganization of the Congress. It has been marked, as noted by President Wergin in a recent CRIB-BAGE WORLD, that regionalization will be considered very soon. It has been marked by an increase in the number of tournaments and in Grass Roots clubs. It has been marked by the ACC Open in Reno drawing over 600 players, the regest cribbage gathering ever. It has been marked by Tournament Commissioner Lulinski being authorized to

approve up to three tournaments a year that are experimenting with innovative approaches. It has been marked by the Grand National Tournament paying the tournament winner 11% of the payoff pool rather than the 20% to 25% that was customary. It has marked Director Butch Reynolds' tournament in California scaling payouts to the actual difference between winning a tournament or coming in fourth or fifth. Joe Wergin expressed it perfectly when he described the difference between winning a 128player tournament or a 256-player tournament -- namely, winning just one more Hopefully, the Grand National match. and Mr. Reynolds' tournament are on the cutting edge of a new trend.

1987-88 has seen the onset of standing committees to work on various aspects It has seen a of the ACC operation. continued increase in membership, with the Northwest becoming the greatest membership area. This was the year a novel involving cribbage mystery appeared. This was the year a television series, "Murder She Wrote," featured a physical attack on a player because he failed to use a playable card. Obviously This was the year USA justifiable! Today reported on a major tournament. and Games Magazine called asking for information on another major event. This was the year all three ACC-sponsored tournaments were won by players from Massachusetts. Incredible!

The American Cribbage Congress has had a banner year under its new organizational structure. With an increasing number of non-Director ACC members offering their time and skills nationally and locally, progress seems assured. For 1988-1989, let's make it GO!

Joe Seigle Coventry, CT

#### A REMINDER TO TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

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