



# CRIBBAGE WORLD

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## ELECTIONS

VOTE -- DON'T BE APATHETIC

Getting out the vote has always been the pet project of the volunteers who toil over CRIBBAGE WORLD. In our first year at the helm in 1986, we pushed hard to interest the membership into returning their ballots, and we were personally pleased to see 46% response, compared to 16% in 1985. The next year approximately 47% voted for candidates running for the ACC Board of Directors. Last year the vote slipped to 41%.

The people who run for the BOD deserve your support and consideration, as well as the small amount of time it takes to select your choices, affix a stamp and mail your ballot.

Everyone who is now running or who has ever run before, win or lose, is an individual who is willing to accept defeat if elected be or, if elected, take the ball and run with it. For those not running, all one needs to do is vote your choice.

Candidates in the running for a BOD seat have given careful thought to the amount of time and expense necessary to represent you and your interests. Successful candidates serve the ACC membership without pay or expense money.

They devote hours to committee work and propose new changes that they feel will improve upon that which now exists; all this at their own expense and quite often without thanks or publicity as to what has been an individual accomplishment. It boils down to a challenge for each candidate and time spent for the love of the grand old game.

When you receive your ballot in a short time, review the candidates and their autobiographies and select those individuals you feel will serve you and the interests of the American Cribbage Congress as you would like to see them served. If you know an individual running for the BOD, please support that person if you feel he or she is qualified to do a good job. There are 31 persons running for 25 seats.

Don't let your ballot lay around a week or so gathering moss, because often it becomes misplaced or forgotten. Do it now and vote; your vote is important! All instructions will be outlined on the ballot.

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Jim Angell - Concord, CA

32-year-old cribbage enthusiast, member since 1982. Current ACC Board member and a member of the Tournament Guidelines Committee. Enjoy playing in tournaments across the country. Would like to continue working for improvements to the current system. Thank you for your vote.

Jim Arblaster - Kissimmee, FL

One of the founding fathers and a member of the Board of Directors since the inception of the Congress. The first Secretary-Treasurer and the editor of CRIBBAGE WORLD newsletter during the formidable years (1979-83). Now serving on the Rules Committee and as Historian. The organizer of the Honorable Order of Cribadier Generals, the benefactor of the original national tournaments and the youth program of today. Innovator of many of today's programs, such as the Master Point system, Hall of Fame system, and several other programs. A proud member of the Cribbage Hall of Fame.

Everett E. "Ev" Bey, - Quincy, CA

Editor/publisher of 6 northern California newspapers; ACC Director 9 years, VP-Policy 6 years; elected to Cribbage Hall of Fame 1983; Charter Life Member; Cribadier-General; founder of World Championship Cribbage Tournament, which spawned more than 20 West Coast tournaments -- now in its 19th year. Learned cribbage in native Wisconsin more than 60 years ago ... and still a prime pigeon!

Gene "Moose" Biegler - West Bend, WI

Avid cribbage player; charter member of the ACC; tournament director for the West Bend Classic (biggest little one-day tournament); past co-director ACC Grand National; enthusiastic promoter for the ACC.

Ken Cambell - Modoc, SC

Retired from U.S. Army; editor of the first ACC Rule Book (published January 1985) and chairman of the ACC Rules

Committee of that period. Director, Georgia Open (Augusta) 1985-87. Director, Grass Roots Club #10 and President, Augusta 29's Cribbage Club. Member of the current ACC Rules Committee. Active tournament player and able to attend ACC Board meetings. Served on ACC Board of Directors 1984-87.

John Chambers - Providence, RI

A founding Director of the ACC. Founder of the Rhode Island Cribbage Association, largest cribbage league in America. Judge at the National Open since 1977. Director of the RI Open, largest tournament in New England. Author of Cribbage: A New Concept.

DeLynn Colvert - Missoula, MT

Montana's first ACC member, director of 14 ACC tournaments, past member of ACC Board of Directors, ACC Awards Chairman, 4-time All-American, Grand Master, and author of "Play Winning Cribbage." I feel I can help the ACC grow and prosper. And if you don't vote for me ... remember, I have that trained bird ...

Fred Dettling - Aurora, CO

Appointed to Board of Directors by President Joe Wergin 1988, life member of ACC Grass Roots Club 23, Aurora, CO. Retired USAF and United Airlines, age 65. Played cribbage for over 45 years, have attended all Directors' meetings since appointment in 1988.

Jerry Dickinson - Mt. Horeb, WI

If elected, I am willing to continue serving as National Commissioner of the Grass Roots Program, which has more than tripled in size during my tenure. Further, I will initiate or support a proposal to replace the present "At Large" approach to the election of Directors with a system in which ACC member designated geographical areas would elect Directors to sit on the Board, with the number elected by each to be based upon the number of ACC members residing in that area.

Jim Fabian - Naperville, IL

My views concerning serving on the Board of Directors have remained the same for the past 5 years; namely, I will continue to do all I can to improve and standardize tournament play for players around the country.

Martha Fingleton - Milwaukee, WI

Charter member of ACC since 1983. Experience as player, judge, tournament director. Appointed to Rules Committee 1/89 by BOD members. Previous BOD memberships in other volunteer organizations. Able to cut through BS and posturing to deal with issues. Enjoy GAME of cribbage and will work to keep ACC membership equitable, competitive, and enjoyable for all.

Mickey Griffen - Lincoln, NE

I am a retired kitchen designer/contractor; age 59; past president Lincoln Cribbage League; 5-year ACC member; active in the tournament circuit; active in teaching elementary kids the fundamentals of cribbage; active pegger for 40 years. If elected to the ACC BOD with your vote, I will support the issues needed to serve your interests.

Ron Hamilton - White Bear Lake, MN

The ACC and cribbage are like a home away from home. I truly enjoy visiting new places and meeting new friends through ACC tournament play, and would welcome the opportunity to serve you and help promote the ACC as a member of the BOD. I am the director of the Capital City Tournament in St. Paul, MN, in March, have assisted with many other tournaments and this year am serving on the Nominating Committee for election of Directors to the BOD. Your vote would be appreciated.

Bob Julian - Milwaukee, WI

Corporation president for 25 years and now industrial management consultant. Life member of ACC since 1980 and elected to Board of Directors three times. Acted on various committees and have been Director of Publicity and Promotion since 1986. Have never asked

for reimbursement of phone, postage or printing costs and wish to help continue improving and advancing long-term ACC goals.

Scott Kooistra - Yankton, SD

Charter member of the ACC and Board of Directors member for the last six years. I am presently serving as Tournament Guidelines Chairman and wish to continue active participation in ACC committees. I have served as head judge for numerous national tournaments and pledge to strive for fair playing rules. I have also achieved Grand Master status and have been All-American Top 10 four times. I promise to remain active in the ACC and at tournaments.

Syl Lulinski - La Grange Park, IL

My service to the ACC includes Tournament Commissioner, 4 years; Executive Vice President, 2 years; Board of Directors, 5 years; Executive Committee; 3 years; Director/Coordinator ACC Open Reno, 3 years. Awards I have received from the ACC include Top 10 All-American 1985, 1987; Master 1987; President's Award 1987. Your vote for me will be appreciated. Thank you.

Bob Madsen - Chicago, IL

Charter member of the ACC and co-director of the Illinois State Tournament for the last 10 years. I have served on the Board of Directors for 9 years and was on its Executive Committee for 3 of those years. I was Secretary-Treasurer for the ACC for 3½ years and was Tournament Commissioner, editor of CRIBBAGE WORLD and Membership Chairman during that period. All-American team in 1986; my wife Elda and I were honored as Mr. & Mrs. Cribbage in 1986. In 1987 I was elected to the ACC Hall of Fame and in 1988 I achieved my Master Award for reaching 2,000 Master Points. I have served the Board of Directors in the past and would appreciate your vote to allow me to do the same over the next 2 years. Thank you.

Bob McCabe - Brown Deer, WI

Member of the Board of Directors since 1983, during which time I have not

missed a Board meeting; Secretary-Statistics since 1983, responsible for recording all Master Points; Director of 1988 ACC Grand National Tournament in Milwaukee; co-director of Milwaukee Challenge Tournament; co-director of Midwest Double Elimination Tournament.

Frederick McGibney - S. Burlington, VT  
Treasurer, ACC since January 1987; member, Board of Directors, ACC, since September 1987; Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Merchants Bank in Vermont. Attended all Board meetings since becoming Treasurer and Board member.

Jeff Monroe, Napa, CA

Current ACC Membership Secretary and member of the Board of Directors. I spend many hours each week working on various ACC duties. I enjoy the opportunity to contribute my time to the game of cribbage and would like to continue. Thank you for your vote and support.

Dale Munroe, Collinsville, CT

As a self-employed partner in an engineering consulting firm, I will be able to plan time and scheduling, thus allowing me to attend and participate in BOD meetings. I am the current editor of CRIBBAGE WORLD, and I've been a member of the Board of Directors for 5 years; a recipient of the President's Special Award in 1988. I pledge, if reelected, to continue to represent the entire ACC membership in a fair and equitable manner and to participate in issues for the growth and well-being of the ACC.

Bernie Nelson - Pacific City, OR

I am 47 years old and own and operate a sporting goods store on the Oregon coast. I currently am a member of the Board of Directors, and I am a participant in the Tournament Guidelines Committee. Cribbage participation includes approximately 15 tournaments per year, including the National Open in Raleigh, NC, the past 2 years. I have been a

member of the ACC for 8 years, and I am also a member of Oregon's Finest Grass Roots Club in Portland. I would appreciate your support.

Nick Pond, Raleigh, NC

Director of Special Projects, Capitol Broadcasting Company, Raleigh. Founded the National Open Cribbage Tournament in Raleigh in 1974. Was one of ten founding members of the ACC in Raleigh in 1979. Served as Vice President of the ACC for 8 years. Was elected and inducted into the ACC Cribbage Hall of Fame as an original inductee in Milwaukee in 1982. Have attended every meeting of the ACC Board of Directors since the Board first met in 1979.

Joan Rein - Carver, MN

As a member of the Board of Directors, I would like to continue to serve you by keeping the lines of communication open to the members of the ACC. The past two years I have served as your Secretary General and Director of the Tournament of Champions. I have also co-directed the Minnesota Valley Open and the Capital City Cribbage tournaments as well as assisted with several others as a certified judge and a tally person. I have been instrumental in the Grass Roots in our area. I would like to thank you for past support and look forward to serving you in the future.

Joe Ramos - West Warwick, RI

Retired; founder and director of the Rhode Island Cribbage Classic League (Grass Roots Club 31); President of the Rhode Island Cribbage Association; Statistician of Region IX Grass Roots Program. I have traveled to many areas of the country to play cribbage and have enjoyed meeting many nice people. I pledge a continued effort to improve and expand the ACC. Your vote for me be appreciated.

Butch Reynolds - Santa Maria, CA

An active member of the ACC Board of Directors for the past 4 years. Current Regional Commissioner of Grass Roots

Region IV. Director of Grass Roots Club #4. Captain of the All-America Team 1988. Director of the Super Bowl of Cribbage. Certified judge. The ACC is very good; it is getting even better, and can be great! Let's do it.

Joe Seigle - Coventry, CT

Vote! The ACC urgently needs to elect Directors who will commit to improving recruitment; improving public awareness; improving tournament formats to reduce player and ACC membership turnover; encourage all known leagues and groups to enjoy ACC membership; consider committee reports without personal bias (now rampant); support regionalization for the obvious benefit of the ACC. Please help. Vote! VOTE!

Jeff Shimp - Allegan, MI

Founding member of the ACC; BOD member since inception. Certified judge. Co-founder of Grass Roots Club in Michigan. Co-director of annual tournament in Michigan. Co-director of ACC Open, Reno, Nevada, January 1989. Perfect attendance at BOD meetings. I appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve as a member of the BOD.

Larry Samet - Wellesley Hills, MA

I am running for the Board of Directors of the ACC because of a genuine interest in helping the ACC continue to grow. I am an ACC judge and tournament

director, and I am chairman of a current Board subcommittee to revise the Master Point system. This spring I have been helping to launch a Greater Boston Grass Roots club. Your vote will be truly appreciated.

George E. Webb - Avon, MA

Presently active in property management. Director of South Shore Open. Tournament judge. Serving on Recruiting Committee, President Joe Wergin's Public Relations Committee. Member of Cribbading Generals and Regional Commissioner of Grass Roots Region IX. I am an avid promoter of the Grass Roots program as well as other aspects of the Congress and will work diligently in its behalf.

Joseph P. Wergin - Madison, WI

Founding President who had an idea to form the Congress. Monterey, CA, writer calls me "Johnny Cribbagehead." Originated format: Early Bird, preliminary rounds, playoff, Consolation, Last Chance. Designed long board, authored textbook, first set classified rules; masterminded Grass Roots program and write CRIBBAGE WORLD column. 1989-90 goals: extend programs to Canada and to schools, stage college tournaments, increase membership. Recent manuscript: Cribbage for Kids and Everyone else.

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## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### THE COLORADO OPEN

Aurora, Colorado

March 18-19, 1989

Director: Iris Fuller

Number of Entries: 49/30

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. H. Holzemer	Englewood, CO	89
2. Ed Blecker	Denver, CO	61
3. Gloria McLeod	Denver, CO	43
4. E. Averill Sr.	--	30

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Ed Lans	CO Springs, CO	15
2. D.L. Reymen Jr.	Ft. Morgan, CO	11
3. Janet Gross	Denver, CO	7
4. Noral Stark	Denver, CO	3

### TRI-CITIES OPEN

Marinette, Wisconsin

April 1-2, 1989

Director: Robert Michaelis

Number of Entries: 162/86

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. T. Hokenson	Marquette, MI	202
2. Dave Bartlett	Milwaukee, WI	184
3. Ted Kliora	Waukegan, IL	176
4. Mike Stehlik	Marinette, WI	1

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Don Tofte	Madison, WI	63
2. Dennis Mattson	Iron Mtn., MI	49
3. Scott Kooistra	Yankton, SD	40
4. Boyd Lindquist	Lakeville, MN	34

### SAN RAMON TOURNAMENT II

San Ramon, California

April 1, 1989

Director: Jack Miller

Number of Entries: 80/--

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. G. Halterman	Fairfield, CA	120
2. Jim Amos	Fairfield, CA	92
3. Jesse Jarrell	Pittsburg, CA	74
4. Darrell Hunstad	Nipomo, CA	61

### GREATER BOSTON CLASSIC

Watertown, Massachusetts

April 7-9, 1989

Directors: L. Samet & H. Molloy

Number of Entries: 129/52

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Al Dinwoodie	Slocum, RI	169
2. Peter Setian	Wilbraham, MA	141
3. Neal Friets	Keene, NH	123
4. E. Chrabaszc	Ware, MA	110

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. C. Stromberg	Greenfield, MA	46
2. Medford Smith	Brookline, MA	32
3. Harry Molloy	Milford, MA	23
4. Dave DiSalvio	Weymouth, MA	17

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.

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## THE PORTSIDE CONTINUES ON

Able-bodied seaman Chief Stan Daniels has retired as tournament director of the Portside Open and has turned the helm over to his son-in-law Richard McCormick.

Stan stated, "I'll finally get to play in my tournament." If he plays as well as he did in a tournament, he should finish in the money; however, we all know he runs a better tournament than he plays cribbage, and so we're back to square one!!

Richard McCormick has assisted Stan for the past several years, and there's no doubt he'll operate a tournament with the same high standards and quality as in the past.

The Portside will be held on the weekend of October 6-8 at the Holiday Inn in Portsmouth, Virginia. A Friday night Early Bird (singles round robin) and a Saturday Night Doubles Tournament will be featured.

In last year's Top Ten Awards conducted by CRIBBAGE WORLD, the Portside took top honors for the Best Location

and tied for first for the category of Best Meal. What pleased Stan the most, however, was that his tournament last year had more participants than ever before.

The Portside has always treated cribbage players as guests and not just as entries, and this year will not be an exception.

Plan ahead and expect to enjoy yourself. The tournament is conducted alongside the huge deep water harbor between Portsmouth and Norfolk. There will be plenty of time to enjoy a walking tour of Old Portsmouth and to view pleasure craft and ocean-going commercial and naval vessels plying the waterways. There's always a great view from the Holiday Inn lounge and if you bring a non-playing spouse or guest, there'll be a sternwheeler ferry every few minutes for shopping in Norfolk.

Richard McCormick welcomes you to the Tidewater area of Virginia. He knows he has a tradition to follow and anyone who knows him, knows full well he'll rise to the occasion.

## SUPER BOWL OF CRIBBAGE

86 players from 8 states were on the field for the kick off of the Fourth Annual Super Bowl of Cribbage held in Santa Maria, California, on April 29 and 30 under the direction of Butch Reynolds, Pete Paradis and Walt Lewis.

Ron Reid of Burbank, California, made a run through the field for the tournament championship with his victory over Linda Swiontek of Santa Maria. David Casper of Salinas, California, scored a 3rd place victory over local Santa Maria contestant Henry Ricard. Jay Eggleston of Wessington, South Dakota, was high qualifier.

In the Consolation event, Ron Guidetti of West Covina, California, emerged victorious over runner-up Audrey Nash, another Santa Maria resident. Bob Julian of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, led the

Consolation qualifying round.

The Super Bowl field of 86 players scored a remarkable total of two 29 hands and seven 28 hands. (Attention, Dick Cornwell, what are the odds of this happening?). Holding the ultimate 29s were Beverlee Honeycutt of Beatty, Oregon, and Millie Coffee of Concord, California. Players scoring 28s were Monte Taylor, Ontario, California; Terry Cashen, La Canada, California; Jones Hom, Fairfield, California; Thurleen Clark, Monterey, California; Harry Marone, La Puente, California; Audrey Nash, Santa Maria, California; and Mit-tie Ball of Langley, Washington.

Bob Julian  
Director of Publicity and Promotion  
Milwaukee, WI

## LETTER TO CRIBBAGE WORLD

Cribbage is not a life-consuming passion for me -- it is merely one of many games I enjoy. I attended a Midwest tournament recently and must say I'll never make that mistake again.

I'm a recently retired school teacher who has played chess, bridge, golf and table tennis at the tournament level, so I'm not a stranger to the tournament scene. I must admit, however, that I've never met such rude opponents as I found at this cribbage tournament, and it all basically centered on the speed of play.

I will readily concede that I do not count my hand as rapidly as most of the players there, i.e., I do not count and recognize many of the combinations at a glance as they do. The notion seems to pervade, however, that to be a competent cribbage player you must count your hand and crib with stunning alacrity and toss the cards to the opponent. Numerous snide remarks were made about my inability to do this, as well as about others in the same situation who were newcomers to this tournament.

I'm not saying this attitude was true for every opponent. Quite the contrary. I met several very gentlemanly players and, as it happened, no women who seemed to have that attitude. There were, unfortunately, enough of the others to make it a thoroughly uncomfortable experience.

I calculated that I had spent approximately \$130 in entry money to the various events. For that sum I feel I

deserved courteous opponents. I note that you feel the ACC is an organization that would like to grow. It would appear that is a difficult objective to attain if all or most new participants are treated so abruptly. I can absolutely testify that I was not the only newcomer at that tournament who was embarrassed and humiliated not by the level of play but by the general "insider vs. outsider" mentality of the veteran participants ... the sad fact is: if you want us to contribute our dollars to your pot, you are going to have to school your members in courtesy. When I leave a tournament, if I don't win, I at least like to feel I've enjoyed the time spent, which was not the case in this instance.

Chess players have clocks. An agreed-upon time to play the game is allotted. If one feels that playing excessively fast is a virtue, then one plays a "blitz" game on a short clock. If I had known this was a "blitz" cribbage tournament, I would not have entered.

I know I am not competitive as a rapid counter. I would have spent my \$130 on entering a tournament where speed was not of the essence and hustling down the table to the next game to kibbitz loudly was not a major objective.

All is not onions, however. I would like to add that I thought the judges were extremely courteous and fair.

Donna R. Farrell  
Shelby, IA

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## HERE COMES THE JUDGE

A player held a 3, two 4s and a 7. An 8 was turned up. The player announced a 10 hand and pegged same. The opponent then demanded an accounting of the points declared and, while it was clearly a 10 hand, the player could not account for more than 8 points. The opponent's demand must be satisfied, so a judge was called. The judge confirmed the count that was, in effect, counting the hand for the player. Must the demanding player have the points counted out by the judge? Is that the judge's role? Should the player keep the 10 points?

This occurred at a tournament, but I do not know the outcome.

Contributor's Name  
Withheld Upon Request

VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE,

## LETTER TO CRIBBAGE WORLD

I have one or more extra copies of a few back issues of CRIBBAGE WORLD. I'd like to trade them for issues that I don't have. I have extras from August, September, October and November of 1980; February, April, August and December of 1981; July of 1982; July of 1986; and January of 1988.

I'm missing March, May, June, July and December of 1980; June and November of 1981; and April and May of 1982. If I don't find someone with whom to trade, I'll give the issues to those who want them.

Dan Barlow  
4114 Livingstone Place  
Durham, NC 27707  
919-490-0797

## LETTER TO CRIBBAGE WORLD

I recently returned from the North Carolina Open Cribbage Tournament, which was held in Southern Pines, North Carolina, and while there I had a unique experience. I am interested in knowing if anyone else has ever had such an experience or, if not, what the odds are of anyone having this experience. During the course of the regularly scheduled tournament I was fortunate enough to hold two hands counting 28 each. I also had a shot at a 29 hand but did not get the 5 cut.

In my first 28 hand I held four 5s in my hand, and we cut the 10 of clubs. This game was against Bob Gombatz and, in spite of my 28 hand, he won the game. You have undoubtedly heard the expression, "The operation was successful, but the patient died." This fits that game perfectly. The second 28 hand occurred when I was dealt a face card and three 5s and we cut the other 5. I did succeed in winning that game.

Considering the fact that out of the thousands of hands that have been dealt at the National Open in Raleigh during the last 15 years and there has not yet been a 29 hand dealt there, I consider my experience unique.

I would be interested in knowing if anyone else has ever had an experience similar to the one I had in Southern Pines.

George A. Burwell  
Warrenton, NC

Editor's Note:  
See Grass Roots Special - this issue.

## DOWN THE ROAD

### FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

Grand National (OR)	Sept. 23-24
Vermont Tournament	Oct. 21-22
Great Plains Classic (NE)	Nov. 5
Polish Open (WI)	Nov. 10-12
Florida Open	Nov. 17-19
Dante's (MA)	Nov.
Connecticut Yankee	Dec. 2

## THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

1989

### June 30, July 1-2, Independence Day Open

The Sands Hotel & Casino, 3rd & Arlington, Reno, Nevada. Entry fee: \$46.50. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons, 333 K So., Sparks, NV 89431, 702-358-4916.

### July 8-9, Lewis & Clark Classic

Yankton Inn, E. Highway 50, Yankton, South Dakota. Entry fee: \$55. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Scott Kooistra, 906 Mulberry, Yankton, SD 57078, 605-665-8016.

### July 16, Maine Open

Verrillo's Restaurant, Exit 8, Maine Turnpike, Westbrook, Maine. Entry fee: \$40. Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: Ruth Nielsen, 238 East Bridge Street, Westbrook, ME 04092, 207-854-2028.

### July 29-31, The National Open

North Raleigh Hilton & Towers, Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, North Carolina. Entry fee: \$65. Coffee, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Consolation, Loser's Losers, Last Chance.

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

### August 4-6, Bill Mitchell Memorial IV

VFW Hall, 810 H Street, Crescent City, California. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Team Tournament, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Dan Mitchell, 1833 Adams Avenue, Crescent City, CA 95531, 707-464-5319.

### August 6, Great Plains Summer Classic

Airport Inn, Cornhusker Highway, Lincoln, Nebraska. Entry fee: \$15.

Contact: Jack Wunderlich, 2821 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68503, 402-477-2900.

### August 11-13, Belle City Classic

Holiday Inn, 5125 6th Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$45. Early Bird, lunch, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Don Wrzesinske, 8624 Westminster Drive, Sturtevant, WI 53177, 414-886-6360.

### August 12, Fairfield Semi-Annual Tournament

Fairfield Senior Center, 1200 Civic Center Drive, Fairfield, California. Entry fee: \$46. Breakfast, Saturday Morning Doubles, lunch.

Contact: George Halterman, 3410 Astoria Circle, Fairfield, CA 94533, 707-425-4343.

### August 18-20, Redwood Classic Open

El Rancho-Tropicana Motel, 2200 Santa Rosa Avenue, Santa Rosa, California. Entry fee: \$45 (\$52 non-ACC members). Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: Marion Hawley, 978 Eleanor Avenue, Rohnert Park, CA 94928, 707-585-1577.

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August 25-27, New England Championship

Ramada Inn, Route 20 (Bradley International Airport exit), Windsor Locks, Connecticut. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Ed Law, 79 Wildwood Glen, Longmeadow, MA 01106, 413-567-7400.

September 15-17, Capital City Classic

Dragon's Lair, 12 Euclid Avenue, Helena, Montana. Entry fee: \$31.50. Early Bird, Saturday Night Special, Consolation.

Contact: Walt Conell, P.O. Box 468, Helena, MT 59624, 406-227-5960.

September 15-17, Gold Coast Classic V

Pompano Beach Moose Lodge #2157, 3321 NE 6th Terrace, Pompano Beach, Florida. Entry fee: \$37. Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation.

Contact: Joseph D. Daesch, 811 Oriole Avenue, Miami Springs, FL 33166, 305-885-8761.

October 8, New Hampshire Open

Holiday Inn, Northeastern Boulevard, Nashua, New Hampshire. Entry fee: \$38. Saturday Night Doubles, coffee, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation. (Tournament will assist the Children's Hospital of Boston)

Contact: Al Miller, 12 Michael Avenue, Nashua, NH 03062, 603-882-7204.

October 13-15, Portside Open V

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

Contact: Richard McCormick, 3432 Valleyjo Place, Chesapeake, VA 23321, 804-483-2467.

October 27-29, Niagara Falls Championship

Summit Motor Inn, 9500 Niagara Falls Boulevard, Niagara Falls, New York. Entry fee: \$45. Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation.

Contact: William M. Kraatz, 6755 Rose Court, Niagara Falls, NY 14304, 716-731-5902.

October 28, Minnesota Valley Tournament

VFW Post 1791, County Road 10, Chaska, Minnesota. Entry fee: \$32. Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: Jim and Joan Rein, P.O. Box 306, Carver, MN 55315, 612-448-2459.

Tournaments cannot be sanctioned and  
held on the same weekend if they are  
within 400 miles of one another.

## FLORIDA TOURNAMENTS

The two major Central Florida cribbage tournaments are scheduled to get back on the track. Both events will be conducted somewhere in the Orlando area by the Greater Orlando Cribbage Club.

The Florida Open will again be scheduled the weekend prior to Thanksgiving, November 18-19, 1989. The Florida Classic is to be scheduled for a weekend in mid February 1990, depending upon when the Daytona 500 is scheduled. The Classic is usually on tap the weekend prior to the big race. The Daytona 500 usually rents out all the rooms in Central Florida.

Several of the club members have volunteered, so it should be a good show, with all kinds of help.

The largest crowd we ever had at either tournament was 98. We hit in the 90s on several occasions, but the goal now is the 100-entry mark. There will be an election of officers at Awards Night, June 29.

Jim Arblaster  
Kissimmee, FL

## SPEAKING OF FORMULAS

A time-saving formula to remember is one that involves four of a kind. Excluding fives, any time one has four of a kind and a card is turned up that will produce several 15-2s, such as four 3s and a 9, four deuces and a 9, four 7s and an ace, plus several other combinations, it can be remembered that when it requires four cards to make a 15-2, such as three deuces and a 9 or three 3s and a 6, or two cards such as 6-9 or 7-8, the point count always totals 20. When three cards are used to make a 15-2, the count is always 24. The formula to remember is that when two or four cards are required to make a 15-2, you have 20; three cards, 24.

Contributor's Name  
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## POT POURRI

The Cribbage Congress allows directors limited autonomy in the conduct of their tournaments. It may be convenient for some to hold two or even three-day events with no restrictions; but others are limited, either due to facilities or other uncontrollable factors that make it impossible to hold any but a one-day event.

Greater latitude should be afforded those with such restrictions. They should be allowed to formulate their own guidelines, with limited application, that would, in essence, differ from that format postulated by the Congress but not violate the basic rules that dictate uniformity throughout the area governed by the Congress.

Consolation tournaments now consist of 8 or 9 games, after which the top 25% are involved in a playoff. This is a time-consuming affair that in a one-day tournament carries well into the evening, in many instances past 10 p.m. If we were to eliminate the playoff portion of the consolation tournament, it would under the present rules eliminate the Master Points that may be earned. There is a solution to this dilemma. Eliminate the playoff in the consolation tournament and award Master Points in accordance with the number of game points earned. Make this a part of the Cribbage Congress tournament guidelines.

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Master Points today are awarded in accordance with the number of players entered in any given tournament. The winner of a 400-player affair earns 400 points plus 40. The winner of a 100-player affair earns 100 plus 40. Both have won a tournament. I believe each should earn an equal number of Master Points. Few tournaments have an equal number of players, for a thousand reasons. They should nonetheless be treated as equal in importance.

Omer Bolduc  
Salinas, CA

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Steve Reynolds of Concord, California, edged out Jesse Jarrell of Pittsburg, California, to win the 19th Annual World Championship Cribbage Tournament at Quincy, California, on May 5.

Reynolds won \$1,000 for his efforts. Jarrell, 1983 World champ, picked up \$200 for runner-up honors. 62 other players shared the balance of the \$5,000 major prize fund.

Sponsored by the Quincy Rotary Club as a benefit for its community improvement fund, the yearly event attracted 208 cribbage players. The Chairman was Bill Dore. The total cash prize fund was over \$8,000.

Consolation Tournament winner of \$200 was Galen McKie of Stockton, California, who topped an 82-person field. Maybelle Misch of Portola, California, placed second and picked up \$100. Eight others were also among money winners.

Bob Melms of Quincy scored highest among the 64 qualifiers, winning \$100 for his performance. 52 of those 64 players earned \$25 apiece as equal participants in the Q-Pool, splitting \$1,300.

"Honors" for the "worst player" of the tournament went to Rupe Asplund of Quincy, who won a \$19 cash award.

Winners of a Friday Night Doubles Tournament of 68 teams were Edna Hawkins

of Graeagle, California, and her partner, Bill Urlevich of Seattle, Washington, who shared the \$300 top prize. Nine other pairs split the remaining prize money.

A highlight of the tournament saw ACC Director Butch Reynolds of Santa Maria, California, win enough Master Points to push him over the 4,000-point mark as an ACC Cribbage Grand Master (still to be verified by Statistician Bob McCabe).

Giving the World Championship a truly international flavor was Casey Kozlowski of Sparks, Nevada, a U.S. Army soldier stationed in Geissen, Germany, who flew in for the weekend to represent his family in presenting their \$200 Gene Kozlowski Memorial Award to Anita Aultman of Incline Village, Nevada, the Nevadan with the best record in the tournament. Casey beat out ACC Director Bob Julian of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for honors of coming the farthest to compete in the WCCT.

For the 18th straight year, no 29 hands were recorded; so ACC VP-Policy Ev Bey put his \$100 bill, offered annually for a perfect hand, back in his jeans. Two 28s were counted by Ed Burgess of Roseville, California, and Sundae Jarrell of Pittsburg, California.

The 19th annual World Championship Cribbage Tournament will be held in Quincy, California, on Saturday, May 5, 1990.

### NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP OFFERS "LAST CHANCE" AUGUST 25-26-27

The Eastern Region's "Last Chance" tournament for 1988-89 Master Points will be held at the Ramada Inn in Windsor Locks, Connecticut. Edwin Law will act as tournament director, assisted by Joe Seigle and other Northeast tournament directors. The hotel is adjacent to Bradley Airport, and players from some 20 states are expected to make up the anticipated field of 150. An application will appear in the July CRIBBAGE WORLD.

### MASTER POINT PARADE

Because of space limitations, Master Points could not be included in this issue. It will resume again next month.

### VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, VOTE,

Election results will be published  
in the August issue  
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## TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS COLUMN

For years now I've heard the words "standardization" and "uniformity" applied to how tournaments should operate. How boring!! All cars now look alike, and all cities have the same Bauhaus architecture; next you won't be able to tell one tournament from another. Mind you, I'm not championing changing the rules of cribbage; I'm simply asking, "What's wrong with having muggins at one tournament and not another? What's wrong with having a +3/-1 for a skunk or, for that matter, eliminating skunks altogether if the tournament director so wishes?"

The tournament directors are the unsung heroes and heroines of our organization. They give of their time to organize, obtain playing rooms, print up scorecards and applications, stuff envelopes, lick glue, work out prices for meals, establish a roster of players, set up seating arrangements, pass out cards and boards, and work out a score of last minute details. After the crowd has gone home, most of them find they're a few bucks out of pocket, and they still have to make up a final report for Master Point ratings.

"Why then," you ask, "do you continue to run a tournament?" Part of the reason is

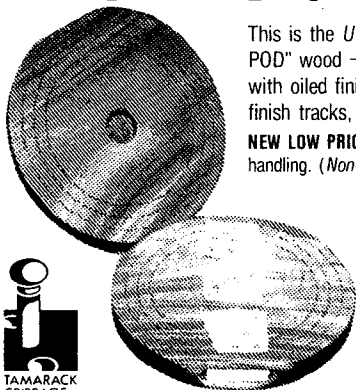
there's no one beating down the door to take over the operation of running a tournament (there are only about 80 directors out there to provide tournaments for a few thousand players). Most, if not all, tournament directors love the "grand old game" and want to perpetuate it. Last but not least, there are still a good number of directors who want the flexibility of operating a tournament that is enjoyable and acceptable to the players who attend it. I'm in favor of flexibility and, thus, I favor the "grandfather clause." The grandfather clause allows an older tournament the right to continue with the format in existence before any standardization of tournaments existed. It's important, however, that all "deviations from the norm" be spelled out on the application; the player then has the option of attending or staying away from that particular tournament as he or she sees fit.

In summation, I don't believe there's any one right way to run a tournament. I like the variations in the several tournaments I attend each year and hope those variations will continue.

Dale Munroe  
Connecticut Yankee Tournament  
Collinsville, CT

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## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### MONTANA OPEN

Missoula, Montana

April 7-9, 1989

Director: DeLynn Colvert

Number of Entries: 144/96

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. V. Rodriguez	Billings, MT	184
2. Clyde Ault	Lakeview, OR	156
3. Chris Field	Missoula, MT	138
4. Carol Holt	Portland, OR	125

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Sue Snyder	Bend, OR	68
2. Pete Peterson	Richland, WA	54
3. Harold Buckley	Anchorage, AK	45
4. Ed Kern	Missoula, MT	39

### WORLD MASTERS CLASSIC XI

Madison, Wisconsin

April 22-23, 1989

Director: Gaylord Matti

Number of Entries: 178/110

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Dave Steplyk	Waukegan, IL	218
2. J. Stamschror	Milwaukee, WI	190
3. J. Syftestad	Mt. Horeb, WI	162
4. Marge Nye	DePere, WI	154

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Duane Toll	Milwaukee, WI	75
2. Lew Foss	Minneapolis, MN	61
3. Jeff Clarke	Antioch, IL	52
4. GayAnne Reed	Madison, WI	46

### NORTH CAROLINA OPEN

Southern Pines, North Carolina

April 7-9, 1989

Directors: H. Baum & J. DeJaynes

Number of Entries: 82/46

<u>Main</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. R. Glendon	VA Beach, VA	122
2. Eric Davis	Wins.-Salem, NC	94
3. Fran Ward	Cary, NC	76
4. Jerry Gooden	Raleigh, NC	63

<u>Consolation</u>		<u>MP</u>
1. Wiley Wright	Roanoke, VA	43
2. Jeff Raynes	Raleigh, NC	29
3. Charlie Bright	Raleigh, NC	20
4. Richard Ricke	Greenville, SC	14

### GRASS ROOTS SPECIAL

Hartford Metro #26 reports Chet Hinkle of Newington, Connecticut, ran 9 straight games in May. This rare event has occurred only once before in the three-year history of #26 in 12,420 games played. The previous winner, of all games, was Don La Rochelle.

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## THE NATIONAL OPEN

The North Raleigh Hilton & Convention Center will be the site of the 16th Annual National Open Cribbage Tournament to be held July 29, 30 and 31 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

In conjunction with the popular tournament, the American Cribbage Congress will hold its Annual Meeting at the hotel on Friday, July 28.

There's good news for long-time players at the National Open. The North Raleigh Hilton recently completed a major expansion of its facilities, which will afford the National Open an abundance of floor space and meeting rooms for the tournament and its attendant activities.

The unique double elimination tournament is mathematically limited to a field of 512 contestants, so ACC members are urged to mail their entry forms as soon as possible. Entry deadline is Friday, July 14, at 1 p.m.

Last year the tournament awarded a total of \$37,245 to the winning contestants in the tournament's various competitions. These competitions include the Championship Tournament, the Consolation Tournament, the Loser's Losers Tournament and the Last Roundup Tournament, plus Q-Pools in each event. Based on a full field of 512 players this

year, the tournament's total purse will exceed \$42,000, with \$30,000 guaranteed for the Championship competition.

The tournament's defending champion is Jim Hartley of Wake Forest, North Carolina, who defeated Butch Reynolds of Santa Maria, California, in last year's finals. Hartley is the tournament's first repeat champion, having first won the event in 1975. Other defending champions of secondary events in 1988 are Tom Horgan of Largo, Florida; Lynda Baum of Fayetteville, North Carolina; and Jim Wallius of Rockport, Massachusetts.

For ACC members not on the National Open mailing list, you may obtain entry information by writing Tournament Director Nick Pond, P.O. Box 12800, Raleigh, NC, or by calling him direct during normal business hours (EDT) at 919-890-6064. Because the entry deadline is July 14 and absolutely no entries will be accepted after that date, interested contestants would probably do better by calling at this late date.

CRIBBAGE WORLD urges any ACC members who have not attended the National Open to give serious consideration to playing in this year's event. You'll be assured of some good times, some good fellowship, and plenty of good cribbage.



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Rebuilding Fund - Oregon \$19  
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(Kate & John Furler)

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(Tom Gallagher, Bob Miller, Jack Lemke)

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California  
Fairfield Tournament, 3/89  
(George Halterman)

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### A REMINDER TO TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

If you want to give your tournament a little publicity, either before or after or both, we're always pleased to insert an article in CRIBBAGE WORLD. You write a little release, and we'll publish it for you.

## GRASS ROOTS SPECIAL

Al Gardner of the Monterey, California, Grass Roots Club had three 28 hands over a span of 11 games. He missed a fourth one during this period when, having been dealt four 5s, a 6 was cut.

Last October William Roderick, Jr., of the Fairfield, California, club had two 28 hands back to back. Stacked deck?!

Keep up the good work on CRIBBAGE WORLD.

Denny Moore  
Saratoga, CA  
Region IV Grass Roots  
Statistician

### MAINE OPEN NEW LOCATION July 16, 1989

The 3rd Annual Maine Tournament will be held at Verillo's Restaurant at Howard Johnson's, Exit 8, Maine Turnpike. The new location has unlimited seating and is well air conditioned. Entry forms will be available in early May.

Those wishing accommodations should reserve early, as this is a very busy time in Maine. 30 rooms are being held until June 1 at Budget Traveler (207-775-0111). Ask for cribbage tournament rooms: 1 person, \$35; 4 persons, \$45. We hope to see you here in July.

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## THE HALL OF FAME

Eight recipients have been so honored since the ACC's inception in 1979.

The first four honorees, elected in 1982, were: Sir John Suckling (1609-1642) of Norfolk County, England, reputed to be the inventor of the ancient and honorable card game; Joseph Petrus Wergin, Madison, Wisconsin, first (and only) President of the ACC; James W. Arblaster, Kissimmee, Florida, first Secretary-Treasurer of the ACC; and Nick Pond, Raleigh, North Carolina, Director of the National Open Cribbage Tournament, where the ACC was founded.

The following year, 1983, saw Ev Bey, Quincy, California, originator of the long-running World Championship Cribbage Tournament, which spawned some dozen other West Coast tournaments, elected to the Hall of Fame.

1984 came and went without a nominee capturing enough votes to be named to the Hall of Fame.

In 1985 the late G. Douglas Anderson of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, a student of the game who researched and wrote "All About Cribbage," was elected to the Hall of Fame.

In 1986 Directors again failed to elect anyone to the Hall of Fame.

The year 1987 saw two men elected: Bob Madsen, Chicago, Illinois, second Secretary-Treasurer of the ACC; and R.E. "Rasty" Rasmussen, Marshalltown, Iowa, longtime director of Iowa cribbage tournaments.

Last year, 1988, no one was elected to the Hall of Fame.

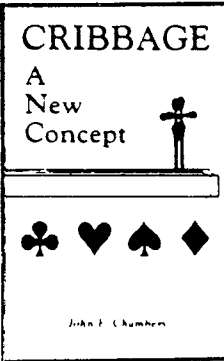
Nominations for the ACC's Hall of Fame will be considered at the annual Board meeting on July 28 at Raleigh, North Carolina.

To be elected to the Hall of Fame, a nominee must receive 80% of the votes cast by Directors who are present during a maximum of 10 ballots. An unlimited number of candidates may be elected each year, although each Director is limited to casting one ballot each round.

Persons deemed worthy of the honor may be nominated by any ACC member by sending the nomination, short biographical sketch and justification for the award to the ACC Board, c/o Secretary-General Joan Rein, PO Box 306, Carver, MN 55315, postmarked on or before July 15, 1989.

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You need 12 holes to win; your opponent needs 16. Your opponent deals the cards, and you pick up A-2-6-6-6-K. Should you toss A-K or 2-K? It seems to be a tossup. Keeping the Ace helps if the cut is a Deuce or an 8. Keeping the Deuce helps if the cut is an Ace or a 7. What's the difference?

The difference may lie in opponent's crib. If you throw the A-K, you'll probably cut a 4. In 30 years of cribbage, I've never tossed my opponent A-K without cutting a 4. You may be luckier than I am, so let's just say that when you toss A-K to your opponent, you don't want to cut a 4. Likewise, when you toss 2-K, you don't want to cut a 3.

But on this particular hand, you DO want to cut a 3. It's one of the cuts that will put you out. So you toss 2-K. The cut that helps your opponent's crib as much as any other (as far as you know), puts you out before he gets to count it. And a cut that DOESN'T help your hand (a 4, for instance) is also less likely to help his/her crib.

Now let's look at the same cards but with a slightly different position. This time both you and the dealer need 16 holes. Do you toss A-K or 2-K?

This time you may lose the game, even if you get a cut. If you get a cut but peg fewer than 4 holes, you'll have to hope you can peg out NEXT hand. Of course, there may not BE a next hand, which is why you should toss A-K. If you don't get a cut for a dozen, you'll have little chance of winning; but if you DO get a cut (a 3, in particular), you want opponent's crib to be empty so that the game goes on.

Granted, A-K could turn into a big crib, even if a 3 is cut; but 2-K is more dangerous, as it could turn into 8 or 9 points with just a couple of face cards from opponent.

Here's another example. You hold 2-4-5-6-9-10. The dealer needs 17 holes to win. Do you toss 2-9 or 2-10? It depends. If you need 14 points, a 4 puts you out; so toss 2-9. Let your opponent have a good crib when the cut puts you out. If you need 18 points, a 4 doesn't put you out; so toss 2-10, hoping opponent's crib is a bust. If you toss 2-10 and the cut is a 3 and opponent's crib does put him/her out, so what? Your chances of winning dropped to slim and none anyway when you didn't get a cut.

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