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My Deal

by David Aiken



Cribbage can be a very humbling game. Just when you think you're starting to understand how to play, how to win on a regular basis, you can get zapped with terrible cards and go into a dizzying tailspin.

The past couple months have been very good to me. I got GRPs six consecutive weeks at my Grass Roots club, starting with an eight-win night on December 23. I visited clubs in Kalamazoo MI and Milwaukee WI and took first place at both. I won a grueling match in the first round of the Midwest Long Match.

It was hard to remember when I wasn't winning. And then I got to Reno.

I played in the Tournament of Champions on Friday morning and won only four of sixteen games. I played in the Cribbage Bowl that afternoon and won seven of twelve games. The JPW/ACC Open saw me winning eight of twenty-two games. (See where this is going?) And I played in the consolation on Sunday and won only three of nine games.

A dismal 37.3%—barely more than a third of my games. Who am I kidding? What makes me think I know anything about playing this game!

At least for me, after a string of bad hands and games with no cuts, I tend to do dimwitted things in a futile effort to turn things around. I pair everything in sight, throw dangerously into my opponent's crib in order to hold my four points, get into pegging sequences that I can't possibly come out ahead on—and in general make bad choices. (Makes you wanna play



me, huh? Well, take a number.)

We all have to play the cards we're dealt, but that doesn't mean we have to do it stupidly. The best players—people named Wayne, Phyllis, Warren, or Erik—are those who do the most with poor cards. No, they don't win every game (in fact, one of these master cribbers had a worse scorecard in the TOC than my miserable 8/4–125). But on the whole, they qualify more often and go deeper into the playoffs because they play smart.

Despite this year's dismal showing, I won't miss Reno for anything (my family has strict instructions to not schedule any medical emergencies during the second weekend in February). Now all I have to do is get smart before February 12, 2010.



Word reached CW just before sending this issue to the printer that **Joe Bernard** (Antioch IL) died on Monday, February 16. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Cynthia and their children at this time of sorrow. CW will publish a tribute to Joe in the April issue.


CW editor


I beat Ronnie Kaufman (MI) by 43 at Grass Roots club

January record: 58-35 (62.4%)

Noel Hayward (MI) beat me by 39 at Midwest Match Play

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Winter Wonder One-Day (Portland OR; Dec. 6)	Ken Julkowski	36 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (40) 1. Bernie Nelson (105) 2. Winona Johnson (70) 3. Jeanne Jelke (42) 3. Dan Marsh (42)	18 players HQ. James Langley (18) 1. James Langley (40) 2. Don Grieve (24) 3. Mike Troutman (12) 3. T. J. Julkowski (12)		
Western Washington Ltd. (Poulsbo WA; Dec. 7)	Dennis Misnar	42 players HQ. Ron Gustafson (35) 1. James Langley (105) 2. Jim Duff (70) 3. Glenna Little (42) 3. Channing Holmes (42)	23 players HQ. David Grayson (9) 1. Larry West (40) 2. David Grayson (24) 3. Bob Wikstrom (12) 3. Shari Wikstrom (12)	28-hand: Chris Christensen*	
Winter Solstice (Ventura CA; Dec. 20)	Cy Madrone	50 players HQ. Walt Krukow (45) 1. Mike McCammon (105) 2. Ryan Gerlach (70) 3. Milton Goodman (42) 3. Brian Kearney (42)	34 players HQ. DeLynn Colvert (18) 1. Sylvia Sutton (60) 2. Rodney Rideau (40) 3. Julien Pomerleau (24) 3. Don Brown (24)	28-hand: Rodney Rideau*	
Peg for the Border (San Diego CA; Jan. 9-11)	Shelley Berman	38 players HQ. Bryan Gurden (60) 1. Artland Kaai (105) 2. Walter Conell Jr. (70) 3. Bryan Gurden (42) 3. Rodney Rideau (42)	22 players HQ. Ross Njaa (12) 1. Ross Njaa (40) 2. Norman Nikodym (24) 3. Montana Conell (12) 3. John Kern (12)		Doubles: Walt & Tana Conell
Virginia Championship (Petersburg VA; Jan. 9-11)	Rick Allen	59 players HQ. David Sniogowski (50) 1. Cate Campbell-Correa (105) 2. Larry Phifer (70) 3. Jeff Raynes (42) 3. Susan Cousens (42)	43 players HQ. Jack Howsare (18) 1. Pat Wefel (60) 2. Jack Howsare (40) 3. Thomas Owens Jr. (24) 3. Harvey Greenberg (24)	28-hand: Ron Reece*	Friday: Howard Terry Saturday: Tom Brent

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Carter Classic (Carter WI; Jan. 9-11)	Dottie Culver	108 players HQ. Ed Balcer (55) 1. Kenneth Rosvold (147) 2. Cyril Schmidt (105) 3. Frank Danielski (70) 3. Marsha Mahan (70)	62 players HQ. Dan Taylor (18) 1. James Heemstra (60) 2. Larry LaGassie (40) 3. Tom Briski (24) 3. Doug Page (24)	28-hands: Frank Pacocha* Ken Rosvold* Ron Peters* Kelly Holt* Bob McCabe	<i>Early Bird:</i> Don Hannula <i>Friday:</i> Keith Widener <i>Saturday:</i> Mike Starrine <i>All Events:</i> Frank Pacocha
Midwest Match Play (Muskegon MI; Jan. 16-18)	David Aiken & Jeff Gardner	41 players 1. Tom Kenniston (105) 2. Jeff Shimp (70) 3. Bob Chambers (48) 4. Donald Flesch (36)	36 players HQ. Jim Harberson (18) 1. Daniel Betz (60) 2. Mark Van Dyke (40) 3. Kathy Blough (24) 3. Wayne Steinmetz (24)	28-hand: Connie Ewka*	<i>Friday:</i> Al Engle <i>Saturday:</i> Noel Hayward
Georgia Open (Augusta GA; Jan. 16-18)	Dave O'Neil	60 players HQ. Harry Maiden (35) 1. Rick Allen (105) 2. Jim Lunder (70) 3. Mark Mano (42) 3. Jerry Russell (42)	49 players HQ. Jeff Raynes (18) 1. Steve Angler (60) 2. John Blowers (40) 3. Jim Lunder (24) 3. Steve McAllister-Pell (24)	28-hand: Jerry Russell	<i>Friday:</i> Jack Howsare <i>Saturday:</i> Fred Desnoyers

GRAND SLAMI!

* = in a sanctioned event

Tournament Tidbits

Virginia Championship Two players recorded their first-ever tournament wins by holding off more experienced players in the finals. **Cate Campbell-Correa** (Bridgewater NJ) beat Life Master **Larry Phifer** (Raleigh NC) in the main, and **Pat Wefel** (Raeford NC) did the same against Grand Master **Jack Howsare** (Virginia Beach VA) in the consolation.



The Prez and Sir John

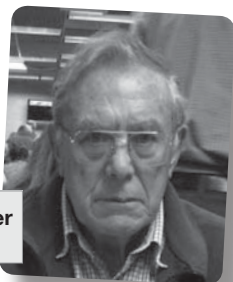
Joe's Got Nothing on These Players!

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

- 1738 Janet C. Viands (VA)
- 1729 Sue Pisha (OR)



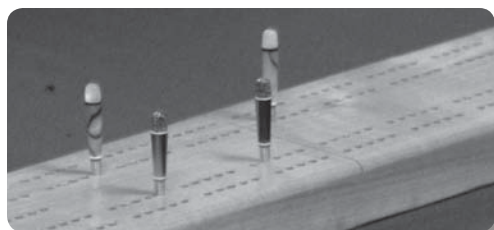
Now that's a 29-hand!



Ian Travers, #2 qualifier in the consolation

R E N O

Wrap-Up



1609 and All That Jazz

In celebration of the birth of **Sir John Suckling** four hundred years ago in 1609, twenty-five players in the ACC Open qualifying round who held a 16-hand/9-crib combo won a commemorative Suckling postcard and a Sands t-shirt.

We drew one name from this population as the grand prize winner of a free weekend at the Sands in the coming year. The lucky winner was **Joe Gates** (Lakewood CO). Other players who held a 16-hand/9-crib combo were these:

- John Alig (Mesa AZ)
- Jerry Blackman (Sisters OR)
- Gerry Chumbley (Sun City West AZ)
- Roy Cook (Oceanside CA)
- Ginny Danielski (Little Chute WI)
- John Dellarsina (El Cajon CA)
- Michael D. Green (Yuba City CA)
- Ellie Grove (Red Lion PA)
- Michelle Gryka (Grand Rapids MI)
- John Gwinnup (Loveland CO)
- Phil Hicks (Soquel CA)
- Kenneth N. Johnson (Jupiter FL)
- Chris Kim (Anchorage AK)
- Darren Lilley (Huntsville AL)
- Jim Morelan (Little Canada MN)
- Maija Moyers (Albuquerque NM)
- Pink Pinkerton (Cheyenne WY)
- Pat Railey (Santa Ana CA)
- Vernon Rohde (Anchorage AK)
- John J. Rooney Sr. (Randolph MA)
- Richard Shea (Eureka CA)
- Veronica Sosh (Boca Raton FL)
- Valerie Sumner (Sparks NV)
- Janet C. Viands (Reston VA)



**It must be
Sunday evening!**

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Who Was that Masked Man?

The ACC and the Sands Casino Hotel celebrated Sir John Suckling's 400th birthday in grand style last month. This was the twenty-third TOC/Open to be held at the Sands, and each one gets better.

The four cribbage events drew a combined 2,926 players; the Board of Directors conducted the business of the ACC; the Board of Volunteers did the same for the Grass Roots program; the All Star Competition drew the nation's top players into tight competition (along with a gaggle of All Star wannabes); two CW contest winners were announced; the Reno post office supplied a special postmark honoring Suckling's birth and the world's largest cribbage tournament; and a whole raft of people held 16-hand/9-crib combos in honor of the year of Sir John's birth.

This four-day Suckling-fest was enjoyed by all, and everyone who attended owes a huge debt of gratitude to the many people who made Reno such a roaring success this year:

- Sir Jeff "the Masked Intruder" Gardner
- Dan "the Supply King" Graf
- Roy and Jeanne "the First Couple of Cribbage" Hofbauer
- Bob "the Wunderkind" Joslin and His Magic Fingers
- Scott "Yep, He's Still Smiling" Kooistra
- Ron and Laurie "May I Have My Money Now?" Logan
- St. Joan Rein
- Jeff "Chief Whip-Cracker and Tabulator" Shimp
- Liz "Registrar Extraordinaire" Truman
- Rick "the Camera Guy" Westerman
- Roger "Here Comes the Judge" Wilson
- Barbara "Wonder Woman" Woodward



**Sir John drinks
Mountain Dew?**

JPW/ACC Open

Last year, **Patrick Barrett** had an absolutely horrible time traveling from Wisconsin Rapids WI to Reno NV and then back home again—experiencing near-blizzard conditions, a flat tire, and a forced overnight stay in the Chicago area. This year's trip was a bit easier, even though his suitcase was several pounds heavier on the return trip because he was lugging home the ACC Open championship trophy and the \$10,000 check for first place.

The field of 986—down just slightly from 1,016 players in 2008—saw Master **Bob Wikstrom** (Bainbridge Island WA) turn in the top scorecard of 43/19 +328. Bob lost only three games during the 22-game qualifying round (for a really cool 86.4% batting average), but then—as the story so frequently seems to go—lost three out of five games in his first playoff match (following a first-round bye) against #128 **James Weires** (Faribault MN).

For only the second time in twenty-four years, Life Master (★) **Martha Fingleton** (Milwaukee WI) qualified in the Open—and this time made a rather emphatic statement with an impressive 38/18 +185 scorecard, which was good enough for fifth place in the qualifying field. Of the top ten qualifiers, Martha was the only one to advance to the fourth round,

aided, no doubt, by her pushover match in the third round against Life Master (★★) **Warren Sondericker**.

Patrick qualified #130 with a 30/14 +69 scorecard and faced eight determined opponents—including traveling companion **Elliott Havitz**—during his 25-7 playoff run for the roses.

The two semi-final matches saw Life Master **Ginny Danielski** (Little Chute WI) waging a futile battle against Patrick, while newcomer **Joseph White** (Pompano Beach FL) dispatched Life Master **Rex Paddock** (Missoula MT) in three straight games.

Nearly 12,000 games were played in the main tourney, and only Patrick went home the ACC champion. But everyone who played in this cribbage extravaganza weekend went home a winner.



Joe White
ACC Open Runner-up

Patrick's opponents during his championship run:

#127 **Erik C. Plante** (Sandy UT)

#2 Life Master **Bob Bartosh** (Sacramento CA)

#191 Life Master (★★) **James Langley** (Red Bluff CA)

#223 Life Master (★★) **"Ras" Rasmussen** (Napavine WA)

#207 **Elliott Havitz** (Wisconsin Rapids WI)

#231 Grand Master **George Mackie** (Seattle WA)

#35 Life Master **Ginny Danielski** (Little Chute WI)

#156 **Joseph White** (Pompano Beach FL)

Tournament of Champions

Does anyone remember the debate about allowing internet players to enter the TOC? Just in case you were on the wrong side of that argument—thinking that internet players couldn't hold their own with the “big boys,” couldn't count their cards, couldn't play real cribbage—well, think again!

For the second time in three years, a player invited to the Tournament of Champions on the basis of internet play won the event. In 2007, internet player **Scott Buhrow** (Dallas TX) won the TOC, and this year **Richard Shea** (Eureka CA) waltzed through the field to put paid to the specious argument that internet players needn't be taken seriously.

The field of 548 players (up from 544 in 2008)—35.75% of eligible players—expectantly took the boards early on Friday morning, and at the end of the sixteen-game qualifying round, the 2007 Rookie of the Year **George Bryer** (Saugus MA)



Doug Page
TOC Runner-up

posted the highest score: 31/14 +169. The playoffs took place on Friday afternoon and evening, until the field was whittled down to the four semifinalists, listed here in order of their qualifying positions:

- #21 Life Master (★) **Don Flesch** (WI)
- #34 Life Master (★) **Doug Page** (WI)
- #54 **Ron Musolf** (MD)
- #113 **Richard Shea** (CA)

When the TOC playoffs resumed on Saturday afternoon, Doug and Rick quickly dispatched Ron and Don, and then Rick captured the championship by beating Doug 3-1 in the finals.

Only one 28-hand showed up in the TOC—held by **Dutch Gehrlich** (Bowie MD)—but no 29s.

As you begin thinking about the 2010 TOC—to be held in Reno on February 12–13—perhaps it would be a good idea to log on to cribbage.org and practice your internet cribbage skills.

ACC Open Top Ten Qualifiers

- | | |
|---------------------|------------|
| 1. Bob Wikstrom | 43/19 +328 |
| 2. Bob Bartosh | 41/18 +292 |
| 3. Dean Bauman | 39/18 +298 |
| 4. James Heemstra | 38/18 +230 |
| 5. Martha Fingleton | 38/18 +185 |
| 6. Peter A. Jackson | 37/18 +193 |
| 7. Robert Medeiros | 37/17 +229 |
| 8. Larry Phifer | 37/17 +201 |
| 9. Terry Hurtgen | 37/16 +194 |
| 10. Erik Locke | 36/16 +240 |

TOC Top Ten Qualifiers

- | | |
|----------------------|------------|
| 1. George Bryer | 31/14 +169 |
| 2. Scott Kooistra | 30/13 +196 |
| 3. Harvey Honeycutt | 27/13 +166 |
| 4. Bruce D. Sattler | 27/13 +155 |
| 5. Larry Lagassie | 27/13 +150 |
| 6. Burt K. Ellis | 27/12 +173 |
| 7. Patrick Barrett | 27/12 +163 |
| 8. Doris Sanders | 27/12 +152 |
| 9. Gary Wirth | 27/12 +147 |
| 10. Sharon L. Liotta | 27/12 +103 |

JPW Consolation

On Sunday morning—after a long weekend of playing cribbage (and not a few casino games)—746 players (down from 794 in 2008) gathered once again to play the “world’s largest consolation tournament.”

Ian Travers (Cheyenne WY) turned in an impressive grand slam—a 19/9 +139—only to be outdone by Life Master **Larry Phifer** (Raleigh NC), who had a slightly better grand slam: 20/9 +160.

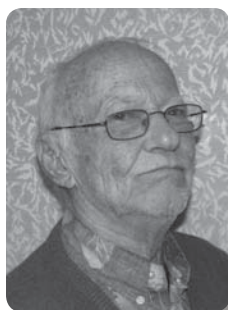
The Western Region placed four players in the semifinals, listed here by their qualifying position:

- #19 **Jack Wifladt** (AB)
- #26 **Chuck Schutz** (CA)
- #33 Life Master **Bruce Wridge** (OR)
- #93 Master **Irma Symons** (OR)

Irma qualified #93 with a 14/5 scorecard and faced eight tired, yet challenging, opponents on her way to the final championship of the weekend:

Chuck Schutz
Consolation Runner-up

- #164 **Kay Buie** (CA)
- #36 **Frank Pacocha** (WI)
- #100 Master **Matt Easterbrook** (VA)
- #4 Life Master **Peter Setian** (MA)
- #52 **Mary Miller** (OR)
- #172 Master **Leslie Hein** (WA)
- #33 Life Master **Bruce Wridge** (OR)
- #26 **Chuck Schutz** (CA)



After Irma beat Chuck, she danced the dance of joy, and then everybody went home to lick their cribbage wounds and wait for next year.

Cribbage Bowl

A record-setting 646 players entered the Cribbage Bowl on Friday afternoon in Reno, and three of them won eleven of their twelve games.


The best scorecard was posted by **Wendy Schmidt** (Mount Pleasant MI), who lost only a single game by 16 holes on her way to posting a 25/11 +239. Just behind her were Life Master (★) **Ron Morgan** (Loyalton CA) and **Barbara Kokoni** (Carrollton TX), who scored 24/11 +129 and 23/11 +188, respectively.





TOP FOUR RENO SCORECARDS


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Bryer, George

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	2	05		WMA	M-21
2	0		06	COM	19
3	2	09		BZ	13
4	2	19		BAW	13
5	2	04		WH	5
6	X		32	WMA	M-35
7	2	08		LMT	M-31
8	2	04		Y	M-27
9	2	11		ML	M-23
10	2	17		GA	M-19
11	2	05		J	M-1
12	3	33		PW	11
13	3	41		Page	7
14	2	06		J	M-3
15	3	33		RR	33
16	2	13		MM	M-29
Total Game Points	31	258	256	Player must verify totals and sign below, thus accepting figures as correct.	
Games Won	14	NET POINTS (+/-)			
		+169			

Signature: 

American Cribbage Official Scorecard




MI 1195

Wendy Schmidt

Mt Pleasant MI

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	2	24		JF	63
2	2	16		HS	246
3	3	34		YCL	01
4	2	12		BB	G-30
5	2	07		Re	G-18
6	2	18		BB	G-14
7	0		16	mnp	G-4
8	3	32		FF	G-12
9	3	49		FF	B-10
10	2	14		ZM	G-8
11	2	29		m	e-6
12	2	20		EL	G-4
Total Game Points	25	255	16	Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting figures as correct.	
Games Won	11	NET POINTS (+/-)			
		239			

Signature: 

TOC

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Name Bob Wikstrom

City Bainbridge Island



Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	2	06		LB	L3
2	-		01	NP.	L-24
3	2	23		D.H.	L-1
4	2	13		RP	L-20
5	3	33		DL	L-18
6	2	25		MS	L-16
7	3	39		A	14
8	-		42	DR	12
9	2	23		VC	L-10
10	-		12	QW	L-8
11	2	11		GB	6
12	3	41		SW	L-4
13	2	06		WST	2
14	2	03		QRT	23
15	2	21		RT	21
16	3	40		PM	19
17	2	07		WV	L-17
18	2	26		RB	L-15
19	2	05		LP	L-13
20	2	30		JL	11
21	2	10		R	L-09
22	3	30		AW	L7
Total Game Points	47	(+) 383	(-) 55	Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0 Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.	
Games Won	19	NET-POINTS (+/-) +328			
Signature	Wikstrom MF				



Phifer, Larry
Raleigh NC
NC 359



Name _____
Table _____ Seat # CC-30

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	2	06		NM	CC-13
2	2	01		AW	CC-11
3	3	31		CR	CC-8
4	2	21		SH	CC-6
5	2	16		/	4
6	2	26		Q.M.	32
7	3	35		HC	29
8	2	13		JR	27
9	2	11		Betty	25
Total Game Points	20	(+) 160	(-) 0		
Games Won	9	NET POINTS (+/-) +160			
Signature	Larry Phifer				

ACC OPEN

CONSOLATION

Western Region All Stars in a Squeaker

The Western Region, led by Captain **Erik Royland Locke**, captured the 19th annual All Star Competition, played in Reno on Thursday, February 5.

In what was, by all accounts, the closest All Star Tourney ever, the Western team squeaked out a single-point victory over the Central team, led by Master **Brad Behm** (WI): 137-136. The Central team actually won more games (65-64), but had only six skunks to the West's nine, which allowed the West to claim the victory.

The Eastern Region team, led by Life Master (★★★) **Phyllis Schmidt** (MA), was also tantalizingly close, with a score of 134 GPs. Despite their disappointment at finishing in last place for the second consecutive year, the East still holds a 7-6-6 overall lead in the series.

The Western All Star team was com-

posed of the following players:

- Life Master **Erik Locke** (Portland OR)
- Life Master (★★★★) **Duane Toll** (Sutherlin OR)
- Life Master (★) **Mel Ashley** (Marina CA)
- Life Master (★) **Roland Hall** (Napa CA)
- Life Master **Bob Bartosh** (Sacramento CA)
- Life Master **Cy Madrone** (Santa Barbara CA)
- Life Master **Jeanne Jelke** (Pasco WA)
- Life Master **Jim Crawford** (Mountain View CA)

On an individual basis, Mel Ashley came in first with a 25/12 +95 scorecard. He was followed closely by Life Master (★★) **Wayne Steinmetz** (Milwaukee WI) at 23/11 +87, Life Master **Earle Remington** (Cumberland RI) at 22/11 +79, and **Beth Witter** (Green Bay WI) at 22/10 +116.



Locke



Toll



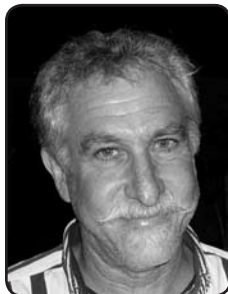
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Cathy Perkins Newest HOF Member

At the February ACC Board of Directors meeting in Reno, **Patrick Barrett**, chairman of the Hall of Fame Voting Committee, announced that **Catherine Perkins** (Bear Creek NC) had been elected to the ACC's Hall of Fame. Cathy garnered eighty votes among the ninety-seven ballots cast. (Nominees must receive positive votes from 75% or more of the HOF voters.)

An ACC charter member, Cathy has an impressive list of cribbage credentials: Grand Master ranking (5,137 lifetime MRPs), six main tournament wins (including National Open 10 and Grand National 22), and Bronze Award (2,210 GRPs at Club 58 in Raleigh NC).

But Cathy's accomplishments go far beyond the cribbage board. She has . . .

- directed a Grass Roots club for over twenty years
- served as Grass Roots regional statistician since 1993
- been director or codirector of the National Open since 1989
- served with distinction on the BOD

since 1989, including multiple terms on the executive committee and numerous committees

- been a judge since the inception of the judging program and is now a senior judge

The HOF was established to recognize people exactly like Cathy—those who have proven their skill *and* contributed to the well-being of the ACC. She

always displays ethical play, and her infectious smile is the embodiment of good sportsmanship.

With her selfless promotion of cribbage and altruistic service to our organization, Cathy's election to the Hall of Fame was long overdue. She will be formally inducted into the HOF at the Awards Banquet in Grand Rapids MI on September 26.



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Other Hall of Fame Nominees

Other nominees on the ballot but not elected to the HOF this year were these outstanding ACC members (in descending order of votes):

- Life Master (★) **Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen** (Napavine WA)
- Life Master (★) **Rollie Heath** (Lincoln City OR)
- Life Master (★★★★) **Duane Toll** (Sutherlin OR)
- **Elda Madsen** (Chicago IL)
- Master **Dan Zeisler** (Grass Valley CA)
- Life Master (★) **Ron Morgan** (Loyalton CA)
- Grand Master **Marvin Lang** (Woodstock IL)

Extreme Cribbage Did anyone play more cribbage in Reno than Life Master (★) **Doug Page** (Appleton WI)? Here's a list of his official games:

event	games
All Star Tournament	16
TOC qualifying round	16
TOC playoffs	26
main qualifying round	22
main playoffs	13
consolation	9
total	102

Doug might have been the only player smiling when he missed qualifying in the consolation. By then he was “cribbaged” out.

All Knotted Up **Winona Johnson** and **Mike McDaniel**, both of Springfield OR, exchanged wedding vows on Thursday afternoon before the start of the cribbage festivities—and they then spent their honeymoon doing what they enjoy most.

Golden Pegs **Bob and Shari Wikstrom** (Bainbridge Island WA) celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Saturday in Reno. Bob celebrated all the way to high qualifier, with a 43/19 +328 scorecard!

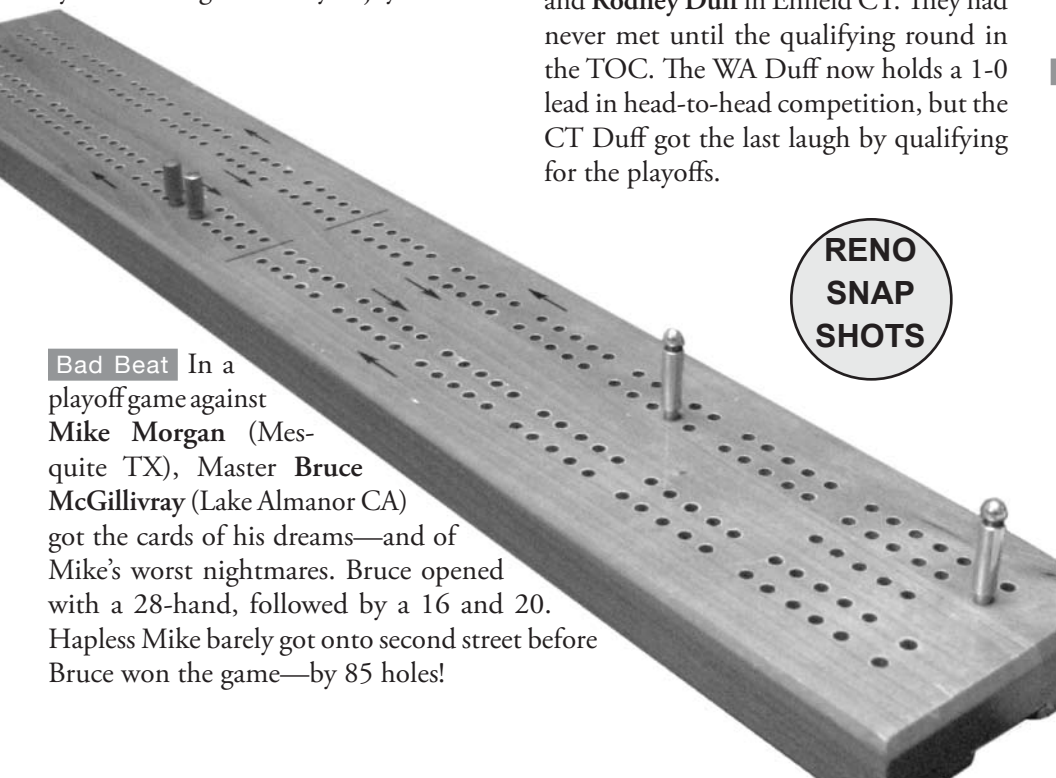
All Knotted Up Redux In large tournaments, it is not uncommon for identical scores to be recorded for games points, games won, and net spread. When this happens, the tabulators have to go to last tiebreaker—plus points—to determine a player's prize money or bracket placement. The TOC saw four pairs of identical scorecards, the Cribbage Bowl had fifteen pairs, the main tourney had eleven pairs, and the consolation had twenty-one pairs and an amazing five sets of identical triplets!

Duff v. Duff Only two men surnamed Duff are ACC members. They are unrelated and live on opposite sides of the country: **Jim Duff** in Port Angeles WA and **Rodney Duff** in Enfield CT. They had never met until the qualifying round in the TOC. The WA Duff now holds a 1-0 lead in head-to-head competition, but the CT Duff got the last laugh by qualifying for the playoffs.

Bad Beat In a playoff game against **Mike Morgan** (Mesquite TX), Master **Bruce McGillivray** (Lake Almanor CA) got the cards of his dreams—and of Mike's worst nightmares. Bruce opened with a 28-hand, followed by a 16 and 20. Hapless Mike barely got onto second street before Bruce won the game—by 85 holes!



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Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

Trophy boards—cribbage boards presented as trophies to those who do well at tournaments—are a popular feature at ACC tournaments around the country. This cribbage board is the only trophy board that I have collected.* It was made by **Joseph “Chris” Christensen** (Poulsbo WA).

A few years ago when my Grass Roots club, the Sea-Tac Peggers, decided to sponsor the Mount Rainier Open, we needed cribbage boards for both playing on and presenting as trophies. We collected money from individuals and other clubs to help pay for the boards and then asked Chris to make them. He had a big order on his hands, but Chris came through, and we now have a beautiful set of cribbage boards for our yearly tournament.

If you would like Chris to make boards for your club or tournament, he may be contacted at 360.598.3051.

**Editor’s note: Jay “collected” this board when he took second place at the 2006 Mount Rainier Open.*



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 (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.

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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)

Welcome to New Members

The ACC welcomed 79 new members during January. 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.

Dwayne Abel (Jamestown NC)
Daryl Anderson (Kenai AK)
Orville A. Anderson (Seattle WA)
Teresa Attridge (Bothell WA)
Alan Beck (Chaska MN)
Terry Berg (Casper WY)
Melissa Berryhill (Austin TX)
Mike Comer (Rapid City SD)
Joe Connolly (Algonquin IL)
Charles E. Cook (Auburn WA)
Marlene Cook (Auburn WA)
John Cortese (Madison WI)
Sharon K. Cunningham (Otis Orchards WA)
Joseph Degrazio (Kelowna BC, Canada)
Ron Earley (Centralia WA)
Amanda Fedá (Dallas TX)
Nicholas Fedá (Marshall TX)
George Finkbeiner (Houston TX)
Marty Flesh (Chapala, Ialiso, Mexico)
Vance B. Gadbury (Port Hueneme CA)
Christopher Green (Grand Rapids MI)
Erin Grinde (Missoula MT)
Heidi Hanna (Cape Elizabeth ME)
Tom Hanson (Chaska MN)
Jim Harpe (Milton Freewater OR)
Chuck Headington (Arroyo Grande CA)
Don Hofacker (Eureka CA)
Barb Holt (Palmer MA)
Mark R. Holt (Nalcrest FL)
Joe Howard (Logandale NV)
Michele Jones (Murphy TX)
Ronnie Kaufman (Rockford MI)
Tom Knapé (Grand Rapids MI)
Tony Kraft (Seymour WI)
Billie Maize (Denver CO)
Lesley Malone (Bothell WA)
John Marshall (Woburn MA)
Carolyn Mauch (Pahrump NV)
Larry Mauch (Pahrump NV)
Tom McGonagle (Portland ME)
Jeffery S. Moran (Kalamazoo MI)
Mary M. Murdock (Alexandria VA)
Curt Nelson (Soldotna AK)
Ted Newman (Kalamazoo MI)

Steven Olson (Tenino WA)
James O'Reilly (North Scituate RI)
Norm Pare (Albuquerque NM)
Michel Pouliot (Woonsocket RI)
Vivian Pouliot (Woonsocket RI)
Laura L. Provost (Colchester VT)
Francis B. Provost Sr. (Colchester VT)
Terry Pullen (Santa Margarita CA)
Don Reinfeldt (Madison WI)
Donald C. Reynolds (Anderson CA)
Laurel Rolls (Dallas TX)
Kurt Rosenberg (Rockford MI)
Jim Roseveare (Loveland CO)
Patricia Ryan (Hayward CA)
Gary M. Schultz (Oconomowoc WI)
Roger Sedlachek (Seal Rock OR)
Ron Severson (Ravensdale WA)
Devra Simpson (Port Arthur TX)
Kim Smith (Missoula MT)
Robert Starnes (Woodstock MD)
Aaron Stillwater (Prosser WA)
Lisa Tisdale (Boulder Creek CA)
David James Trapp (San Jose CA)
Bob Trepanier (Plymouth MA)
Tim Tyler (Colorado Springs CO)
Marjorie Van Handel (Cottage Grove WI)
Seth Warfield (Grand Rapids MI)
Robert Warnagieris (Ventura CA)
Dan Weinberg (Huntington Beach CA)
Laura E. White (Kernersville NC)
Linda Wierenga (Sioux Falls SD)
Wayne Wierenga (Sioux Falls SD)
Scott Willmann (Belleville IL)
John Wilson (Buckley WA)
Nick Wise (Gig Harbor WA)

Cribbage Lingo

OMG!—shorthand for “One More Game!”—a phrase frequently muttered by cribbage players after the qualifying round at every tournament.

The President's Column

by Jeanne Hofbauer



This column is devoted to the ACC's volunteer judges.

The job of a judge is to support the ACC rulebook. When summoned, judges make calls to determine how misplays are handled. But they are also teachers, who help players learn more about the game and the rules. Most of the time, they also make scorecard corrections. They sometimes have to make judgment calls on situations not covered in the rulebook. And because of the competitive nature of the game, they are sometimes needed as referees.

Competent judges will always make sure that a rulebook and two judges are at every call. They listen to both sides of the issue from the players involved. If discussion between the judges is necessary, they step away from the immediate area to talk about the call. If they are not in agreement, a third judge, normally the tournament's head judge, is summoned. After a decision is made, they return to the players and explain the ruling. They will read the pertinent rule out loud to the players from the rulebook, unless the situation is not covered there.

Judges do this job while also competing in the tournaments. So when they step up to a call, they are aware of time considerations not only where the call is, but on their own tables as well.

Of course, judges make mistakes, who doesn't? Sometimes it may even affect

the outcome of a game, but this happens rarely. Players dissatisfied with a call have the right to summon another judge, but then when this ruling is made, a player must accept it.

So let's see . . . when making a call, you need to do it reasonably fast, with complete accuracy, between sometimes antagonistic players and normally with critics standing by, trying to leave all parties satisfied with or at least accepting the outcome. Who could *not* want to sign up?

I salute the judges of the ACC. Thank you for volunteering your time, interrupting your games, and putting yourselves in position to receive criticism. You are very necessary to our organization. Without your unselfish willingness to volunteer, tournament play would undoubtedly suffer.

I recommend that members take the judge's test, even if they do not want to become a judge. It helps you to familiarize yourself with the rules and understand the task of judging. The exam is an open-book test that costs \$3 and is administered by **Albert N. Miller** (Nashua NH), who has been doing this for more years than I can remember. (Our continued thanks to Al!)

And remember, the ACC can always use more good judges.

Jeanne

GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



Youth Teaching Tip

Okay, you've been working with the kids for a few sessions, and it's finally time to let them at it. You pass out boards and cards, and it's time to cut for deal. Wait a minute! Before they play, there's one more important thing to go over—respecting the playing cards. Kids are notorious for mistreating a fresh deck of cards. They fidget with them, bend them, pick their teeth with them, and in a very short while, you have a worthless deck of cards. Explain to students how bent cards tend to be cut more often and are more difficult to shuffle. Speaking of shuffling, a quick shuffling lesson is also a good idea. Give old decks of cards to students to take home, with this homework assignment—practice shuffling.

Youth Tournament News

One of the largest youth events in recent times took place in Chico CA on January 24, when fifty-eight young players showed up to display their cribbage talents. When the day was over, 11-year-old **Adilene Luviano** trumped 12-year-old **Juan Santos** to win the tourney. Young **Ty Brogden** (9) took third place with a victory over **Blong Thao** (10). Special recognition goes to tournament director **Richard Aguilera**, **Dennis Jacobs** and members of Grass Roots Club 249, Chico Eagles Lodge, Bidwell Presbyterian Church, and **Susan Levine** for her dedication to teaching kids cribbage.

Teaching Manuals

It's always exciting to get a request from abroad. Recently, **Michael Umland** asked that a teaching manual be sent to him in Germany, because he says, "I haven't found any Germans who know the game." Good luck, Michael, in your teaching efforts! Recent requests for youth teaching manuals were received from the following people. Watch for a youth boom in these areas:

- **Sandra Shrum** (Norfolk VA)
- **John Mitchell** (Lakewood WA)
- **Don Hannula** (Lake Linden MI)
- **Michael Umland** (Stuttgart, Germany)
- **Evangelyn Visser** (Pahrump NV)
- **Major Pursley** (San Jose CA)
- **Barbara Superneau** (Beaverton OR)

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Chico Youth Tourney winners (left to right): Adilene Luviano, Ty Brogden, Juan Santos, Blong Thao



INTERNET Cribbage IRPs

January Wrap-Up

Ron Larson (*cribbie11*) maintained his first-place lead over **Mark Van Dyke** (*loosespokes*). **Patricia Gossett** (*xerotoo*) jumped into the top ten. By virtue of winning two tournaments during December, both **Michelle Barthelmess** (*Frazu2*) and **Ray Fischer** (*Stinger96*) are the January players of the month.

New eMasters

Two more ACC internet players have reached eMaster: **Allen Nypen** (*A0939*) and **David Hardy** (*novatx237*). Congratulations!

TOC Champion

Richard Shea (*610inchabs*) won the Tournament of Champions in Reno! ACC internet players have now won two of the last three TOCs!

Cribbage Cup

We anticipate the return of the Cribbage Cup in April. Please watch the website for updates. We will play the new Cribbage Cup on ecribbage.com, so get your ecribbage nick now. ACC registration and other behind-the-scenes stuff will be updated to support multiple sites.

internet.standings

	IRPs	name (tournaments played)
1	432	Ron Larson (99)
2	414	Mark Van Dyke (74)
3	399	Michelle Barthelmess (56)
4	384	Barbara Larson (94)
5	366	Rick Allen (56)
6	357	Richard Shea (60)
7	351	Mike Fetchel (56)
8	348	Ronald Boulé (60)
9	348	Patricia Gossett (60)
10	345	Jeff Crane (73)

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date	day	time	type	scoring
Mar. 1	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 2	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 5	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 7	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 8	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 9	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 12	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 14	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 15	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 16	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 19	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 21	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 22	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 23	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 26	Thursday	10p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 28	Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 29	Sunday	3:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic
Mar. 30	Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	automatic

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

1/09.winners

- 1/3 Richard Shea
- 1/4 Marie Harrington
- 1/5 Michelle Barthelmess
- 1/8 Jeff Crane
- 1/10 Paul Gregson
- 1/11 Rick Baird
- 1/12 David Bowen
- 1/15 Patricia Gossett
- 1/17 Mike Fetchel
- 1/18 Ray Fischer
- 1/19 Joseph J. Bowen
- 1/22 Richard May
- 1/24 John Dellarsina
- 1/25 Ray Fischer
- 1/26 Michelle Barthelmess
- 1/29 Mark Van Dyke
- 1/31 Cliff Stoltz

In Memoriam

Catherine Dupuis

Catherine “Kate” Dupuis (Lake Linden MI) died unexpectedly on January 22. A charter member of the Lake Linden club, even at age 79, Kate was a tenacious cribbage player who rarely missed a point. She also enjoyed her weekly bingo and is survived by six children and ten grandchildren. Kate will be sadly missed by fellow club members as well as the community.

Richard Munro

Richard “Mike” Munro past away on January 14 at the age of 77. He was a mem-

ber of Club 61 in Green Bay for many years and a competitive player in many Wisconsin tournaments. Mike helped Mick Michaelis run the Tri-Cities Open in Marinette WI for many years.

Bob Upton

Robert Upton (Grand Rapids MI) died on February 2. A longtime member of the Square Peggers Cribbage Club, Bob was a former club champion and had earned his Bronze Award. Bob played many tournaments in the Midwest and will be remembered for his strong play and sly humor.

GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

as of 2/14/2009

Division 1

Points ♦ Name (Club)

215	Albert N. Miller (314)
212	Gary Wirth (261)
202	Phillip Babcock (89)
202	Tom Cookman (194)
201	Erik Royland Locke (28)
189	Peggy A. Johnson (211)
187	Paul Gregson (54)
186	Mariette Debaugh (230)
177	Pamela Pomeroy (68)
176	Keith Kus (333)
174	Dave Stratford (100)
173	Mike Misluk (26)
173	Tad Pilecki (54)
172	Tom Calvert (119)
172	Lawrence Hussey (343)
172	David LeBoeuf (162)
170	John G. Goe (243)
168	Joe Dunn (202)
166	David Meisner (246)
165	Mort Herstrom (333)
165	Jeanne Jelke (39)
165	Egon Koch (304)
164	Gordy Wise (243)
162	Floryan P. Sowinski (139)
161	Pete Johnson (156)
160	Gerry Anderson (198)
160	Gail E. McCloskey (202)
159	Harold Sontag (162)
159	Kathy Thompson (25)
158	Brenda Carson (71)
158	Nancy Hawkins (246)
157	Keith W. Forrest (69)
157	Ken Patenaude (81)
156	Bill Medeiros (72)
155	Lyle R. Lund (215)
155	Robert A. Read (22)
153	Gerald Mohr (203)
152	Russ Cuckler (290)
152	Craig E. Jensen (46)
152	Thomas Mintner (6)
151	David Boyer (300)
150	Joy Barnes (230)
150	Raymond Desmarais (168)
150	Rod Mandler (215)
150	Elmer G. Rasmussen (232)
150	Frank Schoenborn (191)
149	Paul Esau (277)
149	James L. Kahue (110)
149	Tom Lewis (271)

149 Fran Ward (58)

149 Fred L. White (110)

Division 2

Points ♦ Name (Club)

150	Nick Vowell (38)
124	Terry Bond (38)
124	Bill Monda (356)
123	Richard Caiazza (267)
120	John Fitzgerald (356)
118	T. L. Gandy Sr. (356)
115	Dorothy Westerlund (267)
113	Rick Vee (96)
107	Karen R. Dorcas (349)
106	Perley E. Davis (219)
106	Ralph Haynes (219)
103	Wendell Woodard (219)
100	Bill Stefoniuk (267)
98	Jane Cannizzaro (5)
96	Richard F. Bett Sr. (5)
96	Carl L. Heath (38)
92	Beverly Bliss (267)
92	Amelee Killion (27)
91	Stanley A. Mullins (219)
91	Cindy Rowe (38)
90	Lin Bixby (111)
85	Franklin Robinson (245)
83	Fred Jorgensen (267)
81	Steve Bernard (96)

Division 3

Points ♦ Name (Club)

123	David Rauh (353)
104	Orbin Hatton (354)
104	Jon Taylor (24)
92	Henry Douglass (102)
81	Michael Maloney (353)
80	Wayne Pinquoch (354)
80	James Sizemore (354)
77	Christine Maloney (353)
67	Richard Sanphy (353)
63	Kenny Trepanier (353)
50	Mary Taylor (24)

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).



Grass Roots

Corner

WRITTEN AND EDITED BY TOM LEWIS

Reader contributions are encouraged. Items of interest to Grass Roots players should be sent to Tom at tomlewis@spinn.net.

Club 261 (Edmonton AB)—at the start of the season, our club was home to five Bronze Award recipients. By midpoint of the season, four more club members have attained the same standing—**Lorne Tanton, Keith Gillies, Audrey Hatto, and Lewis Skidmore**—with the realistic expectation that four members will reach Bronze before season's end: **Jack Wifladt, Gary Wirth, Anton Ficko, and Terry Hatto**. Congratulations go to **Doris Sanders**, who scored the first 29-hand of the season on January 21. The prize money our club pays for a 29-hand took the sting off her 2/1 -68 scorecard that evening. *submitted by Gary Wirth*

Club 144 (Peachtree City GA)—for the second time this season, **Gene Bradshaw** missed two consecutive club meetings due to illness and came back strong. On January 19 he posted a nifty 21/9 +206 grand slam and collected \$25 from the skunk bank. *submitted by Gene Bradshaw*

Pacific Coast Peggars (Club 150, Vista CA)—**Jeanne Cunningham** won \$28 for her 28-hand in our January tourney. **Barb Sacic** won top honors for the night with

a 15/7 +128 scorecard, for her second straight win. **Bob Herzog's** 45 GRPs leads the club. *submitted by Roy Cook*

Club 110 (Honolulu HI)—on January 23, everyone beat up each other so equally that with twenty players, first place was 12/6 +21 and seventeenth place was 9/4 -52. Only one scorecard recorded six wins! This is the best club in the Pacific, and you'll have more fun than you can shake a stick at. Come out and visit! And for those of you in the Islands, come see what you're missing. *submitted by Fred White*

Club 54 (Antioch CA)—here's a wacky end game between **Heidi Glashan** and **Paul Gregson** on January 26. Heidi was dealing, up by a score of 110-109. Paul was dealt 4-4-5-6, with a 5 cut, and feeling quite good about his chances. The play then went 6-3-5-4 to give Heidi four points. Paul paired the 4 (because those were his only two cards left), making it 114-111. Heidi then tripped the 4, making it 120-111, and Paul laid the case 4 for twelve points and the 121-120 win. Would you have led the 6 if you were Paul? *submitted by Paul Gregson*

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Rule of the Month—Cutting to determine the Starter Card

Only after both players discard to the crib shall the pack be cut by the pone to determine the starter card. If the starter card is turned up by the dealer before he or she discards to the crib, the starter card is returned to the pack, the dealer then discards to the crib and reshuffles the pack, and the pone cuts the starter card.

GrassRootsAwards

Silver Award

Roy A. Kaufmann (43), CA
 Fred L. White (110), HI
 Dutch Gehrlich (272), MD
 Gerald Gruber (240), MN
 Roger Lueschow (148), WA
 Walter H. Swearingen (39), WA

Bronze Award

Lewis Skidmore (261), AB
 Al Placktis (132), CA
 Jeanne Jelke (39), WA
 Barry Rockwell (258), CA
 Ronald Bellomy (34), CO
 Ruthie Tiesma (321), MI
 Rod Hovey (321), MI
 Elroy Wolf (215), MN
 Brett Brunner (240), MN
 John F. Reed (274), OR
 Louis Vienneau (130), NY
 Carolyn Blackman (267), OR
 David Magee (285), OR
 Harold McKinney (127), OR
 Harold Christy (39), WA

Club 46 (Salem OR) is proud to report that **Kim Simmons** had a very large grand slam of 21/9 +156 on February 2. Kim brought a hot-from-the-oven apple crisp, which everyone devoured, and now she says she is bringing apple crisp every week. So much for our club's weight-loss efforts!
submitted by Craig Jensen

Gold Cribbage Club (Club 318 in Holmes PA) had an interesting night on February 9. Twelve members played, and seven earned points. **Steve Fitchett** had 18/8; the other six all had 12 GPs. It was a big skunk night: twelve skunks were given. Five people each gave two skunks, and three other players each received three skunks. *submitted by Steve Fitchett*

CW Contest #4 Winning Entry

Why So Glum and Down, Crib Player? *by Lavonne Cookman*

Why so glum and down, crib player?
 Sharest, why so glum?
 Will, when shuffling well blights cards fair,
 Frowning overcome!
 Sharest, why so glum?
 Why so tense and cross, crib master?
 Sharest, why so cross?
 Will, when pegging well shan't pass her,
 Fuming halt thy loss?
 Sharest, why so cross?
 Cease, cease, for pride, thouest a fool:
 Rants can't take the game.
 If thy peerless skill cannot rule,
 Cuts must be the blame:
 Bah! Luck routs thy game.

CW Contest #3 Results

Eighty-two postcards were received for CW Contest #3, and the winning entry was submitted by Master **Julie Felkins** (Woodland CA). The lowest number containing a 29 that wasn't by anyone else was 829. In exchange for her 27¢ postcard, Julie wins a \$50 gift card for Applebee's Restaurant. Thanks to all who entered.

CW Contest #4 Results

In celebration of the 400th anniversary of the birth of **Sir John Suckling** on February 10, twenty-two Suckling wannabes submitted parodies of Sir John's poem "Why so pale and wan, fond lover?"

After the poems were received at Cribbage Central, all traces of authorship were removed and the poems were sent to three judges: **Emily DeHuff** (Newport OR), **Martha Fingleton** (Milwaukee WI), and **Mary Gladish** (Concord CA). (Note: one of the original judges, **Herschel Mack** of McKinleyville CA, asked to be replaced after he found out that his daughter had entered the contest.)

The competition was close, and the judges struggled to reach a decision among the many worthy contestants, but in the end, a clear winner emerged: **Lavonne Cookman** (Eureka CA). For her efforts, Lavonne wins eternal literary fame and a \$50 gift card for Outback Steakhouse. Lavonne's winning entry appears on the opposite page.

Other cribbage poets who submitted entries are listed here, along with the intriguing opening lines from their parodies:

Paul Batterson (Tolland CT)	Why so pale and wan, Harvey Glass?
Dean Bauman (Newport OR)	Whoa! Pilgrim, how come you look so puny and pale?
Kurt Bloeser (Phoenix AZ)	Why so pale and sad, crib player?
Gene Bradshaw (Sharpsburg GA)	Lovie, what is the matter, pray tell?
DeLynn Colvert (Missoula MT)	Cribbage players are growing old and frail.
Jack Garver (West Chatham MA)	Why so coy and smug, fair dealer?
Ron Giles (Johnson City TN)	Why alone and lorn, fond pegger?
Howard R. Groesbeck (Skaneateles MI)	Why so stuck in stink hole, peg sir?
Phil Hirons Sr. (West Warwick RI)	Why so ruddy red, poor pegger?
John Kemp (El Paso TX)	Why so low a hand you dealt me?
Douglas Knight (Crystal Lake IL)	Why so pale and wan, cribbage pegger?
Steve Leighty (Merritt Island FL)	Why so still and meek, old pone?
Jeff Levy (Providence RI)	Why does thou never win, fond pegger?
Herschel Mack (McKinleyville CA)	Why so pale and wan, champ pegger?
Julie Mack-Felkins (Woodland CA)	Why lead a five, feared pone?
Mike Miller (Des Moines IA)	Why so pale and wan, old pegger?
John Oppelt (Bridgewater NJ)	Why does it take so long, my friend?
Sue Pisha (Portland OR)	Why so still and cold, old master?
Bill Richmond (Newington CT)	Why so down and glum, young player?
Warren Sondericker (Milwaukee WI)	Why complain and whine, fair player?
Orval H. Trost (Waverly IA)	Sir John Suckling just loved to be a flint.

Many thanks to all who entered. The next CW Contest will be announced in spring.



WEEKEND Tournaments

MRPs

as of 1/10/2009

Western Region		Central Region		Eastern Region	
MRPs	Name	MRPs	Name	MRPs	Name
1	1031 James Langley, CA	1	873 Wayne Steinmetz, WI	1	592 Robert Milk, VA
2	836 Duane Toll, OR	2	623 Donald Flesch, WI	2	573 Keith Widener, NC
3	778 Roland Hall, CA	3	602 Bob McCabe, WI	3	571 Larry Phifer, NC
4	624 Donald Brown, CA	4	500 Douglas Henderson, WI	4	465 William Shoemaker, CT
5	567 Ross Njia, CA	5	471 Mike Burns, MN	5	435 Susan Cousens, ME
6	556 Todd Malmgren, OR	6	428 Doug Page, WI	6	391 David Campbell, ME
7	543 DeLynn Colvert, MT	7	413 James Huser, WI	7	365 Donna Lafleur, CT
8	541 Jeanne Jelke, WA	8	402 Frank Danielski, WI	8	353 John Blowers, FL
9	493 Jerold Montgomery, CA	9	376 Emilio Perez, IL	9	351 Paul Batterson, CT
10	458 Michael McCammon, NV	10	375 Robert Julian, WI	10	334 Hal Mueller, ON
11	457 Willie Evans, WA	11	362 Jerome Fischer, WI	11	321 Esther Rolfe, FL
12	423 Mel Ashley, CA	12	348 Diane Waite, MN	12	315 Phyllis Schmidt, MA
13	408 Roy Hofbauer, WA	13	342 Lyle Lund, MN	13	300 Mark Soule, ME
14	395 Leslie Sumner, NV	14	341 Jerry Jaeger, NE	14	297 Ann Somers, MA
15	385 Paul Hatcher, OR	15	304 Roger Grandgeorge, IA	15	289 George Bickford, MA
16	379 Al Jean Simpson, CA	16	300 Sharon Schaefer, WI	16	267 Roger Bouchard, CT
17	373 Herschel Mack, CA	17	290 Martha Fingleton, WI	17	265 Jim Lunder, FL
18	368 Rickie Mack, CA	18	276 Allen Karr, WI	18	264 Peter Lerch, NC
19	343 Cres Fernandez, CA	19	263 Jeff Shimp, MI	19	260 Daniel Crete, NH
20	337 Cy Madrone, CA	20	262 Bart Jaeger, NE	20	250 Catherine Perkins, NC
21	336 Bob Bartosh, CA	21	236 Gary Haefrisch, WI	20	250 Elijah White, ME
22	335 Rob Palmer, OR	21	236 Cyril Schmidt, WI	22	239 Jack Howsare, VA
22	335 Ira Deutsch, OR	23	234 Joe Bernard, IL	23	235 Harvey Greenberg, VA
24	327 Jim Crawford, CA	24	232 Dave Yaeger, MO	23	235 Ken Patenaude, MA
25	323 Bernie Nelson, OR	24	232 Robert Chase, MN	25	232 Henry Delong, MA
26	322 Tom Cookman, CA	26	231 Kenneth Rosvold, MN	26	224 Raymond Cook, MA
27	320 Ervin Bentz, CA	27	219 Warren Sondericker, WI	27	216 Jeannine Dubois, MA
28	317 James Fanning, CA	28	216 Todd Brunner, MN	28	214 Ronald Reece, VA
29	299 Sharon Hejtmanek, MT	29	214 Marvin Lang, IL	28	214 David O'Neil, GA
30	295 Jack Moritzky, WA	30	213 Richard Frost, WI	30	208 Michael Burnham, GA
31	290 Jason Shumate, NV	31	206 Todd Schaefer, MN	31	206 Joe Lewis III, FL
32	281 Jones Hom, CA	32	203 Rhynold Shave, WI	32	201 Robert Medeiros, MA
33	280 Bryan Gurden, NV	32	203 Edward Balcer, MN	32	201 Jeff Raynes, NC
34	277 John Galbreath, OR	34	194 Tony Danihel, WI	34	200 Jeff Gardner, OH
35	276 Dan Marsh, OR	35	190 Lloyd Heibel, MI	34	200 Peter Setian, MA
35	276 Frank Ornie, OR	36	184 Beth Witter, WI	34	200 Richard Andrew, NH
37	271 Norman Nikodym, CA	37	182 Douglas Anderson, WI	37	184 Jim Hatch, NH
38	266 Mills Brubaker, WA	38	181 Joy Shimp, MI	38	182 Bill Medeiros, MA
39	258 Richard Shea, CA	39	177 Ed Heinowski, WI	39	172 Robert Drukman, MA
40	256 Rick Baird, OR	40	175 Lewis Gurney, WI	40	170 Vicki Soule, ME
41	254 Christy Lens, CA	41	173 Lloyd Kraft, WI	41	169 Mark Mano, FL
42	253 Bill Mero, WA	42	167 Dan Selke, IL	42	166 Jerry Gooden, NC
43	242 Lewis Skidmore, AB	43	159 Jeanne Wauters, WI	43	158 Rick Allen, VA
43	242 Barbara Stockham, CA	43	159 Jerry Newhouse, WI	44	156 Hugh Berry, VA
45	241 Rich Ekman, CA	43	159 Donald Patrin, MN	45	154 Robert Moore, VA
46	240 Gordon Brown, CA	46	158 Tom Briski, WI	46	151 Earle Remington, RI
47	236 Harvey Honeycutt, OR	47	152 Thomas Koncan, IL	47	147 Lee Norris, RI
47	236 Egon Koch, BC	47	152 Steven Steinmetz, WI	47	147 David Samet, MA
49	231 Tad Pilecki, CA	49	151 Gerald Gruber, MN	49	142 Norm Ferbert, MD
50	228 Gerald Klein, BC	49	151 Penny Shepherd, MN	50	139 Holli Remington, RI
		49	151 Roger Wauters, WI		

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

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

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

Feb. 27–March 1, Hampton Roads Shoot Out

Surfside Oceanfront Inn (800.437.2497), 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. Main \$60. Fri 7p \$30. Sat 7p \$30. Sat HR 7:15p \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452

March 6–8, Illinois Open

D'Andrea Banquet Hall, 4419 Northwest Hwy, Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$60. Fri 7p. Sat 7p. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Marv Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Ct, Woodstock IL 60098 or Dave Drew

March 6–8, Redwood Coast

Lucky 7 Casino, 350 N Indian Rd, Smith River CA 95567. Main \$60. Fri 2:30p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, juice, snacks, lunch. Contact: Tom Cookman (707.599.6747), 1920 Freshwater Rd, Eureka CA 95503 or Tom Langford (707.599.6722)

March 8, Tri-Valley Tournament

VFW, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$52. Sat DBL 7p \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613), 30 Stone St, Bellingham MA 02019

March 13–14, Waupaca Rotary Open

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

March 13–15, Winnemucca Classic

Convention Center, 50 W Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca NV. Main \$65. Fri 3p \$20. Fri HR 7p \$50. Sat DBL 7p \$25. Perks: coffee, donuts. Con-

tact: Peggy Scalley (775.673.6906), 505 E 1st Ave, Sun Valley NV 89433 or James Langley or Diane Leal

March 13–15, Colorado Winter Open

Hampden 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

↓ NEW LISTING ↓

March 14, 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

March 15, Nemasker Cribbage Classic

Middleboro Elks, 24 High St, Middleboro MA 02346. Main \$50. Contact: David Bowen (508.224.2051), 57 Vinebrook Rd, Plymouth MA 02360 or Raymond Cook

↓ NEW LOCATION ↓

March 20–22, Capital City Open

Country Inn (651.739.7300), 6003 Hudson Rd, Woodbury MN 55125. Main \$60. Fri \$25. Sat \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Todd Schaefer & Diane Waite (651.338.8116), 6651 Lower 12th St N, Oakdale MN 55128

March 21, St. Patrick's Day Tournament

Sands Hotel, 2340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB. Main \$40. Perks: coffee. Contact: Evelyn Osaka (780.457.6067), 12117 142nd Ave, Edmonton AB T5X 3S2 or Gary Wirth

March 21–22, Chico Open

Chico Eagles Hall, 20th & Mulberry Sts, Chico CA 95928. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7p \$40/team. Sat \$20.

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Tips for Tournament Directors

After your sanctioning request is approved by the regional tournament commissioner, be sure to check the next *Cribbage World* to make sure (a) that your tourney is listed in the Tournament Trail and (b) that all the details are correct—especially your contact info.

Perks: beverages, donuts, lunch. Contact: Dennis Jacobs (530.343.7218), 3654 Cosby Ave, Chico CA 95928 or Pete Jackson or Bob Newman

March 22, March Thaw

VFW #1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jim & Pat Martin (508.393.2786), 33 Talbot Rd, Northborough MA 01532 or Pat Llewellyn

↓ NEW LISTING ↓

March 22, Winter 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, Northridge CA 91761 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

March 27–29, March Madness

Ramada Inn (800.441.4709), 1520 Blue Ridge Rd, Raleigh NC 27607. Main \$60. Fri 7:30p \$30. Sat 7:30p \$30. Perks: lunch. Contact: Larry Phifer (919.788.9701), 901 Shellbrook Ct #5, Raleigh NC 27609

March 27–29, Lovelock Open

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

March 27–29, Roadrunner Classic

The Meadows, 2401 W Southern Ave, Tempe AZ 85282. Main \$57. Fri \$20. Fri HR \$50. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Super-Q \$20. No Saturday walk-ins. Perks: coffee, juice, cookies, lunch. Contact: Ron & Laurie Logan (406.241.5006) PMB 001 #43, 7151E Hwy 60, Gold Canyon AZ 85218

March 27–29, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Allen Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313

March 27–29, Northwest Open (Sissel Memorial)

VFW, Baker City OR 97814. Main \$50. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 7p \$100. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Carl Heath (541.523.2185), PO Box 903, Baker City OR 97814 or Charlette Springer

March 29, Ed Schweitzer Memorial

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96813. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainaahe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

April 3–5, Kissimmee Open

Quality Inn, 2050 E Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri 1p DBL \$20/team. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd Lot A4, Kissimmee FL 34744

April 3–5, Timber Capital Classic

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

April 3–5, Houdini Challenge

Holiday Inn, 150 Nicolet Rd, Appleton WI 54911. Main \$60. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Brad Behm (920.739.4358), 1342½ W Spencer St, Appleton WI 54914

April 3–5, Montana Championship

Jokers Wild, I-90 Exit 101, 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)

April 5, New England Spring Fever

VFW, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Sat DBL \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Earle & Holli Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd #1, Cumberland RI 02864

April 10–12, Washington State Open

Sunnyside Eagles, 100 E South Hill Rd, Sunnyside

DBL = doubles ♦ HR = high rollers ♦ LC = last chance

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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

April 17-19, Milwaukee Challenge

Ramada Hotel (new name, same location), 6331 S 13th St, Milwaukee WI 53221. Main \$60. Fri 8p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. Sun LC 1p \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Marlene Lazachek (414.427.4595), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132

April 17-19, Western New York Open

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

April 17-19, Washington St. Championships

TBA. Main \$60. Fri 3p. Fri DBL 7p. Fri HR 7p. Sat 7p. Sun LC 2p. Perks: lunch. Contact: Elmer G. Rasmussen (360.262.9755), PO Box 161, Napavine WA 98565 or Gary Rasmussen (360.262.0224)

April 17-19, Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic

Comfort Inn, 2945 Lawrenceville-Suwannee Rd,

Suwannee GA 30024. Main \$60. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee. Contact: Barri Gehrand (770.402.1975), 111 Wynnes Ridge Cir SE, Marietta GA 30067 or Valerie Nozick

April 19, Spring 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)

April 24-26, 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

April 24-26, Maine Spring Fling in NH

Best Western, 580 U.S. Hwy 1 Bypass, Portsmouth NH 03801. Main \$55. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat DBL 7:30p \$40/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Susan Cousens (207.562.4935), 53 Berry Mills Rd, Carthage ME 04224

April 24-26, Lake Tahoe Open

Tahoe Biltmore, Hwy 28, Crystal Bay NV 89402. *continued on page 34*

↓ RESCHEDULED LISTING ↓

**Northwest Open Cribbage Tournament
Gene Sissel Memorial**

March 27th - 29th 2009

*Sanctioned by
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VFW - 2005 Valley - Baker City, OR

*Carl Heath
PO Box 903
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(541) 523-2185*

Schedule:

- 3 PM Fri *Early Bird \$10/7 games* \$10
 - 7 PM Fri *Doubles \$50/team* \$50
 - 7 PM Fri *High Rollers* \$50 \$50 Q
 - 7 PM Sat *Saturday Special* \$10
 - 9 AM Sat *Main Event* \$50 \$10 Q
- \$ _____ Total

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 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Carl Heath
PO Box 903
Baker City, OR 97814*

Main \$60. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sun LC \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Mike McCammon (775.342.0249), 50 Cour De La Celedon, Sparks NV 89434 or Peggy Scalley

April 25, Colonial Classic

VFW, 106 Jesters Lane, Williamsburg VA 23188. Main \$50. Contact: Bill Whiting (757.564.8955), 109 Barlows Run, Williamsburg VA 23188

May 1–3, Oregon Coast Classic

Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City OR 97367. Main \$52. Fri 3:30p \$10. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Fri HR 7p \$50. Perks: coffee, soft drinks, pastries. Contact: Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer (360.835.3623), 30937 NE 23rd St, Washougal WA 98671 or Bernie Nelson (503.392.3092) or Verne & Jeanette Nielsen (503.666.3528)

May 2–3, Black River Country Classic

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

May 3, Ocean State Classic

Lefoyer Club, 151 Fountain St, Pawtucket RI 02860. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: John & Linda Chambers (401.231.6667), 32 Homestead Ave, Smithfield RI 02917

May 9, Channel Islands Open

Marie Callender's 1295 S Victoria Ave, Ventura CA 93003. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Cy Madrone (805.962.1733), PO Box 40307, Santa Barbara CA 93140 or Kerry O'Connell (805.643.7683) or Mel Kranz (805.642.4932)

May 15–16, Win River Spring Fling

Win River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Fri DBL 7p \$25/team. Fri HR 7p \$50. Sat. \$20. Perks: drinks, donuts, lunch. Contact: Peggy Scalley (775.673.6906), 505 E 1st Ave, Sun Valley NV 89433 or Jim Langley (530.527.4606)

May 15–17, Potawatomi Peggys Pow-wow

Park Inn, 4290 Red Arrow Hwy, Stevensville MI 49127. Main \$70. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30p \$20. Sun LC? \$10. Perks: cookies by the Cookie Lady. Contact: Jeff & Joy Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417

May 15–17, North Carolina Open

Quality Inn, 2008 S Hawthorne Rd, Winston-Salem NC 27103. Main \$60. Fri \$30. Sat \$30. Sat HR \$60. Sun LC \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch, hospital-ity room from Friday 3p on. Contact: Henry Douglass (336.349.7581), 726 Russell Ave, Reidsville NC 27320 or Catherine Perkins or Keith Widener

May 17, 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 Kaulainaahe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

May 17, Connecticut Championship

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Dr, West Springfield MA 01809. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bill Shoemaker (860.243.9505), 175 Thistle Pond Dr, Bloomfield CT 06002 or Bill Richmond or Bob Fitzgerald

May 22–24, Greater Spokane Valley Open

Spokane Valley Eagles, 16801 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99037. Main \$50. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 7p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts, candy. Contact: Lynn Raymond (509.928.4983), 4105 N McDonald Rd #20, Spokane Valley WA 99216 or Dave Schwartz (509.328.4022)

May 29–31, That's a Go!

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

May 29–31, Oregon Championship

Elks, 151 N Main St, Prineville OR 97754. Main \$60. Fri 3p \$10. Fri HR 6:30p \$50. Fri DBL 7p \$50/team. Sat 7p \$10. Perks: coffee, lunch, cookies. Contact: Graeme & Patti Gossett (541.416.0921), 15852 SE Yakima St, Prineville OR 97754

May 29–31, Colorado Belle

Colorado Belle Casino, 2100 Casino Dr, Laughlin NV 89029. Main \$60. Fri 3p. Fri 6:30p. Fri DBL 7p. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

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

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

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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, 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

June 7, pH Factor

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

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

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

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 Morraine 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 But-

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27th Annual
MONTANA
CRIBBAGE
CHAMPIONSHIP

April 3-5 2009
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Reserve Street Exit 101, I-90
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Excellent, well-lighted playing area

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(*based on 128 players, otherwise prorated)

Mail entries to: MONTANA CRIBBAGE
PO Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806

- \$10 Time Passer 3PM Fri 7 games, \$10 Q
- \$40 Doubles 7PM Fri. 9 games
- \$50 High Roller 7PM Fri 10 games \$50 Q
- \$60 Main Event 9 AM Sat, 22 games
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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 \$70. Fri 7p \$30. Sat 7p \$30. Perks: lunch. Contact: Tom Brent (443.603.1339), 115 Brick Schoolhouse Rd, Centreville MD 21617

June 26–28, 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

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 Kaulainaahe 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

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 Cerese, 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 (775.392.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, 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 (320.252.5329), 1212 Washington Memorial Dr Apt 134, Saint Cloud MN 56301 or Bob Joslin

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 Kaulainaahe 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 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

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7:00 PM Ole Olson Special – 9 games
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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 9, Medway Summer Sizzler

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

August 14-16, Michigan Tourn. 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), PO Box 313, Ada MI 49301 or Jeff Gardner (937.602.0690; jeff.gardner@wright.edu)

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, Nevada State Championship

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 (775.392.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Valerie Sumner or A. J. Tasker or Bob Bartosh

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, 13592 Delaney Rd, Huntley IL 60142 or Marv Lang or Sandra Strange

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 Kaulainaahe Pl, Aiea HI 96701 or Fred White

September 24-27, 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 David Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net)

Requests to hold a sanctioned tournament should be directed to the appropriate regional commissioner. See contact info on page 31.

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8/30	Hawai'i Open	Pearl Harbor HI
9/4-6	Capital City Classic	Helena MT
9/4-6	Labor Day Special	North Bend OR
9/11-13	Carter Classic	Wabeno WI
9/12	Western Washington Ltd.	Poulsbo WA
9/18-20	Serial City Classic	Grand Rapids MI
9/20	Hawai'i Open	Pearl Harbor HI
10/3	Schaefer Shuffle Special	Slinger WI
10/4	West Bend Classic	West Bend WI
10/10	Wonderful "Won Day"	Woodland CA
10/10-11	Columbus Day Cribbage	Bend OR
10/11	October Occurrence	W. Springfield MA
10/16-18	Wisconsin Rapids Open	Wisc. Rapids WI
10/16-18	Crescent City Open	Crescent City CA
10/23-25	North Pole Open	Marinette WI
10/23-25	Emerald Coast Open	Ft. Walton B. FL
10/24	P&G Open	Norwalk CA
10/25	Fall U.S. Open	West Covina CA
10/30-11/1	Salem Classic	Salem OR
10/30-11/1	Cribbage from the Crypt	Port Angeles WA
10/30-11/1	Abe Kealoha	Pearl Harbor HI
11/6-8	Longest Beach Classic	Long Beach WA
11/6-8	Sunshine State Classic	Kissimmee FL
11/11-13	Susanville Fall Classic	Susanville CA
11/13-15	Veterans Day Classic	Reno NV
11/17-19	Topaz Fall	Topaz Lake NV
11/27-29	Thanksgiving Classic	North Bend OR
12/6	Hawai'i Championship	Pearl Harbor HI
12/12	Western Washington Ltd.	Poulsbo WA
12/20	Santa Special	Kissimmee FL
1/8-10	Peg for the Border	La Mesa CA
1/15-17	Georgia Open	Augusta GA
1/31	Hawai'i Open	Pearl Harbor HI

25 Years Ago in the ACC

The cover of the March 1984 *Cribbage World* featured a story about the first 29-hand of the cribbage season, held by Warren Klausner (then of Racine WI, now of Bettendorf IA).

Elsewhere in this issue, we learn that **James Schneider** (Menominee Falls WI) won the 342-player American Cribbage Championship. **Bob McCabe** (then living in Brown Deer WI) won the consolation. **Bob Julian** won the World Cribbage Classic in Kissimmee FL. And **Dennis Moran** (Elko NV) won the Oregon State Championship.



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