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256 In Raleigh Setian Tops National Open

Peter Setian, after finishing 4th at the previous week's Westiside Summer Sizzler in West Springfield, MA, came to Raleigh for the 23rd Annual National Open and took home the Championship. This Ludlow, MA pegger earned a \$2,750 purse, in addition to 256 MRP's plus additional qualifying points.

Another New Englander...Phil Martin from East Hartford...nailed 2nd and took home a nice \$1,400. Bobby Stuart, a tournament director from Lawrenceville, GA, finished 3rd (and \$950). But the big story of the playoffs belonged to Jeff Monroe, the Napa, CA pegger who has been burning up the track all summer. If Monroe could finish 1st or 2nd he would be the ACC's 1996 National Champion. National Champion Bob Julian, Milwaukee, was nervously watching Monroe's match with Stuart, and the 4-3 finish in favor of Stuart was a match he will not soon forget. In finishing 4th Monroe finished the season a solid 2nd, missing the title by a scant 10 MRP's. (See story inside about the National MRP race).

Awards
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186 peggers played the Consolation, and Ralph Ardito (Reston, VA) came away the winner, followed by another Virginian in 2nd...Sidney Weinberg (Fairfax). Mary Herrmann is a tournament director from California (Alamo) and she paid for her trip to North Carolina by finishing 3rd. J. D. Denny, Smyrna, GA nailed 4th.

The National Open sports many satellite events, with the weekend action beginning with a Friday Early Bird. Larry Phifer, a local pegger, picked up a nifty \$960 in topping the 196 entrants. Saturday night had a Special event (90 peggers) and Jim Ready, Stoughton, MA came away the winner. On Sunday, a Losers Losers event was played and Bill Kraatz,, a pegger from Niagara Falls, NY took home the marbles. Monday's action had two satellite events on tap...a Last Roundup (won by Phifer, copping an amazing two events in three days) and a High Roller (won by Dave Ritchey, Orange City,FL).

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The President's Column

Everett "Ev" Bey

Keeping Up The Pace

Ordinarily, we expect tournament and Grass Roots players to complete each game within a 15-minute time period.

We were astounded to learn that the recent Menominee, WI Casino Open saw play averaging 12 1/2 minutes per game during the entire 22-game qualifying round. This speed was maintained even with 190 cribbers participating!

Those Badgers really know how to pick 'em up and lay 'em down!

Along with speedy play, there are a few common courtesies that tournament participants should expect.

There's no penalty exacted for non-observance of certain courtesy suggestions, but they do enhance the routine play of the game.

Little things...like the pone depositing his/her two cast-off cards into the crib first. This gives the dealer a bit more time to consider his crib discards since he was previously occupied with dealing.

This simple procedure also clarifies the placement of the crib, preventing the switch of the crib, either by inadvertance or intent.

Placing the remaining deck to be cut on the dealer's side of the board...rather than in "no man's land" atop the board...also makes sure that the dealer's crib will not be stolen.

Of course, we're all familiar with the rule which states that once the discards are in the

crib they cannot be retrieved for a second look or possible change.

Finally, the pone should not touch the deck or cut the turn-card until the dealer has discarded into the crib...no pawing, straightening or riffling the deck in preparation for this important maneuver!

It looks like we have a basis for agreement on the proposed new Master Point system. Proponents and opponents got together at the National Open in Raleigh, N. C. and came up with a compromise formula that is expected to be confirmed by the Board of Directors at its annual meeting later this month at the Napa (CA) Grand National XV. If adopted, it will go into effect as of August 1, 1996...all tournament results for the first two months of the new rating year being held in abeyance by Statistician Bob McCabe until this matter is resolved.

Fairness and equity should be the criteria for approval.

Also at Napa, the 25-person Board of Directors will elect its officers for the coming year. To facilitate this process, I have appointed Ron Hamilton as chairman, along with Jim Ready and Ron Morgan, to comprise the nominating committee. Any Directors desiring to run for one of the five Executive Committee offices is asked to contact them.

See you in Napa September 27-28-29.

Keep peggin'.....Eu Bey

Setian Tops National Open

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This event was the last sanctioned tournament of the 1966 season, and almost all the MRP frontrunners were on hand to make one last effort to earn honors for the year. Only Jeff Monroe (4th) and Paul Hatcher (Salem, OR) moved up in the point standings. Monroe moved into 2nd with his finish, and Hatcher finished 9-16 in the Consolation, earning sufficient MRP's to finish in the Top-Ten...and All-American honors. Brian Heroux (RI) and Darren Black (OR) came within shouting distance of earning additional MRP's, but fell a match short. However, both players earned All-American.

With the seven events, the cash payouts to the players was a whopping \$44,547. In the 23year history of the National Open some \$566,000 has been distributed to the winning players. This year's championship event paid out \$18,850 to 64 winners (and 58 Q winners).

Players attending this prestigious event came from 33 states (and Canada), and were once again treated to a well-run tournament. The Hilton Hotel is a handsome playing site, and players had elbow-room to spare. Directors Catherine Perkins, Russ Perkins, Tom Miller, Howard Baum, and Bob Gombatz had all events on schedule...continuing Nick Pond's legacy of strict punctuality.

Volunteers aided the directors in many ways, and special thanks should be given to Scott Kooistra (chief judge), George Bickford, Paul Barnes, J. J. Gella, Ray Boesel, Jeff Shimp, and Lynda Baum, all of whom volunteered their time to aid the smooth-running tournament.

Ed Horigan Earns President's Award

Ed Horigan, Virginia Beach, VA, recently earned his Grand Master, but more importantly for the ACC, he has devised a new Master Rating Point system...a system that awards points on performance, regardless of the size of the tournament.

For this effort, President Ev Bey has awarded Horigan the President's Award for the 1996 season. This award will be presented to Horigan at the Grand National XV's Awards Banquet in Napa, CA on September 28.

Roy Hofbauer Stuck On 26...And 5,996

Roy Hofbauer, Washougal, WA needs but a scant 4 MRP's to earn his Life Master. But for the past few months, in tournament after tournament, he scores 26 GP's in the qualifying round. One game short! The cribbage gods have treated several players in this manner in the past. A handful of MRP's can be so tantalizing! CW bets the 1997 season will be kinder to Hofbauer.

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Bob Julian Earns 2nd National Championship

Bob Julian, the Milwaukee King, has earned yet another National Championship as he racked up another whopping 1,638 Master rating Points for the 1996 season. Julian, one of the ACC's most dedicated peggers, played in 36 sanctioned events from coast to coast this past year, and his perserverance paid off with the championship. He also won the title in 1994.

A late-season swing through Oregon and Washington earned just enough MRP's to hold off a hard-charging Jeff Monroe, Napa, CA, who narrowly missed the title, finishing with 1,628 MRP's...a scant 10 MRP's short! Julian won the Oregon Coast Classic In May, and finished 2nd at the Greater Spokane Open and Lake Tahoe Classic to hold his lead.

Monroe finished 4th at the National Open to almost take the title (2nd place would have earned sufficient MRP's). He lost 4-3 to Bobby Stuart (GA) in the 3-4 match.

Brian Heroux (RI), DeLynn Colvert (MT), and Darren Black (OR) all had a shot at the title, but this trio, despite good starts at the National Open, all lost before any MRP's were earned.

Two Central Region players finished the season in 6th and 7th...and both are perennnial winners. Jim McManus, Milwaukee, picked up 1,399 MRP's to take 6th, and Joe Bernard nailed 1,283 to finish 7th. Bernard is a One-Star player, and McManus is but an eyelash behind.

Two Eastern Region players finished 8th and 9th. Bob Gombatz (NC) steadily piled up points at virtually every stop this past season to finish with 1,230 MRP's. Brenda Palmer (MA) started the season with a rush...and with a mid-season slump dropped back. However, a fast finish in July netted Palmer 1,175...and 9th place.

Paul Hatcher (OR) drove some 3,300 (one way) to Raleigh in one last effort to earn a top ten spot...and he barely made the grade. His last gasp was the Consolation and he needed a 9-16 finish to make top ten...and he did just that! He rounded off the All-American team with 1,156 MRP's.

All-American Team - 1996

- 1 1,638 Robert Julian, Milwaukee, Wisconsin*
- 2 1,628 Jeff Monroe, Napa, California
- 3 1,545 Brian Heroux, Woonsocket, Rhode Island
- 4 1,507 DeLynn Colvert, Missoula, Montana
- 5 1,484 Darren Black, Portland, Oregon
- 6 1,399 Jim McManus, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 7 1,283 Joe Bernard, Libertyville, Illinois
- 8 1,230 Bob Gombatz, Raleigh, North Carolina
- 9 1,175 Brenda Palmer, West Springfield, Massachusetts
- 10 1,156 Paul Hatcher, Salem, Oregon

*Captain



Bernie Nelson Earns Grand Master

Jeff Monroe Continues Roll, Cops Portland Summer Open

Jeff Monroe, Napa, CA, after nearly winning the National Open a week earlier, came on to take home the marbles at the 171-pegger Portland Summer Open. His play this past summer has been astounding. He began his streak by winning the huge World Championship (372 players) in Quincy, CA in May, and continues to burn up the track. Not only did he capture the Portland Championship, he also ran the table in the Friday High Roller to complete a sweep for the weekend's play. And he begins the new cribbage year as the national point leader, as this event kicks off the new season.

Darrel Miotke, Sublimity, OR, finished 2nd as this two-time All-American player also begins the new season on a high note.

Veteran pegger Bernie Nelson, Pacific City, OR finished 3rd and this high finish earned Nelson the ACC's 64th Grand Master. Bernie is also a co-director of the popular Oregon Coast Classic, played every May in Lincoln City, OR.

Debbie Gangle, Albany, OR, had a great weekend as she very nearly took it all, but had to settle for 4th.

For one brief moment, William O'Malley (Salem, OR) was the national MRP leader for the new season as he posted the highest score on Saturday (37 17 + 236).

In the 114-pegger Consolation, Jason Shumate (CA) came away the winner, followed by David Gilkeson (OR), Leslie Hein (WA), and Eugene Wilkerson (OR) in 2-3-4.

And the first 29-hand of the new year belongs to Leslie Hein, Washougal, WA. She nailed this \$100 gem in the Consolation on Sunday enroute to her 3rd place finish.

The Satellites:

Friday Early Bird: Walt Christenbury (WA) Doubles: Dave and Bryant Gilkeson (OR) High Roller: Jeff Monroe (CA) Saturday Night: Donna Hassett (OR) Cry Baby: Lonnie Bussert (WA)

Director Dot Mickow and crew kicked off the new season in grand style, attested to by yet another fine crowd. The new playing site at Howard Johnson's was more than adequate and should prove to be an asset to tournament cribbage.

Clever "Packing Wood" Trick

At one of Oregon's Grass Roots meets, CW's editor observed a pegger inadvertently peg 5 holes when he had earned only 4. Obviously rattled by his mistake, he quickly moved his back peg forward one hole to make the play "correct."

Did his opponent catch this trick play? No, he was busy signing autographs and was distracted from his game (Bob Julian, the ACC's 1996 National Champion from Milwaukee, WI).

In all fairness to the other player, it appeared to be an honest mistake, but his reaction was certainly amusing. CW doesn't recommend trying this trick play, as it will certainly backfire the next time it is tried. You simply move too many pegs to get away with it!

Im Memoriam

Norbert Kniech

Brown Deer, Wisconsin

BZZT! BZZT! Tournament-goers nationwide have come to know and enjoy Norb Kniech's "squawk-box" shorthand greeting, silenced by his death in Milwaukee July 27. He played extensivley in ACC tournaments, winning the Tri-Cities Open in 1983, the Lewis & Clark Consolation in 1994 and the Main in 1995, and finishing 2nd at the ACC Open in 1988. Norb was a rare competitor who could vie fiercely without acrimony and made real friends wherever he went. The ACC is a better organization because of Norb's membership, and we offer heartfelt sympathy to Knicky Kniech and all of Norb's family and friends.

Howard L. Palm

White Bear Lake, Minnesota

Howard passed away in June, a month after his last cribbage game. He was a retired railroader who played cribbage for over 60 years, including rail trips to the ACC Open in Reno. He was known for his friendliness and fairness, once having returned a first-place winner because of a scoring error.

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Brenda Palmer Nails Sizzler

Brenda Palmer, a local pegger driving hard to earn a spot on the 1996 All-American Team, nailed the Summer Sizzler in West Springfield, MA on July 21. Not only did she win the championship, she also qualified 2nd and picked up a sizeable 184 MRP's in this 121-pegger event. Her 1996 MRP totals have topped the 1,100 mark and it appears that she will earn a top-ten spot.

Brian Heroux, Woonsocket, RI is also on track for his 2nd consecutive All-American award, and by qualifying 11th and finishing 9-16, is a cinch to earn a top-ten spot.

Dave Ritchey, Orange City, FL, finished 2nd and topped the 500 MRP mark for the season as this Master pegger finished yet another fine season. Bill Packard, N. Attleboro, MA, nailed 3rd, followed by Peter Setian, Ludlow, MA, in 4th. Setian followed this warm-up by winning the National Open in Raleigh the next weekend.

Tournament Director Harry Palmer took top honors in the qualifying round, giving the local Palmer duo a great weekend of pegging.

74 peggers played the Consolation and George Chase (RI) took home the bacon, followed by Jim Clemmey (MA), Chester Holvbecki (FL) and Lou Petosa (CT) in 2-3-4.

A highlight of the tournament was the ACC's 19th (and final) 29-hand of the 1996 season. This gem was scored by Ken Vetterline, Bar Mills, ME. His \$100 will be added to the other 18 lucky peggers who received this amount, making the total ACC outlay for these perfect hands a cool \$1,900 for the 1996 season.

Ray Poirier Tops Maine Open

With a record 134 peggers in attendance, Ray Poirier from Hobe Sound, FL came away the winner, taking home a sizeable award and some 140 MRP's.

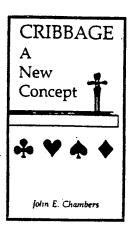
Reggie Toussaint (NH) came close and took 2nd, followed by Grand Master Brian Heroux (RI) in 3rd...and another 122 MRP's to add to his lofty 1996 total. Mary Satula (RI) copped 4th.

Grand Master David Clemmey (MA) took qualifying honors, with George Bickford (MA) close behind. Bickford is also a Grand Master.

Newly crowned Grand Master Lee Norris (RI) nailed the 70-pegger Consolation, followed by Ron Nelson (RI), Russ Fisher (FL) and John Groz (FL). Groz is a newly crowned Master pegger.

Ed Walsh (ME), George Bickford (MA), and Ward Webber (ME) nailed 28-hands, but no 29's showed.

Dennis and Sue Cousens hosted a recordbreaking tournament, with players coming from far and wide to participate. The Cousen's plan on renewing this event again next July 13. Mark your calendars.



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Helen Bolstad Devil Mountain Champ

Helen Bolstad from nearby Martinez, CA nailed the Devil Mountain Cribbage Caper in Pittsburg, CA July 21. In besting the 124 peggers, Bolstad put the icing on a fine season as she rang up some 600 MRP's for the year.

Bill Wakeman (Hayward, CA) also finished the cribbage year in fine style as he came in 2nd, and he, too, scored some 800 MRP's for the year.

Helen Sontag (Vacaville, CA) brought home a 3rd place finish, followed by Bob Gillette (Rodeo, CA) in 4th.

Linda Swiontek (Santa Maria, CA) had the hot hand in the qualifying round and took honors.

Mary Ryan (San Lorenzo, CA) continues her winning ways by winning the 62-pegger Consolation. Jill Solle (San Carlos, CA) took 2nd. Solle is the pegger that nailed the \$1,100 29-hand in Reno recently. Roy Banducci (Arroyo Grande, CA) finished 3rd, followed by Bill Pope (Orangevale, CA) in 4th.

Director Mary Gladish reported that the players donated \$500 to the Moose Scholarship Fund...and that this event will be re-scheduled again next July 18-20, 1997.

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8 New Awards As Season Winds Down

Jeff Monroe Earns Life Master

Al Grantz, Helen Railsback, Brenda Palmer, Frank Trojan Earn Grand Master

Omer Bolduc, Helen Bolstad, Bill Wakeman Earn Master

As the curtain rings down on the 1996 cribbage season, 8 players have earned honors in late-season play.

Jeff Monroe, Napa, CA, finished the season in a rush, earning a whopping 800 MRP's in the last three months of the season...and easily winging it to the ACC's 21st Life Master. His MRP streak very nearly netted Monroe the National Championship, but he fell a scant 10 MRP's short.

Helen Railsback, Syracuse, NE, finished 16th (of 314 peggers) at the huge Reno summer match to earn the ACC's 64th Grand Master. Al Grantz, Kelso, WA finished 8th (of 214 peggers) in the Consolation event at this same match to earn the ACC's 65th Grand Master. Brenda Palmer, E. Springfield, MA, won the Summer Sizzler in her hometown to earn Grand Master 66. Frank Trojan, New Brighton, MN, finished 8th (of 172 peggers) in Yankton to earn Grand Master 67.

Omer Bolduc, Salinas, CA, has been knocking on the door all season for his Masters and finally picked up the needed 8 points in Reno to earn Master 287. Helen Bolstad, Martinez, CA, racked up a nifty 605 MRP's this past season, scoring at virtually every stop to earn the ACC's 288th Master. Bill Wakeman, Haywood, CA, finished 2nd (of 124 peggers) at the Devil Mountain Caper to zip to his Master rating (289).

This cribbage year has been a vintage year with a record number of players earning honors. Scott Kooistra and Joe Bernard reached the One-Star plateau, and six players earned Life Master. The ACC honored 18 new Grand Masters and a whopping 56 players earned Master. The Awards Ceremony at this year's Grand National in Napa, CA may take a few minutes longer than usual...but with the wine and cheese tasting being conducted at the same time should make for an enjoyable awards dinner.

Long Match Play Michaelis Nips Bernard

Hall 'O Famer and One-Star Mick Michaelis nipped Joe Bernard, 17-11 to advance to the final 4 bracket of the national Match Play tourney. This unique match featured two of the five One-Star players in the ACC. Michaelis hails from Marinette, WI and Bernard's hometown is Libertyville, IL.

An earlier match (9-16) saw Bernard edge Martha Fingleton, a Grand Master from Milwaukee, in one of this event's closest matches ever. This 25-game match went overtime...13 more games were played before Bernard came out on top to advance.

Other Long Match Play matches will be reported by CW when available.

Montana Offers Double-Header

Those players from the Central and Eastern Region may want to stop by Missoula, MT on the way home from Grand National XV for a little more pegging.

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This is precisely what Robert Michaelis (Life Master One-Star) of Marinette, WI accomplished over the past seven tournaments in Yankton, SD. Perhaps Director Scott Kooistra should re-name his annual affair the Lewis "Mick" Clark Classic?

This ranks for rarity with Warren Sondericker's twin wins in the Reno Wergin Open.

The editor's comments about "duplicate" cribbage is the July CW are moot. Decisions vary enormously among cribbage players, especially regarding the first pegging card, and, I might add, discarding relative to position. It might pay to throw away points which would put him/her out, in the endgame, in order to peg defensively or reduce the opponent's crib.

Russell Adams Minneapolis, MN

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Unique Cribbage Board Identified

July's CW had a rotating cribbage board that was described as designed and made in Bend, OR in the 1980's. This has been proven to be wrong. This unique board was patented on June 11, 1940 by Schuyler C. Eddy, Kalamazoo, MI and was sold under the title as a "Saves Argument" board.

CW thanks Bette Bemis and Bernie Fisher for this information. CW also comments that this board would certainly not save many arguments...and would probably start a few as the board was rortated (and the pegs falling out!). If only Mr. Eddy had thought of the "Long Board" concept...now that board saves arguments!

River Cruise In Yankton?

Two of the Central Region's better players were in Yankton, SD, for the Lewis & Clark Open, and, upon completing their qualifying round, decided to do some sightseeing in downtown Yankton.

They were walking along the town near the banks of the Missouri River when they spied a sign: "River Cruise \$25."

Mick read the sign and said to Warren "Hey, Warren, this looks like a good deal, let's give it a whirl."

Warren responded, "OK, looks good to me."

They went inside and plunked down their \$25 and the pair was escorted to the back of the building through a curtained doorway.

When they entered the back room, two big brutes whacked them over the head with a 2x4, stuffed them in rusty 55-gallon barrels, and rolled them off the back porch into the Missouri River.

After bobbing down the river for a few minutes, Mick, rubbing the lump on his head, yelled over to Warren: "Hey, Warren, this isn't such a good deal, after all. Do you suppose they will serve us lunch?"

Warren, also rubbing a lump on his head, replied: "No, I don't think so...they didn't last time!"

Now, A True Yankton Story

Director Scott Kooistra, always one for testing a players skill on the boards and off, came up with a unique pool. For \$5, you could guess the lowest qualifying score. 28 people plunked down \$5 for their guesses.

Joan Rein, the ACC's Secretary General and a Hall 'O Famer, was one of the 28 players in this contest. She guessed 27 13 +37.

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Cw editor felt like he had been hit over the head with a 2x4 when his 27 13 +53 missed the mark!

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Filler

As we go to press, we were one page short...and Cribbage World couldn't think of a better poem to publish than the following:

The Editor by Don Tuttle LaGrande, Oregon

There's a guy up in Missoula
(Where it's usually cooler)
Who turns out a rather special magazine.
And you've gotta give him credit,
'Cause he sure knows how to edit
All the news from month to month and inbetween.

As he worries about spacin'
All the while the guy is racin'
Just to get each issue in the mail when due,
And he spreads his publication
All across the cribbing nation
Just to bring the latest stuff to me and you.

While he keeps each player's status
In his status apparatus
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Late Tournament Notices

Late notices were received by CW too late to make this month's Tournament Trail section (they will be listed next month):

January 5 - New England Classic, Ledyard, CT January 19 - Super Lite Classic, W. Springfield, MA January 24-26 - Albert Lea Open, Albert Lea, MN February 14-16 - VA Beach Classic, Norfolk, VA

Hofbauer Update

Roy Hofbauer, after months of agony not being able to make four measly MRP's, finally made Life Master! He finished 7th (of 78 peggers) at the Redmond Senior Center Benefit in Redmond, OR. His Life Master number is lucky 22!



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President's Award

Ed Horigan, Virginia Beach, VA

All-American Team, 1996

Bob Julian, Milwaukee, WÍ*
Jeff Monroe, Napa, CA
Brian Heroux, Woonsocket, RI
DeLynn Colvert, Missoula, MT
Darren Black, Portland, OR
Jim McManus, Milwaukee, WI
Joe Bernard, Libertyville, IL
Bob Gombatz, Raleigh, NC
Brenda Palmer, W. Springfield, MA
Paul Hatcher, Salem, OR
(*Captain)

All-Regional Teams, 1996 Eastern Region

Sharlene Medeiros, Shrewsbury, MA
Phil Martin, E. Hartford, CT
Central Region
Mick Michaelis, Marinette, WI
Doug Page, Appleton, WI
Western Region
Ken Cochlin, Kennewick, WA

Life Master, One-Star Scott Kooistra, Yankton, SD

Scott Kooistra, Yankton, SD Joe Bernard, Libertyville, IL

Life Master

Rit Alkas, Manchester, CT Bob Gombatz, Raleigh, NC Bob Julian, Milwaukee, WI Russell Adams, Minneapolis, MN George Webb, Halifax, MA Jeff Monroe, Napa, CA

National Grass Roots Awards are also on the Banquet Program

Grand Master

Brian Heroux, Woonsocket, RI Joe Ramos, W. Warwick, RI Ken Vetterline, Bar Mills, ME Bob Drukman, E. Bridgewater, MA Henry DeLong, Woburn, MA Lee Norris, N. Kingston, RI Bill Hill, Hermiston, OR Ray Van Orsow, Portland, OR Ed Horigan, Virginia Beach, VA Joan Rein, Carver, MN Jim Rein, Carver, MN Jeanne Hofbauer, Washougal, WA John Hiland, W. Allis, WI Gene Biegler, West Bend, WI Al Grantz, Kelso, WA Helen Railsback, Syracuse, NE Brenda Palmer, W. Springfield, MA Frank Trojan, New Brighton, MN

29-Hands

Betty Johnson, Spokane, WA Russell Adams, Minneapolis, MN Plumas Stokes, Quincy, CA Cheryl Mussell, Sparks, NV Willie Evans, Richland, WA Frank O'Connor, Dedham, MA Brenda Palmer, W. Springfield, MA Dale Vincent, Sr., Green Bay, WI Ford Jewer, Wakefield, RI Larry Meath, St. Paul, MN George Johnson, Fitchburg, MA Iris Fletcher, Aurora, CO Nicky Kniech, Brown Deer, WI John Schmucker, Yountville, CA Don Ernst, Eagan, MN Gene Sissel, Baker City, OR Jill Solle, Redwood City, CA Luis DuPuis, Aurora, CO Ken Vetterline, Bar Mills, ME

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Sat. Nite Special	\$20.00	7:00 P.M.	8:00 P.M.	9 games
Sun. Consolation	\$25.00	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	9 games qualifying round
Sun. Last Chance	\$10.00	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	

Main Event will play 22 games against 11 players, alternate deals, top 25% qualify for playoffs. First Round of Playoffs will be Sat. at 6:30 P.M. Second Round, Sunday at 7:30 A.M. Playoffs will be match play, best 3 Of 5, finals 4 of 7. MAIN EVENT ENTRY FEE INCLUDES SATURDAY LUNCH.

MAIN EVENT ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER OCT. 29, 1996 WILL BE \$55.00. ALL NO SHOWS WILL BE REFUNDED SO PLEASE ENTER EARLY.

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Grass Roots Awards Program

Grass Roots Awards Chairman Lee Norris reports that the 1995/1996 Awards Program went smoothly with over 550 certificates processed.

However, improvement is always possible, and Norris feels that if the following steps are taken, communication can be improved:

Use only the new (1996/1997) Award forms (green)

Include telephone number of contact person on first request.

Submit End of Season Award Requests promptly.

Norris is looking into the feasibility of future Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award certificates and improving the ones currently issued. He promises to keep the Grass Roots peggers informed, and thanks everyone for their cooperation.

The Best Fog Out, Too

George Bickford, our ACC's Eastern Tournament Director is a Grand Master and has topped the 5,000 MRP mark (lifetime).

This means that Bickford never makes a mistake, right? Wrong. Recently, he held two cards and threw the other four cards in his crib. Oops! He plays a three card hand, and his crib is dead! He totals a nifty two points for the entire hand and crib! Even the experts fog out now and then!

25th President Cribbage Buff

William McKinley, our 25th President served from 1897-1901.

His three greatest pastimes were the Opera, the Theater...and playing cribbage.

Ifhe had been playing cribbage on September 7, 1901, instead of giving a speech in Buffalo, New York, he may have escaped being shot by Leon Crolgoaz...and having survived that, may even have gone on to be reelected. And once re-elected, he may have made cribbage our national pasttime. Such is the way the ball bounces. Now we are inundated with baseball (our national pasttime) on television. We could be watching cribbage matches, instead, if McKinley had survived the shooting.

CW thanks Phillip Babcock for this tidbit of informaton.

Ken Ching Tops in Hawaii

Ken Ching, Honolulu, topped the 25 peggers in the June issue of the Hawaii Open...and made off with 30 MRP's.

Ronnie Murakami, Honolulu, took 2nd, with Daniel Ogden, Honolulu, and Richard Kodama, Waipahu, in 3rd and 4th. Director Tsarkie keeps 'em pegging under the palm trees!

For Sale Teddy Roosevelt's Unique Ivory Tusk Cribbage Board

I have for sale a solid ivory tusk cribbage board once made for and owned by President Teddy Roosevelt. This board was later given to his close friend and U. S. Secretary of the Interior,

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A New Dilemma

Last Sunday (Aug. 11) I was at the NE Inaugural in Woonsocket, RI when a play happened that they had no ruling for. It happened thus:

My opponent dealt, we each discarded our two cards in his crib and then he laid down his hand and left the table for a few minutes. He came back, picked up his four cards, we played the hand, counted our hand (a King had been cut, I had K-Q-8-7, I took my four, he had K-10-A-2, he took 2), and then turned over his crib. He showed a 6-5-4-4, and immediately took his 14. I said I didn't throw any of those cards in his crib, and he suddenly realized that he picked up the wrong four cards, and played his crib as his hand and vice versa. We called the judges over and they conferred for quite a bit and then confessed that they couldn't find a ruling, but allowed me a 2-point penalty for something or other. My contention was that he fouled up the count, counted his crib before his hand and a more drastic penalty should have been assessed. What do you think?

This is all academic as I won the game, and we both didn't qualify for the playoffs, but I'm really curious if you've evere heard of it happening before and if it has, how did they rule?

Sam Shwartz Foxboro, MA

No, Sam, I've never seen this before...but there are many goofy happenings that occur that are not in the rule book. In this case, a Senior Judge makes the call as best he/she can. As a Senior Judge, I would have ruled the player in error, pegging with the wrong cards, should not be entitled to any pegging points (reconstruct the pegging). There is no penalty for counting a hand out of sequence...it simply must be repegged in the right order. Any other Judges out in cribbageland have any better solutions? Ed.

In Memoriam

Lloyd Fenner

Rapid City, South Dakota Lloyd passed away August 15th following a long battle with Leukemia. He was a Life Member of the ACC and co-director of the Black Hills Cribbage Classic for several years. His good humor and great personality will be sorely missed by everyone, especially those in the Rapid City area.

Monroe Almost Takes Muggins to National Championship

At the National Open in Raleigh, Jeff Monroe was within a whisker of taking the National Championship. All he has to do is win a best 4 of 7 match with Georgia's Bobby Stuart and win another match. With the score at 3-2 in Stuart's favor, play came down to the last hand. Horrors! Stuart missed a 3-card run! Monroe immediately called "muggins" and took the 3-point penalty. Just enough to win the game!

Bob Julian was a very interested spectator as his National Championship was riding on this match. Can you imagine his disbelief when Monroe won this critical game by a penalty?

However, Stuart won the final game (and the match at 4-3), making this error moot.

Tournament Master Rating Points Entered This Month (Final Results)

Devil Mountain Caper
Hawaii-June
Independence Day
Lewis & Clark Classic
Maine Open
National Open
Pheasant Shoot-Out
Spokane Open
West Side Summer Sizzler

Entry Deadline Grand National XV Napa, California September 21 Enter Now!

Highest Total Points (One Deal)

Throw this idea out to your peggers... What is the highest possible one hand and crib, including pegging?

I figured one out. If each player had 6-6-7-7 with a Q-Q-J-K going into the crib, with a 5 cut. I figured 28 points pegging, 34 count for 62. Can ya'll figure a higher hand and crib?

"Mac" Macone Fruitland Park, FL

Hey, Mac, you make more mistakes than I do. First, you'll peg 30 with that hand (you must have forgotten your 2 "goes."). Then your count would be at best 33 for the 2 hands (16 + 17). With this track record you are an ideal candidate to take over the editorship of Cribbage World...I'm getting tired of taking all the "hits!"

I can come up with 74 point total hands and pegging. How about holding your 6-6-7-7 (both players) and your crib holds 3-3-4-4, with a 5 cut? This totals a very nice 74!

Anyone else in cribbageland come up with a higher count? If you do, write to CW and share your secrets! Ed.

Krawford Surrenders

(Ref. letter "Playoff Advantage" July CW) Ed, Ed, Ed, I surrender, I give up, and I concede: upon further review I have now come to the opinion (as you) that it makes perfect sense to me how we award the higher cede a lower cede, then we offer the lower cede a 50% chance at winning the opening cut...where they will have a 12% edge at going on to win the game! What's the difference anyway? I mean after all, how really important is winning the first game in a 2 out of 3 advancement?

But Ed, for some reason I can't help feeling as though someone might accuse us of playing the Devil's advocate?

> Tim Krawford Manhattan, KS

Top seed, or bottom seed, every match should begin without either player being awarded an advantage. A fair shake is a cut for the deal...neither player has an advantage, just as the coinflip to begin a football game! Sometimes the lower seeded football team wins the coin toss...and sometimes the lower seeded cribbage player wins the cut. What's the big deal? Ed.

Raleigh-National Open-First Class

The 23rd National Open Cribbage Tournament, 1996, is history. We have another champion, and the entire weekend was "top-shelf."

Cathy and Russ Perkins, Bob Gombatz, Tom Miller and Howard Baum are magicians and deserve a vote of thanks from the multitudes to whom they cater.

With the seed planted by Nick Pond, the ability to select top notch helpers, their foresight in attracting great co-sponsors and the outstanding patron program header by "Miller Lite" and numerous others, all go to make the National Open Cribbage Tournament "one of a kind."

We are all very fortunate to be able to avail ourselves to this annual affair. The facilities are fantastic. The talent of the participants is unmatched. Unbelievable hours of volunteer help are spent in assuring you comfort while fighting the cribbage gods in the several tournaments spread over the entire weekend.

Next year is already on the drawing board. August 1, 2, 3, and 4 will find at least 256 of us and hopefully 512 searching for the cards that will make them the 24th National Open Champ! Hope to see you all there in 1997!

> "Horrible" Harry Stoups Hialeah, FL

I agree, Harry, the show is first class! The only blemish to the entire weekend was the 14 players whose entries arrived in Monday morning's mail (August 15) when the deadline for entry was Saturday (August 13). The late Nick Pond ran a tight ship with deadlines, both in the match play (if you were 5 minutes late you forfeited the entire match!) and your entry must be in on time (no exceptions) or you were denied entry. The directors who have inherited this event continue to play "hard ball" with the rules and deadlines. Cribbage World received several irate letters from New England peggers about being denied entry (claiming their entries were postmarked before the 13th). tournaments are lenient concerning late entries...but not the National Open. This is Nick Pond's legacy!

A word to the wise for our ACC peggers...if you want to play in this prestigious tournament, get you entry in very early. Don't take chances on missing out as this is, indeed, an excellent tournament. Ed.

Letters to the editor...

24-Hands Galore

Last Wednesday our GR club, The Stink Hole In The Wall Gang #211, met for our weekly cribbage session.

We have a 24-hand flag as many clubs do. We had to pass it around 13 times before Betsy Williams took home the dough. What was unusual was that we had 17 players. Only 4 players did not get a 24-hand. We've had many nights when, with 20-25 players, we have 2 to 3 24 hands!

Charlie Douthit Cheyenne, WY

Hey Charlie, this is, indeed, a very unusual session...you must have had a record number of skunkings the same evening! Ed.

Great Rookie Start

At the recent Reno Consolation, Paul Yellon and Barry Robson competed in the 1st round playoffs. Nothing unusual except that Barry is Paul's son-in-law!

Barry bested Paul by winning the last 2 of 3 games. He continued to advance by winning all his 3 games while Pauly, his mother, and Paul nervously checked his progress.

He topped it off by winning 3 of 4 finals games to become Champion. Tired, but happy, after 29 games he is looking forward to the Tournament of Champions. Outstanding performance by a first-time tournament player. "Way to go, Barry!"

Paul Yellon Laguna Hills, CA

Yellon Directs GR Club 227

The Orange County Cribbage Club of Southern California will start play on August 14. Director Paul Yellon of GR 227 says meetings will be held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at the Mission Viejo Senior Center at 7 PM.

Paul welcomes all peggers in the area who are looking for a place to play. For information: (714) 837-8177.

New MRP System Supported

I would like to put in my two cents in about the present MRP system. One, I believe MRP's for the qualifying rounds should be awarded strictly on total Game Points you score...with the size of the field having absolutely nothing to do with it. After all, in the qualifying round everything is even no matter how many people are in the field...you play 22 games, period! If you get 36 GP's in a 50-player tourney you should earn just as many MRP's as a guy who gets 36 GP's in a 200-person tourney. Size of the field has no bearing on how hard it is to get 36 or more GP's. A perfect example of the unfairness of the present system...I got 41 GP's in the Hawkeye Classic (92 players) and I received 37 MRP's. Yet the fellow who qualified first in Reno also had 41 GP's and received 89 MRP's. Is that fair??? You mean to tell me it was easier for me to get my 41 because there was less players in the field? We both played 22 games. As far as the other MRP's that is already taken care of due to the fact that you earn your points on your order of finish. The bigger the field, the more rounds are played...and the more points awarded. But they should standardize the qualifying point list.

I've been watching tourneys...I've played in 16 this year, and without exception, the top score was either 36 or 37 for high with the overwhelming majority of tourneys having a low of 27 to qualify. I know that rarely you have over 37 such as I had in Iowa, and even more rarely does a 26 qualify.

My feeling is that MRP's should be awarded starting at 27 (such as 5 for everyone having a 27 and increasing by 10-point increments...15 for 28, 25 for 29, etc.) until it is capped at 160 for 42 or more. This means that the average qualifying score of 36 will get 95 MRP's. If some poor soul should be so damn lucky as to get 40 or 41 like I did, they should be rewarded for it no matter what size the field is...think about it, what do the members think?

Don Patrin St. Paul, MN

Don, I couldn't agree more! Equal rewards for equal difficulty! And this should be applied to both the qualifying round and the playoff rounds! Winning 3 of 5 in the playoff rounds is no easier (or harder) in a small (or large) tournament. Your novel awarding of MRP's for GP's scored in the qualifying round is interesting (any very fair). Perhaps the BOD will give this concept consideration! Ed Horigan has worked many hours preparing the new MRP system...and in my opinion it is far fairer than the old system. The BOD will make a final decision at the Napa BOD meeting this September. Ed.

Tournament Trail

Upcoming Sanctioned Events

Abbreviation Keys:

EF: Entry fee EB: Early Bird

LC: Last Chance DBL: Doubles SatS: Saturday Special SGL: Singles HR: High Roller

September 6-8, Lake Tahoe Challenge

N. Tahoe Community Center, 8318 N. Lake Blvd., Kings Beach, CA 96143. EF: \$65 \$10 Q. 10% all events to charity. Coffee, pastries, lunch. FriTP3PM, FriSGL, FriDBL, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Jack Shumate, PO Box 2465, Kings Beach, CA 96143. (916) 546-7190. Co-D: J. Jarrell, J. Hassenplug.

September 6-8, Wisconsin Dells Classic

Holiday Inn, Hwys. 13 & I-90-94, Wisconsin Dells. WI 53965, EF: \$50 \$15Q, Sat. lunch, FriEB \$20 & \$50, SatS \$20 & \$50, Cons, LC. Contact: Pat Barrett, 5821 Griffith Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494. (715) 424-5059. Co-D: Linda Barrett. (Site of GN XVI 1997).

September 6-8, Blue Mountain Open

Eagles Lodge, 1212 Jeffereson St., LaGrande, OR 97850. EF: \$35 \$15 Q. FriDBL, FriHR, SatS (?), Cons, LC. Contact: Char & Rick Springer, 69952 Summerville Rd., Summerville, OR 97876. (541) 534-9050.

September 7, Season Opener

Eagles, 2020 E. Douling #5, Anchorage AK 99507. EF\$30, no Q. 10% to charity. Contact: L. M. Stier, 3630 Burl Ct., Anchorage AK 99504. (907) 338-3234.

September 8, Minden Open

D. S. Lounge, Minden, NE 68959. EF: \$20. Cons not sanctioned, Contact; Don Wright, 436 E. 4th. Minden, NE 68959. (308) 832-2410.

September 8, 12th Greater Albany Open

Knights of Columbus Hall, 375 Ontario St., Albany, NY 12208. EF: \$45, \$15 Q. Coffee, donuts, lunch. SatS, Cons. Contact: Holly Darfler, 196 N. Greenfield Rd., Porters Corner, NY 12859. (518) 893-7205. Co-D: Gordon Meeusen, Harold Belles.

September 13-15, Gold Coast Classic

Ventura Elks, 11 S. Ash St., Ventura, CA 93001. EF: \$62, \$20 Q. \$2 to charity. Sat. lunch, coffee, donuts, juices Sat & Sun. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Terry Mixer, 2889 Bunsen Ave., Unit A, Ventura, CA 93003. (805) 644-4097. Co-D: John Mixer (805) 484-0291, Richard Price (805) 987-4638, Mel Kranz (805) 642-4932.

September 13-15, Capital City Classic (THIS IS A DATE CHANGE) Eagles, 715 N. Fee St. Helena, MT 59601. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. FriTP3PM, FriDBL, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Wes Walimaa, 152 Wedgewood, Helena, MT 59601. (406) 443-2241. Co-D: Tom Lingenfelter (406) 933-5317.

September 14, Gateway to Sierras Classic Clovis Senior Center, 850 4th St., Clovis, CA 93611. EF: \$58.50, \$10 Q. \$5 to charity. Coffee, tea, juices. FriDBL, Cons. Contact: Dennis Bays, 1687 5th St., Clovis, CA 93611. (209) 298-1432. Co-D: Daryl Tavarez. September 15, Massachusetts Open

Cons: Consolation

Demetri's Convention Ctr, US 1 (2 miles N. Patriot's Stadium), Foxboro, MA 02035. EF: \$48, \$15 Q. \$1 to charity. Coffee, lunch. SatDBL7:30, Cons. Contact: David Clemmey, PO Box 621, Mansfield, MA 02048. (508) 339-5225. Co-D: Shawn Jordan (617) 769-1061, Richard Kelliher (508) 697-7633.

September 20-22, Long'est Beach Classic Chautauqua Lodge, N. 14th St., Box 757, Long Beach, WA 98631. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. Coffee, donuts. FriDBL, Fri HR, SatS, Cons, LC. \$2,000 added from local merchants. Limited to first 240. Contact: Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer, 30937 NE 23rd St., Washougal, WA 98671. (360) 835-3623. Co-D: Hal & Arlene Haldorson, PO Box

September 22, Eastern States Champ.

VFW Post 1526, Hollister St., Medway, MA 02053. EF: \$45, \$10 Q. \$1 to charity. Donuts, coffee, lunch. SatDBL, Cons. Contact: Bill & Sharlene Medeiros, 34 W. main St., Shrewsbury, MA 01545. (508) 842-6824.

753, Long Beach, WA 98631. (360) 642-3994.

September 27, 28, 29, Grand National XV Napa Valley Expo (Fairgrounds), 575 Third St.,

Napa CA 94559. EF: \$65 \$15 Q. Cont Bkfst, lunch. Sat. Awards Banquet (incl. cheese & wine party) FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Jeff Monroe, PO Box 10486, Napa, CA 94581, (800) 937-3429. Co-D: Jack Monroe.

October 4-6, Montana Championship

Joker's Wild, Exit 101, Reserve St, Missoula, MT. EF: \$40\$10Q, Coffee, FriTP3PM, FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC, \$1 (\$300) 29 & 28 pool.24-hand prizes. Contact: DeLynn Colvert, PO Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806. (406) 543-6855. Co-D: Rex Paddock (406) 251-3379.

October 6. New hampshire Open

Holiday Inn, NE Blvd., Nashua, NH 03062-1418. EF: \$39, \$10 Q. \$2 to charity. Coffee, lunch. SatDBL, Cons. Muggins played. Contact: Al Miller, 12 Michael Ave., Nashua, NH 03062 (603) 882-7204.

October 11, 12, Feather River Open EAgles 196, 2010 Montgomery St., Oroville, CA 95966. EF: \$55 \$10 Q. \$5 to charity. Cont. bkfst, lunch, 1 drink. FriEB, Cons. Contact: Tom Stevens, 1130 Mt. Ida Rd., Oroville, CA 95966. (916) 589-2192. Co-D: John Mathews, 3456 Charlene, Oroville. (916) 533-7793.

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October 11-13, British Columbia Champ.

Prince George Senior Ctr. 425 Brunswick, Prince George, BC. EF: \$45, \$10 Q. Coffee. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC (?). Door prizes, \$500 guaranteed 1st prize. \$100 for 29, \$25 for 28. Team play, last 24. Team Canada vs. team USA. Contact: Linton Walker, 116 Douglas St., Prince George BC V2M-2L8. (604) 562-4827. Co-D: Eleanor Arnold, Dave Kee. Peter Chrosinski.

October 11-13, Capital Classic

Capitol Masonic Center, 1550 Hoffman Rd. NE, Salem, OR 97301. EF: \$47, \$10 Q. \$1 to charity. Lunch, coffee, pastry. FriTP, FriHR, FriDBL, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Fabian Nelson, 710 Meadowland Dr. SE, Salem, OR 97301. (503) 364-6418. Co-D: Paul Hatcher, Merl Mulkey.

Oct. 11-13, Portside Open, S. Daniels Mem. Holiday Inn, Portsmouth Waterfront, 8 Crawford Pkwy, Portsmouth, VA 23704. EF: \$50 \$10 Q. Coffee, lunch. EB, HR, SatS, Cons. LC. Contact: Richard McCormick, 3432 Valleyjo Pl., Chesapeake, VA 23321. (804) 483-2467.

October 12-13, Mexican Open

Hotel Nuevo Posada, Ajijic, Mexico. One-week tour via airflight, leaving Oct. 9 thru Oct. 16. \$630 (double occupancy) includes air fare. Contact: Doris Denny, 5035 Bell Dr., Smyrna, GA 30080. (770) 431-9301. EF: \$40 \$10. Cons. Cribbage nightly.All events 100% cash paybacks. Tournament Dir: DeLynn Colvert, PO Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806. (406) 543-6855.

October 13, Moose's W. B. Classic

Traveler's Inn, Hwy. 175 or Main St., Fond du Lac, WI. EF: \$40 (\$42 after Oct. 12), \$20 Q. SatHR \$50 (limited to first 48), Cons. Contact: Gene Biegler, PO Box 862, West Bend, WI 53095. (414) 334-2980. Co-D: Richard Frost.

October 18-20, Goblins & Ghosts

Eagles Lodge, 160 NW 2nd, Hermiston, OR 97838. EF: \$40, \$10 Q. \$1 to charity. Coffee, donuts. Fri3PMTP, Fri6:30DBL, Fri7PMHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Auction. Contact: Ken & Betty Capper, 105 NE 3rd, Hermiston, OR 97838. (541) 567-5145.

October 19, 20, Vermont Open

Burlington Elks, Burlington, VT 05401. EF: \$45, \$10 Q. Coffee, lunch. DBL, Cons. Contact: Linda Iler, 84 Woodcrest Cir., Milton, VT 05468. (802) 893-4858. Co-D: Dan Iler, Terri Boylan.

October 20, Homestead Open Beatrice American Legion Post 27, 701 Dorsey, Beatrice, NE 68310, EF: \$30, \$10 Q. Coffee, snacks. Cons. Contact: Steve Leech, 401 Darwin, Beatrice, NE 68310. (402) 228-4355. Co-D: Clay Collier.

October 25-28, 5th Abe Kealoha Extravaganza Ilikai Hotel Nikko, 1777 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu, HI..EF: \$80. to charity. Cont. Bkfst, lunch, awards dinner. FriDBL, SunGR club18 (\$50), Cons. Contact. Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

October 25-27, Ship Ashore Open

Ship Ashore Resort, 12370 Hwy 101N, Smith River, CA 95567, EF: \$42, \$15 Q. Coffee, donuts. Fri3PMTP, FriEB, SatS, Cons. Contact: Vernon Ward, 110 Mason Ct., Crescent City, CA 95531. (707) 464-4510. Co-D: Bobby Westbrook.

October 25-27, Niagara Falls Open Niagara Falls AFB, Lockport Rd., Niagara Falls, NY. EF: \$45, \$15 Q. \$1.50 to charity. Coffee, donuts. FriEB, SatDBL, Cons. Entry deadline: Oct. 12. Rooms at AFB \$6/dbl occup. Contact: Peachy Schrock, 166 N. Main St., Angola, NY 14006. (716) 549-5628. Co-D: Richard Schurkus, Al Harris.

October 26, Minnesota Valley Open

VFW Post 1791, 620 Creek Rd. (Co. Rd. 10), Chaska, MN 55318. EF: \$40 (\$50 after 10/25), \$10 Q. Coffee, rolls. FriSGL8PM \$20, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Jim & Joan Rein, PO Box 306, Carver, MN 55315. (612) 448-2459 (eve), (612) 448-2801 (days),

October 27, Tri-State Open

Brattleboro Legion Club, 8 Linden St., Brattleboro, VT 05301. EF: \$42, \$10 Q. \$1 to charity. Coffee, lunch, Cons. Contact: George Cote, Box 227, Westminster, VT 05158. (802) 722-3947. Co-D: Elmer Tole, Tim Garland.

November 1-3, Polish Open Ramada Inn, 200 N. Perkins, Appleton, WI 54914. EF: \$50 \$15 Q. Lunch. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Frank Danielski, 1422 E. Capitol Dr., Appleton, WI 54911. (414) 734-0563. Co-D: Ginny Danielski.

November 1-3, Prineville Lions Open Eagles Lodge, 235 E. 4th, Prineville, OR 97754. EF:\$40,\$10 Q.\$5 to charity. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Bob St. Yves, 775 N. Oregon, Prinevile, OR 97754. (541) 447-3739. Co-D: Sandy St. Yves, M. & R. Reynolds.

November 2, Ed's Teeny Tiny (Under \$10) Harry's Hofbrau, 390 Saratoga Ave., San Jose, CA 95129, EF: \$10 (\$5 goes for lunch) \$15 at door, no Q. 7-game Cons. Used cards, rules warning reg., min. age: 18. Contact: Ed Bloom, 22150 Wallace Dr., Cupertino, CA 95014.

November 3, Dante Club, W. Mass. Open Dante Club, Memorial Ave., W. Springfield, MA 01089. EF: \$40 \$15 Q. Coffee, donuts, lunch. Cons. Contact: George Bickford, 49 Ely Ave., W. Springfield, MA 01089. (413) 733-9288.

November 8, 9, 10, Veterans Day Classic Sands Regency, 345 N. Arlington Ave., Reno, NV 89501. EF: \$62 (includes \$10 Q). 15% to Vets Fund. FriDBL, Cons. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons, 333 K St., Sparks, NV 89431. (702) 358-4916. Co-D: Roberta Huff.

Nov. 8-10, Baltimore "Charm City" Classic Best Western maryland Inn, 15101 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, MD 20707. EF: \$52 \$15 Q. 50/50 raffle charity. Coffee, lunch. EBDBL, SatHR, Cons, LC. Contact: Steven Sattler, 50 Rose Petal Court, Baltimore, MD 21234. (410) 661-3899. Co-D: Bruce Sattler.

November 10, Great Plains Classic

Holiday Inn Airport, 1101 Bond St., Lincoln, NE 68521. EF: \$25. Cons not sanctioned. Contact: Marvin Rader, 5431 Glade, Lincoln, NE 68506. (402) 488-9254. Co-D: Ardeth Rader.

November 15-17, Southern Oregon Lions Medford Sight & Hearing Center, 228 N. Holly St., Medford, OR 97504. EF: \$50 \$10 Q. \$5.50 to charity. FriDBL., FriHR, SatS, LC. Contact: Marvis & Ralph Reynolds, 220 S. Claypool St., Prineville, OR 97754. (541) 447-5920. Co-D: Gerald & Kathleen Hahn.

November 15-17, Jim Arblaster Florida Open Travel Lodge Hotel, 5711 W. Irlo Bronson Hwy., Kissimmee, FL 34746. EF: \$45 \$20 Q. Coffee, Iunch. EB, SatS, Cons. Skunkbank: 100% to 29, 50% to 28. Contact: Paul Barnes, 1316 Fatio Rd., DeLand, FL 32720. (904) 738-7659. Co-D: John Groz (407) 933-6463.

November 16, Capital City, Des Moines Eagles Lodge 109, 6567 Bloomfield Rd., Des Moines, IA 50320. EF: \$35, \$10Q. \$1 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Dick Ogden, PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315. (515) 285-6106.

November 16, Anchorage Open

Eagles, 2020 Dowling #5, Anchorage AK 99507. EF: \$30, no Q. 10% to charity. Cons. Contact: L. M. Stier, 3630 Burl Ct., Anchorage AK 99504. (907) 338-3234.

November 22-24, 9th Jesse James Open Northfield Golf Club, 707 Prairie St., Northfield, MN 55057. EF: \$55, \$20Q. Lunch. FriEB, SatS \$20 & \$50. Cons, LC. Contact: Jerry Gruber, 5121 Nokomis Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55417. (612) 722-1292. Co-D: Bill Morson (507) 645-9469, Al Booth (612) 783-7042.

November 23, 24, River City Open Orangeville Grange Hall, 5807 Walnut Ave., Orangeville, CA 95662. EF: \$55, \$10 Q. \$3 to charity. Coffee, juice, doughnuts, Sat. lunch. EBDBL, Cons. Contact: Bill Pope, PO Box 3243, Citrus Heights, CA 95611. (916) 723-8517. Co-D: Annett Eiffert.

November 24, Yankee Classic Machester Elks, 30 Bissell St., Manchester, CT 06108. EF: \$43, \$10 Q. Coffee, doughnuts, lunch. SatDBL, Cons. Contact: Phil Martin, 1809 Main St., E. Hartford, CT 06108. (860) 291-8306. Co-D: Bill Shoemaker (860) 523-1474.

December 1, Hawaii Singles Championship Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96813. EF: \$40. No Q. \$1 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

December 6-8, Eau Claire Classic

Ramada Inn, Eau Clair, WI. EF: \$55, \$15 Q. Lunch, coffee. FriEB, FriHR, SatS, All-Events, Cons, LC. Contact: Al Lindner, 121 S. Main, Box 9, Greenwood, WI 54437. (715) 267-7660.

December 14, City Open

Eagles, 2020 E. Dowling Rd., Anchorage AK 99507. EF: \$30, no Q. 10% to charity. Cons. Contact: L. M. Stier, 3630 Burl Ct., Anchorage AK 99504. (907) 338-3234.

January 5, 1997, New England Classic

Foxwoods Casino, Rt. 2, Ledyard, CT. EF: \$49. Coffee, lunch. 12-game RR, Cons 7-game RR. Contact: Joe Seigle, 825 Flanders Rd., Coventry CT 06238. (860) 742-7234. Co-D: Charlie Finley (860) 745-1143, Phil Shoemaker (860) 523-1474.

January 12, 1997, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96813. Entry: \$30, no Q. \$1 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kikihune PI, Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

January 17-19, Georgia Open

Holiday Inn West, 1075 Stevens Creek Rd., Augusta, GA 30907. Airport shuttle. EF: \$45, \$15 Q. Sat. lunch, Sat & Sun AM donuts & coffee. FriEB, SatS Cons, LC. Contact: Ken Cambell, 83 Lee Dr., Modoc, SC 29838. (864) 333-2575.

February 9, 1997, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96813. EF: \$30, no Q. \$1 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

February 14-16, Oregon Championship Prineville Senior Ctr, 180 N. Belknap, Prineville, OR 97754. EF: \$40 \$10Q. \$5 to charity. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Bob St. Yves, 775 N. Oregon, Prineville, OR 97754. (541) 447-3739. Co-D: Sandy St. Yves, M. & R. Reynolds.

February 21-23, Greater Orlando Open

Travelodge Hotel, 5711 W. Irlo Bronson Hwy., Kissimmee, FL 34746. EF: \$45 \$20 Q. Coffee, lunch. FriEB, Sat5, Cons, LC. Skunk bank: 100% to 29, 50% to 28. Contact: Paul Barnes, 1316 Fatio Rd., DeLand, FL 32720. (904) 738-7659. Co-D: John Groz (407) 933-6463.

February 23, Cape Cod Cranberry Clash Wareham Lodge, Rts 6 & 28, E. Wareham, MA 02538. EF: \$50, \$15 Q. Coffee, donuts, lunch. SatS, Cons. Contact: Jim Clemmey, 34 Great Hill Dr., W. Wareham, MA 02576. (508) 291-7352.

March 7-9, Alaska State Championship Eagles, 2020 E. Dowling #5, Anchorage, AK 99507. EF: \$50, no Q. 10% to charity. Fri6PMDBL, Cons. Contact: L. M. Stier, 3630 Burl Ct., Anchorage AK 99504. (907) 338-3234. March 9, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96813. EF: \$30. Lunch. \$2 to charity. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune PI., Honolulu, HI 96816. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

April 11-13, 2nd Winnemucca Classic

Winnemucca Convention Ctr., 50 Winnemucca Blvd. W, Winnemucca, NV 89445. EF: \$50 \$10 Q. Coffee, rolls. FriDBL, FriHR, Cons, LC. Contact: Marvis & Ralph Reynolds, 220 S. Claypool St., Prineville OR 97754. Co-D: Bob & Sandy St. Yyes.

April 12, 13, 1997, Atlanta Classic

Falcon Inn, I-85 and Suwanee Rd., Suwanee, GA 30174. EF: \$50, \$20 Q. \$1.50 to charity. Coffee, Sat. Junch. FriEB, Cons, LC. Contact: Bobby Stuart, 108 Regal Way, Lawrenceville, GA 30244. (770) 381-7383. Co-D: Wally Wheeler.

April 13, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96816. EF: \$30. \$2 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune PI., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark. June 8, 1997, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu HI 96813. EF: \$30, no Q. \$2 to charity. Coffee, lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune PI., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

July 4, 5, 6, Independence Day Classic Sands Casino, 345 N. Arlington, Reno, NV 89501. EF:\$62, \$10 Q. 15% to Veteran's charity. Coffee, cake. FriEB, Cons. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons, 333 K St., Sparks, NV 89431. (702) 358-4916. Co-D: Roberta Huff.

July 19-20, Mid-Summer Tourist Classic Eagles, 2020 E. Dowling St. #5, Anchorage AK 99507. EF: \$50, no Q. 10% to charity. Cons. Contact: L. M. Stier, 3630 Burl Ct., Anchorage, AK 99504. (907) 338-3234.

November 7-,9, 1997 Veteran's Day Classic Sands Casino, 345 N. Arlington, Reno, NV 89501. EF:\$62,\$10 Q. 15% to Veterans charity. Coffee, cake. FriEB, Cons. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons, 333 K St., Sparks, NV 89431. (702) 358-4916. Co-D: Roberta Huff.

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5 1127 Martin, Phil, East Hartford CT
6 1038 Alkas, Rit, Manchester CT
7 987 Medeiros, Bill, Shrewsbury MA
8 890 Medeiros, Robert, Quincy MA
9 884 DeLong, Henry, Woburn MA
10 861 Chase, George, N. Kingstown RI
10 861 Sattler, Bruce, Baltimore MD
12 838 Burgess Jr., Charles, E. Greenw'h Ri
13 810 Dinwoodie, Al, Coventry RI

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14 671 Duresky, Jim, Richmond VA
15 669 Schmidt, Phyllis, Williamstown MA

16 666 Samet, Laurence, Wellesley MA17 660 Rooney, John, Randolph MA

18 658 Packard, William, N. Attleboro MA 19 649 Chrabaszcz, Emil, Ware MA

20 641 Lovell, Russell, Sandwich MA 21 639 Johnson, George, Fitchburg MA

22 633 Spadea, Barry, Riverside RI 23 629 Setian, Peter, Wilbraham MA

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26 568 Douglass, Henry, Reidsville NC27 567 Shoemaker, William, W. Hartford CT

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33 550 Simpson, Lucille, Lewiston NY
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35 548 Schaeffer, Betty, Danvers MA

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53 421 Cormier, Paul, Marlboro MA
54 417 Perkins, Doris, Quincy MA
55 412 Lunder, Jim, Cape Canaveral FL
56 411 McDonald, James, Monson MA
57 409 Glass, Harvey, W. Hartford CT
58 392 Hutchko, Michael, Hanover MA
59 384 Riley, George, Taunton MA
60 378 Stuart, Bobby, Lawrenceville GA
61 372 Caccia, Louis, Newtonville MA
62 368 Bickford, George, W. Springfield MA
63 365 Gallagher, Paul, Avon MA
64 361 Samet, Michael, E. Northport NY
65 360 Burrows, Rosemary, N. Attleboro MA

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13 732 Lliteras, Bayard, Coeur D'Alene ID	63 436 Mulkey, Merl, Keizer OR
14 724 Rasmussen, Elmer, Chehalis WA	64 434 Ng, Harry, San Leandro CA
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- 3 29 Roy Banducci, Arroyo Grande CA 4 25 Bill Pope, Orangeville CA

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Reno, NV, July 5-7, 1996 Directors: B. & D. Irons, R. Huff **MAIN 314**

- 1 287 Clyde Ross, Grass Valley CA 2 265 Otmar Borchard, Portland OR
- 3 252 Jack Brown, Annandale VA
- 4 242 Walter Olsen, Atascadero CA 5 231 Brad Stevens, Denver CO
- 6 225 Modesto Hernandez, Ac'm'o CA
- 7 218 Ray Rangila, Madras OR 8 211 Sharlene Medeiros, Shrew'v MA
- 9 205 Jeff Monroe, Napa CA
- 10 199 Iris Fletcher, Aurora CO
- 11 193 Jim Hutsell, Crescent City CA
- 12 186 Jerry Gruber, Minneapolis MN 13 179 Agatha Mikulsky, Sobieski WI
- 14 173 Michael Hayden, San Jose CA 15 167 Jack Shumate, Kings Beach CA
- 16 161 Helen Railsback, Syracuse NE **CONSOLATION 214**
- 1 110 Barry Rabson, Laguna Hills CA
- 2 104 Kathleen Hahn, Medford OR 3 98 Syl Lulinski, LaGrange Park IL
- 4 94 George Petievich, Nevada C. CA
- 89 Jim McManus, Milwaukee WI 85 Dortothy Mickow, Vancouver WA
- 7 82 Harry Palmer, W. Springfield MA 8 78 Al Grantz, Kelso WA

Pheasant Shoot-Out

Hermiston, OR, July 19-21, 1996 Directors: Ken & Betty Capper MAIN 78

- 1 87 Jim Sime, Kennewick WA
- 2 79 Joe Dunn, Boise ID
- 3 70 Larry Hassett, Roseburg OR 4 62 Bill Jones, Hermiston OR **CONSOLATION 50**
- 1 27 Bruce Wridge, Portland OR
- 2 22 Jo Kirby, Richland WA 3 18 Betty Nolz, Redmond OR
- 4 14 Walt Swearingen, Kennewick WA

Lewis & Clark Classic

Yankton, S. D., July 12-14, 1996 Director: Scott Kooistra **MAIN 172**

- 1 180 Mick Michaelis, Marinette WI
- 2 169 Duane Toll, Cudahy WI
- 3 159 Jim Rein, Carver MN
- 4 150 Sue Edwards, Denver CO 5 142 Al Booth, Spring Lake Pk. MN
- 6 135 Don Ernst, Eagan MN
- 7 127 Janet Tomlinson, Bondurant IA 8 118 Frank Trojan, New Brighton MN
- CONSOLATION 122 1 70 Ray Boesel, Glenbuelah WI
- 2 65 Roger Wilson, Boulder CO
- 3 61 Howard Pearson, Black Hawk SD
- 4 56 Iris Fletcher, Aurora CO

Maine Open

Westbrook, ME, July 14, 1996 Directors: Dennis & Sue Cousens **MAIN 134**

- 1 140 Ray Poirier, Hobe Sound FL
- 2 130 Reggie Toussaint, Portsmouth NH 3 122 Brian Heroux, Woonsocket RI
- 4 112 Mary Satula, Pawtucket RI
- 5 105 Phyllis Schmidt, Williamstown MA
- 6 97 Bob Waltzer, Medford MA
- 7 89 Brenda Palmer, W. Springf'd MA 8 82 Clem Metko, N. Syracuse NY CONSOLATION 70
- 1 38 Lee Norris, N. Kingstown RI
- 2 34 Ron Nelson, Cumberland RI
- 3 29 Russ Fisher, Orange City FL
- 4 25 John Groz, Kissimmee FL

Hawaii Open Honolulu, Hi, June 9, 1996 Director: Tsarkie

- MAIN 25 (No Consolation)
- 1 30 Ken Ching, Honolulu HI 2 24 Ronnie Murakami, Honolulu HI
- 3 16 Daniel Ogden, Honolulu Hi
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- 5- Willie Evans, Goblins & Ghosts, Oct 22 95
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