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Western Region Currently Has Top Five Slots 2006–2007 Season Nears End

In what looks to be another romp by Western Region players, Life Master **Chris McComas** (WA) appears to have a lock on the national championship. While full details won't be known until next month when statistics from all of the end-of-year tournaments have been reported to the national statistician, from what we hear here at Cribbage Central, Chris still has a 400-MRP lead over his nearest challenger. Here are all the folks who have at least 1,000 MRPs this year:

- 1 1812 Chris McComas, WA
- 2 1393 Herschel Mack, CA
- 3 1291 James Langley, CA
- 4 1244 Jason Shumate, NV
- 5 1235 Erik Royland Locke, OR
- 6 1195 Wayne Steinmetz, WI
- 7 1157 Todd Malmgren, OR
- 8 1123 Elmer G. Rasmussen, WA
- 9 1100 Ira T. Deutsch, OR
- 10 1008 Bruce D. Sattler, MD
- 10 1008 DeLynn Colvert, MT
- 12 1006 Michael S. McCammon, NV
- 13 1000 Bob McCabe, WI

While all recent tournament winners are listed on pages 6–8, it is worth noting that four players on this list had wins in the last month:

Erik Royland Locke

Chris McComas

Michael S. McCammon

Elmer Rasmussen

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In the past month, one member moved past ACC-founder Joe Wergin's lifetime total of 1,728 MRPs:

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My Deal

by David Aiken



On the first Saturday of this past July, I played in one of my favorite tournaments: the Michigan All Star Tournament.

I've never won a point at this tournament (it's nonsanctioned), and I haven't cashed in the three years it has been in existence (my best finish was only 12 wins). So why do I like this tourney so much? Because it brings together the best cribbage players in Michigan—many of whom have become my close friends in the last few years—for some extremely tough competition.

All Star teams are composed of players with the highest winning percentages in each Grass Roots club around the state. Not only is competition fierce at the All Star Tournament itself, but the struggle to qualify for an All Star team is equally fierce, as players wage battle throughout the year in their local Grass Roots clubs for the right to play in this tournament.

The All Star teams gather in early July every year in Grand Rapids to fight for the title “Best Cribbage Club in Michigan.” The team from Battle Creek won again this year (see story on page 22), and my club improved to second place.

All that to say, I—and my fellow Grass Roots players in Michigan—would like to encourage clubs in other states and provinces to hold similar competitions each summer. It would be nice to see a series of All Star tournaments throughout the continent—perhaps culminating in a “Best Cribbage Club in the ACC” competition each year.

To accomplish this we would need to work out some logistics and find someone to coordinate each of the state competitions. I would be happy to share score sheets and guidelines with anyone who wants to set up an All Star competition in your state or province.



And speaking of my favorite tournaments—the Grand National is coming up next month. If you're still undecided, pick up the phone or go online now and make your travel plans. Nearly 400 players from across the continent will gather in Portland ME for a weekend of cribbage, clam chowder, and celebration. The national champion will be crowned and many other awards given to deserving ACC members at the annual awards banquet.

Grass Roots Club Champions

Invitations to the Grass Roots Tournament of Champions will be mailed in August. If you are club champion, plan now to play in GRTOC #2 at 2 PM on Friday, September 28, in Portland ME. Questions? Contact the GRTOC co-directors: **Andrea Witkin** (213.840.1704; andreaangie6@yahoo.com) and **David Aiken** (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net).

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While playing in Grass Roots Club 109 (Stoughton MA) on June 20, I held two flush cribs back to back, both in hearts. One crib flush is unusual, but two consecutive seems remarkable.

Harold "Cookie" Cook (Wareham MA)

Editor's note: can anyone top this? If you have held three consecutive crib flushes, please let *CW* readers know about this by writing the address at the top of the page.

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Tournament	Director	Main	Consolation	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Greater Spokane Valley (May 25-27)	Jim Keeling	124 players HQ. Herschel Mack 1. Elmer Rasmussen 2. Herschel Mack 3. Erik Royland Locke 3. Gerald Klein	88 Players HQ. Margery Clark 1. Lewis Skidmore 2. Harold Buckley 3. Clair E. Morse 3. Margery Clark	28-hands Bill Mero* Bob Maupin* Jeanne Hofbauer* Bruce Denend* Carl Heath	<i>Early Bird</i> Walter Conell <i>High Rollers</i> Erik Royland Locke <i>Doubles</i> Marty & Wanda Lorea <i>Saturday</i> George Rodriguez <i>Cry Baby</i> Audrey Hatto
Spring U.S. Open (May 25-27)	Norm Nikodym	46 Players HQ. Donald Brown 1. Ariland C. Kaai 2. Luther R. Lord 3. Donald Brown 3. Bill Metcalf	30 Players HQ. Kerry O'Connell 1. Julien Pomerleau 2. Jason Shumate 3. Kerry O'Connell 3. Robert J. Gromek		<i>Friday</i> Tom Lewis <i>Saturday</i> Mary McFarland <i>All-Events</i> Pam Pomeroy, Luther Lord (tie)
Mount St. Helens Classic (June 1-3)	Chris McComas	102 Players HQ. Timothy Morrissey 1. Chris McComas 2. James G. Hornbacher 3. Donald Blanford 3. Willie Evans	61 Players HQ. Rick Baird 1. Rosemary Hendricks 2. Steve Ellis 3. Rollie Heath 3. Dan Gamba	28-hands William Roderick* Bill Klem* Rich Anderson*	<i>Saturday</i> DeLynn Colvert <i>High Rollers</i> Tom Cookman <i>Doubles</i> Hal & Joyce Lamon <i>Time Passer</i> Jim Knutson
That's a Go (June 1-3)	Kristina Wright	94 Players HQ. Marlene Lazachek 1. Marlene Lazachek 2. Donald Flesch 3. Paul Mauel 3. Marty J. Schmidt	62 Players HQ. James Heemstra 1. Warren Sondericker 2. Kristina M. Wright 3. Tom Briski 3. Joan Rein	28-hands Paul Mauel*	

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Tournament	Director	Main	Consolation	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Nugget Classic (June 2)	Jerry Moore	80 Players HQ. Tom Deyoung 1. Michael S. McCammon 2. H. Ross Njaa 3. Peter A. Jackson 3. Mike Emerson	54 Players HQ. Diane M. Leal 1. Bill Wakeman 2. Jerold E. Montgomery 3. Diane M. Leal 3. Jackie Doppelt		
Space Coast Open (June 8-10)	Lee Bailey	66 Players HQ. Mike Maiden 1. Joy Barnes 2. Jeff Raynes 3. Perry Stump Sr. 3. Donna Zuben	50 Players HQ. John J. Gella 1. Paula Abele 2. Henry Douglass 3. David R. O'Neil 3. Esther Rolfe		<i>Friday</i> Chuck Barnes <i>Saturday</i> Cathy Perkins
Cascade Cribbage Classic (June 8-10)	Bill Kaufman	83 Players HQ. Gerald D. Oxford 1. Erik Royland Locke 2. Nancy Lorenz 3. Skip White 3. Cres Fernandez	60 Players HQ. Frank Ornle 1. Jack Moritzky 2. Frank Ornle 3. Herschel Mack 3. James C. Taylor	<i>29-hand</i> Beverlee Honeycutt*	<i>Early Bird</i> Phyllis Roderick <i>Doubles</i> Graeme & Patricia Gossett <i>High Rollers</i> Cres Fernandez <i>Saturday</i> Bruce Pomeroy
Orange Crush Classic (June 9)	Paul Yellon	50 Players HQ. Artland C. Kaai 1. Luther R. Lord 2. Jason Shumate 3. Artland C. Kaai 3. Thomas Mills	26 Players HQ. H. Ross Njaa 1. Michael Namm 2. James A. Muller 3. Norman Nikodym 3. H. Ross Njaa		
pH Factor (June 10)	Pam Pomeroy & Harold Hilbert	53 Players HQ. Bill Wakeman 1. Luther R. Lord 2. Bill Wakeman 3. Roy Cook 3. Al Jean Simpson	28 Players HQ. Julien Pomerleau 1. Julien Pomerleau 2. Ronald L. Hoglund 3. Milton Goodman 3. J. J. Stansfield	<i>28-hand</i> H. Ross Njaa*	

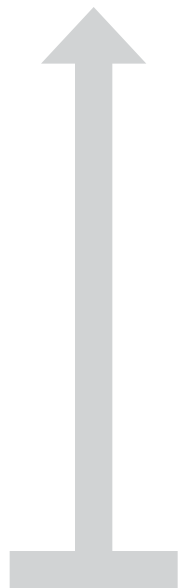
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Tournament	Director	Main	Consolation	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Capital City Classic (June 15-17)	Dick Ogden	74 Players HQ. Bruce Jensen 1. Bruce Jensen 2. Thomas Goeschel Sr. 3. James Brooks 3. Trayc Foutz	46 Players HQ. Frank L. Trojan 1. Bonnie Pacocha 2. Mike E. Miller 3. Wayne Steinmetz 3. Frank Pacocha	28-hands Tim Brunell* Troy Thorson	Friday Tom Goeschel Saturday Harold Sontag All-Events Tom Goeschel
Golden Horseshoe Open (June 23)	Hal Mueller	36 Players HQ. Gil Viger 1. Roland Hall 2. Gil Viger 3. Calvin Braun 3. John Schafer	—		Nonsanctioned Consolation Bill Poole
Fayetteville Summer Special (June 23-24)	Todd Champagne	39 Players HQ. Phyllis Schmidt 1. Jerry Gooden 2. Phyllis Schmidt 3. John Reister 3. Chuck Yeomans	30 Players HQ. Jeff Raynes 1. Bernard Whitfield 2. Clyde V. Awtrey 3. Jeff Raynes 3. Michael Burnham		Saturday Col. David Smith
Baltimore Summer Special (July 1)	Bruce Sattler	56 Players HQ. David Campbell 1. Phyllis Schmidt 2. David Campbell 3. Roland A. Hall 3. Janet C. Viands	36 Players HQ. Larry Phifer 1. Larry Phifer 2. Bruce D. Sattler 3. Matthew Easterbrook 3. Bill Medeiros	28-hands David Campbell* Sharon Liotta*	Saturday Cate Campbell Correa

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Tournament Tidbits

- ◆ The inaugural Space Coast Open on June 8–10 in Merritt Island FL, directed by **Lee Bailey**, got off to a roaring success—literally. NASA launched the Space Shuttle *Atlantis* at 7:38 PM during the Friday night early bird tournament (that's *Atlantis* blasting off below). Play was suspended long enough for everyone to step outside and watch the shuttle thunder skyward from only fifteen miles away.
- ◆ **Luther Lord** (Ontario CA) was “Lord Cribbage” the second weekend in June—winning both the Orange Crush Classic in Laguna Woods CA on Saturday and pH Factor in Norwalk CA on Sunday. Each one-day tournament win came with a nice pot of money and 105 MRPs.
- ◆ The Capital City Classic in Des Moines IA on June 16–17, directed by **Dick Ogden**, attracted players from sixteen states. The ever-popular “Spin the Wheel” game handed out \$380 over the weekend.
- ◆ The inaugural Golden Horseshoe Open in Hamilton ON on June 23 was designed by Director **Hal Mueller** as a recruitment tool to introduce Ontario players to the ACC and to form the seedbed for a Grass Roots club. It drew 36 players—28 of them non-ACC members. One of the local players, **Gil Viger**, was high qualifier and finished in second place. Two ACC members, **Nelson Wheaton** (Hamburg NY) and **John Schafer** (Battle Creek MI), helped Hal plan and run the first of what will hopefully become an annual event.
- ◆ **John Reister** (Winston Salem NC) had an excellent showing at the Fayetteville Summer Special on June 23–24. He placed third in both the main and Saturday night tournaments. Third place, you say? That's not so hot. If that's your attitude, then you better remember this junior member's name, for he's on his way toward the top. Earlier this year he took second place nationwide in the GRNT, with a 36/15 scorecard.



ACC Awards



A native Californian, Cy played in the World Championship in Quincy CA prior to the ACC's existence and joined the ACC in its first year. His first win was the consolation at the Reynolds Wrap in San Leandro CA; he achieved his Life Master at the Orange Crush Classic in Laguna Woods CA; and he plays Grass Roots at Club 193 in Ventura CA. Founder of the "Cribbage Militia," Cy says that playing cribbage in the ACC is like traveling to a family reunion at multiple locations and being able to enjoy regional foods, travel mountain roads, and peruse thriftshops and pawnshops.

Cy Madrone (Santa Barbara CA)
Life Master #145

Master #672: John Blowers (Sanford FL)

Three Cribbage Amigos

Three cribbage buddies in the Western Region frequently travel to tournaments together—and they must discuss cribbage strategy during the entire trip, because they've been on one helluva roll lately.

For example, in one three-week stretch, **Elmer (Ras) Rasmussen** (Napavine WA) won the Greater Spokane Valley Open on May 27; **Chris McComas** (Kelso WA) won the Mount St. Helens Classic on June 3; and **Erik Royland Locke** (Portland OR) won the Cascade Classic on June 10.

As of this writing Chris is #1, Erik is #4, and Ras is #5 on the All American team (all numbers in this story update the list on page 28). The trio has made the final four twenty-five times this season and has won twelve tournaments between them: Ras has five wins, Chris four, and Erik three. Chris has over 1,900 MRPs and has qualified in 63% of the main tournaments he played in (averaging 56 MRPs per tournament played). Eric has earned more than 1,400 MRPs and has qualified 66% of the time (51 MRPs per tournament). Ras has 1,353

MRPs and has qualified 54.5% of the time (61.5 MRPs per tournament)—and Ras missed nearly four months of play because of serious health issues!

So here's what everyone wants to know: what's the secret of their success? While some might say they're just lucky SOB's (and perhaps some of their opponents leave off the "lucky" part), in reality all of them are students of the game. They are natural card players who apply percentages to playing situations, know when to peg offensively and when to lay off, adhere to board position requirements from the *start* of a game, and know discard averages for their own and their opponent's crib. In addition, they look to players of superior abilities to share their knowledge of the game. Each of them has found one or more mentors with demonstrated success in the game. Finally, they play the cards they are dealt (and don't complain about "bad cards"), considering a beneficial cut as a bonus.

If that's luck, we all should be so lucky!

Q&A

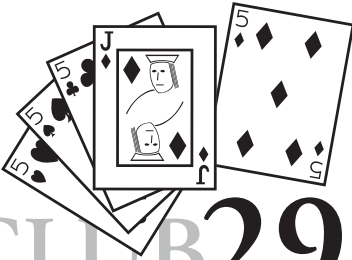
Cribbage Quiz

Questions for inclusion in a future Cribbage Quiz may be emailed to cribbage@iserv.net.

This month's question submitted by Max Steplyk (Pleasant Prairie WI).

In a 22-game qualifying tournament, at a table of 12 people, all playing two games against each other, what is the most that can qualify for the playoffs? What is the least amount that could qualify?

Answer on page 23.



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4. Barbara Bouchard (ME): Veterans' Day Classic (Nov. 11)
5. Ruthie Tiesma (MI): Michigan Tournament of Diamonds (Nov. 11)
6. David Draper (MI): Midwest Match Play (Jan. 20)
7. Tommy Woodall (TN): JPW/ACC Open (Feb. 10)
8. Betty Davis (CO): Colorado Winter Open (March 25)
9. Tom DeYoung (CA): Chico Open (March 25)
10. Carol Perko (WI): Milwaukee Challenge (April 21)
11. Jim Fabian (IN): Milwaukee Challenge (April 21)
12. Beverlee Honeycutt (OR): Cascade Classic (June 9)

PAVING THE ROAD TO HELL:

Every ACC member at Grass Roots or sanctioned tournaments has experienced both versions of the following: (1) she has certain knowledge that if she wins the last game, she will qualify for playoffs and/or cash in the tournament, *plus* she faces an opponent who is arithmetically eliminated from the tangible benefits of that particular tournament; or (2) he cannot possibly qualify for playoffs or cash in the tournament, *and* he is playing an opponent in the last game whom he likes and who absolutely must win in order to benefit from the tournament in some material fashion.

It can be extremely tempting in these cases for the functionally eliminated player to dump that last game. Some players

make the conscious decision to do so, figuring that they might as well be nice guys and give the opponent a break. Some lose interest in the outcome of their own games and don't play as hard as they might otherwise. Others use that last, "meaningless" game to experiment with bizarre and improbable plays that they would never attempt in games that they really cared about winning.

Often, the more highly motivated players will aid and abet these instances of faulty reasoning by telling the eliminated opponents that they need the game in order to advance or cash. Some players will cajole, whine, beg, nag, or even try to bully opponents into "taking it easy" on them. On rare occasions, players collude, with both participating in the conscious decision to allow one player to win.

Regardless of whether the decision to throw a game is made by one or both players, *throwing a game is cheating*. This is easy to see in the case of the two-party decision to let the potential qualifier win his or her last game. In the case of the "nice guy," the game-thrower reasons, "Hey, she really needs the win—the poor thing hasn't done squat at a tournament in months. I'm not going anywhere; I'll help her out. Who's it gonna hurt?" In the cases of the uninterested or experimental players, they reason, "The heck with cribbage—let's get this over with so I can go home." In these

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WELL-INTENDED GAME THROWING

by Martha Fingleton

seemingly more ambiguous situations, the game-throwers are assuming that no harm will occur as a result of their sub-par play.

In all of these instances, the harm caused is to the player or players who play all their games as best they can against straight-up opponents who have made the same effort—and therefore fail to qualify or cash because of the one or more players who have been given well-intended “gifts.” In addition, throwing games harms everyone in the tournament, because we have all tacitly agreed to compete honestly and fairly when we enter. The ACC does not allow people to physically leave a tournament just because they are having bad luck, and mental departures cause as much, and possibly more, damage to the spirit of friendly competition that is integral to our organization.

Although it is not possible to legislate ethics, players need to be aware of the logical outcomes of their own and their opponents’ behavior. If you believe that someone is throwing a game, that information should be reported to the tournament director and to the ACC Ethics Committee. Tell your opponent that you want to win on your own merits and that you regard throwing a game as insulting (which it undoubtedly is). Many players keep their scorecards face down for a variety of reasons, among which is preventing

an opponent from making assumptions about their probability of success that day. Try your weird play experiments in side games. Don’t beg for, whine about, or try to bully a win. We’re playing a *game*, remember?

The way to deal with the situations described above is simple. Don’t throw games. Period. Nobody *really* needs to win. If a player is that financially or emotionally strapped, then he or she probably should sit tournaments out until a more even keel is established. There is no valid reason or excuse for violating the trust that is implied and assumed when we get together to enjoy each others’ company while we play cribbage. The intangible benefits of membership in the ACC are incalculably greater than the tangible ones.

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Spring U.S. Open

West Covina CA (May 26)

Director: Norm Nikodym

Main: 46 • Consolation: 30

Greater Spokane Valley

Spokane Valley WA (May 26–27)

Director: Jim Keeling

Main: 124 • Consolation: 88

Nugget Classic

Paradise CA (June 2)

Director: Jerry Moore

Main: 80 • Consolation: 54

That's a Go

Appleton WI (June 2–3)

Director: Kristina Wright

Main: 94 • Consolation: 62

Mount St. Helens Classic

Longview WA (June 2–3)

Director: Chris McComas

Main: 102 • Consolation: 61

Orange Crush Classic

Laguna Woods CA (June 9)

Director: Paul Yellon

Main: 50 • Consolation: 26

pH Factor

Norwalk CA (June 10)

Directors: Pam Pomeroy & Harold Hilbert

Main: 53 • Consolation: 28

Space Coast Open

Merritt Island FL (June 6–10)

Director: Lee Bailey

Main: 66 • Consolation: 50

Cascade Classic

Redmond OR (June 8–10)

Director: Bill Kaufman

Main: 83 • Consolation: 60

Capital City Classic

Johnston IA (June 16–17)

Director: Dick Ogden

Main: 74 • Consolation: 46

Fayetteville Summer Special

Fayetteville NC (June 23–24)

Director: Todd Champagne

Main: 39 • Consolation: 30

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Main: 56 • Consolation: 36



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BY ELMER GEORGE (RAS) RASMUSSEN

ACC volunteers from Seattle-area Grass Roots cribbage clubs promote organized cribbage in a big way each September at the Western Washington Fair in Puyallup WA. This is the fifth largest fair in North America and the largest west of the Mississippi River.

In what is the biggest cribbage exhibit and promotion on the planet, more than two hundred volunteer shifts will be covered on September 7–23 by club members from the Puget Sound area. They challenge visitors to a game of cribbage, and certificates are awarded to fairgoers who win a game. Hundreds of decks of playing cards will be given away to lucky players or youth. Information about the ACC and Grass Roots clubs will be distributed. About four thousand “Cribbage Anyone?” brochures will find their way into the hands of cribbage fanatics at the fair, along with hundreds of back issues of *Cribbage World*.

Fair attendance often exceeds 1.5 million. According to conservative estimates, half a million are expected to pass directly in front of the cribbage display. Folks will wait in line for an available chair. Each club in the area provides a customized cribbage board, and thousands of people will complete an entry form to be eligible to win one of them. Four Northwest Grass Roots clubs have started as direct result of volunteer efforts at this fair. And Washington State ACC membership has grown tremendously since 1997.

Visitors to the fair come from every state, Canadian province, and many for-

ign countries. Regardless of where they live, visitors who show an interest will be provided information about club locations, playing schedules, and local contacts. The primary purpose of the display is to create public awareness of organized cribbage. Expenses are covered by a \$300 grant from the ACC, but the volunteers make it all happen!

The following Grass Roots clubs will participate in 2007:

- Burnaby (BC) Peggery
- Chehalis-Centralia Cribbage Club
- Eastside Peggery
- Everett Peggery
- Kitsap Peggery
- Lacey Peggery
- Pierce County “31-for-2” Peggery
- Puyallup River Peggery
- Sea-Tac Peggery
- Sno-King Peggery
- Vashon Island Peggery

Cliff Brandsma, director of the Lacey Peggery, has organized and coordinated this project for the past nine years. **George (Ras) Rasmussen**, director of the Chehalis-Centralia Cribbage Club, has provided administrative support and coordinated financial needs. If you would like information about this huge volunteer project, contact Cliff (360.456.2318) or Ras (360.262.9755 or ras@localaccess.com).

If you know of a person or group or people who should be recognized for their volunteer work, contact Tom Lewis at tomlewis@spinn.net. Every month Tom volunteers to edit the Volunteers Column and the Grass Roots Corner.

You've got questions



We'll get the answers

Everything You've Always Wanted to Know about Cribbage (But Were Afraid to Ask)

Probably nothing is more mystifying to the average ACC member than the confusion caused by two parallel rating systems for weekend tournaments and for local clubs. The key term here is *parallel*: just as two parallel lines never meet, so the MRP and GRP systems never intermin-

gle. Cribbage 101 explained MRPs last month, so now it's time to do the same for GRPs.

GRP stands for "Grass Roots Point," and GRPs are earned only at local Grass Roots clubs. Points earned at a weekend tournament (i.e., MRPs) have nothing to do with points earned at a weekly club tournament (i.e., GRPs). The two systems are totally separate, and points do not cross from one system to the other. Only Grass Roots members can earn GRPs—and only when playing in their home club. That is, if you visit a club in a nearby city or while on vacation, you can earn cash but no GRPs.

If I had written this article last year, my task would have been more difficult, because GRPs were then earned by the top 20% of players (i.e., one in five) plus all ties. Beginning this fall, GRPs will be earned on a much simpler system: get at

least 12 game points at your weekly club, and the number of GRPs you earn is equal to your game points. (See announcement about this new system in the April *CW*, page 16.)

So what happens if one of those freak things happens and some night

the highest scorecard at your club is 11 GPs? The bad news is that no one gets points; the good news, however, is that this is not an official tournament and can be replayed later in the season.

In addition to weekly tournaments at local clubs across the continent, the Grass Roots program also includes two other events: the Grass Roots Regional Tournament and the Grass Roots National Tournament. These unique tournaments allow local players to compete against players throughout their region or the whole Grass Roots organization—without incurring any travel and lodging expense. (The respective wrap-up stories about these two tournaments may be found in the April *CW*, page 18, and the July *CW*, page 22.) If you earn as

least 24 game points in all future GRRTs and GRNTs, the number of GRPs you earn is equal to your game points.

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Getting a Grip on GRPs

Got a question about how something works? Send it to cribbage@iserv.net, and we'll find the answer.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING • FEBRUARY 8, 2007

SANDS REGENCY HOTEL/CASINO • RENO NV

Executive Vice-President Martha Fingleton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda item #2: Martha announced DeLynn Colvert's resignation from the BOD. He has been replaced, according to ACC policy, by Fred White. Because of his flight time, Fred will be arriving late to the meeting.

Roll call was taken. Present were Pat Barrett, Joe Bernard, George Bickford, Dave Campbell, Dwight Christiansen, Martha Fingleton, Larry Hassett, Sharon Hejtmanek, Jeanne Hofbauer, Roy Hofbauer, Bob Julian, Tom Lewis, Al Lindner, Herschel Mack, Bill Medeiros, Bob Milk, Ron Morgan, Cathy Perkins, Joan Rein, Larry Samet, Phyllis Schmidt, Jeff Shimp, Valerie Sumner, and Dan Zeisler.

Martha suggested the following changes to the agenda:

- ◆ Item 7, Tournaments practices: she suggested tabling "other-abled" players/conduct issues (as no information was sent out to BOD members).
- ◆ Also, agenda items to be conducted in closed session will be #s 14 & 15.

Cathy Perkins moved that agenda be accepted, 2nd by Valerie Sumner. Motion approved.

Martha asked if there were any changes to the minutes of September 29, 2006. Jeanne Hofbauer moved that the minutes be approved, 2nd by Al Lindner. Motion approved.

Martha discussed the way that the agenda was constructed. After discussion with some BOD members, she is now putting items that require creative thought and pertinent discussion near the top of the agenda. Reports will be placed near the bottom of the agenda. She hopes this will allow the BOD to give their best efforts to the more pressing, controversial, and complicated issues.

Agenda item #6, HOF balloting: Pat Barrett announced that the new voting procedure garnered 100% vote participation. He thinks that the new process will work well after a bit of fine-tuning. Suggestions given during discussion included putting the HOF criteria in with the cover letter and putting a place for the number of persons voted for on the ballot. Pat asked that we all thank our panelists for participating in a process that worked very well. The consensus of the BOD was that the new process worked well and should be implemented for future HOF voting. The

voting results will be discussed in agenda item #14. Larry Hassett reviewed the HOF policy revision sheet he had sent to the BOD. During discussion the following changes were made:

- ◆ Criteria for Nomination, D, will now read "In addition, to be eligible for nomination, a candidate should meet several of the following criteria:"
- ◆ Election Procedures, D.7, first sentence will now read "Returned ballots will be counted by non-nominated members of the ACC"

Cathy Perkins moved to accept the policy manual changes with the corrections as they were made today, 2nd by Bob Milk. Motion approved.

Joan Rein asked that the bios that are on the HOF pictures and on the internet be updated to the fact that the member is now deceased. Pat said that DeLynn Colvert has been taking care of the pictures and bios, and the BOD asked that he continue to do that, making the necessary updates and corrections.

Agenda item #7, Tournament Practices:

George Bickford started the discussion on random seating. Larry Hassett read the current policy from the ACC Policy & Procedures "Seating shall be done by random draw, exceptions for good cause, at the tournament director's discretion, for handicapped seating, separating relatives, or for location of judges." The BOD chose to stay with this policy and asked the tournament commissioners if they could come up with a list of how NOT to conduct seat drawing. The major issue is curtailing the ability to eliminate a larger pool of opponents in the seat selection process rather than one, such as a spouse.

Fred White arrived at the meeting (11:05 a.m.).

As requested at the September BOD meeting, George Bickford had formed an ad hoc committee, consisting of the three regional tournament commissioners, to bring information regarding midweek tournaments to this meeting. He stated that there was a difference of opinion between them regarding midweek tournaments. George Bickford (East) thinks that we should stay with the original policy; Joe Bernard (Central) thinks all midweeks should be eliminated; and Roy Hofbauer (West) thinks they should all be approved. Herschel Mack suggested an amendment

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After you've earned GRPs for several years they start to add up, and when you collect 1,000 GRPs, you reach the Bronze

Award level. There are three Grass Roots award levels; here is how many GRPs are needed to reach each one:

award level	GRPs needed	number of members currently at this level
Bronze	1,000	840
Silver	2,500	82
Gold	4,000	1



26th Annual ACC Grand National
September 28–30
Verrillo's Convention Center
Portland Maine
XXVI

The Twenty-Sixth Annual ACC Grand National will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 28, 29, 30, 2007 at Verrillo's Convention Center in Portland, Maine. Both tournaments are sanctioned by the American Cribbage Congress. Buffets will be available for breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning. Also Friday and Sunday afternoon/evening a buffet will be available.

Main Tournament Saturday - Sunday (September 29–30)

Registration Fee	-	\$60 (Incl. \$2 sanction fee and Saturday Lunch)
Optional "Q" Pool	-	\$20 – 100% divided equally
Registration	-	7:30–8:45 AM Orientation 8:45 – 9:00 AM
Tournament Start	-	9:00 AM
Play	-	22 Games vs. 22 opponents
Lunch	-	11:45 AM – 1:00 or 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM
Playoffs	-	Top 25% will qualify for the playoffs. Best 3/5.
*** Playoffs on Sunday start at 8:00 AM. Skunks equal 1 game. ***		
Payback		Main & Consolation Tournaments: Minimum of 85%

Consolation Tournament (Sunday, September 30)

Registration Fee	-	\$30
Optional "Q" Pool	-	No Q-Pool for Consolation
Registration	-	8:00 AM – 9:15 AM
Tournament Starts	-	9:15 AM approximately
Play	-	10 games vs. 10 opponents
Playoffs	-	1:00 PM – top 25% best 2/3 matches.

Other Events

Friday Early Bird	Registration 12:00 PM, Play 1:00 PM, \$20 Entry
Fri. Night Doubles	Registration 5:30 PM, Play 7:30 PM, \$40 Entry/Team
Friday Evening High	Registration 5:30 PM, Play 7:30 PM, \$60 Entry
Sat. Night Special	Registration 6:00 PM, Play 7:30 PM, \$30 Entry
Last Chance	Registration 1:30 PM, Play 2:00 PM, \$20 Entry

Awards Banquet

Saturday Night \$25	6:00 PM Choice of lobster, haddock, chicken or beef
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26th Annual ACC Grand National



September 28-30

Portland Maine

Verrillo's Convention Center



Director: David Campbell

Co-Directors: Phyllis Schmidt, Charlie Finley

Maine is a beautiful state, especially in the autumn. The beautiful colors of crisp yellows and golds and oranges of the leaves decorate the trees. We are pleased to invite you to Grand National 26 in Portland, Maine, September 28-30. It is being held at Verrillo's Convention Center. Plan your weekend, or week, as there are tournaments from Wednesday on (see *Cribbage World* for details). Verrillo's is located 10 minutes from the Portland Waterfront, with fine dining, quaint shops and cobblestone streets. Also, plan to visit LL Bean which, is a short 20 minute ride. Plan to see our beaches, mountains and just relax in our great state.

There are 6 nearby motels and camping areas and cabins. Any of this information can be found either at our website at www.gnmaine2007.com or any other Maine websites. Bring your family and enjoy a week of cribbage, scenery, and relaxation in the great state of Maine.

Maine Grand National XXVI

NAME: _____ Phone: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ - _____

ACC No. _____ Stationary Seat Needed _____

Main Tournament: \$60 X _____ = \$ _____

"Q" Pool: \$20 X _____ = \$ _____

Friday Early Bird \$20 X _____ = \$ _____

Banquet Meal \$25 X _____ = \$ _____

Please Choose 1: **Chicken** _____ **Beef** _____ **Lobster** _____ **Haddock** _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

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to current policy: (The current policy is one midweek per director per year with a maximum of one per region per quarter.) The amendment would read "in the week before or after the Grand National and ACC Open Tournaments, midweek tournaments may be held, which do not count against the director or regional limitations." Herschel made a motion to accept his amendment, 2nd by Bob Milk. Motion carried (16 yeas/8 nays).

Larry Hassett made a motion that we increase the current limitation of four midweek tournaments per year per region to eight per year per region. 2nd by Valerie Sumner and Ron Morgan. Fred White proposed an amendment that midweek tournaments should not exceed three per quarter per year. Larry Hassett proposed an amendment to define midweek tournaments as those held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Motion w/ amendments carried.

Joe Bernard has had some complaints about Consolation tournaments with nonoptional Q pools. He thought that there was wording in the ACC policies that said that Q pools were optional, and that if so, should be changed. Larry Hassett did not think that it was in our policy. The consensus of the BOD was to leave the option to tournament directors.

Dave Aiken reported on the Midwest Match Play (double-elimination) tournament he held in January. There were 41 attendees, and he would like to hold it again next year. He proposed that instead of coming to the BOD each year to ask for an exception, that he be granted a permanent exemption, which he would apply for sanctioning through the Central Region Tournament Commissioner. 2nd by Cathy Perkins. Motion carried.

Agenda item "other-abled" players/conduct issues was tabled.

Agenda item #8, *Cribbage World*: Cathy Perkins and Dave Aiken handed out a page about the rates for ads that run for 12 consecutive months. At this time they are inconsistently calculated. They are proposing that these rates be calculated at 10x the monthly rate. Rates for ACC-sanctioned tournaments will remain at \$35 for a half page and \$70 for a full page. Jeff Shimp moved to accept the 12-month rate changes as presented. 2nd by Pat Barrett. Motion carried. Cathy and Dave then discussed more issues regarding *CW*, such as raising ad rates, charging more for premium positions, and limiting ad sizes to ¼, ½ and full page. Cathy said that *CW* is not supported by ads, it operates off of membership dues (over \$7 of the \$10 fee). She feels that we need to start budgeting more for *CW*'s operation or perhaps start implementing some of the potential costcutting measures suggested: using no red ink on covers, not using card stock for the cover, or giving members the option to choose only electronic subscriptions (from website). Jeff Shimp suggested that Dave bring a revised ad proposal to the BOD in September. Bob Milk reminded that with *CW* now on line, it is exposed to many more potential members. Larry Hassett asked that Dave show how much of the ad revenue is only from tournament fliers. Joan Rein suggested that Larry Hassett revise the membership form to allow members to choose to receive *CW* only electronically. Valerie Sumner questioned how electronic subscriptions would be handled with BOD voting. Cathy Perkins said that we currently do not have a contract with the printer, and that she had been approached by two other printers asking if they could bid for printing *CW*. Martha suggested we discuss soliciting printing bids in September.

Martha also mentioned that Dave had asked for guidance regarding how to handle biographies for BOD election that run over the 200-word maximum. The Executive Committee determined that the chairman of the nomination committee should handle this. Dave mentioned that one candidate for the BOD had mentioned putting an ad in *CW* and asked how this be handled; the BOD had no objections. Larry Hassett said that a GR Club in Mexico gets their *CW* between one and two months late, and explained how he would be handling their voting procedure.

Agenda Item #9: Larry Hassett recommended the following changes to the ACC Policy and Procedures Manual:

- ◆ (Section 24 – Treasurer) change Item 9 under the Treasurer's responsibilities to read "Prepare 1099s and other documents as appropriate and as required by IRS regulations."
- ◆ change 4th paragraph to read "The Treasurer is authorized to open and maintain an account with a banking institution of his/her choice with the approval of the VP of Operations."
- ◆ eliminate treasurer & assistant, *Cribbage World* Editor and Membership Secretary's names, because they change.
- ◆ on page 2, A. General Policies, last paragraph to read "The *Cribbage World* Editor and membership Secretary require significant operating expenses in order to handle the responsibilities of their position and may require a cash advance. The VP of operations will work with the person to determine the amount of the cash advance, not to exceed \$2,500. The person receiving the advance will provide monthly reports along with original receipts of the funds expended. The Treasurer will use the report to bring the cash advance back to the original amount. The treasurer will report the amount of the cash advance in the financial reports provided to the BOD. Those funds are the property of the ACC and will be returned to the ACC upon request of the VP of Operations."

Larry made a motion to accept these changes. 2nd Valerie Sumner. Motion carried.

Agenda Items #10 & #12 tabled until after lunch.

Agenda Item #13: Tom Lewis suggested, and the BOD concurred, that we list ACC Committee member's names on the website, with a way to contact the Committee Chairperson (by that person's choice—phone, email, or address).

Agenda Item #11: Jeanne Hofbauer suggested that we present DeLynn Colvert with the "Award of Meritorious Service," which at this time is a diamond ring. She passed around a bid from the Terryberry Company which provided the same award for Syl Lulinski. The bid at this time is \$1036.05. Larry Samet moved to approve this award for DeLynn. 2nd by Dave Campbell. Motion carried.

Lunch Break resume at 1:05 p.m.

Barbara Woodward addressed the BOD, thanking the ACC for holding the ACC Open and TOC at the Sands. She invited the BOD to a wine and cheese reception at 3:30 p.m.

Martha asked that spectators exit the meeting for the next two agenda items, which were to be held in closed session.

Agenda Item #14, HOF voting results: Pat Barrett announced that Roy Hofbauer had been elected as the 27th member of the ACC Hall of Fame. The BOD congratulated

him, and a short discussion of the new voting procedure followed.

Tom Lewis suggested that CW have articles explaining the different jobs done by ACC volunteers, such as tournament directors, statisticians, etc.

Agenda Item #15: Ethics Committee Chair Sharon Hejtmank reported that she has received a few letters which are being addressed by the committee and added that everything seems to be running smoothly.

Agenda Item #10: Larry Hassett presented proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws regarding Articles X & XI, (Ethics & Conduct). After discussion by the BOD, Larry made a motion to accept his proposed change to Article X, with the elimination of Item C. 2nd by Cathy Perkins. Motion defeated (16 aye/9 nay).

Larry then suggested that he change his proposal of Article XI, making it Article XII. After discussion, he reworded the proposal to read: a. If there is a discrepancy between the Constitution and Bylaws and the Policy manual, the Constitution and Bylaws will prevail. Such discrepancies will be reported to the VP of Policy who will contact the Executive Committee for a determination how the policy will apply. The VP of Policy will take the Executive Committee's decision and prepare a proposal to correct the discrepancy and present it to the BOD for their approval at the next available BOD meeting. b. The Constitution and Bylaws and the ACC Policy Manual will be the only two documents that can set policies for the ACC and any of its various programs. Larry made a motion to accept his proposal for Article XII. 2nd by Jeff Shimp. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #12, Marketing: Larry Samet discussed his proposal of creating a "Cribbage Festival" by adding events during the week following the TOC and JPW Open. Discussion included negotiating with the Sands, how to advertise, getting volunteers to run the various activities, and the midweek tournament at Topaz, which is already grandfathered during the time of the proposal. Larry Hassett made a motion that the BOD allow Larry Samet to proceed with his plans in a time frame of his choice, while working with the existing midweek director. 2nd by Cathy Perkins. Motioned approved. Larry asked for volunteers to help him with the various aspects of his plan.

Tom Lewis talked about how to get local media to write stories about clubs and tournaments so we can get the public to know that the ACC exists. Tom has successfully coordinated an effort to get boards, pegs, and cards to National Guard members in New Mexico. The boards were made and donated by Al Lindner and are engraved with "American Cribbage Congress & www.cribbage.org." Discussion about a project of sending cribbage boards to the armed forces followed. Peggy Scalley volunteered to undertake this project, with Valerie Sumner as her supervising BOD member.

Agenda Item #16: Rules Committee Chairman Herschel Mack distributed a handout with information regarding the new Rules Committee. He thinks that a complete revision of the rulebook could be accomplished during the next two years. Larry Hassett thought that we have about a 2 to 3 year supply of the current rulebook.

Agenda Item #17: Dan Zeisler distributed a handout that detailed where his teaching manuals have been sent. He feels that the website youth link has been very beneficial. He thanked the Sands for donating 96 ball caps with the Sierra youth cribbage logo to his youth tournament. He asked that we all thank the Sands for their continued

support of the youth tournament. He is also meeting this weekend with John Wittler from Entertainment Connections, who is trying to get cribbage going in all the elementary schools in the Loveland CO area. He is working on a new doubles tournament, with a kid and a parent pairing up. He has also applied to teach cribbage at a local junior college for evening adult enrichment classes.

At this time, Paul Hatcher, attending the meeting as a spectator, made an offer to support the cribbage boards for armed services project. He offered to match the donations given by the BOD members up to a total of \$2500.

Agenda Item #18: Dave Campbell reported on the progress of Grand National XXVI (Portland ME). He distributed flyers and info to each BOD member. He thanked Phyllis Schmidt for her help with fundraising.

Agenda Item #19: Martha reported she has received two inquiries for GN XXVIII (2009). Jeff Shimp and Dave Aiken are making a presentation today for Grand Rapids MI. The other is from Skip Moore for Des Moines IA, whose presentation will be at the September BOD meeting. She said that the BOD will award the tournament at the September 2007 meeting. Jeff distributed information booklets, which included a guaranteed room rate of \$85, and no charge for the use of tournament facility rooms. Jeff and Dave told the BOD about the facility, the Grand Rapids area, airport info, etc.

Agenda Item #20: Joan Rein reported that 566 players were signed up for the TOC, a new record. She reported that all tournament registrations will be in the hotel front desk area, and showed the new badges for tournament helpers, which have the weekend schedule printed on the back. Martha and Joan discussed the duration of our contract with the Sands. Roy Hofbauer reported that 930 players were registered for the Open, which was down a bit from last year.

Agenda Item #21, Treasurers Report: Bob McCabe had sent out his report with income statements and balance sheets and asked if anyone had any questions. He stated that we were in fairly good shape and that the increase in the sanctioning fees has helped. He noted that he had used a new format for his report. Joan Rein moved to accept the treasurer's report. 2nd by Cathy Perkins. Motion carried.

Next BOD Meeting: Friday, September 28, 2007.

Cathy Perkins moved to adjourn, 2nd by Al Lindner.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Stat of the Month

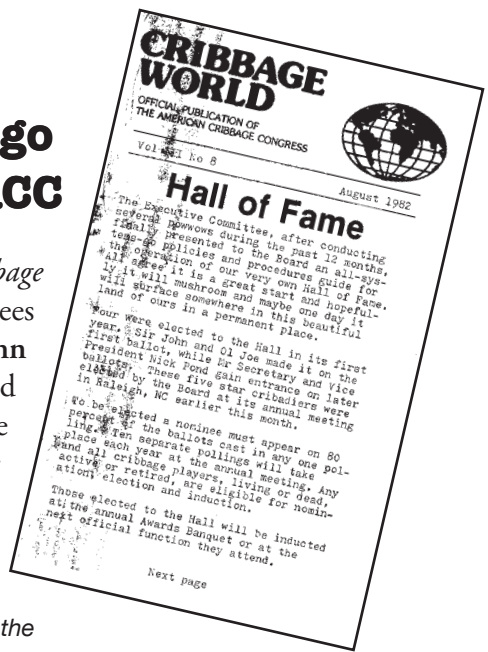
Over 200 ACC members live in Canada

Alberta	81
British Columbia	93
New Brunswick	2
Newfoundland	2
Northwest Territories	1
Ontario	17
Quebec	4
Saskatchewan	2

25 Years Ago in the ACC

The front page of the August 1982 *Cribbage World* announced the first four inductees into the ACC's Hall of Fame: **Sir John Suckling, Joe Wergin, Jim Arblaster, and Nick Pond**. Elsewhere in this issue we learn that **Jim and Marlyne Arblaster** were elected "Mr. & Mrs. Cribbage World."

(CW apologizes for the poor quality of the reproduction. The only available copy evidently fought a losing battle during its time in the mail truck twenty-five years ago.)



Best Cribbage Club in Michigan

On the luckiest day of the year, 07-07-07, twenty-eight players from seven Grass Roots clubs gathered in Grand Rapids to fight it out for the title "Best Cribbage Club in Michigan." The competition was fierce—for second place, that is—as Battle Creek again seized the title going away.

According to tournament director **David Aiken**, All Star teams are composed of the best players from each Grass Roots club throughout Michigan, based on their win percentage in weekly Grass Roots during the 2006–2007 season. This annual tournament generates much enthusiasm throughout the year, as players in each club jockey for the few coveted slots on their All Star team.

The Battle Creek contingent, from Ce-

real City Cribbage Club #300, captured the title in 2005, and after relinquishing it to Muskegon in 2006, reclaimed it with a vengeance this year by winning 60 of their 96 games. Lead by club director **David Gerke**, the winning team also included **Bart King, George Tanksley, and Gary Reichel**.

The top three individual scores in the 24-game tourney were posted by **David Gerke** (42 GPs), **Jim Blough** (Grand Rapids Club #91, with 36 GPs), and **Gary Reichel** (35 GPs). **Carol Draper** (Grand Rapids Club #71) had the event's only 28-hand.

Grand Rapids Club #91 took second place, followed by Kalamazoo, Jackson, Muskegon, Mount Pleasant, and Grand Rapids Club #71.

In Memoriam

Karl Bremmer

Karl Bremmer (Rudolph WI) passed away recently after a courageous battle with cancer. Karl was a charter member of Central Wisconsin Cribbage Club 120 and amassed 2,172 GRPs lifetime. Karl, his wife Jan, and son Kevin were regular fixtures at tournaments in Wisconsin and around the Midwest. He leaves behind a successful real estate and an H&R Block franchise, which he founded over forty years ago. He will be missed by his fellow club members and the community.

Ladonna Govenor

Ladonna Govenor (Napa CA) passed away on June 20. A member of Club 100, she won five ACC tournaments and was within 700 points of reaching Grand Master. Everyone enjoyed playing with her, and all respected her skill.

Lowaine Pruett

Lowaine Pruett (Keizer OR) passed away on May 18 after a battle with myeloma. A long-time ACC member and a charter member of Salem Grass Roots Club 46, Lowaine had achieved her Master rating and Bronze award. After she retired in 1987, she traveled to cribbage tournaments and attended many Grand Nationals with her dear friend Dot Mickow. Always a willing volunteer, Lowaine was leading the Salem Club this year until she became too ill to play. She will be sorely missed by all of her many cribbage friends.

Bob Sibert

Bob Sibert (Fremont CA) passed away on July 6 at age 75. He was a charter member of Club 43, club champion at least twice, a Bronze award recipient, and a darn good doubles partner. In his friendly way, he helped many new players improve their play. When not volunteering at the local hospital, his other interests included competitive trap shooting, fishing, and riding his Harley Davidson. He was a good friend to many, who will miss him greatly.

Tom Tobin

Thomas Tobin (Cumberland RI), a retired high school teacher, passed away from cancer on June 26. In addition to being a lifelong cribbage player, he was a lifelong Red Sox fan. He was always a gentleman when playing cribbage, and he enjoyed many tournaments around New England, where he made many friends. He and his partner, Ron Nelson, assisted John Chambers in preparing for and running the Ocean State Cribbage Classic for the first nine years. He played countless hours of cribbage on the computer with players from all over the world. He will be missed by all.

Roy Waldron

Roy Waldron (Rotonda West FL) passed away on June 14 after a lengthy fight against cancer. He will be missed by his cribbage friends in Englewood and Massachusetts.

Cribbage Quiz Answer

All 12 players could qualify if, for example, in each two-game set they lost one game and won the other game by a skunk, which would give all of them 33 GPs. It is equally possible, of course, that none of them qualify.

Slow Play

We've all seen it: the player who takes twenty-five minutes to play a game, the person who goes outside between every game for a smoke, the person who can't talk and shuffle at the same time—and before you know it, your table is a half hour behind schedule and lunch becomes a hurried affair. This month *Cribbage World* features a mini-forum on slow play. Drawing on material written by **Joan Rein** and **Larry Samet**, *CW* tackles slow play from several different angles.

Definition of Slow Play

The ACC expects cribbage games to be played in fifteen minutes. This means that a 9-game tournament should be completed in 2¼ hours, while the game portion (excluding lunch) of a 22-game tournament should take 5½ hours.

Granted, some games will occasionally take more than fifteen minutes, but if you consistently play every game in, say, eighteen minutes, by lunchtime your table will be more than a half hour behind schedule. In practice, failure to complete 4 games in seventy minutes, or 8 games in 2¼ hours, may be considered slow.

Advice for fast players: do not complain about so-called slow play if you finish your game in ten minutes and have to wait five minutes to begin the next game.

Slow Play Is Discourteous

Slow players are urged to look at the time issue from the standpoint of common courtesy. Most of us can complete a game

in twelve minutes, but when we do so we are obliged to wait for those who need the full fifteen minutes to complete their game, and this waiting is a courtesy shown to those still playing. On the flip side, it is equally courteous to make sure that we finish our games in fifteen minutes and not make faster players wait beyond the fifteen-minute mark.

If you are taking twenty, twenty-five, or thirty minutes to complete a game, you are not being courteous to your fellow players. You may be socializing, shuffling too much, or just stalling—but it is not fair to the other players.

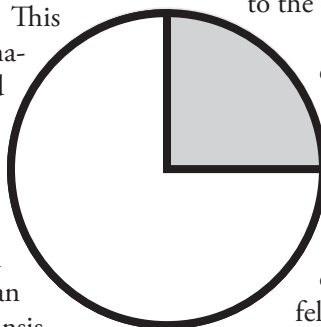
Adding only five minutes to each game in a 9-game session adds forty-five minutes to the tournament. Likewise, in a 22-game qualifying round five extra minutes per game adds over 1½ hours. Not only is it discourteous to your fellow players to make them wait this additional time, but after play is complete, the scorecards still have to be added, counted, and cross-checked for errors. All this takes additional time and cannot be finished until all scorecards are turned in.

So if someone asks you to speed up your game—or to be patient—remember that it is a courtesy to everyone.

How to Speed Up Your Play

So how can you speed up your game? Here are some time-saving tips:

- ♦ Always be in your seat five minutes or more before the start time.



- ◆ Always know who you are following.
- ◆ Avoid smoking or bathroom breaks when your next opponent is ready to play.
- ◆ When counting hand or crib, keep the cards flat on the table so your opponent can see and count them at the same time. Don't hold them so only you can see the cards.
- ◆ After counting your hand as dealer, immediately give it to the pone; then count your crib and hand that over. This will decrease the time spent shuffling.
- ◆ After the cards are dealt, pick up all six cards at once. Do not pick them up one by one and look at them individually.
- ◆ Do not tidy up the playing area after your game: take your trash with you, of course, but let the next two players reset the pegs and gather up the cards.
- ◆ Do not eat at the playing table.

Make it your goal to play a game in 15 minutes—and have fun at the same time!

- ◆ Make regular announcements: “You should now be on game 2, game 4, etc.”
- ◆ Have deviations from the needed pace brought to your attention or that of your designee.
- ◆ Speak to slow players early and help them identify specific things they are doing (excessive talking, excessive shuffling, ponderous play, etc.) that slows them down.

Intervention

When polite reminders fail, tournament directors may need to take additional steps to keep the tournament on schedule:

- ◆ Do *not* shorten games: this unfairly penalizes the player who is not slow (i.e., it greatly reduces the chance of skunking someone).
- ◆ When the slow-down is more than a game in length, have the front person skip that game and go on to the next game. This loosens up the progress of the line and speeds up many people. At the end of the qualifying round the skipped game can then be played by the two players who were skipped.
- ◆ After the lunch break, start slow players five or ten minutes before the rest of the group.
- ◆ Worst-case scenario: a player who is profoundly slow may be asked to give up his or her seat, and a fill-in may finish out the rest of the games. This should rarely happen, and should only follow a series of attempts to manage the situation.

Management Guidelines for Tournament Directors

Minimally slow play may be tolerated without significant disruption, but significantly slow play needs active management to make a tournament run smoothly. While intervention is difficult, some options are available for tournament directors:

- ◆ Announce before the start of play that games should be played in fifteen minutes.
- ◆ Appoint an experienced player to manage this issue—to take it off your worry list.



Grass Roots Corner

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Reader contributions are encouraged. Items of interest to Grass Roots players should be sent to Tom at tomlewis@spinn.net or 7916 Eagle Rock Ave NE, Albuquerque NM 87122-2753.

Rule of the Month—Improperly Removing Pegs: If a player removes both pegs when there is a score to record, then the front peg shall be replaced where it was. If the players cannot agree where it was, judges shall be summoned to decide the matter. After the front peg is replaced, the other peg shall be placed behind it; the unpegged score is thereby forfeited.

In less than a month club directors and statisticians will begin processing **registrations for the 2007–2008 Grass Roots season**. In the past, many different ways have been used to compile these registrations; here is the preferred method. In early August after the National Statistician has finalized the previous season, go to your member roster on the Grass Roots website. If you *know* that any members in your club list will not be back, click *remove* on their record, and your Regional Statistician will delete them from your

club roster by August 15. During the last two weeks of August, print Grass Roots Report 2a. As your members pay their \$5 fee, have them verify and initial that the information is correct. Please enter telephone numbers and email addresses on the website because it really helps when we are trying to contact ACC members. If data needs to be changed, then correct it both online and on the form. Report 2a should be used only *one time* when you register the bulk of your members. After that please use the GR registration form for returning members and new members. Please *do not* handwrite lists of members on a sheet of paper. Report 2a and the registration form contain all the data we need to keep accurate records. Checks should be made out to ACC Grass Roots. Please do not send cash. *Club packages* will also contain a club champion certificate for the previous season.

Club 82 (Monterey County CA)—Mel Ashley earned his Silver award this year by scoring 266 points; he also had a club-high win percentage: an even 60%. Only one grand slam was recorded this year, and it was by a guest! Four 28-hands were scored by Fred Sherman, Ken Russell, new member Des Wytman, and that same guest! Harvie

Twisselman, Carol Crowell, and Ken Russell were the most improved: they raised their winning percentage over last year by more than fifty points. Ross Njaa was the only member with perfect attendance (two others missed only one night). Ross also broke the record for most skunks, with 43 in 36 sessions! Club 82 has suffered from

attrition. We're down to sixteen members, and the average attendance is about twelve players per tournament.

Club 227 (Laguna Woods CA)—after winning eight straight games, **Eileen Brown** was sitting in the stink hole of the ninth game and leading to **Larry Irion**, who needed two points to win. Eileen led a 4, which Larry promptly paired to thwart Eileen's grand slam. Her consolation was winning first place and the 24-hand prize of the evening! Because this is the fifth time in the past two years that Larry has thwarted a perfect card, he is now known as the "Grand Slam Assassin." We now have two wife/husband teams. **Becky Osborn** started out by winning the 24-hand prize, and **Phil Osborn** recently won first place. **J.J. Lange** has been competing well, and **Art Lange** has had good success. Our newest member, **Rosemary Lionetti**, scored second place and a 24-hand prize at her second meeting and was thrilled. **Hank Kaneshige** has been on a hot streak lately, which accounts

for his smiles and good humor. **Paul Yellon** opened the last hand of the last game with 3-3-3-9 and then cut the remaining 3 for a 24-hand, winning first place and the 24-hand prize. *submitted by Paul Yellon*

Club 109 (Stoughton MA)—it came as no surprise that **Ken Patenaude** is our club champion, with **Dottie VanDenBerge** a strong runner-up. Ken himself was runner-up to **Joe Cornelissen** for the Division 1 Championship, the best in the ACC. Congrats to Joe, a former member of Club 109. In spite of the loss of two of our members, we enjoyed a fine season. In a recent tournament, **Harold Cook** scored a crib flush on two consecutive hands. Another cribbage rarity occurred recently when **Jack Marani** and **Doris Perkins** missed grand slams by the very thinnest of margins. Jack lost his only game in the stink hole, and Doris lost one game in the stink hole and another by two holes. The club will be playing during the summer. *submitted by J.J. Campanella*

GRASS ROOTS 29-Hands in 2006–2007 Season

Norman Vierela (218), 9/25/06	Jean Huismann (3), 11/30/06	Nick Gallucci (72), 3/6/07
Jay Sorenson (21), 9/27/06	Wilma Macdonald (109), 12/7/06	Don Howard (306), 3/10/07
Bruce Zatkowsky (89), 10/5/06	Patti Whiteaker (249), 12/13/06	Marv Johnson (284), 4/4/07
Nick Barrett (120), 10/12/06	Dave Noll (148), 1/2/07	Frank Robinson (328), 4/7/07
Gwellyn Striker (203), 10/18/06	Dennis Ulberg (284), 1/3/07	Montana Connell (267), 4/11/07
John Skomro (147), 10/19/06	Della Walker (203), 1/25/07	James Reilly (69), 4/11/07
Robert Hadley (20), 10/23/06	Jerry Lyon (243), 1/29/07	Donald Remy (341), 4/25/07
Joe Ciresi (304), 10/24/06	Judi Allard (214), 1/31/07	Fred White (110), 4/29/07
Dennis Caprigno (104), 10/24/06	Sara Horne (173), 2/4/07	Floyd Sowinski (139), 5/1/07
Patrick Donahue (288), 11/9/06	Bill Johnson (159), 2/6/07	Danny Bennett (221), 5/8/07
Ronald Reid (257), 11/15/06	Timothy Miller (168), 2/25/07	Pat Shoemaker (107), 5/9/07
Joe Perron (301), 11/20/06	Ray Desmarais (168), 2/28/07	John Gwinnup (345), 5/10/07
	Doug Hadley Sr. (202), 3/5/07	

REGIONAL Standings

(as of 7-10-2007)

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs	Name		MRPs	Name		MRPs	Name	
1	1812	Chris McComas, WA	1	1195	Wayne Steinmetz, WI	1	1008	Bruce D. Sattler, MD
2	1393	Herschel Mack, CA	2	1000	Bob McCabe, WI	2	866	Phyllis Schmidt, MA
3	1291	James Langley, CA	3	761	Jerry Newhouse, WI	3	831	Roland A. Hall, VT
4	1244	Jason Shumate, NV	4	760	Robert Julian, WI	4	800	Robert Medeiros, MA
5	1235	Erik Royland Locke, OR	5	752	Warren Sondericker, WI	5	750	Howard L. Terry, VA
6	1157	Todd Malmgren, OR	6	738	Donald Flesch, WI	6	667	David R. Clemmey, MA
7	1123	Elmer G. Rasmussen, WA	7	668	Mike Burns, MN	7	580	David Campbell, ME
8	1100	Ira T. Deutsch, OR	8	658	Doug Page, WI	8	578	Richard H. West, MA
9	1008	De Lynn Colvert, MT	9	654	Gerald Gruber, MN	9	557	Lee Dillon, MA
10	1006	Michael McCammon, NV	10	613	Douglas I. Henderson, WI	10	508	Donna Lafleur, CT
11	976	Jim Crawford, CA	11	588	Alan J. Lindner, WI	11	505	Larry Phifer, NC
12	931	Mel Ashley, CA	12	567	Donald A. Patrin, MN	12	496	Matthew Easterbrook, VA
13	878	Donald L. Brown, CA	13	548	Cyril Schmidt, WI	13	493	Bill Richmond, CT
14	866	Rollie Heath, OR	14	512	Brad Behm, WI	14	472	Lynn Babbitt, RI
15	833	John Furler, OR	15	504	Marlene Lazachek, WI	15	464	Louis J. Caccia, MA
16	822	Jack Moritzky, WA	16	469	Daniel Pluff, MN	16	451	John S. Marani, MA
17	820	Cy Madrone, CA	17	468	Frank Danielski, WI	17	445	Henry Douglass, NC
18	810	Dan Marsh, OR	18	467	Emilio Perez, IL	18	437	Dottie Vandenberghe, MA
19	718	Ronald L. Morgan, CA	19	446	Jeff Shimp, MI	19	436	Earle W. Remington, RI
20	714	Jesse Jarrell, CA	20	436	James Huser, WI	20	434	Emil G. Chrabaszcz, MA
21	699	Duane W. Toll, OR	21	428	John Hiland, WI	20	434	Jack Howsare, VA
22	670	Michael M. Rowe, AK	22	414	Mike Habighorst, WI	22	433	David R. O'Neil, CA
22	670	Leslie G. Sumner, NV	23	392	Richard Frost, WI	23	425	Robert E. Moore, VA
24	649	Rick Baird, OR	24	379	Roger Grandgeorge, IA	24	421	Bill Medeiros, MA
25	635	Bob Bartosh, CA	25	376	Jerome Tork, WI	25	414	Joy Barnes, FL
26	622	Pamela Pomeroy, CA	26	374	Allen E. Karr, WI	26	409	Ken Patenaude, MA
27	617	H. Ross Njaa, CA	27	369	Joan Rein, MN	26	409	Frank Corrado, CT
28	596	Paul Hatcher, OR	28	368	Tony Danihel, WI	28	405	Janet C. Viands, VA
29	581	Margery Clark, OR	29	360	Lyle Beiswenger, ND	29	404	William J. Shoemaker, CT
30	573	Kerry O'Connell, CA	30	359	Bob Kiley, WI	30	397	Robert A. Read, FL
31	557	Tom Cookman, CA	31	356	Gene Biegler, WI	31	394	Charles R. Barnes, FL
32	545	Jeanne Jelke, WA	31	356	Joy Shimp, MI	32	379	Stanley Bochinski, NY
32	545	Jones H. Hom, CA	33	351	Les Kvien, IL	33	378	Mark Soule, ME
34	510	Angelo D. Torrise, CA	34	350	Dave Yaeger, MO	34	360	Clyde V. Awtrey, GA
35	488	Cres Fernandez, CA	35	331	Gerald H. Goedert, WI	35	358	Jeff Raynes, NC
35	488	Lewis Skidmore, AB	36	310	Jeff Wussow, WI	36	356	Peter K. Lerch, NC
37	487	Duane Person, WA	37	296	Lloyd L. Kraft, WI	37	351	Jeffrey A. Messenger, MA
38	462	Rosemary Hendricks, WA	38	293	David Draper, MI	38	348	Jerry Hardy, ME
39	460	James A. Muller, CA	39	292	Tom Maresh, WI	39	339	Henry S. Delong, MA
39	460	Willie Evans, WA	40	285	Norman A. Vierela, MI	40	338	Pat Frattallone, CT
41	454	Nancy Lorenz, OR	40	285	Larry Lagassie, WI	41	321	Sharlene Medeiros, MA
42	447	Jerold E. Montgomery, CA	42	284	Alan R. Schaefer, WI	42	308	George E. Bickford, MA
43	442	Sharon Hejtmanek, MT	43	282	Norbert Upton, MN	43	306	Laurence Samet, MA
44	435	Rickie Mack, CA	44	270	Tom Edwards, IL	44	292	Marilyn Gaudreau, MA
45	431	Lee Foglesong, CA	45	267	Steven Steinmetz, WI	45	289	Mike Misluk, CT
46	430	Bruce Pomeroy, ID	46	259	Sue Schenk, MI	45	289	John Brennan, MA
47	427	Graeme Gossett, OR	47	256	Paul Kilkelly, IL	47	283	Calvin D. Libby, ME
48	418	Doris Sanders, AB	48	248	Kenneth Rasmussen, MI	48	282	Donna Gavin, MA
49	417	Betty Stewart, OR	49	238	Jerome Fischer, WI	49	269	Mathew Piechota, MA
50	407	Jeanette Nielsen, OR	49	238	Pete Severson, MN	49	269	Jerry Gooden, NC

Tournament Trail

UPCOMING SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
Roy Hofbauer 360.835.3623	Joe Bernard 847.395.7599	George Bickford 413.733.9288

Unless otherwise indicated, all tournaments (a) are round-robin format, (b) include a consolation, and (c) are singles competition. Q pools and side pools are generally available. Details are accurate at time of publication, but check with the tournament director before making travel plans.

For more information, visit www.cribbage.org.

August 1–2, Masters Midweek

VFW, 615 N Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$50. Wed \$10. Thu \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Bob Brumley (509.839.6323), 1301 Lester Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944 or James Morrow

August 3–5, Summer Classic

Sunnyside Eagles, 101 E South Hill Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$50/team. All-Events. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

August 3–5, Cowboy Country Open

American Legion Post 6, 2001 E Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$20. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, tea, donuts, cookies, lunch. Contact: Peggy Johnson (307.634.2061), 3019 Homestead Ave, Cheyenne WY 82001

August 3–5, Shut Up and Deal

Location TBA, Milpitas/Fremont CA area. Main \$65. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. All-Events \$20. Perks: snacks, lunch. Contact: Ray Mink (510.791.5347), 37981 Lavender Common, Fremont CA 94536

August 4, Silver City Open

Italian Social Club, 2 Columbus Ave, Taunton MA 02780. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jeannine duBois (508.285.8177), 6 Old Meetinghouse Green, Norton MA 02766 or Wayne Tyler or Dottie Vandenberghe

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August 4, Summer Cribbage Fix

Karen's igloo, 281 W London Rose Cir,

DBL = doubles
HR = high rollers
LC = last chance

Soldotna AK 99669. Main \$30. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Karen Dorcas (907.262.4950; karendorcas@gci.net), PO Box 1164, Kenai AK 99611

August 10–12, Humboldt Bay Classic

Mad River Rapids RV Rec Room, 3501 Janes Road, Arcata CA 95521. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. All-Events. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Road, Mckinleyville CA 95519 or Barrett Mace (707.445.0703) or Julie Felkins

August 17–19, Garden State Open

Piscataway Radisson, 21 Kingsbridge Road, Piscataway NJ 08854. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$30. Sat HR 7:30pm \$75. Team play \$30. Perks: breakfast, lunch. Contact: Cate Campbell (732.271.5669), 5 Birch Terrace, Somerset NJ 08873 or Malcolm Enos (201.440.5577); website: njcribbage.com

August 17–19, Peach State Classic

Comfort Suites, 2945 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Rd, Suwanee GA 30024. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee. Contact: Dave O'Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021

August 18, Roseville Summer Sizzler

Roseville Elks Lodge, 3000 Brady Ln, Roseville CA 95678. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Peggy Walberg (530.990.7054), 333 Cirby Way #9, Roseville CA 95678 or Ron Morgan (530.251.6389)

August 24–26, New England Peer

Lefoyer Club, 151 Fountain St, Pawtucket RI 02860. Main \$55. Fri. Sat DBL. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: John

Chambers (401.231.6667), 32 Homestead Ave, Smithfield RI 02917 or Mike D'Elena

August 24–26, Madison Masters

Howard Johnson, 3841 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53704. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Sat HR 7pm \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Mike Blackburn (608.577.3940), W9595 County C, Cambridge WI 53523

August 25, Richmond Classic

Nottoway Restaurant, 20316 Boydton Plank Road, Warfield VA 23889. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Rick Allen (804.323.7476) or Janet Meinert

August 25, San Jose Summer Sizzler

San Jose Masonic Temple, 2500 Masonic Dr, San Jose CA 95125-2098. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks, box lunch. Contact: Stan Katzman (408.472.2020), 311 Spyglass Dr, Rio Vista CA 94571-2156 or Jim Crawford (408.656.7871)

August 26, Hawai'i Open

Ed Schweitzer's place (808.262.4731), 357B Kawaiinui St, Kailua HI. Main 9:30am \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainaahe Place, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

August 26, Why Not

West Covina Elks Lodge, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary McFarland

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August 31–September 2, Skagway Open

Elks Lodge, 5th & State, Skagway AK 99840. Main \$55. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat DBL 7pm \$40/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jerry Hauf (907.780.4015), PO Box 32546, Juneau AK 99803

August 31–September 2, Mount Rainier Open

Tacoma Elks, 1965 S Union, Tacoma WA 98405. Main \$55. Fri 3pm \$15. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm, \$50/team. Sat. Perks: coffee, cookies, lunch. Contact: Jim Hornbacher (253.770.3213), 17509 90th Ave Court E, Puyallup WA 98375 or Hal Lamon (253.839.1940)

September 1, Labor Day Special

Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino, 146 Chief Miwaleta Ln, Canyonville OR 97417. Main \$45. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, juice. Contact: Larry & Donna Hassett (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97470-2858

September 7–9, St. Louis Gateway Classic

Comfort Inn, 8 Commerce Dr, Collinsville IL 62234. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$25. Perks: coffee. Contact: Floyd Vincent (636.456.9809), 20101 Southwood Estates Rd, Warrenton MO 63383 or Dave Carey (217.563.7190)

September 9, Daniel Webster Open

Nashua Elks Lodge #720, 120 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua NH 03060. Main \$52. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Entry deadline: September 1. Contact: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633), 1466 Battle St, Webster NH 03303

September 14–16, Cereal City Championship

Comfort Inn, 2590 Capitol Ave SW, Battle Creek MI 49015. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: David Gerke (269.966.8875), 291 Burnham St W, Battle Creek MI 49015

September 14–16, Lovelock Open

Sturgeons Casino, 1420 Cornell Ave, Lovelock NV. Main \$60. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. All-Events. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle de la Ceresse, Sparks NV 89434 or A. J. Tasker or Valerie Sumner or Bob Bartosh

September 21–23, Carter Classic

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Highway 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All-Events \$20. Must be 18 or older to play. Perks: breakfast, lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.909.0043), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469

September 26–27, Midweek Maine Event

Holiday Inn (207.774.5601), Exit 48, Portland ME 04101. Main \$60. Wed DBL 7pm \$40/team. Thurs 7:30pm Grass Roots Club 214 \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jerry & Laurie Hardy (207.729.0281), 22 Danielle Dr, Topsham ME 04082 or Bill Meideros

September 28–30, Grand National 26

Verillo's Conference Center, 155 Riverside St., Portland ME 04103. Main \$60. Fri 1pm \$20. Fri HR 7:30pm \$60. Fri DBL 7:30pm \$40/team. Sat 7:30pm \$30. Sun LC 1:30pm \$20. Sat 6pm awards banquet \$25. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: David Campbell (207.793.4377; gmmaine2007@aol.com), 1321 North Rd, Parsonsfield ME 04047 or Charlie Finley or Phyllis Schmidt; website: gmmaine2007.com

October 6, Feather River Open

Eagles, Myers & Montgomery, Oroville CA 95966. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch.

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ST. LOUIS GATEWAY CLASSIC

SEPTEMBER 7,8,9, 2007

COMFORT INN, -8 COMMERCE DR., COLLINSVILLE, IL. 62234
800-424-6423 SAY CRIBBAGE ON RESERVATION FOR RATE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY 7TH

7:00 PM 9 GAME \$20.00/\$20.00Q NO PLAYOFF PAYS 1/4 Q 1/8

SATURDAY 8TH

8:30AM MAIN \$60.00-Q \$25.00 ORIENTATION

9:00 AM MAIN EVENT 22 GAMES-25% PLAYOFFS Q=1/8

7:00 PM 9 GAMES \$25/Q\$20 NO PLAYOFF PAYS 1/4 Q 1/8

ALL EVENTS:\$20 FRI-NITE,SAT MAIN,SAT NITE

SUNDAY 9TH

8:00 AM PLAYOFFS FOR MAIN 3/5 FINAL 4/7

9:30 AM CONSOLATION \$40/Q\$25 PLAYOFFS 1-4 Q 1/8

PLAYOFFS 3/5 FINAL 4/7

ALL SIDE POTS PAY 1/8

REGISTRATION FORM

_____ \$20.00 ALL EVENTS

_____ \$20.00 FRIDAY NIGHT PAYS 1/4

_____ \$20.00 FRIDAY Q PAYS 1/8

_____ \$60.00 SATURDAY MAIN, PLAYOFFS 1/4

_____ \$25.00 SATURDAY Q PAYS 1/8

_____ \$25.00 SATURDAY NIGHT PAY'S 1/4

_____ \$20.00 SATURDAY NIGHT Q PAY'S 1/8

_____ \$40.00 SUNDAY CONSOLATION PLAYOFFS 1/4

_____ \$20.00 SUNDAY Q PAY'S 1/8

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Contact: Tom & Vaida Stevens (530.589.2192), 1130 Mount Ida Road, Oroville CA 95966

October 5-7, Montana Championship

Jokers Wild, I-90 Exit 101, Missoula MT 59802. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR \$50. Fri DBL \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Sun LC \$10. Perks: coffee, cookies. Contact: DeLynn Colvert (406.543.6855), PO Box 5604, Missoula MT 59806 or Sharon Hejzmanek

October 6, Schaefer Shuffle One-Day

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$55. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Al & Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766), N162W20333 Butternut Lane, Jackson WI 53037

October 7, Moose's WB Classic

KC Hall, 3245 Lighthouse Lane, West Bend WI 53090. Main \$45. Perks: lunch. Contact: Gene "Moose" Biegler (262.334.2980), 1602 Harrison St, West Bend WI 53090 or Richard Frost

October 7, Western Washington Limited

Crystal Grange, 2160 NE Paulson Road, Poulsbo WA 98370. Main \$45. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Dennis Misenar (360.710.8912), 50 NW Sandy Ct, Bremerton WA 98311 or Larry West

October 7, New Hampshire Open

Holiday Inn, Northeastern Blvd, Nashua NH 03062. Main \$45. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Al Miller (603.882.7204), 12 Michael Ave, Nashua NH 03062

October 7, Regency Lakes Open

Regency Lakes Clubhouse, 5201 Regency Lakes Blvd, Coconut Creek FL 33073. Main \$27. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Joe Daesch (954.725.9548; joegina365@comcast.net), 6508 Flamingo Way, Coconut Creek FL 33073

October 12-14, Capital City Classic

Best Western North, 5055 Merle Hay Road, Johnston IA 50131. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All-Events \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch, spin-the-wheel. Contact: Dick Ogden (515.419.6818), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315

October 12-14, Crescent City Open

Del Norte County Fairgrounds, 421 Highway 101 N, Crescent City CA 95531. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Jerry Cutsforth (707.464.2808), 3555 Movie Ln, Crescent City CA 95531 or Vernon Ward (707.464.4510)

October 14, October Occurrence

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield

MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Phyllis Schmidt (413.458.8693; phiz95@verizon.net), 95 Nutmeg Lane, Williamstown MA 01267 or Isabel Hyndman

October 19-21, Wisconsin Rapids Open

Hotel Mead, 451 E Grand Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494. Main \$60. Fri \$25 or \$50. Sat \$25 or \$50. LC. Perks: lunch. Contact: Patrick & Linda Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494

October 20, P&G Open

Fratone's Restaurant, 12253 E Imperial Hwy, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit, lunch. Contact: Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901), 12132 Roseton Ave, Norwalk CA 90650 or Gary Sumner (714.773.5567)

October 21, Fall U.S. Open

West Covina Elks Lodge, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary McFarland

October 21, Nutmeg Open

Moose Club, 404 Prospect St, East Hartford CT 06109. Main \$50. Contact: Joan Fletcher (860.519.5467), 7 Navaho Rd, East Hartford CT or Judy Finley

October 21, Cribbage Cruise on the Spirit

Two full tournaments aboard Carnival *Spirit*, departing San Diego on October 21. Contact: Roger Wilson (303.254.4670), 11386 Grove St Unit B, Westminster CO 80031-8064 or Betty Davis (303.238.8309), 12658 W First Pl, Lakewood CO 80228

◆Acapulco Open (Oct. 22-23): Main \$60

◆Baja California (Oct. 27-28): Main \$60

October 26-28, North Pole Open

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Drive, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All-Events. Perks: coffee, breakfast. Contact: Jeanne & Roger Wauters (920.863.3703), 4753 Denmark Road, Denmark WI 54208

October 26-28, Salem Classic

Black Bear Inn, 1600 Motor Ct NE, Salem OR 97301. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 6:30pm \$20. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$40. Limited to 120 players; no Sat. walk-ins. Perks: coffee, tea. Contact: Phyllis Roderick (503.981.1004), 612 N Cascade Dr #24, Woodburn OR 77071 or Ratso

October 26-28, Niagara Falls Open

Quality Motel, 240 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls NY 14303. Main \$45. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$20/team. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Nelson Wheaton

(716.649.3462), 76 Raymond St, Hamburg NY 14075 or Jane Cannizzaro

October 26–28, Emerald Coast Open

FWB Elks Lodge #1795, 1335 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Dave O'Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021 or Scott & Jenny Bailey (850.582.5945)

October 26–28, Abe Kealoha Extravaganza

Paul & Terry's place: 100 N Reretania St #207, Honolulu HI 96813. Main \$50. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$40/team. Fri night play at Honolulu Blue, 501 Sumner. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

October 27, Fallbrook Avocado

Fallbrook Senior Center, 399 Heald Ln, Fallbrook CA 92028. Main \$50. Sat 1:15pm \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch, avocados. Limited to first 80 players. Contact: Obie Weeks (760.723.3660; nc-cribbage@aol.com), 3354 Hillside Ln, Fallbrook CA 92028 or Mike Duffy (760.723.8420)

October 28, Cape Cod Classic

Gull Wing Suites, 822 Main St (Rte 28), South Yarmouth MA 02664. Main \$50. Contact: Jack Puleo (508.760.1999), 17 Captain Weiler Rd, South Yarmouth MA 02664 or Doug Kelliher

November 2–4, Sunshine State Classic

Ramada Inn, 2145 E Highway 192, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri 1pm \$10. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. LC \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (727.492.0344; rwanke@cfl.rr.com), 1983 Boggy Creek Road #A-4, Kissimmee FL 34744

November 2–4, Illinois Open

D'Andrea Banquet Hall, 4419 Northwest Highway (Route 14), Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Marvin Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Court, Woodstock IL 60098 or Dave Drew

November 3, San Jose Fall Classic

San Jose Masonic Temple, 2500 Masonic Dr, San Jose CA 95125-2098. Perks: coffee, bagels, box lunch. Contact: Stan Katzman (408.472.2020), 311 Spyglass Dr, Rio Vista CA 94571 or Jim Crawford (408.656.7841)

November 4, Western Massachusetts Classic

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: George Bickford (413.733.9288), 89 Clayton Dr, West Springfield MA 01089 or Charlie Finley (860.745.1143), 16 Carol St, Enfield CT 06082

November 9–11, Michigan Tourn. of Diamonds

Comfort Inn (231.739.9092), 1675 E Sherman Blvd, Muskegon MI 49444. Main \$70. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. All-Events \$20. Super-Q \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: David Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net), 9545 28th St SE, Ada MI 49301-9274

November 9–11, Veteran's Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. Main \$52. Fri DBL \$50/team. Sun special \$20. Perks: coffee, coffee cake. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons (775.358.4916), 333 K St, Sparks NV 89431 or Roberta Huff

November 13–15, Topaz Lodge Open

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Highway 395, Gardnerville NV 89410. Main \$50. Tue 3pm \$10. Tue HR 6:30pm \$50. Tue 7pm \$20. All-Events \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Valerie Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89439 or A. J. Tasker or Les Sumner

November 16–18, Minnesota Open

Grandpa's Garage, 31846 65th Ave Way, Cannon Falls MN 55009. Main \$60. Fri. Sat. All-Events. Perks: lunch. Contact: Jerry Gruber (612.722.1292), 5121 Nokomis Ave S, Minneapolis MN 55417 or Al Booth (763.783.7042)

November 16–18, Longest Beach Classic

Chautauqua Lodge (800.869.8401), 304 N 14th St, Long Beach WA 98631. Main \$60. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$25. Perks: coffee, snacks, lunch. Contact: Rosemary Hendricks (360.273.7151), 19202 Old Highway 99 SW, Rochester WA 98579 or Sharon Hetmanek (406.549.2843)

November 16–18, Hampton Roads Shoot-Out

Holiday Inn (800.567.3856), 5655 Greenwich Rd, Virginia Beach VA 23462. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$30. Sat 7:30pm \$30. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Muggins in effect. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.340.7390; cell: 757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452

November 18, Yankee Classic (Alkas Memorial)

Rockville Elks, 9 N Park St, Rockville CT 06066. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Phil Martin (860.666.8300), 84 Crown Ridge, Newington CT 06111 or Roger Bouchard

November 23–25, Thanksgiving Classic

Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino, 146 Chief Miwaleta Ln, Canyonville OR 97417. Main \$45. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Larry & Donna Hassett (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97470-2858

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November 30–December 2, Greater Orlando Open

Hampton Inn, 151 N Douglas Ave, Altamonte Springs FL 32714. Main \$55. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: David Fournier (407.695.1902), 808 Osceola Trail, Cas-selberry FL 32707

November 30–December 2, Reynolds Wrap

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$65. Fri. Sat. Contact: Bill Wakeman (510.276.1600), 15750 Via Cordoba, San Lorenzo CA 94580-2530 or Adrian Levy (925.284.3309) or Tracy Yott (510.793.6472)

November 30–December 2, Eau Claire Classic

Plaza Inn, 1202 W Claremont Ave, Eau Claire WI 54703. Main \$65. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 8pm \$20. All-Events \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch, cheese, crackers, sausage. Contact: Alan & Vickie Lindner (715.267.7629), 203 Depot St, Greenwood WI 54437

December 1, Cribbage Cruise on the Noordam

Two full tournaments aboard Holland America *Noordam*, departing New York on December 1. Contact: Roger Wilson (303.254.4670), 11386 Grove St Unit B, Westminster CO 80031-8064 or Sue Edwards (303.753.9407), 1509 S Forest St, Denver CO 80222-3831

◆Virgin Islands Open (Dec. 2–3): Main \$60

◆Statue of Liberty Classic (Dec. 10–11): Main \$60

December 9, Holiday Cribbage Special

VFW #1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, pastries. Contact: Holli & Earle Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd, Cumberland RI 02864

December 16, Santa Claus Special

Kissimmee Elks Lodge, 1655 Kings Hwy, Kissim-mee FL 34744. Main \$29. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd #A-4, Kissimmee FL 34744

December 16, Back to Boston

Dilboy Post, 371 Summer St, Somerville MA 02144. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Don Caprigno (617.625.6889), 12 Grand View Ave, Somerville MA 02143 or Bill Medeiros (413.284.1064)

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January 4–5, Peg for the Border

La Mesa Masonic Lodge, 4731 Date Ave, La Mesa CA 91944. Main \$65. Fri DBL 7pm \$70/team. Sat 7pm \$35. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Con-tact: Shelley & Roz Berman (619.444.7655 or 619.440.9474), 126 Rea Ave, El Cajon CA 92020

January 11–13, Washington State Championships

Moose Lodge 1109, 1900 Grand Ave, Centralia WA 98531. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$10. Sun LC 2pm \$10. Perks: lunch. Contact: Elmer “Ras” Rasmussen (360.262.9755), PO Box 161, Napavine WA 98565 or Gary Rasmussen

January 18–20, Midwest Match Play

Comfort Inn (231.739.9092), 1675 E Sherman Blvd, Muskegon MI 49444. Main \$75. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Main is match-play format like National Open; consolation is standard round-robin. Contact: David Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net), 9545 28th St SE, Ada MI 49301-9274

January 18–20, Georgia Open

Quality Inn, 1052 Augusta Rd, Augusta GA 30907. Main: \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee. Con-tact: Dave O’Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021 or Cathy Perkins

January 18–20, Pacific Coast Championship

Masonic Lodge, 48 E San Joaquin, Salinas CA 93901. Main \$62. Fri \$20 sat \$20. All-Events \$20. Team play: \$20/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: David Shifflett (831.373.1040), 1319 Law-ton Ave, Pacific Grove CA 93950 or H. Ross Njaa

January 25–27, Northern California Open

Win River Casino, 2100 Redding Ranchera Rd, Redding CA 96001. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Contact: Anna Dunn (530.549.3154), 21518 Privet Dr, Redding CA 96003 or Jim Langley

February 16, Valentine’s Day Open

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$55. Perks: continental breakfast, cof-fee, lunch. Contact: Evelyn Gillmore (925.686.3463), 1786 Clinton Dr, Concord CA 94521-2015 or Helen Bolstad or Anne Sheeran

February 23, California Championships

Veterans Building, 1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa CA 95401. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, snacks, lunch. Contact: Jerry Brisgel (707.578.3699), P.O. Box 4173, Santa Rosa CA 95402

March 7–9, Illinois Open

D’Andrea Banquet Hall, 4419 Northwest Hwy, Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Marvin Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Ct, Woodstock IL 60009 or Dave Drew

March 9, Tri-Valley Tournament

VFW 1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$52. Sat DBL 7pm \$30/team. Perks: coffee, do-

nuts, lunch. Contact: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613), 30 Stone St, Bellingham MA 02019

March 14–15, Waupaca Rotary Open

Waupaca Recreation Center, 407 School St, Waupaca WI 54981. Main \$50. Fri \$20. Contact: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494 or Joe Jones (715.445.3118)

March 14–16, Northwest Open (Sissel Memorial)

VFW, 2005 Valley, Baker City OR 97814. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Carl Heath (541.523.2185), PO Box 903, Baker City OR 97814 or Charlette Springer

March 14–16, March Madness

Crabtree Inn, 3920 Arrow Dr, Raleigh NC 27612. Main \$60. Fri \$30. Sat \$30. Perks: lunch. Contact: Larry Phifer (919.788.9701), 901-5 Shellbrook Ct, Raleigh NC 27609

March 28–30, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Fri 3p. Fri 8p. Sat 7:30p. All-Events. Perks: lunch. Contact: Allen Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313-7083

March 28–30, Roadrunner Classic

The Meadows, 2401 W Southern Ave, Tempe AZ 85282. Main \$55. Fri 7pm \$20. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$20. All-Events \$20. Super-Q \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, juice, sodas, snacks. Contact: Ron & Laurie Logan (480.288.9459), 8324 E Sand Wedge Ln, Gold Canyon AZ 85218

April 4–6, Kissimmee Open

Ramada Inn, 2145 E Hwy 192, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri DBL 1pm \$20/team. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (727.492.0344), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd #A-4, Kissimmee FL 34744

April 4–6, Timber Capital Classic

Mill Casino & Hotel, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. Main \$50. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Larry & Donna Hassett (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97470-2858

April 12, Tax Relief Tournament

Castro Valley Moose Lodge, 20835 Rutledge Rd, Castro Valley CA 94546. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit. Contact: Bill Wakeman (510.276.1600), 15750 Via Cordoba, San Lorenzo CA 94580-2530 or Mary Herrmann (925.935.3325)

April 13, New England Spring Fever

VFW #1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053.

Main \$55. Sat DBL \$30/team. Perks: coffee, pastries, lunch. Contact: Holli & Earle Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd, Cumberland RI 02864

April 18–20, Washington State Open

Sunnyside Eagles, 100 S Hill Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. All-Events \$20. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224; the29seeker@earthlink.net), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

April 18–20, Milwaukee Challenge

Radisson Hotel, 6331 S 13th St, Milwaukee WI 53221. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sun LC 1pm \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Marlene Lazachek (414.427.4595; marlemae@sbcglobal.com), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132

May 3–4, Black River Country Classic

Castle Hill Supper Club, N9581 U.S. Hwy 12, Neillsville WI 54754. Main \$60. Sat 7:30p \$20. Perks: buffet lunch. Contact: Lewis & Dianne Gurney (715.937.4105), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456

May 16–18, Potawatomi Peggys Pow-Wow

Holiday Inn Waterfront (800.788.8411), 940 W Savidge, Spring Lake MI. Main \$70. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. LC \$10. Perks: cookies from the Cookie Lady. Contact: Jeff & Joy Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417

May 16–18, Diamond Mountain Open

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Dr, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$60. Fri \$10. Fri DBL \$50/team. Fri HR \$50. Sat. Perks: beverages, lunch. Contact: Peggy Scalley (775.673.6906), 505 E 1st Ave, Sun Valley NV 89433-8007 or Bruce & Claudia McGillivray

May 31, Nugget Classic

Paradise Ridge Senior Center, 877 Nunneley Rd, Paradise CA 95969. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7p \$40/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Jerry Moore (530.877.1477), 1473 Patrick Dr, Paradise CA 95969

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