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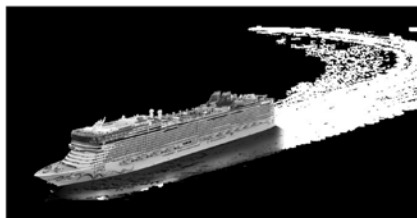
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- Take a picture of the numbers 15-2 in their native environment. That is, look for the numbers 15 and 2 (in that sequence) in various natural settings. When you find them, snap a picture and send it to *Cribbage World*.
- The numbers cannot be part of a longer string of numbers (e.g., \$467,152.89), but must be a single whole number (152), two separate numbers (15 and 2), or set off by punctuation of some kind (that is, 467-152-89 would be acceptable).
- The numbers 15-2 must be clearly visible in the picture; if necessary, submit both a close-up of the numbers and a second pix showing the larger setting. Adjust your camera to its highest pixel setting to ensure the best quality photo.
- Pictures cannot be created, touched up, or otherwise manipulated using PhotoShop or any similar photo-editing software.
- The ACC member who submits the most unusual 15-2 found in the wild will receive a sheet of twenty U.S. postage stamps honoring Sir John Suckling, the founder of Club 15-2.
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My Deal

by David Aiken



One of my all-time favorite TV shows is *Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip*. It had great writing (primarily Aaron Sorkin), a superb creative team (Sorkin again, along with Thomas Schlamme), A-list actors (Amanda Peet, Matthew Perry, Bradley Whitford, Timothy Busfield—what’s not to like?!), and a compelling story line.

Unfortunately, it was short lived, lasting only twenty-two episodes in 2006–7 before a writers’ strike shut down all of Hollywood near the end of the season. When the strike was settled, NBC inexplicably chose to renew *30 Rock*—another new show that year that also revolved around the off-camera goings-on at a sketch-comedy series. The problem is, *30 Rock* isn’t funny, its actors are hams, and its plot lines are stale. (You can tell that I’m not resentful or anything.)

Episode 4 of *Studio 60*, entitled “The West Coast Delay,” chronicled the pitfalls and pratfalls of doing live television. The show within a show airs a joke that, shortly after the live East Coast broadcast, is discovered to have been plagiarized. In a series of attempts to own up to their mistake, they end up making more mistakes, and before the night is done they’ve had

to correct their corrections several times, with humorous effects. The episode ends with this line (spoiler alert): “This is not the comedy we intended to do when the week began.”

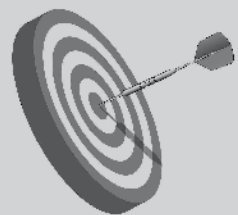
I can say a similar thing about the March/April *Cribbage World*: it was definitely not the issue I intended to produce when the month began.

Learning curves can be steep—especially computer-related ones. They are made even steeper when you go eleven years between computer upgrades.

So in hindsight, getting a sleek new Mac laptop in February, timed so that I could use it to produce the double March/April CW, may not have been the wisest idea. I’ve owned Mac computers for over twenty years, but even so there were definitely some new things to pick up as I transitioned from a desktop to a laptop and learned a new operating system.

The new Mac wasn’t the problem, however. My old software wouldn’t work on the new computer, so I had to upgrade *all* my software, and there was the rub. I adapted fairly quickly to new versions of Word and Excel, and after only a week I had my new email figured out. But the

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Target practice: feel free to take aim at the CW editor whenever we play—but be careful, or your name might end up in the center column!

My monthly batting average

113–82 (57.9%) in February 15–March 31

My biggest win of the month

51—against Lana Newhouse (WI) at Green Bay

My worst loss of the month

49—by Michael Duffy (CA) at Roadrunner

Your Deal



Letters to CW will be printed on a space-available basis and may be condensed or edited for clarity and length (150 words maximum). Send letters to **cribbage@iserv.net** or P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313. Please include your name, city, and state.

Editor's note—on my way to the Illinois Open in February with traveling companions **Jeff Shimp** and **John Hazlett**, we stopped by to visit **Syl Lulinski** at his home in La Grange Park IL. Due to health reasons, Syl can no longer attend tournaments, so after supper we played a mini-tourney with Syl, his wife **Phyllis**, and daughter **Darice**—using a



few of Syl's many trophy boards. Years ago Darice earned 5 MRPs at the Reno tournament! Here's an email that Darice sent me a couple days later:

Syl Lulinski

Thanks for making such a special night for my dad. And I had a lot of fun too . . . though I bet I do better back at my Scrabble club tomorrow! You guys are welcome any time! You might convince me to come play in a tourney one of these days again to get my MRPs up! Attached is the picture of our mini-tourney. I can't wait to see the ratings published!

Darice Grzybowski (La Grange Park IL)

Positive Feedback

Here's a tweet from Mike@Velowhiz posted on April 10: "@CribbageACC We were treated most graciously at our first cribbage tourney last Friday in Florence OR. #rookies #thanks"

Pen Pointers

Please answer a question for my club. Some of our players are using the ink pen that is on the table to help them know which direction to move their pegs. When they go around the corner, they turn the ink pen so they will know which way to peg. In other words the ink pen helps them not to peg backward. We have a disagreement if this allowed by the rules. Can players use aids to help them know which way to move?

Darrell Houston (Sterling Heights MI)

CW Responds—The ACC's rulebook states: "No aid from an individual or from the use of any material may be used to assist in determining scoring while pegging or counting the hands or crib" (rule 9.5). Since the use of a pointing device to indicate which way to move one's pegs—a common practice of many players—does not aid counting or determining score, there doesn't seem to be anything that prohibits it. On the other hand, overreliance on a mechanical aid

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as of April 1

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Kaplans Christmas Gala (Wasilla AK; Dec. 28)	Sondra Kaplan	<i>21 players</i> HQ. Doug Holden (30) 1. Elizabeth Thornlow (70) 2. Doug Holden (42)	—		
Peg for the Border (La Mesa CA; Jan. 16–18)	John Kern	<i>68 players</i> HQ. Kerry O'Connell (50) 1. Cy Madrone (147) 2. Ira Deutsch (105) 3. Jerry Blackman (70) 3. John Kern (70)	<i>41 players</i> HQ. Sharon Schaefer (15) 1. Roy Cook (60) 2. Ro Rocco (40) 3. R. J. Smeltz (24) 3. Andrew Lynch (24)	<i>29-hand:</i> Jones Hom*	<i>Doubles:</i> Ira Deutsch & Margaret Christensen
Northern California Open (Redding CA; Jan. 24–26)	Anna Dunn	<i>89 players</i> HQ. Roland Hall (65) 1. Rick Baird (147) 2. Mickeal Sperry (105) 3. Roland Hall (70) 3. Erik Locke (70)	<i>56 players</i> HQ. Rich Ekman (15) 1. Diana Webster (60) 2. Richard Shea (40) 3. Rich Ekman (24) 3. James Fanning (24)		<i>Early Bird:</i> DeLynn Colvert <i>Doubles:</i> Duane Toll & Diana Webster <i>Saturday:</i> Chuck Hedin <i>All Events:</i> Duane Toll
Lee Bailey Memorial (Cocoa Beach FL; Jan. 24–26)	Marc Leichtling	<i>57 players</i> HQ. Beth Widener (35) 1. Charles Barnes (105) 2. Jim Lunder (70) 3. John Blowers (42) 3. Debra Fox (42)	<i>38 players</i> HQ. Howard Terry (18) 1. David Carlson (60) 2. Hazel Carlson (40) 3. Chuck Yeomans (24) 3. Donna Zuben (24)		<i>Friday:</i> Robert Johnson <i>Saturday:</i> Ivan Thompson
Michigan Cribbage Cup (Grand Rapids MI; Jan. 24–26)	David Boyer	<i>22 players</i> HQ. John Schafer (25) 1. Jeff Shimp (70) 2. Lloyd Heibel (42)	<i>17 players</i> HQ. Jeff Shimp (15) 1. Jim Potter (40) 2. David Gerke (24)	<i>28-hand:</i> John Hazlett*	<i>Friday:</i> David Aiken <i>Saturday:</i> David Gerke <i>All Events:</i> Lloyd Heibel
Super Saturday (Sunnyside WA; Feb. 1)	James Morrow	<i>37 players</i> HQ. Don Russell (45) 1. John Reed (105) 2. Robert Brumley (70) 3. Don Russell (42) 3. Tom Varnell (42)	<i>21 players</i> HQ. Thomas Wilson (12) 1. Frank Hanson (40) 2. Thomas Wilson (24)		<i>Friday:</i> George Wilson

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Susanville Spring Classic (Susanville CA; Feb. 4–5)	Steve Hastie	104 players HQ. Doug Page (65) 1. Sam Sinram (147) 2. Mike Comer (105) 3. Keith Widener (70) 3. Duane Toll (70)	88 players HQ. Roland Hall (21) 1. DeLynn Colvert (84) 2. Michael Rowe (60) 3. Suzanne Lamoureux (40) 3. Gerald Oxford (40)	28-hands: Ross Newmann* Patrick Healey* Rhynold Shave*	<i>Early Bird:</i> James Langley <i>Doubles:</i> Mike Rodgers & Dan Daniels <i>Thursday:</i> Frank Ornie <i>All Events:</i> Audrey Hatto
JPW Open (Reno NV; Feb. 8–9)	Peggy & Rick Shea	746 players HQ. Tom Langford (65) 1. Louis Petosa (315) 2. James Seufert (252) 3. Bruce Webb (196) 3. Kevin Post (196) 5. Duane Toll (147) 5. Donna LaFleur (147) 5. Clay Collier (147) 5. Charlene Cohen (147) 9. Artland Kaai (105) 9. Dan Selke (105) 9. Rick Vee (105) 9. James Milkowski (105) 9. Col. David Smith (105) 9. Frank Ornie (105) 9. Dave Yaeger (105) 9. Nick Severson (105)	568 players HQ. Avon Ray (27) 1. Timothy Julkowski (180) 2. Marlene Lazachek (144) 3. Doug Whitlock (112) 3. Cynthia Wark (112) 5. Larry McKinney (84) 5. Jennifer Bolles (84) 5. George Mackie (84) 5. Jeff Gardner (84) 9. Joe Zimmitti (60) 9. Ellen Lauer (60) 9. John Goe (60) 9. Wayne Momsen (60) 9. Meg Maenpaa (60) 9. Susan Chambers (60) 9. Jack Shaw (60) 9. Mary Skole (60)	28-hands: Rick Baird* Jane Cannizzaro* Glenn Conway* Tom Cookman* Doug Dresbach* Roland Hall* Robert King* Tom Langford* William MacMillan* Ronald Morgan* John Syftestad* Darrel Unruh*	
Topaz Winter Classic (Topaz NV; Feb. 10–12)	A.J. Tasker	92 players HQ. Leslie Sumner (45) 1. Mel Ashley (147) 2. Kerry O'Connell (105) 3. Ira Deutsch (70) 3. Margaret Christensen (70)	54 players HQ. Doug Page (15) 1. Steve Hastie (60) 2. Diana Webster (40) 3. Fred White (24) 3. John Prehn (24)	28-hands: Clay Lindgren* Tom Cookman*	<i>Early Bird:</i> Erik Locke <i>Doubles:</i> James Langley & Jeanne Jelke <i>Mid-Roller:</i> Troy Thorson
We [Heart] Cribbage (Wasilla Alaska; Feb. 15)	Doug & Marli Holden	17 players HQ. James Hickie (30) 1. James Sizemore (70) 2. Wayne Pinquoch (42)	—		

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Tournament of Hearts (Grand Rapids MI; Feb. 14–16)	John Hazlett	<i>25 players</i> HQ. Mark Van Dyke (50) 1. Jeff Shimp (70) 2. John Hazlett (42)	—	<i>28-hands:</i> Eric Jensen* Jeff Shimp* Dan Klein* Bob Chambers* Mark Van Dyke* Brenda Carson*	<i>Friday:</i> Eric Jensen <i>Saturday:</i> John Hazlett <i>Last Chance HQ:</i> John Schafer <i>Last Chance winner:</i> David Aiken
Go Green Bay (Green Bay WI; Feb. 21–23)	Al Karr	<i>130 players</i> HQ. Rick Kuehn (55) 1. Arlene Boeck (196) 2. Gerald Parins (147) 3. Jeremy Wussow (105) 3. Glenn Gauthier (105) 5. John Sain (70) 5. Richard May (70) 5. Wayne Steinmetz (70) 5. Bernard Brentar (70)	<i>78 players</i> HQ. Donna Aird (18) 1. Donna Aird (84) 2. Dan Pohl (60) 3. Gerald Gruber (40) 3. Dale Rohm (40)	<i>29-hand:</i> Zach Gilliam <i>28-hands:</i> Dale Magedanz* Michael Miller* Neal Matzke*	<i>High Roller:</i> Donald Urban <i>Friday:</i> Neal Matzke <i>Saturday:</i> Arthur Loveland <i>Doubles:</i> John Swett & George Stankus
Sharlene Medeiros Memorial (Portsmouth NH; Feb. 21–23)	Vicki Soule	<i>80 players</i> HQ. Ed Ciccone (45) 1. Roger Bouchard (147) 2. Richard West (105) 3. Ed Ciccone (70) 3. Phyllis Schmidt (70)	<i>45 players</i> HQ. Leo Houle (21) 1. Robert Medeiros (60) 2. Charlene Cohen (40) 3. Donna LaFleur (24) 3. Terrance Cushman Jr. (24)	<i>28-hands:</i> Leo Houle* Fred Blanc*	<i>Friday:</i> Ron Allard <i>Doubles:</i> Donna LaFleur & Frank Reddy <i>All Events:</i> Donna LaFleur
Yuma Snowbirds (Yuma AZ; Feb. 21–23)	Walter Conell	<i>32 players</i> HQ. Berle Stonebrink (45) 1. Gilbert Bjorling (70) 2. Ted Balsimo (42)	<i>20 players</i> HQ. John Garman (15) 1. Pamela Pomeroy (40) 2. Beverly Bliss (24)	<i>28-hand:</i> DeLynn Colvert*	<i>Doubles:</i> Montana Conell & Don Christensen
Florida Open (Kissimmee FL; Feb. 28–Mar. 2)	Paul Barnes	<i>75 players</i> HQ. Paul Barnes (30) 1. Kristy Haught (147) 2. Marty Slotnick (105) 3. Sara Sanner (70) 3. Robert Wahlgren (70)	<i>48 players</i> HQ. Ivan Thomsen (21) 1. Barri Gehrand (60) 2. David Fournier (40) 3. Arne Lillimagi (24) 3. Ted Lee Southland (24)	<i>28-hands:</i> David Carlson* Jack Blanco* Bob Layne	<i>Friday:</i> Donna LaFleur <i>Saturday:</i> Connie Ewka

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Winter US Open (West Covina CA; Mar. 2)	Norm Nikodym	68 players HQ. Pamela Pomeroy (35) 1. Michael Duffy (147) 2. Robert Zahn (105) 3. Richard Price (70) 3. Rebecca Durocher (70)	32 players HQ. James Milkowski (15) 1. Tony Walesa (40) 2. William Eilers (24)	28-hands: Beth Fleischer* Tony Walesa* James Muller*	
Illinois Open (Crystal Lake IL; Feb. 28–Mar. 2)	Marvin Lang	69 players HQ. David Campbell (60) 1. Robert Deeds (147) 2. Sandra Stroup (105) 3. Joan Rein (70) 3. Allen Karr (70)	40 players HQ. George Stankus (12) 1. George Stankus (60) 2. Daniel Betz (40) 3. Jerry Newhouse (24) 3. Donald Urban (24)		Friday: Beth Schmidt Saturday: Jeff Schultz All Events: John Swett
Waupaca Spring Open (Waupaca WI; Mar. 7–9)	Patrick Barrett	85 players HQ. Wayne Steinmetz (60) 1. Jeff Shimp (147) 2. Richard Frost (105) 3. Patrick Barrett (70) 3. Dennis Ulberg (70)	62 players HQ. John Sain (15) 1. Bob Kiley (60) 2. Frank Duresky (40) 3. Douglas Henderson (24) 3. Donald Flesch (24)	29-hand: Arlene Boeck 28-hands: Bernard Brentar* Malia Ironside*	Friday: Malia Ironside Saturday: Jeff Schultz
Lucky 7 Casino Tourney (Smith River CA; Mar. 7–9)	Tom Cookman	59 players HQ. Todd Malmgren (60) 1. Todd Malmgren (105) 2. Erik Locke (70) 3. Lavonne Cookman (42) 3. Diana Webster (42)	42 players HQ. Duane Toll (18) 1. Ira Deutsch (60) 2. Peggy Shea (40) 3. James Clark (24) 3. Heidi Glashan (24)	28-hands: Eunice Kendall* Cres Fernandez*	Early Bird: Todd Malmgren Doubles: Erik Locke & Gerald Hahn Saturday: Thomas West
Western Washington Open (Poulsbo WA; Mar. 8)	Ronald Gustafson	32 players HQ. Paul Peterson (30) 1. Lowell Bailey (70) 2. Willie Evans (42)	20 players HQ. Ed Gaylard (15) 1. Ronald Gustafson (40) 2. Gary Duvall (24)	28-hands: Patty Gaylard* Clifford Head*	
Portland Mini (Portland OR; Mar. 9)	Peggy Scalley	45 players HQ. Janet Riggs (45) 1. Ian Symons (105) 2. Roland Hall (70) 3. James Morrow (42) 3. Michael Rowe (42)	24 players HQ. Rick Westerman (15) 1. William O'Malley (40) 2. Lowell Bailey (24)		

GRAND SLAM!

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Capital City Capital City Classic (Woodbury MN; Mar. 14-16)	Todd Schaefer	<i>100 players</i> HQ. Beth Widener (50) 1. Thomas Beudler (147) 2. Dan Taylor (105) 3. Mary Thacker (70) 3. Douglas Henderson (70)	<i>46 players</i> HQ. James Huser (12) 1. Edward Balcer (60) 2. Beth Widener (40) 3. James Huser (24) 3. Gene Biegler (24)		<i>Friday:</i> Dennis Moore <i>Saturday:</i> Richard Frost <i>All Events:</i> Richard Frost
Bruce Forbes Memorial (Chico CA; Mar. 14-16)	Dennis Jacobs	<i>72 players</i> HQ. Frank Kiernan (60) 1. Mike Tungate (147) 2. Garrett Van Scyoc (105) 3. Frank Kiernan (70) 3. Richard Shea (70)	<i>42 players</i> HQ. Chuck Althoff (18) 1. Beth Fleischer (60) 2. Richard Hinrichs (40) 3. Mel Ashley (24) 3. Chuck Althoff (24)	<i>28-hands:</i> Dave Johnson* James Langley* Frank Kiernan*	<i>Doubles:</i> Mel Ashley & Jim McKnight <i>Saturday:</i> Steve Hastie
March Madness (Raleigh NC; Mar. 14-16)	Larry Phifer	<i>58 players</i> HQ. David Sniegowski (35) 1. Paul McClanahan (105) 2. David Sniegowski (70) 3. Robert Reister (42) 3. Jerry Gooden (42)	<i>38 players</i> HQ. Linda Spellman (12) 1. Charles Dolge (60) 2. Scott Noble (40) 3. Linda Spellman (24) 3. Virgil Dulin (24)	<i>28-hands:</i> Ernie Hodgson* Megan Player*	<i>Friday:</i> Fran Ward <i>Saturday:</i> John Blowers
Edmonton St. Pat's Open (Edmonton AB; Mar. 15)	Audrey Hatto	<i>21 players</i> HQ. Doris Sanders (25) 1. Eric Drazek (70) 2. Ross Hallett (42)	<i>18 players</i> HQ. Audrey Hatto (15) 1. Lewis Skidmore (40) 2. Suzanne Lamoureux (24)		
Corned Beef & Cribbage (Medway MA; Mar. 16)	Pat Llewellyn	<i>100 players</i> HQ. Brian McCoy (35) 1. Laurie Hardy (147) 2. Donna Gavin (105) 3. Mike Fetchel (70) 3. Phil Martin (70)	<i>52 players</i> HQ. Daniel Crete (15) 1. Jim Maffa (60) 2. Marty Duchow (40) 3. Richard Andrew (24) 3. Peter Olson (24)	<i>28-hand:</i> Barry Spadea*	
Marshfield Open (Marshfield WI; Mar. 21-23)	Tom Drexler	<i>50 players</i> HQ. Dennis Ulberg (30) 1. Nick Diny (105) 2. Donald Flesch (70) 3. Pete Severson (42) 3. Delores Brey (42)	<i>40 players</i> HQ. Ellen Kutz (18) 1. Dan Taylor (60) 2. Doug Diny (40) 3. Terry Weber (24) 3. Lana Newhouse (24)	<i>28-hand:</i> Donald Flesch *	<i>Friday:</i> Dennis Knauf <i>Saturday:</i> Donald Flesch <i>All Events:</i> Donald Flesch

real problem was InDesign—the software that I use to typeset *Cribbage World*. Take my word for it that there were a lot of changes between version 2 and version 6 of this software!

In addition, I was just coming back from Reno and preparing for a three-week business trip. When I left for the trip, CW was still unfinished, and I was tied up every day either driving or selling books. That left very little time in the evenings to finish up this issue, and being away from my normal routine didn't lend itself to following all the normal procedures I employ in producing CW.

As a result, the biggest issue I've ever produced (52 pages) was rushed, not carefully prepared, full of typos and mistakes, and—as near as I can tell—placed in storage at the post office for a couple more weeks—probably to determine if it met the minimum quality standard to allow it to pass through the US mails.

I hope you've gotten the March/April issue by time you read these words in the May CW, and if so, here is a list of the major mistakes (that I know about):

First and foremost, I must apologize to **Shari Wikstrom** (Tacoma WA) for omit-



ting her name on page 51 of the double March/April issue. Shari wrote a wonderful story for CW Contest #11, and she was one of four winners announced in the December 2013 issue.

Those of you out west who know Shari

will have recognized her picture on page 51 (and again here), but it wasn't intended to be a guessing game for the rest of the country. My sincere apologies to Shari.

High qualifier at the Virginia Cribbage Championship (Glen Allen VA) on January 10–12 was Master **Ronald Reece** (Williamsburg VA), not his cousin **Bud Reese** (Springfield VA) as reported on page 7.

The bubble indicating that **Rod Mandler** (Minneapolis MN) got a grand slam was omitted from Tom Winter Memorial.

The story on page 18 about identical scorecards in the Reno consolation by Master **Jay Sorensen** (Stockton CA) and Life Master **Robert Milk** (Queen Creek AZ) in the JPW consolation should have ended with this sentence: “. . . and so Jay qualified because he had 86 in the positive column versus Bob's 49.”

Cribbage Bowl attendance was 454—not 364, as reported on pages 5 and 11. The total Reno attendance was, therefore, 2,222—not 2,132. (Since I always work from the previous year's file when I report on Reno, anyone care to start a side pool giving odds as to whether I'll remember to correct this number when I list the 2015 attendance?)

The “25 Years Ago” stories on pages 30–31 used 1984 as the date of the events reported. The cover pages were correct, and the stories were correct; but the math was a little off, as $2014 - 25 \neq 1984$.

There are (undoubtedly) many minor errors and typos throughout, but I'll leave them for the proofreaders among us to report. I sure hope that that was the worst CW I ever produce. To borrow another episode title from *Studio 60*, maybe I should have entitled the March/April CW “the disaster issue”! **CW**

ACC Awards



Michael M. Rowe
(Soldotna AK)
Life Master (★) #87

Michael learned to play cribbage when he was about nine or ten years old. He and his Uncle Willie played for a penny a point, but when Willie had won enough for a bottle of wine, the games were over and Willie headed off to town! Allegedly an Alaskan resident, Mike spends much of his time in the Lower 48. He has won twenty-six sanctioned tournaments (twelve mains), his most recent wins being the Lumberjack Classic main on November 23 followed one week later by the Thanksgiving Classic consolation. He has earned his Silver Award in Grass Roots play and was champion of the Travelers' Club 600 in 2012, with 337 GRPs. Mike was an All American in 2011 and held a 29-hand at the 2013 Gem State Challenge.

Jim learned cribbage at work camps in Alaska and joined the ACC in the early 80s. A member of Team Washington Club 39 in Pasco WA, he has been both mentored by members of this club and club champion multiple times (at two clubs). He earned his Gold Award in Grass Roots play in 2010, and his favorite moment this year was getting a 28-hand at club on March 25. Jim has won seven tournaments—all mains—and his favorite tourney is Lincoln City OR. Jim enjoys any form of gambling.

James P. Hartung
(West Richland WA)
Life Master #201



John's grandfather, Archie Prehn, taught him to play cribbage many years ago. As a member of Para-Pines Peggers Club 142 in Paradise, John has earned his Bronze Award and was club champion in 2013. His cribbage mentor is Mel Ashley, his favorite tourney is the TOC in Reno, and his toughest opponents are Duane Toll and DeLynn Colvert. John enjoys playing Texas Hold 'em and slot machines.

John L. Prehn
(Paradise CA)
Grand Master #356



Sandra's dad taught her to play when she was seven or eight to help her to add better. She joined the ACC in 1990 and looks to the late great Joe Bernard as her mentor. Sandy belongs to Grass Roots Club 3 in Crystal Lake IL, was club champion in 2010, and won the prestigious GRTOC that year. Her first tournament win was the 1991 Raleigh consolation, and the highlight of this tourney was beating the late great Warren Sondericker three times—all in the dead hole—a fact that Warren never let Sandy forget! Her favorite tournaments are Green Bay and Reno. Her toughest opponents are Doug Henderson (she can beat him in qualifying but never in playoffs) and Wayne Steinmetz. Sandy is an avid reader of mysteries and also enjoys knitting.

Sandra Stroup
(Elgin IL)
Grand Master #361





George first played cribbage with his father and grandfather, but that was only beginner's cribbage. The training wheels came off when he joined the ACC in the late 1980s and started playing Grass Roots and tournaments. He learned the specifics the hard way (i.e., by paying his cribbage mentor/very good friend Lee Norris \$2 or \$4 per lesson) and by reading DeLynn Colvert's *Play Winning Cribbage* and Dan Barlow's *Miracles on 4th Street*. A member of Pegging Polecats Club 168, George has been club champion two times and has earned his Silver Award. His favorite tournament is Yankee Classic, where he got his first win in 1991 (and again in 2013). Non-cribbage interests include family, grandchildren, golf, poker and jogging.

George A. Edge
(West Warwick RI)
Grand Master #363



Richard L. Pierce Jr.
(Springfield OR)
Life Master #204

Better Than Joe!

Noting the achievements of members who moved past ACC founder Joe Wergin's lifetime total of 1,728 MRPs:

- 1937 Bruce E. Webb (CA)
- 1853 Daniel Betz (MI)
- 1827 Jennifer Bolles (CA)
- 1793 Art Whitney (CA)
- 1784 Don Dolezal (OR)
- 1768 James Seufert (OR)
- 1756 Cathy L. Rendon (CA)
- 1738 Connie Ewka (MI)
- 1736 John Hazlett (MI)



Betty Brumley
(Sunnyside WA)
Grand Master #346

New Cribbage Masters

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 862. Kevin S. Post (Minnetonka MN) | 866. Diana Webster (Sutherlin OR) |
| 863. Ed Ciccone (Braintree MA) | 867. Eric Drazek (Edmonton AB) |
| 864. Brian McCoy (Cambridge MA) | 868. Thomas Beucler (Faribault MN) |
| 865. Luther R. Lord (Ontario CA) | 869. Frank Kiernan (San Pablo CA) |

1. James Huser (WI): Madison Masters (Aug. 18)
2. Michael Rowe (AK): Gem State Challenge (Sept. 8)
3. Ron LaPointe (FL): Emerald Coast Open (Oct. 19)
4. Karen Lyon (CA): Crescent City Open (Oct. 19)
5. Pamela Pomeroy (Norwalk CA): Fall Festival (Nov. 3)
6. Linda Warner (AR): Maryland Holiday Cribbage (Dec. 28)
7. Michael Duffy (CA): Winter Solstice (Dec. 21)
8. Jones Hom (CA): Peg for the Border (Jan. 18)
9. Arlene Boeck (WI): Waupaca Spring Open (Mar. 8)

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Tourney Tidbits

Six Star Race Here are current MRP standings and tourney wins for the ACC's only two Life Masters (6★): **DeLynn Colvert** (Missoula MT) and **Duane Toll** (Sutherlin OR):

tourney wins		MRPs	
1	DeLynn 83	1	DeLynn 39,719
2	Duane 80	2	Duane 39,206

Susanville Spring Classic The very first time that **Sam Sinram** (Ankeny IA) stepped foot outside the state of Iowa to play a cribbage tournament—he won it!



Sam capped off a 1,600-mile drive from Iowa to California with a win in the Susanville Spring Classic main tourney. With this first sanctioned win now

under his belt, maybe he'll get the urge to go on the Tournament Trail more often.

Tournament of Hearts The February *Cribbage World* (page 10) reported that the Santa Special in Kissimmee FL saw three 28-hands, or one every 96 games. This record has now been beaten, as five players held 28-hands in the MTH main. With 25 players playing 22 games each, this means there was one 28-hand every 55 games! Congrats to **Eric Jensen** (Grand Rapids), **Jeff Shimp** (Grand Haven), **Dan Klein** (Caledonia), **Bob Chambers** (Muskegon), and **Mark Van Dyke** (Grand Haven) for setting a new record! In addition, **Brenda Carson** (Grand Rapids) held yet another 28-hand in the consolation. Maybe it should be renamed the Tournament

of Big Hands!

Go Green Bay #1 After a three-tournament slump Mr. 28 is back—but with a change. After handing out 28-hands to other players in four recent tourneys, **Dale Magedanz** (Milwaukee WI) got his first official 28-hand.

Go Green Bay #2 Nonmember **Zach Gilliame** (Green Bay WI) got a 29-hand during doubles. For holding this 1-in-216,580 hand, he was presented with an ACC cribbage board and a membership application!

Florida Open **Sal and Betty Ditommaso** (Lake Worth FL) were on their way to the Friday satellite when a tire blew out. Sal swerved off the road, hit a barrier, and totaled the car. Everyone was okay, but Betty decided to stay with their kids and grandchildren the next day while Sal played the tournament. On his way back to the consolation on Sunday, the rental car blew a tire. Again, no one was hurt, but that is some serious dedication to the game!

Waupaca Spring Open Life Master **Emilio Perez** (Waukegan IL) turned in a very nice grand slam in the fifty-player Friday night event—but this was good enough for only second place, as **Malia Ironside** (Wisconsin Rapids WI) edged him out by a few spread points on an even nicer grand slam! Malia also had a 28-hand in the consolation.

Capital City Classic **Gordon Jurek** (Duluth MN) got a 29-hand just a few minutes too late to collect \$100 from the ACC. He found this gem in a side game just after the main qualifying round!

Marshfield Open Twenty-year-old college freshman **Nick Diny** attended a local tournament with his father, **Doug Diny** (Wausau WI). He signed up for ACC membership just prior to the start of play, qualified with a 28-point scorecard, and went on to win the main! Along the way to his first tournament win, he bested (among others) Life Master **Beth Widen-er** (Green Bay WI) and Life Master (2★) **Donald Flesch** (Brookfield WI).

MIA

The USPS has returned mail for the following members (city and state are from last known address). Do you know where they are? If so, please contact the membership secretary at **acc@cmspan.net** or 888.734.4464 (9a–11a Pacific Time).

Robert Boyer (Burt NY)
 Bob Byrd (Deer Lodge MT)
 William Corkrum (Reno NV)
 Gary Eldridge (Delray Beach FL)
 Scott Fritz (Owen WI)
 James Habas (Ashland WI)
 Mark Henthorne (Green Bay WI)
 Jordan T. Jaspers (Wenatchee WA)
 Henry Joly (Hollidaysburg PA)
 Leo & Angela Might (Missoula MT)
 Steve Palmer (Madrax OR)
 Elizabeth Rachor (Powell Butte OR)
 Chris Ramos (Dayton WA)
 Hayes G. Shimp (Boston MA)
 Lelona Songy (Eureka CA)
 James A. Wilder (Overton NV)
 Wendy Yafuso (Friendswood TX)

normally think to find them—grocery story, road trip, bike path, skyscraper, synagogue or church, printed material, medical marijuana dispensary—you name it.

- Finally, be safe while taking pictures: don't endanger your life crossing a street, scaling the fire escape of an abandoned building, shimmying under a barbed-wire fence, or skydiving so you can photograph a 15-2 created by aliens in the cornfields of southern England.
- Send pictures of feral 15-2s no later than June 30 as an attachment to email addressed to cribbage@iserv.net. Use the subject line "CW Contest #12" on your email. The winner will be announced in the August *Cribbage World*.

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Participants at Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament (Grass Valley CA)

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like this could, ironically, do the opposite of what is intended. For instance, if you forget to turn the pen around when you move from second to third street, you might end up pegging backward—the very thing the pointer is intended to forestall—because that's the way the pen is now pointing!

Sierra Youth Tourney

We had fun in Grass Valley CA. . . . It was

fun to see so many kids playing cribbage. And the sportsmanship and fun they were having was just great! When they were down to the final four, the four of them were just joking and laughing and having a great time.

Paul Gregson (Antioch CA)

Editor's note—see story on page 33.



Winners of Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament (Grass Valley CA)

The President's Column

by Jeanne Hofbauer



Recently a salesperson came to our home to give us information about new countertops. This visit was the result of a call generated by a home-improvement company. The man measured, showed samples, and quoted us a price. Or I should say, a couple of different prices. One price was lower, but it was available to us only if we placed our order immediately. Now, I realize that the seasonal nature of some work makes companies offer enticements during their slow times, but this wasn't the case here. This was a form of high-pressure salesmanship. I guess it works for them, or they would not be doing it, but it does not work for me.

There are basically two different forms of encouraging people to act as desired: positive reinforcement and negative reinforcement. Reinforcement, in this case, is defined as "the strengthening of the probability of a response to given stimulus by giving or withholding a reward."

So, what is all this rhetoric getting at? *Late fees!* A check of the flyers on the ACC website shows that the majority of directors do not impose them. I personally think that they are punitive, and why

do we want to do that? Don't we want to encourage participation? This is a good example of negative reinforcement. I know why some directors use this method to get participants to register early enough so that the preliminary work of making scorecards, guaranteeing lunches, and so on can be accomplished; and it helps to eliminate long lines and late starts. But there has to be a better idea to encourage people to register early. And there is also the question of what happens to those late fees: where do they go?

Of course, you will never be subjected to late fees if you send in your entry by the prescribed time. But people do not always know about their ability to attend. Should we "fine" them for that?

The ACC is constantly trying to find ways to build our membership. We are not alone in this quest, as many other organizations have the same problems with building and retaining membership. But we must work from within our organization to make our members *want* to participate.

Jeanne

Master Henry Bergeron (Webster NH) has been appointed as the newest member of the ACC Board of Directors, as per ACC Policy: "When a vacancy occurs on the BOD, the President shall fill the vacancy with the next available candidate from results of the last election." Henry has directed several tournaments, including the Daniel Webster Open.

AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS
GRAND NATIONAL 2014



The 2014 Grand National will be held on September 17–23 in downtown Phoenix AZ. This year’s Grand National will have a full week of cribbage with *three* sanctioned 22-game tournaments, eight 9-game satellite tournaments, an evening of cribbage-themed workshops, the invitational Grass Roots Tournament of Champions, hospitality suite, the Board of Directors meeting, and the annual ACC awards banquet.

GN 33 HOST HOTEL

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room rates: \$99 per night (single or double)

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online reservations: resweb.passkey.com/go/2014americancribbagecongress

The hotel is accessible from the Metro light rail—no rental car or taxi required.

GN 33 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

	tournament/event	time	games	fee
Wednesday (17)	Grand National Midweek #1			
	Roadrunner main	8:30a	22	\$60
	Mesquite satellite	6:30p	9	\$20
Thursday (18)	Coyote consolation	9:00a	9	\$30
	Saguaro satellite	6:30p	9	\$20
	free cribbage workshops	7:00p	—	free
Friday (19)	Grand National 33			
	Board of Directors meeting	9:00a	—	free
	Mustang satellite	9:30a	9	\$20
	Palo Verde satellite	6:30p	9	\$20
	GRTOC (invitation only)	7:00p	12	\$50
	Tortoise & Hare doubles	7:30p	9	\$50/tm
Saturday (20)	Diamondback main	8:30a	22	\$75
	awards banquet	6:30p	—	\$38
	Firebird satellite	7:00p	9	\$20
Sunday (21)	Rattlesnake consolation	9:00a	9	\$40
	Chaparral satellite	6:30p	9	\$20
Monday (22)	Grand National Midweek #2			
	Scorpion main	8:30a	22	\$60
	Yucca satellite	6:30p	9	\$20
Tuesday (23)	Superstition consolation	9:00a	9	\$30

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..... LONG MATCH LEDGER

by Brion Neeley (bneeleyaz@gmail.com or 602.525.3919)

Long Match Results

Long Match	winner	runner-up	semifinalists
Arizona	Ted Balsimo (AZ)	John Alig (AZ)	Frank Podjun (AZ) Barb Stockham (AZ)
Western Washington Internet (February)	Valerie Goldgeier (WA)	Scott Reidy (WA)	Becky Durocher (WA) Joanne Randolph (WA)
	Mike Green (CA)	Dennis Misenar (WA)	Benjamin Witz (WI) Lori Misenar (WA)

Internet LM notes: **Mike Green** (Yuba City CA) won his second consecutive Internet LM championship. In the second round of the ILM, **Adam Switzer** (Crookston MN) held a 29-hand against **Bernard Palmer** (Lansing MI), which won Adam both the game and the match.

Current Long Matches

Check out the full list of LMs in the March/April *Cribbage World* for upcoming matches. If you'd like to play in one of them, contact the director. If you're running a LM that isn't listed there—or are interested in starting a LM in your area—contact **Brion Neeley** at bneeleyaz@gmail.com or 602.525.3919.

New LM: **Paul Gregson** has started the Bay Area LM in the metro-San Francisco area, and the first edition is already underway. Contact Paul (paulgregson@gmail.com or 510.376.0257) for information on how to participate in future BALMs.

Upcoming LMs: The third Jefferson State LM begins on May 3, the fourth edition of the Internet LM begins in June, and the Arizona Summer LM begins in June. The Willamette Valley (Oregon) LM begins on July 1 with a new tournament director: contact **Tammy Gibbons** (maggiesweet@gmail.com or 503.701.2454) for details.

Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

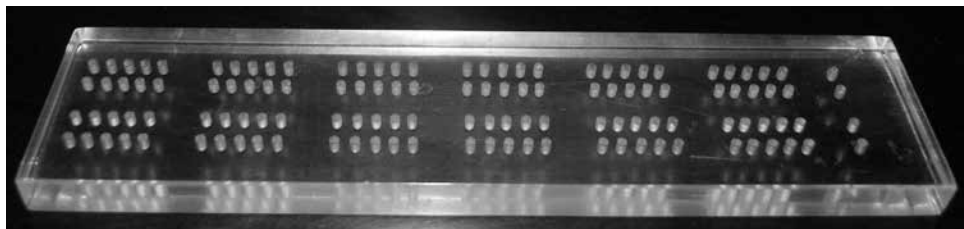
In the past, I have mentioned how much I like cribbage boards with a history and a story to tell. The featured board this month is a good example. The photo of the board is not ideal, but the story makes up for it.

Around 1960, ACC member **Brad Bradfield** learned to play cribbage. His dad taught Brad and his younger brother to play. That started a life-

proud of the cribbage board that it was just about the only board they used after that.

Brad's son James also learned to play cribbage on his grandfather's special board. And Brad has now taught his grandkids and daughter-in-law to play.

The board Brad gave to his dad forty-five years ago came back to



long love of the game for Brad.

A year or so later, Brad was in junior high shop class when he found a scrap piece of clear plastic. He convinced his shop teacher to let him make a cribbage board instead of the regular assignment. The board came out great and earned Brad an "A."

That Christmas, Brad gave the board to his dad. His dad was so

him when his father passed away in 2005. This past year, Brad gave the board to his son James. I have to believe that the shop project from the 1960s will be in the Bradfield family for generations to come. What a wonderful family heirloom.

Brad is a fairly new member of the ACC. He lives in Rapid City SD and plays in Grass Roots Club 96.



Jay Fulwider roots for the Seattle Seahawks and 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 cribbageboardsonline.com, the Cribbage Board Collectors Society website.

beyond board position

I want to thank everyone for the excellent input I'm receiving from our membership. The greatest asset the ACC has is the wonderful people in our organization. The Board of Directors is diligently working on ways to increase membership, and we are implementing some different ideas on how to accomplish this, but the bottom line is that each and every one of us need to be ambassadors for the game we love. If each member made it a priority to recruit one person to the ACC in the next year we wouldn't be having any discussions about membership numbers being on the decline.

One of the biggest fears people have in their retirement years is losing their mental faculties. Alzheimer's always makes the list of what people are afraid of. Did you know that cribbage can help slow the onset of this debilitating disease? Stanford University and many leading medical institutions have conducted numerous studies on what can help prevent or slow down dementia. Playing games and doing puzzles that engage the mind are essential activities that help.

Cribbage is a perfect game that engages the mind. I've often commented on how many eighty- and ninety-year-old cribbage players I meet are as sharp as a tack. I attribute their mental alertness to cribbage. This medical fact is encouraging to current ACC members, and it is a great way to promote cribbage to potential recruits. Of course we want to teach cribbage to our youth, but for this article, I want to challenge you to encourage someone of retirement age to learn the game. Why not ask a relative, friend, or someone you used to work with if they'd like to learn a fun, competitive game that is also medically proven to kick Alzheimer's out the door? Teaching someone who is retired has a multitude of benefits that can be beneficial for years to come. I hope that after they learn the game, you will also encourage them to join our ACC and a local Grass Roots club.

What do you think? Let me know at tomjcookman@gmail.com.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING • FEBRUARY 6, 2014 (presented in condensed form) SANDS REGENCY CASINO • RENO NV

President Jeanne Hofbauer called the meeting to order at 9a. Directors present Dave Aiken, Dave Campbell, Tom Cookman, Annett Eiffert, Willie Evans, Richard Frost, Roland Hall, Don Hannula, Jeanne Hofbauer, Roy Hofbauer, Ron Logan, Bob Milk, Dave O'Neil, Larry Phifer, Bruce Sattler, Phyllis Schmidt, Peggy Shea, Jeff Shimp, Wayne Steinmetz, Valerie Sumner, and Keith Widener. Approved absence for Pat Barrett, Charlie Finley, Bill Medeiros, and Todd Schaefer.

The agenda was approved, and the minutes of the September 20, 2013, BOD meeting were approved.

Syl Lulinski TOC Update: Hannula reported that 463 players preregistered for the TOC. Expenses were \$900, down from last year's \$1,400, due to reduced mail charges; 349 invitations mailed this year, compared to 890 in 2013. He asked that the TOC invitation be printed in CW

along with a list of invitees and that Grass Roots club directors review and update email address in the ACC database so he could use that forum for notification.

JPW/ACC Open Update: Shea reported that the Open has 719 entries, compared to 788 entries last year; 200 are registered in the Cribbage Bowl. Shea reported that Scott Kooistra was not going to attend due to illness.

Hall of Fame: Widener reported in Barrett's absence. There were fifteen HOF nominees, and 98 of 100 ballots were returned. J. Hofbauer said that if a HOF panelist did not return their ballot, the BOD member who appointed them should consider replacing that person. One nominee was elected to the HOF: Jim Langley with 76 votes.

ACC Policy & Procedure Manual: Widener passed out the pages containing new policies and asked each BOD

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HOF Word Search

Puzzle created by Mark Van Dyke (Grand Haven MI)

If you can find the names of all thirty-three ACC Hall of Fame members in the grid, consider yourself a candidate worthy of the National Word Search HOF!

Sir John Suckling
Joseph Petrus Wergin
James Arblaster
Nick Pond
Everett Bey
Douglas Anderson
Bob Madsen
Rasty Rasmussen
Nelson Pendergast
Syl Lulinski
DeLynn Colvert

Bob McCabe
Scott Kooistra
Jerry Dickinson
Dale Munroe
Joan Rein
Mick Michaelis
Martha Fingleton
Ed Horigan
Jeff Shimp
Rit Alkas
Phyllis Schmidt

Joe Bernard
Paul Hatcher
Bob Julian
George Bickford
Roy Hofbauer
Jeanne Hofbauer
Catherine Perkins
Ras Rasmussen
Rollie Heath
Patrick Barrett
Jim Langley

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O O N H A O C K E E P O L P R E N B L S M P A B L E
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U J T I E P I G J I M L A N G L E Y R S N C R S A E

25 Years Ago in the ACC

The cover of the *May 1989 Cribbage World* urged members to vote in the upcoming BOD election.

Elsewhere we read that **Harold Buckley** (then of Anchorage AK, now of Baddeck NS) won the Oregon State Championship consolation and that **Lloyd “Gabby” Kraft** (Seymour WI) won the Capital City Tourney in St. Paul MN.



Milestones!

Send info about member birthdays ending in a zero two months in advance to cribbage@iserv.net or PO Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313.

Happy 90th Birthday in April!

Harry Bean (MI)

Happy 80th Birthday in May!

Dino Bigagnoli (NV)

John Kugyelka (AB)

Ross Njaa (CA)

Ronald Reid (CA)

Happy 70th Birthday in May!

Lee Nelson (NV)

Page Ramos (CA)

Happy 60th Birthday in May!

Sally Henderson (MI)

Quote of the Month

You don't count a 29-hand, you shout it out: "Twenty-niiiiine!"

—Jeff Schultz (Fort Atkinson WI)

The Ethics Committee has suspended two players: Michael A. Holmes (Ironwood MI)—for twelve months starting April 16, 2014, and ending April 15, 2015 Patricia Davidsen (Juneau AK)—for six months starting April 16, 2014, and ending October 15, 2014

CW MARKETPLACE

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The Big Book of Cribbage Discards

reviewed by David Aiken (Ada MI)

If you're like most players (i.e., both curious and eager to learn), there are probably dozens of times each tournament when you say, "I sure wish I knew how to hold this hand."

A resource that addresses this very question, first published in 2001, has now been released in a much expanded edition. Entitled *Complete Cribbage Discards*, this book—actually a four-volume set—gives the stats for each of 230,360 possible discard combinations in the 18,395 possible hands you can be dealt, from A-A-A-A-2-2 to Q-Q-K-K-K-K.

Michael Wortley Nolan (Troy MI) has devoted a lifetime to analyzing cribbage discards with computer programs, and this magnum opus provides detailed statistics for the dedicated cribbage player.

A reference work comprised of four large 8.5" x 11" volumes, each containing 400+ (unnumbered) densely printed pages, this is the de-

resource on discarding. The first two volumes are subtitled "Your Crib," and the last two are "Opponent's Crib."

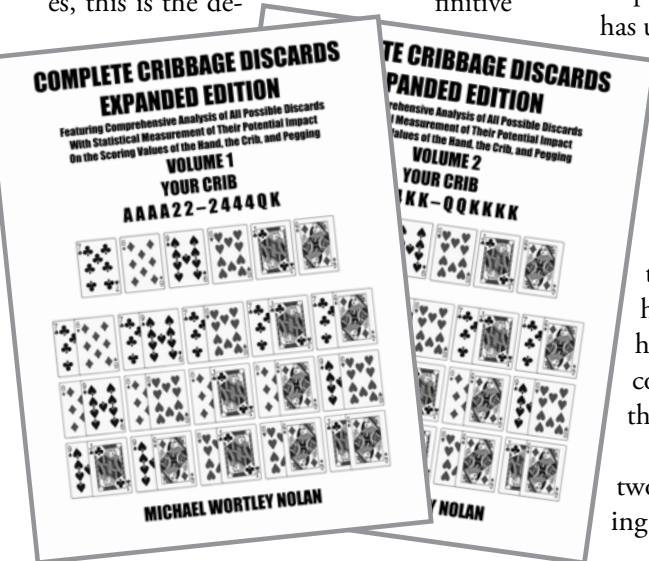
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When you want to know how to maximize your points in a particular situation, it is simple to look up the hand you are dealt to see the net value of each possible discard (from three to thirty combinations, depending on the hand). The discards are listed in descending value according to "your net score," so it's easy to determine if what you were planning to toss in the crib is the statistically best discard.

Life Master (6★) and eight-time national champion Duane Toll (Sutherlin OR) has used the 2001 edition of Nolan's

work for many years now, referring to it for advice on what discards to make for maximum scoring (into his crib) and maximum defense (into his opponent's crib). Duane also peruses the suggested discards of various hands to see patterns that help him make a decision when it becomes impossible to remember all the details for 18,000+ hands.

My quibbles with this work are twofold. First, it is massive, making it impossible (at over eleven



pounds!) to lug these books around to tournaments. Instead, you'll have to write down tricky hands and then look them up when you return home. I suspect that Nolan would see runaway sales if he were to develop an app based on this book, suitable for use on a laptop, tablet, or smart phone.

Second, a hairline rule or small space separating the various hands would have been a tremendous navigation aid. As it is, it is easy to lose your place on the page and look right past the info you are searching for. A simple adjustment in Nolan's computer program can hopefully eliminate this difficulty in future printings of the book.

As you do when considering the purchase of any reference work, it is important to know what this book does and doesn't do. You should know that it does not take into account board position, nor does it consider whether you need to peg offensively or defensively. But if you want to know "the discard choice that statistically maximizes your average net score" (from the preface), then you must add these volumes to your cribbage library.

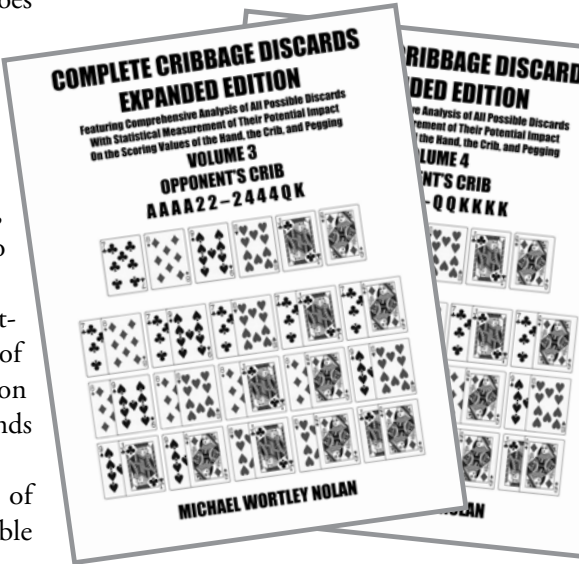
While maybe only the more dedicated players might spring for a \$79 set of books about cribbage, here's a suggestion to get this valuable resource into the hands of players who need it.

Grass Roots clubs could buy a set of Nolan's books and make them available

2366JQ	F	66	2.909	2.204	11.454	5.605	17.764
2366JQ	F	6J	3.557	2.047	08.843	3.265	13.618
2366JQ		JQ	3.521	1.890	07.087	4.885	13.603
2366JQ		66	2.909	2.204	07.263	5.605	13.573
2366JQ	F	6Q	3.716	2.242	09.063	2.979	13.516
2366JQ		23	3.102	1.848	04.003	6.909	12.166
2366JQ		2Q	3.740	1.492	05.611	3.239	11.098
2366JQ		2J	3.670	1.526	05.391	3.525	11.060
2366JQ	F	26	3.261	2.164	06.281	3.654	11.032
2366JQ	F	36	3.020	2.165	06.367	3.407	10.629
2366JQ		6J	3.557	2.047	04.652	3.265	09.427
2366JQ		3J	3.570	1.530	03.739	3.618	09.397
2366JQ		6Q	3.716	2.242	04.872	2.979	09.325
2366JQ		3Q	3.650	1.747	03.959	3.332	09.194
2366JQ		26	3.261	2.164	02.090	3.654	06.841
2366JQ		36	3.020	2.165	02.176	3.407	06.438

A selection from Nolan's book showing the various discards (listed in the second column) for 2-3-6-6-J-Q, arranged in sequence from highest to lowest net score (right column).

during club tourneys to serve as a resource for club members. Of course, you can't pick up your hand, run over to the book, and look up the best discard. But after a game is over, this set could aid players in improving their game—and probably also serve as a springboard for arguments about the best way to play this game! **CW**



IN MEMORY OF OUR FRIENDS

Barb Beveridge

Barb Beveridge (Lake Linden MI), a charter member of Club 333 of Tamarack City, in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, has passed away. Barb rarely missed a week of cribbage, and was one of the most improved players in the club. Win or lose, she always looked forward to next week. Not only will Barb be missed weekly, but she'll be missed at our potluck GRRT and GRNT. Barb would bring homemade spreads, "Chow Chow," and her "Better than Sex Cake." We are sure that cribbage players in the hereafter welcomed her with open arms! Save a piece for us, Barb.

Bruce A. Buckingham

Bruce Buckingham (Napa CA), a long-time member of Century Peggers Club 100, passed away on March 26, after a lengthy battle against cancer. Although that battle lasted for some time, he didn't let it keep him from playing his favorite game. In fact, six days prior to his passing, he played six games at the local senior center. He had earned his Bronze Award and always looked forward to the Reno tournament in February. Bruce was a crusty, ex-Navy Chief, and sometimes his vocabulary betrayed his past! In fact, you knew he liked and respected you when, after you beat him, he called you a name that referred to one of your body's orifices! Regardless of his occasional gruffness, he had a heart of gold and was always there for anyone who needed something. He will be missed.

David Drew

David Drew (Crystal Lake IL), 61, director of the venerable Club 3 of Crystal Lake IL, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 23. Dave directed the "Crib-A-

Holics" Club for over a decade and played a role in helping rebuild the club's fortunes in the mid-90s. David was also the codirector of the annual Illinois Open. Dave was twice the Club 3 champion and was within 100 points of his Silver Award at the time of his sudden passing. Though a regular at Chicago-area events, he seldom traveled to regional tournaments, with the exception of the annual February Reno gathering, where he was a regular attendee. Dave was an avid Packers and Brewers fan who enjoyed gardening and outdoor activities. Dave is survived by his wife, Bonnie, two daughters (Rebecca and Melissa), and two grandchildren, who were noted for their occasional surprise visits on club nights, often with unexpected treats for the players. David's competitiveness and camaraderie will be missed by the Illinois cribbage community.

George Russ Fisher

George Fisher (Dover FL) passed away on February 7. He is survived by his wife, ACC member Lois Fisher. Russ was a US Navy veteran and avid gun enthusiast. He was a competitive cribbage player and traveled to many out-of-state tournaments. He joined the ACC in 1982 and earned his Bronze Award before failing health forced him to stop playing.

Walter H. Swearingen

Walter Swearingen (Pasco WA) passed away on April 3 at age 87. A veteran of the US Navy, he spent his career in Yakima and Pasco in the irrigation business. Not only was Walt a good cribbage player (as a member of Sagebrush Peggers Club 184, he had earned his Silver Award and was also nearing his Master Award), but he was a good person—contributing money,

Charlie Finley

The cribbage world lost one of its greatest ambassadors with the passing of Life Master (★) Charlie Finley. A presence at many tournaments, he enjoyed spending time with his extended cribbage family. He always offered his sincere wish for their success. He held a special regard for his occasional nemeses, always shaking their hand even after absorbing a drubbing in a game. His long and special friendship with Tossie Shea, a frequent nemesis, meant the world to Charlie.

Charlie's record of success was remarkable: national and regional titles, Grass Roots club champion, Life Master (★), and Gold Award. But to remember Charlie as just a fine cribbage player would be to miss out on so many other of his gentlemanly qualities.

Charlie and his wife, Judi, not only started and directed tournaments (often with their good friends Jim Law and George Bickford), but hosted players at their home before and after the events. He enjoyed dinners with them after play was over and generously picked up the tab on more than one occasion.

Charlie was, first and foremost, a family man. His wife, children, and grandchil-

dren were the light of his life. They often joined him as players, tournament helpers, and charity fundraisers throughout the years. They were an important part of everything he did, and he was extremely proud to have them by his side.

As tournament host, he greeted all players with the same enthusiasm. The women got a big hug (and maybe a kiss), the men a firm and genuine handshake. And Judi was active behind the scenes to make sure all the details were covered!

Some familiar Charlie-isms:

"Turkey Breath"—what he called an opponent who won the game

"Always a business doing pleasure with you"—if he won the game

"It's just a g*d damn card game"—usually when the cards weren't going well

Add to all of this his service as a judge, ACC board member, and a myriad of other efforts made to support and promote the game of cribbage—and it's no wonder we will all miss Charlie Finley.

by Peter Vangness (MA)



services, and time to many good causes in Washington State. This avid ambassador for cribbage will be missed by all.

William R. Wanic

Bill Wanic (Lombard IL) died March 21 after a battle with bacterial endocarditis. Bill played in tournaments for the past ten years in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. He served in the Army National Guard, retired from Union Pacific Railroad, and did volunteer work. He enjoyed life, spending time with his two children and five grandchildren, hunting, bowl-

ing, golfing, and always had a smile. He is survived by his younger brothers, ACC members Roger Wanic (Lombard IL) and Terry Wanic (Escanaba MI).

Dan Weir

Dan Weir recently passed away at the age of 85. An early Wisconsin ACC member, Dan served on the BOD for a short time in the 1980s. He was codirector of the very first Grand National in Milwaukee in 1982 and also directed several Beer City Opens. Dan has not played competitive cribbage for quite a number of years.

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by Tom M. Jones (Prewitt NM)

This is the fourth story that won first place in CW Contest #11.



I learned to play cribbage from a friend I worked with at Stanford Linear Accelerator Center. I forget the stakes but he said the best way to learn cribbage was to have some money at stake. It wasn't much but I bought him a lot of lunches. The only other cribbage I played was on an annual weeklong fishing trip. I wasn't very good compared to them, but I was game and enjoyed the competition.

In November 1994 some friends and I were fishing at Lake Mead NV, when four of the guys, all of them cribbage players, wanted to cut the trip three days short to attend a cribbage tournament in Reno. Majority ruled, so off we went.

Upon arriving at the casino we registered, got some handouts, and kicked back for the night. The guys insisted I get into the Q-pool even though I had no idea what the heck I was doing. I think they just planned on getting more of my money. It was a big tournament, with the meeting hall loaded with players. I was assigned a seat number and proceeded to find my place.

I sat down and waited for my opponent to show up. When my opponent sat down, he introduced himself, but I didn't catch his name with all the background noise. The first hand was dealt, and I picked up what looked like a pretty good hand: three 5s and a King. The cut card was another 5. After we pegged, I tried to count my hand, making mistake after mistake. Each

time he would say that's not enough. Finally he counted it for me, and of course it was a 28-hand!

We laughed, and he joked about what a way to start the game. The other people sitting nearby just shook their heads and remarked that it must be my day; a few even shook my hand.

Well, I lost the game as it seemed like every card I played my opponent played one for points, and I wasn't dealt any more no-brainers. When the game was almost over someone came up to my opponent with a piece of paper that he signed and handed over to me. I thought that was weird; not only do you get a great hand but they insult your opponent by making him testify to it.

After the remainder of the tournament games, winning a couple but losing most, I met up with my buddies. I told them that I got my butt kicked but had one hand that was a 28. They seemed to doubt it, so I pulled the certificate out of my back pocket and showed it and told them the story. They all laughed long and hard, and finally one of them said, "No wonder you lost, don't you know who you played against? Read the signature." After looking I said, "Okay, but who the hell is Joseph Wergin?"

Welcome to New Members

The ACC welcomed 173 new members in February–March. When you see these folks on 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.

Alaska

Carl Edgerton (Fairbanks)
Colton Guard (Anchorage)
Jeneva Guard (Anchorage)

Alberta

Brenda Dola (Medicine Hat)

Arizona

Ken Barnes (Sun Lakes)
Sheila Earley (Mesa)
Jack Flynn (Mesa)
James Gardin (Mesa)
Dale Haneman (Mesa)
Joe Holman (Sedona)
Rich Kosier (Surprise)
David Mentink (Hot Springs Village)
Jack Toews (Sun Lakes)
John Walsh (Mesa)
Jeff Wentzel (Queen Creek)

British Columbia

Lorry Chmelyk (Kelowna)
Kathy Corrins (Langley)
Richard Goddard (Kelowna)
Gerry Huggins (Kelowna)
Jennifer Hawkee (Surrey)
Doug Lanz (Surrey)
Marilyn Paquette (Langley)
James Porter (Maple Ridge)
Marg Pybus (White Rock)
John Schulstad (Abbotsford)

California

Cameron L. Brown (Redding)
Craig L. Brown (Redding)
Casey Burge (Auburn)
Marc Carone (San Jose)
Matt Cocking (Arcata)
Christina M. Danley (Escondido)
B. J. Flora (Citrus Heights)
Jack Frank (Paradise)
Jim Gleason (Citrus Heights)
Paul A. Householder (Monterey)
Amber Mihna (Saint Helena)
Rachel Moore (San Diego)
Doug Moritz (Clovis)
Robert Munson (Greenvew)
John G. Peterson (Fairfax)
Douglas A. Peterson (Trinity Center)
Roger Peterson (Carnelian Bay)
Tim Powers (Meadow Vista)
Scott Pynes (Etna)
Jed Rangel (Samoa)

Taffy Ruzicka (Fair Oaks)
Jerry Schade (Shingle Springs)
Michael Sefick (Salinas)
David M. Summer (La Quinta)
Bruce Topa (Tustin)
Chris Watkins (Santa Cruz)
Christina Watson (Monterey)
Ken Yarnier (Rancho Santa Margarita)
Lisa I. Barber (Moraga)

Colorado

Bill Crosier (Greeley)
John Fotenos (Colorado Springs)
Jeffrey Haspel (Durango)
Bob Huguenard (Lafayette)
Mark M. Williamson (Aurora)
Amelia Yeager (Durango)

Connecticut

Joseph R. Bozzuto (East Haven)
Victoria L. Bozzuto (East Haven)
Russell Ramage (Middletown)

Florida

Michael Dagenais (The Villages)
Paul Damico (Pensacola)
Sharon Damico (Pensacola)
Steven G. Fleming (Fort Walton Beach)
Yvonne Gibbons (Saint Cloud)
Paul Hearon (Fort Walton Beach)
Thomas M. Lux Sr. (Ormond Beach)
John Maundrell (Saint Cloud)
Peter C. Noonan (Pensacola)
Gordon Robbins (Titusville)
Carol Salmon (Daytona Beach)
Calvin Sandry (Titusville)
Richard R. Snyder (Bradenton)
Stephen F. Tedesco (Pace)
Andy D. Thompson (Ellenton)
Claudia Tritabaugh (Sun City Center)
Dennis Tritabaugh (Sun City Center)
Mary Zawisza (Pensacola)

Idaho

Tom Zahn (Idaho Falls)

Illinois

William Coduti (Bartlett)
Matt Gullo (Chicago)
Debi Mills (Bartlett)

Janice M. Motsinger (Crystal Lake)

Indiana

Meme Roberts (La Porte)

Iowa

Ed Baker (Des Moines)

Maine

Linda Rousseau (Old Orchard Beach)
Chet Tetreault (Portland)

Massachusetts

Steven Jackson (Medway)
David Maines (Franklin)
Susan Robichaud (Athol)

Michigan

Glenn Ayotte (Ishpeming)
Steve Haller (Lake Linden)
Charles Hoch (Coopersville)
Neil Londo (Wakefield)
Edward Malenka (Grand Rapids)
Allison Rosenberg (Royal Oak)
Andy Stireman (Lake Ann)

Minnesota

Tyler Dieringer (Saint Paul)
Michael D. Hill (Watkins)
Barbara Lawry (Roseville)
LeRoy Price Jr. (Willow River)
Charles Weber (Coon Rapids)

Montana

Buby Blakely (Deer Lodge)
Kent B. Crebo (Helena)
Bob Mattie (Missoula)
Cathy McElderry (Deer Lodge)
Charles A. Olson (Helena)
Charles C. Tolson (Clancy)

Nevada

Arvin Evans (Las Vegas)
Terry Gudden (Las Vegas)
Justin Hertz (Reno)
Richard Hertz (Reno)

New Hampshire

Robin J. Lewis (Epsom)

New Mexico

Kyle Cocrane (Albuquerque)
Jared Gearhart (Albuquerque)
Jhana Gorman (Albuquerque)
J. Scott Groninger (Albuquerque)
Terry Hansen (Albuquerque)

New York

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Low Thompson (Cortland)

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Craig Boatman (Bend)
Nicole Carstensen (Hermiston)
Paul D. Coover Jr. (Portland)
Barry G. Corbett (Grants Pass)
Jim DeArmond (Portland)
Donna Edlin (Pleasant Hill)
Mike Edlin (Pleasant Hill)
Jack Fiske (Stayton)
Daly Folsom (La Grande)
Erin Folsom (Cove)
Don Hammar (Roseburg)
Michael Hartzell (Florence)
Flora A. Hulben (Grants Pass)
Charlotte Iverson (Hermiston)
Steven McLeod (Hermiston)
Jeanne Lou Quigley (Central Point)
Alice Smith-Johnson (Albany)

South Carolina

Mike Joyce (Indian Land)

South Dakota

Marvin E. Engstrom (Tabor)
Joseph Georgeson (Viborg)
Greg Strike (Yankton)
Sally Stucky (Yankton)
Terry Williams (Yankton)

Texas

Donnie Olson (Plano)

Vermont

Daniel J. Keough (Colchester)

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Bruce Jordan (Virginia Beach)
Carolyn Rapoza (Springfield)
Richard H. Rapoza (Springfield)
Rob Teitelbaum (Falls Church)

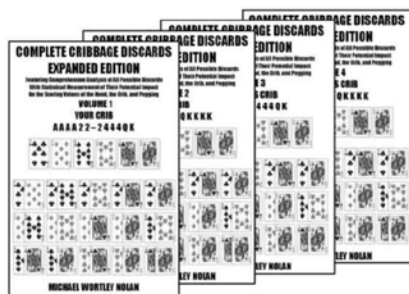
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Bailey Duis (Grandview)
Clifford Dunbar (Dixie)
Steven Findsen (Lacey)
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Daniel Haag (Vashon)
Amy Pearson (Wenatchee)
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Patricia McDaniel (Gig Harbor)
Scott Tenaglia (Tacoma)
Cedric Thomas (Federal Way)
Dannelle Thomas (Federal Way)

Wisconsin

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Randy Conard (Brussels)
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IRPs

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February Wrap-Up

Richard Shea (*thirtyonefor14*) jumped from fourth position to claim the top spot, with **Mark Van Dyke** (*loosespokes*) still in second. By virtue of winning two tournaments, **Mike Fetchel** (*mfetchCT425*) is the February player of the month.

March Wrap-Up

Timothy M. Julkowski (*Tim_Oregon2854*) jumped from third position to claim the top spot, with **Richard Shea** (*thirtyonefor14*) sliding to second. By virtue of winning two tournaments during March, **Timothy Julkowski** is the March player of the month.

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)

Sam Sinram (*IA503*)

internet.schedule

Internet tournaments are held throughout the week. Log on to cribbage.org/internet and click "Tournament Schedule" in the right column to see the current schedule. Anyone can play in ACC internet tournaments, but to earn IRPs you must be an ACC member with a screen name certified for internet tournaments. Register at cribbage.org/internet/reg.asp. Log in at least ten minutes before start time. All times Eastern.

- 3/18 Larry Rozeck (*mrfish*)
- 3/19 Adam Switzer (*sprts2444*)
- 3/20 Bernard Whitfield (*mr_bernard*)
- 3/22 Carlyle Elliott (*Lyle3*)
- 3/23 Timothy M. Julkowski (*Tim_Oregon2854*)
- 3/24 Tom Langford (*yanknshank29*)
- 3/25 Janice Rousselle (*toastersCrumb*)
- 3/26 Debra Lucas (*MsBeeHaven*)
- 3/27 Mark Van Dyke (*loosespokes*)
- 3/29 Joshua Kurz (*poet205*)
- 3/30 Sam Sinram (*IA503*)
- 3/31 Haley Hintze (*hintze1*)

standings

IRPs name (tournaments played)

- 1 861 Timothy M. Julkowski (107)
- 2 819 Richard Shea (88)
- 3 795 Mike Fetchel (105)
- 4 736 Mark Van Dyke (109)
- 5 711 Tom Langford (99)
- 6 687 Bradley Gronli (138)
- 7 675 Don Eastwood (97)
- 8 642 Sam Sinram (122)
- 9 633 Bryan J. Gurden (89)
- 10 624 George R. Lanning (128)

tourney.winners

- 2/1 Mike Fetchel (*mfetchCT425*)
- 2/2 Michelle Barthelmess (*Frazu2*)
- 2/4 non-ACC winner
- 2/5 Robert Fiset (*mariorx36*)
- 2/10 David M. Landreth (*dmiland12*)
- 2/11 non-ACC winner
- 2/12 non-ACC winner
- 2/13 Mark Van Dyke (*loosespokes*)
- 2/15 Wayne King (*WKing621*)
- 2/16 Andy Roland (*muesli64*)
- 2/17 John Schafer (*netview85*)
- 2/18 Janice Rousselle (*toastersCrumb*)
- 2/19 non-ACC winner
- 2/20 Scott A. Milo (*Sgt_Pegger*)
- 2/22 Don Eastwood (*NC310*)
- 2/23 Haley Hintze (*hintze1*)
- 2/24 Bob Bartosh (*acc_bob*)
- 2/25 Richard Shea (*thirtyonefor14*)
- 2/26 Mike Fetchel (*mfetchCT425*)
- 2/27 Ronald E. Boulé (*ron235*)
- 3/1 David D. Braach (*papa349*)
- 3/2 Marie Harrington (*ma_lobs*)
- 3/3 David M. Landreth (*dmiland12*)
- 3/4 Nancy R. Roncetti (*nunzia*)
- 3/5 Kurt Ocker (*Godzilla*)
- 3/6 David M. Landreth (*dmiland12*)
- 3/8 Sam Sinram (*IA503*)
- 3/9 Pat Llewellyn (*pllew932*)
- 3/10 Richard May (*rcmay5*)
- 3/11 Larry Rozeck (*mrfish*)
- 3/12 non-ACC winner
- 3/13 Jim Maffa (*jmm396*)
- 3/15 Timothy M. Julkowski (*Tim_Oregon2854*)
- 3/16 Michael T. Burgess (*Redding_5943*)
- 3/17 Anthony Yaeger (*anyhunts*)

GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



Youth News

The twenty-first annual Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament took place on March 1 in Grass Valley CA. Sixty-one youths aged six to eighteen came with hope of winning trophies and being crowned champion. Twenty-four enthusiastic youngsters played in the 12 and over group (nine games), while thirty-seven aged 11 and under participated in the junior division (six games). Thirteen year-old **Sherry Guzman** (Grass Valley CA) was high qualifier with an impressive eight-win card (16/8 +147), losing her sole game in the stink hole. **Anthony Vierra** (aged 11) from Grass Valley was on fire with a grand slam (15/6 +177) and had the top qualifying card in the junior division. Here are the results:

12 and over

main	champ	Keegan O'Sullivan (13), Colfax
	2nd	Joseph Begin (17), Colfax
	3rd	Sherry Guzman (13), Grass Valley
	4th	Jacob Turner (18), Grass Valley
cons.	champ	Gavin Kordestani (12), Oakland
	2nd	Connor Branson (13), Roseville

11 and under

Justin Roberts (11), Grass Valley
Ethan Guensler (9), Rocklin
Austin Gregson (9), Antioch
Anthony Vierra (11), Grass Valley

Pix on p. 16!

Tourney tidbits:

- * **Keegan O'Sullivan** has back-to-back tournament victories, having won the Fall Youth Cribbage Tournament last September.
- * A huge thank you to the **Sands Regency Reno** for a grant that allowed each player to receive an awesome backpack with a cribbage logo on it.
- * A special thank you to all the donors and volunteers on the day of the tournament who helped make SYCT 21 one of the best youth tournaments ever!

The next youth tournament is slated for Monday, May 26, on Memorial Day in El Dorado Hills CA. For more information, contact **Don "Grumpy" Howard** (916.212.2465 or grumpydopey@sbcglobal.net).

Teaching Manuals

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

- **Robert Thurrell (Freeport ME)**
- **Marli Holden (Wasilla AK)**
- **Nikki Podevels (Marshfield WI)**
- **Trent Robertson (Foley MN)**

GRASS ROOTS

Clubs

GRPs

as of April 16

DIVISION 1

rank	GRPs	name (club)
1	297	Donald Haller (333)
2	289	Tom Anderson (356)
3	288	Haley Hintze (3)
4	280	Howard L. Terry (600)
5	279	Ronald L. Morgan (11)
6	272	Dennis Lang (309)
7	270	Joseph P. Aird (218)
8	265	Gerald Klein (309)
9	262	Herschel Mack (600)
10	261	Ray Klocko (360)
11	253	Michael Holmes (390)
12	253	Mike Sudduth (339)
13	251	Al Doucet (288)
14	251	David L. Hayden (391)
15	249	Barbara Maynard (341)
16	249	Garrett Van Scyoc (100)
17	247	Rod Hovey (321)
18	246	Henry N. Carle (177)
19	245	Paul C. Barnes (230)
20	245	Dan Vogel (224)
21	243	Gerald Hahn Jr. (62)
22	243	Jack B. Shumate III (127)
23	237	Paul Hirschmann (285)
24	237	John A. McCready (104)
25	237	Alan Phillipo (308)
26	236	John G. Goe (600)
27	236	Paul Hatcher (46)
28	234	Jerry Newhouse (90)
29	234	Thomas Schroeder (357)
30	233	Mills Brubaker (317)
31	233	Norman Nikodym (68)
32	231	Angelo D. Torrise (190)
33	230	R. Gregory Delaney (26)
34	230	Keith R. Miller (600)
35	229	Richard Frost (370)
36	227	Jim Hornbacher (232)
37	226	David Fournier (22)
38	226	David Statz (314)
39	225	Roger Carr (276)
40	225	Ken Cochlin (184)
41	225	Clifford Ruble (347)
42	224	Rich Ekman (395)
43	223	Michael Morgan (106)
44	221	Frank Corrado (26)
45	221	Tom Varnell (274)
46	220	Gerald Bender (391)
47	220	Roy Wong (110)
48	220	Tracy Yott (43)
49	217	Bruce Grimstad (108)
50	217	Michael N. Watson (62)
51	216	Timothy M. Julkowski (285)
52	215	Douglas P. Benson (243)
53	215	Thomas Mancbach (140)

54	215	Bill Press (100)
55	215	Gary Rasmussen (232)
56	213	Gerald Gruber (240)
57	213	Bill Medeiros (221)
58	212	Doug Brackemyre (329)
59	212	Jim Duff (357)
60	212	Rick Weichseldorfer (148)
61	211	Scott Buhrow (106)
62	210	Scott Attridge (232)
63	210	Clinton Deisenroth (193)
64	210	Don Dolezal (395)
65	210	Walter Howell (127)
66	210	Don Wolf (1)
67	210	Morris Wyman (328)
68	209	William Jones (2)
69	209	John Swain (39)
70	208	Jim Crawford (43)
71	208	Tom Gallagher (157)
72	207	Geri Deeds (3)
73	207	John D. Hensley (274)
74	206	Dennis R. Crooks (360)
75	206	Jerome M. Jansky (94)
76	206	Rex Paddock (347)
77	206	Harold Sontag (162)
78	205	R. Bruce Brown (161)
79	205	David Gerke (300)
80	204	Michael Crume (377)
81	204	Charlie Douthit (211)
82	204	Marc B. Leichtling (600)
83	204	Bob Lewis (46)
84	203	Joe Doyle (308)
85	202	Wilbur Paul (346)
86	201	Richard Jaspers (379)
87	201	Mike Misluk (26)
88	201	Nancy G. Wanke (341)
89	200	Tony Canzler (243)
90	200	Greg Dumas (140)
91	200	William W. Robe (299)

DIVISION 2

1	241	E. J. Opinski (600)
2	196	Tim Land (340)
3	191	Carl L. Heath (38)
4	182	Egon Koch (340)
5	180	Sam Sinram (17)
6	176	Rob Palmer (38)
7	170	Louise Streeter (219)
8	160	Wendell Woodard (219)
9	159	Patty Vowell (38)
10	152	Jason Matheny (281)

DIVISION 3

1	183	Jim Melson (392)
2	179	Ronald D. Gustafson (600)
3	158	David Rice (393)
4	124	Diane A. Harvey (113)
5	111	Lee Chambers (113)



Grass Roots

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Welcome to the newest Grass Roots clubs: **Lake Superior Shufflers** (#399) in Duluth MN, **Sin City Peggers** (#400) in Las Vegas NV, and **Brown Bag Cribbage Club** (#401) in La Quinta CA. Good luck, and keep us informed of your progress.

It's that time of year again. The end of the Grass Roots season is the time to focus on membership. Not just new members, but all members. The upcoming unofficial season should be a time to make changes to club operations in order to attract new members and retain current members.

Obviously, we should be working on bringing new members in all year long. With June, July, and August being unofficial play with no limits for guests, these summer months are the ideal time to attract new players and bring them up to speed before the start of the next Grass Roots season. **4th Street Terrorists** (#54) in Antioch CA is trying something new by holding an unofficial, nonsanctioned cribbage tournament in June as an attempt to raise awareness of the club and the ACC. For more ideas, check out the Membership Drive link on the Grass Roots website (accgrassroots.org/memberdrive.asp).

Club directors should look at the final Grass Roots Club Standings report (4a) of the season and note the number of club tournaments played by each member. Those of us that play more than three-fourths of the

season are just plain addicted. Ask those members who play less than two-thirds or even half of the season what can be done to get them to show up more often. Are the payouts not meeting the recommended 1:4 players (see the Grass Roots Manual on the Grass Roots website)? Are the payouts excessively top-heavy? Is the club offering incentives for the players based on participation?

What incentives based on participation, you ask? For example, my club collects \$2/player for each tournament. In addition to covering the typical overhead costs of operations (including an annual BBQ) and offering monetary awards for grand slams, 28-hands, and 29-hands, the club pays the Grass Roots fee for every club member who plays 50% or more of the season. New this season, the club will pay the ACC fee for one year for all club members who play 32 or more weekly tournaments (based on missing one tournament each quarter). Additionally, the club will reimburse the entry fee for the Grass Roots Tournament of Champions (GRTOC) to eligible club champion(s) who participate within their three-year window.

What does your club do to retain the current members? Some clubs offer a monetary award (or free entry into the next tournament) to the nonqualifier with the best score of the final three games of the tour-

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nament. Are there affordable optional side pools that are strictly based on luck (high hand, high crib, combined hand and crib, etc.) that allow the lesser-skilled players to win something? Has your club considered making the prize pool optional instead of a mandatory portion of the tournament entry fee? Let me know what works for your club by emailing ACCGrassRootsCorner@gmail.com.

NJ Nibs and Nobs Club 175 (Bridgewater NJ)—**Joe Murdock** got the new year off to a rousing start on January 5. Early in the evening, Joe had a 28-hand. And toward the end of the night, he had a 29-hand. After the club statistician entered these two honor hands into the website, he got a call from Joan Rein. Joan said, “I see you put in a 28-hand and also a 29-hand for Joe Murdock. Which one was it?” When she was told, “Both!” she said, “Wow, that’s one for *Cribbage World*!” Joe then bought a \$10 scratch-off lottery ticket, and with that he won another \$100. Now that’s a good night! *submitted by Bill Sundheim* [Sounds like a trip to Atlantic City is in order! —TY]

Halifax Area Club 230 (Ormond Beach FL)—**Al Lokitz** held three 5s and the Jack of Spades. Guess what popped up? The 5 of Spades. We’re not sure, but this may be HACC’s first 29-hand. On her thirtieth birthday, **Amanda Moquin** dealt herself a 28-hand. *submitted by Paul Barnes & Amanda Moquin*

Cribbage Club 295 of SE Michigan (Rochester Hills MI)—the club has seen a flood of 28-hands, 29-hands, and grand slams this season. In the first eleven years of the club’s existence, we had one 29-hand that anyone can recall. We have had two in

GrassRootsAwards

GOLD #28

Ken Cochlin (Kennewick WA)

SILVER

Wendell Arntzen (39), WA

Gary Bugg (108), WA

Jim Crawford (43), CA

Michael D. Green (258), CA

Pat Jungmann (274), WA

Terry McNeil (107), MI

Alan Vredeveld (229), MI

BRONZE

David Appel (71), MI

John Bakeberg (24), AZ

Yvonne Bowers (100), CA

Mary Jane Fuller (300), MI

Doug Hayden (321), MI

Donha Hodges (345), CO

Richard Killough (285), OR

Don Kubant (323), MO

Laurie Logan (600), ID

Garry McCorkle (62), OR

Kathy Pacocha (345), CO

Chris Petersen (307), CO

Megan A. Player (58), NC

Alan Rogers (346), NC

Jerry Rowe (323), MO

Mike Servant (120), WI

Mary E. Skole (34), CO

Frank Spinosa (178), PA

Karen Teague (246), WA

John E. Tonnesen (140), CA

Joe Zimmitti (26), CT

the past month—by **Joe Meske** in week 19 and by **Laurie Sagal** in week 23. Laurie also had a 28-hand in week 13. There have been three additional 28-hands and two grand slams this season. Our members are making it look too easy! *submitted by Roger Peterson*

Truckee/North Tahoe Sharks Club 222 (Truckee CA)—the 5s were flying on February 19 as **Judy Fasani** picked up her first-28 hand. Twice during the night a defensively minded pone threw 10-K away and cut a 5, only to find that the dealer had dumped a pair of 5s. *submitted by Greg Schleusner*

Lincoln Club 127 (Newport OR)—congratulations to **Roger Sedlachek** for a beautiful 19/8 +158 scorecard on March 6 and to **Mike Ritthaler** for earning his Silver award during our GRNT. *submitted by Monica Newton*

Crossroads Club 323 (Troy MO)—congratulations to longtime member **Jerry Rowe** for earning his Bronze Award on February 28. Another longtime member, **Don Kubant**, is only 14 points away from his Bronze. Though Missouri has yet to “demonstrate it,” we feel that a great many cribbage-savvy people live in Missouri. However, getting them to show interest and to join and compete as members has been quite difficult. Perhaps, a way can be found in the near future to attract more players. *submitted by Sherry Witmus*

Chippewa Valley Club 284 (Eau Claire WI)—having a great night but not a grand slam, **Chad Frischmann** scored a very nice 21/8 +204. Yes, that’s five skunks in his eight wins! In the twelve-year history of our club, Chad’s scorecard is second only to a 21/9 +204 in 2005. His only blemish was a

22-point loss in his fourth game. *submitted by Terry Pederson*

Polly’s Cribbage Cove Club 392 (St. Paul MN)—on January 20 **John Kaphingst** achieved a grand slam with a 19/9 +141. The feat was recognized with a ringing of a yachting bell (a part of the host site’s décor), the lighting of a revolving red light, a siren sounded from a smart phone app, and a round of applause. Then, on February 17 **Marilyn Melson** had a 28-hand. In the one and a half years since our charter, they are the first to accomplish this. Congratulations, John and Marilyn! *submitted by Fred Kaphingst*

Pensacola Peggers Club 396 (Pensacola FL) is a new club and the only club in the Pensacola area. Our club is growing slowly but steadily. One of our members, **Andy Laventure** (Foley AL) has had two grand slams within a month. The first grand slam came in time for an early Christmas gift on December 19, 2013. Then to ring in the New Year the second gram slam was recorded on January 16, 2014. Andy has also had several flushes in the crib. Way to go Andy, if only your luck would rub off on the rest of us. *submitted by Opal Combs*

Edmonton Peggers Club 261 (Edmonton AB)—**John Zawaduk** scored a grand slam on March 19. He didn’t skunk anyone and won three games by 2 points and another game by a single point. **Dennis Wagner** was the lucky recipient of a 28-hand on March 12. *submitted by Gary Wirth*

Colebrook Cohorts Club 219 (Colebrook NH)—**Ralph Haynes** is the third club member to achieve a grand slam this season. The first was **Stanley Mullins** on October 10, with 18/9 +75. On March 6 **Louise Streeter** scored 20/9 +267; she had to play

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an extra game and even won that one! Two weeks later, Ralph scored 19/9 +166. We have three more Grass Roots tournaments and GRNT to play. Anything can happen! *submitted by Annie Laughton*

Kribbage Klub 341 (Kissimmee FL)—February saw some big events. We had three 28-hands, including two in the same day! Not that long ago, we were barely able to maintain play with six players. Membership continues to grow, and we are starting to average more than twenty players each week. We present each new member with a set of pegs, peg pouch, and a copy of the ACC rulebook. On a sadder note, one of our regular players suffered a house fire and lost almost everything. Luckily, she was able to escape without harm. Another player offered her a place to stay, and a few weeks later a fundraiser was held at the Elks Lodge, where we have our weekly tournaments. She was quite surprised, is doing well, and is hoping to move into another abode very soon. A happy ending to a sad event. *submitted by Steve Wolf*

Silver Dollar Club 156 (Sunnyside WA)—on February 5 **Chris Arend** held a 28-hand, his first ever. A first for the club took place on March 19, when we had two 28-hands a game apart: **James Morrow** held the first one and **Jack Moritzky** the second. *submitted by James Morrow*

Cribbage Critters Club 89 (Springfield VA) went more than two years without a 28-hand being recorded. Now, in less than six months we have had six of them, three in a two-week span. **Paul McFarland** scored a 28 on March 13 and matched that good fortune the following Thursday. Then, Ron followed with another one during our GRNT two days later. *submitted by Paul McFarland*

River City Peggers Club 162 (Carmichael CA)—club member **Harold Sontag** has earned the ACC's first ever Platinum Award! We held our GRNT on March 29, and Harold won the event with a 31 scorecard—the exact amount to put him at 6,000 GRPs. Harold faced many skilled players during the tournament, and his

Grass Roots National Tournament							
Harold Sontag				Club: 162			
ACC#: CA 114C				I.D.# 18			
Game No	Points	Spread Plus	Spread Minus	Opponent's Initials	Verification ID #		
1	0		36	MA	17		
2	2	14		DA	13		
3	2	13		DA	9		
4	2	28		DA	4		
5	2	19		RC	8		
6	0		03	DA	7		
7	2	17		WM	5		
8	2	21		SY	3		
9	0		14	BM	1		
10	3	40		DL	28		
11	2	17		MM	31		
12	2	18		DA	27		
13	0		24	WM	23		
14	2	06		WM	19		
15	2	10		DA	15		
16	2	22		MA	11		
17	3	41		MA	2		
18	3	41		HE	6		
Game Points		31	307	77			
Games Won		14	Net Points	230			

GRAND TOTALS			
Game Points	Games Won	Plus Points	Minus Points
31	14	307	77

Signature Harold Sontag
 Checked By John Moritzky

cards were hot, taking them down one by one. His last two opponents were **Nancy Rojas** and club president **Annett Eiffert**, and he skunked both of them by 41 holes! Harold is currently in first place with 237 GRPs and eight weeks remaining. Well done Harold, we are proud of you! *submitted by Nancy Rojas*

Yankton Club 397 (Yankton SD) now has thirty-five ACC members. We have added thirty-four new members since September 1, 2013, and we are still looking for our first grand slam and first string of pearls. The members of Club 397 are excited to be hosting the 2015 ACC Grand National Tournament in Yankton SD! *submitted by Scott Kooistra*

Orange County Club 227 (Laguna Woods CA)—on April 2 seventeen club members and visitors were witness to club founder/director **Paul Yellon** starting off by getting skunked by 42 points. “Then I started

playing cribbage!” he said, as he ended up winning the remaining eight games for a 22/8 +229—including six skunks! One of his eight wins was by a single point, and four skunks were by 40 points or more. *submitted by Steve Yellon and Paul Yellon*

PA Peggers 357 (Port Angeles WA)—club members **Jim Duff**, **Lisa Duff**, and **Kevin Wheeler** braved the two-hour drive and ferryboat ride to participate in the GRNT hosted by Vashon Cribbage Club 339 on April 5. As luck would have it, the three travelers finished in the top three places in the afternoon session, with Kevin snagging a 28-hand en-route to finishing in first place overall. Lisa won eight games after lunch to finish first in the afternoon session. *submitted by Jim Duff*

Helena Club 25 (Helena MT)—with 32 points earned in the recent GRNT, **Ken Haab** becomes Montana’s first Gold Award recipient. Ken joined in 1989 and has been instrumental in recruiting new members for the club. One upcoming member, Ken’s eleven-year-old granddaughter Amanda, beats him regularly! *submitted by Carole Herron* [see next page—DA]

Crib-a-holics Club 3 (Algonquin IL)—with the sudden and saddening passing of **Dave Drew**, who was the director of Club 3, **Haley Hintze** has stepped up to take the reins of Club 3! Thanks Haley, you have our support! Speaking of Haley, she recently found the 5 of Clubs on the cut, giving her the elusive 29-hand! Welcome aboard to the following new members: **D. J. Mills**, **Bob Reilley**, **Bill Cuduti**, and **Ulrich Dillitzer**; good peggin’ and have fun! *submitted by George Stankus*

Burbank Bombers Club 257 (Burbank CA)—on March 5 longtime cribbage

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THE GRASS ROOTS

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TABLE _____ SEAT 9

GAME	GAME POINTS	SPREAD POINTS	OPPONENTS SIGNATURES	ID NO.
1		42	BE	10
2	3	47	MA	8
3	3	36	CR	6
4	2	01	Ran	4
5	3	41	SJO	17
6	2	28	DR	15
7	3	40	B-Ten	13
8	3	38	W	3
9	3	40	BF	2

TOTAL 22

TOTALS
+ 271
- 42
Net Pts. 229

GAMES WON
8

Checked by: BP

Player must verify his totals and sign below, thus accepting the above figures as correct.
Paul Yellon

player **Kent Downs** showed us the complete measure of his skills as a player and thrashed us all with the coveted grand slam. The last grand slam in club was earned by **Ron Hoglund** on January 20, 2012. Kent now has bragging rights until the next one comes along. It was not easy either, as we had only six players at club that night, and most of us had two shots at him. *submitted by Ron Reid*

St. Johns Club 118 (Portland OR)—in the previous four years of playing in this club, we had *one* grand slam. We all know how hard they are to get! This season, thus far we've had seven grand slams: **Larry Antijunti** (week 2), **Dot Mickow** (week 8), **Georjean Wilkerson** (week 14), **Dot Mickow** again (week 15), **John Mealy** (week 19), **Susan Scott** (week 27), and **Bruce Wridge** (week 28). Anyone know what the record is for this kind of thing? Nice job everyone! *submitted by Tammy Gibbons*

Christopher's Crusaders Club 43 (Fremont CA)—congratulations to both **Jim Crawford** on earning his Silver Award and **Reginald Lennie** on earning his Bronze Award. Based on average GRPs/season, **Ben Holder** will earn his Silver Award next season. Reigning club champ **Tracy Yott** earned 154 GRPs in eleven consecutive tournaments to take over first place. The club has enjoyed an increased attendance over the last two years, currently averaging 21.5 players per tournament, eclipsing 19.2 players per tournament during

the 2012–13 season and 16.9 players per tournament during the 2011–12 season. The club's Board of Directors is working to continue the club's growth by supporting the Minor League and keeping tournament play fun. *submitted by Marty Froomin*



Ken Haab
(Helena MT)
Gold #38

Ken's father taught him cribbage when Ken was ten years old. He joined the ACC in 1989 and looks to his wife, Fredella, as his cribbage mentor. A member of Helena Cribbage Club 25, he has been club champion four times and co-champion once. He earned

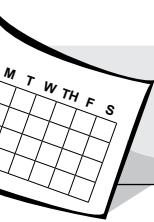
his Gold Award during the club's GRNT on March 22. When not enjoying cribbage, Ken reads, gardens, and participates in outdoor activities.

HOF Word Search Answer Key

A	Y	E	N	R	R	B	L	H	P	Y	E	O	O	M	B	T	H	A	Y	O	N	O	N	C
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N	A	S	T	E	H	O	P	P	A	N	O	T	E	L	G	N	I	F	A	H	T	R	A	
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T	C	L	L	L	K	B	E	E	E	B	A	K	T	L	M	L	R	L	E	A	B	O	E	
U	I	S	L	L	N	P	B	I	H	L	F	E	S	B	E	A	O	Y	M	N	A	P	J	
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R	E	N	S	P	M	S	I	A	B	R	A	B	H	E	G	R	H	N	J	S	R	U	L	
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2013 GRT Results

Region II: Northwest (401 players)			Region IV: Southwest (506 players)			Region VI: Midwest (464 players)			Region IX: East (401 players)			top scorecards (30+ GPs)
name	club	score	name	club	score	name	club	score	name	club	score	
1 Carole Herron	25	32/15 +308	1 Steve Stanley	79	33/14 +352	1 Elizabeth Cline	387	33/15 +186	1 Peter Setian	72	31/13 +274	
2 Erik Locke	28	31/14 +303	2 Barrett Mace	194	32/15 +228	2 Deborah Hannula	333	33/14 +253	2 Keith Miller	346	30/13 +246	
3 Maxine Proper	198	31/14 +225	3 David Franklin	159	32/15 +232	3 Gary Gulik	3	31/14 +206				
4 Bob Henrikson	340	31/13 +304	4 Dave Neifert	306	31/14 +269	4 Don Miles	61	31/14 +187				
5 Herschel Mack	600	30/14 +286	5 Carroll Johnson	154	31/14 +245	5 Geri Deeds	3	30/15 +113				
6 Donald Zeuschel	317	30/14 +202	6 Clay Lindgren	11	30/14 +304	6 Richard Reis	94	30/14 +197				
7 Gerald Hahn Jr.	62	30/13 +321	7 Ronald Morgan	11	30/14 +236	7 Sue Larson	284	30/14 +161				
8 Mike Gervais	277	30/13 +300	8 Vincent Marques	140	30/13 +293							grand slams
			9 Lloyd Boyd	27	30/13 +270							
Bob Russ	25		Clay Lindgren	11		Wayne Schmidt	370		Paul Barnes	230		
Wendell Arntzen	39		Steve Stanley	79					Nancy Farrell	336		
Mike Diamanti	148		Jerold Montgomery	159					Meredith Ferrier	346		
Audrey Hatto	261											28-hands
Jack Bonar	304											
Bernadette Stone	354											
Jerry Follet	202		Mike Duffy	79		Rudy Rogutich	6		Ron Reece	124		
Douglass Hadley Jr.	202		Roy Wong	110		Steve Steinmetz	6		Ernie Maravilla	272		
Joseph Ferguson	204		Deanna Zay	140		Bill Erickson	284		Craig Layton	272		
Ralph Turco	243		Bill McGinness	150		Dale Forsythe	295					
Mills Brubaker	317		Dale Hjertager	205		Stephen Locicero	329					
Gordon Reid	340		Regina Watson	371		Don Haller	333					
			Ellouise Stowe	371								



SANCTIONED Tournaments

MRPs

as of March 9

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
MRPs name	MRPs name	MRPs name
1 1701 Erik Locke, OR	1 1205 Beth Widener, WI	1 832 Phyllis Schmidt, MA
2 1426 Roland Hall, CA	2 1104 James Huser, WI	2 821 Larry Phifer, NC
3 1085 Duane Toll, OR	3 1000 Donald Flesch, WI	3 811 Robert Medeiros, MA
4 897 DeLynn Colvert, MT	4 841 Douglas Henderson, WI	4 707 Donna LaFleur, CT
5 849 Mel Ashley, CA	5 792 Jeff Shimp, MI	5 618 Keith Widener, NC
6 830 Ira Deutsch, CA	6 743 David Aiken, MI	6 574 David Campbell, ME
7 828 Michael Rowe, AK	7 721 Doug Page, WI	7 568 Mike Fetchel, CT
8 742 Tom Langford, CA	8 692 Terry Weber, WI	8 535 Jim Lunder, FL
9 673 Peggy Shea, CA	9 666 Richard Frost, WI	9 481 Laurie Hardy, ME
10 640 Richard Shea, CA	10 651 Wayne Steinmetz, WI	10 444 John Blowers, FL
11 614 Lowell Bailey, WA	11 508 Edward Balcer, MN	11 417 Mary Burlington, MA
12 571 Cy Madrone, CA	12 492 Arlene Boeck, WI	12 410 David Statz, MA
13 559 Bryan Gurden, NV	13 468 Steven Steinmetz, WI	13 408 Jack Howsare, VA
14 551 Clay Lindgren, NV	14 464 Donald Urban, IL	14 407 Cynthia Wark, MD
15 549 Pamela Pomeroy, CA	15 458 Joy Shimp, MI	15 406 Louis Petosa, CT
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50 309 George Mackie, WA	50 188 Rick Kuehn, WI	50 204 Gregory Gougian, MA
		50 204 Robert Fitzgerald, CT
		50 204 Howard Terry, FL
		50 204 David Sniegowski, VA

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
Roy Hofbauer 30937 NE 23rd St Washougal WA 98671 360.835.3623 roynjean@teleport.com	Patrick Barrett 5821 Griffith Ave Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494 715.424.5059 gnxbvbarrett@gmail.com	David Campbell 1321 North Rd Parsonsfield ME 04047 207.730.2051 acccribbage@aol.com

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

OR ♦ Apr. 30–May 1, Newport Midwk. Tourney
 American Legion, 424 W Olive St, Newport OR 97365. Contact: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668), 237 NE 121st St, Newport OR 97365 or Mike Ritthaler (541.547.4269)

OR ♦ May 2–4, Oregon Coast Classic
 Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th St, Lincoln City OR 97367. Contact: Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer (360.835.3623), 30937 NE 23rd St, Washougal WA 98671 or Bernie Nelson (503.440.0517)

WI ♦ May 2–4, Black River Country Classic
 Comfort Inn (715.284.0888), W10170 Hwy 54 E, Black River Falls WI 54615. Contact: Lewis & Diane Gurney (715.937.4104), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456 or Wayne Steinmetz

VA ♦ May 2–4, Colonial Classic
 Days Hotel, 201 Water Country Pkwy, Williamsburg VA 23185. Contact: Bill Whiting (757.532.1405), 109 Barlows Run, Williamsburg VA 23188

MA ♦ May 4, Earle Remington Memorial
 VFW, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Contact: Holli Remington (508.488.7949), 1315 E 700 N, Logan UT 84321 or Laurie Hardy

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MI ♦ May 9–11, Yoooper Classic
 Lac Vieux Desert Casino (800.895.2505), N5384 US Hwy 45, Watersmeet MI 49969. Contact: Don Hannula (906.296.9107), 911 Front St, Lake Linden MI 49945-1120 or Bernard Brentar

CA ♦ May 9–10, River City Open
 Elks, 11440 Elks Circle, Rancho Cordova Cribbage World 95742. Contact: Annett Eiffert (916.521.3208), 4960 Arboleda Dr, Fair Oaks CA 95628

CO ♦ May 10, Mountain View Open
 American Legion/VFW, 305 N Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80537. Contact: Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha (970.669.5686), 340 Morgan Dr, Loveland CO 80537

CA ♦ May 10, Channel Islands Open
 Marie Calendars, 1295 S Victoria Ave, Ventura CA 93003. Contact: Cy Madrone (805.455.6079), PO Box 40307, Santa Barbara CA 93140

HI ♦ May 11, Hawai'i Open
 Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh, Honolulu HI 96818. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), PO Box 525, Kaaawa HI 96730

MI ♦ May 16–18, Potawatomi Peggars
 Super 8 (269.429.3218), 4290 Red Arrow Hwy, Stevensville MI 49127. Contact: Jeff & Joy Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417

NC ♦ May 16–18, North Carolina Open
 Quality Inn (336.765.6670), 2008 S Hawthorne Rd, Winston-Salem NC 27103. Contact: Robert Reister (336.831.3591), 2670 Belwick Dr, Winston Salem NC 27106 or Henry Douglass (336.349.7581)

WA ♦ May 16–18, Washington State Open
 VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

CA ♦ May 17, California Championships
 Senior Center, 6200 Hunter Dr, Rohnert Park CA 94928. Contact: Avon Ray (707.546.8967), 21 Estrella Dr, Santa Rosa CA 95403 or Mike Emerson

MA ♦ May 18, Connecticut Championship
 Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Dr, West Springfield MA

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01089. Contact: Bill Shoemaker (860.243.9505), 175 Thistle Pond Dr, Bloomfield CT 06002 or Robert Fitzgerald

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WA ♦ May 23–25, Greater Spokane Valley Open
Eagles, 16801 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99037. Contact: Lynn Raymond (509.928.4983), 4105 N McDonald Rd #20, Spokane Valley WA 99216 or Dave Schwartz (509.328.4022)

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MI ♦ May 30–June 1, Michigan Diamonds
Holiday Inn (616.940.8100), 5401 28th Street Court SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Contact: David Aiken (cribbage@iserv.net or 616.401.8311), PO Box 313, Ada MI 49301 or John Hazlett

WA ♦ May 30–June 1, Mt. St. Helens Classic
Legion Hall, 1250 12th Ave, Longview WA 98632. Contact: Chris McComas (360.577.5922), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626 or Duane Toll (541.580.3221)

NH ♦ May 31, NNECC One Day
Best Western, 580 US Hwy 1 Bypass, Portsmouth NH 03801. Contact: David Campbell & Lana Newhouse (207.730.2051), 1321 North Rd, Parsonsfield ME 04047 or Mark & Vicki Soule

NH ♦ June 1, Southern New Hamp. Tourney
Best Western, 580 US Hwy 1 Bypass, Portsmouth NH 03801. Contact: Mark & Vicki Soule (207.442.9001), 89 Sam Moore Rd, Woolwich ME 04579-4151 or David Campbell

WI ♦ June 6–8, America's Dairyland Open
Howard Johnson (608.244.2481), 3841 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53713. Contact: Terry Weber (608.225.8138), 2613 Golden Gate Way, Madison WI 53713 or Keith Widener

CA ♦ June 6–8, Nugget Classic
Senior Center, 877 Nunneley Rd, Paradise CA 95954. Contact: Dennis Phillips (530.873.2088), PO Box 1306, Magalia CA 95954 or Barbara Allen

FL ♦ June 6–8, Summer Bash
Clarion, 260 E Merritt Island Causeway (SR520), Merritt Island FL. Contact: Charlene Cohen (321.431.0950, cc_cribbage@cfl.rr.com), 1004 Pine Ave St, Cloud FL 34769

MI ♦ June 13–15, Lake Superior Challenge
Elks, 597 Lakeshore Dr, Ishpeming MI 49849. Contact: Don Hannula (906.296.9107), 911 Front St, Lake Linden MI 49945 or Pat Healey

CA ♦ June 14–15, Father's Day Special
Seven Flags of Sonoma Senior Center, 300 International Blvd, Sonoma CA 95476. Contact: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605), 6282 Humboldt Hill Road, Eureka CA 95503

WA ♦ June 14, Western Washington Open
Crystal Grange, 2160 Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA 98370. Contact: Ronald Gustafson (360.457.8356), 33 Doyle Rd, Port Angeles WA 98363 or Larry West

WA ♦ June 15, Daffodil Express Open
Eagles, 202 5th Ave NW, Puyallup WA 98371. Contact: Don Zeuschel (253.845.4226), 10520 123rd Street Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374 or Dick Albedyll

OR ♦ June 20–22, Medford Lions' Tale
Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Ctr, 228 N Holly, Medford OR 97501. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (541.855.1103), 5529 Sams Valley Rd, Gold Hill OR 97525 or Julie Felkins

IA ♦ June 20–22, Capital City Classic
Best Western (515.964.1717), 133 SE Delaware Ave, Ankeny IA 50021. Contact: Dick Ogden (515.285.6106), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315

NH ♦ June 22, Live Free or Die
Elks, 120 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua NH 03060. Contact: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633), 1466 Battle St, Webster NH 03303

WI ♦ June 27–29, Steinmetz Schaefer Shuffle
Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 E Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Contact: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180), 710 Mansfield Cir, Hartland WI 53029 or Richard Frost

OR ♦ June 27–29, Cascade Classic
Jefferson City Senior Center, 860 SW Madison, Madras OR 97741. Contact: Debra Lucas (541.678.2402), 2879 SE James Dr, Madras OR 97741 or Tammy Gibbons

NV ♦ June 27–29, Rampart Casino Open
Rampart Casino, 221 N Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89148. Contact: James Milkowski (702.289.2741), 4923 Desert Lime Ct, Las Vegas NV 89148 or Pamela Pomeroy

HI ♦ June 29, Hawai'i Open
Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh, Honolulu HI 96818. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), PO Box 525, Kaaawa HI 96730

CA ♦ July 2–4, Susanville Summer Classic
Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Dr,

CHARITABLE DONATIONS
FROM TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

Go Green Bay (Green Bay WI): \$600 to Cerebral Palsy

Susanville CA 96130. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.251.5397), PO Box 813, Herlong CA 96113 or Pam Pomeroy

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NV ♦ July 4-6, Independence Day Classic

Sands Casino, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. Contact: Valerie & Les Sumner (775.742.4241), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Peggy Shea

NV ♦ July 7-9, Topaz Summer Open

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395, Topaz NV 89410. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Valerie Sumner

CA ♦ July 7, Summer's End

Leisuretown Senior Center, 100 Sequoia Dr, Vacaville CA 05687. Contact: James Fanning (916.396.9699), 5590 Garden Valley Rd, Garden Valley CA 95633 or Dave Johnson

WI ♦ July 11-13, Brat Stop Open

Brat Stop, 12304 75th Ave, Kenosha WI. Contact: Don Urban (815.568.0494), 818 Whitetail Dr, Marengo IL 60152

WA ♦ July 11-13, Walla Walla Midsum. Classic
Eagles, 350 S 2nd St, Walla Walla WA 99362. Contact: John Reed (541.938.7048), 85548 Highway 339, Milton Freewater OR 97862 or Ronald Blocklinger

CO ♦ July 12, Mountain View Open

American Legion/VFW, 305 N Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80537. Contact: Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha (970.669.5686), 340 Morgan Dr, Loveland CO 80537

CA ♦ July 12, Run for the Gold

Alta Fire Dept., 3950 Alta Bonny Nook Rd, Alta CA 95701. Contact: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432), PO Box 1526, Truckee CA 96160 or James Fanning

MA ♦ July 13, Weir River Tourney

Ware Senior Ctr, 1 Robbins Rd, Ware MA 01082. Contact: Mathew & Sandra Piechota (413.967.4004), 269 Palmer Rd, Ware MA 01082

OR ♦ July 18-20, Portland Summer Open

Moose Lodge, 16411 NE Halsey, Portland OR 97230. Contact: Stephanie Akin (503.257.1141), 727 NE 128th Ave, Portland OR 97230 or Jeanne Hofbauer

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\$1,000

GUARANTEED FIRST-PLACE PRIZE MONEY!

Michigan Tournament of Diamonds
May 30-June 1

Holiday Inn Express (616.940.8100)
Grand Rapids MI 49546

David Aiken (cribbage@iserv.net — 616.401.8311)
John Hazlett (jouk@aol.com — 616.340.7009)



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28TH ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE DAY CRIBBAGE CLASSIC

JULY 4-5-6, 2014 – RENO, NV

\$1,500.00 Added by the Sands Regency ♦ 100%+ Payback
\$1,000.00 Bonus for a 29 Hand ♦ \$10.00 Casino FreePlay

Friday, July 4, 2014

2 pm Registration Opens for Early Bird, Mid Roller and Main Tournament
3 pm Early Bird, \$20, 7 Games, No Playoffs
7 pm Mid Roller, \$20, \$10-\$50 Side Pools, 9 Games, No Playoffs

Saturday, July 5, 2014

7 am Pick Up Scorecards, Complimentary Coffee and Danish
8 am Main Tournament, \$62, \$10-\$20-\$50 Side Pools, 22 Games, \$1,000.00 Sands Added
5:30 pm Main Tournament Playoffs, Best 3 of 5
6 pm High Roller Registration
7 pm High Roller, \$50, 9 Games, No Playoffs

Sunday, July 6, 2014

7:15 am Main Tournament Playoffs Continue, Complimentary Coffee and Danish
8 am Consolation Registration
9 am Consolation, \$20, \$10 Side Pool, 9 Games, \$500.00 Sands Added
1 pm Consolation Playoffs, Best 2 of 3
4 pm AJ's Sunday Night Special Registration, \$20, 9 Games, No Playoffs, Play 5 pm

Monday, July 7, 2014

6 pm Grass Roots Registration, \$10, 9 Games, No Playoffs, Not Sanctioned, Play 6:30 pm



In loving memory of
Tournament Founders
Bill and Dorthalee Irons

Tournament Director, Valerie Sumner 775-342-2532. Co-Directors, Peggy Shea 707-444-3161 and Les Sumner 775-342-2532. All Prize Funds Pay 1:4, All Side Pools Pay Graduated 1:6. Cut for deal. Current ACC membership required. Visit cribbage.org, or join/renew at tournament.

Sands Regency Casino Hotel Rates: \$25 Sunday-Thursdays, \$49 Friday or Saturday, plus \$4.99 per night resort fee and taxes. Resort fee includes use of Wi-Fi, airport shuttle, swimming pool, spa, garage parking, local and toll free calls, printing of boarding passes and coupon book (\$85 value). Use form or call Toll Free 1-866 FUN STAY (386-7829) and ask for Group Code **CRIB714**

✓ Online tournament registration available at SandsRenoEvents.com. (Small PayPal fee applies.)

29 Hand bonus is aggregate, awarded during Main Tournament qualifying round only.
1099s issued on prizes of \$600 or more with valid US tax ID or Social Security number, or 30% withheld.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CRIBBAGE CLASSIC – JULY 4-5-6, 2014 – RENO, NEVADA

Name _____ ACC # _____ Required _____ Stationary Seat _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Daytime Phone w/Area Code _____ E-Mail _____

IMPORTANT: PLEASE SEND ENTRY FEE FOR SATURDAY MAIN AND HOTEL DEPOSIT ONLY. PLEASE REGISTER FOR ALL SIDE EVENTS ON SITE. THANK YOU!

- ☐ Saturday Main Tournament: \$62
☐ Optional Side Pool(s) – Circle: \$10 \$20 \$50
☐ Hotel Deposit: \$36.04 Sun-Thurs or \$63.28 Fri Arrival

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Make Payable to: Sands Regency, Cribbage Tournament
345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501

SANDS REGENCY HOTEL INFORMATION

\$25 Sunday-Thursdays, **\$49** Friday or Saturday + taxes & fees

- ☐ Please make me a reservation ☐ No room needed
☐ Made with Casino Host ☐ Made by phone
Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____
☐ 1 Bed ☐ 2 Beds ☐ Handicap Accessible
☐ Smoking ☐ Non Smoking ☐ Low Floor
☐ Other Request _____

(subject to availability at time of arrival)

☐ **Second entry, notes or other information on reverse**

CA ♦ July 18-20, Devil Mountain Caper

Antioch Senior Center, 213 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Contact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531

MN ♦ July 24-25, Brick City Classic

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. Contact: Bob Joslin (952.270.3632), 17498 Hayes Ave, Lakeville MN 55044-9537

NC ♦ July 24-25, Open Opener

North Raleigh Hilton (919.872.2323), 3415 Old Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Contact: David Aiken (616.401.8311), 9545 28th St SE, Ada MI 49301 or Keith Widener or David Campbell

NC ♦ July 25-28, National Open

North Raleigh Hilton (919.872.2323), 3415 Old Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Contact: Jerry Gooden (919.632.1339), 1717 Briarforest Pl, Raleigh NC 27615 or John Morch

WA ♦ July 25-27, Summer Classic

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

NV ♦ July 25-27, Pahrump Open

Nugget Casino, 681 S Hwy 160, Pahrump NV

89048. Contact: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444), PO Box 3601, Pahrump NV 89041 or Norm Nikodym

CA ♦ July 26, Summer Open

Leisure Town Center, 100 Sequoia Dr, Vacaville CA 95680. Contact: Stan Katzman (408.472.2020), 311 Spyglass Dr, Rio Vista CA 94571 or Jackie Doppelt

MN ♦ July 26, MRP Chaser #1

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. Contact: Robert Chase (952.270.3632), 17498 Hayes Ave, Lakeville MN 55044-9537

MN ♦ July 27, MRP Chaser #1

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. Contact: Joan Rein (952.270.3632), 17498 Hayes Ave, Lakeville MN 55044-9537

HI ♦ July 27, Hawai'i Open

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh, Honolulu HI 96818. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), PO Box 525, Kaaawa HI 96730

NC ♦ July 28, Come Monday

North Raleigh Hilton, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Contact: Fran Ward (919.377.2470), 704 Newport Cir, Cary NC 27511

GREATER SPOKANE VALLEY OPEN

May 23, 24, 25, 2014

Eagles Lodge

16801 E. Sprague

Spokane, WA

Cash Payouts

95% - Main Event

100% -

All Other Events & Q Pools

- \$20 Early Birds 3 PM Fri 7 games
- \$ 50 Doubles 7PM Fri 9 games
- \$ 25 Yourself (Partner _____)
- \$ 50 High rollers 7PM Fri 10 games
- \$ 50 High rollers Q (Optional)
- \$ 50 Main Event 9AM Sat 22 games
- \$ 10 Main Event Q (Optional)
- \$ 20 Saturday Night Owl 9 games
- \$ 20 Saturday Night Owl Q (Optional)

Total Submitted _____

Sunday

8AM Main Event Playoffs, Best 3 of 5

Consolation Registration Opens

9:30AM Consolation 9 games

1:30 PM Consolation Playoffs, Best 2 of 3

For Further Info Call

Lynn Raymond at 509-928-4983 or

David Schwartz at 509-328-4022

Motel: Ramada Inn, 905 N. Sullivan Rd.,
Spokane Valley, WA (509) 924-3838

Reserve Before May 9th \$ 72.24 plus tax

Mention

"CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT"

Mail Entries Payable to: Lynn Raymond,

4105N. McDonald Rd. #20,

Spokane Valley, WA 99216

Name _____

ACC # _____

ADDRESS _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

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member to review the changes being made in order to be clear that the new policy is what was approved and voted on. J. Hofbauer asked that new contact information be given to Shea so she can send out an updated contact list of all BOD members with the minutes from the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Marlene Lazachek discussed the income statement, comparative balance sheet, and cash balance sheet. Lazachek reported that the ACC spent \$2,200 for 60,000 scorecards and also purchased 32 laminated bracket boards for \$640. Lazachek reported the ACC had a profit of \$629 with the investment in bonds through January 2014. There was discussion around how to proceed with the \$50,000 investment once the term is up in April 2014. We discussed the possibility of investing in a CD, but with the large investment in the new software program we should not have our money tied up for a long period of time. J. Hofbauer made a motion to keep the money in the investment portfolio as it is now; second by Hannula; motion approved.

Membership Secretary Report: Larry Hassett provided a detailed report to the BOD showing the membership currently at 6,510 members as of January 2014. Hassett also provided a report with the MRP specifications and gave a demonstration of what problems arise when information provided by TDs or ACC members is inaccurate. Hassett also provided a detailed handbook (not yet completed) with duties performed by the membership secretary. There was discussion about the time that goes into Hassett's position and the need for a backup for his position. Also discussed was the need for the new software program and how to proceed. Hassett estimated that it will take 300–500 hours (approximately \$16,000) to convert the current system to the updated software. Milk brought some concerns that the current specification is missing some important information that needs to be covered. Marlene Lazachek also asked that, once we get this out to bid and it is awarded, it be written in the contract that she be given ample time to test the new system to confirm that it is working properly. Action: Aiken made a motion to form a committee with Campbell as chair and six members (Milk, O'Neil, Lazachek, Hassett, Paul Gregson, and Cookman) to finalize a proposal for the software conversion, send it out for bids, and have the bids in hand for the next BOD meeting in September 2014; motion approved.

Grand National 33 Update: Sumner reported that the GN entry form is completed. They are working on a better price for parking. Workshops will be held for new members. Evans purchased playing cards for the GN. Raffle tickets are being sold to help offset expenses. Valerie Goldgeier will be in charge of the social media for all events.

Grand National 34 Update: Scott Kooistra was not in attendance due to illness.

Bid for Grand National 35: Sattler reported a deal with the Marriott in Bethesda MD to hold GN 35 in 2016 with a hotel rate of \$99; with a guaranteed food purchase of \$50,000 for all events, the hotel agreed to waive all fees for room rental. Sattler and Jill from Experient presented information about the hotel and area attractions. Campbell and Steve Sattler will serve as codirectors. GN 35 will kick off with a Tuesday night tournament and a midweek tourney on Wednesday and Thursday. Action: Phifer made a motion to award GN 35 to Sattler to be held in Bethesda MD; second by Milk; motion approved.

Bid for Grand National 36: J. Hofbauer reminded everyone that the 2014 GN will be held in the West and that bids should be brought to the BOD.

Membership Survey/Contact of Nonrenewals: Campbell said that most people are reporting that they quit the ACC due to rude players. Logan agreed that many complaints to the Ethics Committee center around rude players (60% of the complaints were about Grass Roots players). Cookman said that the nonrenewals are due to rude treatment by Grass Roots members and/or complaining about their slow play; he urged each of us to take the complaining Grass Roots member aside and let them know that being rude is not acceptable and that we need to treat new members better if we want the ACC to grow. Sumner announced that this topic was going to be discussed at the Grass Roots BOV meeting on Friday evening. Campbell said that he is still working on a membership drive to increase membership, which will require us to update the membership form. He will report back with more details and have a proposal at the next BOD meeting. Campbell brought up the fact that we need to update email addresses in the system, as he had more than 3,000 emails sent back as bad email addresses.

Cribbage Class at the Sands in February: J. Hofbauer reported that the cribbage class suggested for Thursday night before the TOC was canceled because the volunteer teacher could not travel to Reno this year. Shea said that the Sands could accommodate this class if we find someone to teach it. Sumner suggested Norm Nikodym and Brion Neeley, as they both do a great job of helping new members. There was discussion of ways to teach new members outside of the regular Grass Roots night. Shea said that she and Rick Shea hold a class one night a week to welcome new players to help bring their game up to speed for club; players are coached on the game and advised if they ready for the nine-game Grass Roots format.

Pay Pal Update: Campbell and Larry Hassett are working on a procedure that will allow members to pay ACC membership via PayPal. Action: Aiken made a motion to move forward with PayPal once it is setup; second by Sattler; motion approved.

Rookie of the Year: Campbell brought up concerns about how we select our Rookie of the Year. It was determined that ROY would be verified by a three-person committee to make sure we do not have any errors. Action: Widener made a motion add this wording: "To be eligible for Rookie of the Year, the member may not have earned MRPs prior to February 1 of the previous MRP season (regardless of date of membership). A member may be awarded Rookie of the Year only once"; second by Aiken; motion approved.

Random Seating: Campbell reported that while most everyone agrees that we should abide by random seating, there is no way to mandate one set way to do that. It is up to the tournament director to follow the policy of random seating. Any abuse of this should be taken to the tournament commissioner of the appropriate region.

Q-Pools: Campbell said that it Q-pools should not be mandatory. There was discussion about the February Reno tournaments, where Q-pools are mandatory but not everyone in the Q-pool gets money back. Hannula reported that in his Michigan tournaments Q-pools are mandatory. The discussion resulted in a decision to let tournament directors choose, but they must include on their flyer how the Q-pool is to be distributed.

Q-Pool vs. Side Pool: Campbell asked if someone would be interested in writing a *Cribbage World* article explaining the difference between Q-pool and side pool. Many people believe that if they are in a Q-pool they will receive money for qualifying; whereas in a side pool only the top

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qualifiers would receive money. Rick Shea said that if it is mandatory for people to enter a Q-pool, each person should receive some portion of the money. Aiken reported that many Midwest TDs use a simple formula to pay back Q-pool money to all qualifiers. Sattler brought up that some tournament flyers still do not explain how Q-pools will be paid out. It was also asked that the sanctioning request form be changed to include the type of Q-pool the TD is requesting. Campbell said that the regional commissioners will discuss this and address this concern. J. Hofbauer asked Campbell to include in the *Cribbage World* article how Q-pools would be paid out.

Tournament Guidelines: J. Hofbauer asked each BOD member to discuss with a TD if we see something that needs to be done. She also asked each BOD member to email her if they see anything that needs to be reviewed or changed regarding tournament guidelines. R. Hofbauer reported that Rick Shea and Cookman are reviewing the current Tournament Director Handbook and bringing suggestions of needed additions and or corrections.

Social Media Content Policy: Eiffert proposed the following wording regarding personal endorsements or editorials on the ACC website: "The ACC maintains a variety of social media accounts, including Facebook, Twitter, and similar sites. On these sites, content may take the form of text and/or images. The content monitored on these accounts shall adhere to the goals and the Code of Ethics of the organization. User-generated posts may be rejected or removed when the content of a post is off-subject or contains obscenity or other offensive terms. Any personal endorsements or editorials from website administrators or editors shall be clearly labeled so as not to be perceived as originating from the ACC." Action: Eiffert made the motion to add this wording to the Policy Manual; second by J. Hofbauer; motion approved.

TOC: Hannula reported a savings of \$500 in expenses by reducing the number of TOC invitations mailed to qualifiers. Hannula would like to email invitations to Grass Roots directors for anyone in their club who qualifies for the TOC. Aiken said that *Cribbage World* will again list TOC invitees next year. Sumner asked if Grass Roots directors could get a list so each director can provide an entry form for each person who qualifies. Hannula said that once he receives the list of qualifiers from Larry Hassett and Joan Rein, he would send it to the Grass Roots Directors who request it.

Judges Program Proposal Senior Program: Shimp reported that we amended the Policy Manual to increase the number of senior judges to ten in the Eastern and Central and sixteen in the Western. There are still have a couple of vacancies to fill, and so Shimp asked anyone wishing to submit someone for consideration to send him an email.

Judges Program: Widener announced that he had head judge badges made for each head judge at a cost of \$.50 each (\$176 total). Widener announced that a committee has been formed to address complaints about judges, reviewing bad judging calls and judges' behavior, and removing, demoting, or requiring recertification for incompetent judges. Committee members are Widener, Shimp, Campbell, Al Miller, and Duane Toll. They will bring their recommendations to the BOD.

CW Q&A: Cookman passed out samples of emails that he has received from members based on the *Cribbage World* article. Many people feel that we spend too much time at BOD meetings discussing things (such as MRPs) that affect very few ACC members. Cookman said most people are happy that there is a forum where they can ac-

tually speak with a BOD member and express their ideas. This has been very well received by the membership. J. Hofbauer brought up the idea that Cookman could take over the 800 phone number. Larry Hassett reported we currently receive about twenty calls per month regarding new membership. Cookman volunteered to use his personal cell phone to take calls. J. Hofbauer asked Shea to work with Diane Waite to get the information out about Cookman's cell phone number being the number to call regarding general information.

Proposal for Technology Committee: Cookman reported that we should have a Technology Committee to address comments and concerns such as the ACC Grassroots website going down. J. Hofbauer said the Software Committee (see above) will address the technology issues.

Rescind Proposal for All Star Tourney: Campbell asked that the BOD rescind a previous motion regarding the expansion of the All Star Team, as it is not our place to tell DeLynn Colvert how to run his tournament. Colvert addressed the BOD, stating that this tournament has always had twenty-four players playing sixteen games and that it has always run smoothly. Colvert said he has asked several members their opinion, and he reported that many of them do not want this to change the previous format. There was great discussion around the pros and cons of rescinding this action. Cathy Perkins said that this is not an awarded event and that the new format would not allow everyone to play each other. Terry Weber reported that this tournament should represent the "best of the best" and that we should not change it. Widener said that the Central and Eastern Regions sometimes have problems filling an eight-person team due to travel issues, and if we change it to ten people it would create some concerns; he does not want to see if changed. Evans reported that he previously voted for the change, but out of respect for Colvert he would like to see the previous format restored. Shimp said that he too would like have this rescinded and once Colvert decides to give up the tournament, then we could revisit the expansion. Shea said that she did not understand how the previous BOD vote could have changed so much from what was regarded as a positive change and would give more members the chance to represent their region at AST. J. Hofbauer reported that this may be one of those times where the BOD members had a change of opinion after receiving negative feedback from ACC members. Frost said that this may result in a negative impact if ACC members feel we change our minds too often and not discuss things in detail. Hall said he has received positive comments about the expansion and that this would not dilute the talent pool. R. Hofbauer said that several players who may qualify this year would not play in this year's tournament if we do not rescind the action. It was decided to not hold a secret ballot. Action: Shimp made a motion to rescind the previous board action to "expand the All Star Tournament from 24 players to 40 players . . . at the beginning of the 2013/2014 season"; second by R. Hofbauer; motion approved (13-6).

Press Release: Hall reported that he has a template for TDs to use for reporting purposes and that he will provide a copy of the template to print in *Cribbage World*.

Promotional Cribbage Boards: J. Hofbauer said that we have purchased one hundred more promotional cribbage boards for \$1,175.30. Anyone wanting to have more boards should contact J. Hofbauer.

MRPs for Eight-Game Consolation: Campbell said that MRPs are currently awarded starting at 11 GPs. Dan Selke

Junior Program Donations—Thanks to the following members, who made recent donations to the Junior Program.

Dreena Armstrong (Antioch CA)
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Jim Wood (Bozrah CT)

said that this minimum threshold seems too high in comparison to seven games and nine games, as 10 GPs will often qualify for playoffs. Campbell believes that the minimum threshold should probably be 10 GPs. There was discussion that this would apply to only eight-game consolations. Marlene Lazachek said that she believes that this is already being done, but it should be clarified. Action: Milk made a motion that the top 1-in-8 qualifiers receive at least the minimum MRPs allowed regardless of game points; second by Logan; motion approved.

Proposal to Award MRPs to All Qualifiers: Frost discussed the possibility of awarding MRPs to all qualifiers in ACC-sanctioned tournaments: 5 MRPs for qualifying in the main and 3 MRPs for qualifying in consolations. J. Hofbauer asked Frost to form a committee to get input from members and bring a proposal to the next BOD meeting with both sides of the argument.

New Satellite at Grand Nationals: Sumner would like to see a tournament for the average player who does not qualify for the All Star Tournament. J. Hofbauer asked Sumner to form a committee to discuss the tournament and bring ideas before the BOD in September.

Six-Game Grass Roots Tournaments: Evans would like to reduce the number of games in the Grass Roots to six games for clubs that have challenges with new players and older players and/or locations that require clubs to be completed within a time frame. J. Hofbauer said that this should be discussed at the Grass Roots BOV meeting and then brought back to the BOD.

Committee Reports

Executive (J. Hofbauer): flowers were sent to Schaefer and the ACC purchased a new computer for Aiken. We ran an ad in American Legion magazine for a cost \$1,166.

Ethics (Logan): ten situations resulted in three suspensions and several warning letters. Sixty percent of the rulings are due to Grass Roots player rudeness.

Grass Roots (Joan Rein): the Grass Roots BOV meeting is set for 8p on Friday and everyone is encouraged to attend. Rein also asked that we help in our Grass Roots clubs to see that everyone is getting along.

Internet (Milk): nothing new with internet cribbage. Milk stated that there will not be any internet cribbage on the

weekend of the ACC Open and Grand National.

Judges (Shimp): nothing new to add.

PR/Publicity (Norm Nikodym): the PR and Marketing Committee (PRMC) has been active in getting the word out about ACC. In January 2014 we put an ad in the American Legion magazine and had dismal results. Cookman said he has received some calls generated by the ad and he is trying to connect them to clubs in their area. O'Neil passed out coasters with the ACC logo; he had 5,000 of them made for a cost of about 9¢ each. O'Neil said this is a great way to promote local clubs, and anyone wanting some for their club (limit of 100) should email him.

Rules (Steinmetz): we should put something in *Cribbage World* that explains that a renege cannot be assessed when the count is 21 or less.

Tournament Rules & Guidelines (R. Hofbauer): we should look into awarding more MRPs to consolation players, due to low attendance.

Youth Program (Dan Zeisler): J. Hofbauer presented Grumpy Howard with an award for his dedication to the Youth Program. Grumpy has donated much time, money, and energy to promoting potential future ACC members. Aiken passed out backpacks with the challenge that each BOD teach a young person the game of cribbage and then give the backpack to that youth in order to promote cribbage. The design on the backpack was created by a youth cribbage player and the Sands paid for the backpacks.

Committee Reports

President (J. Hofbauer): Finley was given the President's Award. The ACC's liability coverage was renewed.

Executive VP (Schaefer): not in attendance.



VP of Policy (Widener): Fred White will remain as ACC archivist.

VP of Operations (Campbell): we need a backup for CW editor. We purchased new software for Aiken's computer.

Member at Large (Shimp): nothing new to report.

Widener made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Sumner. Meeting Adjourned 3:03p.

Next BOD meeting: Friday, September 19, 2014, at 9a in Phoenix AZ.

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