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## CW Opinion Poll #1

The results of the first CW Opinion Poll are in! And 141 ACC members (2% of our membership) responded to this question, published in the April *Cribbage World*:

The qualifying rounds of two-day tournaments take two popular formats: playing one game against each of 22 opponents, or playing two games against each of 11 opponents. Which do you prefer?

- A. one game against 22 opponents
- B. two games against 11 opponents
- C. I like both formats equally well
- D. I don't like either format

A majority of respondents—84 of 141, or 59.6%—prefer to play one game against 22 opponents (option A), while 35 respondents (24.8%) voted for two games against 11 opponents (B) and 22 (15.6%) liked both formats equally well (C). No one voted for option D.

What makes these numbers more interesting is the regional bias that shines through in the voting. Of the 72 **Western Region** players who voted, 48 (66.7%) prefer one game against 22 opponents, with the remaining one-third of Western players almost evenly split between options B (13 votes) and C (11).



**Portland Open Cribbage Tournament**  
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                              9:00 am Orientation and play 22 games vs. 22 opponents  
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# My Deal

by David Aiken



Pick your slogan: “We are family.” “Where everybody knows your name.” “The only game in town.” “A stitch in time saves nine.” All but the last apply to the ACC and Grass Roots clubs.

That’s not to say that other groups don’t function as families. Or that membership in other organizations isn’t personalized. Or that cribbage players shouldn’t have other interests and hobbies. I do contend, however, that cribbage serves as a common bond for people from disparate backgrounds and distant localities who otherwise would never have connected with each other.

Not only are all of my best friends cribbage players, but the friendships themselves came about because of cribbage. And no matter where I travel for a tournament or Grass Roots club, I meet old friends and make new ones. Simply put, no other group of people is so friendly, so willing to put up a traveler, so eager to exchange life-stories, as cribbage players. Not only do we take care of each other, but we also welcome strangers with open arms.

In the seven years that I’ve been playing tournament cribbage, I’ve occasionally needed a roommate or a traveling companion in order to hold down costs, and I’ve never (a) failed to find a fellow player or (b) been dissatisfied with the result. I’ve roomed with club members whom I know well and with players from the other side of the country whom I hadn’t even heard of until that tournament—and through it all I’ve made some very good friends and

learned more about them and this great organization.

So when I began making plans to attend the Oregon Coast Classic in Lincoln City OR in early May, I called **Jeanne Hofbauer** and asked if she could find me a roommate to share the cost of a hotel, and she came through in her typical fashion.

Jeanne and Roy picked me up at the airport, lodged me for three nights at Hofbauer Haus in Washougal WA (with abundant beauty and wildlife in their backyard), provided transportation to and from the playing site, took me sightseeing through the spectacular Columbia River Gorge in southwest Washington, and also arranged for me to stay with a group of cribbage players at the home of **Bernie and Sophie Nelson** during the tournament proper.

My stay at the Nelson domicile—just yards from the breathtaking Pacific Ocean—was the highlight of the trip. In addition to the Nelsons and the Hofbauers—including Jason, who earned his Master Award that weekend—we were joined by **DeLynn Colvert** (Missoula MT), **Bob Julian** (Franklin WI), **Willie**

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CW editor

**I beat Bob Stritzinger  
(MI) by 52 at Grass  
Roots club**

**April record:  
52-43 (54.7%)**

**Josh Scheuchner  
(MI) beat me by 22  
at Grass Roots club**

# Your Deal



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## Positional Cribbage

Thanks, and a tip of the hat to Larry Samet for his clear and insightful presentation on positional play. It's something we've all heard about and try to utilize, but this is the first time I really comprehended the strategy.

*Graeme Gossett (Prineville OR)*

## Class Act

I went to Reno in February and ended up getting sick and had to leave early. I told Roy Hofbauer that I had to go home, and he said, of course, no problem. We are so blessed to have people like Roy and Jeanne in our organization (and there are many others). I met the Hofbauers in the early '90s and have always found them so warm, helpful, and literally hard to beat. Not only that, but the next business day, I received my refund from the Sands. We belong to a class organization.

*Kurt Bloeser (Phoenix AZ)*

## BOD Election

Thoughts while selecting 25 BOD can-

didates: (a) 37 candidates live in fifteen states; (b) 31 of the 37 candidates come from only nine states; (c) 19 of the 37 candidates are current BOD members. One candidate wrote: "Served as director of publicity and promotion during which time our membership doubled." Make this person our president immediately and authorize him to form a New Membership Committee! Three requirements of growth are new members, new members, new members. Haven't we monetary resources to form a traveling task group, to go prospecting and develop members, or are we happy with our present membership levels? Perhaps our BOD could form another committee to help identify BOD candidates from states that have ACC members but are not now represented by any BOD candidates? Because ACC allows only four BOD members per state, I selected one candidate from each state represented. My remaining ten votes went to other candidates.

*Dennis Culver (Santa Paula CA)*

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**Evans** (Richland WA), **Bill Hill** (Hermiston OR), and **Rex Paddock** (Missoula MT). It was a great privilege and joy to sit among such distinguished company and listen to two of the grandest masters of the game, DeLynn and Bob, reminisce about

days gone by.

The camaraderie, the food and beverages, the competition, the scenery—everything added up to an incredibly enjoyable "weekend at Bernie's," and I'm already looking forward to the sequel.

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Capital City (St. Paul MN; Mar. 20–22)	Todd Schaefer	100 players HQ. Lewis Gurney (45) 1. Bob Kiley (147) 2. Lyle Lund (105) 3. Lewis Gurney (70) 3. James Huser (70)	56 players HQ. Laura Johnson (18) 1. Brett Brunner (60) 2. Dan Taylor (40) 3. Virginia Grogan (24) 3. Donald Flesch (24)	29-hand: Dave Yaeger* 28-hand: Jim Claude*	Friday: Doug Page Saturday: Jerome Fischer
Chico Open (Chico CA; Mar. 20–22)	Dennis Jacobs	98 players HQ. Frank Kiernan (45) 1. Erik Locke (147) 2. Jim Crawford (105) 3. Frank Kiernan (70) 3. Bill Johnson (70)	70 players HQ. Michael Hurley (24) 1. Alfred Libby (84) 2. James Langley (60) 3. Roy Banducci (40) 3. Boyd McDonald (40)	<b>GRAND SLAM!</b>	Doubles: Carolyn Gillette & Don Dolezal Saturday: Mel Ashley
St. Patrick's Day (Ed- monton AB; Mar. 21)	Evelyn Osaka	25 players HQ. Reg Bishop (45) 1. Jack Lycklama (70) 2. Terry Hatto (42)	17 players HQ. Audrey Hatto (18) 1. Audrey Hatto (40) 2. Rob Voysey (24)	28-hand: David Carter*	Last Chance: Keith Gillies
Roadrun- ner Classic (Tempe AZ; Mar. 27–29)	Ron & Laurie Logan	124 players HQ. Kurt Bloeser (50) 1. Jeff Shimp (147) 2. Doris Henken (105) 3. Cy Madrone (70) 3. Kurt Bloeser (70)	64 players HQ. John Harvey (18) 1. Andrew Lynch (60) 2. Tim Salmen (40) 3. Clyde Shackelford (24) 3. Jennifer Maples (24)	28-hands: Helen Rabbitt* Eldon Drenthe* Mike Martin*	Friday: Andrew Lynch High Rollers: Rodney Rideau Saturday: Dale Rohm All Events: Peggy Cunningham
Mick Michae- lis Memorial (Marinette WI; Mar. 27–29)	Al Karr	123 players HQ. Ginny Danielski (60) 1. Tom Maresch (147) 2. Mike Burns (105) 3. William Huot (70) 3. Syl Lulinski (70)	90 players HQ. Dianne Gurney (18) 1. Alan Lindner (84) 2. Kelly Holt (60) 3. Bonnie Anderson (40) 3. Dan Taylor (40)	28-hands: Tom Maresch* Nicky Kniech* Frank Danielski* Francis Lesica	Friday: Joe Aird Crib-Cross: Pete Severson Saturday: Brian Gauthier All Events: James Demerse
March Mad- ness (Raleigh NC; Mar. 27–29)	Larry Phifer	60 players HQ. Dutch Gehrich (60) 1. Beth Witter (105) 2. Dutch Gehrich (70) 3. Fran Ward (42) 3. Curtis Barbour (42)	48 players HQ. William Billow (30) 1. Phyllis Schmidt (60) 2. Clyde Royce (40) 3. David O'Neil (24) 3. Dot Davis (24)	28-hand: Phyllis Schmidt*	Friday: David O'Neil Saturday: Keith Widener

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<b>Nevada State Championship (LoveLOCK NV; Mar. 27–29)</b>	Les Sumner	56 players HQ. Jason Shumate (55) 1. Bob Bartosh (105) 2. Christy Lens (70) 3. Erik Locke (42) 3. Leslie Sumner (42)	38 players HQ. Ross Njaa (30) 1. Ross Njaa (60) 2. James Clark (40) 3. Ira Deutsch (24) 3. Bethany Mammon (24)		<i>Early Bird:</i> Dennis Morin <i>Low Rollers:</i> Lin Bixby <i>High Rollers:</i> Cres Fernandez <i>Saturday:</i> Jim Langley <i>All Events:</i> Erik Locke
<b>Northwest Open (Baker City OR; Mar. 28–29)</b>	Carl Heath	75 players HQ. Bill Monda (65) 1. Rex Paddock (147) 2. Willie Evans (105) 3. Jeanne Jelke (70) 3. Jeanne Hofbauer (70)	46 players HQ. Jay McCloskey (18) 1. Stephen Lewis (60) 2. Bill Hill (40) 3. Gary Hohnstadt (24) 3. Jay McCloskey (24)	29-hand: Rex Paddock*	<i>Early Bird:</i> David Suhr <i>Doubles:</i> Paul Hatcher & Wes Du Mont <i>High Rollers:</i> Jeanne Hofbauer <i>Saturday:</i> Paul Hatcher <i>Crybaby:</i> John Fitzgerald
<b>Ed Schweitzer Memorial (Pearl Harbor HI; Mar. 29)</b>	Tsarkie	26 players HQ. Mel Vios (45) 1. Mary Jane Esera (70) 2. Stanley Styann (42)	—	28-hand: Fred White*	
<b>Timber Capital (North Bend OR; Apr. 3–5)</b>	Larry Hassett	116 players HQ. Julie Pierce (35) 1. Mel Ashley (147) 2. Jim Crawford (105) 3. Julie Pierce (70) 3. Don Dolezal (70)	72 players HQ. Jackie Doppelt (27) 1. Jackie Doppelt (84) 2. Graeme Gossett (60) 3. Breda Flynn (40) 3. Gerald Oxford (40)	28-hands: Richard West* Melvin Chase* Jerry Hahn* Mills Brubaker*	<i>Early Bird:</i> Kent La Rue <i>Doubles:</i> Les Sumner & Jim Waldvogel <i>High Rollers:</i> Jim Langley <i>Saturday:</i> Bob Diefenbach <i>All Events:</i> Cres Fernandez
<b>Kissimmee Open (Kissimmee FL; Apr. 3–5)</b>	Ray & Nancy Wanke	100 players HQ. Ron Lapointe (50) 1. Charles Barnes (147) 2. Daniel Moore (105) 3. Bill Young (70) 3. Mattie Bradshaw (70)	64 players HQ. James Coffey (18) 1. Jeff Raynes (60) 2. Richard Kania (40) 3. Cynthia Frankson (24) 3. Nolan Johnson (24)	28-hands: Ed Craren* Jim Klinger* Esther Rolfe*	<i>Doubles:</i> Hazel Carlson & Ivan Thomsen <i>Friday:</i> Von Sosh <i>Saturday:</i> Jim Wysocki
<b>Houdini Challenge (Appleton WI; Apr. 3–5)</b>	Brad Behm	95 players HQ. Tim Schmid (60) 1. Brian Bloesl (147) 2. Don Zimmerman (105) 3. Patrick Barrett (70) 3. Gerald Gruber (70)	57 players HQ. Jean Cervantes (18) 1. Don Kreutzer (60) 2. Warren Sondericker (40) 3. Jean Cervantes (24) 3. Carl Schroeder (24)	28-hand: Emilio Perez*  * = in a sanctioned event	<i>Friday:</i> Paul Mauel <i>Saturday:</i> Bob McCabe

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<b>New England Spring Fever (Medway MA; Apr. 5)</b>	Holli Remington	96 players HQ. Guy Spezzaferro (40) 1. Ron Rapoza (147) 2. Holli Remington (105) 3. Laurence Samet (70) 3. Roger Bouchard (70)	50 players HQ. Richard Andrew (18) 1. Wayne Tyler (60) 2. William Cormier (40) 3. Theresa Clark (24) 3. Henry McLaughlin (24)	29-hand: David Statz* 28-hand: Bill Cormier*	
<b>Washington State Open (Sunnyside WA; Apr. 11-12)</b>	James & Cher Morrow	72 players HQ. Hazel Weichseldorfer (55) 1. Roland Hall (147) 2. Leslie Sumner (105) 3. Frank Hanson (70) 3. Jim Crawford (70)	51 players HQ. Bob Bartosh (12) 1. Sharon Hejtanek (60) 2. Pete Johnson (40) 3. Darin Truax (24) 3. Tom Varnell (24)		<i>Early Bird:</i> Rick Westerman <i>Doubles:</i> Irma & Marty Symons <i>Saturday:</i> Les Sumner <i>All Events:</i> Duane Toll
<b>Washington State Cham- pionship (Centralia WA; Apr. 17-19)</b>	Elmer Rasmussen	194 players HQ. Lowell Bailey (45) 1. Duane Toll (196) 2. Lori Misener (147) 3. Gary Wegener (105) 3. Vonita Gill (105) 5. James Taylor (70) 5. Laurie Crosslin (70) 5. Jim Crawford (70) 5. David Braach (70)	128 players HQ. DeLynn Colvert (21) 1. DeLynn Colvert (84) 2. Ira Deutsch (60) 3. Mike Tungate (40) 3. Ted Nelson (40)	28-hands: Mary Herring* Erik Locke* Mike McDaniel* Tim Morrissey* Bob Ruel* Diana Webster* DeLynn Colvert* John Goe Stephen Harter	<i>Early Bird:</i> Dan Gamba <i>Doubles:</i> Irma & Marty Symons <i>High Rollers:</i> John Blake <i>Saturday:</i> Arne Andersen <i>Crybaby:</i> Bob Hodges
<b>Milwaukee Challenge (Milwaukee WI; Apr. 17-19)</b>	Marlene Lazachek	129 players HQ. Ed Heinowski (55) 1. Frank Danielski (196) 2. Leo Lawrence (147) 3. Tom Briski (105) 3. Emilio Perez (105) 5. Martha Fingleton (70) 5. Larry Morse (70) 5. Brian Saugestad (70) 5. Jerome Tork (70)	77 players HQ. Roy Hofbauer (21) 1. Mike Burns (84) 2. Donald Patrin (60) 3. Jeanne Hofbauer (40) 3. Ruth Zimmerman (40)	28-hands: Roy Hofbauer* Scott Hudson*	<i>Friday:</i> Syl Lulinski <i>Saturday:</i> Greg Lind <i>Last Chance:</i> John Hiland

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Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
<b>Western New York (Niagara Falls NY; Apr. 17–19)</b>	Nelson Wheaton	62 players HQ. Bruce Sattler (60) 2. Bill Medeiros (70) 3. Thomas Brent (42) 3. Elijah White Jr. (42)	38 players HQ. Jane Cannizzaro (12) 1. Maurina Boughton (60) 2. Mark Soule (40) 3. Janet Vlands (24) 3. Michelle Gryka (24)	28-hands: Roy McKenzie* Hal Mueller* Elijah White Jr.*	Friday: David Smith Doubles: Bill Medeiros & Mark Soule
<b>Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic (Sewanee GA; Apr. 17–19)</b>	Barri Gehrand & Valerie Nozick	38 players HQ. Jack Howsare (40) 1. Joan Layte (105) 2. Barri Gehrand (70) 3. Robert Wenzel (42) 3. Terry Trostad (42)	28 players HQ. Valerie Nozick (21) 1. Steve Angier (40) 2. Tim Schnabel (24) 3. Valerie Nozick (12) 3. Jeff Raynes (12)	28-hands: David O'Neil* Suzy Kilgo*	Friday: Steve Angier Saturday: Terry Trostad
<b>Spring U.S. Open (West Covina CA; Apr. 19)</b>	Norm Nikodym	49 players HQ. Cy Madrone (30) 1. Richard Price (105) 2. John Kern (70) 3. Steven Yellon (42) 3. Kenneth Slama (42)	36 players HQ. Chresmon Ching (21) 1. R. J. Smeltz (60) 2. Michael Namm (40) 3. Cathy Rendon (24) 3. Carolyn Maston (24)	<b>GRAND SLAMI!</b>	
<b>Maine Spring Fling (Portsmouth NH; Apr. 24–26)</b>	Susan Cousens	108 players HQ. Ken Patenaude (60) 1. Robert Medeiros (147) 2. David Campbell (105) 3. Paul Batterson (70) 3. Gary Philbrook (70)	44 players HQ. Donna Lafleur (21) 1. Donna Lafleur (60) 2. Maynard King (40) 3. Raymond Cook (24) 3. Hal Mueller (24)	28-hand: Phyllis McLaney*	Early Bird: Bruce Hassan Doubles: Jerry Hardy & Ron Allard All Events: David Statz
<b>Carter Classic (Carter WI; Apr. 24–26)</b>	Dottie Culver	88 players HQ. Don Kreutzer (40) 1. Alan Schaefer (147) 2. Beth Witter (105) 3. Don Kreutzer (70) 3. Marsha Mahan (70)	61 players HQ. Donna Aird (15) 1. Earl Fox (60) 2. Kathy Maresch (40) 3. Dottie Culver (24) 3. Ethel Sherwan (24)	28-hands: Arlene Barrett* Louis Busch* Neal Matzke* Jerome Tork Stephen Subera	Early Bird: Tony Danihel Friday: Lloyd Kraft Saturday: Al Karr All Events: Don Kreutzer

\* = in a sanctioned event

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Lake Tahoe Open (Crestal Bay NV; Apr. 24–26)	Michael McCammon	87 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (55) 1. Bob Bartosh (147) 2. Jerold Montgomery (105) 3. Ronald Morgan (70) 3. Duane Person (70)	60 players HQ. Mary Hermann (24) 1. Cy Madrone (60) 2. James Aleschus Jr. (40) 3. Mary Hermann (24) 3. John Prehn (24)	<b>GRAND SLAM!</b>	Early Bird: Chresmon Ching High Rollers: Duane Toll Doubles: Diane Leal & Pam Pomeroy Team: Jim Langley, Jeanne Jelke, Tom Cookman, Tom Langford
Oregon Coast Classic (Lincoln City OR; May 1–3)	Jeanne & Roy Hofbauer, Bernie Nelson, Jeanette Nielsen	216 players HQ. Jason Hofbauer (65) 1. John Furler (196) 2. Cy Madrone (147) 3. Danny Mitchell (105) 3. Tom Cookman (105) 5. Steve Ellis (70) 5. Peggy Walberg (70) 5. Duane Toll (70) 5. Jim Crawford (70)	142 players HQ. Gerald Hahn Jr. (18) 1. Dauph Plummer (112) 2. Frank Ornie (84) 3. Jay McCloskey (60) 3. Michael McCammon (60) 5. Mike Murphy (40) 5. Doug Jansen (40) 5. Winona Johnson (40) 5. Dale Allen (40)	28-hands: Bill Wakeman* Millie Moritzky* Julie Pierce* Bob Hodges* Peggy Walberg* Patti Gossett* Don Wanta * = in a sanctioned event	Time Passer: Mills Brubaker High Rollers: Willie Evans Doubles: Tim Hutsell & Jerry Cutsforth Saturday: Wayne von Clasen Crybaby: Gail McCloskey Team: David Alken, Willie Evans, Erik Locke, Winona McDaniel, Ross Njaa

## Tournament Tidbits

**Washington State Championship** Master **Dennis Misenar** (Bremerton WA), currently based at Bagram AFB in Afghanistan, flew from there to Dubai, Amsterdam, and Seattle—more than 28,000 miles roundtrip—to attend this rescheduled tourney. Dennis got knocked out in the round of sixteen, and wife **Lori** came in second—making just enough to send husband Dennis back to the Mideast.

**Milwaukee Challenge** **Greg Lind** (WI) won his last ten games in the main to qualify for the playoffs and then turned in a grand slam scorecard in the Saturday night tourney—for the best winning streak this cribbage season.

**Washington State Open** A strapping baby boy born to tournament directors **James and Cher Morrow** (Sunnyside WA) was named Jackson Caleb in honor of good friend and traveling companion **Jack Moritzky** (Mabton WA).

**Northwest Open** Life Master (★★) **Paul Hatcher** (OR) and **Don Zeuschel** (Puyallup WA) played against each other in both the Saturday night tourney and the consolation, and once in both games each player held two Aces. They each won one of the games and each pegged twelve points with the fourth Ace.

## Cribbage Lingo

**PIR-GIR** : abbreviation for “played it right, got it rammed”—what to say when you make the right play, but your opponent has the perfect cards to foil you.

# Q&A

## Cribbage Quiz

Questions for inclusion in a future Cribbage Quiz may be emailed to [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net).

One of the truisms of cribbage is that the dealer is guaranteed to peg at least one point. How, then, is it possible for the dealer to still have *both* pegs in the starting position after pegging, hand, and crib are finished in the first deal?

*Answer on page 15.*

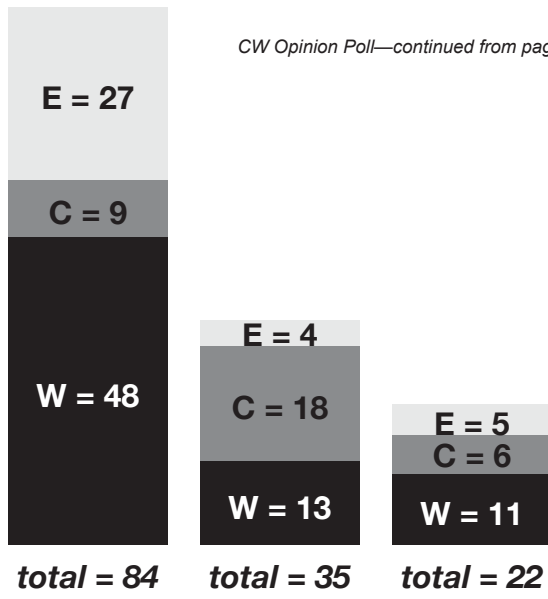
### Joe's Gang

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

- 1832 Peggy Walberg (CA)
- 1806 Beth Witter (WI)
- 1787 Hazel Weichseldorfer (WA)
- 1779 Gerald D. Oxford (CA)
- 1768 David Aiken (MI)
- 1767 Tom Briski (WI)
- 1764 Jay McCloskey (ID)
- 1752 Mel Vios (HI)
- 1742 Tom Cookman (CA)
- 1740 Lee Dillon (MA)

## CLUB 29

1. Sharon Schaefer (WI): Madison Masters (August 23)
2. Dave Maas (WI): Madison Masters (August 23)
3. Laurie Crosslin (Rochester WA): Mt. Rainier Open (August 30)
4. Mary Rosenbaum (Winlock WA): Mt. Rainier Open (August 31)
5. Syl Lulinski (La Grange Park IL): Serial City Classic (September 13)
6. Otto Balmer (Puyallup WA): Grand National (September 27)
7. Roy Hofbauer (Washougal WA): Columbus Day Cribbage (October 11)
8. Joan Rein (Carver MN): Wisconsin Rapids Open (October 19)
9. Jeffrey Lui (Racine WI): West Bend Classic (October 5)
10. Charles Dolge (Winston Salem NC): Veteran's Day Classic (November 8)
11. Susan Scott (Vancouver WA): Longest Beach Classic (November 15)
12. Vern Mierkey (Auburn CA): Vacaville Varsity Open (January 11)
13. Bob Bartosh (Sacramento CA): Susanville Winter (February 4)
14. Beth Fleischer (Laguna Woods CA): JPW/ACC Open (February 7)
15. Vernon Ward (Crescent City CA): Redwood Coast Peggers (March 7)
16. Gene Krueger (Two Rivers WI): Waupaca Rotary Open (March 14)
17. Charlie Douthit (Cheyenne WY): Colorado Winter Open (March 15)
18. Dave Yaeger (Hartville MO): Capital City Open (March 21)
19. Rex Paddock (Missoula MT): Northwest Open (March 28)
20. David Statz (Derry NH): New England Spring Fever (April 5)



A similar preference for option A is seen in **Eastern Region** voting: 27 of 36 players (75%) prefer one game against 22 opponents, with the remaining one-fourth of the Eastern votes split between options B (4) and C (5).

On the other hand, over half of the players from the **Central Region**, 18 of 33 or 54.5%, prefer two games against 11 opponents (option B). This leaves 9 (27.3%) and 6 (18.2%) votes for options A and C, respectively.

These preferences reflect both historical

and current trends: on the whole, the format of tournaments in both the Western and Eastern Regions is one game against each opponent, while the majority of tourneys in the Central Region match players against an opponent for two games.

CW Opinion Poll #1 does not, however, show which came first—the format or the preference. In other words, did the tournaments in each region evolve into their current formats since this is what players in those regions prefer? Or do players prefer their regional formats because this is what they are primarily exposed to?

The results of the May CW Opinion Poll, which explores a potential link between the format preferences expressed above and players' preferences regarding cut for deal versus designated (i.e., alternate) deal, will be published in the July *Cribbage World*.

To vote in any of the CW Opinion Polls, go to [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org) and click on the button that looks like this:



## COOL STUFF WE FOUND ON THE WEB

[desmoinesregister.com](http://desmoinesregister.com) **Heather Anderson**, a teacher at Cowles Montessori School in Des Moines IA, organized a cribbage club for third- through sixth-grade students and taught them how to play. Says Anderson: “My grandmother taught me how to play and I have always enjoyed playing with my family. I was amazed at how quickly the kids picked up this game. The kids really love playing this game, and they are using higher thinking skills as well as math skills each hand they play.”

## OPINION POLL

Rules: (1) all voting must be done online at **cribbage.org**; (2) you must be an ACC member to vote; (3) you can vote only once per topic; and (4) polling closes on the last day of the month. The results of each poll will be published in the second CW following its announcement.

The issue of whether to tell an opponent that she or he pegged backward—that is, picked up the front peg and recorded a score in the wrong direction—during a cribbage game has been discussed at many levels: in BOD meetings, via email and phone calls, over drinks after a tournament. While many charges and countercharges have been made, the discussion tends to shed more heat than light. The June CW Opinion Poll is one attempt to ascertain what ACC members really believe on this issue. Without delving fully into its many nuances, there are two basic positions on this issue:

1. You should tell your opponent that he/she has pegged backward when you notice it.
2. It is not your responsibility to inform your opponent of a backward pegging mistake.

With which position do you most closely agree?

position 1

position 2

Regardless of which position you hold . . .

3. Do you show more leniency in this regard when playing a newcomer?

yes

no

4. Do you show more leniency in this regard when playing in a Grass Roots club?

yes

no

I don't play Grass Roots

Probably the most common question asked about Grand National 28 is this: What the heck is a **Swiss-style tournament**?

Commonly used in chess and bridge, Swiss-style tournaments (so-called because the format was first used in Zurich in 1895) pit players with equal rank against each other, and no player is paired up against the same opponent twice. The first round is drawn at random, and in subsequent rounds players are matched against players with the same record.

When applied to cribbage, this means that in a field of, say, thirty-two players, after the first match half of the field will be 1-0 and half will be 0-1. The pairings for the second round are drawn within each respective population; that is, the matchups for the 1-0 players will be drawn from only those sixteen players, and the same holds for the sixteen winless players.

After the second round, eight players will be 2-0, sixteen players will be 1-1, and eight players will be 0-2. Again, pairings for the third round are drawn within each discrete population.

This continues until only one person is undefeated. When this happens, five other players will be 4-1, ten will be 3-2, ten will be 2-3, five will be 1-4, and one will be 0-5.

The GN Swiss-style tournament will be limited to an even bracket (16, 32, or 64 players) to make sure there are no byes. Prize money will be paid to the top five players in a 16-player field (i.e., everyone who is 3-1 or better), to the top six in a 32-player field (everyone who is 4-1 or better), and to the top 22 in a 64-player field (everyone who is 4-2 or better). Because

it is impossible to win prize money with two losses in the

16- and 32-player fields and with three losses in the 64-player field, after your second (or third) match loss you needn't play any further matches.

If you would enjoy the challenge of a slightly different cribbage format, then sign up for the Swiss-style tournament to be played on Thursday, September 24, at 2:00 P.M. Please contact Dave or Jeff if you have any additional questions.

On another topic: many people have asked us how they can help at GN. We will certainly need many volunteers to pull off a successful week of cribbage. If you would like to help in one of the following areas, please send your name and contact info to Dave at [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net), and we will pass your name along to the people we have asked to supervise these areas. We will need many helpers in setup/cleanup, registration, scorecard tabulating, judging, and bracket board monitoring.

All cribbage events will be held at the **Crowne Plaza Hotel** (5700 28th Street SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546). To make a room reservation, call 800.227.6963 or 616.957.1770 or go to <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/cribbage>.

For more details about the Grand National Extravaganza, contact **Jeff Shimp** (616.850.9229; [jeffshimp@charter.net](mailto:jeffshimp@charter.net)) or **David Aiken** (616.897.8727; [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net)). Flyers for all three tournaments may be downloaded at [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org). Click on the "Grand National" link in the left column.

# Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

This month's cribbage board is a unique handcrafted board that belongs to ACC member **Ted Nelson** (Seattle WA). The board is made of leather and has burn marks, instead of holes, for pegging. Beads made of antler are used for the pegs. Traditionally, cowboys carried leather boards that could be stored in saddle bags or rolled up in their bedroll. We don't know if this board was used by a cowboy, but it certainly could have spent a night or two next to a campfire somewhere along the trail.



**Jay Fulwider** collects cribbage boards in picturesque Washington State. Ideas for and questions about this column may be sent to him at [budandotis@msn.com](mailto:budandotis@msn.com) (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line). For more information on cribbage boards and collecting, visit the Cribbage Board Collector's Society website at [cbcs.us](http://cbcs.us).

## Cribbage Quiz Answer

The only way the dealer could still have both pegs in the starting position after the completion of the first deal—that is, after the pegging and after counting the dealer's hand and crib—is if the dealer accidentally retained five cards in the hand. When this happens, (a) the dealer is not allowed to count any points during pegging; (b) the dealer's hand is dead and may not be counted because it contains too many cards; and (c) if the dealer's short crib (containing only three cards plus the starter card) has no points, the dealer will still be in hole zero after pegging, hand, and crib. CW thanks Life Master (★) **Roy Hofbauer** (Washougal WA) for sharing this (painful) reminder of a nightmare deal.



## April Wrap-Up

**Ron Larson** (*cribbie11*) sprinted into first place in the IRP race, vaulting past **Mark Van Dyke** (*loosespokes*) and **Mike Fetchel** (*mfetchCT425*). By virtue of winning two tournaments, Ron is the April player of the month. **Valerie Nozick** (*atlhica3*) also had a great month and moved into top ten. The TDs held sixteen tournaments during April, for a total of 152 tournaments this season.

## internet.tourney.schedule

Anyone can play in ACC internet tournaments, but to earn IRPs you must be an ACC member with a certified screen name. Go to [cribbage.org/internet](http://cribbage.org/internet) for details. Sign up at [gamecolony.com/acc](http://gamecolony.com/acc) at least ten minutes before scheduled start time.

date	day	time	type	scoring
May 2	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 3	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 4	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 7	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 9	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 10	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 11	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 14	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 16	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 17	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 18	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 21	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 23	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 24	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 28	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 30	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
May 31	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic

*All times Eastern. \* = ACC members only.*

## internet.standings

### IRPs name (tournaments played)

- 639 Ron Larson (103)
- 600 Mark Van Dyke (90)
- 591 Mike Fetchel (79)
- 570 Michelle Barthelmess (93)
- 546 Elizabeth Miller (115)
- 507 James Gear (95)
- 489 Barbara Larson (134)
- 438 Richard Shea (81)
- 432 Valerie Nozick (66)
- 423 James McClish (110)

## 4/09.winners

- 4/2 Valerie Nozick (*atlhica3*)
- 4/4 Nancy Ronzetti (*nunzia*)
- 4/5 David Draper (*drapes54*)
- 4/6 Scott Nordlund (*sln477*)
- 4/9 Larry Mayo (*pegslow*)
- 4/11 Darrell Houston (*tumblingdice55*)
- 4/13 Ron Larson (*cribbie11*)
- 4/16 Mark Van Dyke (*loosespokes*)
- 4/18 David Hardy (*novatx237*)
- 4/19 Murray Eakin (*Crestonmule*)
- 4/20 Ron Larson (*cribbie11*)
- 4/23 Thomas Ford (*DaBoiler401*)
- 4/25 David Carter (*DG\_CAR*)
- 4/26 John Maurer (*jrm624*)
- 4/27 Elizabeth Miller (*weezieboop*)
- 4/30 Mike Fetchel (*mfetchCT425*)

# 25 Years Ago in the ACC



The cover story of the June 1984 *Cribbage World* announced the third annual Grand National tournament, to be held in Chicago and directed by CW editor **Bob Madsen**.

Elsewhere in this issue, we learn that **Mick Michaelis** (Marinette WI) won the Warren Swett Memorial Tournament in Crystal Lake IL and **Ray Meade** (Las Vegas NV) won the Sontag Cribbage Classic in Santa Clara CA.

<b>What</b>	<b>1st ANNUAL DANBURY CRIBBAGE CHAMPIONSHIP AND FUND RAISER</b>
<b>When</b>	June 14, 2009
<b>Where</b>	Candlewood Fencing Center 272 White St., Danbury CT 06810
<b>For</b>	<b>Candlewood Fencing Foundation, Inc</b> <b>501(c)(3) CT Corp.</b> Youth Fencing Fund Raiser
<b>Pre Registration</b>	By calling or faxing: T: 203-778-0808 F: 203-778-0026 Or by email: <a href="mailto:info@candlewoodfencingcenter.com">info@candlewoodfencingcenter.com</a> – or by mail Or preregister at: <a href="http://www.askfred.net">www.askfred.net</a> ( <b>prereg is suggested</b> )
<b>Restrictions</b>	A maximum limit of 128 players in individual A maximum limit of 64 – 2-person teams
<b>Close of registration</b>	Individual 10:00am – Team 3pm Must be checked in <b>before</b> close of reg
<b>Entry fee</b>	Preregistration – \$20.00 per event per person Preregistration closes at midnight, June 12, 2009 Late and at-door registration – \$30.00 per event per person
<b>Awards</b>	1st place individual – Scottish basket hilt rapier + 20% of entry 2nd place individual – Emerald daggers + 10% of entry 3rd place individual – Gothic daggers + 5% of entry Medals to 8 places 1st place team – 2 Scottish claymore broadswords + 20% of entry 2nd place team – Emerald daggers + 10% of entry 3rd place team – Gothic daggers + 5% of entry Medals to 8 places
<b>Requirements Recommended</b>	Bring your own board and cards Folding chairs and small playing table

# Welcome to New Members

*The ACC welcomed 72 new members during April.  
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 two-handed card game  
ever invented.*

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Charlie Adams (Hillsdale WY)  
Jennifer Barron (Auburn WA)  
Tom Benzschawel (Appleton WI)  
Nancy G. Bernard (Escanaba MI)  
Tim Blaske (Saint Cloud MN)  
Donn Boostrom (Surprise AZ)  
Placido Borruso (Huntington Beach CA)  
Nick Bucklin (Chariton IA)  
Albert L. Buss (Beaver Dam WI)  
Michael A. Carroll (Shasta Lake CA)  
Ron Cholin (Prineville OR)  
Wes Coffel (Sandpoint ID)  
Bill Cook (Arcata CA)  
Christine Cook (Arcata CA)  
Richard T. Cross (Lake Alfred FL)  
William S. Cutler (Three Rivers MI)  
Bill Dehn (Three Rivers MI)  
James A. Demerse (Escanaba MI)  
Joe Donnelly (Carver MA)  
Claire Elstun-Coffel (Sandpoint ID)  
Gerald N. Felando (San Pedro CA)  
Sarah Gerke (Battle Creek MI)  
W. Travis Gibby (Winston Salem NC)  
Ron Glantz (Marstons Mills MA)  
Glenn Gossert (Brighton CO)  
Justin Grenawalt (Clinton WI)  
Judi Hackett (New Franken WI)  
Mike Hackett (New Franken WI)  
Terry Hennigan (Goochland VA)  
David H. Johnson (Vernon CT)  
Pete Johnson (Eau Claire WI)  
Melisa Kennedy (Everett WA)  
Robert E. Kingsley (Corrales NM)  
Velma G. Lane (Lemon Grove CA)  
Hans E. Larson (Republic WA)  
Paul Latraverse (Bellingham MA)  
John LeComte (Seatac WA)  
Sheryl Majeski (Fallbrook CA)  
Manny Marshall (Norton MA)  
Michael Martin (Mesa AZ)  
Theresa Martin (Mesa AZ)  
Michael P. Martinez (Norfolk VA)  
Robert L. McCartney (Reno NY)  
Greg McNulty (Rathdrum ID)

Judith K. Moore (Virginia Beach VA)  
Thomas V. Moore (Virginia Beach VA)  
Art Morrison (Sparks NV)  
Scott Nixon (Napa CA)  
David Noble (Grand Rapids MI)  
Rev. William E. O'Brien (Spokane Valley WA)  
Robert O'Connor (Green Bay WI)  
Chuck Pagano (Des Moines IA)  
Claudette Paget (Woonsocket RI)  
Bonnie Paulovich (Redding CA)  
Jeff Pohly (Virginia Beach VA)  
William A. Rae (Fort Collins CO)  
Jolene Riley (Vancouver WA)  
Mark Robillard (Appleton WI)  
Linda Sanfilippo (Thornton CO)  
Vic Sever (Gibbons AB, Canada)  
Lyford Smith (Oceanside CA)  
Sherry Smith-Noble (Grand Rapids MI)  
Mary Ann Sommers (Laguna Woods CA)  
William Stacey (Grand Rapids MI)  
Janet Stuart (Fallbrook CA)  
Rod P. Swan (Suamico WI)  
Ian Symons (Madras OR)  
Don Thrapp (Kasilof AK)  
Kathleen Vandergrift (Bradenton FL)  
Trevor West (Portland OR)  
Maurice Wiebelhaus (Vancouver WA)  
Max E. Wilcoxson (Loveland CO)

## *New Cribbage Masters*

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719. Jason Hofbauer (Washougal WA)

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Color reproduction of 1883 print "A Game at Cribbage." \$25 + s/h. Picture in May CW, page 2. **Wollman's Classics**. Call 866.817.9323 or visit our website: [wollmansclassics.com](http://wollmansclassics.com)

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# ACC Awards



Alan's grandfather taught him to play cribbage when he was five years old, and he joined the ACC in the early 1990s. Alan founded the Midtown Cribbage Grass Roots Club 199 (Greenwood WI) in 1994 and has been club champ four times. Alan still looks to the late, great Mick Michaelis as his cribbage mentor, and he counts Warren Sondericker as his toughest opponent. A.J. has now won nine tournaments, and his favorite is the JPW/ACC Open in Reno, which he came within a whisker of winning in 1999.

**Alan J. Lindner**  
(Colby WI)  
**Life Master #163**

Emilio learned to play cribbage from Max Steplyk and joined the ACC twenty years ago. Now a member of the Milwaukee Grass Roots club, Emilio is a former champion of the Kenosha club. He has won seven events. Like many seasoned players, his favorite tournament is Reno, and his toughest opponent is Warren Sondericker. Emilio held the ACC record for a 22-game event for two years when he scored an eye-popping 45/19 +477 at the Jesse James Open in 2001, losing only three games by a combined 14 spread points! When not pegging up a storm, he spends time with his family and hits the links.

**Emilio Perez**  
(Waukegan IL)  
**Life Master #164**



Many ACC members learned the game from a member of an older generation, but Rosemary learned it from her son and daughter-in-law nearly forty years ago. She joined the ACC in 1996 and considers Roy and Jeanne Hofbauer to be her cribbage mentors.

**Rosemary Hendricks**  
(Rochester WA)  
**Life Master #165**

A member of the Sea-Tac Peggers, Rosemary has been club champ twice. She has won six tournaments (three of each variety), and her favorites are Lincoln City and her own in Long Beach WA. When not playing cribbage, Rosemary enjoys crocheting, knitting, reading, and traveling. She has five children, eleven grandchildren, twenty-seven great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Norm's stepmother taught him to play cribbage when he was thirteen. He played cribbage in the army in the early 1960s but didn't discover the ACC until 1994. His cribbage mentor is Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen. Director of Grass Roots Club 68 in West Covina CA, Norm has been club champion three times and has won twelve weekend tournaments. His toughest opponents are Roy Hofbauer and Rodney Rideau. He obtained his Grand Master ranking at his own tourney, the Spring U.S. Open in West Covina, and his favorite tourney is the JPW/ACC Open. Away from the cribbage table, Norm's interests are his grandchildren, gardening, supporting veteran organizations, and working with a local humane society.

**Norman Nikodym**  
(Ontario CA)  
**Grand Master #280**





# In Memoriam

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## **Sue Anderson**

Sue Anderson (Jamestown CA) passed away on March 27 after a long battle with cancer. Sue and her husband, Don, have been members of Club 140 in Sonora CA for many years. We all enjoyed playing cribbage with this wonderful lady, and she will be missed by everyone at the club. The Sonora Club has donated to the American Cancer Society in her name.

## **Virginia A. Boyer**

Ginny Boyer (Chelsea MI), a charter member of the ACC and a member of Grass Roots Club 332 died April 17, at the age of 78. She is survived by her husband, Duane, ten children, thirty grandchildren, and twenty-two great-grandchildren. Virginia played in a number of cribbage tournaments in past years. She will be missed by all members of the Jackson club.

## **Walter Miskowic**

Walter E. (Wally) Miskowic (New Brighton MN) passed away March 17 from cancer. Wally was a longtime ACC member who attended many local, regional, and national tournaments, including his favorites: Reno and Marionette. Many peggers, especially his local club members, will miss him and his unique "Wally Shuffle."

## **Walter Peoples**

Walt Peoples (Richboro PA) passed away May 15. A good player and a good person, he will be missed. Walt played in clubs in Pennsylvania and New Jersey before joining the Gold Cribbage Club 318 in Holmes PA. He won our club championship once and was a contender each year, including this year. On the week of his death, he received his Grass Roots Bronze

Award, which brought him some joy in his last few days.

## **Julien Pomerleau Sr.**

Julien Pomerleau (Anaheim CA) died on April 19 after a long and beautiful life. A dedicated family man, patriot, and life-long cribbage player, he achieved his Master ranking and Bronze Award. Julien left nothing on the table. He lived life to the fullest, and those that knew him well or only briefly discovered a man who played the game of life fairly and honored both winners and losers. We will miss his tenacity, his New England twist on words, but mostly his effervescent smile and humor.

## **Conrad Snow**

Conrad Snow (Thornton CO) passed away on April 3 after a brief illness. He was a member of Denver Cribbage Club 34 and will be missed by his friends at the club and in the Colorado area.

## **Cliff Stoltz**

Cliff Stoltz (Bartlett TN, formerly of Longmont CO) passed way suddenly on May 4 at the age of 57. Cliff was a fierce competitor, but always ready with a quick smile and friendly hello. After moving to Tennessee, he missed the weekly Grass Roots play and friendly competition at Club 34 in Denver. He returned many times to play weekend tournaments and enjoyed his annual trip to the JPW/ACC Open in Reno. He will be missed by his many cribbage friends.

## **Andy Wroblewski**

Andy Wroblewski (Raleigh NC), a member of Club 58 in Raleigh, passed away in February following extended medical problems.

# GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



## Youth Teaching Tip

Cribbage solitaire is an excellent way for beginners to improve their game. Every now and then, instead of passing out cribbage boards, I give each student a deck of cards and let them spend 15–20 minutes playing cribbage solitaire. If you don't know how to play, I'll be glad to email instructions for three popular variations. Send your request to me at [danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com).

## Youth Tournament News

When I sent the results of my February youth tournament to the local newspaper, I had no idea what would snowball from there. A full article on my involvement with youth cribbage for the last twenty years appeared in the *Grass Valley Union* on April 2 and included my email address for readers who wanted to receive a teaching manual or get on a mailing list for the next youth event. The response was overwhelming, as seen in these comments:

- It's an old family game for me, and I sure learned my math. At our back-country cattle ranch, losers had to get up early and start the fire, bring water from the spring, and do the dishes. Talk about motivation.
- I have two grandchildren, ages 7 and 11, that I think would love to learn the game. I played many years ago and hopefully with this manual I can teach my grandchildren how to play.
- I love the fact that you are incorporating a fun game like cribbage into the mathematics curriculum.

## Teaching Manuals

Recent requests for youth teaching manuals were received from the following people. Watch for a youth boom in these areas:

- **Gail Fox** (Nevada City CA)
- **Jo Short** (Penn Valley CA)
- **Terri Vermil** (Penn Valley CA)
- **Amy Sether** (Nevada City CA)
- **Richard Thomas** (Nevada City CA)
- **Cari Tamayo** (Grass Valley CA)
- **Patti Foster** (Nevada City CA)
- **Gary Steffens** (Grass Valley CA)
- **Susan Hanson** (Denair CA)
- **Marion Culhane** (Penn Valley CA)
- **Dee Demorest** (Auburn CA)
- **Diane Marshall** (Grass Valley CA)
- **Georgia Martinson** (Penn Valley CA)
- **Julie Hardardt** (Hot Springs Village AR)



# The President's Column

by Jeanne Hofbauer



An important goal of the American Cribbage Congress is to keep the game of cribbage vigorously alive and enjoyed. Our multitudes of volunteers (bless them!) are the core of this organization, and we should let them know that we appreciate their endeavors. I thank everyone who lifts a hand to help with all of our activities. And I would personally like to invite all of you to do your part to join them.

Do you wonder how you can help? Most of my own experience is with weekend tournaments, so I will start there. Ask the tourney director if you can help in any way. This could be anything from running a side event to cleaning up tables between events or picking up at the end of the tournament. There usually is a need for cross-checkers, so learn how to do it. These are ways to be proactive, but if you are not so inclined or able, there are other, passive ways to be of help—and actually all of us should participate in these. Number one is to be in your seat at the posted/announced starting times! Also important: register early if possible or at least notifying the director that you will be attending; hand in your scorecard as soon as possible, remembering to give your score to any side pools entered; pay attention to who you are sitting between, so as not to get table movement out of alignment; if you need a break between games or matches, keep them as short as possible; keep your area clean and reset the pegs and cards when

finished with your game; keep complaints to a minimum, but do notify the director if you see something that could possibly cause a problem.

The same holds true for Grass Roots tournaments. These directors hold a tournament many times during a year and tend to have a higher burn-out rate than the weekend directors. Help them by setting up before and cleaning up after; add your scorecards up; be ready to play at the starting time; and support your host facility. Ask what you can do to make the club director's job easier.

I confess that I have no experience with the internet tournaments. But I would offer that you should treat your opponent with respect, follow the rules as stated, and pay attention to the directions given by the tournament director. Contact **Bob Milk** if you wish to volunteer.

For the volunteers who teach cribbage, run youth tournaments, and participate in getting the word out about the ACC (like the demonstrations at fairs), I say thank you, thank you, thank you. You are helping to keep this organization and the game of cribbage a contender in this modern world, where there is so much competition for people's free time.

*Jeanne*

## Division 1

### Points ♦ Name (Club)

308	Tom Cookman (194)
296	Albert Miller (314)
283	Tom Lewis (271)
283	Pamela Pomeroy (68)
279	Thomas Mintner (6)
276	David Aiken (91)
276	Craig Jensen (46)
273	Lyle Lund (215)
272	Erik Royland Locke (28)
271	Elmer Rasmussen (232)
269	Jim Blough (91)
269	Brenda Carson (71)
265	Clyde Ross (190)
264	Mort Herstrom (333)
264	Richard Munroe (162)
264	Fred White (110)
260	Paul Gregson (54)
260	James Kahue (110)
260	Michael McCammon (11)
260	Mike Misluk (26)
257	Phillip Babcock (89)
257	Joseph Cornelissen (29)
257	Joe Lilley (350)
257	Larry Weyer (94)
256	Gordy Wise (243)
255	Todd Schaefer (240)
251	Ken Patenaude (81)
251	Dave Stratford (100)
248	John Goe (243)
247	Iris Fuller (11)
246	George Hicks (11)
246	Bill Medeiros (72)
245	David Gerke (300)
245	Douglas Myers (329)
245	Phillip Whitehouse (329)
242	Paul Esau (277)
242	Mary McFarland (68)
242	Greg Schleusner (222)
241	Mariette Debaugh (230)
240	Albert Moy (290)
237	Gerald Mohr (203)
236	Joy Barnes (230)
235	Jerry Brisgel (55)
235	James Stratton (332)
234	Bill Hutchinson (34)
234	Peggy Johnson (211)
234	Michael Morgan (106)
233	John Perry (323)
232	Thomas Nohrden (162)
232	Betty Scott (107)

## Division 2

### Points ♦ Name (Club)

212	Dorothy Westerlund (267)
181	Joseph Young (251)
175	Richard Caiazzo (267)
175	Fred Jorgensen (267)
165	Terry Bond (38)
163	Richard Andrew (220)
163	Nick Vowell (38)
159	John Mandigo (219)
159	Wendell Woodard (219)
158	John Fitzgerald (356)
154	Russell Rice (97)
152	Robert McGuire (251)
152	Rick Vee (96)
148	Richard Bett Sr. (5)
144	Ralph Haynes (219)
139	Perley Davis (219)
137	Beverly Bliss (267)
135	Amelee Killion (27)
133	Lin Bixby (111)
133	Gene Secor (97)
132	Montana Conell (267)
132	Karen Dorcas (349)
132	T. L. Gandy Sr. (356)
131	John Wichland (220)
128	Dennis Lunn (219)

## Division 3

### Points ♦ Name (Club)

164	Albert Kassatly (353)
164	Kenny Trepanier (353)
146	Jon Taylor (24)
131	Christine Maloney (353)
123	David Rauh (353)
122	Warren Gallagher (24)
111	Wayne Pinquoch (354)
109	Henry Douglass (102)
106	Michael Maloney (353)
104	Orbin Hatton (354)

The GRPs reported here frequently lag behind real-time data, due to sometimes unavoidable delays in the reporting process. Questions may be addressed to Joan Rein ([accgrassroots@earthlink.net](mailto:accgrassroots@earthlink.net)).



# Grass Roots



Corner

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**Grass Roots Region IV**—comprising Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawai'i, New Mexico, Nevada, and Utah—will again set a new record for the amount of members playing in any Grass Roots region. As of May 10 Region IV had 1,300 Grass Roots members. *submitted by Tom Lewis*

**Club 336 (Merritt Island FL)**—**Bernie Friedman** climbed into first place in club standings by scoring 53 GRPs in an eight-day period: 15 points at the March 9 weekly tournament, 24 points at our GRNT on March 15, and 14 points at the March 16 weekly tourney. Can anyone top this record-setting performance? He increased his lead even further by scoring points each of the following three weeks. *submitted by Jim Wysocki*

**Club 82 (Seaside CA)**—**Ross Njaa** has the hot hand this year. With six weeks to go, he leads the club with a batting average of 61%. On the Tournament Trail he's currently among the top ten nationally in MRPs. And to top it off, he just scored 30 GRPs in our GRNT! *submitted by Mel Ashley*

**Denver Cribbage Club (#34)**—with five

weeks left in the season **Ron Bellomy** (207 GRPs), **Bill Hutchinson** (202), and **Roger Wilson** (191) are leading the club. Ron or Bill has led the club the entire season, but, Roger is closing fast on the strength of a 61% batting average. **Kevin Pierce**, **Al Pittman**, **Ron Bellomy**, and **Tim Heine** have had 28-hands this year. **Les Johnson** had our first grand slam on March 31 with a fantastic 22/9 +242! **Roger Wilson's** 19-point scorecard, which would have won first place every other night of the season, was good for only second. A week later **Roger Widdowson** had the club's second grand slam, and one week later **Ron Bellomy** nearly claimed the third grand slam by winning his first eight games. During the last year, several new members have added to the fun and camaraderie of the club. It's been a great group to play cribbage with on a Tuesday night. *submitted by Roger Widdowson*

**Club 360 (Pahrump NV)**—on April 16 **Ruth Kintzler** and **Denise Fortin** held a combined 45 points between then when an 8 turned up as the starter card. With fifteen players, the top four scores were 12/6 +68, 12/6 +46, 12/6 +24, and 12/5 -23,

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## Rule of the Month—Starter Card

The pone shall not look at the bottom card of the upper pack when making the cut. The penalty is 2 points.

and the next four were all 10/5. Only three skunks were recorded all day (the fewest ever), and all were handed out by guests **John and Mary Cannon**. We started our club last September 25 and have averaged sixteen players a week. We are less than an hour from Las Vegas if you are ever in the neighborhood on Thursdays at noon! *submitted by Denise Fortin*

**High Noon Cribbage Club (Bradenton FL)**—for the first time in our club history, on April 29 we had two 28-hands in the same day. To keep things in balance **Betsy Fish** got hers in her hand, while **Tom Cannarile** got his in his crib. *submitted by Gary Berns*

**Club 251 (Sioux Falls SD)**—after missing two weeks of play because of Easter weekend and severe weather, **Linda Wierenga** had this year's first and her first-ever grand slam 20/9 +208 scorecard on April 19. Linda sent the "good old boys" from our club packing for the "Black Hills" in shame. *submitted by Joe "Spanky" Young*

**Club 140 (Sonora CA)**—on April 21 **Bev Ross** was playing against her husband **Frank Ross**, and **Kathy Kniffen** was playing against **Chuck DeRosso**. We were discussing how no one had gotten a 24-hand this evening, and on the next deal Bev, Frank, and Chuck were all dealt 24-hands! *submitted by Kathy Kniffen*

The first Grass Roots club in Arkansas—**#359 in Hot Springs Village Cribbage Club**—has had a banner year. The club has thirty-five charter members, with more interested players showing up each week. Some of our players really started off their first year of play right by scoring grand slams (**Rose Branscombe** and **Dave Schoenhaar**) and 28-hands (one for **Gary Brandt** and two for **Jerry Schutz**). We would like to invite any Grass Roots players escaping the winter cold to come and visit beautiful Hot Springs Village. We are a fun bunch of players who really enjoy the game of cribbage and meeting new cribbage players. *submitted by Julie Hardardt*

## Win, Even If You Lose!

Grass Roots clubs are the heart of the ACC. More cribbage is played at clubs than anywhere else in the ACC. It's quite possible that club members get more enjoyment from playing cribbage because of the ways that club directors generate more winners.

If you win your weekly tourney, it's a no-brainer that you are having fun. But what about the other players: Are they having fun? Are they getting anything out of the evening? Many clubs are very creative in making sure that everyone—not just the top players—has a good time at club, that no one becomes

discouraged and drops out because of a bad run of cards.

Does your club offer inventive ways to dole out cash, gift certificates, and other prizes to people who wouldn't otherwise finish in the money? If so, please share these ideas so other clubs can grow by getting more players in on the fun.

Please share what your club does by writing **David Gerke** (Battle Creek MI) at [davegerke29@yahoo.com](mailto:davegerke29@yahoo.com). Dave will collect the ideas and publish them in a future *Cribbage World* so all clubs can be as much fun as yours.

**Monadnock Cribbage League (Club 220 in Keene NH)**—with only fourteen active members, this is not a big club, but they do enjoy their cribbage. Directed by **John Wichland**, the members range in age from 32 to 90. The oldest member is **Elmer Tole**, who is also the club's newest Bronze award winner and a well-known cribbage board maker (several years ago the club sent boards made by Elmer to soldiers serving in Iraq). Elmer doesn't miss a week, and in fact lets it be known that bad weather is no reason to cancel club! He held a 28-hand during the last week of the season. The large cribbage table in the picture was handmade by Elmer of bird's-eye maple for **Ben Wichland**, so Ben could teach his wife how to play. *submitted by Ben Wichland*



While visiting **Club 198 (Spokane Valley Eagles)**, **Dale Weilep** of Club 69 in Lilac City chocked up his third lifetime 29-hand. Needless to say, he could not contain his excitement. With the turn card for his three 29s being first the 5 of Diamonds, then the 5 of Clubs, and now the 5 of Hearts, Dale says he is looking forward to a fourth 29-hand with the 5 of Spades! *submitted by David Schwartz*

## GrassRoots Awards

### Silver Award

Gene Bradshaw (144), GA  
Gary Rasmussen (232), WA  
Pink Pinkerton (211), WY

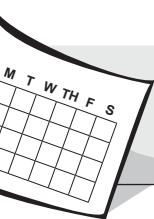
### Bronze Award

Vaida Stevens (154), CA  
Denzel L. Watkins (21), CA  
Al Jean Simpson (79), CA  
Troy Thorson (345), CO  
Robert Van Gorder (26), CT  
Millard Dunton (3), IL  
Joseph Perron (301), MA  
Thomas Burns (229), MI  
Thomas L. Kenniston (229), MI  
Ron Cathey (94), MN  
Elmer Tole (220), NH  
Harold L. Green (211), WY

## GrassRoots Club 29

Frank Horn (344), 2/12/09  
Frank McGinnis (147), 2/25/09  
Brian McCoy (104), 2/28/09  
Ed Belfy (321), 3/16/09  
Marjorie Wimmer (277), 4/4/09  
Jerry Gooden (58), 4/6/09  
Douglas Holden (305), 4/13/09  
Lawrence Hatch (178), 4/22/09  
Jim Brintnall (345), 5/9/09

**Eastside Peggers Club 305 (Kirkland WA)**—**Doug Holden** recently had both a 29-hand and a grand slam card. *submitted by Dane Brooke*



# WEEKEND Tournaments

MRPs

as of 5/10/2009

Western Region		Central Region		Eastern Region	
MRPs	Name	MRPs	Name	MRPs	Name
1	1821 Duane Toll, OR	1	1076 Wayne Steinmetz, WI	1	968 Larry Phifer, NC
2	1387 James Langley, CA	2	840 Mike Burns, MN	2	767 Robert Milk, VA
3	1345 Roland Hall, CA	3	811 Bob McCabe, WI	3	745 Robert Medeiros, MA
4	1113 Bob Bartosh, CA	4	742 Donald Flesch, WI	4	677 Paul Batterson, CT
5	1110 Jeanne Jelke, WA	5	709 Frank Danielski, WI	5	644 David Campbell, ME
6	1105 Jim Crawford, CA	6	693 Patrick Barrett, WI	6	626 Keith Widener, NC
7	952 DeLynn Colvert, MT	7	666 Robert Julian, WI	7	562 Mark Soule, ME
8	941 Jerold Montgomery, CA	8	651 Beth Witter, WI	8	556 William Shoemaker, CT
9	933 H. Ross Njaa, CA	9	649 Jerome Fischer, WI	9	513 Susan Cousins, ME
10	932 Cy Madrone, CA	10	634 James Huser, WI	10	506 Phyllis Schmidt, MA
11	924 Cres Fernandez, CA	11	616 Emilio Perez, IL	11	494 Donna Lafleur, CT
12	891 Mel Ashley, CA	12	602 Doug Page, WI	12	471 Roger Bouchard, CT
13	861 Donald Brown, CA	13	534 Martha Fingleton, WI	13	459 David Statz, NH
14	823 Ira Deutsch, OR	14	525 Douglas Henderson, WI	14	452 Laurence Samet, MA
15	811 Todd Malmgren, OR	15	519 Allen Karr, WI	15	443 Elijah White Jr., ME
16	791 Herschel Mack, CA	16	514 Dave Yaeger, MO	16	440 Ann Somers, MA
17	743 Paul Hatcher, OR	17	508 Lyle Lund, MN	17	419 Ken Patenaude, MA
18	716 Rex Paddock, MT	18	490 Jeff Shimp, MI	18	415 Jack Howsare, VA
19	710 Bryan Gurden, NV	19	449 Bob Kiley, WI	19	408 Jim Hatch, NH
20	709 Leslie Sumner, NV	20	437 Todd Schaefer, MN	20	394 Jeff Raynes, NC
21	691 Willie Evans, WA	21	427 Cyril Schmidt, WI	21	392 Raymond Cook, MA
22	681 Erik Locke, OR	22	425 Diane Waite, MN	22	382 Hal Mueller, ON
23	631 James Fanning, CA	23	419 Ginny Danielski, WI	22	382 Esther Rolfe, FL
24	583 Michael McCammon, NV	24	401 Sharon Schaefer, WI	24	376 Henry Delong, MA
25	552 Roy Hofbauer, WA	25	400 Roger Grandgeorge, IA	24	376 Bill Medeiros, MA
26	547 Gerald Hahn Jr., OR	26	393 Todd Brunner, MN	26	370 Tom Clark, NH
27	514 Tom Cookman, CA	27	378 Warren Sondericker, WI	26	370 George Bryer, MA
28	505 Sharon Hejtmanek, MT	27	378 Alan Schaefer, WI	28	368 Bruce Sattler, MD
28	505 Frank Ornie, OR	29	372 Richard Frost, WI	29	365 John Blowers, FL
30	496 Bill Mero, WA	30	361 Rhynold Shave, WI	30	357 Peter Lerch, NC
31	484 Michael Rowe, AK	31	341 Jerry Jaeger, NE	31	349 Ron Rapoza, RI
31	484 Bill Johnson, CA	32	338 Donald Patrin, MN	32	333 Peter Setian, MA
33	482 Richard Shea, CA	33	329 Don Kreutzer, WI	33	323 Jim Lunder, FL
33	482 Al Jean Simpson, CA	34	313 Ed Heinowski, WI	34	313 Catherine Perkins, NC
35	465 Jones Hom, CA	35	311 Tom Briski, WI	35	304 Jeannine Dubois, MA
36	447 Christy Lens, CA	36	306 Robert Chase, MN	36	297 Holli Remington, RI
37	440 Tom Langford, CA	37	305 Edward Balcer, MN	37	294 Jeff Gardner, OH
38	436 Dan Marsh, OR	38	302 John Syftestad, WI	38	289 George Bickford, MA
39	434 Rosemary Hendricks, WA	39	301 Lewis Gurney, WI	39	280 David Clemmey, MA
40	430 Mary Herrmann, CA	40	294 Tony Danihel, WI	40	278 Howard Terry, VA
41	425 Rickie Mack, CA	41	287 Lloyd Heibel, MI	41	277 Robert Drukman, MA
42	415 Dennis Morin, CA	42	286 Bob Joslin, MN	42	275 Charles Barnes, FL
43	408 Irma Symons, OR	43	285 Gary Haelfrisch, WI	43	272 Dutch Gehrlich, MD
43	408 Peggy Walberg, CA	44	281 Dan Taylor, MN	44	263 Richard West, MA
43	408 Bernie Nelson, OR	45	274 Alan Lindner, WI	45	260 Daniel Crete, NH
46	407 Ervin Bentz, CA	46	273 Gerald Gruber, MN	46	256 John Campanella, MA
47	406 Jason Shumate, NV	47	272 Jerome Tork, WI	46	256 Joe Lewis III, FL
48	401 Jeanne Hofbauer, WA	48	262 Bart Jaeger, NE	48	252 Joseph White, FL
49	387 Norman Nikodym, CA	49	255 Doris Henken, IL	49	248 Ronald Reece, VA
50	384 Jackie Doppelt, CA	50	251 Marvin Lang, IL	50	247 David O'Neil, GA



# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
Roy Hofbauer 360.835.3623	Patrick Barrett 715.424.5059	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 [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org).

#### June 5-6, Nugget Classic

Paradise Senior Center, 877 Nunneley Rd, Paradise CA 95969. Main \$60. Fri DBL. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Jerry Moore (530.877.1477), 1473 Patrick Dr, Paradise CA 95969 or Dennis Phillips

#### June 5-7, Mount Saint Helens Classic

Legion Hall, 1250 12th Ave, Longview WA 98626. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat \$25. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Chris McComas (360.567.6265), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626

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#### June 5-7, Space Coast Open

Clarion Hotel, 260 E Merritt Island Cswy, Merritt Island FL 32952. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Lee Bailey (321.652.1278), 300 S Sykes Creek Pkwy #204, Merritt Island FL 32952

#### June 6, Orange Crush Classic

Laguna Woods Village Clubhouse, 24111 Moulton Pkwy, 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 7, G&P Open

Fratone's Restaurant, 12253 E Imperial Hwy, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$65. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit, lunch. Contact: Gary Sumner (714.313.8863), 3224 Yorba Linda Blvd #624, Fullerton CA 92831 or Pam Pomeroy (562.929.2901)

#### June 7, Western Mass Cribbage Classic

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Team \$10 x 3. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Phyllis Schmidt

(413.458.8693), 95 Nutmeg Ln, Williamstown MA 01267 or Isabel Hyndman

#### ↓ NEW LISTING ↓

#### June 10-11, Canadian Summer Midweek

Sands Hotel, 12340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB. Main \$50. Wed \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Audrey Hatto (780.641.5166), 3246-10770 Winterburn Rd, Edmonton AB T5S 2R8 or Gary Wirth

#### June 12-14, Capital City Classic

Best Western Metro North, Ankeny IA. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Dick Ogden (515.419.6818), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315

#### ↓ NEW LISTING ↓

#### June 12-14, Canadian Summer Classic

Sands Hotel, 12340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB. Main \$60. Fri \$10. Fri HR \$40. Fri DBL 7p \$40/team. Sat \$20. LC \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Evelyn Osaka (780.457.6067), 12117 142nd Ave, Edmonton AB T5X 3S2 or Terry Hatto

#### June 13, Western Washington Ltd.

Crystal Grange, 2160 NE Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bob Maupin (360.876.6318), 4920 Sherlyn Ave SE, Port Orchard WA 98367 or Larry West

#### June 19-21, Medford Lions' Tale

Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center, 228 N Holly, Medford OR 97501. Main \$52. Limited to 92 players; no walk-ins. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:45p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$40/team. Sat 7p \$20. All Events \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA 95519 or Julie Mack-Felkins

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## *Tips for Tournament Directors*

**Don't forget that all tournament directors must be certified judges. The judge's examination is an open-book test based on the ACC rulebook, which is available online at [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org) (click on the "Rules of Cribbage" link in the left column) or from the membership secretary or any BOD member. To take the judge's examination, send \$3 to Al Miller, 12 Michael Ave, Nashua NH 03062.**

### **June 20, Mountain View Open**

American Legion/VFW, 305 N Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80537. Main \$55. Sat 6p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha (970.669.5686), 340 Morgan Drive, Loveland CO 80357

### **June 21, Summer U.S. Open**

West Covina Elks, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

### **June 26-28, Schaefer Steinmetz Shuffle**

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$55. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. Perks: coffee, coffeecake. Contact: Al & Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766), N162W20333 Butternut Ln, Jackson WI 53037 or Wayne Steinmetz (414.353.9301)

### **June 26-28, Cascade Classic**

VFW #4108, 1836 Veterans Way, Redmond OR 97756. Main \$55. Contact: Bill Kaufman (541.548.1029), 2908 SW Windrow Ct, Redmond OR 97756

### **June 26-28, CBA Casino Classic**

Dover Downs Casino, 113 N DuPont Hwy, Dover DE 19901. Main \$50. Fri 7p \$30. Perks: lunch. Contact: **CANCELED** (303.1339), 115 Brick Schoolhouse Rd, Centerville MD 21617

### **June 28, Hawai'i Open**

Richardson Center, near USS Arizona Memorial, Pearl Harbor HI 96818. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

### **June 28, Weir River Tournament**

KOC Hall, 126 W Main St (Rte 9), Ware MA 01082. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Mathew Piechota (413.967.4004), 269 Palmer Rd, Ware MA 01082 or Bill Medeiros

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### **June 28, Baltimore Summer Special**

Golden Dragon, 8109 Liberty Rd, Baltimore MD

21244. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bruce Sattler ([b.sattler@verizon.net](mailto:b.sattler@verizon.net); 410.256.8954), 3732 Foxford Stream Rd, Nottingham MD 21236

### **July 1-3, Susanville Summer Classic**

Mt. Lassen Hotel, Main St, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$62. Satellites. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.251.5397), PO Box 401, Janesville CA 96114 or James Fanning

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### **July 3-5, Independence Day Classic**

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$62. Fri DBL \$50/team. Fri HR \$50. Sat \$25. Sun \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, coffeecake. Contact: Valerie Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cere, Sparks NV 89434 or Les Sumner or Peggy Walberg or Bill Irons

### **July 7-9, Topaz Spring Tournament**

Topaz Lodge, Topaz Lake NV. Main \$50. Tue 3p \$10. Tue HR 6:30p \$50. Tue DBL 7p \$50/team. Wed 7:30p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cere, Sparks NV 89434 or Valerie Sumner or A. J. Tasker or Bob Bartosh

### **July 10-12, Rockford Classic**

Holiday Inn, 7550 E State St, Rockford IL 61108. Main \$73. Fri 8p. Sat 8p. All Events. Perks: lunch. Contact: Don Urban (815.568.0494), 818 Whitetail Dr, Marengo IL 60152

### **July 11, Run for the Gold**

Alta Fire Dept., 33950 Alta Bonny Nook Rd, Alta CA 95701. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Greg Schleusner (530.587.7339), PO Box 1526, Truckee CA 96160 or Rich Ekman (530.401.3627)

### **July 17-19, Granite City Classic**

VFW Lodge, 9 12th Ave N, St. Cloud MN 56301. Main \$60. Fri \$25. Sat \$25. All Events \$25. Contact: Mike Burns (320.309.5580), 14266 Brookmere Blvd NW, Prior Lake MN 55372 or Bob Joslin (952.270.3632)

**EB = Early Bird ♦ DBL = doubles ♦ HR = high rollers ♦ LC = last chance**

### **July 17–19, Devil Mountain Caper**

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$65. Fri 7p \$25. Perks: coffee, breakfast, lunch. Contact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531

### **July 19, Hawai'i Open**

Richardson Center, near USS Arizona Memorial, Pearl Harbor HI 96818. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

### **July 19, Yearend Cribbage Extra**

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Team \$10 x 3. Perks: gift card. Contact: Isabel Hyndman (413.458.8693), 95 Nutmeg Ln, Williamstown MA 01267 or Phyllis Schmidt

### **July 24–27, National Open**

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

### **July 24–26, Portland Summer Open**

Vancouver Elks, 11605 SE McGillvray, Vancouver WA 98683. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$10. Fri 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$10. Sun LC \$10. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th Pl #7, Portland OR 97202 or Ken Julkowski (503.788.6907)

### **July 29–30, Masters Midweek Challenge**

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$50. Tue. Wed. Contact: Bob Brumley (509.839.6323), 1301 Lester Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944

### **July 31–August 2, Shut Up and Deal**

Sharks Ice, 44388 Old Warm Springs, Fremont CA 94538. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: snacks, lunch. Contact: Ray Mink (510.791.5347), 37981 Lavender Cmn, Fremont CA 94536

### **August 1–2, Summer Classic**

Sunnyside Eagles, 100 E South Hill Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$10. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

### **August 1, Summer Cribbage Fix**

American Legion, 902 Cook St, Kenai AK 99611. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Karen Dorcas (907.262.4950; karendorcas@gci.net), PO Box 1164, Kenai AK 99611

### **August 1, Yaahuu Classic**

Moose Lodge, 9901 Bixby Ave, Garden Grove CA 92841. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Andrea Lawrence (213.840.1704), 25928 Oak St Unit A, Lomita CA 90717 or J. J. Stansfield

### **August 2, Patriot Kickoff**

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Carl Deyette (860.568.7418), 55 Legion Dr, East Hartford CT 06118 or Walt Brideaux (860.666.4858)

### **August 2, Tom Mills Memorial**

West Covina Elks, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$35. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

### **August 7–9, Cowboy Country Open**

American Legion, 2001 E Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001. Main \$65. Fri 3p. Fri DBL 7p. Sat 7p. Perks: donuts, coffee, beverages. Contact: Peggy Johnson (307.421.4900), 6800 Legend Ln, Cheyenne WY 82009

### **August 7–9, Humboldt Classic**

Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake CA. Main \$60. Fri \$10. Fri HR \$50. Fri DBL \$50/team. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, juice, snacks, lunch. Contact: Rick Shea (707.444.3161), 6282 Humboldt Hill Rd, Eureka CA 95503 or Tom Cookman (707.599.6747)

### **August 7–9, Peach State Classic**

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

### **August 8–9, Black River Country Classic**

Castle Hill Supper Club, N9581 U.S. Hwy 12, Merrills WI 54754. Main \$60. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Lewis & Dianne Gurney (715.937.4104), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456

### **August 9, Medway Summer Sizzler**

VFW, 234 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. **Muggins**. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Earle & Holli Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd #1, Cumberland RI 02864

### **August 14–16, Gem State Challenge**

Boise Eagles, 7025 W Overland Rd, Boise ID 83709. Main \$55. Fri 3p \$20. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Kathy Atwood (208.353.4862), 194 E Harris Hawk Dr, Kuna ID 83634

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# Bill and Dorthalee Irons' 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Benefit for Veterans



## INDEPENDENCE DAY CRIBBAGE CLASSIC

RENO - JULY 3-4-5, 2009

Tournament Director: Valerie Sumner Co-Directors: Les Sumner, Peggy Walberg, Bill Irons

**\$2,500.00 ADDED – 100%+ PAYBACK - \$20,000.00 PRIZE FUND\***

**Plus: \$1,000.00 for a 29-hand! \$10.00 per player in Casino 'FreePlay'! \$10.00 per player donated by the Sands to the Veterans Charities, up to \$3,000.00! \*(Based on 300 players.)**

### FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2009

- 3 to 6 pm** Registration for all events  
**7 pm** Early Bird Singles, 9 games, no playoffs, 100% payback + trophies



### SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2009



- 7 am** Singles Check In, Complimentary coffee and coffee cake  
**8 am** Singles play begins, 22 games against 22 opponents, top 25% to 3 of 5 playoff, top 32 playoff Sunday at 7:30 am. **100% + payback with \$2,000.00 added and \$1,000.00 for a 29 hand!**  
**6 pm** High Roller Registration  
**7 pm** High Roller, 9 games, no playoffs, 100% payback, pays 1:4 Q 1:6

### SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2009

- 7:30 am** Open playoffs resume, top 32 play 3 of 5, finals 4 of 7  
**8 am** Consolation singles registration, coffee and coffee cake.  
**9 am** Consolation play begins, 10 games, top 25% to 2 of 3 playoff, final match 3 of 5. **100%+ payback with \$500.00 added!**  
**4 pm** AJ's Sunday Night Special Registration  
**5 pm** AJ's Sunday Night Special, 9 games, no playoffs, 100% payback



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**THANK YOU**  
For staying  
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# INDEPENDENCE DAY CRIBBAGE CLASSIC – JULY 3-4-5, 2009

Current ACC membership required. Players agree to abide by ACC rules.

**1st Entry:** ACC State/Prov: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone w/area code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**2nd Entry:** ACC State/Prov: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Anchor Seating (medical reasons) requested for:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** \$54 Friday or Saturday, plus 13.5% room tax, 1 or 2 people. Special \$34 rate on weeknights! To guarantee room by credit card (no tournament entries) call toll free 1-866 FUN STAY (386-7829), Group Code CRI 702. Book early for these rates and availability!

☐ Please reserve ☐ Made by phone ☐ Made with host ☐ No room

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sharing with:

Number of Nights \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Rooms \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 1 Bed ☐ 2 Beds ☐ No Preference ☐ Smoking ☐ Non-Smoking

☐ Low Floor ☐ Handicap Accessible ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

*(All specific hotel requests are subject to availability at time of arrival)*

**Make check payable/mail to:**

SANDS REGENCY  
345 N Arlington Ave  
Reno NV 89501

Saturday Singles \$82.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(includes \$60 entry, \$20 Q Pool \$2 ACC Sanction Fee)

Hotel Deposit \$38.59 or \$61.29 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*All players must be 21. The Internal Revenue Service considers prize money of \$600 or more as income that must be reported. The Sands Regency is required to withhold 30% of prize money of \$600 or more awarded to non-US citizens or US Citizens who do not have or cannot provide a valid US Social Security number. The \$1,000.00 bonus is awarded to aggregate 29 hand winners in Saturday's singles qualifying round only. Must be witnessed and verified by a tournament director. \$10 'FreePlay' limit one per account.*

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**August 14–16, Michigan Tour. of Diamonds**

Holiday Inn Express, 5401 28th St Court SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$60. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: David Aiken (616.897.8727; [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net)), PO Box 313, Ada MI 49301 or Jeff Gardner (937.602.0690; [jeff.gardner@wright.edu](mailto:jeff.gardner@wright.edu))

**August 14–16, Garden State Open**

Crowne Plaza, 110 Davidson Ave, Somerset NJ 08873. Main \$60. Fri \$30. Sat \$30. Perks: lunch. Contact: Cate Correa (732.575.9510), 216 Helfreds Lndg, Bridgewater NJ 08807

**August 21–23, Madison Masters**

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

**August 21–23, Lovelock Open**

Sturgeons Casino, 1920 Cornell Ave, Lovelock NV. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri 7p \$20. Sat 7p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Valerie Sumner or A. J. Tasker or Bob Bartosh

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**August 28–30, St. Louis Len Wahlig Memorial**

Comfort Inn, 8 Commerce Dr, Collinsville IL 62234. Main \$60. **Limit 64 players.** Fri 7p \$20. Sat 7p \$25. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee. Contact: Dave Carey (847.669.3671), 13592 Delaney Rd, Huntley IL 60142 or Marv Lang or Sandra Strange

**August 28–30, New Engl. Peer Championship**

Lefoyer Club, 151 Fountain St, Pawtucket RI 02860. Main \$62. Fri \$15. Sat DBL \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: John & Linda Chambers (401.231.6667), 32 Homestead Ave, Smithfield RI 02917

**August 28–30, Mount Rainier Open**

Amvets, 5717 S Tyler St, Tacoma WA 98409. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$15. Fri 7p HR \$50. Fri 7p DBL \$50/team. Sat 7p \$20. Perks: coffee, cookies, muffins, lunch. Contact: Jim Hornbacher (253.770.3213), 17509 90th Avenue Ct E, Puyallup WA 98375 or Hal Lamon (253.839.1940)

**August 30, Hawai'i Open**

Richardson Center, near USS Arizona Memorial, Pearl Harbor HI 96818. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

**August 30, Hawai'i Open**

Richardson Center, near USS Arizona Memorial,

Pearl Harbor HI 96818. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

**September 4–6, Capital City Classic**

Eagles Lodge, 715 N Fee, Helena MT 59601. Main \$60. Fri 3p. Fri DBL 7p. Sat. Contact: Kathy Thompson (406.443.4825), 3000 Villard Ave #110, Helena MT 59601 or Walt Conell (406.782.5159)

**September 4–6, Labor Day Special**

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. Main \$50. Fri 3p \$20. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$40/team. Sat 7p \$20. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Larry & Donna Hasset (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97471

**September 11–13, Carter Classic**

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3p \$10. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.887.2123), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469

**September 12, Western Washington Ltd.**

Crystal Grange, 2160 NE Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bob Maupin (360.876.6318), 4920 Sherlyn Ave SE, Port Orchard WA 98367 or Larry West

**September 13, Daniel Webster Open**

Nashua Elks, 120 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua NH 03060. Main \$52. **Sign up by 9/5.** Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633), 1466 Battle St, Webster NH 03303

**September 18–20, Serial City Classic**

Crowne Plaza, 5100 28th St SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$60. Fri 8p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Jeff Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417 or David Aiken (616.897.8727; [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net))

**September 18–20, Winnemucca Fall Classic**

Winnemucca Convention Center, 50 W Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca NV 89445. Main \$65. Fri 3p \$20. Fri HR 7p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Jerold Montgomery (530.527.6402), 139 Casa Grande Dr, Red Bluff CA 96080 or Jim Langley

**September 20, Hawai'i Open**

Richardson Center, near USS Arizona Memorial, Pearl Harbor HI 96818. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

**September 23–24, GN 28 Midweek Warm-Up**

Crowne Plaza, 5100 28th St SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$60. Wed 7:30p \$20. Contact: Patrick



& Linda Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave,  
Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494

**September 25-27, Grand National 28**

Crowne Plaza (800.227.6963), 5700 28th St SE,  
Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$70. Thu Swiss-  
style 2p \$50. Thu 7p \$20. Fri 9:30a \$20. Fri 2p  
\$20. Fri 7p \$30. Fri HR 7p \$100. Sat 7p \$30. Sun  
2p \$10. Sun 5p \$10. Awards banquet. Perks:  
lunch. Contact: Jeff Shimp (616.850.9229),  
13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417 or Da-  
vid Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net)

**October 2-4, Montana Championship**

Jokers Wild, Exit 101 on I-90, Missoula MT 59806.  
Main \$60. Satellites. Perks: coffee. Contact: DeLynn  
Colvert (406.543.6855), PO Box 5604, Missoula MT  
59806 or Sharon Hejtmanek (406.549.2843)

**October 3, Schaefer/Steinmetz Shuffle Special**

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Slinger  
WI 53086. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, coffeecake.  
Contact: Al & Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766),  
N162W20333 Butternut Ln, Jackson WI 53037

**October 4, West Bend Classic**

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

**October 4, New Hampshire Open**

Holiday Inn, Northeastern Blvd, Nashua NH 03060.  
Main \$45. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Al Miller  
(603.882.7204), 12 Michael Ave, Nashua NH 03062  
or David Statz (603.247.4335)

**October 9-11, Capital City Classic**

Best Western, 133 SE Delaware Ave, Ankeny IA  
50021. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee,  
lunch. Contact: Dick Ogden (515.419.6818), PO  
Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315-0302

**October 10, Wonderful Woodland "Won Day"**

Woodland Community Center, 2001 East St, Wood-  
land CA 95776. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, donuts,  
lunch, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack  
(707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA  
95519 or Cecil & Julie Felkins (530.669.6772)

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**\$100 to the player who wins the most consecutive games out of the gate**

**Michigan Tournament  
of Diamonds  
August 14-16, 2009**

Holiday Inn Express  
phone: 616.940.8100  
5401 28th Street Court SE  
Grand Rapids MI 49546

Friday 7:30 PM: \$20, 9 games (cut for deal)

Main Saturday 8:30 AM: \$60 + \$20 Q, 22 games (alternate deal)

Saturday 7:30 PM: \$20, 9 games (cut for deal)

Consolation Sunday 9:00 AM: \$30 + \$10 Q, 9 games (cut for deal)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ACC MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to **David Aiken**  
(cribbage@iserv.net or 616.897.8727)  
and mail to:

**Michigan Tournament of Diamonds**  
**P.O. Box 313**  
**Ada MI 49301-0313**

Friday night: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_  
Main entry fee: \$60 \_\_\_\_\_  
Main Q-pool: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_  
Main Super-Q: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday night: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_  
All-Events: \$20 \_\_\_\_\_  
**total remitted:** \_\_\_\_\_



**October 10–11, Columbus Day Cribbage**

Elks Lodge, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701. Main \$60. Satellites. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Margery Clark (541.385.0330), 60945 Granite Dr, Bend OR 97702 or Scott Dague

**October 11, October Occurrence**

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

**October 16–18, Wisconsin Rapids Open**

Hotel Mead, 451 E Grand Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494. Main \$60. Fri \$25. Sat 7:30p \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Patrick & Linda Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494

**October 16–18, Crescent City Open**

Del Norte County Fairground, 421 Hwy 101 N, Crescent City CA 95531. Main \$50. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Jim Waldvogel (707.464.9168), 160 Hinky Rd, Crescent City CA 95531 or Jerry Cutsforth (707.464.2808) or Vernon Ward (707.464.4510)

**October 16–18, Niagara Falls Open**

Quality Hotel, 240 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls NY 14303. Main \$60. Fri 7p \$20. Sat DBL 7:30p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Nelson Wheaton (716.649.3462), 76 Raymond St, Hamburg NY 14075 or Jane Cannizzaro

**October 16–18, Colorado Fall Classic**

Hampton Inn, 137 Union Blvd, Lakewood CO 80228. Main \$55. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Roger Wilson (303.254.4670), 11386 Grove St Unit B, Westminster CO 80031

**October 23–25, North Pole Open**

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$60. Fri 2:30p \$10. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Jeanne & Roger Wauters (920.863.3703), 4753 Denmark Rd, Denmark WI 54208

**October 23–25, Emerald Coast Open**

Elks Lodge, 1335 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. Main \$60. Fri 7p \$20. Sat 7p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Scott & Jenny Bailey (850.582.5945), 1951 Waterford Ridge Rd, Fort Walton Beach FL 32547

**October 24, P&G Open**

Frantone's Villa Restaurant, 12253 E Imperial Hwy, Norwalk CA. Main \$65. Perks: coffee, snacks, lunch. Contact: Gary Sumner (714.313.8863), 3224 Yorba Linda Blvd # 624, Fullerton CA 92831 or Pamela Pomeroy

**October 24, Black Butte Bonanza**

Tollgate Clubhouse, 69316 Stirrup Rd, Sisters OR 97759. Main \$45. Perks: coffee, lunch. **Limit 66 players.** Contact: Winona McDaniel (541.736.1363), 1771 Kellogg Rd, Springfield OR 97477 or Carolyn Blackman

**October 24–26, Richmond Classic**

Steven Kent Hospital Center, 12205 S Crater Rd, Petersburg VA 23805. Main \$60. Fri 7:30p \$30. Sat 7:30p \$30. Sat HR 7:30p \$50. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Rick Allen (804.323.7476), 3013 Landria Dr, Richmond VA 23225 or Janet Meinert

**October 25, Fall U.S. Open**

West Covina Elks, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

**October 30–November 1, Midwest Match Play**

Holiday Inn Express, 5401 28th St Court SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$75. **Limit 64 players.** Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 3p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$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](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net)), P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301 or Jeff Gardner (937.602.0690; [jeff.gardner@wright.edu](mailto:jeff.gardner@wright.edu))

**October 30–November 1, Salem Classic**

Black Bear Inn, 1600 Motor Ct NE, Salem OR 97301. Main \$60. Satellites. All Events \$20. No Saturday walk-ins. Perks: coffee, tea. Contact: Phyllis & Ratso Roderick (503.981.1004), 612 N Cascade Dr #24, Woodburn OR 97071

**October 30–Nov. 1, Cribbage from the Crypt**

Eagles Aerie #483, 110 S Penn St, Port Angeles WA 98362. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Fri HR 7:30p \$50. Sat 7:30p \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Lisa Duff (360.808.7128), PO Box 2008, Port Angeles WA 98362

**October 30–Nov. 1, Lake Tahoe Fall Festival**

Tahoe Biltmore, Hwy 28, Crystal Bay NV 89402. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$20. Fri 6:30p HR \$50. Fri 7p DBL \$50/team. All Events. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Mike McCammon (775.342.0249), 50 Cour De La Celedon, Sparks NV 89434 or Diane Leal

**October 30–Nov. 1, Cribbage from the Crypt**

Eagles Aerie #483, 110 S Penn St, Port Angeles WA 98362. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Fri HR 7:30p \$50. Sat 7:30p \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Lisa Duff (360.808.7128), PO Box 2008, Port Angeles WA 98362

**October 30–Nov. 1, Abe Kealoha Extravaganza**

Richardson Centre, USS Arizona Memorial Dr, Pearl

Harbor HI 96818. Main \$50. Fri DBL 6:30p \$40/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

#### November 1, Dante Club Open

Dante Club, 198 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)

#### November 6-8, Longest Beach Classic

Chautauqua Lodge, 304 N 14th St, Long Beach WA 98631. Main \$60. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$25. Perks: coffee, snacks, lunch. Contact: Rosemary Hendricks (360.858.7434), 19202 Old Highway 99 SW, Rochester WA 98579 or Sharon Hejtmerek (406.549.2843)

#### November 6-8, Sunshine State Classic

Quality Heritage Park Inn, 2050 Irlo Bronson Hwy (Rte 192), Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri DBL 1p \$20/team. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. Perks: donuts, coffee. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd #A4, Kissimmee FL 34744

#### November 11-13, Susanville Fall Classic

Diamond Mountain Casino, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$62. Wed 3p. Wed DBL 7p. Thu 6:30p. Thu HR 7p. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.251.5397), 719-780 Alexander Ln, Standish CA 96128 or Peggy Saber or Peggy Scalley

#### November 13-15, Veterans Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$62. Fri DBL \$50/team. Fri HR \$50. Sat \$25. Sun \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, coffeecake. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Valerie Sumner or Peggy Walberg or Bill Irons

#### November 17-19, Topaz Spring Tournament

Topaz Lodge, Topaz Lake NV. Main \$50. Tue 3p \$10. Tue HR 6:30p \$50. Tue 7p \$20. Wed 7p \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Valerie Sumner (775.392.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Les Sumner or A. J. Tasker or Bob Bartosh

#### November 20-22, Hampton Roads Shoot Out

Surfside Inn (800.437.2497), 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. Main \$60. Fri 7p \$30. Sat 7p \$30. Sat HR 7p. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452

#### November 20-22, Three Rivers Open

Three Rivers Casino, 5647 Hwy 126, Florence OR 97439. Main \$60. Fri EB \$10, DBL \$50/team, HR

\$50. Sat \$10. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Rick Pierce (541.968.0905), 855 56th St, Springfield OR 97478 or Winona McDaniel (541.736.1363)

#### November 27-29, Thanksgiving Classic

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. Main \$50. Thu 7p \$20. Fri 3p \$20. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$40/team. Sat 7p \$20. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Larry & Donna Hasset (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97471

#### December 6, Hawai'i Championship

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Crystal Grange, 2160 NE Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bob Maupin (360.876.6318), 4920 Sherlyn Ave SE, Port Orchard WA 98367 or Larry West

#### December 20, Santa Special

Quality Inn, 2050 E Rte 192, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (727.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd Lot A4, Kissimmee FL 34744

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1/8-10	Peg for the Border	La Mesa CA
1/15-17	Georgia Open	Augusta GA
1/23	Fallbrook Avocado	Fallbrook CA
1/29-31	Northern California Open	Redding CA
1/31	Hawai'i Open	Pearl Harbor HI
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2/20	Valentine's Day Open	Antioch CA
2/20	California Championship	Santa Rosa CA
2/28	Hawai'i Open	Pearl Harbor HI
3/19-21	Roadrunner Classic	Tempe AZ
3/21	Caribbean Cruise	Galveston TX
3/26-28	Kissimmee Open	Kissimmee FL
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3/28	Ed Schweitzer Memorial	Pearl Harbor HI
4/9-11	Washington State Open	Sunnyside WA
4/9-11	Winnemucca Classic	Winnemucca NV
4/16-18	Washington State Champ.	Centralia WA
4/29-31	Lake Tahoe Open	Crystal Bay NV
9/24-26	Winnemucca Classic	Winnemucca NV

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING • FEBRUARY 5, 2009

## SANDS REGENCY CASINO HOTEL • RENO NV

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

The BOD recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was taken. Present were Dave Aiken, Pat Barrett, David Campbell, Martha Fingleton, Larry Hassett, Sharon Hejtmánek, Jeanne Hofbauer, Roy Hofbauer, Bob Julian, Tom Lewis, Al Lindner, Herschel Mack, Bill Medeiros, Bob Milk, Ron Morgan, Cathy Perkins, Joan Rein, Phyllis Schmidt, Jeff Shimp, Valerie Sumner, Fred White, Keith Widener, and Dan Zeisler. Not present: Joe Bernard and George Bickford (excused absences).

Martha asked that the agenda be approved. Cathy Perkins made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd by Herschel Mack. Motion approved.

Jeanne Hofbauer asked that the minutes of the last meeting be approved and made a motion to do so, 2nd by Bob Milk. Motion approved.

Bob McCabe presented the Treasurer's report. The ACC had a loss of \$5,069 for the six months ending 12/31/08. This was primarily due to the purchase of playing cards for eventual resale to clubs and tournaments. In addition, we had the usual first half-year spike in award expenses. He expects that as the cards sell and the awards expenses even out, we will move toward meeting the FY-2009 budget. He suggested we alert members that the cards are available for purchase. Joan said that with shipping the cost is about \$.50 per deck. Martha suggested that the Regional Commissioners notify tournament directors about the cards.

**Item #7:** the BOD discussed printing the ACC's financial report in *Cribbage World*. It was decided to print a summary of the financial report once a year in CW.

**Item #8:** There was discussion about changing article IV.h in the ACC Constitution and Bylaws. The new text would be as follows: "A Director who misses 50% or more of the board meetings scheduled during his/her term (unless excused by the Executive Vice President) shall be removed from the Board by the President and replaced by an appointee as soon as practicable in accordance with Article IV.g. A person so removed from the Board of Directors shall be barred from running again or serving as a Director for five years." Dave Aiken made a motion to accept the new text, 2nd by Jeff Shimp. Motion approved, one nay

**Item #9:** Larry Hassett wanted it clarified that though we are approving rule changes, they would not go into effect until the new rulebook is printed and that our Policy and Procedure manual had to be updated at the same time. He reported that we have approximately 800 rulebooks left. Herschel stated that anyone could call him and he would send them a list of the rule changes that had been approved so far for inclusion in the new rulebook, as there seemed to be a lot of interest from the membership. Herschel then proceeded to go over the proposed changes from the Rules Committee. We went through the list making suggestions, changes, and additions to it. Don Smith brought a suggestion to the BOD about a problem involving pegging. We discussed it and agreed that it was problematic; Herschel said he would study it with the committee and bring back their recommendations. Herschel said we are nearing the completion of the work for the new

rulebook.

**Item #10:** Herschel presented a proposal submitted by Jones Horn regarding establishing guidelines for vendors at tournaments such as the Grand National and the TOC. This stemmed from an incident where orders were paid for, but not received from the vendor. Sharon stated that this incident was handled by the Ethics Committee and that the vendor had been suspended until he makes good on the orders. After much discussion, the BOD decided that such guidelines would probably not have an effect such incidents (which rarely happen) and would involve more work for the tournament director.

**Item #11:** Jeanne presented a proposal from Bernie Nelson suggesting that "all Grand National Tournaments be exempt from ACC Sanctioning fees, thereby helping to increase the tournament prize fund." He believes that it would help tournaments that have more expenses bolster their prize funds, thereby directly benefiting the attendees, without having any significant impact on the overall ACC membership. Bob McCabe was asked his opinion, as treasurer. He stated that we already subsidize the Grand National. Two future GN Directors, Peggy Scalley and Jack Howsare, stated that they were raising their entry fees by \$10 to bolster their payouts. It was the consensus of the BOD that we should keep the status quo and not exempt the sanctioning fees.

**Item #12:** Joan Rein presented a proposal for GN 31 in 2012. She has been in contact with the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton WI, with the possible dates of September 20-23, 2012. She handed out brochures and a proposal from the hotel. Martha stated that this was the only proposal received so far for 2012 and that a decision to award the bid will be made in September.

**Item #13:** GN 28 Directors Jeff Shimp and Dave Aiken handed out envelopes to the BOD with entry forms and information about making hotel reservations. They are putting entry forms in the envelopes received by JPW/ACC Open attendees and using many different ways to distribute their flyers. Jeff stated that there is no charge for the convention space. He said that the flyers for the tournaments held in the week before the GN would soon be ready. Jeanne mentioned that the representative from Terryberry Co., from whom we order watches and rings, had asked if the BOD would like to tour their headquarters in Grand Rapids. There was interest, so she will work on the arrangements. Jack Howsare gave a brief update to GN 29. Peggy Scalley mentioned that GN 30 may have to change locations because the facility in Redding CA will not have a hotel built in time as planned. However, the tournament *will* be held in California, and they are in the process of exploring other venues now.

**Item #14:** Martha presented a proposal to reconfigure the All American Team and eliminate the All Regional awards. She suggested that we increase the All American Team so that it comprises the sixteen persons (a flexible figure, but not to exceed twenty) who have earned the most MRPs, regardless of the region(s) in which they live; and retire the All Regional awards. This proposal is only meant to affect the awards given by the ACC, not the regional team competition held in February on the Thursday before the TOC in Reno. She did not expect that we would make any de-

cisions today, but hoped to get some input on this issue, perhaps forming a committee to study it. After discussion, it was decided to form an ad hoc committee that will bring their suggestions to the September meeting. The members are Keith Widener (chair), Dave Campbell, Valerie Sumner, Al Lindner, and Bob Julian.

Lunch break, resume at 1p.

**Item #15:** Pat Barrett said that this is the third year of voting by the 100-person panel. This year 26 nominations were submitted for eight nominees. There were 97 ballots returned. Pat said that eight members of the panel had moved, so he asked each BOD member to give him updated info on their three chosen panel members before each vote. The results of the voting yielded one new member elected to the ACC Hall of Fame: Catherine Perkins. She will be inducted into the HOF at GN 28. Mentioned in further discussion was: going back to the two-envelope system; that perhaps Pat could prelabel the return envelopes; and that the criteria for HOF election be included in the balloting package.

**Item #16:** Jeanne stated that shortly after the September meeting two members asked permission to use the ACC Logo. Though there is supposed to be a form for them to fill out, it was apparently never made, plus the trademark was supposed to have been renewed in 2004. She is now in the process of renewing it.

**Item #17:** Dan Zeisler showed the BOD the T-shirts that the Sands had printed for his upcoming youth tournament. They provided 72 shirts. He thanked Dave Aiken for the space in CW for his monthly column. He is getting a lot of responses. He has gotten requests for his teaching manual from Germany and France. Dan also said that when the youth program gets a donation of \$25 or more, he is notified by Larry Hassett, and Dan writes a thank you letter to the sponsor. In January a youth tournament in Chico CA had 58 kids, and he is anticipating 50 to 60 kids for his tournament later this month. Since he gets so many questions regarding counting, etc., he volunteered to be the contact person on the website for people seeking answers to cribbage questions. The BOD agreed to this, and he will contact Diane Waite, the webmaster, to put this info on the website.

**Item #18:** Tom Lewis presented his Public Relations and Marketing report. He encouraged all Grass Roots club members to write stories for their local publications. He recommended discontinuing the ACC posters with "pull off" tabs and the "Cribbage Anyone?" brochures when current supplies run out. Also AARP has again been contacted regarding publication of ACC items in their publications. He is holding off until after the BOD election to further report some of the recommendations of his committee, to avoid any appearance of electioneering.

**Item #19:** Joan reported that as of this morning there were 548 TOC entries. Roy reported that Scott had finished the drawing for seats, and there were 947 entries, with a few more expected.

**Item #20:** Dave Aiken reported that the birthday of Sir John Suckling (the inventor of the game of cribbage) was being celebrated by the ACC in several ways. The cover and several interior pages of the January *Cribbage World* were devoted to him. Dave had contacted some 11th-generation members of the Suckling family living in San Diego and Washington State, and though they could not attend this tournament, there may be a chance of them attending GN 28. There will be a Suckling impersonator making an

appearance on Saturday. Two contests will have the winners announced on Saturday. The year 1609 was the year of Sir John's birth, so during Saturday's 22-game qualifying round, anyone holding a 16-hand with a 9-crib will win a Sand's T-Shirt, and all of those winners will then be in a drawing for a stay in a suite donated by the Sands. Also, the Reno post office will be on hand Saturday with a pictorial postmark honoring Sir John and the ACC. Dave also has a contact with a stamp news publication that will feature the postmark, which highlights the American Cribbage Congress and the World's Largest Cribbage Tournament.

Martha again thanked the Sands for all of their support for this weekend's activities. She also reminded the BOD members that there is a reception in the next room at 3p, hosted by the Sands, which gives us an opportunity to meet and say thank you to several of the "behind the scenes" members of the Sands' team.

**Item #21:** Bob Milk proposed that we start all BOD meetings at 9a as we have done at the Grand National tournaments, where the early start accommodates the Grass Roots Tournament of Champions. He feels we get more work done in the mornings, as opposed to the "after lunch" crunch. Jeff Shimp made a motion that we accept 9a as a start time for all BOD meetings, 2nd by Phyllis Schmidt. Motion carried.

Roy asked if there were any updates to internet cribbage. Bob Milk said they had to drop two tournaments a month because of lack of tournament directors. They are looking to restart them in April because they have more volunteer directors, and they will be holding the tournaments on [ecribbage.com](http://ecribbage.com), so now there will be two sites for internet tournaments.

Pat Barrett wanted us to know that Diane Waite, our ACC webmaster, is here this weekend, and suggested that if we have any questions or comments for her to be sure and contact her.

Next BOD Meeting: Friday, September 25, 2009, at 9a (EDT) at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids MI.

Catherine Perkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Al Lindner. Motion carried

Meeting adjour



## ***Milestones!***

**Carol Volland (WA)**  
**turns 70 on June 9**

**Bill Christofferson (CO)**  
**turns 70 on June 19**

*CW acknowledges birthdays of members who hit an even decade. Send information two months in advance to [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net) or P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313.*

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