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AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS

FULL HOUSE!

Nelsen Tops 452

Goedert Wins \$10,000

JPW/ACC Open Hosts World Record 1,024

1,024 players from throughout the United States and Canada descended on the Sands Hotel/Casino February 1 for the annual gathering of the clan...and some serious pegging! This huge crowd set an all-time attendance record for a cribbage match.

Play was scheduled to begin at 8:30 AM sharp in this memorable event...but old man Murphy was not to be denied his say. The lights in Reno fell dark at 8:20 AM (blown transformer) and the players sat in darkness until 8:40 AM.

But once the lights came back, the action was fast and furious. After the 22-game qualifying round action clanged to a close (and on time), Cres Fernandez (Sonoma, CA) came away the top qualifier with a super 20-win 42 +260...and \$1,300 Q money!

With a full field of 256 qualifiers playing head-to-head, action continued on into the night on Saturday, and again on Sunday morning. Early Sunday afternoon a champion was crowned...Jerry Goedert, Palmyra, WI! The top prize in this mammoth event was a whopping \$10,000! He nipped Joy Jerdee, a Master pegger from Brooklyn Park, MN, in the final match 4-2.

Jerdee took home some \$6,400, making 2nd place a little easier to take!

3rd and 4th paid handsomely as well, as Phyllis Roderick, Vacaville, CA took home \$4,400 for a 3rd place finish, and Darlene Johnson, St. Paul, MN, carried away \$3,400 for 4th.

5-8 paid very well, too, as Master Bob Sommer, Excelsior, MN, earned \$2,700 for a 5th place finish. Charlie Fletchall, a Master pegger from Grimes, Iowa won \$2,200 for 6th. Grand Master Jim Fabian, Naperville, IL won \$1,800 for 7th and Howard Pearson, Black Hawk, SD took home \$1,500 for 8th.

Peggy Goss (FL), Gary Katz (CA), Lee Franklin (CO), and Lee Chambers (OR) all topped \$1,000 in prize money for 9-12th finishes.

Medeiros Cops Huge Consolation

Sharlene Medeiros, Shrewsbury, MA nailed the huge 826-pegger Consolation, and once again she is among the leaders in the national MRP race. Last year she missed the All-American team by a scant 18 MRP's...and she is on track for yet another try. Medeiros garnered a hefty \$2,700 for the win.

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The President's Column

Everett "Ev" Bey

New Master Rating Point System

My compliments to the ACC Board of Directors for finally adopting a revised Master Rating Point System.

After 2 years of prodding by the late Ed Horigan who insisted on "equal points for equal difficulty" and the Board's insistence that total points being awarded in the future be consistent with historical precedent.

The new system goes into effect with the start of the new tournament year, August 1, 1997.

The simplified system polished by Paul Hatcher and DeLynn Colvert makes it easy for everyone to instantly figure their MRP's earned in any tournament. (See explanation and Qualifying, Playoff and Consolation tables elsewhere in this edition of *Cribbage World*.)

Martha Fingleton Elected to Hall of Fame

Congratulations to Martha Fingleton, newly-elected member of the ACC Hall of Fame. Seven were nominated but Martha was the only one to get 75% of the votes cast by the Board.

She is the 18th member of the Hall of Fame, the second woman to be so honored. Her many years as National Tournament Commissioner, longtime Board member and consistent tournament player and director were well rewarded.

Fire Hall Cribbage...

Cribbage is a game that is popular with firemen who are willing away some time waiting for a fire call.

However in Prineville, Oregon at the Oregon Championship match, director Bob St. Yves used the local fire hall, complete with all the

Worldwide Internet

We're still pounding out our newspaper column and these missives for *Cribbage World* on our old reliable No. 5 Underwood...we haven't yet delved into the modern technology of computers, modems, bytes and bits...but the ACC is about to go on the Worldwide Internet.

Pat Barrett of Wisconsin Rapids and Steve Sattler of Baltimore are heading up the project. Over the past 4 months, they researched at least 10 companies who provide Internet services and recommended Erols, A Virginia-based company, as the ACC Internet Provider.

Concurring with their efforts, the ACC Board authorized the expenditure of \$1,000 over the next 2 years to put ACC "on line" with its own home page.

Watch for announcement about our Home Page sign-on. Meanwhile, those computer nuts out there in cribbageland might be interested in contacting the Baltimore Cribbage Club at <http://www.erols.http/www.erols.com/spsbalto>; Sattler at spsbalto@erols.com; or Paul Barnes and the Greater Orlando Cribbage Club at pbarnes@juno.com.

Also involved in the Internet project are Barnes, Jeff Monroe, Joe Bernard and Larry Samet.

Keep peggin'..... Ev Bey

engines and fire apparatus, to play a little cribbage. The Saturday night game was played in the fire hall...and the playoffs for the Main Event were also played there.

So what's new in a small town? Cribbage in the firehall? Nahhh...that's old stuff!

FULL HOUSE

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Don Hilton, a Master pegger from Hood River, OR nailed 2nd...and \$2,040. Another Oregon player...Harold Schmelzer...took 3rd and \$1,500. Dianne Loch, Appleton, WI finished 4th (\$1,100). Frank Leier, Vadnais Heights, MN, posted a grand slam 9/9 21 +161 in the qualifying round to take honors...and \$530 in Q money.

Tournament of Champions Russell Nelsen: \$8,600

Russell Nelsen, Scottsdale, AZ, is at home in Reno, having been top qualifier several times, and he usually goes home a winner. This time around in the 452-pegger Tournament of Champions (a meet by invite only), he came away the grand prize winner...\$8,600!

Bob Chase, Crystal, MN, was close, and his 2nd place finish paid a nice \$6,300. Duane Toll, a Life Master from Cudahy, WI nailed 3rd (\$4,500), but added no Master Points to his lofty 9,000+ lifetime total, as this meet, by invite only, awards no MRP's. Bob St. Yves, Prineville, OR, was the best "double-dipper" in the house as he took home 4th money (\$3,400) and grabbed top-qualifying honors with a very nice 32 15 +237 in this 16-game qualifying round...and another \$1,350 in Q prize money!

Donald Tofte (WI), I. V. Graham (AZ), Doug Brown (WA), and Ron Sather (MN) all carted home sizeable prizes with 5-8 finishes.

The TOC sported 272 players in a unique Consolation match. This event had a 12-game high-card format (since the event is not sanctioned, head-to-head playoffs are not required) and Andrew Hulcher, Richmond, VA, came away the winner by scoring a grand slam 12/12 26 +241. Hulcher's card was very rare, indeed! His take? \$2,050! Master Jim Hornbacher (WA), Aaron Geroux (NC), and Richard Neunsinger (MN), all topped \$1,000 in finishing 2-3-4.

The inanimate playing cards, sensing that these two matches (Main Event and Consolation) were among the nation's toughest players, awarded nary a single 28-hand! Another rarity, as several should have been scored according to the old law of averages!

Directors Joan & Jim Rein, Scott Kooistra, Jeanne & Roy Hofbauer, and a host of

volunteers kept the huge crowd on track for the entire weekend...and they expressed amazement at how smooth both events were played! The Sands...with Barbara Woodward's expert guidance...again proved excellent hosts for this mammoth crowd. The Board of Directors voted once again, to play next year's match at the Sands. Mark your calendars...as this year's match was a sellout!

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Vignettes

FROM RENO

Players had not even settled in to their Sands surroundings prior to Friday's TOC match before several had scored big on the machines. Emil Lubinski (MN) nailed \$1,474 for a royal flush on a quarter machine late Thursday afternoon. Not to be outdone, Roy Hofbauer (WA) picked up \$1,349 for the same feat. Darrel Miotke (OR) took home \$780...and all this transpired before a single cribbage card was dealt.

Andy Hucher's great TOC Consolation card (12/12 26+241) was aided by witchcraft! He was wearing a tall red and white striped hat (a Sam the Cat hat in Dr. Suess's book) while doing his pegging...and he simply couldn't lose!

Emily Medeiros (MA) began play in the JPW/ACC open with a bang! Her very first hand was a 28! With this glorious start she anticipated a great day. Wrong! She ended the day with cold cards and scored a 15 GP score. Meanwhile, husband Rob began the day scoring a 16-hand on his first deal. He managed to hang tough all day...but missed qualifying by having too few spread points (he needed 23 more to make the cut!).

Sylvia Sutton (CA) came the closest to qualifying, finishing 257th. 256 peggers made the cut! Her luck came back later that evening as she won a 35" color TV in the Sand's drawing. She opted for \$599 cash...as the set was simply too large to carry home.

Roy Hofbauer (WA) had the best luck in pulling a game out of the fire. He needed 24 points to win, with his opponent needing but a scant 3 to win (with the deal). Roy held 3-4-4-5, and cut a 3. Needing 4 pegs to win, his opponent held a 10-10-J-Q. Oops! Roy scored a 31 for 2, then a 15-2 for the necessary 4 pegs. $4 + 20 = 24$...and game!

Lee Norris (RI) had the saddest story of the day (among many hundreds offered to CW). Norris had a 24 GP card with 6 games to go. He lost 5 of these remaining games, 2 in the stinkhole, and failed to qualify by a whisker!

Tim Krawford (KS) was the most crushed by the cut for deal rule. He lost 16 of 22 cuts...and was so mortified by this "unfairness" that he wrote CW a 2-page letter singing the blues. He noted that your editor was "crabby" when he was complaining about this format...(hey, you listen to hundreds of sad stories and I'll guarantee you'll be a little crabby, too!)

Duane Toll, the cribbage whiz from Wisconsin, claims he was too busy pegging to play the machines. He stated he managed to play but a single quarter all week-end...but nevertheless, brought home some \$5,000! Cribbage is very kind to Toll!

The lights went out in Reno at 8:20 AM, with 1,024 players all set to begin pegging action. The directors all breathed a sigh of relief. Suppose play had begun with a game in progress. No loudspeaker to inform the players what to do in the dark...and when the lights came back on, half the field (those losing the game at that point) would all loudly demand to begin again. The other half would loudly proclaim the game continue. Can you imagine the mess?

Once again, parity seems to have overtaken the ACC. Many, many top ranked players failed to qualify for the playoffs, and players singing the blues was all too common.

President Emeritus Joe Wergin Celebrates 87th Birthday

President Emeritus Joe Wergin recently celebrated his 87th birthday...and he says he would love to hear from our membership. His address:

Hebron Hall, Room 110
6201 Mineral Point Road
Madison, WI 53705
(608) 238-1663

Biggest Bargain?

Is the Consolation the biggest bargain in a weekend of pegging? Think about it! The Consolation has a free financial ride of the back of the Main Event. The Main Event pays all the bills: playing cards, boards, scorecards, pens, coffee and doughnuts, publicity, postage, sanctioning fees, charities, trophies and more.

The cash return of a Consolation event is usually 100%...or at least more than the percentage paid back by the Main Event.

Ken Cambell writes that "The costs of a sanctioned tournament should be shared: 2/3 by the Main Event and 1/3 by the Consolation. This will result in a fair adjustment...the cash return of the Main Event will increase and the cash return of the Consolation will decrease."

Holy Cow! It's Mickow!

Portland Winter Draws Huge Crowd

Director Dorothy Mickow has been faithfully managing a long-running Portland Winter and Summer event...and this time around, enough was enough! She copped the championship and the \$1,000 prize in this huge 164-pegger match.

And the win came the hard way, as she had to get by perennial winner and newly crowned Life Master Paul Hatcher (Salem, OR) in the final match.

George Butz, Tillamook, OR nailed 3rd followed by another pegger on a roll...Bruce Wridge, the \$10,000 winner from last year's ACC Open in Reno, in 4th.

Sundae Webb flew in from California and nailed a super 39 18 +283 card to easily take qualifying honors...and even helped Jesse Jarrell's 10 GP card win two spots in team event play.

Jason Hofbauer (WA) of the pegging Hofbauer clan took the 122-pegger Consolation, waxing Life Master Two-Star DeLynn Colvert (MT) in the final playoffs 2-0. Paul Hirschmann (OR) and Roger Wilson (CO) tied for 3rd.

The satellites:

Time Passer: Fabian Nelson (OR)

Doubles: Chris Kim & Ryan Kimura (OR)

High Rollers: George Rasmussen (WA)

Saturday Night: Bruce Wridge (OR)

Cry Baby: Rod Schott (WA)

New member Eugene Whipkey (OR) began his pegging career with a nice 28-hand, and Ruby McElroy (OR) also nailed this gem...but no 29's showed.

Director Mickow, rubbing her hands in glee, announces that she will again schedule a Summer Open this July. See Tournament Trail, this issue, for details.

Tiger Woods of Cribbage?

Jason Hofbauer, the teen-age son of Jeanne and Roy Hofbauer, sat down for the final match in the 122-pegger Consolation at Portland's Winter Open. His opponent was Life-Master Two Star DeLynn Colvert.

Hofbauer confidentially announced to Colvert that he is the Tiger Woods of Cribbage! Colvert replied, "Bah humbug, we'll see about that!"

Well, Colvert did see about that...Jason won two quick games by a rout and the championship! Colvert was last seen mumbling about this new Tiger Woods...



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Standings as of February 7, 1997

Division 1 (club number in parenthesis)

- 1 188 Brian Heroux, Woonsocket RI (31)
- 2 149 Gene Goodell, Portland OR (118)
- 3 145 Albert Podevels, Colby WI (199)
- 4 143 Edwin Fringer, Woodstock IL (213)
- 4 143 Bruce Sattler, Baltimore MD (178)
- 6 140 William McDonald, Fresno CA (45)
- 6 140 Norm Wright, Madison WI (1)
- 8 139 Marvin Lang, Woodstock IL (3)
- 9 132 Anne Haller, Bend OR (12)
- 10 131 Ronald Sargent, Red Bluff CA (159)
- 11 129 Lyle Lund, Carver MN (215)
- 11 129 John Maurer, Crystal Lake IL (3)
- 13 128 David Strahl, Elgin IL (116)
- 13 128 Paul Arvello, Schaumburg IL (116)
- 13 128 Jerold Bremmer, WI Rapids WI (120)
- 16 127 Carl Stone Jr., Arcata CA (194)
- 16 127 David LeBoeuf, Sacramento CA (162)
- 16 127 Joyce Bryant, Jarrettsville MD (178)
- 19 126 Richard Larson, Toppensish WA (156)
- 19 126 Albina Farrish, Riverside RI (31)
- 21 125 Duane Toll, Cudahy WI (6)
- 22 122 Francis Froelich, Green Bay WI (61)
- 22 122 Willard Peters, Green Bay WI (61)
- 24 121 Billie Cole, W. Sacramento CA (162)
- 24 121 Sharon Deane, Fairfax VA (89)

Division 2

- 1 112 Tony Montooth, Palo Alto CA (48)
- 2 108 Huston Kitts, Midlothian VA (225)
- 2 108 John Williams, Brooklyn Park MN
- 4 93 Carl Garner, Grand Junction CO (224)
- 5 91 Ed Maslansky, Silver Springs MD (149)
- 6 90 Merritt Schumann II, G. Jct'n CO (224)
- 7 86 Dennis McNurlen, Grinnell IA (17)
- 7 86 Sue Wheaton, Olympia WA (148)
- 7 86 Valerie Sumner, Sparks NV (11)
- 7 86 Roger King, Santa Clara CA (48)
- 11 85 Thomas Smith, Colebrook NH (219)
- 12 84 Bill Jensen, Los Altos CA (48)
- 13 82 Elmer Morlock, Minneapolis MN (67)
- 13 82 Bruce Forbes, Chico CA (142)
- 15 79 Harold Davis, Colebrook NH (219)
- 15 79 Joy Jerdee, Brooklyn Park MN (67)

Division 3

- 1 64 Mike McDaniel, Fairfield WA (216)
- 2 56 Edgar Bastedo, Lethbridge AB (24)
- 3 53 Gordon Oberst, Spokane WA (216)
- 4 48 Gary Sand, Wellpinit WA (216)
- 5 43 Walter Peoples, Richboro PA (115)
- 5 43 Russell Nelsen, Scottsdale AZ (24)
- 7 41 Juanita Maier, Portland OR (135)
- 7 41 Joyce Keeling, Spokane WA (216)
- 9 33 William Hoffman, Haddonfield NJ (115)
- 10 32 Charles Fletchall, Grimes IA (24)

Grass Roots Bronze Level

For compiling 1,000 Grass Roots Rating Points, the following are awarded the
BRONZE AWARD

- 174- Lee Chambers, Corvallis, OR
- 175- John Marshall, N. Providence, RI
- 176- Robert Hayman, Walpole, MA
- 177- Julie Tuckett, El Cajon, CA
- 178- Maurice Ramsay, Avon, MA
- 179- Bruce Wridge, Portland, OR
- 180- Ralph Destefano, Medford, MA
- 181- Paul Gallagher, Avon, MA
- 182- Doris Perkins, Quincy, MA
- 183- Mary Gladish, Concord, CA
- 184- David Guyse, WI Rapids, WI
- 185- Red Alter, Aurora, CO
- 186- Avon Ray, Santa Rosa, CA
- 187- James Gogolin, Idlewild Park, OR
- 188- Harold Belles, Albany, NY
- 189- Dave Stratford, Napa, CA
- 190- Phyllis Daily, Punta Gorda, FL
- 191- John Dawes, Lakewood, CA
- 192- Dale Pawley, Warwick RI
- 193- Ford Jewer, Wakefield, RI

Grass Roots 29 Hands 1996-1997 Season

- 1 Bob Hemond, Grand Rapids MI 9-24-96
- 2 Judy Bucheger, Greenwood WI 10-9-96
- 3 Bob Lambert, Muskegon MI 10-14-96
- 4 Shirley Carr, Chehalis WA 10-24-96
- 5 Leo Labadini, Braintree MA 10-30-96
- 6 Walter Howell, Newport OR 11-23-96
- 7 Elizabeth Schaeffer, Kissimmee FL 11-14-96

GR Tidbits...

Frank Danielski (GR 90) nailed a 9/9 Grand Slam for a Christmas present (12-23).

Patrick Barrett (GR 120) is playing at a heady 66.1% win mark!

Congratulations to Al & Sharon Schaefer (GR 6) on their recent marriage...

NORTH POLE OPEN

TODD SCHAEFER: MAIN

AL SCHAEFER: CONSOLATION

A Schaefer sweep! With 112 peggers in attendance at the recent North Pole Open in Appleton, Wisconsin, the Schaefer boys took home all the marbles.

First, in the Main Event, Todd Schaefer, Oakdale, MN, came away the winner. Then in the Consolation, Al Schaefer, Slinger, WI bested the 56-pegger event!

Are the Schaefer boys related? No, they are not. Anyone whose name is Schaefer simply play better cribbage on January 12.

Jim Huser (WI), Wayne Steinmetz (WI), and Kory Kamps (WI) nailed 2-3-4 in the Main Event. John Syftestad (WI) had the hot hand in the qualifying round and took honors.

Jeff Lui (WI), John Syftestad, and Gene Mikulsky (WI) finished 2-3-4 in the Consolation.

The satellites:

Friday: Dale Rohm (WI)

Saturday: Jim Huser (WI)

All Events: Doug Page, Ray West (tie) (WI)

Last Chance: Green Bay Packers

Directors Aggie & Gene Mikulsky reported 3 28-hands: Glenn Nelson, Neal Matzke, and Les Kvien...and that next year's match will be one week later so they won't compete with the Packer championship game. Director Mikulsky reported that the crowd was down due to the NFL championship game in Green Bay...and any cribbage player who was lucky enough to get a ticket was at the game.

Who sez the Packers will win again next year? Anyone knows that the Seahawks and Saints will be playing! Ed.

ACC to be on the Internet

At the Board of Directors meeting in Reno, funding was approved for the creation of an ACC Home Page for a two-year period.

The goal of this project is to attract new players and to use the Internet as a way to communicate information to current ACC members. Any thoughts that you might have as to what should be included on our Home Page should be forwarded to:

Steve Sattler

50 Rose Petal Court

Baltimore, MD 21234

E-Mail: spsbalto@erols.com

Telephone: (410) 661-3899

In addition, anyone who is willing to volunteer their time to this project should write to Steve as well.

The Orlando Cribbage Club and Paul Barnes (DeLand, FL) have broken ground in this field and have several pages "on line!"

Michaelis Wins National Match Play (Again!)

One-Star Mick Michaelis has done it again! He has won the National Long Match tournament...and is the only winner in the two-year history of this event.

Originator of this event is Larry Samet, and one of his goals was to determine who is the best player in America...and the evidence strongly points to the Marinette, WI King of Cribbage...Mick Michaelis.

His march to the title was not an easy one as he had outstanding opponents every step of the way. First was Warren Sondericker (Life Master), then Jim McManus (One-Star), Joe Bernard (One-Star), Brian Heroux (Grand Master) and in the final match, Bill Shoemaker (Master).

Shoemaker came close, very close! The match went several games into overtime, and the final game was decided by three points. Shoemaker can also lay claim to prominence on the boards, as this W. Hartford, CT pegger finished in the final four last year.

Election Year

As 1997 is an odd numbered year, it is election time again for your Board of Directors.

Directors of the BOD are elected for a two-year term beginning September 1 of each odd numbered year (1995, 1997, 1999, etc.) and ending August 31. The BOD meets twice each year at the rotating Grand National location and in Reno, Nevada before the TOC. The meetings are normally held the day before each of these tournaments.

Any bona fide member of the ACC can be nominated by himself/herself, or by another bona fide member. The nomination must be in writing and acknowledged by the prospective nominee. (See example to the right).

Nominees should include a short biography on themselves for publication in *Cribbage World*, and include how they would like to have their name published on the official election ballot.

Completed nomination papers and biographies must be sent to:

Ron Hamilton
ACC Nominations
7318 SW Cannock Chase
Topeka, Kansas 66614-1534
Phone: (913) 478-3668

Nominations must be received by April 15, 1997.

Ballots and biographies will be published in the June issue of *Cribbage World*, and completed ballots must be returned by **July 15, 1997**. Elected officers will be notified as soon as the ballots are tabulated. The official results will be published in the September *Cribbage World*.

Sample Nomination Form for the ACC's Board of Directors

Nomination For Election to the ACC Board of Directors

I would like to nominate the following individual for election to the ACC Board of Directors for the two-year term starting September 1, 1997:

NOMINEE _____

I am currently a bona fide member of the ACC and herewith endorse the above individual for nomination for election to the ACC Board of Directors:

SIGNATURE _____

Name (print) _____

ACC Membership No. _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

NOMINEE ACCEPTANCE

I herewith accept nomination for election to the ACC Board of Directors for the two-year term starting September 1, 1997. If elected, I agree to serve, by appointment, to at least two standing or ad hoc committees during this term of service.

Signature _____

Name (print) _____

ACC Membership No. _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____

Deadline For Nominees:
April 15, 1997

Late Report

Gillette Takes Fall Tahoe Challenge

Robert Gillette pegging out of Rodeo, CA, nailed the 92-pegger Fall Tahoe Challenge last September...and took home a whopping \$1,000!

Mike Brown had the hot hand in the qualifying round as he scored a very rare 40 GP card in the 22-game round. Brown hails from Carson City and is a member of the host club's Grass Roots (GR 222), proving, once again, that peggers are tougher on their home turf.

Boyd McDonald (Mountain View, CA) had the hot hand in last year's spring event, and has found a home in Kings Beach, as he once again had a high finish...finishing 2nd this time around. Roberta Nelson (Sunnyvale, CA), and Carl Hatfield (Fremont, CA) took 3rd and 4th.

Life Master One-Star Jesse Jarrell (Pittsburg, CA) grabbed the 48-pegger Consolation, followed by perennial winner Mary Ryan (San Lorenzo, CA) in 2nd. Dorothy Maximov (Quincy, CA) and Roger King (Santa Clara, CA) finished 3rd and 4th.

Director Jack Shumate had a bevy of satellite events on tap. The winners:

Time Passer: Heidi Glashan (CA)

Early Bird Singles: Jesse Jarrell (CA)

Doubles: Margery Clark & Graeme Gossett (OR)

Saturday Special: George Ryland (CA)

High Rollers: Bea Olyer (CA)

Last Chance: Anne Sheeran (CA) 7/7 15 GP

A "No Sniveling" contest was held and the player with the worst (or best) story won the prize. Betty Lindvig (CA) related a hand so badly misplayed that she won hands down!

Clyde Ross, once again, furnished the event with trophy boards, all handsomely inlaid burlwood boards.

Shumate also conducted a raffle with many prizes, in addition to a tasty lunch of marinated flank steak.

See this spring's event full-page ad, this issue, for another tournament on the shores of Lake Tahoe. Shumate invites all ACC players to attend, and hang around for a California doubleheader...as the World Championship in Quincy will be held the next weekend. Shumate will hold Grass Roots action on Mon., Tues, Weds., and Thurs., to help kill time before the main event in Quincy.

Christmas Wrap Harry Ng Kicks Off New Year With Win

Local Harry Ng kicked off the new year with a win at the Christmas Wrap played at San Leandro, CA, January 3-5.

Bob Sibert (CA), Roy Banducci (CA) and Robert Graham (CA) came home 2-3-4.

Helen Bolstad, a newly crowned Master from Martinez, CA, nailed the 84 peggers in attendance by taking honors in the qualifying round. After losing early in the Main Event playoffs, Bolstad had the distinction of earning MRP's in every manner possible. Main Qualifying: 33, Main Playoffs: 8, Consolation Qualifying: 6, and Consolation playoffs: 27 = 74 MRP's total. She won the Consolation event, after qualifying 3rd.

Helene Sontag (CA), Wayne Glashan (CA), and Rae Fedde (CA) finished 2-3-4 in the Consolation. Bob Julian, the travelling Life Master from Milwaukee, picked up 14 MRP's with a top-qualifying score in the Consolation, and then finishing in the 5-8 bracket.

The satellites:

Doubles: Jack Shumate & Evelyn Gillmore

Saturday Night: Jones Hom

Cry Baby: Heidi Glashan

Directors Bill Wakeman and Steve Reynolds plan on renewing this event again next year. Stay tuned.

Canadian Cribbage

Director Linton Walker reports a long weekend of pegging beginning April 3 (Thursday) for Grass Roots play, and then on Friday (April 4) the Canadian Championship matches begin, starting with an Early Bird at 7 PM. Out-of-town visitors may enjoy a guided tour of Prince George earlier in the day. The usual events will follow on Saturday and Sunday, with a unique \$2 24-pool and 3-person team play. See Tournament Trail, this issue, for details.

Ross Njaa Nice Director

At the recent Pacific Coast Championship in Salinas, CA, director Ross Njaa dealt his opponent a 28-hand!

Bob Dellinger, Graeagle, CA, was appreciative of this largess...and went on to 2nd place.

Ed Horigan's Legacy

New Master Rating Point System Approved

After some two years of discussion, analysis, proposals, and counter-proposals, the ACC's Board of Directors has approved a new Master Rating Point system.

The late Ed Horigan proposed a change that would **award equal MRP's for equal difficulty, regardless of size of tournament.** His original proposal was approved by the BOD in 1996, but was put on hold for further fine tuning. The change in systems had to award the members of the Congress MRP's equal to the amount received in years past, to alleviate any criticisms that old-time members "were protecting their lifetime totals."

With those two major concerns (equal points for equal difficulty, and equal total points awarded) the BOD, after approving Horigan's basic concept, delayed implementation for one year, for further study and refinement. Several concepts were studied. Larry Samet refined his original system for re-evaluation, Horigan's 70-point cap system was evaluated, and a Paul Hatcher-DeLynn Colvert simplification was studied.

The Hatcher-Colvert simplification has been accepted by a 14-9-1 vote. Hatcher made a thorough study of total MRP's awarded by the three proposals by analyzing 43 consecutive sanctioned events from May, 1996 through September 1996. This effort was to insure that ACC players would be on equal footing, insofar as total number of MRP's awarded during the entire year. The approved system achieves these objectives and awards MRP's in a mathematically sound, but different, manner. Smaller tournaments will award more MRP's and larger tournaments will award less. Playoff rounds will award all qualifiers 7 MRP's, and each round won will award an additional 7 MRP's. Round two winners will earn $7 + 14 = 21$. Round three winners will earn $21 + 21 = 42$. (See chart at the right for clarification) This parallels the actual odds of winning two, three, four, five or more rounds in succession.

The qualifying round MRP's have been greatly simplified and are based on what the individual players accomplishes on his own cribbage board, regardless of size of tournament and is based on Game Points scored. Beginning with a 27 GP card (22-game qualifying round) scoring 5 MRP's, each Game Point is worth 5 more points (i.e.: 28-10, 29-15, 30-20, etc.). A 27 GP card will rarely,

if ever, score MRP's, since only the top 1/8th earn MRP's (no change from past practices). This low base point was necessary to insure MRP's being awarded in equal numbers as in past years.

Consolation events parallel the Main Event in concept. Instead of the 7+7, Consolations will award 3+3, with all qualifiers receiving 3 MRP's.

Consolation qualifying rounds will award MRP's based on Game Points, as in Main Event play. The starting base point for a 9-game match is 12 GP's scoring 3 MRP's, with an additional 3 MRP's awarded for every additional GP. For example, a 13 GP card would score 6, 14-9, 15-12, and 16-15. Once again, Hatcher's study indicated that a 16 GP card was the near-average for top 1/8th players, and a 15-MRP average was necessary to insure equal MRP's awarded as in past years.

The basic concept was designed for a 22-game Main Event and a 9-game Consolation, but for one-day tournaments, a comparable system has been computed. In fact, any number of games played in qualifying rounds can be adapted to award MRP's in comparable amounts. The chart to the right shows only a 22-game and a 14-game event, but scores will be computed for other parameters.

This new system requires **NO CHARTS**, once the basic concept is understood. All tournament playoffs will award 7 points for qualifying, and a plus 7 from that point forward. The first round winners have earned 21 MRP's, the 2nd round winners have earned 42 MRP's, then 70-105-147-196-252-and finally 315 for winning an event sporting 513-1,024 players.

All byes in a playoff round count as wins. Some criticism will undoubtedly accompany this fact of life...but players have earned this bye with a superior card in the qualifying round.

Another major change is **NO BACKWARD PLAYOFFS!** Once you lose, no further MRP's are earned. Almost without exception this is accepted in sporting events world-wide. Tournament directors have the option of playing backwards for prize money, as in

years past, but MRP's are frozen at the point a player loses. This means that ALL tournaments will be scored 1-2-3-3-5-5-5-9-9-9-9-9-9, 17-17-17, etc. This will simplify the system, making the National Statisticians job somewhat easier (and the tournament director as well).

For those tournaments that have a double-

elimination format, a special scoring chart will be constructed so that the event will award an equal amount of MRP's as the comparable sized sanctioned event scored in the standard manner.

The following diagrams should explain the basic concept of the new system:

Qualifying Round 22-game event

Game	Points	MRP's
27	5	
28	10	
29	15	
30	20	
31	25	
32	30	
33	35	
34	40	
35	45	
36	50	
37	55	
38	60	
39	65	
40	70	
41	75	
42	80	
etc.		

Qualifying Round 14-game event

Game	Points	MRP's
17	5	
18	10	
19	15	
20	20	
21	25	
22	30	
23	35	
24	40	
25	45	
26	50	
27	55	
28	60	
29	65	
30	70	
31	75	
32	80	
etc.		

Consolation Qualifying 9-games

Game	Points	MRP's
12	3	
13	6	
14	9	
15	12	
16	15	
17	18	
18	21	
19	24	
20	27	
21	30	
22	33	
23	36	
24	39	

Consolation Qualifying 7-games

Game	Points	MRP's
10	3	
11	6	
12	9	
13	12	
14	15	
15	18	
16	21	
17	24	
18	27	
19	30	
20	33	
21	36	

Playoffs (Any size tournament)

7 + 14 + 21 + 28 + 35 + 42 + 49 + 56 + 63
7 21 42 70 105 147 196 252 315

Examples:

22-32	33-64	65-128	129-256
1 70	1 105	1 147	1 196
2 42	2 70	2 105	2 147
3 21	3 42	3 70	3 105
3 21	3 42	3 70	3 105
5 7	5 21	5 42	5 70
5 7	5 21	5 42	5 70
5 7	5 21	etc.	etc.
5 7	5 21	9 21	9 42
	9 7	9 21	9 42
257-512	9 7	9 21	etc.
Winner: 252	9 7	etc.	17 21
	9 7	17 7	etc.
513-1,024	etc.	etc.	33 7
Winner: 315			etc.

Each round won earns comparable points regardless of size of tournament

Consolation Playoffs

3 + 6 + 9 + 12 + 15 + 18 + 21 + 24 + 27
3 9 18 30 45 63 84 108 135

Examples:

22-32	33-64	65-128
1 30	1 45	1 63
2 18	2 30	2 45
3 9	3 18	3 30
3 9	3 18	3 30
5 3	5 9	5 18
5 3	5 9	5 18
5 3	5 9	etc.
5 3	5 9	9 9
	9 3	9 9
129-256	9 3	9 9
Winner: 84	9 3	etc.
257-512	9 3	17 3
Winner: 108	etc.	etc.
513-1,024		
Winner: 135		

Each round won earns comparable points regardless of size of tournament

This system takes effect August 1, 1997. CW will add additional information in the future.

National Open Limits Field to 256

Director Catherine Perkins announces that the upcoming 24th National Open will be played August 1, 2, 3, 1997...and it will be the very first tournament played under the new Master Rating Point system.

This will be the first...and last...time that this tournament will kick off a new cribbage year. The 1998 edition will again return to be played as the year's last sanctioned event.

And for the first time since 1982, to eliminate the glut of byes, the National Open will limit the playing field to the first 256 entrants. The playing format will remain the same, with a double elimination, skunks counting two wins, procedure.

Perkins reports that this event will sport a bevy of events: a Friday Early Bird, Consolation, Losers Losers, Last Roundup, and a Monday High Roller. She guarantees a full weekend of pegging action.

To insure that all players have an equal opportunity to enter, official tournament information and entry blanks will be mailed on April 15, 1997. No entries will be accepted prior to April 15. For information, contact Catherine Perkins, PO Box 171, Bear Creek, NC 27207 or call (919) 837-5790.

Martha Fingleton Elected to Cribbage Hall of Fame

Martha Fingleton, a newly crowned Life Master from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was elected into the Cribbage Hall of Fame on January 30, 1997 at the Board of Directors meeting in Reno.

For many years, Fingleton has been very active in promoting cribbage. Serving ably on the ACC's Board of Directors, she has guided the Congress as National Tournament Commissioner and a member of the Executive Committee. She is currently serving as a member of the Ethics Committee.

Fingleton becomes the 18th member of the Cribbage Hall of Fame. Her skill on the cribbage board and her unflagging dedication to the ACC propelled her to this prestigious honor.

You Almost Had a Bumper Sticker

With a vote of 12-12 at the recent BOD meeting in Reno, the proposed bumper sticker, complete with the new toll-free telephone number, failed to pass, and has been shelved.

One more vote and each member would have had a bumper sticker.

On the other side of the coin, the ACC will not spend \$4,900 for the 10,000 stickers.

Jeff Monroe Has Surplus Score Cards

Jeff Monroe, PO Box 10486, Napa, CA 94581, has surplus score cards.

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Ken Cochlin Owns Weird Cribbage Board

Ken Cochlin, Kennewick, WA, is the proud owner of one of the weirdest cribbage boards imaginable.

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This unique board was produced in 1974. The complexity of the scoring, plus being unable to check the accuracy of the pegging doomed this board to obscurity.

However, if you own one, it must surely be a collector's item.

Another Badge...

Cy Madrone, Santa Barbara, CA has this unique cribbage name tag:



(Cy is certainly a candidate for immigration to Montana...Ed.)

Foxwood Casino Action

Robert Medeiros Wins Again

1995 All-American Robert Medeiros, Quincy, MA is at it once again. This time around he nailed the 146 pegger New England Classic, played at the huge Foxwoods Casino in Ledyard, CT.

With the 160 MRP's earned, Medeiros has vaulted over the 400 mark for this cribbage year, and is on track for additional cribbage honors.

Dorothy Boreham, Raynham, MA, had a fine tournament as she qualified 3rd and finished 2nd, picking up a nifty even 200 MRP's.

Carl Deyette, East Hartford, CT, and Henry DeLong, a Grand Master from Woburn, MA finished 3rd and 4th. DeLong's MRP's give him over 500 for this cribbage year, and he is well on his way to another stellar season.

John McDonald, Hanson, MA, grabbed honors with the hot hand in the qualifying round.

Jerry Bernier, Wales, MA nailed the 58-pegger Consolation, followed by Bill Medeiros, Shrewsbury, MA in 2nd, Medeiros (no relation to Robert) copped the December Holiday Classic, and continues his roll. Bob Kaplan, Randolph, MA and George Lozy, Cumberland, RI took 3rd and 4th.

Co-director Charlie Finley finished 5th in the Main Event, but the other co-director...Bill Shoemaker...decided to save himself for the National Longmatch finals!

World Championship Youth Tournament Slated

With Jack Shumate, Kings Beach, CA, organizing the show, a Worlds Championship Youth Tournament is slated for May 18, 1997. The event will be played at the North Lake Tahoe Conference Center, and the event will not be held in conjunction with another sanctioned event.

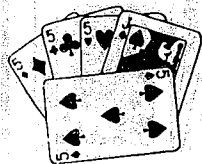
Shumate's plan is to have it open to any youth under age 20. No entry fee is required, with the top four earning trophies. Every player will take home a souvenir long-board. Play will begin at 8:30 AM, and lunch is included.

For information:

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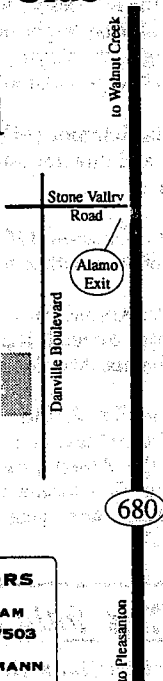
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40 Hardy Peggers Brave Cold Les Kvien Winner At Albert Lea

On a cold and wintry weekend in late January, Les Kvien from nearby Minneapolis nailed the Albert Lea Open...picking up some 40 MRP's and a nice winner's check.

With the Albert Lea Inn donating an extra \$200, players were treated to very fair paybacks...and with the Minnesota weather miserable outside, the Saturday night playoffs continued on into the night (the playing hall was warm and no one wanted to go outside).

Myron Schmidt (MN), Master Larry Loupee (IA), and director Arnold Groskreutz finished 2-3-4.

Randy Carlson (MN) won the 18-pegger Consolation. Other satellite winners:

Friday: Arnold Groskreutz (MN)

Saturday Special: Randy Carlsen (MN)

All-Events: Arnold Groskreutz

Director Groskreutz reported signing on 3 new ACC members, and garnered much publicity from the Albert Lea Convention and Events Bureau. Groskreutz is planning on renewing this event next year...not in January, but in March!

Phil Martin Takes Super Lite

Phil Martin, a member of the Eastern Region's All Star team and a Master pegger, nailed the recent Super Lite-Dante Club championship in West Springfield, MA.

Another Master pegger and member of this same All Star squad...Sharlene Medeiros...took 2nd, as this Shrewsbury, MA, pegger is making another run at cribbage honors this year.

Bob Bousquet (MA) and Bob DeKenipp (MA), finished 3rd and 4th. DeKenipp took honors in the qualifying round, taking home a combined 120 MRP's.

Robert Mereiros, Quincy, MA, took the 70-pegger Consolation, and this Master pegger is on track for honors this cribbage year (having finished 2nd nationally in 1995). Jim Falzone (MA) took 2nd, followed by Marc Cinelli (MA) and Thomas Shea (MA) in 3rd and 4th.

Director Charlie Finley reports that this event will be held again next year (January 18). He also reported that Judi Finley scored that elusive 28-hand, and that Martin and Medeiros will receive custom-made trophies as a memento of their wins.

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In Memory of Ed Horigan...

On 7 January 1997 Ed Horigan lost his fight with cancer. He will be greatly missed by his friends and acquaintances in the Tidewater 29ers and the American Cribbage Congress.

Ed travelled to tournaments all across the country for the past several years. He served on the Board of Directors of the ACC, was the FIRST to earn Master rating in the state of Virginia and the only one to earn Grand Master in the state. He was co-founder of the Tidewater 29ers, a senior judge, past commissioner of Grass Roots in Region 9, and was awarded the ACC's President Award for 1996. Ed spent several years working on a proposal to change the Master Point system to make it performance based, rather than based on the number of people in the tournament.

Ed, we will miss your knowledge of the game of cribbage, your insight into how to improve the ACC and Grass Roots program, and most importantly, your wit, personality, leadership and friendship. I know there will be some great games on the big board in the sky with Stan "The Man" Daniels, Leo and Tom Horigan and all the other great players that have preceded you.

Your friends of the Tidewater 29ers.

In Memoriam

Esther Brockling

Independence, Iowa

Esther passed away January 10 after several years of ill health. She was a charter member of the American Cribbage Congress and the Wapsie Cribbage Club (GR 8) in Independence. All her many friends and peggers will sorely miss her.

Eva Moritzky

Mabton, Washington

Eva passed away January 19, after a courageous fight battling cancer. Her contagious laughter, and unflagging good sportsmanship made her a great asset to the ACC. With husband Jack, this duo added class to any event. The ACC and all Northwest players will sorely miss Eva on the "Trail..."

Don Tuttle Cut Off At The Pass

In January's issue of CW, Don Tuttle had a little poem...and CW left off the punch line. It should have continued on to say that Don was at the Cribbage Funny Farm... Anyway, Don says we all missed his point! CW offers apologies.

New Judges

These new Judges are certified using the ACC book of Rules (dated 1993):

Daniel Betz, Muskegon MI
Sharon Jackson, Rapid City SD
Andy Jones, Moline IL
William Larson, Rapid City SD
Russell Lovell, Sandwich MA
John Mock, Morro Bay, CA

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Mark Sheredy Tops Pacific Coast

With some 88 peggers in attendance, Mark Sheredy from nearby San Jose took honors at the recent Pacific Coast Championship, played at Salinas. CA.

Bob Dellinger, Graeagle, CA, came close, but settled for 2nd, followed by Sandy Warner, Fremont, CA, and Al Wigger, Cupertino, CA, in 3rd and 4th.

Roy Banducci, Arroyo Grande, CA, has been tearing up the track lately, and came home the top qualifier with a 34 16 +154 card.

Jesse Jarrell, the One-Star pegger from Pittsburg, CA nailed the 46-pegger Consolation. Lad Dietrick (CA), Ross Njaa (co-director), and Cy Madrone (CA) took 2-3-4.

The satellites:

Doubles: Larry Hinrichs & Gene Lewis
Saturday Night: Amelee Killion (CA)

The Moose club in Salinas proved to be a hospitable host, with ample playing room for all. The bar and kitchen did yeoman's work in catering to the players whims, and directors Ross Njaa, Joe Lusignan, and Mel Ashley had all events on time and well-organized.

Paul Barnes Appointed to BOD

Paul C. Barnes of DeLand, Florida has been appointed by President Ev Bey to the ACC Board of Directors, succeeding the late Ed Horigan. A former Director, Barnes was the unanimous choice of the Executive Committee to fill the Eastern Region seat.



26th Annual WCCT

A record crowd was on hand last year as we celebrated the country's oldest sanctioned cribbage tournament's 25th anniversary. That also marked our first attempt at running a two day tournament (three days if you count the Friday night doubles contest). Not only did we find some areas to fine-tune, we met lots of new people whom we look forward to seeing again this year. As Rotarians, we work hard at this annual event because we know it's good for our club and our community. We also know that cribbage players want to enjoy themselves, while earning lots of points and money. This tournament is sanctioned by and run in accordance with ACC rules.

DATE: May 2, 3 & 4, 1997
PLACE: Plumas County Fairgrounds, Quincy, CA
DEADLINE TO ENTER:
April 18, 1997

REGISTRATION TIMES:

Doubles tournament Friday evening: 6 p.m.
Singles tournament Saturday morning: 7 a.m.
Consolation tournament Sat event, Sunday 7am

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mike Taborski
(916) 283-0800
P.O. Box 1515, Quincy, CA 95971

ENTRY FEE: includes coffee and donuts, a beverage, buffet lunch Saturday and a barbecued tri-tip dinner Saturday evening.

Q-POOL: Optional \$10.00 pre-registration is available on the forms for the singles tournament. 100% payback, not graduated, to all qualifiers entered in the Q-pool.

DOUBLES: Nine game doubles 'warm-up' Friday evening. \$40.00 entry per team. Top 25% will share in the prize fund (85% of registration fees less pro-rated facility expenses for doubles event). Payoff will be made in order of finish based on total game points, number of games won then net spread points.

MAIN TOURNAMENT: Registration will begin Saturday morning at 7 a.m. with tournament play beginning promptly at 8 a.m. This year we changed the format and will play 21 games, each against different opponents. Saturday afternoon and after dinner we will complete two rounds of playoffs, all 3 out of 5. Sunday morning playoffs will continue at 7:30 a.m.

CONSOLATION: At 7:30 a.m. Sunday a 9 game ACC sanctioned consolation tournament will get underway. \$20.00 registration, optional \$5.00 Q-pool.

SCORING: Twenty-five percent will qualify for the playoffs. Rankings and parings will be based on total number of game points, then number of games won and finally, net spread points. (2 for a win, 3 for a skunk, 0 - loss)

PRIZE FUND: The total prize fund will be determined after all registrations are completed. Money will be paid in accordance with the American Cribbage Congress payback guidelines. Keep in mind that your registration fee includes morning donuts, Sat. lunch and dinner.

SATURDAY NIGHT features several things. A barbecued tri-tip dinner with all the trimmings. Presentation of the \$100 Kozlowski Award to the highest qualifier from the state of Nevada and the Robert Moon Memorial Award—a plaque and \$100 to the highest qualifier from Plumas County. Following dinner we will run two concurrent tournaments, a High Rollers contest and a Saturday Night Special, both 100% payback.

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7 PM **DOUBLES**, \$50/team, 9 games, No Playoffs

Saturday, April 12th

8 AM **REGISTRATION**, \$50 + \$5 late fee, Optional \$10 Q-Pool

9 AM **ORIENTATION & PLAY** (22 games vs. 22 opponents)

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Sunday, April 13th

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8 AM **CONSOLATION REGISTRATION**, \$20, Optional \$10 Q-Pool

10 AM **CONSOLATION PLAY**, 9 games, 25% to Playoffs, best 2 of 3

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Julian, Schaefer Lead Central All Stars to Win

The Central Region's All-Star team, with team captain Bob Julian leading the way with a 26 GP 12 win card, won the tie-breaking All-Star game match in Reno January 30. The score now stands at 3-2-2, with the Central Region in the lead. Todd Schaefer finished 2nd with a nice 24 GP 11 win card. The Central All-Stars scored 71 wins (of 128...a 55.5% clip) with the Western Region taking 63 wins. The Eastern Region won 58 games in this tight match. Bill Medeiros of the Eastern Region finished 3rd (24 11), and Bill Hill paced the Westerners with a 22 10 card. The Central Region fielded a star-studded, highly ranked bevy of players...and their experience and long-proven skill on the boards lead to victory.

Anne Sheeran Tough On Water

Anne Sheeran, the travelling pegger from Pittsburg, CA, is tough on the water. She nailed the 22-pegger Panama Canal Open aboard the cruise ship Island Breeze January 13.

Bobby Grossman, a 10-year old pegger from New Jersey, won the 23-pegger Consolation...and then celebrated his 11th birthday! This event sported a larger crowd than the Main Event, as fellow travellers aboard ship begged to play (and the ACC gained 2 new members). Director David O'Neil had matches six days running. The winners:

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Lee Norris? Well, Bill Medeiros, Too!

In December's CW, Lee Norris, a Grand Master from Kingstown, RI, was questioned if his win at the Portside Open was his first.

CW received a call from Norris admitting that, indeed, it was his first sanctioned Main Event win...but that he has won 4 Consolations.

Now, another revelation. Bill Medeiros, Shrewsbury, MA, is zeroing in on his Life Master and is nearing the 6,000 mark lifetime. He won the December 154-pegger Holiday Classic...and the cribbage grapevine reports that this, too, was his first sanctioned Main Event win. He has won Consolations in the past, however. Hey, peggers, this is one tough game...parity has set in! Winning a Main Event is almost at the point where winning is a once-in-a-lifetime thrill!

Yreka Inaugural

Sandy and Garry Folz, with help from Julie Mower, are holding their inaugural sanctioned tournament this June 27-29 in Yreka, California.

Yreka is a small California town near the Oregon border. Local peggers kicked off Grass Roots (club 223) play recently and they are off and running, attested by this sanctioned event.

Sandy mailed CW a copy of their flyer, and it appears their format is a good one. This event is complete with fair paybacks and a full array of events, beginning with Friday Early Birds (\$20/\$10 Q or a \$50 High Roller). Mark your calendars. See Tournament Trail, this issue, for details.

Cribbage Board Collectors Update

Bette Bemis is President of the Cribbage Board Collectors Society and she recently mailed CW some collector's tidbits for our membership's perusal.

She received a letter from the great-great-grandson of inventor John Gill, who designed the "Hedgehog" style board. He included the patent number, and Bemis has mailed the patent office for a copy.

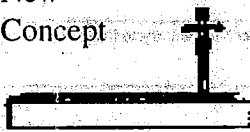
The board described in November's CW that was bought at a garage sale by Vernia Denton in Missoula, MT is still perplexing. This small folding board with a leather binding has been added to her "unsolved" file. She reports that the "Canary" cards that were enclosed in this small, book-style case, undoubtedly are worth a few bucks.

Bemis also reports that the writer of the article in "Today's Collector" did not contact any CBCS members for information...which would have enlightened this writer about current markets for cribbage boards.

For information about this Collector's Society, see "Bette's Cribb" ad, this issue.

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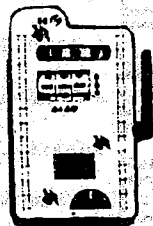
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In Memoriam

William A. Capen

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Bill died January 20 at the age of 92. Bill was a member of the Cribbage Patch Kids, club 71, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He was a long-time pegger in this club and was well liked. All his freinds and peggers will sorely miss him.

Player Expelled From ACC

Bob Gombatz, Raleigh, NC, has been expelled from the American Cribbage Congress, effective January 30, 1997, by vote of the ACC's Board of Directors.

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1999 Grand National Finalists

The ACC's Board of Directors voted that the two finalists for the 1999 Grand National are Las Vegas, Nevada (Riviera Hotel and Casino, Bob Gromek), and Roseburg, Oregon (Larry Hassett). A final decision will be announced at a later date.

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Letters To The Editor...

Rule Controversy

A good friend of mine were playing one of our many cribbage games. (3,000/yr), when lo- and behold while playing a hand, we came across a serious dispute. Here's what happened. I'm holding 5-7-J-J, his hand is 3-4-6-6, since its immaterial about the score at the time or the cut card and we are talking only about playing out the hand. I lead with a 7, he follows with a 6 for 13. I follow with a 5 for 18 and a run of three. He plays a 4 for 22 for a run of 4. I say "Go." Now everything is OK at this point, until he follows with his 6 and claims 28 for a run of 5, lays down his 3 and claims 31 for 7. I tell him he can't do that. And this is what he tells me, "He's always counted this way during his entire life. He says, "That since it isn't 31 yet, he can go back to the 7 by deleting the first "6" card." And, just to add insult to injury, he tells me that he has a book somewhere, that states that you can do such a thing. I say forget all the books, and let's have the ACC council settle this one. He agreed somewhat and reluctantly.

*George Tetreault
Portsmouth, NH*

Yessir, George, you are absolutely right. He has certainly made a mistake. The play went as follows: 7-6-5-4-6-3. He was right taking the run of 4 at the count of 22. The 6 that followed created another run of 3 (6-4-5), and the 3 that followed was a run of 4 (and 2 for 31). You cannot delete the first 6 from the sequence, and pick up the 7. Keep pegging! Wow! 3,000 games a year! That's a lot of pegging! I go about 2,300 a year average. Ed.

Record Waxing?

I submit the following tidbit for the benefit of any new or novice ACC member who may have become discouraged about losing in their GR club sessions.

On January 5, GR 144 held its tournament at AL Post 258 in Jonesboro, GA. Yours truly scored a 11 5 +31 to take 2nd in the first half (9 games). However, the 2nd half was a disaster! Winning only three games was not very unusual, but being skunked FIVE times and ending with a net spread of minus 182 was unbelievable. Is this a record? If not, it is one heck of a card for 9 games. I've been playing cribbage for over 35 years and I've never been beaten so badly, even as a beginner. It just goes to show that it can happen to anyone. Keep pegging!

*Gene Bradshaw
Sharpsburg, GA*

Gene, you certainly have "whining rights" but this isn't even close to a record. Some poor soul lost 21 of 22 in Reno...and his spread was a whopping -800. Now that's a record! And just last week, I hit rock bottom in Salinas, CA in the Consolation. After losing the first 8 games, I was staring at my first string of pearls ever. I had to peg one on the last hand to save myself from complete humiliation! My minus? Well over 150! Ouch! Cheer up, though, it can only get better! Ed.



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McGillivray's Seek Clarification

Bruce & Claudia McGillivray wrote CW a lengthy letter that has been condensed...

"...his opponent failed to negotiate the corner properly and instead of starting down 3rd street, he began backing up 2nd street. The pegger relating the story didn't say anything and his opponent continued pegging backwards until, thinking he had won the game, he pegged into the starting hole, whereupon he was informed of his error. Here's my question: What is proper cribbage etiquette about informing your opponent that he/she is pegging backwards?"

"...second question: In the ACC rule book "Code of Ethics" it states abusive language is unacceptable. What the heck is abusive language?"

"Finally, just a thought. I relate the MRP total to RBI's in baseball....However, just like RBI's the number of MRP's one accumulates is directly related to the number of times they come up to the plate, or the number of games they play. In baseball, a better indicator of one's overall skill is the batting average...being determined by the number of successes versus the number of chances. ...I'd like to see such a cribbage statistic."

*Bruce & Claudia McGillivray
Susanville, CA*

You have touched on the intangibles of cribbage rules when you question the timing of telling your opponent they are pegging backwards. The strict interpretation of the rule is that you never have to tell them the error of their ways. But, most players have a conscience, and hate to win a game that way, and will tell them after a hand or two pegged backwards. Incidentally, I've seen friendships destroyed by NOT telling them soon enough! As for abusive language...well, good old common sense should tell you if you are offending your fellow players. Rule of thumb: pretend you're playing your dear old prudish grandmother! As for the RBI's vs. MRP's...you certainly have a valid point to make. The more you play, the more opportunity to earn MRP's. Those players in the MRP race every year are the ones playing the most, myself being included. A percentage win/loss would certainly tell you who is the better player. The Grass Roots program keeps these percentages, but the sanctioned events do not. And you are right that this is untenable bookwork for directors and statisticians alike. Under our present system only the top 25% are listed, and a listing of all players would increase the statisticians workload enormously. The new MRP system that goes into effect August 1, 1997, will help alleviate the unfairness of the rating system, as winners will be rewarded in a closer relationship to winning averages than in the past. Ed.

How Come?

Can you or somebody in cribbageland please tell me why cribbage players under 18 years of age who are in good standing in a local Grass Roots club are not allowed to participate in the Regional or National tournament?

Being that points obtained in these tournaments go toward your annual totals, this places anyone under 18 at a distinct and unfair disadvantage to compete as club champion. It's not right!

At this year's JPW/ACC Open, I asked GR Commissioner Gene Mikulsky why this rule existed and he didn't have an answer for me. My only thoughts are that there is payout money involved, and if that's the case, let them play for GR points and waive the \$11 fee. A small benefit for those talented young players who are the future life blood of the ACC.

*Dan Zeisler
Youth Cribbage Program Coordinator
Sonora, CA*

Gee, Dan, this is something that certainly deserves attention, to say the least. My guess is that prize money is at stake. Perhaps your solution of no entry fee, and no prize money, might solve this problem. Ed.

Cold Weather & Super Bowl... No Wisconsin Players Showed!

Arnold Groskreutz, director of the recent Albert Lea Open, wrote on his report:

"We played the Main Event playoffs on Saturday night. The weather was very cold so we kept on playing. Green Bay was in the Super Bowl, so we missed the Wisconsin players..."

Hey, Arnold, come on, now...you didn't expect any Wisconsin members to miss watching their Packers waxing the Patriots, did you?

Your tournament reminds me of one they played in Minneapolis several years ago...and the entire group was snowed in...they couldn't even leave for home on Monday. The rumor has it that even the food in the house ran low. At least your players could go home on Sunday! Right? Ed.

Another Controversy Peg Out Rule Good One?

In the January issue of CW, Mac McGuigan raised the issue of the must peg out rule...and whether it should be changed to soften the penalty. This letter has stirred the members of the Congress to write many letters to CW. The majority to date don't like the rule and would like it modified...or eliminated. CW has condensed the following letters:

"I could never accept such a win. Anyone who has not pegged his points at the end game should be told just that "Peg your points." and peg out..."
Paul Pettit, Pawtucket, RI

"...Count me in, I was in a crowd of kibitzers at Quincy 5 or 6 years ago and exchanged knowing glances with others as we watched the loser in a semi-final match get up and leave as the winner (who never pegged out) went to the scorekeeper to get registered for the finals. As an onlooker the suspense was enjoyable, but I have been ever grateful that the rule was not invoked..."
Swede Hanson, Paradise, CA

"I agree with Mac McGuigan on the peg-out rule. It is silly and unnecessary. You can count the winning hand for yourself...Too many players hover obviously just waiting to take a penalty. We know who they are. Cribbage is a game. You win some and lose some. If the only object is to win, a lot of fun is missed..."
Lucille Howell, Portland, OR

"I have enjoyed cribbage tournaments for some time. Last year I took my wife to her first one. She was winning more than losing and enjoying herself. A little over half-way through the day she failed to peg out and forfeited the game...She was too upset to continue. We left together to keep the number of players even. She hasn't been to a tournament since. Bad rule."

Al Catlin, Adams, NE

"...For all the reasons Mr. McGuigan stated in CW, I heartily agree...If they have enough points to go out, take your licks and move on. A win by any such rule as not pegging out would be a hollow win by any measure. Who needs it. Cribbage is a game for ladies and gentlemen. Let's keep it that way."

Roger Farran, Walker, MI

"Peg out rule good one? My answer is a resounding "Hell No!" The only reason for a board and pegs is to keep track of the running scores...But once a player has in hand enough points to reach 121, he has won the game..."

Roch LePage, Wilton, CT

...And a Reasoned Supporter of the Rule

"...You are both certainly correct that many novice players forget to peg out and are taken advantage of by a player who noted their mistake, motivated by either a knowledge of the game or an attentive playing style. Nevertheless, that "advantage" is very much an integral part of the game and needs to be stressed..."

The line between manipulation and knowledge of the rules is a thin one, and illustrated often at larger tournaments, where, as judges, many of us have had to make that distinction; is the non-offending player expected to give up the right to have the rules enforced simply because their opponent, in football terms, "forgot to cross the goal line?"

...but I think the one-sidedness of his (McGuigan) argument is obviously based on an event that was precipitated by his own inattention. If he had properly played the game, no one would have brought up that rule.

...it is up to them to peg out. It isn't complicated, it's part of a noble, clever, and highly enjoyable game, and it is up to all players to take responsibility for their own actions and end a game in the proper manner, whether it is an obvious win, or a challenging match decided by skillful pegging.

Mr. McGuigan, I sincerely hope that if we play in a tournament format and you make a mistake that requires me to ask the assistance of a judge, you don't call me a "monster." I look upon my friends in the cribbage world as worthy, able, and respected adversaries, and I am glad to call many of them friends.

Let's leave a good rule alone. Just remember, **PEG OUT!** It means you're a winner! Good pegging."

Mike Barrett, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

One cannot argue with Mike's logic...but, nevertheless, no rule has caused as much hard feelings as this one. I was senior judge in Salinas, CA, last month and a new player was infuriated when the rule was brought to his attention that he failed to peg out. His opponent graciously let him off the hook and allowed him to record a win. He was infuriated by my politely (I thought) instructing him about the peg-out rule. King Solomon, where are you? Ed.

Tournament Trail

Upcoming Sanctioned Events

Abbreviation	EF: Entry fee	LC: Last Chance
Keys:	EB: Early Bird	DBL: Doubles
	SatS: Saturday Special	SGL: Singles
	Cons: Consolation	HR: High Roller

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 7-9, Palmetto Classic

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March 8, Chief Solano Open

Fairfield Senior Ctr., 1200 Civic Center Dr., Fairfield, CA 95533. EF: \$55. \$10 to charity. Brkfst, lunch, coffee, donuts. FriDBL, Cons not sanctioned. Contact: George Halterman, 3410 Astoria Circle, Fairfield, CA 94533. (707) 428-4343. Co-D: Betty Croft, Bill Moss.

March 9, Tri-Valley Open

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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 Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

March 14-16, Warren Swett Memorial

Hob Nobs Restaurant, Corner Rts. 14 & 31, Crystal Lake, IL 60039. EF: \$45 \$20 Q. Lunch, coffee, rolls. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: John Swett, PO Box 214, Crystal Lake IL 60039. (815) 459-4276, (815) 459-2713. Co-D: Ralph Madsen.

March 14-16, 4th Roadrunner AZ Champ.

Phoenix West Elks, 55th & Colter Drs., Glendale, AZ 85301. EF: \$60 \$10 Q. (equal). Coffee, donuts, Sat. lunch. FriEB, SatS, Cons. Contact: Ev Bey, 10826 W. Thunderbird Blvd., Sun City, AZ 85351-2646. (602) 972-6848.

March 14-16, Timber Capital Classic

Holiday Inn Express, 375 W. Harvard Ave., Roseburg, OR 97470. EF: \$42 \$10 Q. FriTP, FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: John Thiems, 746 Elgarose Rd., Roseburg, OR 97470. Phone (pending).

March 16, South Shore Open

Knights of Columbus, Route 123, S. Attleboro, MA. EF: \$44 \$15 Q. Coffee, danish, lunch. Cons. 3-person teams. Contact: Jim Ready, 67 Pearl St. Place, Stoughton, MA 02072. (617) 344-0417.

March 21-23, Western New York Open

Niagara Falls AFB, Niagara Falls, NY. EF: \$45, \$15 Q. \$1.50 to charity. Coffee, donuts, lunch. FriSGL, SatDBL, Cons. Rooms \$6/night (Resv by Mar 15), SS# to get on base. Contact: Shamus O'Connor, 3797 Lynn Rd., Orchard park, NY 14127. (716) 649-0637. Co-D: Dick Shurkus.

April 4, 5, 6, Tri-Cities Open

Best Western, Riverside Dr., Marinette, WI 54143. EF: \$55, \$15 Q. \$1.50 to charity. FriTP3PM, FriEB, HR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Mick Michaelis, 1120 Pierce Ave., Marinette, WI 54143. (715) 735-6704. Co-D: Mike Munro (715) 732-4473.

April 4-5-6, Montana Open

Jokers Wild, Exit 101, I-90, 4829 N. Reserve, Missoula, MT. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. Coffee. FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. \$1 \$300 29-pool \$25 28-pool (first 2). 24-hand prizes. Contact: DeLynn Colvert, PO Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806. (406) 543-6855. Co-D: Rex Paddock (406) 251-3379.

April 4-6, 3rd Canadian Championship

Patricia Hall, 944 Patricia Blvd., Prince George, BC Canada. EF: \$43 \$10 Q. Coffee, Door prizes. FriEB, SatS, Cons. Team event: USA vs. Canada. GR play Thur Apr 3 7PM, Sun Apr 6 7PM. Contact: Linton Walker, 116 Douglas St., Prince George, BC Canada V2M-2L8. (250) 562-4827. Co-D: Eleanor Arnold (250) 564-1986, Peter Chroscinski (250) 562-8037.

April 5-6, Vermont Open

New date, new two-day format (14th Annual). Holiday Inn, Exit 14E, I-89, S. Burlington, VT. EF: \$49, \$10 Q. Coffee, Sat. lunch. SatS, Cons. Directors: Dan & Linda Iler, Terri Boylan & Fred McGibney. Contact: Fred McGibney, 175 Hinesburg Rd., S. Burlington, VT 05403. (802) 863-5135 (H), (802) 479-5686 (W).

April 11-13, 2nd Winnemucca Classic

Winnemucca Convention Center, 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. (541) 447-5920. Co-D: Bob & Sandy St. Yves.

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. lunch. 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 Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

April 13, Blackstone Valley Open

LeFoyer Club, 151 Fountain St., Pawtucket, RI 02860. EF: \$45, \$10 Q. \$1 to charity. Coffee, lunch. SatDBL, Cons. Contact: Earle Remington, 3750 Diamond Hill Rd., Cumberland, RI 02864-1618. (401) 333-9216. Co-D: Shawn Jordan (617) 769-1061.

April 18-20, Milwaukee Challenge

Ramada Inn, 201 N. Mayfair Rd., Milwaukee, WI 53226. EF: \$55, \$15 Q. Lunch. FriEB Fri3-man Captains, SatS, SatHR, Cons, LC. Contact: Marlene Lazachek, 8102 Legend Dr., Franklin, WI 53132. (414) 427-4595 (H), (414) 933-6970 (W). This is a new location.

April 18-20, Greater Hermiston Open

Eagles Lodge, 160 NW 2nd, Hermiston, OR 97838. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. \$1 to charity. Fri3PMTP, FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Sat Auction. Sat6:30 Special Match. Contact: Ken & Betty Capper, 105 NW 3rd, Hermiston, OR 97838. (541) 567-5145.

April 19, 10th San Ramon Lions Open

Alamo Women's Club, 1401 Danville Blvd., Alamo, CA 94507. EF: \$55, \$10 Q. \$5 to charity. Coffee, donuts, lunch. Cons. Contact: Ron Graham, 21 Mauri Ct., Danville, CA 94526. (510) 820-7503. Co-D: Mary Herrmann, 2144 Stone Valley Rd., Alamo CA 94507. (510) 837-4354.

April 25-27, Hawkeye Classic

Best Western, 929 3rd St., Des Moines, IA 50309. EF: \$55 \$15 Q. Lunch. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC (?). Contact: Larry Loupee, 425 E. 2nd St., Newton, IA 50208. (515) 792-8236. Co-D: Bob Hanes.

April 25-27, Lake Tahoe Challenge

N. Tahoe Community Ctr., 8318 N. Lake Blvd., Kings Beach, CA 96143. EF: \$65 \$10 Q. 10% to charity. Coffee, pastries, lunch. Fri3PMTP, FriEB, FriDBL, SatS, SatHR, Cons, LC. Contact: Jack Shumate, PO Box 2465, Kings Beach, CA 96143. (916) 546-7190. Co-D: Jesse Jarrell, Mary Gladish.

April 27, Rhode Island Open

U. C. T. Hall, Atwood Ave., Johnston, RI 02919. EF: \$44, \$10 Q. \$2 to charity. Coffee, lunch. Cons. SatS. Contact: Joe Ramos, 565 Quaker Lane, W. Warwick, RI 02895. (401) 822-0681. Co-D: Frank Gallo, Barry Spadea.

May 2-4, 26th World Championship

Plumas County Fairgrounds, Fairgrounds Rd., Quincy, CA 95971. EF: \$60, \$10 Q. Coffee, donuts, lunch, dinner, drink. Rotary charity (all profits). FriDBL, SatS, Cons. Contact: Mike Taborski, PO Box B, Quincy, CA 95971. (916) 283-0800. Co-D: Dan Smith.

May 2-4, Mid-Columbia Open

American Legion Post 22, 3rd & Cascade, Hood River, OR 97031. EF: \$50, \$10 Q. \$5 to charity. Lunch. FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: marvis & Ralph Reynolds, 220 S. Claypool St., Prineville OR 97754. (541) 447-5920. Co-D: Don Hilton, Gary Fields.

May 4, Ocean State Classic (No Walk-Ins)

LeFoyer Club, 151 Fountain St., Pawtucket, RI 02940. EF: \$35 no Q. Cons. Contact: John Chambers, PO Box 40068, Providence, RI 02940. (401) 831-4157. Co-D: Edge, Nelson, Tobin.

May 9-11, Oregon Coast Classic

Oceanlake Elks, 2020 NE 22nd St, Lincoln City, OR 97367. EF: \$41 \$10 Q. \$2 to charity. Coffee, pastries. Fri3PMTP, FriDBL, FriHR, SatS(?), Cons, LC(?). Contact: Jeanne & Roy Hofbauer, 30937 NE 23rd, Washougal, WA 98671. (360) 835-3623. Co-D: Bernie Nelson (503) 965-6410, Rollee Heath (541) 994-9658.

May 16-18, Bill Mitchell Memorial

Memorial Hall, Crescent City, CA 95551. EF: \$40, \$10 Q. Coffee, doughnuts. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Dan Mitchell, 1833 Adams Ave., Crescent City, CA 95531. (707) 464-5319. Co-D: Vernon Ward.

May 23-25, Nipomo Open

Nipomo Senior Ctr., 210 E. Dana St., Nipomo, CA 93444. EF: \$52, \$10 Q. Coffee, donuts, lunch. \$24 to charity. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC, 4-person team play. Fri6PM May 23 last entry. Contact: Darrell Hunstad, 441 Mercury Dr., Nipomo, CA 93444. (805) 929-3804. Co-D: Debbie Wrightman (805) 925-9514.

May 23-25, Black Hills Open

Eagles Club, 1410 E. Center St., Rapid City SD 57701. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. FriEB, SatS, Cons. \$20 All Events. Contact: Wes Hall, 721-5 E. Chicago St., Rapid City SD 57701. (605) 342-3577. Co-D: Chuck Broer (605) 399-9558.

May 31, June 1, Granite State Classic

Holiday Inn, North Eastern Blvd., Nashua, NH 03062. EF: \$100 no Q. Best 4 of 7, dbl elim., Cons. National team event. Contact: Al Miller, 12 Michael Ave., Nashua, NH 03062-1418. (603) 882-7204.

June 6-7-8, 6th Daytona Beach Open

Ramada Resort Ocean Front, 2700 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32118. EF: \$45, \$20 Q. \$1 to charity. Coffee, lunch. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Skunk bank, 100% to 29, 50% to 28, Crib. Grnl remainder. Contact: Paul Barnes, 1316 Fatio Rd., DeLand, FL 32720. (904) 738-7659. Co-D: John Groz (407) 933-6463.

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 Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

June 8, 2nd Villager Open

Sturbridge Isle, Routes 15 & I-84, Sturbridge, MA 01566. EF: \$45 \$10 Q. Coffee, bkfstpastries, lunch. Cons. Contact: Jerry Bernier, PO Box 215, Fiskdale, MA 01518-0215. (413) 245-9461. Co-D: Jim McDonald, Dick Brault.

June 13-15, Cascade Classic

Redmond VFW, Sisters Ave., Redmond OR 97756. EF: \$40, \$10 Q. \$2 to charity. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC (?). Contact: Lucille Endicott, 61750 Teal Rd., Bend, OR 97702. Co-D: Anne Haller, Margery Clark.

June 20-22, Greater Spokane Open

Eagles, 16801 E. Sprague, Spokane, WA 99037. EF: \$44, \$10 Q. \$2 to charity. FriHR, FriDBL, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Irving Busby, 12808 E. Maxwell, Spokane, WA 00216. (509) 926-0538. Co-D: Betty Johnson (509) 928-6404.

June 20, 21, 22, 6th Nugget Classic

Senior Center, 877 Nunneley, Paradise, CA 95969. EF: \$55, \$10 Q. Coffee, donuts, lunch, snacks. \$5.50 to charity. FriEB, SatS, Cons. Contact: Vern Kennebeck, 6188 Firethorn Cir., Magalia, CA 95954. (916) 873-3266. Co-D: Jerry Moore (916) 877-1477, "Kansas: Spears (916) 877-1186.

June 20-22, Madison Masters XIX

Ramada Inn, 3902 Evan Acres Rd., Madison, WI 53704. (608) 222-9121. EF: \$52, \$20 & \$10 Q. Lunch. FriEB, SatS, All-Events, Cons, LC. Contact: Gaylord Matti, 835 Pebble Beach Dr., Madison, WI 53717. (608) 831-8108 or (813) 455-2354.

June 27-29, Yreka Miners Inaugural

Yreka Elks Lodge, 332 W. Miner, Yreka, CA 96097. EF: \$46, \$10 Q. \$4 to charity. Coffee, tea, muffins. FriEB, FriHR, SatS, Cons. Contact: Garry & Sandy Folz, 1109 Terrace Dr., Yreka, CA 96097. (916) 842-7769. Co-D: Julie Mower (916) 842-2490.

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 13, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96813. EF: \$30, Cons. \$2 to charity. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

July 13, Maine Open

Hollay Inn, Riverside, Westbrook, ME 04062. EF: \$45, \$10 Q. Coffee, lunch. Cons. Contact: Dennis Cousens, 30 River Rd., Windham, ME 04062. (207) 892-3724. Co-D: Susan Cousens.

July 18-20, Devil Mountain Caper

Alamo Women's Club, 1401 Danville Blvd., Alamo, CA 94507. EF: \$58, \$10 Q. \$2+ to charity. Coffee, rolls, lunch. FriEBDBL, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Heidi Glashan, 11 Valley Dr., Pittsburg, CA 94565. (510) 432-4277. Mail entries to: Mary Gladish, 833 Blarney Ave., Concord, CA 94518. (510) 798-0329. Postmarked by July 14.

July 19-20, Mid-Summer Tourists 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.

July 25-27, Portland Summer Open

Howard Johnson, 7101 NE 82nd Ave., Portland, OR 97220. EF: \$45, \$10 Q. Lunch. FriEB, FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Dorothy Mickow, 16500 SE 1st, #158, Vancouver, WA 98684. (360) 944-9701. Co-D: Jeanne Hofbauer.

August 1-3, 1st Annual Les Bois Classic

Elks, 348 N. Orchard, Boise, ID 83705. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. \$2 to charity. Coffee, donuts. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Kathy Slater, PO Box 45783, Boise ID 83711-5783. (208) 388-1692. Co-D: Joe Dunn, Don Kunz.

August 10, Hawaii Open

Murphy's Bar & Grill, 2 Merchant St., Honolulu, HI 96813. EF: \$30. \$2 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu, HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Fred White, Kathy Tsark.

August 15-22, Alaska Inside Passage Champ.

Cruise Ship Galaxy, departs Vancouver Aug 15. EF: \$40, \$10 Q (Aug. 16), Cons Aug 21, Cribbage everyday. Director: DeLynn Colvert (406) 543-6855. Cruise Director (for info): Doris Denny, 5035 Bell Dr., Smyrna, GA 30080. (770) 431-9301. Call late at night or early morning. \$200 deposit holds spot until May 31.

August 22-24, Redmond Senior Ctr. Benefit

Redmond Senior Ctr., 325 Dogwood, Redmond, OR 97756. EF: \$50, \$10 Q. \$5 to charity. FriEBDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Marvis & Ralph Reynolds, 220 S. Claypool St., Prineville OR 97754. (541) 447-5920. Co-D: Betty & Paul Nolz.

August 22-24, New England Championship

Ramada Inn, 624 Southbridge St., Auburn, MA 01501. EF: \$45, \$15 Q. Coffee, lunch. **This is PEER event.** FriEB DBL, Cons. Contact: John Chambers, PO Box 40068, Providence RI 02940. (401) 831-4157. Co-D: Joe Seigle.

September 5-7, Wisconsin Dells Classic

Holiday Inn, Hwy. 13 & I-90/94, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965. EF: \$55, \$15 Q. Lunch, Hosp. Room. FriEB, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Pat Barrett, 5821 Griffith Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494. (715) 424-5059. Co-D: Linda Barrett. "We're practicing for the Grand National!"

September 12-14, Capital City Classic

Eagles, 715 N. Fee St., Helena, MT 59601. EF: \$40/\$10 Q. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Tom Lingenfelter, PO Box 182, Clancy, MT 59634. (406) 933-5317. Co-D: Bill Sands (406) 449-2577, Wes Walimaa (406) 443-9739.

September 14, 13th Greater Albany Open

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

September 26-28, Grand National XVI

Holiday Inn, Hwy. 13 & I-90/94, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965. EF: \$60, \$20 Q. Lunch, Hosp. Room. FriEB, FriHR, SatS, Sat Awards Banquet, Cons, LC. Contact: Pat Barrett, 5821 Griffith Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494. (715) 424-5059. Co-D: Linda Barrett. Souvenir pin for all players (similar to TOC).

October 3-5, Montana Championship

Jokers Wild, Exit 101, I-90, 4829 N. Reserve, Missoula, MT. EF: \$40 \$10 Q. Coffee. Fri3PMTP, FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. \$1 28-29 pool, 24-hand prizes. Contact: DeLynn Colvert, PO Box 5604, Missoula MT 59806. (406) 543-6855. Co-D: Rex Paddock (406) 251-3379.

October 3-5, Gold Coast Classic

Ventura Elks, 11 S. Ash St., Ventura CA 93001. EF: \$59-\$69, \$20 Q. \$2 to charity. Coffee, donuts, juices (Sat & Sun). Sat lunch. FriEB, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Terry Mixer, 2889 Bunsen Ave., Unit A, Ventura CA 93003. (805) 644-4097. Co-D: Glen Cooley (805) 388-7043, Richard Price (805) 987-4638, Mel Kranz (805) 642-4932.

October 3, 4, 5, Southern OR Lions Open

Lions Sight & Hearing Center, 228 N. Holly St., Medford, OR 97504. EF: \$50, \$10 Q. \$5 to charity. FriDBL, FriHR, SatS, Cons, LC. Contact: Marvis & Ralph Reynolds, 220 S. Claypool St., Prineville, OR 97754. (541) 447-5920.

October 10-12, 4th BC Championship

Patricia Hall, 944 Patricia Blvd., Prince George, BC Canada. EF: \$43, \$10 Q. Coffee, door prizes. FriEB, SatS, Cons, 5-player teams USA vs. Canada. GR plays Thur Oct 9:7PM, Sun Oct 12 7PM. Contact: Linton Walker, 116 Douglas St., Prince George BC Canada V2M 2L8. (250) 562-4827. Co-D: Eleanor Arnold (250) 564-1986, Peter Chroscinski (250) 562-8037.

October 24-27, 6th Abe Kealoha Extrav.

Likai Hotel, 1777 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu HI 96814. EF: \$80. Coffee, lunch, Awards Banquet. Fri DBL, SatCB, Cons, SunGR 18-games (\$50). Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Cathy Tsark, Fred White.

November 7-9, 1997 Veteran's Day Classic

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

December 7, 1997 Hawaii Singles Champ.

Natsunoya Tea House, 1935 Makanani Dr., Honolulu, HI 96819. EF: \$40 \$2 to charity. Lunch. Cons. Contact: Tsarkie, 3261 Kilihune Pl., Honolulu HI 96816. (808) 734-4800. Co-D: Kathy Tsark, Fred White.

Disaster Leads To New Masthead

Perhaps you noticed the new masthead design on the cover of *Cribbage World* this month.

Cribbage World's computer was struck by a sudden power loss and the entire CW program was wiped out in a split second. A backup file was made two years ago, so much recent information was lost.

Editor DeLynn Colvert reasoned it was about time for a new image anyway, and designed a new masthead, in addition to re-making formats for the rest of the publication.

After being waxed by "Tiger Woods," the near string of pearls in Salinas, CA, and then the loss of CW's program...well, your editor just keeps peggin' away. As ex-President Reagan used to say, "If you are in a room full of manure, don't give up. There's just got to be a pony in there!"

Charlie Finley Earns Grand Master

Paul Cormier, Lynn Gillespie, Todd Schaefer Earn Master

The Foxwoods Casino in Ledyard, CT, hosted some 146 peggers for the New England Classic on January 5...and two of these peggers came away with honors.

Charlie Finley, Enfield, CT finished a lofty 5th, and with the 116 MRP's tacked onto his lifetime total has zipped to the ACC's 75th Grand Master award. Finley has been very active in the New England area, directing and pegging at various meets. This year, his MRP total is well over 300, and he is among the Eastern Region's leaders.

Paul Cormier, Marlboro, MA, nailed this same event for sizeable MRP's (qualifying 6th, finishing 9-16) and has earned over 2,000 lifetime MRP's...and the ACC's 303rd Master rating.

Out West, Lynn Gillespie, Kennewick, WA, earned his Master rating in grand fashion by winning the Kah-Nee-Ta Open in Warm Springs, OR this January...and becomes the ACC's 304th Master pegger.

Todd Schaefer, Oakdale, MN, won the recent Polish Open, and easily topped the 2,000 barrier...and the 205th Master rating earned by ACC peggers.

The 1997 season is at the halfway mark, and peggers are winging away at record numbers once again. The recent mammoth JPW/ACC Open hasn't been posted as we go to press...and a half-dozen or so more ACC players are expected to earn honors.

JPW/ACC Open Not Posted Colvert, Rassmussen, Palmer, & Danielski Set MRP Pace

With the mammoth JPW/ACC Open (1,024 peggers) not yet posted, the MRP race was affected very little by the 9 posted tournaments this month.

Outwest, DeLynn Colvert (MT), George Rassmussen (WA), and Darrell Miotke (OR) are leading the pack, with Colvert's 872 MRP's leading the nation (he did NOT score in Reno).

In the Central Region, Ginny Danielski (WI) is the top runner (623), with Russell Adams (MN) and Bob Julian (WI) close behind, as both players have topped the 500 mark for this cribbage year.

Brenda Palmer (MA) leads the way in the Eastern Region with a lofty 657 MRP's score to date. Ray McNulty (RI), Rit Alkas (CT), Peter Setian (MA), Henry DeLong (MA), George Bickford (MA), and Tom Clark (NH) are hot on her heels. These 6 players have all topped the 500 mark.

Some 37 ACC players have topped the 400 mark for the year...and when the JPW/ACC Open is posted, the standings should see some major changes...as bushels of MRP's were earned in this record-setting meet.

Tournament Master Rating Points Entered This Month:

**Albert Lea Open
Anchorage City Singles
Kah-Nee-Ta Classic
New England Classic
NorthPole Open
Panama Canal Open
Portland Winter Open
Reynolds Christmas Wrap
Super Lite**

Dennis Moran Tops Oregon Championship

Dennis Moran, pegging out of Jordan Valley, OR came away with the 146-pegger Oregon Championship February 16. Director Bob St. Yves, fresh from a solid JPW/ACC Open match in Reno, took 2nd, and continues his winning ways. Walter Jones (OR) and Don Hilton (OR) nailed 3rd and 4th. Hilton also scored well in Reno.

Dennis Edwards, Hermiston, OR, nailed the 92-pegger Consolation, followed by Donald Smith (OR), Marty Symons (OR), and Gene Sissel (OR) in 2-3-4.

Satellites:

Time Passer: Bill Kaufman (OR); Doubles: Dave Isaacson & Jordy Simmons (OR); High Roller: Todd Malmgren (OR), Bernie Nelson, Top-Q (OR); Saturday: DeLynn Colvert (MT), and Cry Baby: Don Jurgens (MN).

Eastern

1 657 Palmer, Brenda, MA
 2 572 McNulty, Raymond, RI
 3 567 Alkas, Rlt, CT
 4 558 Setian, Peter, MA
 5 562 DeLong, Henry, MA
 6 514 Bickford, George, MA
 7 507 Clark, Tom, NH
 8 475 Cunningham, Bob, MA
 9 472 Worley, John, NC
 10 470 Palmer, Harry, MA
 11 438 Medeiros, Robert, MA
 12 429 West, Richard, MA
 13 425 Jewer, Ford, RI
 14 412 Medeiros, Shariene, MA
 15 406 Veradt, Cindy, MA
 16 396 Morrison, Joan, MA
 17 390 Heroux, Brian, RI
 18 377 Matti, Gaylord, FL
 19 369 LaFleur, Donna, CT
 20 365 DiGiovanni, Chip, FL
 21 342 Perkins, Doris, MA
 22 341 Finley, Charlie, CT
 23 336 Duresky, Jim, VA
 24 333 Groz, John, MA
 25 328 Azevedo, Mike, MA
 26 326 Schmidt, Phyllis, MA
 27 299 Corrado, Frank, CT
 28 295 McGibney, Frederick, VT
 29 292 Dinwoodie, Al, RI
 30 291 Gauthier, Jack, CT
 31 288 Medeiros, Bill, MA
 32 273 Medeiros, Emily, MA
 33 263 Bodogh, Frank, ON
 34 258 Martin, Phil, CT
 35 252 Clemmey, James, MA
 36 251 Fitzgerald, Larry, RI
 36 251 Norris, Lee, RI
 38 242 Barnes, Paul, FL
 39 238 Boulris, Robert, MA
 40 236 Sigda, Frank, MA
 41 234 Musard, Paul, RI
 42 232 Miller, Albert, NH
 43 231 Boreham, Dorothy, MA
 44 230 Vetterline, Kenneth, ME
 45 225 Chrabaszcz, Emil, MA
 46 223 Deyette, Carl, CT
 47 216 Caccia, Louis, MA
 48 206 Vanelli, Joyce, MA
 49 202 Phifer, Larry, NC
 50 198 Bright, George, GA
 51 188 Bousquet, Bob, MA
 52 187 Bablec, Stan, MA
 53 180 Jordan, Shawn, MA
 54 176 Angier, Steve, GA
 55 174 Bellemare, Maurice, MA
 56 173 Johnson, George, MA
 56 173 LaMontagne, Grave, ME
 58 172 Hobbs, Kirk, MA
 59 170 Blowers, John, FL
 60 169 McDonald, John, MA
 61 168 Campbell, Ken, SC
 62 166 Gallagher, Paul, MA
 63 165 Llewellyn, Pat, MA
 63 165 Menalk, Richard, NY
 65 162 Brennan, John, MA
 66 156 Cormier, Paul, MA
 66 156 Gallo, Frank, RI
 68 154 Dick, Ted, NC
 69 148 Barbour, Barbara, CT
 69 148 DeKenip, Robert, MA
 69 148 Veradt, Zeke, MA
 72 145 Imondi, Edward, MA
 73 142 Somers, Ann, MA
 74 140 Goss, Kenneth, FL
 75 138 Diamond, T., Reddy, F.

Central

1 623 Danielski, Ginny, WI
 2 551 Adams, Russell, MN
 3 517 Julian, Bon, WO
 4 494 Schaefer, Todd, WI
 5 485 Steinmetz, Wayne, WI
 6 439 Barrett, Patrick, WI
 7 427 Huser, James, WI
 8 416 Collier, Clay, NE
 9 409 Danielski, Frank, WI
 10 387 Fingleton, Martha, WI
 11 369 Rein, Jim, MN
 12 343 Frost, Richard, WI
 13 317 Loupee, Larry, IA
 14 310 Karr, Allen, WI
 15 301 Schaefer, Alan, WI
 16 299 Page, Doug, WI
 17 297 Syftestad, John, WI
 18 293 Bernard, Joe, IL
 19 279 Langman, Harry, WI
 20 278 McCabe, Bob, WI
 21 256 Hiland, John, WI
 22 251 Hamilton, Ron, KS
 23 237 Railsback, Buzz, NE
 24 224 Borkowski, Andrew, MI
 25 219 Rein, Joan, MN
 26 215 Tofte, Donald, WI
 27 214 Railsback, Helen, NE
 27 214 Vetter, Denise, WI
 29 213 Loch, Diane, WI
 30 211 Froelich, Francis, WI
 31 205 McManus, Jim, WI
 32 202 Heideman, Vance, MN
 33 193 Hefty, Richard, WI
 34 189 Jacobs, Herman, NE
 35 186 Chase, Robert, MN
 36 177 Morlock, Elmer, MN
 37 175 Kilkelly, Paul, IL
 37 175 Sink, Duane, MI
 39 170 Burns, Mike, MN
 39 170 Solack, Jack, IL
 41 168 Upton, Robert, MI
 42 160 Carbo, Norma, MN
 43 157 Stricker, Jim, MN
 44 156 Michaelis, Mick, WI
 45 155 Mikulsky, Aggie, WI
 46 152 Haelfrisch, Gary, WI
 47 146 Sommer, Robert, MN
 48 144 Cervantes, Jean, WI
 48 144 Kurz, Richard, WI
 50 143 Andrusko, Shawn, MN
 50 143 Steger, Larry, WI
 52 136 Rehm, Kenneth, WI
 53 135 Lawent, Stuart, WI
 53 135 Lubinski, Emil, MN
 55 134 Hirschman Sr., Ronald, WI
 56 133 Sondericker, Warren, WI
 57 128 Wileman, Ray, WI
 58 123 Upton, Norbert, MN
 59 120 Wobig, Joan, MN
 60 119 Jeffers, James, WI
 61 115 Shimp, Jeff, MI
 61 115 Parker, Charles, MN
 63 114 Ernst, Donald, MN
 63 114 Podelvels, Albert, WI
 65 113 Hanes, Bob, IA
 66 108 Vincent Sr., Dale, WI
 67 107 Flesch, Donald, WI
 67 107 Heinowski, Ed, WI
 69 106 Koncan, Thomas, IL
 70 103 MacQuarrie, William, NE
 72 99 Meath, Lawrence, MN
 73 97 Millert, Truay, IN
 73 97 Rodgers, Dana, IA
 75 96 Perez, Emilio, IL

Western

1 872 Colvert, DeLynn, MT
 2 665 Rasmussen, Elmer, WA
 3 599 Miotke, Darrell, OR
 4 543 Herrmann, Mary, CA
 5 527 Gladish, Mary, CA
 6 519 Heath, Rollice, OR
 7 505 Rowe, Michael, AK
 8 502 Wridge, Bruce, OR
 9 499 Doppelt, Jackie, CA
 10 469 Wakeman, Bill, CA
 11 435 Mitchell, Danny, CA
 12 417 Hatcher, Paul, OR
 13 401 Morse, Clair, OR
 14 373 Carle, Henry, AK
 15 368 Wilson, Roger, CO
 16 366 Larsen, Margaret, CA
 17 362 Elifert, Annette, CA
 18 360 Millo, Scott, CA
 19 349 Edwards, Denny, OR
 20 343 Lliteras, Bayard, ID
 21 339 Nelson, Fabian, OR
 22 336 Ryan, Mary, CA
 23 335 Hornbacher, James, WA
 24 333 King, Roger, CA
 25 331 Snyder, Jay, CA
 26 322 Langley, James, CA
 27 317 Hofbauer, Roy, WA
 28 316 McGillivray, Bruce, CA
 29 313 Mickow, Dorothy, WA
 30 309 Forrest, Keith, MT
 31 308 Busby, Irving, WA
 32 305 Monroe, Jeff, CA
 33 303 Blackburn, Jerry, OR
 34 301 Foy, Rod, CA
 35 292 Everett, Monroe, CA
 36 290 Marshall, Rodney, OR
 37 289 Bolduc, Omer, CA
 38 285 Mack, Herschel, CA
 39 276 Jarrell, Jesse, CA
 39 276 Larson, Cedric, CA
 39 276 Moritzky, Jack, WA
 42 275 Gillette, Robert, CA
 43 272 Reynolds, Stephen, CA
 44 270 Holseth, John, OR
 45 266 Waicker, Dick, OR
 46 259 Sontag, Helene, CA
 47 256 Logan, Laurie, AZ
 48 253 Tuckett, Julie, CA
 49 252 Saueressig, Bernie, WA
 50 250 Burandt, Dan, NV
 51 249 Bussert, Lonnie, WA
 52 242 Rose, Gary, WA
 53 240 Banducci, Roy, WA
 54 238 Markham, Tom, WA
 55 235 Cummins, Bobby, CA
 56 233 Reid, Ronald, CA
 56 233 Schiffman, Marris, OR
 58 230 Grantz, Al, WA
 59 227 Roderick Jr., William CA
 60 224 Sorensen, Ray, CA
 61 215 Gates, Joe, CO
 62 214 Solle, Jill, CA
 63 213 Bierman, Bob, CA
 64 210 Gentry, Bruce, WA
 64 210 Smith, Donald, OR
 66 209 Schleusner, Greg, CA
 67 207 Hunstad, Darrell, CA
 68 205 Ball, Charlie, AZ
 68 205 Shine, Tony, CA
 68 205 Thorne, David, CA
 71 202 Peters, Sally, OR
 71 202 Shirland, Bill, CO
 73 201 Honeycutt, Harvey, OR
 74 195 Swiontek, Linda, CA
 75 194 Gangle, Debbie, OR

Tournament Results

Anchorage Open

Anchorage, Alaska, Dec. 14, 1996

Director: L. M. Stier

MAIN 21

- 1 30 Jay Harpel, Anchorage AK
- 2 24 Chuck Fetters, Anchorage AK
- 3 16 Fred Belgard, Anchorage AK
- 4 8 Mike Rowe, Anchorage AK
- CONSOLATION 18
- 1 15 Mary Krieger, Anchorage AK
- 2 12 Linnea Estridge, Anchorage AK
- 3 8 L. M. Stier, Anchorage AK
- 4 4 Al Kim, Anchorage AK

New England Open (FoxWoods)

Ledyard, CT, January 5, 1997

Directors: C. Finley, B. Shoemaker

MAIN 146

- 1 160 Robert Medeiros, Quincy MA
- 2 152 Dorothy Boreham, Raynham MA
- 3 144 Carl Deyette, E. Hartford CT
- 4 136 Henry DeLong, Woburn MA
- 5 116 Charlie Finley, Enfield CT
- 5 116 John McDonald, Hanson MA
- 5 116 Dick West, Attleboro MA
- 5 116 Peter Setian, Ludlow MA
- CONSOLATION 58
- 1 33 Jerry Bernier, Wales MA
- 2 29 Bill Medeiros, Shrewsbury MA
- 3 25 Bob Kaplan, Randolph MA
- 4 20 George Lozy, Cumberland RI

Reynolds Christmas Wrap

San Leandro, CA, Jan. 3-5, 1997

Directors: S. Reynolds, B. Wakeman

MAIN 84

- 1 99 Harry Ng, San Leandro CA
- 2 90 Bob Sibert, Fremont CA
- 3 82 Roy Banducci, Arroyo G. CA
- 4 73 Robert Graham, Danville CA
- CONSOLATION 46
- 1 27 Helen Bolstad, Martinez CA
- 2 22 Helene Sontag, Vacaville CA
- 3 18 Wayne Glashan, Pittsburg CA
- 4 14 Rae Fedde, Santa Clara CA

Dorothy Conroy Memorial Portland Winter Open

Portland, OR, Jan. 10-12, 1997

Director: Dorothy Mickow

MAIN 164

- 1 180 Dorothy Mickow, Vancouver WA
- 2 169 Paul Hatcher, Salem OR
- 3 159 George Butz, Tillamook OR
- 4 150 Bruce Wridge, Portland OR
- 5 131 Nancy Lorenz, Salem OR
- 5 131 Jim Fredrickson, Neotoma OR
- 5 131 Lowell Bailey, Everett WA
- 5 131 Jerry Brooks, Portland OR
- CONSOLATION 122
- 1 70 Jason Hofbauer, Washougal WA
- 2 65 DeLynn Colvert, Missoula MT
- 3 61 Roger Wilson, Boulder CO
- 4 56 Paul Hirschmann, Milwaukie OR

North Pole Open

Appleton, WI, Jan. 10-12, 1997

Directors: Gene & Aggie Milkusky

MAIN 112

- 1 120 Todd Schaefer, Oakdale MN
- 2 109 Jim Huser, Berlin WI
- 3 99 Wayne Steinmetz, Milwaukee WI
- 4 90 Kory Kanps, Berlin WI
- CONSOLATION 56
- 1 33 Al Schaefer, Slinger WI
- 2 29 Jeff Lui, Racine WI
- 3 25 John Syftestad, Mt. Horeb WI
- 4 20 Gene Milkusky, Sobieski WI

Panama Canal Open

Island Breeze Cruise

Director: David O'Neil

MAIN 22

- 1 34 Anne Sheeran, Pittsburg CA
- 2 24 James Tomlinson, Bondurant IA
- 3 16 Roberta Nelson, Sunnyvale CA
- 4 8 Pete Schaefer, New Orleans LA
- CONSOLATION 23
- 1 15 Bobbie Grossman, Succas'a NJ
- 2 12 David O'Neil, Clarkston GA
- 3 8 Nancy Grossman, Succas'a NJ
- 4 4 Mary Herrmann, Alamo CA

Kah-Nee-Ta Classic

Warm Springs, OR, Jan. 3-5, 1997

Directors: J. Waldorf, J. Hatfield

MAIN 79

- 1 87 Lynn Gillespie, Kennewick WA
- 2 79 Fabian Nelson, Salem OR
- 3 70 Rick Elsea, Beaverton OR
- 4 62 Doug Brown, Pasco WA
- CONSOLATION 52
- 1 33 Lee Chambers, Corvallis OR
- 2 29 Carolyn Blackman, Bend OR
- 3 23 John Furler, Tigard OR (tie)
- 3 23 Paul Hatcher, Salem OR

Dante Club Super Lite

West Springfield, MA, Jan. 19, 1997

Director: Charles Finley

MAIN 99

- 1 111 Phil Martin, E. Hartford CT
- 2 102 Sharlene Medeiros, Shrewsbury MA
- 3 93 Bob Bousquet, Palmer MA
- 4 83 Bob DeKenipp, Lancaster MA
- CONSOLATION 70
- 1 38 Rob Medeiros, Quincy MA
- 2 34 Jim Falzone, Springfield MA
- 3 29 Marc Cinelli, Mansfield MA
- 4 25 Thomas Sheam Springfield MA

Albert Lea Open

Albert Lea, MN, Jan. 24-26, 1997

Director: Arnold Groskreitz

MAIN 40

- 1 40 Les Kvien, Minneapolis MN
- 2 32 Myron Schmidt, Wycoff MN
- 3 24 Larry Loupee, Newton IA
- 4 16 Arnold Groskreitz, Wells MN
- CONSOLATION 18
- 1 15 Randy Carlson, Elysian MN
- 2 12 Sherrill Foote, Marshalltown IA
- 3 8 Clay Collier, Beatrice NE
- 4 4 Dave Gustafson, Bejou, MN



Quiz:
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player earned
100 of these
bills recently?

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Palmyra, WI

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4,000 Master Rating Points

75- Charlie Finley
Enfield, Connecticut

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304- Lynn Gillespie
Kennewick, Washington

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CLUB 29

- 1- Leslie Hein, Portland Summer, Aug 4 96
- 2- Laura Lui, Belle City Classic, Aug 25 96
- 3- Bart Sargent, MA Open, Sep 15 96
- 4- I. V. Graham, MT Champ., Oct 5 96
- 5- Larry Zimmerman, WB Classic, Oct 13 96
- 6- Richard Kerr, Baltimore Classic, Nov 9 96
- 7- Raldo Estridge, Anchorage AK Dec 14 96
- 8- Ralph Reynolds, Kah-Nee-Ta, Jan 4 97

Raldo Estridge
Scores 29...Not 28

Cribbage World has received a correction...Raldo Estridge, Chugiak, AK, scored a 29-hand (and not a 28 as reported) at the recent Anchorage City Singles match. This December 14th gem will pay Estridge \$100 from the ACC for a sanctioned 29!

The ACC had scored 12 29-hands at this time last year. The cribbage gods are stingier this year...only 8 have been scored to date.

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