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Top Ten Tournament Players in 2006–2007

All American Team

What does it take to be one of the top ten players in the ACC? Some people might argue that these players are just lucky or that they played in forty tournaments last year.

There is no doubt that luck plays a part in cribbage (thank goodness: if it were pure skill, most of us might as well throw away our pegs now). But the equation All American = forty tournaments is sometimes made partly out of jealousy. (Who wouldn't, after all, envy someone who spends three out of every four weekends playing the world's greatest card game?) When you realize that most of the All Americans have been on the list multiple years, you start to understand that skill plays a decisive role.

So what does it take to be one of the top ten players in the ACC?

- This year it took 1,207 MRPs to crack the top ten, while the national champion had 2,118 MRPs.
- These players have thirty All American appearances between them.
- This year the ten All Americans won a total of twenty-seven tournaments (eighteen main, nine consolation).
- Most of the All Americans have a cribbage mentor someone who has taken them under their wing and taught them the finer points of the game—and many of them have reciprocated in kind.

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Al Miller

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Suspension

The ACC's Ethics Committee has suspended **Harold Buckley** (Spruce Grove AB) for four months, from October 15, 2007, to February 15, 2008.



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At the annual meeting of the ACC's board of directors in Portland ME in late September, the BOD voted to raise membership dues. Depending on your perspective, the increase is either modest ("*only* \$5") or excessive ("a *whopping* 50%"). What is not in dispute is that this is the first dues increase since 2001.

bv David Aiken

My Deal

For comparison, here are the current and future dues:

type	current	new
individual	\$10	\$15
joint	\$12	\$18
life	\$80	\$120
joint life	\$120	\$180
junior	\$3	\$3

Since I voted for this increase, which becomes effective on January 1, 2008, perhaps my rationale for doing so is in order.

First, the ACC is losing money. The general fund has been in steady decline since 2001, and steps must be taken to check this slide.

Second, expenses are up across the board. The current budget not only underestimated CW expenses but also did not account for pre-paid dues and a drop in life membership dues because of the increased age requirement (now age 62). Even without considering these factors, the budget submitted by **Bob McCabe** and approved by the BOD projects a \$6,000 loss in the next fiscal year.

But despite these legitimate reasons, some people may wonder why the ACC

needs to raise dues when we have "so much money in the bank."

Perhaps a snapshot of our financial situation will clarify matters. As of July 1, 2007, the ACC had assets of \$130,454. Of this, \$53,536 belongs to the Grass Roots program and \$9,061 to the Junior program—and neither of these amounts can be used for general expenditures.

Our general fund thus shows a paper balance of \$67,857, but around \$8,000 is tied up in cash advances and minimum balances and another \$7,000 represents paid-in-advance dues. This leaves a liquid balance of \$52,730—which is not really a huge amount for a 7,000-member organization with annual expenses of \$140,000.

A final question relates to our status with the IRS: can we retain our tax-exempt status when we have a large bank balance? ACC Membership Secretary **Larry Hassett** brings proper perspective to this issue by noting that the IRS requires a minimum of \$250,000 in assets before tax-exempt organizations have to use the long form. Thus, in the overall scheme of things we are, in Larry's words, "small potatoes."

The bottom line is that ACC membership—even at "a whopping 50% increase"—remains a bargain. Where else can you find access to Tournament Trail, Grass Roots info, and internet play; earn awards in the ACC's three divisions; read about the cribbage exploits of you and your friends every month in *Cribbage* continued on next page

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Digital 29-Hand

The *only* 29-hand I have *ever* had occurred while playing online. I tried and tried to print, save, do anything for proof I finally had the "holy grail" of cribbage hands, but to no avail. I am 52 years old and have

been playing cribbage most of my life. I guess I can take comfort in knowing that I had a 29-hand, as did my opponent (but I forgot to write down their name/handle). Oh well, maybe in my next 52 years! *Greg Squier (Waukee IA)*

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If you're still unsure about the dues increase, here's a money-saving tip. Renew your membership *before December 31*, and you can still use the old fee schedule. In fact, you can renew for up to three years at the old rate (even if you just renewed) and thus forestall the increase until 2011. A membership application is printed inside the back cover for your convenience. Let's see if we can overwhelm Larry Hassett's computer with renewals during the last two months of the year!

And while we're on the subject, ACC membership makes an ideal gift for family members and friends this holiday season. Feel free to make photocopies of the membership application and fill in the names of everyone on your gift list this year.

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My thanks to Ras, Larry Hassett, Bruce Bowman, Dave Gerke, Jeff Shimp, Cathy Perkins, and Henry and Paula Bergeron for their help on this issue.



At the September BOD meeting in Portland, the 2009 Grand National Tournament was awarded to Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The co-directors of the 28th edition of this venerable national tournament will be Jeff Shimp (Grand Haven MI) and David Aiken (Ada MI). The host facility will be the Crowne Plaza Hotel, an upscale, contemporary-style hotel located at 5700 28th Street SE on the southeast side of Grand Rapids. With over 300 luxurious guest rooms and a spacious playing hall, this hotel will serve as the hub of the cribbage universe during the last weekend in September 2009.

More details about the tournament will be announced in the coming months. Go to cpgrandrapidshotel.com for more information about the Crowne Plaza.

Tournament	Director	Main	Consolation	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Cowboy Country Open (Cheyenne WY; Aug. 3–4)	Peggy Johnson	<i>44 players</i> HQ. Dee Copeland 1. Bill Hutchinson 2. Kathy Pacocha 3. Dee Copeland 3. Roger D. Baxter	<i>27 players</i> HQ. Bart Jaeger 1. Roger W. Wilson 2. James Gear 3. Bart Jaeger 3. Leonard Goodman		<i>Friday</i> : Bart Jaeger <i>Doubles</i> : Ian Travers & Reuben Chavez <i>High Rollers</i> : George Rodriguez <i>Saturday</i> : Les Johnson
Richmond Cribbage Classic (Warfield VA; Aug. 25)	Rick Allen	<i>60 players</i> HQ. Curtis Barbour 1. Jerry Gooden 2. Andy Laventure 3. Curtis Barbour 3. Jack Howsare	<i>46 players</i> HQ. Robert E. Moore 1. Robert E. Moore 2. Rick Bryant 3. Harvey Greenberg 3. Brenda Snow		
San Jose Summer Sizzler (San Jose CA; Aug. 25)	Stan Katzman	72 players HQ. Boyd R. McDonald 1. Bob Bartosh 2. Stan Billingsley 3. James A. Clark 3. Jesse Jarrell	<i>44 players</i> HQ. Billie Reddell 1. Billie Reddell 2. Charles G. Sladek 3. Cathy Holmes 3. Etta Brownlee		
New England Peer (Paw- tucket RI; Aug. 25–26)	John Chambers	<i>106 players</i> HQ. Phil Martin 1. Dottie Vandenberghe 2. Charles Rapoza 3. Robert Medeiros 3. Mike Fetchel	<i>26 players</i> HQ. John Campanella 1. Robert Milk 2. John Campanella 3. Roland A. Hall 3. Mike Azevedo	28-hand Richard Verney*	<i>Friday:</i> Gerard St. Germain <i>Doubles:</i> Laurie Hardy & Susan Cousens
Why Not (West Covina CA; Aug. 26)	Nikodym	<i>56 players</i> HQ. Cy Madrone 1. Cy Madrone 2. Ryan Gerlach 3. Bob Bartosh 3. Muriel Michel	36 <i>players</i> HQ. Bob Gromek 1. Julien Pomerleau 2. Milton Goodman 3. Donald L. Brown 3. Michael Duffy	28-hand Tom Moler*	
Hawaii Open (Honolulu HI; Aug. 26)	Tsarkie	<i>17 players</i> HQ. Richard Kodama 1. Richard Kodama 2. Mary Jane Esera	1		

* = in a sanctioned event

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Tournament	Director	Main	Consolation	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Mount Rainier Open (Tacoma WA; Sept. 1–2)	Jim Hornbacher	 146 players HQ. Bruce Wridge 1. Troy Thorson 2. Don Zeutschel 3. John F. O'Shea 5. Channing Holmes 5. Fred Koury Sr. 5. John Hallock 	96 <i>players</i> HQ. Ken Totten 1. Raymond Zeutschel 2. Jim Knutson 3. Egon Koch 3. Frank E. Hanson	28-hands Gary Louderback John Furler* Cathy Carter* John Hallock* David Gilkeson*	<i>Early Bird</i> : Verne Nielsen <i>Doubles</i> : Jim & Susan Knudsen <i>High Rollers</i> : Willie Evans <i>Saturday</i> : Jim Langley
Skagway Open (Skagway AK; Sept. 1–2)	Jerry Hauf	<i>25 players</i> HQ. Ellen Lauer 1. Darlene Johnson 2. Myron Schmidt 3. Laura Christy 3. Kristin Jacquot			<i>Early Bird:</i> Karen Bouschor <i>Doubles</i> : Myron Schmidt & Linda Wheeler
St. Louis Gateway Classic (Collinsville IL; Sept. 7–8)	Floyd Vincent	<i>50 players</i> HQ. Jennifer Buhrow 1. Robert Julian 2. Donald Flesch 3. Larry Phifer 3. Jeff Gardner	<i>30 players</i> HQ. Bob Kirkman 1. Keith E. Widener 2. Dave Carey 3. Roger Grandgeorge 3. Bob Kirkman	<i>28-hands</i> Bob Kirkman* Marla Carey*	<i>Friday:</i> Floyd Vincent S <i>aturday:</i> Harry Ramatowski <i>All Events:</i> Dave Carey
Daniel Webster Open (Nashua NH; Sept. 9)	Henry & Paula Bergeron	<i>116 players</i> HQ. Sal Scolaro 1. Harry E. Gelson 2. Laurence Samet 3. Eugene Chandonnet 3. Lee Norris	<i>68 players</i> HQ. Elijah H. White Jr. 1. Cindy Veradt 2. Phil Martin 3. Richard J. Andrew 3. Stanley A. Mullins	2 <i>8-hands</i> Marilyn Gaudreau (2x)* Roland Hall*	
Cereal City (Battle Creek Ml; Sept. 15–16)	David Gerke	<i>71 players</i> HQ. Mark Van Dyke 1. Mark Van Dyke 2. David Aiken 3. Beth Witter 3. Warren Sondericker	<i>39 players</i> HQ. Claudette Wandt 1. Ethel Sherwan 2. Ken Rasmussen 3. Claudette Wandt 3. Sue Schenk	<i>28-hands</i> David Draper* Nicky Kniech* Everett Gier*	<i>Friday:</i> John Schafer Saturday: Joe Bernard
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• The 2006–2007 All Americans have held only six 29-hands between them.

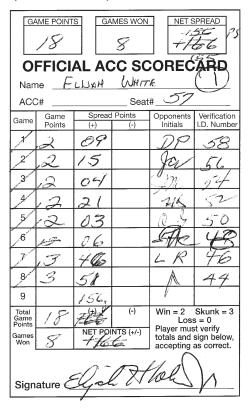
In addition to these generalities, CW also discovered some interesting individual characteristics during the interviews:

- Chris McComas loves wiener dogs.
- Herschel Mack holds the record for most points scored and *not* making the All American team. In 2004–2005 he finished 11th with 1,431 MRPs. Any other year that many points would have earned him an All American berth.
- Jim Langley is the only former national champion on this year's list, having captured the top spot in 2001 and 2003.
- Erik Locke is the youngest player on the All American list this year, at only 23 years of age.
- Wayne Steinmetz was the only player outside the Western Region to earn a berth on the All American team.
- Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen eats, sleeps, and bleeds cribbage.
- Jim Crawford submitted a very nice picture of him drinking a piña colada at the beach.
- Jason Shumate had the best quotations: "I'd rather be handcuffed and mauled by a polar bear than play a woman when I need a game." And, "I dealt 29-hands to Harvey Honeycutt and to my father. Both were very impressed by my skills, and one of them even 'discovered the reason for my birth!'"
- Michael McCammon is a supervisor at a Reno gambling casino and supplies playing cards to clubs and tournaments all over the West and beyond.
- Todd Malmgren is camera shy.

For pictures and more details on this year's All Americans, see pages 10–13.

New ACC Record

Elijah White (Windham ME) broke the record formerly held by his good friend and fellow "Maine-iac" Master Jerry Hardy (Topsham ME) for highest score in an ACC-sanctioned eight-game tournament. Elijah scored a grand slam 18/8 +155 in the Daniel Webster Open consolation in Nashua NH on September 9. Feast your eyes on the beauty below!



Holy Joe!

In the past month these members have moved past ACC founder Joe Wergin's lifetime total of 1,728 MRPs:

1755	Richard Kodama, HI
1744	Jerry Gooden, NC

- Early bird gets the worm! Grand Master Bob Bartosh (Sacramento CA) was the first person to sign up for the San Jose Summer Sizzler on August 25—and he ended up winning the whole shebang!
- Grand Master Bob Gromek (Las Vegas NV) had a grand slam in the qualifying round of the consolation at the Why Not on August 29, but low qualifier Master Julien Pomerleau (Anaheim CA) survived everyone else to win the event.
- Three days before the Mount Rainier Open in early September Troy Thorson (Loveland CO) still hadn't made up his mind whether he was going to go to Tacoma WA for the tourney. He not only showed up, but also won the main event. Nothing to it—right?
- Murders' Row. At the St. Louis Gateway Classic in Collinsville IL, opponents coming down the table had to play in sequence Jennifer Buhrow (Antioch TN), Life Master Larry Phifer (Raleigh NC), Life Master (***) Bob Julian (Franklin WI), and Life Master (*) Don Flesch (Brookfield WI). Jennifer, Larry, and Bob qualified one-two-three (in that order). Bob won the main tournament, Don took second, Larry tied for third, and Jennifer tied for fifth. Aren't you glad you didn't have to play these rogues?
- At age 81, Harry Gelson (East Greenwich RI) played in only his tenth tournament ever at the Daniel Webster Open in Nashua NH on September 9. His three-person team finished first, and before he knew it he found himself in

the finals against Life Master (\star) Larry Samet (Wellesley MA). Down two games to nothing, Harry rallied to win the next three games and the championship.

- > Cost of the trophy: \$16.50.
- > Prize money: \$900.
- > The look on Harry's face when presented with the check and trophy: priceless!
- ◆ Life Master Tony Danihel (Brookfield WI) had two shots at the elusive 29hand while playing Master Hal Mueller (Hamilton ON) at the Cereal City Cribbage Championship in Battle Creek MI in mid-September—and both times Hal held the case 5 in his hand!
- ◆ Brent Cooper (Windsor ON) had a good day during the qualifying round at the Cereal City Cribbage Championship in Battle Creek MI in mid-September: he qualified #6 with 31 GPs on 15 wins—but minus 3 spread points!

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2



Herschel Mack McKinleyville CA 1,547 #194 (Eureka) 3 2 cons. none Jim Langley (with Chris McComas, Ras, and

McComas, Ras, and Phyllis Schmidt also at the top of my list)

Qualifying at Spokane with a 41/18 scorecard and finishing second in the main to Ras.

residence

name

MRPs in 2006-2007

Grass Roots club

All American appearances

tournament wins this year

29-hands lifetime

toughest opponent

favorite cribbage moment this year

3 main, 1 cons. 1

Elmer G. "Ras" Rasmussen

Winning back-to-back main tournaments.

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Elmer G. "Ras" Rasmussen DeLynn Colvert's book (which I bought after he beat me in a playoff match)

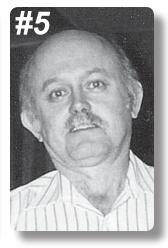


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James Langley Erik Royland Locke Wayne Steinmetz Red Bluff CA Portland OR Milwaukee WI 1,445 1,423 #159 (Red Hot Peggers) #28 (Portland) #6 (Milwaukee) 2 4 2 main, 2 cons. 3 main 1 main 2 none Duane Toll and Ken Patenaude Warren Sondericker Herschel Mack

Winning a game in the All Star Tournament Reno against one of the top Central Region players. I was 20 holes out, held 2-3-3-9, cut the Ace, and wouldn't still be on a high pegged six holes to win.

DeLynn Colvert's book

Winning the Grand National (okay, we can forgive Eric for confusing this win with the 2006-2007 season-who after winning GN?).

Duane Toll and Ras

tournament.

Winning the Slinger

My grandmother

continued



Elmer G. "Ras" Rasmussen

Napavine WA

4

3 main, 2 cons.

none

DeLynn Colvert

1,374

Jim Crawford



Jason Shumate

Reno NV/Ogden UT

1,272

Mountain View CA 1,292 #232 (Chehalis-Centralia) #48 (Silicon Valley Sharks) 4

1 main

1

Eric Locke

#11 (Reno) 4 2 main none

Glenna Little

Winning the Montana State Championship and Veterans Day Classic in Reno in consecutive months

Winning my first 16 games in the qualifying round at Winnemucca and finishing with a 42/20 scorecard.

DeLynn Colvert (for offensive play) and Paul Hatcher (for defensive play)-but they might not know it Lots of people: those I have played online as well as in the ACC organization.

Winning the Shut Up and Deal (Castro Valley CA), which was started in honor of a cool lady: Barbara Ruiz; and getting three skunks in my last three games to qualify at the Pacific City Open.

My father (who taught me the game), Jesse Jarrell (who taught to never give up), and Roy "the Great" Banducci (who taught me not to get mad if I lose).



Michael S. McCammon

Sparks NV

1,261

#11 (Reno NV)

1

2 main

none Todd Malmgren

Winning enough points in the final tournament of the year (Portland) to cinch All American. I work weekends and had to take a lot of extra time off to make 24 tournaments.

None, but I have learned much from losing to Ron Morgan and Valerie Sumner in Grass Roots club over the years.



Todd Malmgren

Clackamas OR

1,207

#28 (Portland)

2

1 main, 2 cons.

none

DeLynn Colvert and Eric Locke

Winning the consolation at Arcata against Skip White; we had qualified 1-2 as well.

none

Game On

CW presented a game situation to the All Americans so that the other 7,085 ACC members who didn't make the All American team could gain a little insight into how they make decisions. Here's the set-up:

Your opponent is in hole 117; you are the dealer in hole 115 and must peg out in order to win the game. You deal yourself A-3-4-6-9-J. What do you hold, and why?

Here's how our All Americans would hold this hand:

A-3-4-6	3-4-6-9
Mack	Langley
Locke	Steinmetz
Malmgren	Rasmussen
A-3-4-9	Crawford
McComas	Shumate
A-3-6-9	
McCammon	

Despite this variation, the common goal to trap a small card or a 5. Thus, they try to keep 3-4-6 intact as long as possible. Another common theme is aggressive pegging: they take pairs and 15-2 in order to set themselves up for a final run of three plus a go.

All of the All Americans acknowledged that this is a hard game to win—but if we know anything about these players, it is that they win hard games. Herschel spoke for all of them when he said, "Realistically, I need great luck to win this game."

Cribbage Quiz

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

Can you name all of the ways to hold 24 points without having a 5 or an 8?

Answer on page 26.

A reminder about last month's quiz: in order to insure that we come up with a complete list, CW appeals again this month for readers to contribute hands that are helped by every cut card. If you know of hands that cannot help but be improved, please send them to **cribbage@iserv.net**.

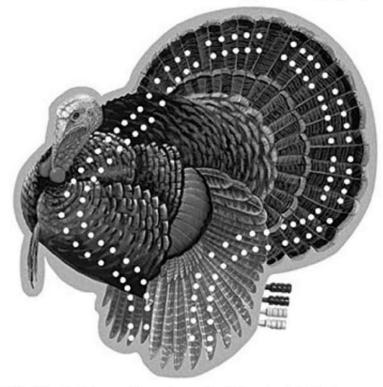
Never Give Up!

Have you ever, like Alexander in the famous kid's book, had a "terrible, horrible, no good, very bad" morning at a tournament—where you know that you are already eliminated by lunchtime? Well, here is proof that you should never give up. **David Draper** (Nashville MI) suffered through a miserable morning at the Cereal City Cribbage Championship in Battle Creek MI in mid-September, winning only three of twelve games before lunch (for 8 GPs). After the break, he went on a holy terror—winning nine of ten games DNAME DAVID DRAPER

TABLE SEAT SPREAD POINTS GAME GAME SIGN POINTS 2 1 Ż 2 26 O 15 3 30 4 \mathcal{O} 37 В 5 2 NW 6 0 7 B 0 8 0 0 9 10 3 37 0 11 12 0 23 13 10 33 14 2 24 15 E 16 17 2 1.3 18 2 19 43 ĎР 3 20 18 2 21 30 22 03 TOTAL Spread Points Game Points: 20 Games Won: vetPoints Signature: Tournament Official Use Only GAMES GAME PTS. SPREAD PT.

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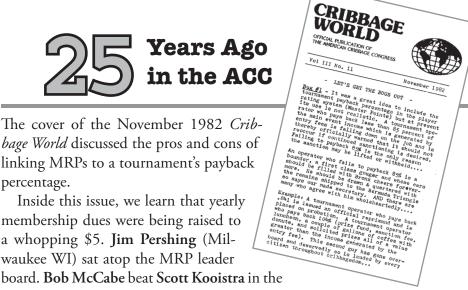
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The cover of the November 1982 Cribbage World discussed the pros and cons of linking MRPs to a tournament's payback percentage.

Inside this issue, we learn that yearly membership dues were being raised to a whopping \$5. Jim Pershing (Milwaukee WI) sat atop the MRP leader

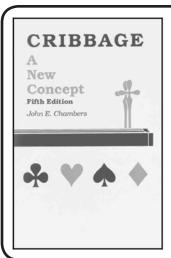


finals at Oshkosh. Norm Wright won the West Bend Classic.

Troy Haynie beat out DeLynn Colvert for the California State Championship. And local **Bob Muelver** captured the Florida Open in Kissimmee.



Details of all the winners at the Grand National in Portland in September will be published in the December issue. In the meantime, remember the names Erik Locke and Bob McCabe!



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Awards Banquet

The awards banquet held in conjunction with Grand National in Portland ME in late September acknowledged the cribbage exploits of ACC members throughout the past season.

Cribbage World notes many of these achievements when they occur or at the end of the season. These awards include the following:

- Grass Roots awards (Bronze, Silver, Gold)
- Grass Roots Club Champions
- ACC awards (Master, Grand Master, Life Master, etc.)
- Hall of Fame Inductees
- Internet awards (eMaster)
- All American (see pages 10–13)

A few award winners were not made public until the Portland event, and so it is only appropriate that these accomplishments be acknowledged. Here are the awards and winners not previous published in CW.

Meritorious Service Award (presented by the BOD and the ACC)

• DeLynn Colvert (Missoula MT)

Director's Award (for extraordinary help in running GN 26)

- Jerome Tork (Wisconsin Rapids WI)
- Isabel Hyndman (Williamstown MA)

President's Award (presented by the ACC's president)

• DeLynn Colvert (Missoula MT)

Rookie of the Year (first-year player with most MRPs)

• George Bryer (Saugus MA)

All Regional Awards (any top five player in a region who does not make the All American team)

Central Region

- Bob McCabe (Milwaukee WI)
- Warren Sondericker (Milwaukee WI)
- Bob Julian (Franklin WI)
- Jerry Gruber (Minneapolis MN)

Eastern Region

- Bruce Sattler (Nottingham MD)
- Roland Hall (Pownal VT)
- Phyllis Schmidt (Williamstown MA)
- Rob Medeiros (Dorchester MA)
- Howard Terry (Alexandria VA)

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The awards banquet in Portland ME was attended by 174 people. Here's a snapshot of the sumptuous fare on which they dined:

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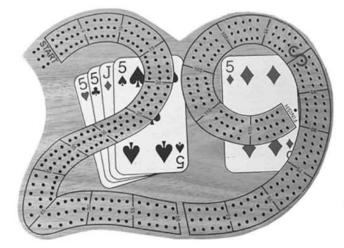
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The ACC's newest three-star star is Bob Julian. He started playing cribbage in 1927, joined the ACC in 1980, and won his first tournament at Milwaukee in 1981. He has now won 25 tournaments, been national champion four times, and is a member of

Robert Julian (Franklin WI)

the Hall of Fame-to say nothing of being #4 on the all-time MRP leader board. Life Master (* * *) #4 Averaging some three dozen tournaments a year, Bob enjoys traveling all over the

continent to play his favorite game with his extended family. And on most Tuesdays you'll find him playing Grass Roots cribbage at Milwaukee Club 6. He added the third star to his long list of cribbage accomplishments by winning the St. Louis Gateway Classic in September.

Don's best ever match was a nonsanctioned event: the finals of the National Long Match against Duane Toll. The format called for 44 games minimum, with a three-game lead to win. It was hard

fought and they were tied after 61 games, but Duane then won three in a row to seal the victory. Nonetheless, this great experience typifies cribbage for Don: challenging, ex-

Donald Flesch (Brookfield WI) Life Master (*) #41

hilarating, frustrating! Don learned the game from his grandfather, but didn't get serious about tournament play until the mid-90s. Since then he's won fourteen tournaments. When Don's not playing cribbage, you'll find him enjoying bridge and gin rummy.





Jones nearly gave up cribbage in the early '90s after two years and not qualifying in his first fourteen tournaments. The late Pat Coffey advised him: "Just give it time." And darned if Jones didn't win his first tournament the very next weekend right in

Jones H. Hom (Fairfield CA) Life Master (*) #42

his hometown! Jones says that "it has been an exhilarating ride the past twenty years." Along the way, he has served on the BOD. made the 1999 All American Team, had a

29-hand in sanctioned play, was appointed senior judge in 1989, and directed the Solano 29ers Grass Roots club for twelve years. He says, "I love playing cribbage because of the camaraderie, competition, fine dining, and travel."

Ron learned to play cribbage over fifty years ago at the Plumas Club in Quincy CA, where, Ron says, "the lessons were not free, but well worth it!" His favorite tournament is the JPW/ACC Open,

where he and his wife, Laurie, are Paymasters and Board Monitors. The highlight of Ron's playing career (so far, that is) came in 2001 when he won Grand National XX in

Ronald Logan Sr. (Gold Canvon AZ) Grand Master #254

Richmond VA. He and Laurie enjoy attending tournaments around the U.S. and Canada because it gives them the chance to meet players who enjoy the game as much as they do.



Hall of Fame Nominations

The ACC's Hall of Fame was established in 1982 to recognize members who excelled in playing the grand old game and/ or contributed to the advancement of the American Cribbage Congress. Each year, the ACC membership is invited to nominate candidates worthy of inclusion in the HOF. Here are the nominating criteria:

- 1. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the chairperson of the Hall of Fame Committee.
- 2. An individual nominated for the Hall of Fame must meet the following *mandatory* criteria. He/she must . . .
 - a. be a member in good standing of the ACC for seven consecutive years or have been a member in good standing for a minimum of five consecutive years until death intervened.
 - b. have displayed and complied with the rules of ethical play.
 - c. have displayed and complied with the standards of good sportsmanship.
- 3. In addition, to be eligible for nomination, a candidate is required to meet at least three of the following criteria. He/she must have . . .
 - a. promoted the game of cribbage and/or served the ACC by specific acts of accomplishment as specified in the nominating letter.
 - b. established his/her expertise by being rated a Master player or higher.
 - c. established his/her expertise by being rated a Bronze Award recipient or higher in the Grass Roots program.
 - d. served as a tournament director of an ACC sanctioned tournament for

a minimum of five years.

- e. served as a Grass Roots club director for a minimum of five years.
- f. served as a member of the board of directors of the ACC for a minimum of four years.
- 4. Any exceptions to or exemptions from the above criteria must be initiated by a current member of the board of directors.

The call for HOF nominations appears annually in the November *Cribbage World*. Nominations must be submitted in writing and postmarked no later than December 15.

The HOF chairperson will review all letters of nomination for compliance with the nominating criteria and



mail copies of each letter to the HOF voting panel (composed of twenty-five BOD members plus three panel members selected by each one). The voting panel will review the nominations and return their ballots to the HOF chairperson. The ballots will be counted in Reno prior to the February BOD meeting.

Nominees must receive 75% or more positive votes to be elected to the HOF. Induction into the HOF will take place at the Grand National Tournament.

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To date, only two non-Americans have been inducted into the ACC's Hall of Fame. Our patron saint, **Sir John Suckling**, obviously never set foot in America, and **G. Douglas Anderson**, the subject of this month's HOF sketch, was a native of Canada. Do you know what other unique trait these two fellow HOF members share?

If Suckling was a renaissance jack of all trades (see February 2007 CW), then Anderson was his twentieth-century counterpart—but his many and varied interests were somewhat more practical:

- an electrical engineer and career executive at the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company
- a military officer who during World War II worked secretly on merchant and naval ships and subsequently was awarded the Order of the British Empire for "meritorious service to the Royal Navy and the Royal Canadian Navy"
- an active participant in community affairs and wildlife conservative
- author of the first modern-era book about cribbage

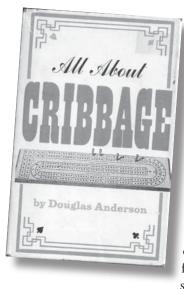
Douglas grew up in picturesque Nova

Scotia, where in the midst of all the beautiful scenery he fell in love with the game of cribbage. After seeing many games end in conflict because there was no authoritative set of rules and regulations, he set about to remedy this situation.

After amassing a wealth of historical information and mathematical data about the game, in 1971 he published *All about Cribbage*, which explored the history of the game, playing sequence, strategy, variations on two-handed cribbage, statistics and odds, terminology, and rules of play. Almost immediately, his book was recognized worldwide as *the* official reference book on the game.

When Nick Pond (who would later become a member of the ACC's Hall of Fame, class of 1982), started the National Open Cribbage Tournament in Raleigh NC, he naturally invited Douglas to come south and serve as head judge.

Douglas would sit at a raised table (he didn't play in the tournament), and disputants would carry their cards, board, and problems to him for resolution. For two years he held court in Raleigh, but eventually he came up with an absolutely



marvelous idea: judgment by peers. This simple suggestion grew into our present-day system of judges, whereby qualified ACC members make judgments about abnormal situations based on the ACC's rule book.

While a few of Anderson's rules have fallen by the wayside (e.g., "the player who cuts the highest card wins the cut and has first deal"; "the opponent must discard for the crib first"), many current ACC rules derive directly from Anderson's book and still echo similar phraseology or concepts

more than thirty-five years later, as seen in the table below.

Given the far-reaching influence of Anderson and his book, it is no wonder that Nick Pond sponsored Douglas for induction into the HOF in 1985. Unfortunately, Douglas had passed away in 1976 before the formation of the ACC. His widow, Beatrice, and son, David, attended the 1985 Grand National tournament and awards banquet in Denver CO to accept this posthumous award.



So what else do Suckling and Anderson have in common? They are the only HOF inductees to have never played in an ACC-sanctioned tournament or earned an MRP!

ACC Rule Book

Rule 3.1.b. When cutting for the first deal of a game, the first player shall remove no less than four cards and not more than half the pack.

Rule 2.2–3. The pone has the right to shuffle the pack once per deal. The dealer has the right to make the last shuffle.

Rule 9.5. No aid from an individual or from the use of any material may be used to assist in determining scoring while pegging or counting the hands or crib.

Anderson's All About Cribbage

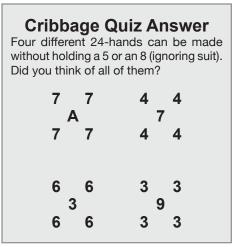
Rule 2. When cutting for deal, the first to cut should remove at least the top four cards; but he should not remove more than half the pack.

Rule 4. All players have the right to shuffle the cards, but the dealer has the right to do so last.

Rule 37. Spectators of the game shall not in any way assist either player or interfere in any way with the progress of the game. We wish to thank the following members who have made donations to the Junior Program. The program assists teaching cribbage to kids by providing a 22-page teacher's guide for the classroom, cribbage boards and cards as needed, and trophies and nonmonetary awards for junior tournaments. If you have any questions about this worthwhile cause, please contact **Dan Zeisler** (530.432.3291; danthefan@yahoo.com), 18975 Chickadee Ct, Penn Valley CA 95946-9608.

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STat of the Month

Intrigued by the August "Stat of the Month," **Bruce Bowman** (Ann Arbor MI), creator of Cribbage Master (see ad at bottom of facing page), researched per capita membership for all states and provinces. He obtained ACC membership numbers from Membership Secretary Larry Hassett (current as of August 2, 2007). He then pulled population data (current as of July 1, 2006) from the internet (his sources were factfinder.census.gov and statcan.ca) and calculated per capita membership numbers for all U.S. states and Canadian provinces, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The accompanying table presents these 65 geographical regions in order of their per capita rank (number of ACC members per 1,000,000 population). By way of comparison, the top five states by membership rank are California, Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin, and Massachusetts.

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2		573	2	154.8	-		Georgia	69	25	7.4
	Wyoming	56	29	108.7	3	86	New Jersey	43	36	4.9
4	Wisconsin	538	4	96.8	-	37	South Carolina	19	38	4.4
5	J J J	558	3	87.2	-	-	Newf'land/Labr.	2	T53	3.9
-	Montana	81	T21	85.7			Pennsylvania	47	T32	3.8
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	Nevada	125	14	50.1			New Brunswick	2	T53	2.7
	Idaho	67	27	45.7			00	29	37	2.5
	New Mexico	86	20	44.0		8	Oklahoma	8	45	2.2
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	Florida	360	7	21.2 19.9	-	59	Mississippi	1	T58	0.3
	lowa	57	28	19.9	-	50	Dist. Columbia	0	T60	0.0
	North Carolina	168	10	19.0	-		Prince Edward Is.	0	T60	0.0
	Vermont	100	41	19.0	-	-	Nova Scotia	0 0	T60	0.0
	Virginia	132	12	17.3	-	-	Manitoba	0	T60	0.0
	Illinois	145	11	11.3	-	-	Yukon	0	T60	0.0
	North Dakota	7	46	11.0	-	-	Nunavut	0	T60	0.0
-	Missouri	48	31	8.2		-		-		
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tember. When you see these folks down the tournament trail or at your cribbage club, welcome them with a hearty handshake, answer their questions, and then sit down with them and enjoy the best card game ever invented.

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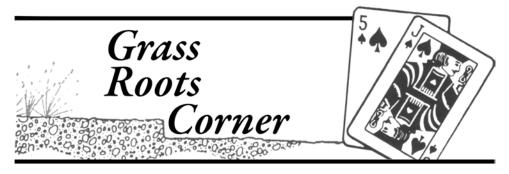
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Reader contributions are encouraged. Items of interest to Grass Roots players should be sent to Tom at tomlewis@spinn.net or 7916 Eagle Rock Ave NE, Albuquerque NM 87122-2753.

Rule of the Month—Cutting before each deal: A cut is required before each deal. The dealer shall place the pack on the table (board) for the pone to cut. Neither player is permitted to look at the bottom card of the top pack. Should either do so there is a two point penalty and the pack shall then be reshuffled and cut again.

Marilyn and Ray Oates, formerly of Club 271 in Albuquerque NM, moved to Elgin IL this past summer and had hoped to start a Grass Roots club in that city. Unfortunately only two potential players showed up! If you would be interested in participating in a club at that location, please contact Tom Lewis.

Chehalis-Centralia WA—October 4 was an exciting night for cribbage in the Twin Cities, as six tables filled with thirty-six players. A positive buzz was present, and a great night of pegging was enjoyed by all in attendance. Guests Matt Hill and Pam Weaver seemed to have a good time. The Chehalis-Centralia Cribbage Club would like to reach fifty members by Christmas. Come on aboard—you'll love the ride! *submitted by Ras*

Club 331 Saugus MA reports that a new

Submitting items for this column—this column is due to the CW editor on the 10th of each month, so items for inclusion must be sent to me by the 8th so I have time to review them. Please use normal rules of punctuation and check the spelling before sending in your story.

player, **James Tecce**, signed up for their club and the ACC and proceeded to get a grand slam on his first night! *submitted by George Bryer*

Club 150 in Vista CA—Lilo Mendizza just joined our club and did quite well on his first tournament, winning seven of nine games. *submitted by Roy Cook*

Club 82—summer is always busy here in Monterey County CA, with pro auto races at Laguna Seca, golf tournaments at Pebble Beach, the Concours d'Elegance with antique cars driving through the streets of Carmel and being auctioned for amazing prices. Yet most of our members faithfully attended, and the twelve weeks seemed to just fly by! Emily Hudelson didn't miss a night and won 60% of her games, but she had to settle for second because Ross Njaa stayed hot all summer. He broke all known club records with a .688 winning percentage! *submitted by Mel Ashley*

Club 258 (West Sacramento CA)—Bill Schlabes started the new season with a grand slam. Billie Cole was not far behind with a 19/7 scorecard. Our returning champion, Frank Newcross, started the season with the high hand for the night, compliments of Cindy Burba, but ended the evening with only 4 GPs. Mike Green had a grand slam in week three. Terry Ward has 38 GRPs in the first four tournaments—a nice start for last year's runner-up. Welcome to Tony Ray, who joined the club. *submitted by Mike Green*

Rez Peggers (Club 346) in Cherokee NC concluded its 2006-2007 season on May 28. We did not get started until February 5, so we had a short season. Club champion was Michael "Hennahosa" Henson, with 130 points. And Alan "Al Bundy" Rogers hit our club's first 28-hand on April 9. Most of our club is made up of new ACC members with less than a year's membership and playing cribbage experience! We started our first full season on September 4 and Keith Miller, one of the club's mentors, almost hit a grand slam on the first night! He was defeated in his eighth game by one point! And the very next week, déjà vu hit! Keith was again working on a grand slam card and was again defeated in his eighth game by only one point! We look forward to an exciting season for us and our young players. If you are in the Cherokee NC area, come out on Monday night at 6pm and play in our club. submitted by Eddie Paul

Ultimate Cribbage Challenge—On September 9, the River City Peggers (Club 162) hosted the Placer Peggers (Club 190) and Folsom's Gold Country Cribbers (Club 306). Fifty-six players participated, and the

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Bronze Award Name (Club) • State/Province Peter A. Jackson (249) CA Thomas M. Brent (272) MD John Delinsky (272) MD

pegging was fierce and definitely partisan, with players sporting club shirts and hats and rooting on their fellow club members. In the end, the Placer Peggers prevailed and took home the coveted trophy, averaging more than 17 GPs per person during the 14-game event. The Gold Country Cribbers placed second, and the gracious hosting club, the River City Peggers, gallantly finished third. Individually, Dave Petras (Club 306) was first place with a very nice 24/11 +174; Kyle Morrill (Club 190) was second (24/11+152), and Doug Dresbach (Club 162) was third (24/10 +196). Kyle also scored the day's only 28-hand. As champions of this year's challenge, the Placer Peggers will hosting the next Ultimate Cribbage Challenge. submitted by Annett Eiffert

Club 347 held its first tournament on September 5 at Jokers Wild in Missoula MT. Charter members include Rex Paddock (director), Michelle Barthelmess, Dennis Curry, Luanne Felstet, Jeffery Halverson, Sharon Hejtmanek, Mike Huey, Wayne Momsen, Clifford Ruble, and Ed Taylor. To show the new players how it is done, Rex took first place with a grand slam; Dennis captured second place; and third place belonged to Jim Keeling, who along with his wife, Joyce, were "charter visitors." The Keelings traveled 360 miles roundtrip from *continued on page 32* Spokane WA. Who said cribbage players are not crazy? If you get a chance, join Club 347 on Wednesday at 7pm at the Joker's Wild restaurant and casino (the same place where DeLynn holds his Missoula tournament). *submitted by Jim & Joyce Keeling*

Kissimmee Kribbage Klub 341 is up and running and looking forward to a full season. We finished last year with a roster of nineteen players and also welcomed many visitors and guests. Gary Judkins was crowned club champion, with Ray Wanke close behind. The female sector was represented by one of our two ninety-year olds: Doris Hubbard. We meet at the Rodeo Diner about 10:30 am for a leisurely breakfast and then go to the Kissimmee Elks Lodge. If you are in the area, you're welcome to join us for breakfast and some practice games before we start the tournament at 12:30 pm. submitted by Nancy Wanke (nwanke@ cfl.rr.com or 407.433.6791)

Ernie Maravilla, the reigning champion of Club 181 in League City TX, joined Chesapeake Bay Area Cribbage Club 272 during the summer. Ernie apparently hasn't lost his touch, because he won the first CBACC tourney of the year. When Dutch Gerlich and Vicki Skaradek sat down for their game in the weekly tournament, Dutch remarked to Vicki, "You've skunked me two weeks in a row. Are you working on three skunks in a row?" Vicki calmly and confidently replied, "I'm working on four in a row." Everyone laughed at such a bold prediction, but when the game ended with Vicki getting her third skunk, she is now looking forward to her next encounter with Dutch to see if she can make it four skunks in a row. submitted by Frank Ruff

Club 62 (Roseburg OR)—the summer challenge is over, and Jerry Hahn is the re-

peat winner from last summer. His secret: do not miss any tournaments! On September 25, **Dana Baird** was playing **Michael Watson** when the five of diamonds was cut—giving Michael his first 29-hand. What are the odds for this? Apparently 50%, because Michael had another chance to get a 29-hand the same night. **Jim Gogolin** was presented with his official "Go-Go" jacket for Silver Award (2,500 GRPs). *submitted by Gerald Hahn Jr.*

Redding Peggers (Club 205) started off the new year with a great deal of enthusiasm and six new members. In addition to competing for GRPs each week, the club has a separate monthly competition. The winner is awarded "dinner for two" at a local restaurant. Wayne Bergman started out the month well but was overtaken by Ian Wilson, last year's club champion, whose 55 GRPs in September edged out Wayne's 49. The club now meets at Upper Crust Pizza in Redding, which is proving to be an excellent facility. *submitted by Norm Leavell*

Rogue Valley Street Sweepers (Club 299)—we go for months and even years without having a grand slam, and then we get two in one night (September 20)! **Lisa Pomeroy** turned in an 18/9 +154 scorecard to outgun **Kevin Sapp** (18/9 +147). Each received \$50 from the club treasury in addition to first- and second-place prize money. The other club members limped out into the cold, clear night murmuring about their losses. Our club has yet to report a 29-hand. If they come in pairs, where might we get a loan? *submitted by Bill Robe*

Club 109 (Stoughton MA)—September turned out to be "awards month." In week one Tony Pachecho had a grand slam; in week two Steve Padovano did the same thing; in week three John Brennan and

grass roots Standings

Division 1 (top 15 + ties)

Points Name (Club) State/Province

- 74 Keith R. Miller (346) NC
- 59 Walter Barankiewicz (213) IL
- 56 Ian Wilson (205) CA
- 53 Bill Metcalf (68) CA
- 53 Thomas Barry (314) NH
- 50 Anne Williams (118) OR
- 49 Shane ward (98) CA
- 46 Jim Hatch (314) NH
- 45 Donald LeVack (307) CO
- 45 Gerald Hahn Jr. (62) OR44 Bertram Brown (290) CA
- 44 George Blinn (307) CO
- 44 H. Ross Njaa (82) CA44 Lee Chambers (113) OR
- 44 Lee Chambers (113) OR
- 44 William Billow (20) NC

Dottie Vandenberghe both had a 28-hand; and in week four John Campanella copied them We will try our best to keep them (awards) coming. It was nice to have Wilma Macdonald back. She is now "smoke-free," agile as a teenager, and as tough (mean) as ever with her cribbage game. New members Al Waldman and Fred Nadolny are playing like seasoned veterans. *submitted by John Campanella*

Club 144, officially nicknamed "The Southsiders" by virtue of being located on the south side of Atlanta, may have to change their name to "The Nomads." During the last season and the first six weeks of this season, the club has played in four different venues, including the home of member **Ann Boger**. We are a small club with eight to ten players per session but in the first six tournaments of this season, six different players have won. The club sports four Bronze award winners; one Silver winner; and, a Master tournament player. A very competitive group indeed. *submitted by Gene Bradshaw*

Division 2 (top 5 + ties)

Points Name (Club) State/Province

- 32 Roger Grandgeorge (17) IA
- 30 Peter K. Lerch (35) NC
- 30 Ronald Rose (17) IA
- 29 James Hedin (111) CA
- 28 Lyle Nelson (283) IL
- 28 Lynne Hale (343) CA

Division 3 (top 3 + ties)

Points Name (Club) State/Province

- 28 Franklin Robinson (245) NM
- 27 Ben Saathoff (245) NM
- 25 Delia Doffin (245) NM

In Memoriam

Bea Connelly

Bea Connelly (Auntie Bea), of Green Bay WI, died October 4 of bladder cancer. She was a charter member of Club 61 in Green Bay and a steady player in nearby Club 157. She played for some twenty years at the Yuma AZ cribbage club during the winter months when she and her husband were snowbirds. She was a good person and a tough competitor at cribbage and other card games. She was also pretty lucky in the casinos. Bea will be missed by all.

Helen L. Wallen

Helen Wallen (Glendale AZ) passed away on August 8. She is survived by her two sons and a daughter. Helen was an 18-year member of Club 24, the Arizona Roadrunners. An active member, Helen loved to play cribbage and was usually one of the first to arrive. She also was an avid supporter of our informal doubles cribbage group. At age 85, Helen had one of her best cribbage years, qualifying for the Tournament of Champions for the first time. She was a great competitor and will be missed by family and friends.

REGIONAL Standings

(as of 9-31-2007)

	w	estern Region		С	entral Region		Е	astern Region
-		Name			Name			Name
1	259	Bill Wakeman, CA	1	277	Robert Julian, WI	1	268	Phil Martin, CT
2	247	Bob Bartosh, CA	2	187	Mark Van Dyke, MI	2	190	Phyllis Schmidt, MA
3	226	Ronald L. Morgan, CA	3	177	W. Lee Tesch, WI	3	181	Charles Rapoza, MA
4	222	-	4	161	Sue Schenk, MI	4	172	
5	221	Troy Thorson, CO	5	152	Beth Witter, WI	5	151	Robert Turcotte, MA
6	215		6	135	David Aiken, MI	6	148	
7	197	Cy Madrone, CA	7	110	Donald Flesch, WI	7	147	Harry E. Gelson, RI
7	197	John F. O'Shea, WA	8	105	Warren Sondericker, WI	8	144	David Campbell, ME
9	180	Jeanne Jelke, WA	9	102	Bob McCabe, WI	9	140	Jerry Gooden, NC
10	162	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	10	100	George Stankus, IL	10	139	
11	159	Jack Moritzky, WA	11	96	Mike Burns, MN	11	135	Robert E. Moore, VA
12		Paul Hatcher, OR	12	87	Dave Carey, IL	12	119	,
13	151	Heidi Glashan. CA	13	77	Wayne Steinmetz, WI	13	115	Elijah H. White Jr., ME
14	147	, -	14	75	Brad Behm, WI	14	114	
14	147		15	73	Ken Rasmussen, MI	15	109	Mark Soule, ME
14	147	Don Zeutschel, WA	16	72	Cliff Stoltz, TN	16	107	Robert Medeiros, MA
17	142	· · · · · ·	17	70	Darlene Johnson, MN	17	105	Laurence Samet, MA
18	140	Michael Brooks, WA	18	69	Ethel Sherwan, WI	18	102	Cindy Veradt, MA
18	140	Rich Ekman, CA	19	67	Alphonse Scarantino, MI	19	101	Rick Bryant, MD
20	135	,	19	67	Jerry Jaeger, NE	20	100	Mathew Piechota, MA
21	130	,	19	67	Douglas I. Henderson, WI	21	98	Marilyn Gaudreau, MA
22	129	Todd Malmgren, OR	22	66	Jennifer Buhrow, TN	22	97	Sal Scolaro, MA
22	129	U ,	23	62	Gene Biegler, WI	23	95	Robert Milk, VA
24	128	James A. Clark, CA	23	62	Jerry Griffin, IL	24	92	Curtis Barbour. NC
25	124	,	23	62	John Schafer, MI	25	82	Louis Choiniere, MA
26	120	Bill Hutchinson, CO	26	58	Allen E. Karr, WI	26	81	Donna Lafleur, CT
27	116		27	57	Daniel Pluff, MN	27	77	Donald Parker, MA
28	111	Carol L. Crowell, CA	28	56	Steven Steinmetz, WI	28	74	Jack Howsare, VA
29	109	Judy Totten, BC	29	51	Kenneth Rosvold, MN	29	73	John Campanella, MA
30	107	Dee Copeland, CO	29	51	Jerome Fischer, WI	30	70	Andy Laventure, VA
30	107		29	51	Gary D. Reichel, MI	30	70	Mike Fetchel, CT
32	106	Boyd R. McDonald, CA	32	49	Bart Jaeger, NE	30	70	Jeannine Dubois, MA
33	105	Stan Billingsley, CA	33	46	George Tanksley, MI	33	69	Bill Medeiros, MA
34	102		34	45	Sandra Stroup, IL	34	68	Keith E. Widener, NC
35	100	Hal Lamon, WA	34	45	Mike Dufresne, WI	35	67	Brent Cooper, ON
35	100	Richard Kodama, HI	36	42	Roger Grandgeorge, IA	36	66	Charlie Finley, CT
37	95	Jim Jackson, OR	36	42	Thomas J. Koncan, IL	37	63	Jeff Gardner, OH
37	95	Don Keuter, WA	36	42	Claudette Wandt, MI	37	63	David Statz, NH
37	95	Dennis Moore, CA	36	42	Myron Schmidt, MN	37	63	Louis J. Caccia, MA
37	95	Fred Koury Sr., WA	36	42	Ken Key, WI	37	63	Ken Patenaude, MA
41	94	Laurie Logan, AZ	36	42	Joan Rein, MN	41	62	Laurie Hardy, ME
42	92	Willie Evans, WA	42	36	Lana Newhouse, WI	42	61	David R. O'Neil, GA
43	84	Raymond Zeutschel, WA	43	33	David Draper, MI	43	59	R. G. Sherfinski, NC
43	84	Rollie Heath, OR	43	33	James Heemstra, WI	44	56	Bruce D. Sattler, MD
45	83	Jones H. Hom, CA	45	32	Marlene Lazachek, WI	44	56	Janice Blanc, MA
46	82	Henry N. Carle, AK	45	32	Douglas M. Anderson, WI	46	52	Luther C. Lanier, NC
46	82	Roger D. Baxter, CO	47	31	Gary Haelfrisch, WI	47	51	David R. Clemmey, MA
48	78	Billie Reddell, CA	48	27	Michael Morgan, TX	47	51	Bill Sundheim, NJ
48	78	Leo Rutledge, CA	48	27	Lawrence A. Rowley, WI	47	51	Ray Meinert, VA
50	77	Verne Nielsen, OR	50	24	Les Kvien, IL	50	49	Pat Frattallone, CT
			50	24	Tony Danihel, WI	50	49	Louis Chevalier, MA
			50	24	John Kolby, IL	50	49	Richard J. Andrew, NH

Tournament Trail

UPCOMING SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

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

♣ NEW LOCATION ♣

November 2–4, Sunshine State Classic

Quality Inn (877.586.8080), 2050 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 (407.433.6791; 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 II 60098 *or* Dave Drew

♣ NEW LISTING ♣

November 2–4, Edmonton Autumn Classic

Sands Hotel, 12340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB T5B 4H5. Main \$50. Fri \$10. Fri HR \$50. Fri DBL \$40/ team. Sat \$20. All Events \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Doris Sanders (780.478.8488), 7 Steele Crescent, Edmonton AB T5A 1G4 *or* Evelyn Osaka (780.457.6067)

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 3, Black Butte Bonanza

Tollgate Clubhouse, 69316 Stirrup Rd, Sisters OR 97759. Main \$42. Limited to 66 players. Perks: coffee. Contact: Winona Johnson (541.736.1363), 891 Anderson Ln, Springfield OR 97477-8009 *or* Carolyn Blackman

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

Nov. 9–11, Michigan Tournament 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 \$62. 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 11, Charm City Classic

Golden Dragon, 8109 Liberty Rd, Baltimore MD 21244. Main \$60. Sat \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bruce Sattler (410.371.8954; b.sattler@verizon.net), 3732 Foxford Stream Rd, Baltimore MD 21236

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: Valer-

ie Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89439 *or* A. J. Tasker *or* Les Sumner

DBL = doubles HR = high rollers LC = last chance

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 Hejtmanek (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

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, Casselberry FL 32707

■ NEW LOCATION ■

November 30–December 2, Reynolds Wrap

American Legion Hall, 403 W 6th 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, dep CANCELED 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

December 8, Tom Winter Memorial

Days Inn, 1780 County Rd D, Maplewood MN 55109. Main \$45. Fri 8pm \$25. Limited space. Contact: Diane Waite (651.895.2671), 1162 Randolph Ave, Saint Paul MN 55105 *or* Todd Schaefer *or* Ginger Grogan (651.235.8886)

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, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$29. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791; rwanke@cfl.rr.com), 1983 Boggy Creek Road #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)

December 29, Last Chance

Frantones, 12253 E Imperial Hwy, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, pastries, fruit, lunch. Contact: Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901), 12132 Roseton Ave, Norwalk CA 90650 *or* Harold Hilbert

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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. Contact: 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 (360.262.0224)

January 11–13, Carter Classic

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat Tournament Trail continued on page 38

WASHINGTON STATE CR	IBBAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS
January	11-13, 2008
Hosted by Chehalis-Centralia (Cribbage Club & Chehalis Moose
Lodge – 1400 Grand Ave	enue, Centralia, WA 98532
Fully sanctioned by AMERIC	CAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS
Friday, January 11	Sponsoring Motels
3:00 PM Early Bird \$10 - 7 games	(ask for cribbage rates)
7:00 PM Doubles \$50 per team - 9 games	Travel Express Inn – Exit 81
7:00 PM Hi Rollers \$50 & \$50 optional Q	1325 Lakeshore Dr, Centralia, WA 98531
(10 games/no playoffs)	all rooms lakeview, good breakfast, clean
Saturday, January 12	Toll-free 1-866-736-9344
9:00 AM Main \$60 & \$10 optional Q	Motel 6 – Exit 82 – 1310 Belmont Ave.
(22 games/22 opponents)	Centralia, WA toll-free 1-800-4-MOTEL6
7:00 PM Ole Olson Special – 9 games	"They leave the light on for you!"
(\$10 & \$10 optional Q)	King Oscar – Exit 82 – 1049 Eckerson Rd.
Sunday, January 13	Centralia, WA 98531 (royal hide-away)
8:00 AM Main playoffs 3/5	Toll-free 1-888-254-KING
10:00 AM Consolation \$25/\$10 optional () (Upscale with reasonable rates)
(9 games)	Postmark for Main by 1/7 and deduct \$5!!
1:30 PM Consolation Playoffs 2/3	100%++++payback all events
2:00 PM Cry Baby \$10 – 7 games	(Over \$10,000 cash & benefits added 2007)
	5% - All pools will pay 1-8

REGISTRATION FORM (clip & mail)

NAME:	ACC#
ADDRESS:	Permanent Seating Desired
CITY:STATE:	ZIP:
PHONE:	E-MAIL
Check those events for which you pay an	d postmark by 1/7 to deduct \$5 from Main.
\$10 Early Bird	WHERE THE CARDS ARE HOT
\$50 Hi-Rollers	AND THE TEMPERS ARE NOT!!
\$50 Hi-Rollers optional Q	(141% payback to players 2007 event)
\$50 Doubles per team Partn	er if known:
\$60 Main (ACC members) - includ	es lunch, sanct. fee, & \$3 for Moose charity
\$70 Main (non-ACC members) - \$	10 will buy one-year membership to ACC
\$10 Main optional Q	Checks payable to Cheh-Cent Crib Club
\$10 Ole Olson Special	Mail to:
\$10 Ole Olson optional Q	"RAS"
\$10 Cry Baby	PO Box 161
\$5 deduction if postmarked by 1/9	Napavine, WA 98565
TOTAL PAID Call RAS 36	0-262-9755 OR BRO 360-262-0224

7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.909.0043), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

January 11–13, Virginia Championships

Holiday Inn, 2000 Staples Mill Rd, Richmond VA 23230. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Rick Allen (804.323.7476), 3013 Landria Dr, Richmond VA 23225-1813 *or* Janet Meinert

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 Clausen Rd, Augusta GA 30907. Main: \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee. Con-

Tournament of Champions

Grass Root Commissioner Joan Rein reports that the invitation-only TOC will be held on Friday, February 8, in Reno NV. As soon as the list of invitees is finalized it will be posted on the ACC website (cribbage.org). Entry forms may be mailed in or submitted online through the Sands website (sandsregency.com). The invitations will be mailed on November 1.

If you do not see your name on the list of TOC invitees—and you think it should be there—please contact Joan through one of the following means:

- phone: 952.448.2459
- email: accgrassroots@earthlink.net
- mail: P.O. Box 306, Carver MN 55315

If you earned an invitation this year but will not be 21 years of age by February 8, please advise Joan so you can use your invitation another year. 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 \$10. Team play: \$20/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: David Shifflett (831.373.1040), 1319 Lawton Ave, Pacific Grove CA 93950 *or* H. Ross Njaa

January 18–20, Portland Winter Open

Vancouver Elks, 11605 SE McGillivray, Vancouver WA 98683. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Sun CB \$10. All Events \$20. Team. Super-Q. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th PI #7, Portland OR 97202-3069 *or* Ken Julkowski

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

January 27, SuperLite Cribbage Classic

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Charlie & Judi Finley (860.745.1143), 16 Carol St, Enfield CT 06082-3030

February 9-10, JPW/ACC Open

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$80 (includes mandatory Q-pool). Perks: coffee, coffeecake. Contact: Scott Kooistra (402.209.0029; scott@kncycountry.com) or Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer (360.835.3623); see ad in December and January CW

February 12–14, Topaz Open

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395 S, Gardnerville NV 89410. Main \$50. Tue \$10. Tue \$20. Tue HR \$50. Wed \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 *or* Valerie Sumner *or* A. J. Tasker

February 16, Valentine's Day Open

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

Feb. 22–24, No. New England Championship

Best Western, 580 US 1 Hwy Bypass, Portsmouth NH 03801. Main \$55. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat DBL 7pm \$30/team. Contact: David Campbell (207.793.4377), 1321 North Rd, Parsonsfield ME 04047-6424

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), PO Box 4173, Santa Rosa CA 95402

Feb. 29–March 1, Hampton Roads Shoot-Out

Holiday Inn (800.567.3850), Greenwich Rd, Virginia Beach VA 23462. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$30. Sat 7:30pm \$40. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.340.7390 or 757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452-2258

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 8, Cribbage Cruise on Carnival Spirit

Two full tournaments aboard Carnival *Spirit* in Mexican waters. Contact: Roy Cook (760.967.7351), 3619 Frenzel Cir, Oceanside CA 92056 *or* Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901)

- Acapulco Action (March 8): Main \$52
- ♦ Spirit Special (March 11–12): Main \$62

March 9, Tri-Valley Tournament

VFW 1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$52. Sat DBL7pm \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, 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 14–16, Chico Open

Chico Eagles Hall, 20th & Mulberry Sts, Chico CA 95926. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, tea, donuts, lunch, drink ticket. Contact: Bruce Forbes (530.899.0844), 4532 Gar-

den Brook Dr, Chico CA 95973 *or* Pete Jackson (530.342.2617) *or* Dennis Jacobs (530.343.7218)

March 28–30, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Fri 3pm. Fri 8pm. Sat 7:30pm. 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

March 29, April Fools' Open

Place TBA, Soldotna AK 99669. Main \$35. Contact: Karen Dorcas (907.252.4950; karendorcas@ gci.net), PO Box 1164, Kenai AK 99611

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 (407.433.6791; rwanke@cfl.rr.com), 1983 Boggy Creek Road #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

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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. net), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132

April 18–20, Western New York Open

Quality Hotel, 240 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls NY 14303. Main \$45. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$20/team. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Nelson Wheaton (716.648.4314), 3950 Nottingham Ter, Hamburg NY 14075 *or* Jane Cannizzaro

April 18–20, Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic

Comfort Inn, 2945 Lawrenceville-Suwannee Rd, Suwannee GA 30024. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Contact: Barri Gehrand (770.402.1975), 111 Wynnes Ridge Cir SE, Marietta GA 30067-6003 *or* Valerie Nozick

April 25–27, Carter Classic

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.909.0043), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

April 26, Colonial Cribbage Classic

Ukrop's Supermarket, 6610 Mooretown Rd, Williamsburg VA 23188. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bill Whiting (757.564.8955), 109 Barlows Run, Williamsburg VA 23188

April 26–27, Maine Spring Fling

Holiday Inn, 81 Riverside St (Exit 48 on I-95), Portland ME 04103. Main \$55. Sat HR 9am \$100. Sat DBL 7pm \$40/team. Contact: Susan Cousens (207.892.3724), 30 River Rd, Windham ME 04062

May 2–4, Oregon Coast Classic

Chinook Winds Casino Resort, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City OR 97367. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7pm DBL \$50/team. Fri 7pm HR \$50. Perks: coffee, soft drinks, pastries. Contact: Jeanne & Roy Hofbauer (360.835.3623), 30937 NE 23rd St, Washougal WA 98671-9561 *or* Bernie Nelson (503.392.3092) *or* Verne & Jeanette Nielsen (503.666.3528)

May 3–4, Black River Country Classic

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

May 16–18, Potawatomi Peggers 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 16–18, Gem State Challenge

Boise Elks Lodge, 348 N Orchard St, Boise ID 83706. Main \$55. Fri 3pm \$20. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$25. Limited to 80 players. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Kathy Atwood (208.353.4862), 194 E Harris Hawk Dr, Kuna ID 83634-3428

May 16–18, North Carolina Open

Quality Inn, 2008 S Hawthorne Rd, Winston-Salem NC 27103. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$30. Sat 7pm \$30. Sat HR 7pm \$60. Sun LC 1:30pm \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Henry Douglass (336.349.7581), 726 Russell Ave, Reidsville NC 27320-4531 *or* Cathy Perkins (cathyp@cheerful. com)

May 18, Connecticut Championship

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Entry deadline: May 13; no walk-ins. Contact: Bill Richmond (860.666.4794), 72 Sunset Rd, Newington CT 06111-2620 *or* Bob Fitzgerald *or* Joan Fletcher

May 30–June 1, That's a Go!

Best Western, 101 Maritime Dr, Manitowoc WI 54220. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$25. Sat 7:30pm \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Kristina Wright (920.772.4005), PO Box 115, Collins WI 54207

May 31, Nugget Classic

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

June 1, Western Massachusetts Classic

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Phyllis Schmidt (413.458.8693), 95 Nutmeg Ln, Williamstown MA 01267-3201 *or* Isabel Hyndman

June 6-8, Mount St. Helens Classic

American Legion, 1250 12th, Longview WA 98632. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Chris McComas (360.501.6885), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626

June 6–8, Space Coast Open

Clarion Hotel, 260 E Merritt Island Cs, Merritt Island FL 32952. Main \$55. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Lee Bailey (321.459.5358), 300 S Sykes Creek Pkwy #204, Merritt Island FL 32952-3313 *or* Mike Elkins

June 7, Orange Crush Classic

Laguna Woods Village, 24262 Punta Alta, Laguna Woods CA 92637. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Paul Yellon (949.837.8177), 2184 Via Mariposa E Unit O, Laguna Woods CA 92637 *or* Lee Foglesong (949.454.9983)

June 8, pH Factor Open

Frantone's, 12253 E Imperial Way, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit, lunch. Contact: Pam Pomeroy (562.929.2901), 12132 Roseton Ave, Norwalk CA 90650 *or* Harold Hilbert (714.397.3222)

June 13–15, Cascade Classic

VFW Hall, Veteran Way, Redmond OR 97756. Main \$55. Fri DBL. Fri HR. Sat. Contact: Bill Kaufman (541.548.1029), PO Box 263, Redmond OR 97756 *or* Margery Clark

June 13–15, Capital City Classic

Best Western North, 5055 Merle Hay Rd, 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

June 20-22, Medford Cribbage Lions' Tale

Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center, 228 N Holly, Medford OR 97501. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:45pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. All Events \$15. Limited to 90 players—no walk-ins accepted if full. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA 95519 *or* Julie Felkins

June 27–29, Schaefer Shuffle

Kettle Morraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Sling-

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July 4-6, Independence Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$62. Fri \$35. Sun pm \$20. Perks: coffee, coffee cake. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons (775.358.4916), 333 K St, Sparks NV 89431-3214 *or* Roberta Huff

July 18–20, Devil Mountain Caper

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$65. Fri \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Mary Gladish (925.798.0329), 833 Blarney Ave, Concord CA 94518 *or* Bob Clark

July 20, Yearend Cribbage Extra

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Isabel Hyndman (413.458.8693), 95 Nutmeg Ln, Williamstown MA 01267-3201 *or* Phyllis Schmidt

July 25–27, Portland Summer Open

Vancouver Elks, 11605 SE McGillivray, Vancouver WA 98683. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Sun CB \$10. All Events \$20. Team. Super-Q. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th Pl #7, Portland OR 97202-3069 *or* Ken Julkowski

July 25–28, National Open

Hilton North Raleigh, 3415 Old Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Perks: coffee, lunch. Main \$70. Fri \$30. Sat \$30. Sun \$30. Mon \$30. Contact: Catherine & Russ Perkins (919.837.5790), 1030 Barker Rd, Bear Creek NC 27207-9316 *or* Jerry Gooden *or* Henry Douglass

July 30–31, Master Midweek

VFW Hall, 615 N Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$50. Wed \$10. Thur \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Bob Brumley (509.839.6323), 1301 Lester Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944-9171

August 1–3, Summer Classic

Sunnyside Eagles, 101 E South Hill Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$50/team. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$10. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944-1254

August 1–3, Shut Up and Deal

Location TBA, San Leandro/Fremont area. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: donuts, coffee, Sunday lunch. Contact: Ray Mink (510.791.5347 or 510.684.5988), 37981 Lavender Cmn, Fremont CA 94536-5205

August 2, Summer Cribbage Fix

Place TBA, Soldotna AK 99669. Main \$35. Contact: Karen Dorcas (907.252.4950; karendorcas@ gci.net), PO Box 1164, Kenai AK 99611

August 8–10, Humboldt Bay Classic

Mad River Rapids RV Park, 3501 Janes Rd, Arcata CA 95521. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. All Events \$15. Perks: bagels, coffee, donuts, juice, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA 95519-3858 or Julie Felkins or Barrett Mace or Tom Cookman

August 9–10, Black River Country Classic

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

August 22–24, Madison Masters

Howard Johnson, 3841 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53704. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: lunch. Contact: Mike Blackburn (608.577.3940), W9595 County Rd C, Cambridge WI 53523-9306

August 29–31, Skagway Open

Elks Lodge, 5th & State, Skagway AK 99840. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$40/team. Contact: Jerry Hauf (907.780.4015), PO Box 32546, Juneau AK 99803-2546

September 5–7, St. Louis Gateway Classic

Comfort Inn, 8 Commerce Dr, Collinsville IL 62234. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$25. Contact: Floyd Vincent (636.456.9809), 20101 Southwood Estates Rd, Warrenton MO 63383-6963 or Dave Carey (217.563.7190)

September 19–21, Carter Classic

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.909.0043), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

September 25–28, Grand National 27

Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland OR 97220. Main \$60. Thu 7pm \$20. Fri 2pm \$20. Fri 7pm \$20. Fri "Duplicate" 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$20. Sat HR 7pm \$50. Sun 2pm \$20. Sun 6pm \$20. Awards banquet. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th PI #7, Portland OR 97202 *or* Ken Julkowski (503.788.6907)

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