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ELECTED TO HALL OF FAME

In what is not an easy feat, three of the four individuals nominated from the floor received 80% or more votes for the Hall of Fame from the 25 Directors who attended the BOD meeting in Raleigh on Friday, July 28, 1989.

The Hall of Fame vote is conducted annually, and each candidate <u>must</u> receive 80% or more of the vote by the BOD members in attendance. There are 10 secret ballots, and in this year's vote each candidate had to receive 20 or more votes to become elected.

DeLynn Colvert of Missoula, Montana, was nominated by Butch Reynolds of Santa Maria, California. DeLynn is author of the book "Play Winning Cribbage" and has won more tournaments than anyone in the history of the ACC. Reynolds stated that Colvert was being minated for accomplishment not only the play of cribbage but also for his effort on behalf of the ACC.

Syl Lulinski of La Grange Park, Illinois, is currently Executive Vice President of the ACC, as well as Tournament Commissioner; he was nominated by Bob Madsen of Chicago, Illinois. Lulinski has given countless hours of time to the game of cribbage as a BOD member for 5 years, Director and Coordinator of the

huge ACC Open in Reno, Nevada. He was the recipient of Cribbage Master status in 1987 and in the same year also received the President's Special Award for meritorious service.

Nelson Ira Pendergast of Albany, New York, is a member of the ACC in good standing and has given tirelessly of his time and efforts for many, many years in aiding and assisting the US Veterans Hospital in Albany by volunteering his services to teach and conduct cribbage tournaments on a daily basis to veteran in- and outpatients. His volunteerism runs into the tens of thousands of hours, not only to the VA hospital but for the game of cribbage.

Dave Donovan of Albany was a spectator at the BOD meeting in Raleigh and after Pendergast won on the 6th ballot, he spoke a word of thanks. Later he stated, "I'm a tough old Marine retiree and I had tears in my eyes. Nelson was my teacher and is my friend and the BOD did the right thing." Pendergast was nominated by Dale Munroe of Collinsville, Connecticut.

Any member of the ACC can nominate a candidate for the Cribbage Hall of Fame. Address your inquiry or send an outline of your candidate's background and qualifications to any BOD member.

THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN Joseph P. Wergin

The players in Prineville led by Joe Nelson, the Chairman of the Grand National Convention and Tournament, and all Oregon members of the Congress are out to prove that the best place to hold this affair is in a small town.

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The Public Relations Committee has big plans for this season. Already, arrangements have been made to have a California software company distribute 60,000 of our newest brochures in its mailings.

The writer has had an idea for some five years to introduce cribbage to people dining out. It was placed on the back burner. Now, Karl Grube, a new member on the committee, came up with a better idea. Karl said, "Joe, let's draw up the basics of cribbage, print the material on placemats and supply them to school cafeterias."

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Karl has joined this big thinker on the committee, and we are looking forward to an exciting year. Grube is a "Big Thinker."

In the 16 years of competition in the Nation Open, the 29-hand has been very elusive. In the thousands and thousands of hands, a 29er has not made its aparance. This year in the Consolation me lucky person would have received \$500.

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Kenneth and Kathryn Clarke of Madison, after having read the feature article on the President's involvement in cribbage promotion, reported the most unusual happening in the history of cribbage.

Kathryn was dealing the pack sometime during their daily three-game series, and each player received six diamonds. And to top it off, the 13th diamond was cut as starter card.

Bruce M. Bowman, the Cribbage Master specialist, reports the odds for this happening are I out of 79,376,694,950. Consider the fact that in a 29-hand in a partnership contest in which each player is dealt only five cards, the odds are 649,740 to 1.

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GRASS ROOTS UPDATE

Four of the five Grass Roots regions were represented at a meeting conducted in Raleigh, North Carolina, on July 30, 1989, to review progress made during the past season and to chart the course for the future. Some of the highlights follow:

A decision (arrived at through consensus regional representatives) to further lify the GR Rating Point System by including guests in the "number of entries" figure that is used in the computation of rating points. Just as in the past, in order for players' points to be included in national competition, their memberships in the ACC must be current and they must be registered in a chartered Grass Roots club.

Also through regional consensus, a decision was made to statistically test (in parallel) a system that is derived from game point averages, with the intention of replacing the present system with

that proposed, if by the end of the current season it can be concluded that proposed system is a distinct improvement over the present system.

The group in attendance also concluded that, if a new system based on game point averages is adopted, there would be no way of recognizing long-term point accumulation; so a method for conversion of single season averages to points needs to be developed concurrently. Since all of the data needed to statistically test the proposed system is contained in tournament reports currently submitted, no new reporting requirements will be imposed on club directors.

Those in attendance at the meeting expressed the feeling that greater attention needs to be given to the development of an attractive Grass Roots -awards program.

Before proceeding with awards plans for the future, the 28-29-Grand Slam awards process needs to be brought up to date. Any player who has not yet received a certificate for an award that was earned during the past season should ask the club director to resubmit a 28-29-GS report to the region statistician, making sure that it includes the date of the tournament in which it was earned and to indicate on the face of the report that it is a resubmission.

Also discussed was a plan to develop an "idea book," which, it is hoped, will consist of a compilation of every innovative idea or procedure that is employed by local clubs to make local Grass Roots play interesting and competitive. It is expected that this plan will be initiated at or before the start of the new season. with the ideas submitted by club directors being consolidated at the regional level before being forwarded to the national level for further consolidation and publication.

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WHAT: The Crook County Grass

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son.

WHEN: Thursday, 21 September 1989

at 7 p.m.

WHERE: The Veterans Club (upstairs

meeting room), Fourth and Main Streets, Prineville, Ore-

gor

This will be the opening event of a fantastic weekend of cribbage, in conjunction with the 1989 ACC Grand National Championship, which runs Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Come early and join us.

Clancy Schwarz, Director Crook County Grass Roots Cribbage Club

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

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In the past few years there has been a great decline in the number of people smoking at the tables. So, the tournament managers now have a space on the entry form for the smokers to check instead of the players who abstain. The non-smokers are definitely in the majority. Players with no preference are being ushered into the non-smoking sections.





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ON BLUFFING IN CRIBBAGE

"Bluffing," defined herein as deception in tactics, is inherent in most card games as a legitimate way to outwit the opponent by abnormal play. In poker, bluffing is common in the form of large or raised bets on weak hands or possibly checking (not betting) on strong hands. Bridge players make psychic bids, while gin rummy players make false discards. Within the rules of the game, bluffing is not only acceptable but even commendational profitable, unless it is pursued to see point of consistent identification.

In cribbage the opportunities for bluffing are quite limited and in so doing may border on unethical practice. It is useful to distinguish two types of bluffing in cribbage.

- Illegitimate (unethical) bluffing, which should be discouraged and even penalized, if continued after player complaints and warnings by judges. Among numerous examples, which may not always be intentional, are:
 - Excessively slow discarding and pegging, accompanied by cardshifting, wrenching, gesturing and comments about the difficulty of selection or playing. We have all experienced and perhaps practiced such histrionics, which delay the play;
 - The "false pair" in pegging, whereby the player with two cards (a pair) rotates them as if they were different denominations;
 - c. Complaints to opponents (especially novices) who do not know the complainer's style that the cut card is worthless or helpful, that hands or cribs will be very poor or very good, etc.; in other words, outright lying, which may be recognized by knowledgeable players as simply harmless table talk or plain BS.

It is not suggested that cribbage be derogated to a cold, robotic contest without banter or levity, but in tournament play these questionable forms of bluffing can be harmful to the pace of play and to the game at large.

- Legitimate bluffing in pegging, which
 is defensible because it adds to the
 richness of the game and rewards the
 superior player without damaging the
 reputation of cribbage or the conduct
 of matches. Examples are:
 - The "false flush," wherein the player plays two or three cards of the same suit to leave the pone in doubt about the holder's final card(s);
 - b. The "false potential run," wherein the dealer plays a card adjacent to that of the pone who, then, fearing a longer run of four, declines a run of three. For example, dealer has a 3-FFF, pone leads off with a 4; dealer plays the 3 rather than the "safer" 10-card (F), to fend off, hopefully, a deuce or five.
 - c. Leading a 5, without having 10cards to pair the subsequent 15play, on the assumption that the dealer does not want to yield a 2point pair.
 - d. Slight psychic delays (or speed-ups): pone leads a card below the eight; dealer has two of the same but momentarily hesitates to pair to encourage the triple 6-play, only to come back with the quadruple-12 play. Other psychic hesitations are generally legitimate, simply because regularly making them will negate their value; for example, slowness in leading one of a pair or taking a 15-2 with a 7 or 8, when it is backed up by a 6 or 9; hesitating to take a 31-go when it is the only alternative, etc.

The main point from the standpoint of ethics and fairness to others in group play is that bluffing is acceptable when there are alternative plays in the normal case. However, if no real strategy is involved, it should not be condoned. In short, there are honest bluffers and phony bluffers.

Russ Adams Minneapolis, MN

GRASS ROOTS CLUB CHAMPS

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<u>Name</u>	1988-89	#_
George Verbeski	Madison, WI	1
Bill:Hill	Hermiston, OR	ż
Frank Schweig	Carpentersv., IL	2
Butch Reynolds	Santa Maria, CA	4
D. McCormisk	Buffalo, NY	5
	Quasqueton, IA	8
John Mayer	August, GA	10
Jerry Olsen	Sparks, NV	ii
Mitch Bourland	Prineville, OR	12
Clarence Schwarz	Prineville, OR	14
Marg Whitsett	Baker, OR	15
	Minden, NE	16
lvan Lux Matt Kacer	Altoona, IA	17
	Vacaville, CA	21
Helene Sontag		22
Tracy Denninger	Orlando, FL	23
Red Alter	Aurora, CO	24
Nick Keninger	Mesa, AZ	25
Meg Angell	Helena, MT Unionville, CT	26
Bob Plourde		
Amelee Killion		A 27 28
Ed Miller	Portland, OR	29
Janet Wells	Rotonda, FL	31
Joe Ramos	Warwick, RI	33
Sherman Hensell	Garberville, CA	34
Mary Jo Gross	Denver, CO	
Charlie Bowzer	Fayetteville, NC	35 36
Rodney White	Burlington, VT	
Charlette Springer		38
Jim Hartung	Kennewick, WA	39
Gail Estness	Duluth, MN	41
Dorothy Roum	Joseph, OR	42
Don Miller	Union City, CA	43
Bill Letson	Fresno, CA	45
John Armstrong	Salem, OR	46
Warren Bush	San Jose, CA	48
John Buresh	Saginaw, MN	49
Ken Williams	Rockland, MA	51
J.B. Mantlo	Mesa, AZ	53
Jesse Jarrell	Pittsburg, CA	54
Marion Hawley	Rohnert Park, C.	
Gordon Hart	Phoenix, AZ	56
Richard Zup	Billings, MT	57
Bob Gombatz	Raleigh, NC	58
Lloyd Kraft	Seymour, WI	61
J.C. Turner	Roseburg, OR	62
Tony McNally Ron Thompson	Everett, MA	63
Ron Thompson	Lakeview, OR	66
Bob Sommer	Excelsior, MN	67
Cliff Allen	Spokane, WA	.69
Jim Blough	Kentwood, MI	71
Bill Gudauska	Rockville, CT	72
Tom Armitage	Plainville, MA	73
Mike Burnham	Acworth, GA	74
Don Rardin	Gresham, OR	77
Gary Fields	Hood River, OR	78
Jim Campbell	El Cajon, CA	79
Paul Mitchell	Juneau, AK	80
Frank Zabrowski	Monterey, CA	82

1990 ACC OPEN and 1990 TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

The 1990 Invitational Tournament of Champions will be at the Sands Hotel in Reno, Nevada, on Friday, February 2, 1990. The ACC Open will be at the Sands on Saturday and Sunday, February 3 and 4. Joan Rein will be the Tournament Director for the Tournament of Champions, and Jeff Shimp will be the Tournament Director for the Open. Syl Lulinski will be the coordinator for the events during the four days, incling a Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday, February 1.

Invitations to those eligible for the Tournament of Champions will be sent approximately December I, and entries and information for the ACC Open will be in the December CRIBBAGE WORLD.

Syl Lulinski Executive Vice President

LATE NEWS FROM PRESIDENT WERGIN

Missouri Player Wins National Open: Luis Lizarribar, a former resident of Georgia, captured the 1989 title. Luis now resides in Missouri, a state with less than a dozen ACC members.

Dale Munroe, editor of CRIBBAGE WORLD, announced that he is considering being a candidate for Vice President-Operations, as Harry Palmer has retired from the Board of Directors.

Grass Roots: Four of the five regions met in an impromptu session in Raleigh and decided to record the "game points" in parallel with rating points as an experiment of extended competition. Butch Reynolds stated that his club has been doing that same thing for five years, and players like it.

29-hand Elusive: For 16 years and sands and thousands of hands there hasn't been a 29-point hand in the National Open. If such a hand had appeared in this year's Consolation at Raleigh, it would have earned \$500.

Special Directors' Award: The Board voted that in the future an individual who serves the Congress in a special way may be honored by the Board.

THE GRAND NATIONAL

Joe Nelson, director of the 8th annual Grand National Tournament at Prineville, Oegon, says everything is in readiness for this major ACC event on September 22-24, 1989.

He expects 1,000 participants in the tourney, with visitors expected to commute from motels within a 50-mile range of Prineville. Many trailers, motor ness and campers will also provide parters for cribbage players on the Crook County Fairgrounds, site of tournament play. RV parking is available at the Fairgrounds for \$2 per day; electrical hookups are \$4 per day; full hookups are also available.

Free transportation will be available to transport attendees back and forth from their motels, as well as from and to airports at Bend and Redmond, Oregon, on request.

Although the main event begins at 9 a.m., Saturday, September 23, a 9-game doubles tournament will be held Friday night, September 22, at 7 p.m. at 4 locations — the Veterans Club, Elks Lodge, Eagles Lodge and Senior Center — while a 7-game High Roller singles tournament takes place at the same time at the Cinnabar Prine Ball Room.

The ACC Board of Directors will hold its meeting at the Cinnabar Motel banquet room at 1 p.m. on Friday, September 22.

Saturday festivities kick off with a 6 a.m. buckaroo breakfast catered by the

Prineville Ridge Runners at the Fairgrounds. This will be repeated on Sunday morning at 6 a.m.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. Saturday, with orientation at 8:30 a.m. An optional G-Pool is available. At approximately 11:30 a.m., non-smokers will take a lunch break after their 10th game, with play to resume at 1 p.m. sharp. Smokers will take their lunch break at about 12 noon after their 12th game and will resume play at 1:30 p.m. sharp.

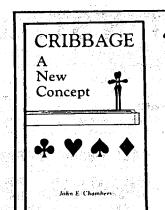
Registration for Sunday's Consolation tournament begins at 4 p.m. Saturday and continues at 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning. The Championship final rounds begin playoffs at 8 a.m. Sunday, with the Consolation tournament revving up at 10 a.m. (9 games, 2 of 3 playoffs).

Social events include an 8-hour bus tour of Crater Lake National Park for non-players, which departs from the Fair-grounds at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

The highlight of the weekend will be the Annual ACC Awards Banquet at 7 p.m. Saturday night at Carrie Foster Hall, Fairgrounds. Diners have a choice of Rocky Mountain oysters, prime rib or halibut entrees. A 6 p.m. no-host cocktail party will precede the dinner; the dinner will be followed by the awards presentation at 8 p.m.

A buffet lunch will be available at the tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

MAD

RHODE ISLAND OPEN Providence, Rhode Island April 30, 1989 Director: John Chambers Number of Entries: 294/178

Main

LEWIS & CLARK CLASSIC Yankton, South Dakota July 8-9, 1989 Director: Scott Kooistra Number of Entries: 94/72

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T. Frank Cumming	s Chelmsford, MA	334	T. James Dahl	Blair, WI	134
2. Emil Chrabaszc	z Ware, MA	306	2. Ray Boesel	Glenbeulah, WI	106
3. Frank Gallo	Cranston, RI	288	3. Wally Miskowic	New Brighton, MN	
4. Joan Thibodeau	Billingham, MA	275	4. Scott Kooistra	Yankton, SD	ιć
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Consolation		MP	Consolation		MP
1. Roy Correa	Barrington, RI	109	I. Lew Foss	Minneapolis, MN	56
2. Debbie Logee	Gloucester, RI	95	2. R. Michaelis	Marinette, ŴI	42
3. Bill Barstow	Pascoag, RI	86	3. Bob McCabe	Brown Deer, WI	33
4. Albert LaRose	Esmond, RI	80	4. Arlen Sodahl	Ames, IA	27
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MILLER LITE CLASSIC Pawtucket, Rhode Island June 11, 1989 Director: George Blessing Number of Entries: 174/94 INDEPENDENCE DAY OPEN
Reno, Nevada
June 30 - July 2, 1989
Director: Bill Irons
Number of Entries: 226/144

Main		MP	Main		MP
T. Paul Petit	Pawtucket, RI	214	T. Pamela White	Englewood, CO	266
2. Al Charlebois	Pawtucket, RI	186	Pete Paradis	S. Maria, ĆA	238
3. Jim Ready	Stoughton, MA	168	3. Iris Fuller	Denver, CO	220
4. Maurice Ramsey	Avon, MA	155	4. Syd Barlows	S. Rosa, CA	207
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1. Tony Newsome	Framingham, MA	MP 67	I. G. Petievich	Nevada City, CA	<u>MP</u> 92
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The first gathering was a trial run to see how much interest there was and to come up with a workable format. It was such an enjoyable success that we decided to make it a permanent part of summer cribbage in Oregon.

Each club that is represented chooses (by blind draw) a number of players equal to the club with the fewest members present. These teams' scores from the qualifying round on Saturday determine the winners of the challenge. The victorious club gets to take possession of the beautiful travelling trophy board that Bill Dunn generously created for the event. They also earn the privilege of being the host club for the next year's outing.

Officially, the activities are planned to

run from Friday through Sunday, but there are always those of us who arrive by Thursday and can't be chased off before Monday. Friday and Saturday nights' events have featured singles. doubles, liar's crib, cribbage-to-lose; and this year we were introduced to a great new variation. Quadro-crib. The 10 or 12 game qualifier is played midday Saturday and is followed by a potluck dinner. The food alone is reason enough to return each year ... what a feast! The playoffs and consolation continue on Sunday. The host club provides trophy boards for the champion and consolation champion and usually gag awards for the other events. Entry fees are kept minimal to accommodate the families, and beefier Q-pools and jackpot pools are optional for the big spenders.

Host clubs have included Crook County #14 of Prineville (1985), Oregon's First #2 of Hermiston (1986), Baker #15 of Baker (1987), Oregon's Best #12 of Redmond (1988), and this year's champs, Lakeview #66.

As other states gain more Grass Roots clubs, they might want to consider trying this sort of a challenge. We in Oregon can highly recommend it.

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West Covina Elks Lodge, 841 West Merced Avenue, West Covina, California, and Barranca School, 727 Barranca Avenue, Covina, California. Entry fee: \$67. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation. Contact: Ron Guidotti, 1336 Sherwood, West Covina, CA 91790, 818-331-0354.

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.

<u>September 15-17, Gold Coast Classic V</u> 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.

September 16-17, The Colorado Open

The China Doll Restaurant, 2045 Clinton Street, Aurora, Colorado. Entry fee: \$31.50. Coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Consolation, Sunday Doubles. Contact: Iris Fuller, 8346 East Girard Avenue, Denver, CO 80231, 303-695-8285.

September 22-24, ACC Grand National Tournament Crook County Fairgrounds, South Main Street, Prineville, Oregon. Entry fee: \$40. Friday Early Bird, Q-Pools, Consolation, Last Chance. Contact: Joe Nelson, P.O. Box 706, Prineville, OR 97754, 503-447-1548.

September 24, Hawaii Fall Tournament

Fort Shafter Officers Club, Fort Shafter, Hawaii. Entry fee: \$30. Coffee, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation. Contact: Jerry Price, 45-463 Nakuluai Street, Kaneohe, HI 96744, 808-247-

3754.

September 30, Wine Valley Tournament VIII

Napa Town & Country Fairgrounds, 575 Third Street, Napa, California. Entry fee: \$60. Friday Night Doubles, coffee, lunch, wine tasting, dinner. Contact: Jack Monroe, 811 Jefferson Street, Napa, CA 94559, 707-253-2020 (Charity: Rotary Community Project Fund).

October 6-7, Pacific Coast Championship

American Legion Post #591, 1000 Playa Avenua, Seaside, California. Entry fee: \$50. Friday Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation, light lunch, Saturday Night Special. Contact: Larry Good, 1893 Waring Street, Seaside, CA 93955, 408-394-4639.

October 6-8, Capitol City Classic Salem Elks Lodge #336, 680 State Street, Salem, Oregon. Entry fee: \$31.50. Friday Night Doubles & High Rollers, coffee, Q-Pools, Consolation. Contact: Fabian A. Nelson, 710 Meadowlawn Drive SE, Salem, OR 97301. 503-364-6418 (Charity: Elks Eye Bank).

October 6-8, Montana Championship

Quality Inn, 1609 West Broadway, Missoula, Montana. Entry fee: \$35. Early Bird Doubles, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance. Contact: DeLynn Colvert, Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806, 406-543-6855.

THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

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 14-15, West Bend Classic Fantasy Suite Hotel, 2520 W. Washington Street, West Bend, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$37. Friday Early Bird, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation. Contact: Gene Biegler, P.O. Box 862, West Bend, WI 53095, 414-334-2980.

October 21-22, Vermont Open Tournament VI Holiday Inn, Exit 14E Interstate 89, South Burlington, Vermont. Entry fee: \$38. Saturday Night Doubles and High Rollers Singles, coffee, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation. Contact: Fred McGibney, 175 Hinesburg Road, South Burlington, VT 05403, 802-865-1976.

October 21-22, Midwest Double Elimination Tournament
Alonzo Cudworth American Legion Post #23, 1756 North Prospect, Milwaukee,
Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$100. Entry limit: 128. Saturday coffee, All Match
Play, Consolation, Q-Pool.

Contact: Martha Fingleton, 1526 N. Jackson Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202, 414-272-8778.

October 27-28, Feather River Open Eagle's Lodge, 2010 Montgomery Street, Oroville, California. Entry fee: \$37.50. Friday Night Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, lunch, Consolation. Contact: John Mathews, 3456 Charlene Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966, 916-533-7793.

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.

October 28-29, Idaho State Championship
Turf Club, Cedar Street, Wallace, ID. Entry fee: \$37. Early Bird, Q-Pools,
Saturday Night Special, Consolation.
Contact: Roy Carlson, 523 Cedar Street, Wallace, ID 83873, 208-556-6371.

ON MUGGINS AGAIN

"To mug or not to mug" revisited, reference "Thoughts on Muggins" in CRIB-BAGE WORLD of March 1988, page 8. Hey, we can have it both ways!

It seems that among some folks the subject of muggins is as important as "Sex Between Consenting Adults." For those folks, for those of us who just like the challenge of muggins, and for those folks who don't want muggins at all—there should be a way to play in the same cribbage tournaments—and there is!

Although all of the folks who would like to play muggins in tournaments are skilled players (or think they are), the reverse does not follow. Along with the newcomers and the less skilled players who are opposed to muggins, there are numerous players who are, in fact, highly skilled but just don't like muggins.

Many, many times I have heard advocates of muggins profess the following and, truly, I believe them: "We don't want to take advantage of less skilled players, we just enjoy muggins." So here's a way to keep everyone happy! Before tournament play starts, each player will print in large letters on the back of his/her scorecard "Yes" or "No." Then before each game or match starts, a person with "No" on his/her card will show it to the opponent and will announce "No muggins." However, if both players show "Yes" on their cards, they announce "We will play muggins." Thus, we who desire to play muggins will have that opportunity as we meet other

"Yes" muggins players during the tournament, and we won't be feeling upset or guilty about taking advantage of the less skilled players (or forcing muggins on those skilled players who just don't enjoy it).

Let's all push for "Muggins Between Consenting Adults." (My apologies to non-adults who do enjoy muggins.

Ken Camb Modoc, Sc

Editor's Note:

Although the above article by Ken Cambell was dated I April 1989, it didn't reach my desk until 8 August. We don't know if old Ken is serious or not!!

LETTER TO CRIBBAGE WORLD

I was reading the 10th anniversary CRIB-BAGE WORLD. I have been a member from 1984. I would like to know how many 29 hands have been played in the ACC over the ten years. Also, has any one player had more than one, and is there a 29 group or club? I would also like to know the odds of getting a 29.

Thanks for taking time to read my letter. 15-2 to you and all our friends in the ACC.

Clyde Hickey Springfield, OR

Editor's Note: 29 hand odds are 216,580/1.

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LIZARRIBAR WINS

NATIONAL OPEN

Luis Lizarribar, recently of Martinez, Georgia, and now residing in Baldwin, Missouri, took top place over William Bright of Virginia Beach, Virginia, at the 16th Annual National Open in Raleigh, lorth Carolina, on Monday, July 30.

Luis, who is retired, and his wife Delia moved to their St. Louis suburb at the insistence of one of their sons. Luis stated he is enjoying his grandchildren but must now learn the Tournament Trail all over again. "I must now travel many more miles to make tournaments in the Midwest, although on the plus side there are many more of them!"

The third and fourth place finishers in the Championship Tournament were Joe Bernard, Libertyville, Illinois, and Zeke Veradt of Taunton, Massachusetts.

THE WEST BEND CLASSIC

Gene Biegler's "The Biggest Little One-Day Tournament" will be held this year in West Bend, Wisconsin, on October 14-15. There will be an array of special awards such as "Early Entry Drawing" and games awards. Gene says, "Send entries in by September 15, and you may be a lucky one." The Saturday Night Special, \$50 event, is limited to 72 persons and can be entered by advance entry only. (See Tournament Trail for further information.)

TWO BY SIX

It's not too uncommon for two cribbage players to hold identical hands. It happened to me while playing Jesse Jarrell in a tournament at Hermiston this spring (we each held 3-3-4-5, and it cost me the game after Jesse played the fourth three! It was terrible -- but that's another story.).

In the game at hand, Phyllis Daily and Dot Mickow were playing Grass Roots on Saturday, July 22, with Oregon's Finest #28 in Wilsonville. After the play they were surprised to see that they each held 1-5-6-9. They weren't suited, of course, but there was another surprise in Phyllis' crib.

I was playing next to Phyllis, so I know this is true. She turned over a pair of threes and a pair of eights. You guessed it. They had each discarded 3-8. They had been dealt six identical cards, then discarded the identical two crib cards!

Now, what are the odds of that happening? Does anyone know?

Harry Kantas, Statistician Grass Roots Region II Sherwood, OR

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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CRIBBAGE CORNER PEGGING POINTERS Dan Barlow

Here's the hand that sent me from fifth place to eighth place in the Losers Losers Tournament at the National Open this year (by the way, can't someone come up with a better name for this tournament -- say, Raleigh's Renowned Round Robin Regatta -- nah, it would cost too much to engrave the winner's plaque).

I need eleven holes; my opponent needs nine. I save 5-9-10-J of hearts. I have first count and I feel great, because I don't even need a cut. I feel even better when the cut isn't a Jack. I lead my 10 and opponent scores 15-2. I play the Jack, and she gets a Go with her 4. Now I play my 9, and she scores another 15-2. My 5 makes the count 20, and she has a 7 for a run of three plus a Go. She pegs out. Stunned, I toss my lucky pegs into the trash.

But, of course, it wasn't bad luck that cost me the game. Holding 5-9, with my opponent needing to peg six more holes, I should have led the 5. There are no two cards in the deck that would allow her to peg six holes, had I played the 5. By playing the 9, I allowed her to win if she held 6-7 or 6-4.

For some of you, this is a lesson in pegging strategy. Figure out the worst that can happen, and play to avoid it.

For the rest of you, including myself, the lesson is — it's not over till it's over, so stay on your toes until your peg is in the game hole.

The high costs of travel prevent many players from attending distant tour ments. With Grass Roots clubs get underway, here's an idea that might help a few of these players. Hold an optional \$5/week contest among regulars. At the end of the year, the player with the highest winning percentage gets a free trip to the National Open or the Grand National. In clubs with a lot of interest. the top three players could get a trip to the Team Championship. Players contribute only their first 7 weeks of each 12week period and must play at least 7 weeks of each 12, thereby keeping contributions equal among participants. Wouldn't it be great if a player representing your Grass Roots club won a prestigious national tournament?

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1. Opponent deals and you save A-6-7-8. The play proceeds as follows:

<u>You</u>	Opponent
8	Q (18)
7 (25)	5 (30)
A (31-2)	J
6 (16)	K (26-1)

2. Opponent deals and you save 2-6-7-8. The play proceeds as follows:

Opponen:		
8)		
9)		
7-1)		

Perhaps you made the correct play on each of these hands by accident, but more likely you were practicing the highly valuable strategy of assuming that your opponent had three face cards and a 5. With 16 face cards available and four 5s to go with them, what else would your opponent save?

Here are other plays you make, all because your opponent always has face cards and 5s. Holding 6-7-8-8:

You	Opponent
8	Q (18)
7! (25)	

Don't play the 8, making the count 26. Remember, opponent has a 5. In this next example, opponent needs eleven holes to escape a skunk; you hold 3-4-5-7, and the cut is an 8.

Opponent	You
Q	7! (17)
J (27)	4 (31-2)
K	3! (13)
5 (18)	5 (23-3)

Take either opportunity to score 15-2 and opponent escapes.

Granted, this strategy may not pay off if opponent isn't holding faces and 5s. It may even backfire. But if you aren't using this strategy, you're showing your inexperience. This stuff works; it works often; and there's nothing difficult about it. LISTEN CLOSELY, BEGINNERS: If opponent's first card is a face card, base your play on the assumption that he/she has faces and 5s. If you aren't pleasantly surprised at how frequently you gain holes with this strategy, I'll eat this issue of CRIBBAGE WORLD. In the privacy of my home.

Dan Barlow is author of Miracles on 4th Street, \$7.50 postpaid, 4114 Livingstone Place, Durham, NC 27707.

DOWN THE ROAD

Fayetteville Classic (NC)	Nov. 3-5
Bay Area Championship (CA)	Nov. 4
Dante Club Tournament (MA)	Nov. 5
Great Plains Classic (NE)	Nov. 5
Veteran's Day Classic (NV)	Nov. 10-12
Polish Open (WI)	Nov. 10-12
Florida Öpen	Nov. 17-19
Colorado Championship	Nov. 18-19
Jersey Jaunt (NJ)	Nov. 19
Connecticut Yankee	Dec. 2

Rocky Mtn. Championship (CO)
Super Lite Classic (MA)
Jan. 21
Tournament of Champions (NV)
Feb. 2
(by invitation only)
ACC Open
Great Plains Classic (NE)
Palmetto Classic (FL)
Feb. 23-25

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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 ALASKA
- 2 INDEPENDENCE DAY
- 3 LEWIS AND CLARK
- 4 MILLER LITE
- 5 RHODE ISLAND

EASTERN REGION AUG 15, 1989

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		•		POINTS
	NAME	CITY	ST	YEAR
1	PETIT, PAUL	PAWTUCKET	RI	969
2	WEBB, GEORGE	AVON	MA	944
3	NORRIS, LEE	N. KINGSTON	RI	910
4	CHRISTIANSEN, DWIGHT	STRATFORD	CT	795
5	VETTERLINE, KEN	BAR MILL	ME	682
6	CHRABASZCZ, EMIL	WARE	MA	458
フ	FRIETS, NEAL	KEENE	NH	654
	MOLLOY, HARRY	MILFORD	MΑ	654
9	SAMET, LAWRENCE	WELLESLEY HILLS	MA	615
10	PALMER, HARRY	W. SPRINGFIELD	MA	611
11	ALKAS, RICHARD	MANCHESTER	CT	591
12	GALVIN, BRENDA	SPRINGFIELD	MA	575
13	KING, KENNETH	READING	MA	538
14	MARTIN, ARTHUR	NORTHBORD	MA	534
15	DONOVAN, DAVE	ALBANY	NY	523
16	MILLER, ALBERT	NASHUA	NH	519
17	REDDY, FRANK	SWAMPSCOTT	MA	492
18	CUMMINGS, FRANCIS	CHELMSFORD	MA	479
19	BICKFORD, GEORGE	E. LONGMEADOW	MA	472
20	CHARLEBOIS, AL	PAWTUCKET	RI	452
21	TUCCI, PAT	SACO	ME	423
22	GUDAUSKAS, WILLIAM	ROCKVILLE	CT	401
23	GOMBATZ, ROBERT	RALEIGH	NC	395
24	PROCTOR, DAVID	E. LONGMEADOW	MA	384
25	FORCZYK, STANLEY	FALL RIVER	MA	374
		16		

CENTRAL REGION AUG 15, 1989

				POINTS
	NAME	CITY	ST	YEAR
1	KLIORA, TEĎ	WAUKEGAN	ΙL	1225
2	KOOISTRA, SCOTT	YANKTON	SD	1087
3	LADISH, LEE	MILWAUKEE	WI	1065
4	MICHAELIS, BOB	MARINETTE	WI	973
5	ROBERTS, EARL	SUPERIOR	WI	928
6	SONDERICKER, WARREN	GREENFIELD	ИI	845
7	TOLL, DUANE	MILWAUKEE	WI	828
8	MAHAN, JIM	ROBBINSDALE	MN	732
9	KRAFT, LLOYD	SEYMOUR	WI	722
10	BOESEL, RAY	GLENBEULAH	WI	678
11	CLARK, JEFF	ANTIOCH	ΙĻ	695
12	LIZARRIBAR, LUIS	BALDWIN	MO	693
13	FINGLETON, MARTHA	MILWAUKEE	_	577
	BERNARD, JOE	LIBERTYVILLE	ΙL	641
15	BARRETT, PATRICK	WISCONSIN RAPIDS	WI	640
16	CONNER, DORIS	MILWAUKEE	WI	631
17	RAILSBACK, BUZZ	SYRACUSE	NE	607
18	CHOWANEC, WALT	MILWAUKEE	WI	589
19	CAPODAGLI, KEN	BENSENVILLE		584
20	MOMSEN, PETE	MILWAUKEE	WI	583
21	LULINSKI, SYL	LAGRANGE PARK	ΙL	544
22	SCHWARTZ, CARL	GREENFIELD	IΑ	534
	HANES, BOB	ANKENY	IΑ	
24	LOCHNER, WILLIAM	WAUSAU	WI	513
25	DEEDS, BOB	ELGIN	ΙL	507
	REIN, JOAN	CARVER	MN	507

WESTERN REGION AUG 15, 1989

				POINTS
	NAME	CITY	ST	YEAR
1	REYNOLDS, BUTCH	SANTA MARIA	CA	1322
2	JARRELL, JESSE	PITTSBURG	CA	1238
3	COLVERT, DELYNN	MISSOULA	MT	1159
	COFFEY, PAT	CONCORD	CA	996
5	FULLER, IRIS	AURORA	CO	851
6	REYNOLDS, STEVE	CONCORD	CA	816
7	BECKER, BILL	BEND	OR	792
8	GOOD, LARRY	SEASIDE	CA	781
	MOTLEY, GARY	GRESHAM	OR	756
10	SCHILE, GEORGE	TACOMA	WA	738
11	JARRELL, SUNDAE	PITTSBURG	CA	725
12	FORBES, BRUCE	PARADISE	CA	685
13	STOKES, PLUMAS	QUINCY	CA	658
14	SCHIFFMAN, MORRIS	PORTLAND	OR	638
15	BALOWS, SYD	SANTA ROSA	CA	634
	HANES, RAY	WALLA WALLA	WA	597
17	KAWIAKA, JOSEPH	SAN LORENZO	CA	583
18	BROWN, DOUG	PASCO	WA	567
19	JOHNSON, GIL	SPOKANE	WA	563
20	MCCALLUM, WALTER	YOUNTVILLE	CA	552
21	EHRICH, KENNETH	MORRISON	CO	543
22	ALDERMAN, ARLEN	REDMOND	OR	536
23	BROWN, RICHARD	IONE	CA	514
24	LABRASSEUR, PAT	ALBANY	OR	512
25	MESSNER, LOUIS	SAN PEDRO 17	CA	504

SYNOPSIS OF ACC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Raleigh, North Carolina Friday, July 28, 1989

Meeting called to order at 11:15 a.m. with 25 Directors present, 5 absent, numerous visitors in attendance. Those absent were: Brandon, Dinwoodie, J. Nelson, Palmer and Reid.

Minutes of Reno, Nevada, meeting of January 26, 1989, approved as written.

Treasurer Fred McGibney presented financial report for the past year, July 1, 1988-June 30, 1989, showing a net income of \$5,462.82. Although actual income of \$45,430.92 was \$1,769 less than anticipated, reduced spending saw expenses kept to \$39,968.15, over \$5,000 less than budgeted. Postponement of an estimated \$3,500 for printing new rule-books accounted for most of the difference. Approved.

McGibney also presented a proposed \$47,350 budget for the coming 1989-1990 fiscal year, predicting a \$2,560 loss due to an expected \$5,000 expenditure for new rulebooks. Approved.

Directors heard an update on the 8th annual Grand National Cribbage Tournament and Awards Banquet to be held at Prineville, Oregon, on September 22-24, 1989.

A list of 10 former ACC members who have been barred from sanctioned tournaments and membership was distributed by Ev Bey, VP-Policy, with Board members to disseminate this information to tournament directors in their area.

Jeff Monroe reported that invitations had been extended to other Reno casinos to bid for the Tournament of Champions. The 1990 T/C and ACC Open will be held at the Sands Regent Hotel, Reno, Nevada, February 2-4, 1990, with the Board of Directors holding its meeting on Thursday, February 1, 1990, at the Sands.

Final approval was given by unanimous vote for the long-awaited revised rules. Printing of the new rulebooks will be supervised by Bey, with final proofreading by Dick Cornwell, chairman of the Rules Committee.

Upon recommendation of Membership Secretary Jeff Monroe, the Board voted to eliminate the Guy Pence Award (for membership recruitment), effective new year. Monroe received various nomitions for this year's award and will designate the recipient(s) for presentation of the award(s) at this year's Awards Banquet in Prineville, Oregon.

Scott Kooistra presented information furnished by Tournament Director Larry Loupee on the 1990 Grand National to be held September 21-23, 1990, at the Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa.

Considering a previous proposal to create the position of honorary director or director emeritus, the Board instead decided to make its own annual presentation of a Directors' Award "for unselfish and distinguished service to the ACC."

The meeting was interrupted to partake of a luncheon hosted by Nick Pond, National Open Tournament Director.

Conducting its annual 10 ballots for the ACC Hall of Fame, the Board voted honors to Syl Lulinski, DeLynn Colvert and Nelson Pendergast.

Preliminary text of the ACC history being written by Ken Cambell was reviewed by co-chairman Jim Arblaster. They asked that additional information be supplied to them before October 1, their deadline for completion of the first chapters.

Tournament chairwoman Joan Rein sugested changes in the criteria for invitions to the Tournament of Champions for 1991 and the following were approved: Invitees must be members of the ACC in order to play in the tournament; a one-year invitation for winners of consolation events (of 40-player mini-

mum). No decision was made on deleting the invitations to the top 25 players of the Rhode Island Cribbage Association pending further discussions with coordinator Joe Ramos. The Board also deleted an automatic invitation for ACC Directors and former Directors.

Bey presented Testing Examiner Frank Zabrowski's report on the ACC judges' testing program, which shows 4.1% (217) of our members having been approved as judges. California and Oregon lead with 40 and 33 members qualified as judges, respectively. Zabrowski's goal is to see 5% of each state's ACC members certified under this program.

Dick and Mary Cornwell, Sunnyvale, California, were elected Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage for 1989. They were chosen by West Region directors to represent that area in the Board competition. Runners-up were Jeff and Jackie Shimp, Allegan, Michigan, representing the Central Region, and Al and Anne Dinwoodie, Slocum, Rhode Island, representing the East Region. Directors Liz Brandon, Bob Madsen and Bob Plourde were in charge of the election.

President Joe Wergin reported on publicity and promotion efforts; that a California software company was reprinting 60,000 of our new ACC brochures for distribution with its product.

At Bob Julian's suggestion, the Board voted to switch the Hall of Fame voting in the future to the Directors meeting held in conjunction with the Grand National Tournament in order to conserve time at the Annual Meeting.

Postponed action on Kooistra's recommendations for tournament requirements and guidelines until the September Board meeting at Prineville. Further considertion for one-day tournaments was equested, as well as samples of tournament application forms by D. Munroe. A subcommittee on one-day tournaments will be appointed by VP-Policy Ev Bey to augment Kooistra's committee.

A revised schedule of Master Points ratings was presented by Larry Samet, chairman of that committee. The new system would have tournament directors refer to a set of numerical tables based on the size of their tournament when determining the amount of Master Points to award each contestant. Statistics Secretary Bob McCabe volunteered to refigure the 1988-89 tournament results based on the new charts and provide that comparative information to the Board for its decision at the February 1990 meeting in Reno, Nevada.

Bey distributed a report showing results of a preliminary survey he had conducted on regionalization of the ACC. His questionnaire included 15 points and was answered by a dozen Directors. This will be used as the basis for a study to be undertaken by a committee to be named at the September Board meeting in Prineville.

Membership Secretary Jeff Monroe reported that paid membership totals 4,960, but it is "clean" (paid up) and delinquents have been dropped.

Tournament Commissioner Syl Lulinski was given authority to deny sanctioning for tournaments that are conducted differently than defined by their original sanction request. He also reported that the number of sanctioned tournaments is increasing (now at about 100 annually) and that the number of participants is also growing.

Jerry Dickinson, Grass Roots Commissioner, gave an oral report on the progress and growth of this program.

Tentative approval was given to an invitation to host the 1992 Grand National at Green Bay, Wisconsin.

In closing, Executive VP Lulinski thanked Directors who are retiring from the Board for their past service, singling out VP-Operations Harry Palmer for special mention. (Dale Munroe announced his candidacy to succeed Palmer in the VP-Operations position.)

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held preceding the Grand National Tournament in Prineville, Oregon, on Friday, September 22, 1989, 1 p.m.

Adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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