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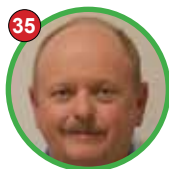
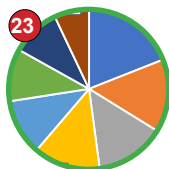


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TOC—**Mary Ann Kelliher**
Main—**Elmer Rasmussen**
Consy—**James Seufert**
Bowl—**Kathy Pacocha**

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President's Column

by David Campbell



Make it a habit to tell people thank you.

To express your appreciation, sincerely and without the expectation of anything in return. Truly appreciate those around you, and you'll soon find many others around you. Truly appreciate life, and you'll find that you have more of it.

—Ralph Marston

Reno as usual was fun and very busy. It was wonderful seeing so many of you, even with the snow. All the helpers from the ACC and staff of the Sands as usual worked their butts off and put on a wonderful event.

This was the final meeting for this term's BOD members, and I want to thank all of them, who either will be running again next month for reelection or those who will not, for serving. If you would like to become a BOD member this is your chance.

Here is what I shared on Facebook, and I also want to share it here with you all:

Ultimately making it back to Maine last week following my wonderful 23-hour adventure home and catching up on work and sleep. I wanted to take the time and properly thank all the people who congratulated and voted for me and wrote letters endorsing me, resulting in me being elected to the Hall of Fame, whether here or via email or calls. It is truly a wonderful honor, and I thank you all. I am looking forward to the ceremony in October in NH and know it will be very special being honored along with **Charlie Finley**, a truly deserving recipient and friend. Special thanks also to **Lana**

Newhouse and **Mark Soule** for getting me so many letters and overwhelming all the voters with letters to read. Also **Jason Hofbauer** for having to print so much during his first year as HOF chair. Again, thank you all so much.

To follow up on my February column: I handed out fifteen quarters in Reno! **CW**



BREAKING NEWS—David Campbell
was elected to the Hall of Fame.

Your Deal



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Thank You

Thank you to my fellow cribbage players for donating to the Go Fund Me page for victims of the Paradise fire. Your generosity is great appreciated. This money helps a lot for me to start over again.

Phil Barrow (Lake Forest CA)

Milestones!

Happy Birthday in April!

70—**Charles Lewis** (MI)

70—**Susan Jaynes** (Bradenton FL)

70—**Delette Huffman** (OR)

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

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My Deal

by David Aiken



Play **smart**, play **fair**, play **fast**—but mostly play **nice**

Artificial intelligence (AI) will undoubtedly have a large impact in the future. What does that mean for cribbage?

Here's what happened when scientists applied AI to the board game Go. Google's AlphaGo Master learned by accessing a huge catalog of human-played games, and it soon began beating the highest-ranked human players. Next came AlphaGo Zero, which in forty days learned Go better than any living human—without recourse to data from historical games. And then an even more evolved system, AlphaZero, took a mere twenty-four hours to train itself and beat AlphaGo Zero.

As some experts put it, these machines don't play like humans, because their strategies are alien and seemingly unfathomable. (Remind you of anyone with the initials D.T.?)

So could an AlphaCribbage Master replicate these feats in our hobby? In other words, with the ability to analyze billions of iterations and outcomes, would AlphaCribbage Master learn to beat **Erik Locke**? Or *become* the next **Erik Locke**?

Sir John Suckling would undoubtedly

ly find a cribbage-playing AI devastating. But then, he probably wouldn't look with much favor on the 121-point game that Americans bastardized from his pure 61-point game.

Regardless of AI developments elsewhere in humanity's future, hopefully the ACC will make sure that the human element remains a vital part of cribbage for years to come.

On another note, **James Jerwers** (Folsom CA) kindly pointed out a flaw in my assertion in last month's editorial that any specific hand has the same odds as a 29-hand. In reality, the odds of getting any hand is four times harder than a 29-hand or 1 in 866,320.

The correct way to match *any* hand to the odds of a 29-hand is this: specify three exact cards (2d, 3s, 4h in my example) and then pick a fourth card (in this case a 9) that matches the suit of the King as cut card. This hand has a 1-in-216,580 chance of appearing on the next deal.

Regardless of the math, the ACC still won't pay \$100 for it! **CW**

TALE OF THE TAPE

David Aiken	February	Rob Medeiros
52.8% (47–42)	✗ batting average ✓	63.8% (90–51)
+68 against Eric Jensen (MI) @ Woodmere	✓ biggest win ✗	+54 by Janice Blanc (MA) @ Hampton Roads Shootout
–51 by Art Maycroft (MI) @ Club 71	✓ worst loss ✗	–57 against Jim Correa (NJ) @ Hampton Roads Shootout*

*See page 29.

The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



Many people ask me what my most memorable game is. I have been fortunate to have a few big wins, but a Saturday night satellite game in Reno will always be my answer for most memorable game.

It occurred in my second or third year of ACC play, and my opponent was the most famous man in cribbage: **DeLynn Colvert**. We were down to the last hand of the game, and DeLynn needed twelve with first count. I needed nine and looked at my hand hoping for a few good pegging cards.

What I saw was three 6s and three 8s! Well I'm not going to peg out, so I decided to keep 6-6-8-8 for maximum pegging flexibility. The cut is a Queen, and my plan is to lay off everything and hope he doesn't have a twelve-point hand.

DeLynn leads his first card—a 7—so I well might as well 15 it, as the 6 doesn't provide any defense here. DeLynn responds with another 7! Wow, did that slip from his hand? I play my 6 for a run of three and a go, and now I need only three to peg out. DeLynn leads another 7, which I quickly 15, and then DeLynn flips the fourth 7 onto the table. I take the run and go and peg out.

What are the odds one player would be dealt four 7s and the other player three 6s and three 8s? That is why cribbage is the greatest game—you just never know what's going to happen!

Life Master (3★) Rob Medeiros always seems to hold the perfect pegging cards wherever he plays. He can be reached at mrob2199@aol.com.

Yooper Cribbage

All cribbage players have experienced the pain of not having enough players for a game. But what do you do when you want to play Canadian Doubles with only two people present?

This problem doesn't stop members of Copper Country Cribbage League in Upper Michigan. The club has become enamored with Canadian Doubles, and one day two players had to leave. What do we do now, the two remaining players mused. And this was the start of Yooper Cribbage.

After cutting for the deal, the dealer deals *all twelve cards* to him/herself. She/



he chooses which six cards to give to the pone, and each player then puts two cards in the dealer's crib. Play continues in the standard fashion, with the exception of each deal as described here.

Your brain will get a good workout thinking differently!

This cribbage variant was submitted by Mary Kaminski (Hancock MI). **CW**

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Winter Snowball (Woodberry MN; Jan. 11–13)	Ginger Grogan	84 players HQ. Thomas Beucier (35) 1. Thomas Beucier (147) 2. Clay Collier (105) 3. Troy Thorson (70) 3. Diane Waite (70)	52 players HQ. Todd Bullock (15) 1. Gerald Gruber (60) 2. Earl Fox (40) 3. Todd Bullock (24) 3. Timothy Shaw (24)''	28-hands: Todd Bullock* Richard Reis* Pete Severson* Francis Pasiuk* Ann Trotter	Friday: Gerald Gruber Saturday: Lewis Gurney All Events: (tie) Gerald Gruber & Lewis Gurney
Yuma Snowbird (Yuma AZ; Jan. 10–13)	Jim Blakeley	59 players HQ. Montana Conell (45) 1. Jerry Blackman (105) 2. Montana Conell (70) 3. Carol Williams (42) 3. James Murphy (42)	40 players HQ. Charlene Hudson (15) 1. Carol Perko (60) 2. Joe Clarke (40) 3. Charlene Hudson (24) 3. Bill Link (24)	28-hand: John Garman*	Doubles: Beverly Bliss & John Garman
Pacific Coast Championship (Marina CA; Jan. 11–13)	Mel Ashley & Dick Lind	32 players HQ. Randy Borchardt (30) 1. Jones Horn (70) 2. Ross Njaa (42)	24 players HQ. Dean Harvey (9) 1. Dean Harvey (40) 2. Susan Taguinod (24)		Canadian Doubles: Justin Martin & Art Fisher
Medeiros Memorial (Wolfeboro NH; Jan. 25–27)	Vicki Soule	61 players HQ. Lee Dillon (30) 1. Sara Sanner (105) 2. Phyllis Schmidt (70) 3. Jerry Hardy (42) 3. Doug Page (42)	38 players HQ. Terry Weber (18) 1. Kevin Harris (60) 2. Mary Alice Russell (40) 3. Frank Bogus (24) 3. Charles Booker III (24)	28-hand: Richard Weston*	Friday: Phyllis Schmidt Canadian Doubles: David Statz & Mary Burlington
Patty's Pahrump Pegging Party (Pahrump NV; Jan. 26)	Denise Fortin	43 players HQ. Nancy Rojas (35) 1. Ray Klocko (105) 2. Keith Johnson (70) 3. Glenn Pugh (42) 3. Nancy Rojas (42)	32 players HQ. Dave Yaeger (6) 1. June Fordham (40) 2. Lee Foglesong (24)	28-hand: Rodney Rideau*	<div> LEGEND HQ = high qualifier * = in sanctioned event blue = grand slam red = first win </div>
Peg for the Border (La Mesa CA; Feb. 1–3)	John Kern	34 players HQ. Cy Madrone (35) 1. William Eilers (105) 2. Cy Madrone (70) 3. Rodney Rideau (42) 3. Roger Wilson (42)	16 players HQ. Roz Berman (18) 1. Roz Berman (24) 2. Bob Prochnow (12)		
					Doubles: Roz Berman & Alice Souza

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Super Saturday One Day (Sunnyside WA; Feb. 2)	James Morrow	48 players HQ. Ken Cochlin (35) 1. Tom Varnell (105) 2. Jeremy Krieger (70) 3. Willie Evans (42) 3. Gerald Nickels (42)	31 players HQ. Bill Hill (12) 1. Diego Alvarez (40) 2. Pat Reynolds (24)		Friday: Kevin Mansfield
Michigan Peer Tourney (Grand Rapids MI; Feb. 2)	David Aiken & John Hazlett	41 players HQ. Darcy Donat (35) 1. Craig Smith (105) 2. Brenda Carson (70) 3. Darcy Donat (42) 3. Andy Stireman (42)	28 players HQ. David Aiken (15) 1. John Hazlett (40) 2. David Aiken (24)		Canadian Doubles: Joyce & Dan Betz
Jackpot Classic (Morton MN; Feb. 8–10)	Steve Post & Bob Joslin	80 players HQ. Michael Henze (70) 1. Chris Melheim (147) 2. Allen Pearson (105) 3. Bob Hanes (70) 3. Michael Henze (70)	34 players HQ. Gerald Gruber (18) 1. Troy Swanson (60) 2. Gerald Gruber (40) 3. Ann Trotter (24) 3. Stephen Subera (24)	28-hand: Gerald Gruber*	Friday: Wayland Kuhnelt Saturday: John Shoemaker All Events: Chris Melheim
Paradise Fundraiser (Eureka CA; Feb. 8–10)	Peggy & Rick Shea	41 players HQ. Ronald Logan (45) 1. Scott Milo (105) 2. Todd Malmgren (70) 3. Peggy Shea (42) 3. Bob Bartosh (42)	27 players HQ. Richard Shea (12) 1. Herschel Mack (40) 2. Tom Cookman (24)		Doubles: James Langley & Jeanne Jelke Saturday: Peggy Shea
Tsarkie Special (Honolulu HI; Feb. 10)	Fred White	17 players HQ. Mary Jane Eserra (35) 1. Karel Kon (70) 2. Mary Jane Eserra (42)	—		
Go Green Bay (Green Bay WI; Feb. 15–17)	Al Karr	72 players HQ. Daniel Minesal (45) 1. Curt Thiel (147) 2. Don Kreutzer (105) 3. Rick Kuehn (70) 3. Andy Stireman (70)	50 players HQ. Dale Magedanz (15) 1. Larry Leidenheimer (60) 2. Jerry Newhouse (40) 3. Jane Vander Loop (24) 3. Ann Trotter (24)	28-hands: Rick Kuehn* Joseph Aird*	Friday: Stephen Subera Doubles: Wendy Pitts & Melissa Wussow

continued

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Hampton Roads (Virginia Beach VA; Feb. 15-17)	Jack Howsare	51 players HQ. Janice Blanc (55) 1. Fred Blanc (105) 2. Matthew Easterbrook (70) 3. Robert Medeiros (42) 3. William Walker (42)	36 players HQ. Henry Douglass (18) 1. Moose Williams (60) 2. John Medeiros (40) 3. Henry Douglass (24) 3. Russell Bentley (24)	28-hands: David Sniegowski* Jack Howsare*	Friday: Robert Medeiros* Saturday: Donna LaFleur *See page 29.
Fallbrook Avocado (Fallbrook CA; Feb. 16)	Obie Weeks	52 players HQ. Alice Souza (35) 1. Beth Fleischer (105) 2. Obie Weeks (70) 3. Lee Foglesong (42) 3. Valerie Nozick (42)	30 players HQ. Art Whitney (12) 1. Roland Hall (40) 2. Pamela Pomeroy (24)	28-hand: Danny Koran*	
Winter U.S. Open (West Covina CA; Feb. 17)	Norm Nikodym	46 players HQ. Bryan Gurdin (65) 1. Carol Williams (105) 2. Jeremy Krieger (70) 3. Bob Bartosh (42) 3. Michael Duffy (42)	31 players HQ. Norman Nikodym (21) 1. Art Whitney (40) 2. Kent Downs (24)	28-hand: Ray Klocko*	
JPW/ACC Open (Reno NV; Mar. 1-3)	Peggy & Rick Shea	648 players HQ. Fred White (55) 1. Elmer Rasmussen (315) 2. Nick Green (252) 3. Richard Hinrichs (196) 3. Pete Larsen (196) 5. Wayne Steinmetz (147) 5. Jeff Shimp (147) 5. Richard Sutherland (147) 5. Denny Moore (147) 9. Wilbur Paul (105) 9. Susan Chambers (105) 9. Timothy Morrissey (105) 9. Dennis Morin (105) 9. Adrian Levy (105) 9. Gerald Hahn Jr. (105) 9. Doug Page (105) 9. Mike Hall (105)	478 players HQ. William Macmillan (33) 1. James Seufert (144) 2. Tom Langford (112) 3. Phil Martin (84) 3. Glenn Pugh (84) 5. David Guyse (60) 5. Jim Morelan (60) 5. Randy Borchardt (60) 5. Arthur Loveland (60) 9. Dan Sand (40) 9. Leslie Sumner (40) 9. Cynthia Wark (40) 9. John Kern (40) 9. Don Dolezal (40) 9. Roger Bouchard (40) 9. James Morrow (40) 9. Laurie Logan (40)	29-hands: Curt Leitaker* Rex Paddock* 28-hands: James Abbott* Bobby Adams* Daniel Betz* Cathy Carter* Gerald DeVowe* Bob Hanes* Joseph Jaros* Lee Ann Kaai* Diane Lundahl* Elmer Rasmussen* Tim Reynolds* Alan Schaefer* Flo Skowronski* continued next column	All Star Tourney: Central Region Canadian Doubles: Arlene Wilkinson & Sue Anderson Cribbage Bowl: Kathy Pacocha TOC: Mary Ann Kelliner 28-hands: continued Alice Souza* Lisa Spellenberg* Barbara Stockham* Steve Sundet* Donna LaFleur

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Life after Reno (Antioch CA; Mar. 9)	Paul Gregson	54 players HQ, Basil Rudnick (40) 1. Richard Shea (105) 2. Paul Gregson (70) 3. Boyd McDonald (42)	28 players HQ, Al Jean Simpson (15) 1. Tristan Bacoch (40) 2. Virginia Cheney (24)	28-hand: Bill Wakeman*	

Q&A

Cribbage Quiz

Send questions for Cribbage Quiz to
cribbageworld@cribbage.org

During a pickup doubles game after club in Milwaukee, **Rudy Rogutich**, **Bernie Herro**, **Jimmy McCarty**, and **Dale Magedanz** all had eight-point hands. When the crib was turned over, it also had eight points. The cut card was a 3. Below are the twenty cards that were dealt out. Can you devise five hands that each have eight points? (There may be more than one solution.)
 Hint: the cut card helps every hand except one.

A 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 5 6
 6 9 9 9 10 10 Q Q K K

Answer on page 42.

Scorecard of the Month

Grand Master **Danny Mitchell** (Crescent City CA) won only eleven games in the ACC Open main, but because eight of them were skunks—that's right, he skunked eight opponents!—he qualified #79. Alas, his big hands deserted him in the second round of the playoffs.

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET POINTS	
CA 202					
OFF Mitchell, Danny					
Name: Crescent City CA					
ACCA#					
Name	Game Points	Games Won	Opponents Skunked	Verification	100th Place
1	0	04	A	21	
2	15	04	B11	19	
3	0	06	A	15	
4	3	31	DA	13	
5	0	13	13A	11	
6	3	57	20	9	
7	3	37	2H	07	
8	3	36	20A5	5	
9	0	01	13	32	
10	0	21	CD	30	
11	3	47	14	28	
12	0	01	EE	26	
13	3	35	20C	24	
14	0	17	20L	22	
15	2	16	20A3	20	
16	0	38	14A6	18	
17	3	48	11	17	
18	0	26	02	12	
19	0	12	20	11	
20	0	20	14A	8	
21	2	01	04H	6	
22	3	31	14E	4	
Total		304	334	161	
Win = 2 Skunk = 3					
Player must verify					
keels and sign below, according to rules					
NET POINTS: 111					
Signature: [Signature]					



Mary Ann Kelliher
 celebrating her 80th
 birthday! (see page 20)

Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

Over the last eleven years, I have featured about forty cribbage boards made by ACC members all over the United States and Canada. The two boards this month are folding leather pocket-sized boards made by ACC member **Mark Fletcher** (Hoquiam WA).

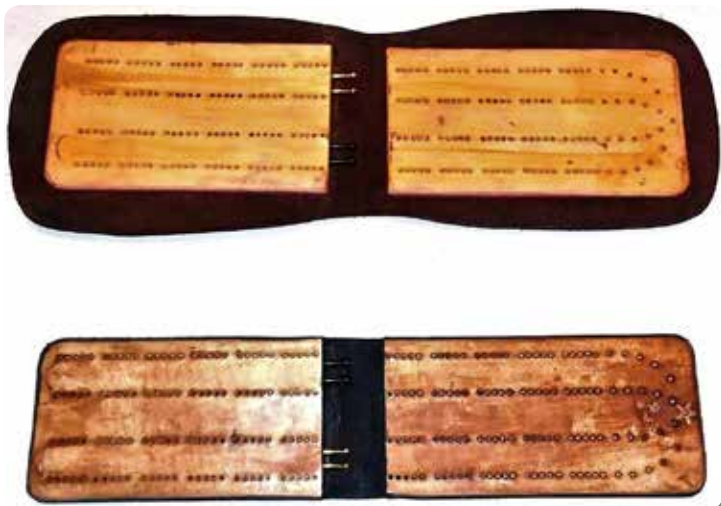
Mark learned cribbage from his father, Victor Wilson Fletcher. His dad also did a great job teaching Mark leatherwork, as evidenced by these two beautiful boards. The larger board is 4" X 12½" and is bi-

son hide on the outer portion and cowhide on the inner. The other board is all cowhide.

Last April, I did an article on two leather folding boards from the late 1800s and early 1900s. Those boards were traditional 61-point boards. Mark has updated this style

board of 121 points. They still fold and fit in a pocket. Anyone with serious inquiries about Mark's boards can contact him at mfletch21@gmail.com (put "Cribbage board" in subject box).

Thanks to Mark and all our other



ACC members who have provided photos and stories over the years. The ACC is full of interesting people. A few are also artists, but all have a great story to tell. **CW**



Jay Fulwider collects cribbage boards from his home in picturesque Washington State, where he also enjoys golf, fishing, and racquetball. His philosophy on the key to life: "Just keep your pegs moving." Ideas for and questions about this column may be sent to him at budandotis@msn.com (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line).

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Ruling Points . . .

This month we want to illustrate a ruling made in Reno and would like reactions and comments.

The consolation was winding down on Sunday, and **David Campbell** and **Mike Barrett** were called to a game for a ruling. The last three cards were face up, as played: player A played an Ace, player B played a 9, and player A played a 6 and pegged out the three points he needed to win the game, claiming that player B said “9” as the count. When David and Mike asked, “What did you say when you played the 9?” player B said, “I said I have a 9.” According to both players, player A said “15 for 3” when he pegged out.

David and Mike immediately knew this was sticky, and they called in **James Morrow**, the head judge of the Reno weekend, to help. Both players repeated their stories, and player A also used the phrase, “The rulebook says an uncorrected count stands, so I pegged out.”

After careful consideration, two judges voted this was a false claim of game, mostly because of the fact that the cards showed only one point coming, and player A took three and pegged out. So we ruled false claim of game against player A.

Talking about it later, one judge was concerned that the actions of player B were perhaps unethical, and this judge wanted to adjust the points as a simple overpeg. Not knowing the true intent of each player, upon more discussion all three of us think that *both* players were stretching the rules, trying to gain an advantage by “playing the rulebook.”

Proving that is hard, and we three think that judges should have the option to rule a double-loss 0/–10 score for the game for both players, if they seem to be playing the rulebook. This would be a very rare, yet available option and would give judges a little added incentive to keep things more sportsmanlike in future. Feel free to send opinions and comments to the email address below.

Send questions about the rulebook to the Barrett boys at barrettsauctions@gmail.com.



ACC *Awards*



Denny Moore
(Napa CA)
Grand Master #425

Denny joined the ACC sometime in the 80s, after having learned cribbage (and other card games) at a golf course when it was raining. He learned his strategy from Ras's notes, Chamber's book, and DeLynn's book. A member of Century Peggers Club 100 in Napa, Denny has been club champion twice and has earned his Gold Award. He has won five sanctioned tournaments and counts the "big Reno" as his favorite. His toughest opponent is Roland Hall. Non-cribbage interests include playing gin rummy and spending time on the coast. Denny enjoys a glass of good wine!

When Valerie dated a guy in her early 20s, they spent the summer playing cribbage on the floor of his apartment because he had no furniture. The relationship didn't last, but the cribbage did! She joined the ACC in 2004 and has been blessed with two great cribbage mentors: Dwight Christiansen and Rob Medeiros. She plays in a non-Grass Roots club at the Red Door in Seattle and is proud that several Red Door regulars have become ACC members. Valerie earned her Grand Master in the JPW main, which is appropriate because that's also where she earned her very first MRPs. Her favorite tournament is the National Open in Raleigh; she loves both the format and playing Al-gow in the hospitality area. Valerie's toughest opponents include Rob Medeiros, Jack Moritzky, Hoyt DeMers, Tom Calvert, Terry Trogstad, and Steve Angier. Her favorite cribbage moment this year was getting a 29-hand at the December to Remember consy in Portland. Non-cribbage interests include traveling and exploring different cultures—a passion facilitated by her working in the industry. Valerie is an unabashed anglophile; she lived two years in London and tries to get back whenever she can.

Valerie Nozick
(Seattle WA)
Grand Master #427



CLUB **29**

1. Tom Brown (MT): Montana Championship (Sep. 5)
2. Jim Crawford (CA): Lucky Dog Open (Sep. 18)
3. Joan Rein (WI): Grand National Midweek (Sep. 19)
4. Alan Schaefer (NV): Grand National Midweek (Sep. 20)
5. Nancy Hawkins (WA): ACC World Championship (Oct. 28)
6. Thomas Goeschel (NC): Turkey Shoot Out (Nov. 167)
7. Jack Shumate (OR): Depoe Bay Challenge (Nov. 28)
8. Jackie Lund (OR): Chinook Winds Open (Dec. 1)
9. Valerie Nozick (WA): December to Remember (Dec. 15)
10. Cy Madrone (CA): Schaefer Shuffle Single (Jan. 27)
11. Curt Leitaker (CA): JPW/ACC Open (Mar. 2)
12. Rex Paddock (MT): JPW/ACC Open (Mar. 2)

Tourney Tidbits

♦ At the Winter U.S. Open in West Covina CA on February 17, Life Master **Bryan Gurden** (Las Vegas NV) lost his first game by thirty holes in the twelve-game main and then won the next eleven games for a high-qualifying 26/11 +209. Life Master **Norman Nikodym** (Ontario CA) scored a grand slam 17/8 +98 in the eight-game consolation.

♣ **J.J. Stansfield** (Costa Mesa CA) qualified #47 in the JPW/ACC Open main on the basis of his 31-point card. After

a first-round bye, he was unceremoniously evicted from the playoffs, but this gave him enough points to earn his Master Rating. In the process of compiling 2,000 MRPs since he joined the ACC in 1999, J.J. did something that no one else has ever done—he won *eight* tournaments before reaching the Master plateau!

New Life Master

253. Haley Hintze (Carpentersville IL)

New Cribbage Masters

976. Tom Brown (Bigfork MT)

977. J. J. Stansfield (Costa Mesa CA)

978. Andy Stireman (Lake Ann MI)

979. Rick Kuehn (Sturgeon Bay WI)

Better Than Joe!

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

Timothy Morrissey (CA)



25 Years Ago in the ACC

The cover of the April 1994 *Cribbage World* reported that **Alex Pogorzelski** (Green Bay WI) beat out 473 other players at the MGM Classic in Green Bay and that **DeLynn Colvert** (then of Missoula MT, now of Surprise AZ) won the 176-player Capital City Classic in Saint Paul MN.

Elsewhere we read that **Joan Rein** scored two 28-hands at the MGM Classic; that **Frank Lake** (La Pine OR) won the 190-player main Oregon Championship in Prineville, with **Irma Symons** (Madras OR) winning the 120-player consy; and that **Larry Phifer** (Raleigh NC) won the Virginia Beach Classic main (126 players), beating **Rick Bryant** (Jarrettsville MD) in the finals.



Reno Attendance, 2007–2019

event	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
TOC	564	544	548	494	520	506	482	452	458	436	448	446
Bowl	548	600	646	530	532	480	532	454	420	432	434	432
main	964	1,016	986	858	892	812	788	748	748	714	722	690
con	748	794	746	648	670	616	570	568	538	494	548	524
doubles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	336
total	2,824	2,954	2,926	2,530	2,614	2,414	2,372	2,222	2,164	2,076	2,152	2,428

R E N O

Top Ten Reno Scorecards x Five

	ACC Open Main	ACC Open Consy	TOC
1	Fred White (37/18 +164)	William MacMillan (22/9 +194)	Julie Felkins (30/14)
2	John Alig (37/17 +242)	Mark Cochran (21/9 +226)	Trevor Poole (29/14)
3	Tom Langford (37/17 +204)	Dan Sand (17/8 +89)	Valerie Nozick (28/14)
4	Wayne Steinmetz (37/17 +167)	Mike Miller (16/8 +106)	William O'Malley (28/14)
5	Doris Sanders (36/17 +220)	Eric Hinnenkamp (16/8 +99)	Richard Pierce (28/14)
6	Donald Wanta (36/17 +203)	John Gentry (16/7 +141)	Elliott Havitz (27/14)
7	Cleo Burgett (36/17 +146)	Charlene Cohen (16/7 +136)	Les Rasmussen (27/14)
8	Tristan Bacoch (35/17 +266)	Alice Souza (16/7 +132)	Mary Skole (27/14)
9	Richard West (35/17 +211)	George Mackie (16/7 +131)	Michael Morgan (26/14)
10	Earl Baum (35/17 +172)	Peggy Shea (16/7 +130)	Marsha Mahan (26/14)

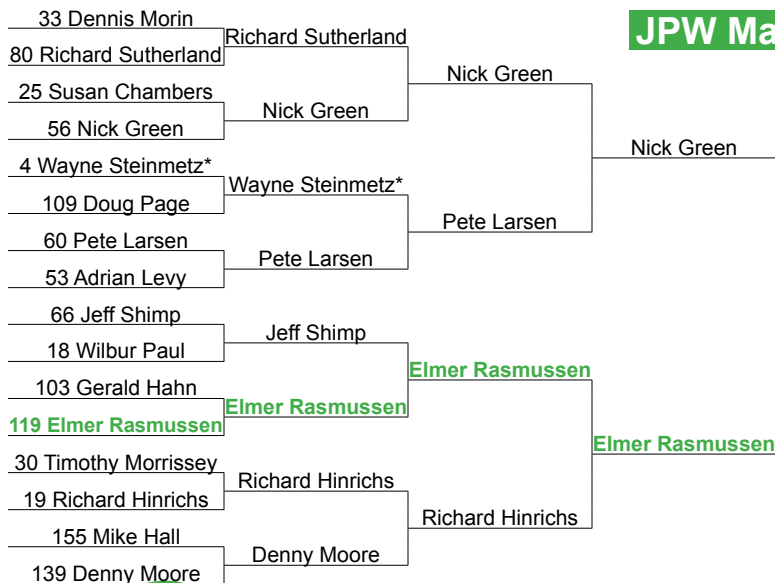
2018
412
376
648
478
338
2,252



Reno was dominated this year by octogenarians. Two of the toughest eighty-year-olds on the cribbage circuit weren't about to take any guff from youngsters! If you weren't in Reno, here's what you missed. . .

	Cribbage Bowl	Canadian Doubles
4 +177)	Kathy Pacocha (22/11 +130)	Sue Anderson & Arlene Wilkinson (18/8 +152)
4 +192)	DeLynn Colvert (22/10 +137)	Wayne Morris & Doug Rodrigues (16/8 +42)
13 +230)	Richard LaRiva (21/10 +172)	Lee Behrens & Wayne Steinmetz (16/7 +118)
/13 +180)	Gerald DeVowe (21/10 +137)	Charles Booker & June Fordham (16/7 +114)
12 +191)	Cynthia Wark (21/9 +179)	Greg Dumas & Ed Rosenbaum (16/7 +92)
3 +97)	Bradley Denend (21/9 +160)	Tammy Gibbons & Ross Newmann (15/7 +116)
/12 +124)	Terry Higgins (20/10 +137)	Diane Gallentine & Butch Ripley (15/7 +93)
+190)	Rex Paddock (20/10 +116)	Clay Collier & Kathy Pacocha (15/7 +82)
/12 +160)	William Carlstrom (20/10 +82)	Cres Fernandez & Steve Hastie (15/7 +61)
12 +157)	Bob Byrd (20/10 +75)	Ed Balcer & Larry Leidenheimer (15/6 +99)

JPW Main Final 16



ELMER RASMUSSEN
MAIN CHAMPION



* = top 16 qualifier who finished in the top 16

R E N O

The JPW/ACC Open main finals featured two competitors who were nearly half a century apart in age.

In one corner was 82-year-old Life Master (2★) **Elmer George Rasmussen** (Chehalis WA), called Ras by friends and foes alike. In the other corner was 34-year-old **Nick Green** (Kentwood MI).

Ras started playing cribbage seventy-seven years ago, when his mother taught him the rudiments of the game. Since that early start, Ras has improved his play to the highest levels. The list of his accomplishments is long:

- Gold Award #3 (4,000 GRPs) in Grass Roots play
- Platinum Award #2 (6,000 GRPs) in Grass Roots play
- 2009 Grass Roots national champion

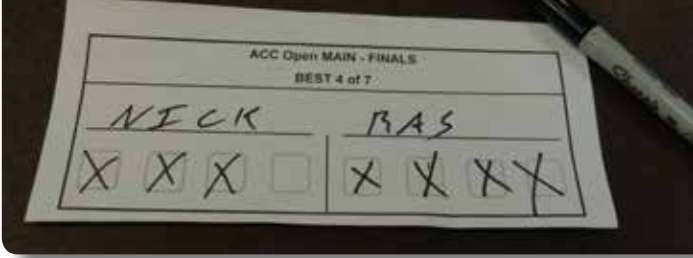
- Life Master (2★), with over 17,000 MRPs
- twenty-eight tournament wins
- All American honors four times (1998, 2001, 2005, 2007)
- ACC's Hall of Fame (elected 2010)
- youtube star (his videos on cribbage strategy have been watched by thousands)

On the other hand, Nick is a relative newcomer to ACC cribbage. He joined Club 91 in Grand Rapids MI ten years ago (now merged with Club 71). He has been club champion twice and has won one sanctioned tourney, with 457 MRPs to date. Nick's grandfather taught him how to play, and Nick dedicated his success in the Open to him.

Nick scrapped his way through some tough opponents in the early rounds,

and—despite the huge disparity in their years of experience—then fought Ras to a draw through the first six games of the best-of-seven match.

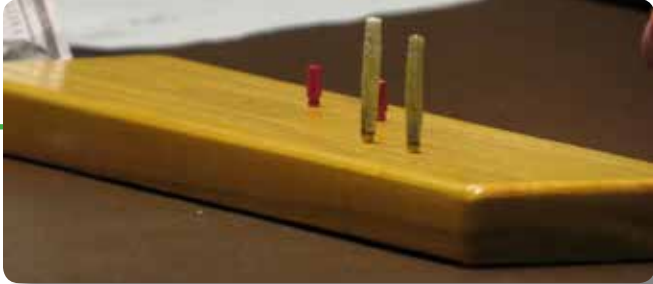
In the final game, three consecutive cuts determined the outcome of the game and the match. Nick was dealing in great shape around hole 50, while Ras was a few points ahead of him. The best cards that Ras could hold were A-2-J-J, but with the cut of 3h Ras quintupled his hand from two points to ten points, while Nick got no help from the cut card.



5-10-J-Q and got a 5 cut, while Nick's hand (6-7-8-8) went from 12 to only 14 with the cut, plus a 7-crib. Had a 6, 7, or 8 been cut, Nick would have taken the lead.

With Ras dealing halfway down fourth street—and a dozen holes ahead of Nick—the match was basically over. The last hand saw Nick cutting to a dozen points, but Ras's pegging and his ten-point hand gave him the victory without recourse to his crib.

As we all know, cribbage is a game of numbers, but Ras lives and breathes numbers. He attributes his success to playing strictly by the numbers—not by how he feels. He says, "You have to believe you can win each game—no



On the next hand, the 3 of Hearts—again!—doubled Ras's hand from six points to twelve, backed by a six crib.

matter how far behind you are. Make the best decisions possible."

Now receiving deal in hole 83, Ras held

Truer words have never been spoken by an ACC Open champion.



Nick Green
Main runner-up

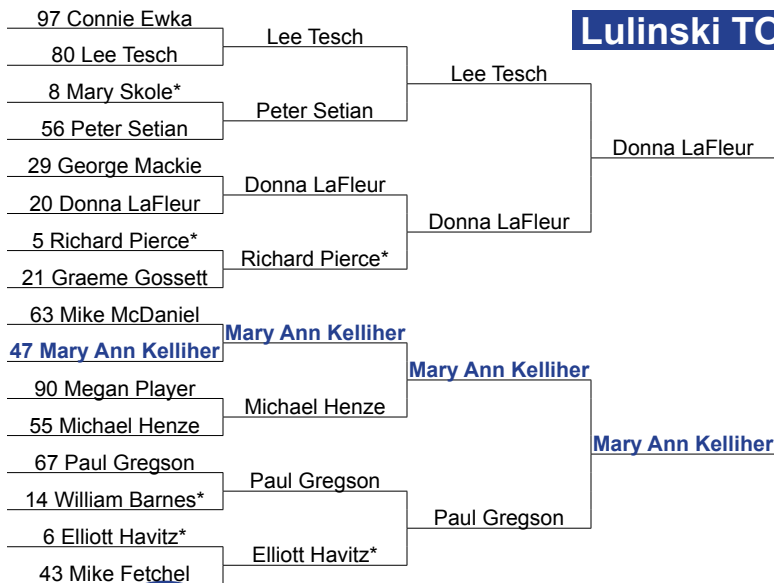


Richard Hinrichs
Main semifinalist



Pete Larsen
Main semifinalist

Lulinski TOC Final 16



**MARY ANN KELLIHER
TOC CHAMPION**



* = top 16 qualifier who finished in the top 16

R E N O

To say it was a good week for **Mary Ann Kelliher** is an understatement. On February 23—seven days before turning eighty—she faced the 86-yard fourth hole at The Villages FL. It was kinda windy, so she pulled out her 7 Iron. She hit the ball hard and straight; it landed just before the green and then rolled over so *slowly* before dropping into the cup for a hole-in-one!

On March 1—one day before turning eighty—she faced sixteen opponents in the Syl Lulinski TOC in Reno NV. The opponents were kinda tough, but she beat eleven of them to qualify #47 with a 22/11 +80 scorecard. Playoffs started

that afternoon, and Mary Ann won five matches before the day was over, defeating **Rod Mandler** (Minneapolis MN), Life Master (4★) **Roland Hall** (Napa CA), Life Master **Paul Batterson** (Tolland CT), Life Master (★) **Mike McDaniel** (Springfield OR), and **Michael Henze** (State Center IA).

On March 2—the day that Mary Ann turned eighty years old—she played the ACC Open. No, This is not a story about her miraculously double-dipping by qualifying in the ACC's biggest tournament of the year. Rather it is a story of biding her time until the TOC



In 2012 **Julie Felkins** (Central Point OR) turned in a wonderful TOC scorecard—30/13 +201. There was only one problem—that was the year a little-known player named **Rob Medeiros** decided he was going to set the TOC record



of 36/15 +366, so Julie had to settle for qualifier #2. This year, with Rob languishing in the doldrums (he lost his first eight games), Julie turned in an even better scorecard—30/14 +177—and this time grabbed the high qualifier slot!

playoffs resumed and then completing her romp through the TOC field of 412 players from around the globe and capturing the TOC championship, first defeating Grand Master **Paul Gregson** (Antioch CA) in the semifinals and then Life Master (2★) **Donna LaFleur** (Bristol CT) in the finals.

This kind of thing apparently runs in the family, as Mary Ann's husband, **Doug**, won his first main tourney at the third annual Space Coast Open on his sixty-sixth birthday on June 7, 2009.

If you can think of a better way to celebrate your eightieth—or any—birthday, be sure to let *Cribbage World* know!



Mary Ann's new addition to her Wall of Fame!



Donna LaFleur
TOC runner-up

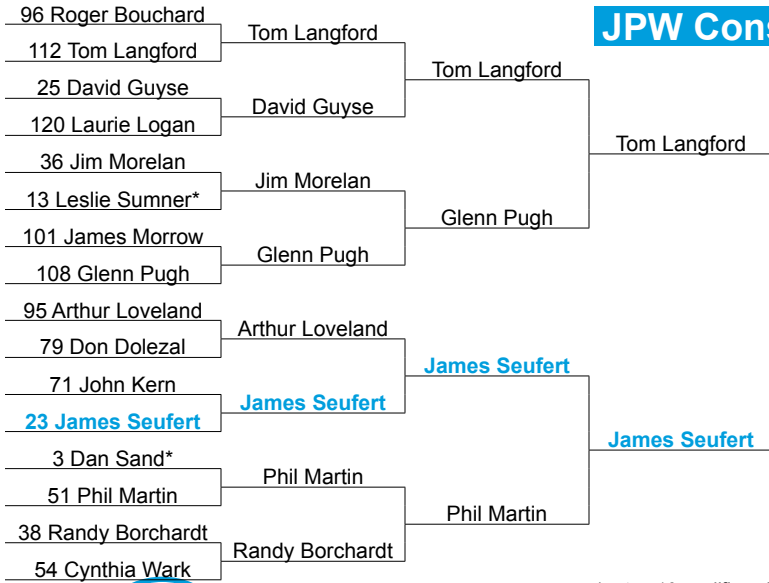


Paul Gregson
TOC semifinalist



Lee Tesch
TOC semifinalist

JPW Consy Final 16



James Seufert
CONSY CHAMPION



* = top 16 qualifier who finished in the top 16

RENO

Of the nine players who qualified in all three playoff events in Reno—the Lulinski TOC, the JPW/ACC Open main, and the JPW/ACC Open consolation—*four* of them were from Colorado. Here are all nine Reno triple-dippers, listed in order of best overall qualifying rank.

player	combined rank	TOC	Main	Consy
		rank & score	rank & score	rank & score
Mark Cochran (CO)	42	11 26/12 +118	29 14/72 +92	2 21/9 +226
Mary Skole (CO)	68	8 27/11 +190	21 34/14 +169	39 14/7 +60
John Tower (CO)	121	12 26/12 +117	46 31/15 +47	63 13/6 +100
Scott Kooistra (SD)	142	15 25/12 +117	14 34/16 +171	113 12/6 +22
Mark Fletcher (WA)	174	35 24/10 +118	71 30/13 +166	68 13/6 +82
Tom Langford (CA)	200	85 21/9 +130	3 37/17 +204	112 12/6 +24
David Bute (CO)	248	64 21/10 +120	129 28/13 +97	55 14/6 +65
Peter Stemler (NV)	265	83 21/10 +13	138 28/13 +28	44 14/7 +25
Paul Batterson (CT)	316	79 21/10 +35	150 27/13 +97	87 13/6 +36

ALL STAR TOURNEY

The national All Star Tournament is held annually in Reno on the Thursday evening before the TOC. This prestigious tourney was started in 1991 by the grandest old man of this game: **DeLynn Colvert**.

At the BOD meeting on Thursday, the current tournament director, **Roland Hall**, proposed to the ACC's board of directors that the tournament be renamed the **DeLynn Colvert All Star Tournament**—and it passed unanimously!

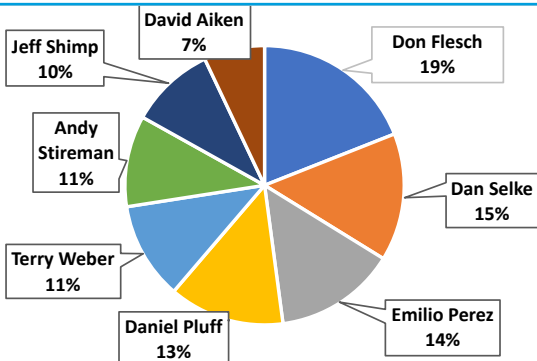
That evening—in the very first running of the DCAST—the Central Region captured its twelfth title, posting a combined score of 142 points versus 136 for the Western Region and 124 for the Eastern Region.

The captain of the Central Region, **Don Flesch**, led all players with a 27/12 +148 scorecard. **Duane Toll** was second, **Dan Selke** was third, and **Jeremy Krieger** was fourth.

With this win, the Central Region moves into the series lead with 12 wins versus 11 wins for the Eastern Region and 6 wins for the Western Region.

The competition is already heating up for the thirtieth annual DCAST, to be held in Reno on March 5, 2020.

Contribution (by %) of each member of the Central Region All Star team to overall team score



Mark Cochran (Englewood CO) scored a grand slam 21/9 +226 in the JPW/ACC Open consolation on Sunday—but that was good enough for only second high qualifier! **William MacMillan** (Cheyenne WY) posted an even better grand slam 22/9 +194!



Tom Langford
Consy runner-up



Phil Martin
Consy semifinalist



Glenn Pugh
Consy semifinalist

R E N O

top 5 scorecards

American Cribbage Congress
Official Scorecard

CA3807
Felkins, Julie
Central Point OR A25

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification ID Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	0	—	14	Tom	26
2	2	05	—	Mike	30
3	2	25	—	Yvonne	H-34
4	2	07	—	EF	A-4
5	2	04	—	WC	A-8
6	3	36	—	L.Rid	30
7	2	27	—	ALS	A-16
8	2	01	—	ALS	A-20
9	0	—	14	OC	A-24
10	2	23	—	DB	28
11	2	27	—	DM	32
12	2	10	—	JH	A-2
13	2	02	—	EdB	A-6
14	2	02	—	Ch	A-10
15	2	03	—	Mike	A-14
16	3	33	—		
Total Game Points	30	205	28		
Games Won	14	Net Points (+/-)			
		177			

Signature 



GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
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OFF CO 795
Pacocha, Kathy
Name Loveland CO
ACC#

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification ID Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	2	18		DA	L-23
2	2	14		44	21
3	2	19		LTH	L-19
4	2	19		EH	L-17
5	2	08		JOH	L-15
6	2	05		L	L-13
7	2	20		HJ	L-11
8	2	23		GA	L-9
9	X		22	Yana	L-7
10	2	02		UC	L-5
11	2	07			
12	2	17			
Total Game Points	22	152	22		
Games Won	11	NET POINTS (+/-)			
		+130			

Signature 



↑TOC

↑CRIBBAGE BOWL

OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD

Name ANDERSON/WILKEDSON ①

ACC# _____ Seat# 98

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
X	3	32		THN	97
X	2	23		C	100
X	2	19		J	110
X	2	19		TH	102
X	3	43		TH	103
X	2	12		KG	104
X	2	25		AR	106
X	0		31	BM	112
X	2	10		B	114
Total Game Points	18	(+) 193	(-) 31	Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0	
Games Won	3	NET POINTS (+/-)		Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.	
		X 152			

Signature Mike Wilkerson Sue Anderson 98

↑ CANADIAN DOUBLES

WY 191
OFF MacMillan, William

Name Cheyenne WY

ACC# _____

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
X	2	13	-	AT	2
X	3	31	-	TH	1
X	3	36	-	med	C21
X	2	21	-	2	C19
X	2	04	-	nm	17
X	3	32	-	DB	C14
X	2	01	-	TH	12
X	3	31	-		
X	2	25	-		
Total Game Points	22	(+) 194	(-) 0		
Games Won	9	NET POINTS (+/-)			
		7194			

Signature Bill MacMillan 

↑ ACC OPEN

↑ CONSOLATION

Canadian Doubles in Reno

R E N O

stories

Todd Schafer and Troy Thorson played each other in the last game of the TOC in Reno. Todd won the game by 19 points, and when the scorecards were tabulated, the bottom of the qualifying list looked like this:

102	Troy Thorson	20/10 +27
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103	Winona McDaniel	20/10 +23
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DNQ	Todd Schaefer	20/10 +22
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If Todd had beaten Troy by **21 points** instead of 19, then the list would have looked like this:

102	Troy Thorson	20/10 +25
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103	Todd Schaefer	20/10 +24
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DNQ	Winona McDaniel	20/10 +23
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Three of the 648 players in the ACC Open main had 37/17 scorecards: the #4 qualifier was **Wayne Steinmetz** (WI) with +167; #3 was **Tom Langford** (CA) with +204; #2 was **John Alig** (AZ) with +242. They were all beaten by the #1 qualifier—**Fred White** (HI) with 37/18 +164!

And if Todd had won by **24 points**, then the list would have looked like this:

102	Todd Schaefer	20/10 +27
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103	Winona McDaniel	20/10 +23
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DNQ	Troy Thorson	20/10 +22
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With players competing at such a high level, it is no wonder that games—and qualifying positions—are decided by just a point or two. Todd's consolation prize was winning \$100 from the Lulinski family for being high nonqualifier.



Life Master (★) **Robert Milk** (Queen Creek AZ) had a 28 hand on the second deal of the first game of the TOC, leading him to a skunk in game one. He did *not* qualify.

Tom Anderson (La Grande OR) had a perfectly average score for the first time ever in his 25+ years in the ACC. At the JPW/ACC Open, he went 11-11, with 163 plus and 163 minus, for a grand total of 0 spread points. All that work for nothing!

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
O OR 2028					
Anderson, Tom P.					
La Grande OR					
RD					
AC					
Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents' Totals	Verification LOI Number
1	2	05	—	A2	X-12
2	—	—	04	Sm	X-10
3	2	21	—	BE	8
4	—	—	02	ST	X-6
5	—	—	24	KH	X-4
6	2	11	—	016	X-2
7	—	—	11	12	A39
8	—	—	06	12m	37
9	—	—	34	X8	35
10	2	05	—	1013	33
11	2	24	—	14	X-31
12	—	—	13	25	X-1
13	2	14	—	12	37X
14	—	—	11	111	25
15	—	—	23	111	23
16	—	—	24	115	19
17	—	—	11	22	17
18	2	12	—	11	15
19	2	19	—	11	13
20	2	18	—	11	11
21	2	21	—	11	9
22	2	13	—	11	7
Total Game Points	22	163	163	Win = 2 Skunk = 3	
Games Won	11	NET POINTS (w/-)		Loss = 0	
Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.					
Signature: <i>Tom Anderson</i>					



Joseph Jaros (Macomb MI) traveled to Reno in March for his first-ever ACC tournament. He has played cribbage for forty years but never had a 28-hand until Sunday in Reno, when he held 5-5-5-5 and cut a Jack!

A member of Club 295 in Rochester Hills MI, Joseph is teaching his eight-year-old son to play cribbage. Joseph is planning to play in more tournaments locally and then return to Reno next year.

After a disastrous beatdown in the TOC (read: he lost his first eight games), **Rob Medeiros** (Dorchester MA) rebounded nicely in the ACC Open main to qualify #12 with 35/16 +133.

R E N O

ACC CHALLENGE

The ACC Challenge is a contest that compiles scores from the ACC's three biggest tournaments each year: Grand National, TOC, and ACC Open.

Larry Phifer (Raleigh NC) jumped to an early lead with his #1 qualifying score at the Milwaukee Grand National. He qualified in both the TOC and the ACC Open to win the 2019 ACC Challenge with a combined score of 89/42. Second place went to **Troy Thorson** (Loveland CO) with 83/40, and third was captured by **Valerie Nozick** (Seattle WA) with 80/37.

Here are the ACC Challenge winners over the past decade:

year	winner	score
2009	Dean Bauman	89/42
2010	Wayne Steinmetz	87/39
2011	Mike Burns	93/43
2012	Rob Medeiros	100/44
2013	Rob Medeiros	89/41
2014	Jeff Gardner	87/38
2015	Ron Morgan	81/37
2016	Troy Thorson	83/38
2017	Jerry Hardy	82/38
2018	Valerie Nozick Wayne Steinmetz	84/39
2019	Larry Phifer	89/42

BOD Meeting Quick Takes

- **David Campbell** was elected to the Hall of Fame! He will be inducted at the awards banquet in North Conway NH on October 26.
- The **Tournament Director Manual** is now available online or in print (contact your regional tournament commissioner).
- More **rule changes** coming; see the May CW.
- The national All Star Tournament held in Reno on the Thursday before the TOC every year was renamed the **DeLynn Colvert All Star Tournament** in honor of the ACC's greatest player. (Story on page 23.)
- **ACC officers** will now serve two-year terms, contiguous with the BOD terms.
- The **Consy Lite** format was approved as a permanent option. This format must be announced on the tournament flyer and applies only to one-day tourneys (see July 2018 CW, page 19).



**DeLynn Colvert
with two satisfied
book buyers!**

New ACC Record

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
23		9		+267	

OFI RECORD

Name Medeiros, Rob
MA 1484

ACC# _____ Seat# 12

Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	3	36		DEL	11
2	2	15		RF	17
3	2	03		MI	3
4	3	47		Myer	4
5	3	57		JC	8
6	2	16		MD	1
7	2	14		DAK	16
8	3	37		DB	13
9	3	42		W	9
Total Game Points	23	(+) 267	(-) -	Win = 2 Skunk = 3	Loss = 0
Games Won	9	NET POINTS (+/-)		Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.	
		+267			

Signature Rob Medeiros

At the Friday night satellite of Hampton Roads Cribbage Tournament on February 15, Life Master (3★) **Rob Medeiros** (Dorchester MA) set a new nine-game record for tournament play, posting a 23/9 +267! Here are the players who aided Rob's history-making scorecard, listed here in order of "helpfulness":

game	player	beatdown
5	Jim Correa	57
4	Fran Ward	47
9	Bill Treadwell	42
8	Jan Blanc	37
1	Moose Williams	36
6	John Medeiros	16
2	Larry Phifer	15
7	Lee Ann Kaai	14
3	Sara Sanner	3

Rob also holds the record for a sixteen-game tourney, 36/15 +366, which he set at the 2012 TOC. In the same year he set the record (100/44) for the ACC Challenge (see page 28).

Prepare to be amazed! There hasn't been a winning strategy book written that will change the way you play cribbage since DeLynn Colvert wrote *Play Winning Cribbage* and, yet, here it is!

Joe Schlader, a member of Reno Club 11, and **Doug Rodrigues**, director of Graeagle Peggars Club 418, have a combined 70+ years of playing cribbage and have written a book called ***Grand Slam Your Cribbage Opponents***. A winning strategy came to Doug one day when he was playing in a Grass Roots tourney with Joe, and the two spent months observing individual games being played. They analyzed 700 games and in every one where the player used and followed the strategy, they won!

The key is to follow the strategy and implement it flawlessly. As you can see from the photo of Doug and Joe, the strategy is encoded on their hats. However, the encoding is cleverly disguised as a back-



ward mirror-image of the actual strategy. When you buy *Grand Slam Your Cribbage Opponents* you also get a hat and a small mirror. If you happen to forget the strategy, simply excuse yourself from the table and look in the mirror and voila! There's the winning strategy!

GET AHEAD AND STAY AHEAD!

So now that you know the strategy—**get ahead and stay ahead**—what's the best way to implement it? Buying the book is a key first step. From there, let's break things down into the two critical parts, First, **get ahead**; second, **stay ahead**.

Winning the cut is the obvious first step to **get ahead**. But, if you lose the cut, then you have to keep the dealer from scoring. The best way to do that is to engage in meaningless, idle conversation in hopes of confusing them so that they keep the wrong cards and mistakenly put crummy cards into their own crib.

Now that you are ahead, **stay ahead**. You can use a similar strategy as you used to get ahead but now you have to up your game. Mention that you beat **Ron Morgan**, holder of the record high score in a sanctioned

tournament. Better yet, mention that you recently beat **DeLynn Colvert**, the #1 ranked player for twenty-six years and a four-time national champion. If all this isn't working, take a break, go to the restroom and look in the mirror to help reset the strategy into your brain and hopefully into your play. If you do get behind, make a comment like, "I'm on your tail in case you fail" or, "I was in this same position with a tough opponent last week and pulled out the game."

But wait . . . there's more good news. The strategy works with Canadian Doubles as well. Here is a testimonial from Doug's brother-in-law **Wayne Morris** from Fremont Club 43, who had never played doubles before: "I was reluctant to play as I didn't know the strategy in Canadian Doubles. Doug convinced me to play at the Reno tournament. There were 169 teams, and we placed second! It was awesome to see the strategy working! We **got ahead and stayed ahead**."

Grand Slam Your Cribbage Opponents contains hundreds of additional tips and helpful hints. Increase your chances of winning even further by buying several copies. Give it as a Christmas gift for your cribbage-playing friends and relatives. (*article continued on page 40*)

Fire Interrupts Sandy

Sandy Sands is a fixture in Montana and ACC cribbage. He is director of Helena Club 25, a tournament director, and participant in many ACC tournaments.

Just prior to leaving for the Reno tournaments, Sandy lost literally everything he owned in a house fire. He was not home at the time, and no one was hurt. Thankfully, he has some insurance.

To help Sandy get back on his feet, the Montana cribbage community will hold a benefit tournament on April 28 in Deer Lodge. Contact **Bob Byrd** (406.560.3836) or **Jeff Johnson** (702.717.3578) for more info.

If you would like to help Sandy but are unable to attend the benefit, a Go Fund Me account has been set up. Go to **gofundme.com** and type "Sandy Sands" in the search box.

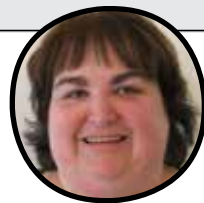
COOL STUFF WE FOUND ON THE WEB

The *Daily Chronicle* (Lewis County WA) ran a full page on **Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen** and Club 232 in Chehalis WA after Ras won the JPW/ACC Open in Reno last month. The best line in the article is a quotation from Ras: cribbage "has to be the chess of card games, because there is so much strategy involved in discarding and pegging." To read the full article, go to **chronline.com** and type "twin cities holds top" into the search box.

INTERNET Cribbage

IRPs

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internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	620	Donald Olney (olney47)
2	536	Sam Sinram (IA503)
3	496	Kelly Ann Burgar (lilthumper_)
4	449	Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
5	431	Mike Rosenstock (sirpegger)
6	425	Gary Brandt (Eagle39)
7	405	Peter Legendre (legend397)
8	402	Sue Edwards (CO434Sue)
9	372	Daniel Crete (dec0194)
10	358	Bob Bousquet Sr. (tinsmith)

*February
Player of
the Month*
Sam Sinram
(ia503)
134 IRPs



12↑ champ Nathan Wilson (right)
and runner-up Justin Roberts (left).



Ten-year-old Everett Norman
admiring his 28-hand!

GAME ON by Dan Zeisler



Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament

A total of 31 young players attended the 26th annual Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament in Grass Valley CA on February 23. This sanctioned event featured the previous year's champions, **Nathan Wilson** and **Zack Gregson**, both making the finals again. Nathan won the 12 \uparrow event for the second year in a row, while Zack was dethroned from the 11 \downarrow after a three-year reign as champ, by up-and-coming junior player **Angelina Villalobos**, who won her second consecutive youth tournament! In a tribute to the quality of play in the 12 \uparrow group, all games were played in twenty minutes or less, and there were no grand slams in the nine-game qualifying round. In the 11 \downarrow group, only Zack Gregson was able to score a grand slam (6/14 +129). Other highlights included a 28-hand scored by ten-year-old **Everett Norman**; **Nina Plowman** (age ten) playing up in the 12 \uparrow group and finishing fourth; and **Cruz Wales** (grandson of Robert Milk) making it all the way from Arizona.

A special thank you to judges **Don Howard**, **Bob Schmitt**, and **Robert Milk**; to **Dave Yost** for making plates for the trophy boards; to **Jerry Oxford** for providing custom pegs, which the kids loved; and another shout to **Don Howard** who registered all youngsters as ACC members and calculated Youth Master Points earned.

12 & over (17 players)	champ	Nathan Wilson (15), Grass Valley CA
	2	Justin Roberts (16), Grass Valley CA
	3	Connor Branson (18), Roseville CA
	4	Nina Plowman (10), Paradise CA
11 and under (14 players)	champ	Angelina Villalobos (10), Chico CA
	2	Zack Gregson (11), Antioch CA
	3	Melanie Wilson (11), Grass Valley CA
	4	Cruz Wales (10), Queen Creek AZ
consy (12 & over)	champ	Gavin Kordestani (16), Piedmont CA
	2	Wyatt Hagan (14), Rio Vista CA
consy (11 and under)	champ	Judah Wilson (8), Grass Valley CA
	2	Seamas Fry (11), Morgan Hill CA

Teaching Manuals

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

- **Donald Janelle** (Manchester CT)
- **Scott Perkins** (Glendale OR)
- **Susan Souther** (Buffalo MN)

Dan Zeisler is founder of Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament. Send info about youth cribbage to 530.263.7468 or danthefan@yahoo.com.

New Members

78 in February

Alaska

Carol Archuleta (Fairbanks)
Todd Buck (Juneau)
Roberta Davis (Anchorage)
Landis Erwin (Palmer)
Allen Joseph (Anchorage)
Aaron Rudd (Palmer)

California

Richard Auld (Healdsburg)
Giovanni Delaurentis (El Dorado Hills)
Darlene Y. Eisele (North Hills)
Edward Elwell (Laguna Woods)
Spiro Lambros (Laguna Woods)
Dave Lavendier (Thousand Oaks)
Tina Lavendier (Thousand Oaks)
Richard Lewis (Santa Clara)
Ricki Menard (Rescue)
Czec Panek (Seaside)
Joseph Reid (Lompoc)
Mo Souza (Ione)

Colorado

Elda M. Graham (Grand Junction)

Florida

Donald Turbeville (Green Cove Springs)

Hawaii

George Blalack (Ewa Beach)

Idaho

Richard Braithwaite (Meridian)
Rita Braithwaite (Meridian)
Freda Wanta (Caldwell)

Massachusetts

Gerry Arsaneau (Marstons Mills)
Jack Gagne (Attleboro)
James Peretti (North Easton)
Terri Peretti (North Easton)

Michigan

Chris Fuller (Mount Pleasant)
Donald H. Hinds (Kalamazoo)
Scott LaFleur (Gladstone)
Dean Manninen (Chassell)
Gary L. Price (Bellevue)
Kathleen V. Price (Bellevue)
Steve Pucelik (Traverse City)
Jerry Stelling (Saint Joseph)

Minnesota

Anna Benton (Buffalo)
Chris Melhein (La Salle)
Mary Sand (Grey Eagle)
Craig Yanta (Mound)

Montana

Andrew D. Cook (Deer Lodge)
Jim Eisela (Bozeman)
John H. Fisher (Butte)
Judy K. Fisher (Butte)
Bob Johnson (Butte)
Mike McLaughlin (Butte)
Anna Moltzan (Helena)
Sean Royston (Helena)
Jim Stipcich (Helena)

Nevada

Mike Affinito (Reno)
Timothy O'Shea (Sparks)

New Hampshire

James Bulger (Nashua)

New Jersey

Jackie Lane (Island Heights)

New Mexico

Douglas Wilson (Tijeras)

North Carolina

Peggy Wingate (Goldsboro)

Oregon

Ken Cunningham (Brookings)
Emily Gibson (Bend)
Jay Girard (Bend)
Neveah Modglin (Roseburg)

Nicholas Narog (Rogue River)
Becky Smolak (Depoe Bay)
Ed Smolak (Depoe Bay)

Pennsylvania

Brenda Stoholski (Perkasie)
Mike Stoholski (Perkasie)

South Dakota

Dan Boyum (Renner)
Aaron Hembree (Baltic)

Texas

Harry Childerston (Plano)
Cynthia Cline (Plano)
Kenneth Poetzi (Houston)

Washington

Victoria Hull (Bellingham)
Karen Kusmirek (Vancouver)
Linda Schewiki (Walla Walla)
Mickie Thompson (College Place)

Wisconsin

David Draeger (Milwaukee)
David A. Hetchler (New Auburn)
Curtis Moede (Green Bay)
Lauren Speckin (Milwaukee)
Sheila Vojtech (Stratford)

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).

- John Brewster (Walnut Creek CA)
- Gean Daniels (Portsmouth VA)
- James F. Donaldson (Salem OR)
- Mickey R. Griffin (Lincoln NE)
- Ronald Gurschke (Fremont WI)
- Ernest A. Jensen (Pollock Pines CA)
- Jan Jonak (University Place WA)
- Robin Keehr (Centralia WA)
- Phil Keeler (Santa Rosa CA)
- Scott Krukow (Riverside CA)
- Nancy Lorenz (Oregon City OR)
- J. May (Grayslake IL)
- David Sanders (Salinas CA)
- Matt Skog (Coon Rapids MN)
- Matthew Tripp (Roseburg OR)

**Where's Dale now?
Can you find all five
mentions of Dale
Magedanz in this CW?**



Grass Roots

Corner

We are happy to announce the appointment of **Ivan Wells** (Tijeras NM) as the new Grass Roots commissioner. Ivan was selected by the ACC's Executive Committee from a field of twelve qualified candidates. Ivan will begin training with outgoing commissioner **Joan Rein** immediately and continuing throughout the summer, with an official start date of August 1.

When you're hot, you're hot! After winning the ACC Open main, **Elmer "Ras"**

Rasmussen continued his performance with a 19/9 +133 grand slam the same week at his home club, #232 in Centralia WA.

Edmonton Peggers Club 261 (Edmonton AB) has members more than seven decades apart in age—and both the oldest and youngest members had grand slams this season.

Ethel King (mother of BOD member **Audrey Hatto**)—the club's oldest member at age 92—scored a grand slam 18/9 +142 in week seven; and **Eric Pankiw**—the youngest club member at age 19—scored his grand slam 19/9 +144 in week twenty-one.



Lite Beer City Peggers Club 70 (Grand Rapids MI) started in October 2018 and plays once a month. In its sixth tourney, charter member **Larry De Jong** got his first ever 28-hand!



GrassRoots *Awards*

GOLD

#116. Joe Daesch (Coconut Creek FL)

SILVER

Robert J. Deeds (IL), 3

Dale Rohm (WI), 90

BRONZE

Phillip Barbour (OR), 285

Jim Blakeley (AZ), 267

Ellis Davis (CA), 269

Craig Hania (WA), 267

Vickie Humphrey (CO), 345

Gary Katz (CA), 374

Rod Kazmerzak (WI), 1

Brian McGee (CA), 100

Skip Moore (IA), 17

Brian Paulsen (WA), 393

Stanley Primc (WI), 199

Doug Venne (NV), 11

Jan Way (CO), 345

Christine Zager (WI), 199

Club 120 (Wisconsin Rapids WI)—Platinum #4 and club director **Patrick Barrett** scored a 28-hand on January 24, then on the way home broke his collarbone in a black ice incident driving home!

Club 177 (Anchorage AK)—**Bob Zornick** says you are never too young to reel in a 29-hand!

Club 240 (Roseville MN)—**Al Gibney** popped a 28-hand on February 27.

Club 321 (Kalamazoo MI) had two 28-hands almost on top of one another. The first one was held by **Doug Hayden**—his fourth career 28-hand—and less than a minute later, **Forest Wright** got his 28-hand, greatly diminishing the value of the skunk pot! On a side note, Club 321 has only had one 29-hand in its fourteen-year existence.

The youngest player of Club 204 (Port Orchard WA) just got her first 28-hand. **Sarah Skates** combined that with a 12-card on February 27.

Mark Pascale posted a fantastic 18/8 +134 card on March 6, while the next closest player had 12/6. Mark has been playing only three years and is already moving up in the ranks. Congratulations, Mark! Keep up the good work.

Platinum #5 **Jim Blough** had a shot at setting a new personal best in Beer City Peggers Club 71 (Grand Rapids MI) on March 19, but his doubles partner, **Art Maycroft**,

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Paul Batterson
(Tolland CT)
Gold #118

Paul's neighbor and coworker in the early 1980s, the late Joe Seigle, taught him how to play cribbage and was his cribbage mentor. Paul joined the ACC in 1984 and has been a member of Hartford Metro Club 26 in East Hartford for over thirty years. CW has no argument with Paul's

statement that "from top to bottom, it is the most competitive Grass Roots club in the country." Paul has been club champion four times. In the 2008–9 season, he was an Eastern Region All Star and won three tourneys. He enjoys the competition and the

friendships of cribbage, especially the group that meets at Barnes

and Noble every Thursday morning. Paul won the 2015 New England Long Match in a 48-game marathon against Jerry Hardy. Paul says that the best player in Club 26 for the past couple of seasons has been Mike Fetchel—everyone's toughest opponent. Paul adds: "I hesitate to name my toughest opponent. I have played literally hundreds of games with Frank Corrado, Roger Bouchard, Bill Shoemaker, Carl Deyette, and Joe Zimmitti. They are all pretty easy." Paul has been tutoring ESOL students once a week since 2006; he loves doing this as he meets people from all over the world. In addition to travel, Paul is an avid baseball and UConn basketball fan and is interested in politics and Wall Street.



Jerry Brisgel
(Windsor CA)
Gold #119

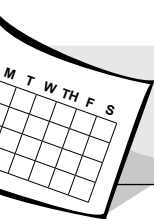
An old friend, Mike Dodge, taught Jerry how to play cribbage. Jerry joined the ACC twenty years ago and considers Avon Ray and Mike Emerson his cribbage mentors. A member of Redwood Peggers Club 55, he has been club champion twice. Jerry has attended the big Reno tournament

for the past ten years, but is still looking for his first sanctioned win. Tom Highshoe is his toughest opponent.

beat him in game nine to ruin Jim's grand slam. Jim had beaten Art in two pickup games prior to the start of the night, but could not beat him three games in a row. Not to worry: Jim still took first place with 19/8 +164 and moved into first place in the club standings.



Harry Higgins (Bath ME) is 94 years young—and the perhaps the oldest ACC member to get a grand slam. On March 20, he beat up nine players at Midcoast Peggers Club 431 (Brunswick ME) to post a beautiful 18/9 +101.



SANCTIONED

Tournaments

MRPs

as of March 1

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
MRPs name	MRPs name	MRPs name
1 1480 Jeremy Krieger	1 682 Wayne Steinmetz	1 801 Larry Phifer
2 945 Duane Toll	2 674 Doug Page	2 542 David Campbell
3 864 Jim Crawford	3 557 Ann Trotter	3 505 David Sniegowski
4 859 Richard Hinrichs	4 555 Emilio Perez	4 504 Donna LaFleur
5 779 James Morrow	5 503 Donald Flesch	5 498 Richard West
6 732 Erik Royland Locke	6 489 Allen Karr	6 446 Robert Medeiros
7 728 Herschel Mack	7 485 Clay Collier	7 419 Peter Grant
8 713 Dave Yaeger	8 470 Jeff Shimp	8 413 Lee Dillon
9 699 Basil Rudnick	9 437 Gerald Gruber	9 386 Peter Legendre
10 663 Cy Madrone	10 401 Arthur Loveland	10 368 Keith Widener
11 639 Bob Prochnow	11 394 John Hazlett	11 365 Henry Douglass
12 637 Tristan Bacoch	12 382 John Syftestad	12 363 Phil Martin
13 634 Todd Malmgren	13 373 Edward Balcer	13 349 Charlene Cohen
14 627 Bob Bartosh	14 368 Larry Leidenheimer	14 305 Frank Reddy
15 611 Paul Gregson	15 360 Steven Steinmetz	14 305 Terrance Cushman
16 603 Roger Wilson	16 352 Henry Brandner	16 299 Roger Bouchard
17 594 Fred White	17 341 John Schafer	17 295 Jerry Hardy
18 574 Carol Williams	18 340 Don Thienel	17 295 Michael Becker
19 568 Cynthia Wark	19 326 Frank Duresky	19 293 David Statz
20 556 Troy Thorson	20 320 Michael Henze	20 290 Jeff Raynes
21 549 Gordy Wise	21 316 Dale Magedanz	21 264 Michael O'Brien
22 536 Roland Hall	22 309 Dan Selke	22 261 Jim Correa
23 531 Mel Ashley	23 294 Brad Behm	23 244 Jacob French
24 523 Alice Souza	24 277 Nick Green	24 238 Mike Fetchel
25 515 Jeanne Jelke	25 264 Haley Hintze	25 230 Scott Johnson
26 511 Richard Shea	26 261 Terry Weber	26 220 Bruce Sattler
27 481 Rick Baird	27 258 David Aiken	27 218 Kevin Harris
28 478 Terry Higgins	28 255 Patrick Healey	28 214 Fred Blanc
28 478 Sara Sanner	29 246 Rick Kuehn	29 209 Mary Burlington
30 466 Sharon Schaefer	30 240 Jerry Newhouse	30 208 Marilyn Gaudreau
31 405 Willie Evans	31 239 Chad Frischmann	31 206 Rick Allen
32 401 Tom Langford	32 237 Marlene Lazachek	32 204 William Walker
33 400 Roy Hofbauer	33 232 Mike Rozmiarek	33 192 Paul Finazzo
34 396 David Bute	34 229 Andy Stireman	34 189 Carlyle Elliott
35 387 Pete Larsen	35 228 Ellen Kutz	35 180 Fran Ward
36 373 Margaret Fanucchi	36 208 Thomas Beucler	36 178 Joe Zimmitti
37 361 Ray Klocko	37 207 Tony Danihel	37 177 Donald Thompson
38 351 Laurie Logan	38 202 Lewis Gurney	38 172 Ron Musolf
39 344 Greg Dumas	39 200 Curt Thiel	38 172 Guy Spezzaferro
40 334 Don Grumpy Howard	40 198 Lana Newhouse	40 171 Barry Spadea
41 333 Richard Lariva	40 198 Marsha Mahan	41 164 Gerard St. Germain
42 326 John Kern	42 194 Eric Jensen	42 160 Mattie Bradshaw
42 326 Gerald Hahn	43 192 Daniel Minesal	43 157 Wilbur Paul
42 326 Kevin Mansfield	43 192 Chris Melhein	43 157 Michael Burnham
45 320 Elmer Rasmussen	45 186 Don Kreutzer	45 156 Jack Howsare
46 310 Bob Brumley	46 185 Meme Schafer	45 156 Janet Viands
47 308 Tom Gannon	47 174 Scott Fritz	47 153 Laurie Schmitz
48 307 Jason Hofbauer	48 173 William Stacey	48 152 Jeff Gardner
49 294 Cres Fernandez	49 171 Adam Switzer	48 152 Peter Olson
49 294 James Langley	50 169 Rhynold Shave	50 151 Charles Rapoza
49 294 Valerie Nozick	50 169 Virginia Grogan	50 151 Jerome Kelliher
		50 151 Keith Miller
		50 151 Moose Williams

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

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

FUTURE GRAND NATIONALS

date	city/state	TD
October 22-27, 2019	North Conway NH	David Campbell
September 22-27, 2020	Sacramento CA	Jeanne Jelke

FUTURE TOCS & ACC OPENS

@ Sands Regency in Reno NV	
March 6-8, 2020	March 2022
March 2021	sometime 2023

MN ♦ Apr. 5-7, All American Club

All American Club, 1931 Michigan St, Duluth MN 55806. TD: Gordy Jurek (218.628.1655) & Ed Balcer

NV ♦ Apr. 5-7, Gold Dust West Spring Fling

Gold Dust West Casino, 2171 E William St, Carson City NV 89701. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Beverly Castillo

NH ♦ Apr. 7, Granite State Classic

Brookline Event Ctr, 32 Proctor Hill Rd, Brookline NH 03033. TD: David Statz (603.247.4335) & Mary Burlington

↓ SEE PROMO IN MAY CW ↓

CA ♦ CRUISE DOUBLEHEADER

Carnival Ship Splendor, Long Beach CA. TD: Pam Pomeroy (562.929.2901) & Brenda Nason

Apr. 7, Cabo Open

Apr. 11, Splendor Open

GA ♦ Apr. 12-14, Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic

La Quinta Inn, 6260 Peachtree-Dunwoody, Dunwoody GA 30067. TD: Barri Gehrand (770.402.1975) & Barri Gehrand

WA ♦ Apr. 12-14, Washington Championship

Moose, 1400 Grand Ave, Centralia WA 98531. TD: Channing Holmes (509.393.3003) & Dan Carr

WI ♦ Apr. 12-14, Eau Claire Fest

29 Pines Hotel (Sleep Inn), 5872 33rd Ave, Eau

Claire WI 54703. TD: Dennis Ulberg (715.695.3588) & Maxine Ulberg

WY ♦ Apr. 12-14, Stink Hole in the Wall Gang

American Legion, 2001 East Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001. TD: William MacMillan (307.638.2398) & Bill Barnes

AK ♦ Apr. 13, Alaska State Championship

Moose, 4211 Arctic Boulevard, Anchorage AK 99501. TD: Toya Winton (907.240.2004) & C. J. Kim

CA ♦ Apr. 13, Napa Wine Country Spring Open

Moose, 3275 Browns Valley Rd, Napa CA 94558. TD: Roland Hall (707.738.0799) & Yvonne Bowers

OR ♦ Apr. 19-21, Cascade Classic

Jefferson Country Senior Ctr, 860 SW Madison St, Madras OR 97741. TD: Debra Lucas (541.678.2402) & Tammy Gibbons

MI ♦ Apr. 26-28, Michigan Open

Quality Inn, 2590 Capital Ave SW, Battle Creek MI 49015. TD: David Boyer (269.788.1289) & David Gerke

NY ♦ Apr. 26-28, Western New York Open

Moose, 45 Church St, Hamburg NY 14075. TD: Robyn Boldt (716.648.1830) & Russell Bentley

WI ♦ Apr. 26-28, Black River Country

Comfort Inn, W1070 State Hwy 54, Black River Falls WI 54615. TD: Richard Frost (920.361.3302)

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OREGON COAST CLUSTER

Apr. 27–28, Alsea River Open

Moose, 250 NW John St, Waldport OR 97394.
TD: Wayne Momsen (406.417.1615) & Carole Herron

Apr. 29–May 1, Dean Bauman Memorial

American Legion, 424 W Olive, Newport OR 97365. TD: Monica Newton (541.563.5181) & Dana McClain

May 2–3, Newport Midweek

American Legion, 424 W Olive, Newport OR 97365. TD: Carole Herron (406.459.5550) & Wayne Momsen

May 3–5, Oregon Coast Classic

Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th St, Lincoln City OR 97367. TD: Jeanne & Roy Hofbauer (360.835.3623) & Bernie Nelson

WI ♦ May 3–5, Peg for Pink

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

WI ♦ May 11–12, America's Dairyland

Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI 53965. TD: Ellen Kutz (414.940.7375) & Dale Magedanz

MI ♦ STEVENSVILLE DOUBLEHEADER

Super 8, 4290 Red Arrow Highway, Stevensville MI 49127

May 16–17, Michigan Cribbage Cup

TD: David Boyer (269.788.1289) & John Schafer

May 17–19, Potawatomi Peggars

TD: Jeff Shimp (616.850.9229)

CA ♦ May 17–19, Jerry Montgomery Memorial
Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96011. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153)

WA ♦ May 17–19, Washington State Open

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318)

NC ♦ May 17–19, North Carolina Open

Quality Inn, 2008 S Hawthorne Rd, Winston-Salem NC 27103. TD: Robert Reister (336.831.3591) & Henry Douglass

CO ♦ May 18, Mountain View Open

VFW, 305 N Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80537. TD: Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha (970.669.5886)

CT ♦ May 19, Connecticut Championship

J's Crab Shack, 2074 Park St, Hartford CT 06105. TD: Robert Fitzgerald (860.568.2607) & Carl Deyette

HI ♦ May 19, May Flowers in Paradise

Honblue, 501 Sumner St #3B1, Kailua HI 96817. TD: Fred White (808.351.1296) & Marilyn Dyer

WI ♦ May 24–26, Brat Stop Summer Open

Brat Stop, 12304 75th St, Kenosha WI 53142. TD: Dan Selke (847.977.3875) & Emilio Perez

WA ♦ May 24–26, Spokane Valley Open

Players & Spectators Event Ctr, 12828 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99216. TD: Kevin Mansfield (208.518.8898) & Carl Vennes

CA ♦ May 25, EEC Barnyard Bonanza

Escondido Equestrian Ctr, 26002 Bear Valley Heights Rd, Escondido CA 92027. TD: Joan Layte (858.775.0794)

MT ♦ MONTANA SPRING ROUNDUP

May 28–30, Montana Championship

Eagles, 2420 South Ave W, Missoula MT 59801. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Rex Paddock

May 31–June 2, Deer Lodge Roundup

Elks, 320 N Main St, Deer Lodge MT 59722. TD: Jeff Johnson (702.717.3578) & Bob Stone

June 4–6, Copper City Spring Roundup

East Side Athletic Club, 3075 Dexter, Butte MT 59701. TD: Gary Galetti (406.491.5892) & Phil Cammack

June 7–9, Montana Capital City Spring Open

Moose, 4750 N Montana Ave, Helena MT 59602. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Roger McGlenn

NH ♦ NORTH CONWAY CLUSTER

North Conway Grand Hotel, Rte 15 at Settlers Green, North Conway NH 03860

May 30–31, Memorial Midweek

TD: David Campbell (207.730.2051) & Lana Newhouse

June 1, Crusty's Revenge

TD: Lana Newhouse (920.585.7718) & David Campbell

June 2, Mount Washington Open

TD: Mark Soule (207.442.9001) & Vicki Soule

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Thanks, Doug and Joe

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May 31, MSH Classic #1

June 1-2, MSH Classic #2

MI ♦ June 14-16, Lake Superior Challenge

Elks, 597 Lakeshore Dr, Ishpeming MI 49849. TD: Don Hannula (906.370.9109)

AK ♦ June 15, Midnight Sun

Moose, 4211 Arctic Boulevard, Anchorage AK 99501. TD: Toya Winton (907.240.2004) & C. J. Kim

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CA ♦ June 15, Richard Wardenburg Memorial

Auburn Senior Ctr, 550 High St, Auburn CA 95603. TD: Rick Shea (707.444.3161) & Peggy Shea

NV ♦ LAS VEGAS DOUBLEHEADER

JW Marriott, 221 N Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89145

June 20-21, Rampart Casino Midweek #5

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & Brenda Nason

June 21-23, Rampart Casino Open #6

TD: James & Kate Milkowski (702.289.2741) & Doug Becker

WI ♦ June 21-23, Steinmetz/Frosty Shuffle

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 E Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

FL ♦ June 21-23, Treasure Coast Open

Hilton Garden Inn, 8540 Commerce Centre Dr, Port St Lucie FL 34986. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Ken Johnson

NH ♦ June 23, Live Free or Die

Brookline Event Ctr, 32 Proctor Hill Rd (Rte 130), Brookline NH 03033. TD: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633)

NV ♦ June 24-26, Topaz Summer Classic

Topaz Lodge, Hwy 365, Topaz NV 89410. TD: Les Sumner (775.342.2532) & Valerie Sumner

CA ♦ June 26-28, Susanville Summer Classic

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. TD: Cynthia Wark (443.745.2236) & Steve Hastie

NV ♦ June 28-30, Independence Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. TD: Valerie Sumner (775.742.4241) & Les Sumner

CO * MOUNTAIN VIEW DOUBLEHEADER

VFW, 305 N Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80537. TD: Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha (970.669.5886)

July 6, MV Classic #1 ♦ July 7, MV Classic #2

IL ♦ July 12-14, Marv Lang Memorial

Cherry Bowl, 7171 Cherryvale Blvd, Rockford IL 61112. TD: Dan Selke (847.977.3875) & Terry Weber

ME ♦ July 12-14, Lobster Pegoff

Season's Grille, 427 Main St, Bangor ME 04401. TD: Dave Leissner (207.848.8050) & Joe Bowen

WI ♦ WAUSAU DOUBLEHEADER

Quality Inn, 2901 Hummingbird Rd, Wausau WI 54401

July 18-19, The End Is Near

TD: Joan Rein (952.448.2459) & Joan Rein

July 19-21, The End Is Here

TD: Jerry Gruber (952.448.2459) & Joan Rein

CA ♦ July 19-21, Devil Mountain Caper

Antioch Senior Ctr, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. TD: Tad Pilecki (925.378.0132) & Paul Gregson

OR ♦ July 19-21, Portland Summer Open

Moose, 16411 NE Halsey, Portland OR 97230. TD: Stephanie Akin (503.257.1141) & Jeanne Hofbauer

WA ♦ SUNNYSIDE TRIPLEHEADER

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. TD: James & Cher Morrow (509.830.2318)

July 25-26, Weekday Challenge

July 26-27, Summer Classic

July 28, Western Regional Championships

NC ♦ RALEIGH TRIPLEHEADER

Hilton Raleigh North Hills, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609

July 25-26, Open Opener

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & David Campbell

July 26-29, National Open

TD: Megan Player (919.518.3626) & Jennifer Johnson

July 29, Come Monday

TD: Fran Ward (919.377.2470)

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Youth Tourneys

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May 4 ♦ Memorial Tourney (El Dorado CA)

TD: Don Howard (916.212.2465) & Dan Zeisler (530.263.7468)

June 29 ♦ Youth Grand National (Reno NV)

TD: Don Howard (916.212.2465) & Dan Zeisler (530.263.7468)

CA ♦ July 27, Red Eye Open

Red Eye Saloon, 1435 Old Stage Rd, Fallbrook CA 92028. TD: Carol Williams (760.439.2969) & Don Brown

CT ♦ Aug. 4, Patriot Kickoff Classic

J's Crab Shack, 2074 Park St, Hartford CT 06106. TD: Marty Duchow (860.324.8019) & Carl Deyette

CA ♦ SACRAMENTO TRIPLEHEADER

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823

Aug. 8-9, Sacramento Season Starter #1

TD: Tom Cookman (707.599.6747) & Bob Bartosh

Aug. 10, Sacramento Season Starter #2

TD: Duane Toll (541.580.3221) & Bob Bartosh

Aug. 11, Sacramento Season Starter #3

TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Duane Toll

OR ♦ Aug. 9-11, Blue Mountain Open

American Legion, 301 Fir St, La Grande OR 97850. TD: Charlette Springer (541.975.3178) & Sue Anderson

MI ♦ Aug. 9-11, Cereal City Classic

Quality Inn, 2590 Capital Ave SW, Battle Creek MI 49015. TD: David Boyer (269.788.1289) & John Schafer

GA ♦ Aug. 16-18, Peach State Classic

La Quinta Inn, 6260 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd NE, Sandy Springs GA 30328. TD: Dave O'Neil (404.296.4689) & Barri Gehrand

WI ♦ Aug. 16-18, Madison Masters

Howard Johnson, 3884 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53704. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

NV ♦ Aug. 17-18, Pahump Open

Elks, 2220 E Basin Ave, Pahump NV 89060. TD: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444) & Lee Foglesong

MA ♦ Aug. 17-18, Northeast Peer Tournament

Sturbridge Host Hotel, 366 Main St, Sturbridge MA 01566. TD: Donald Janelle (860.490.0712) & John Chambers

MT ♦ Aug. 23-25, Copper City Fall Roundup

East Side Athletic Club, 3075 Dexter, Butte MT 59701. TD: Gary Galetti (406.491.5892) & Phil Cammack

MT ♦ Aug. 27-29, Territorial Prison Classic

Elks, 320 N Main St, Deer Lodge MT 59722. TD: Jeff Johnson (702.717.3578) & Bob Stone

OR ♦ Aug. 30-Sep. 1, Labor Day at the Mill

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Street, North Bend OR 97459. TD: Scott Milo (541.973.2508) & Rick Shea

MI ♦ Sep. 6-8, Yooper Fall Classic

VFW, 1 Lakeshore Dr, Wakefield MI 49968. TD: Bernard Brentar (906.575.1003) & John Sain

NH ♦ Sep. 8, Daniel Webster Open

Brookline Event Ctr, 32 Proctor Hill Rd (Rte 130), Brookline NH 03033. TD: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633)

ID ♦ Sep. 13-15, Gem State Classic

Eagles, 7025 Overland RD, Boise ID 83709. TD: Laurie & Ron Logan (406.241.5006)

CA ♦ Sep. 20-22, Battle of the Bay

Antioch Senior Ctr, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. TD: Paul Gregson (510.376.0257) & Tad Pilecki

WA ♦ Sep. 27-29, Walla Walla Fall Classic

Eagles, 35 S 2nd Ave, Walla Walla WA 99362. TD: Tom Varnell (509.301.0767) & Marianne Allesio

WA ♦ Oct. 11-13, ACC World Championships

Chautauqua Lodge, 304 NW 14th St, Long Beach WA 98631. TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318) & Jason Hofbauer

CA ♦ Oct. 11-13, Crescent City Open

Lighthouse Inn, 681 US 101, Crescent City CA 95531. TD: Kai Lemrise (707.954.9735) & Jerry

CO ♦ Oct. 18-20, Colorado Fall Classic

2nd Green Mountain Clubhouse, 650 S Youngfield Ct, Lakewood CO 80228. TD: Katey Mayo (720.934.6656) & Nicki Nebbia

OR ♦ Oct. 18-20, Salem Classic

Elks, 2336 Turner Rd SE, Salem OR 97301. TD: Kim & Rick Simmons (503.364.1510)

NH ♦ GRAND NATIONAL 38

Grand Hotel, 72 Common Court, North Conway NH 03860

Oct. 21-22, Cog Tournament

TD: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613) & Carl Deyette

Oct. 23-24, Kancamagus Krawl

TD: Fred White (808.351.1296) & Marilyn Dyer

Oct. 25-27, Grand National 38

TD: David Campbell (207.730.2051) & Lana Newhouse

Cribbage Quiz Answer

There may be more than one solution to this quiz; here are the hands that the Milwaukee players held:

Dale	2-3-5-K
Rudy	6-6-9-K
Bernie	3-4-9-9
Jimmy	5-10-10-Q
crib	A-2-4-Q

IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Joseph P. Aird

Joseph Aird (Gladstone MI) passed away on February 24 at age 87. Joe was born in Marquette MI and spent most of his life in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. He enlisted in the US Air Force and served during the Korean War. He married Donna Claus in 1957, and they were married nearly sixty-two years. Joe and Donna enjoyed traveling to cribbage tournaments around the country, especially Reno and Grand National. Joe holds the record for Grand National championships: he won the 1998 GN consolation in Daytona Beach FL, the 1998 GN main in Las Vegas NV (the largest Grand National ever!), and the 2009 GN consy in Grand Rapids MI. Joe had earned both his Gold Award and Life Master rating on his way to winning nine sanctioned events. Joe is survived by wife Donna.

Eileen Bunker

Eileen Bunker (Green Bay WI) was 76 at the time of her passing on January 26. She was employed as a secretary for Northwestern Technical College for many years. Eileen and her husband, Francis, had been to all fifty states and six continents. She also enjoyed reading, crafts, quilting, scrabble, and monthly bunco get-togethers with the girls. Eileen was always a fun person, and if you ever heard her say, "I never said that"—you best believe she said it!

Tom Cannarile

On December 12, Bradenton Club 328 lost a beloved member—Tom Cannarile. Upon becoming ill, Tom returned home to Laingsburg MI and valiantly fought his illness for the last few years. It's hard to forget someone who gave us so much to remember. He will forever be in our hearts.

Charles Denham III

Charles Denham (Attleboro MA) passed away on February 22 at age 78. Chuck worked as a factory foreman for Hilsinger Company. An avid sports fan, he played baseball, basketball, golf, bowling, and ran track in his younger years. He treasured spending time with family and making trips to Cape Cod MA to play pool. Chuck was a member of Edward Donahue Club 81 for over ten years and earned his Bronze Award. He will be dearly missed by all.

Sharon Dresbach

Sharon Dresbach (Sacramento CA) passed away peacefully at age 80 on January 28, surrounded by family. Since retiring, Sharon spent her days tending garden, playing cribbage (she had earned Bronze), traveling the world, visiting friends, watching her grandchildren play, and making jam for loved ones. She is lovingly remembered by her husband, Doug, and her clubmates at River City Peggers. Sharon brought such a light to everyone's lives and is greatly missed by all. Sharon and Doug frequented many tournaments after joining the ACC in 2004, including the recent twelve-day Transatlantic cruise. She was very active in Club 162, serving on its board of directors and always lending a kind ear. She had a wonderful sense of humor and little time for grumps. Per Sharon's request, there will not be a memorial service. She wanted only to bring joy and laughter to all, not a day of sorrow. Instead, Sharon would ask you all to spend quality time and hug the ones you love and laugh often in her honor.

Leo P. Gendron

The cribbage world lost an old friend on November 16 with the passing of Leo Gendron (Chicopee MA). Leo played Grass Roots with Club 72 in Longmeadow and was a regular tournament player for many years. He earned his Bronze Award and was very close to Silver. He was the last surviving member of the "Chicopee Connection," where he was joined by his friends Armand Hamel, Lou Choiniere, and Nick Gallucci. He was especially proud of his large immediate and extended family and shared stories of their exploits almost every week. Leo was quick to help set up weekly tournaments, sign in players, and do whatever else he was asked to do. Our friend Leo will be missed!

Margaret Strebe

Margaret Strebe (Hobart WI) passed away February 6 at age 79. Margaret helped at tournaments and was a member of Club 61 for many years. She enjoyed bowling, bingo, and cards. She served in the US Navy with the WAVES, after which she taught seventh and eighth graders for thirty-three years. She taught many of them cribbage, ending each year with a tournament. She will be missed by all.

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