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Happy Birthday in December! 90—Pat Llewellyn (MA) 80—David Staup (OR) 70—Joan DeCou (CA) 60—Jane Vander Loop (WI)

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To take the judge examination send email to **accjudgetest@gmail.com**.

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Rocky Corisis (Spokane WA) until May 31, 2023

Richard Hawes (Rockland MA) has been suspended until May 4, 2023 (plus 2023 Grand National in Virginia Beach VA), for leaving the Salem Classic on October 22 at the lunch break and not returning to finish qualifying in the afternoon.

## ACC membership odometer 5 2 0 2 4 60 as of November 30

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## President's Column



## Judge. Judge! Judge!!

Have you heard players calling for a judge?

Maybe at a tournament or at your Grass Roots club? When judges are called, chances are there was a card not played that should have been, or a player claimed the game but didn't have enough points to go out. Whatever the situation two judges will assess the situation, look the rule up and make a ruling, reading the rule to both players.

Sounds easy and fun, so you're thinking how can I become a judge? The first thing to do is get a rulebook. You can get one when you renew your membership, or order one any time from the membership secretary. The commissioners may have some with them. Rulebooks are \$2. All Grass Roots clubs were also sent a rulebook when the new books were printed.

Now that you have your rulebook and have read through it, send **Sally Henderson** an email at **accjudgetest@gmail.com**. She will send you open-book test you take right on your computer, and it is free. After you have passed your test, your name will be printed in *Cribbage World*.

I suggest that new judges, if you aren't making a call, try to watch and see if the ruling the judges made is what you would have also made. Don't be afraid to ask judges any questions you may have.

At Grass Roots clubs, many times there are no judges present, or maybe only one judge is available. Hopefully the club director has a rulebook handy to look up the rule. Even if you aren't a judge, but have read through the rulebook, it will make it easier to assist at your local club.

When a situation happens, you should know what the rulebook says. Picked up your front peg? Sorry. it now becomes your back peg. Underpegged and took your fingers off the peg? Oops, you can't correct that.

Mistakes happen and judges are needed to keep the games moving along, so think about becoming a judge, or at least familiarize yourself with the rulebook.

Did I mention you will get a red ink pen and can now correct players scorecards? The perks of becoming a judge just keep coming.



In late November, the ACC learned that the Sands Regency is making structural repairs to their ballroom, and they will not be finished in time for our March tournament. As a result, the TOC and ACC Open are tentatively rescheduled for June 22–25 in Reno. Stay tuned for more details, but in the meantime do <u>NOT</u> make travel plans to Reno for the <u>March</u> tournament.

# Your Deal

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## **Thank You**

Thanks to all who came to Omaha in September for the ACC Grand National 40 festivities. A total of 370 people took part in at least one of the twelve cribbage events and/or the awards banquet. Thanks very much to our wonderful GN40 committee: **Don Thienel, Clay Collier, Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, Patrick Barrett,** and **Linda Barrett**. Thanks also to the dozens and dozens of terrific volunteers for their help with tabulating, cross-checking, setup, supplies, registration, judging, etc. I'm excited to see you all at future Grand Nationals in Virginia Beach, Las Vegas, and Deadwood.

Scott Kooistra (Omaha NE)

## Odds?

What are the odds of getting a 29-hand in four-handed cribbage? *Pat Ray (Charlotte MI)* 

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

I know it's a cliché, but I'll say it anyway: cribbage players are family. Here is Exhibit A.

On November 10, I headed for Maryland on a combined pleasure/business trip, playing cribbage and buying books for my bookstore.

At the Baltimore Charm City Classic, directed by **Michael O'Brien** and **Bruce Sattler**, my cards were mediocre on Friday night and in the Saturday main (both times I was in the OMG group: one more game!), so on Sunday morning, I skipped the consolation and pulled out early.

I drove an hour southwest to Silver Spring MD, where I was going to pick up 1,700 books I was buying from a retired professor. If I could get everything loaded by two or three o'clock that afternoon, I could save the expense of an extra night in a hotel on the trip home.

While carrying empty boxes into the prof's house—and before I had packed a single book—I tripped and fell. The awkward angle of my left pinky immediately told me the universe had other plans for me that day.

The prof took me to a nearby emergency room, where we learned that it would be a couple hours before I'd be treated. So the prof went back to his house to pack up books.

Dithering over what to do, I decided to call a friend at the cribbage tournament and see if he could help. When I told **Chris Leishear** my predicament, he immediately said he'd help as soon as his buddy was finished with the playoffs.

As it turned out, his friend, **Jason Matheny**, wasn't finished with the playoffs until he won the whole thing, but then they drove to Silver Spring (where Chris grew up), came to the ER to get my car keys, then went to the prof's house.

Tournament director **Michael O'Brien** joined them shortly later, and the three of them packed up over 2,000 pounds of books and loaded my car and trailer to perfection.

In the meantime, I had seen a triage nurse, got X-rayed, and went back to the

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Таре	Rick Baird	David Aiken	Rob Medeiros
average	<b>√</b> 59.7% (95–64)	54% (54–46)	59% (23–16)
biggest win	√ +58 over Rich- ard Winfield (WA) @ Long Beach WA	+43 over Ter- ry Stritzinger (MI) @ Club 71	+56 over Don Capri- gno (MA) @ Club 104
worst loss	-41 by Mike McDaniel (OR) @ Salem OR	–49 by Bill Plun- kett @ Club 229	√ –28 by Robert Brown (MA) @ Brookline



before they started the real work!

examination room. But still no doctor in sight. Michael brought my car keys to me, and I figured he'd head home after a busy weekend of tournament directing.

Nope. He sat with me, gave me medical advice, and regaled me with stories about his life and career (he's a veterinarian by vocation, a woodworker and winemaker by avocation). After I finally got fixed up (the pinky was *only* dislocated, not

broken), splinted, re-X-rayed, CAT-scanned (apparently these scans are mandatory when old people fall!), and discharged—a *mere* eight and a half hours after my arrival at the ER—Michael took me to get my car and then insisted on housing me that night at his home in Mount Airy.

My drive home on Monday and Tuesday was thankfully uneventful, but it gave me lots of time to think about what had happened the previous day.

Quite simply, I was floored by the generosity of cribbage friends who gave up their free time on a Sunday afternoon to help out a fellow player in distress. Chris later told me that other players were on standby up at the tournament, waiting to hear how much work there was and willing to come down if needed.

A dozen cribbage friends also checked on me, and I texted with them (right hand only!) while waiting to see the doctor.

Chris, Jason, and Michael are three of the nicest guys in the entire ACC, and I cannot adequately express my gratitude for their help. I owe them big time.

The amazing thing is that they are not alone. Cribbage family is truly the best family.



Day & Night

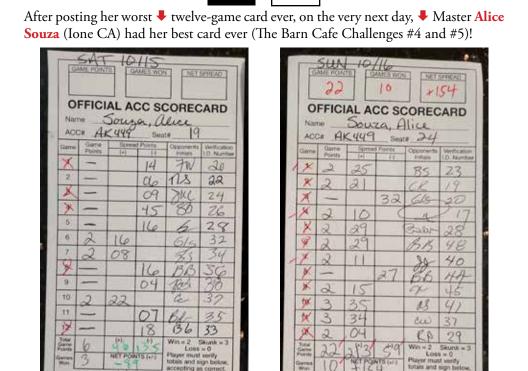
Life Master (2\*) Frank Danielski (Little Chute WI) qualified first with a 39-card at Octoberfest **4** in Marinette WI... and then a string of pearls **4** on Saturday night!





After his string of pearls on Saturday, and thinking that his bad luck was over, Frank went to his room, called the front desk for a wakeup call, and went to sleep. At about 7:35a on Sunday, he finally gets the call not the hotel wakeup call but a call that

he is late for the 7:30 start of the playoffs. He manages to get to the playing room to forfeit only the first game. He continued where he left off from the previous day's main event and ends up in third/fourth, losing to **Dave Aiello** (Kenosha WI), who won his first main tournament. After a training session with his daughter on how to use his cell phone as an alarm, Frank is all set for the next tournament. Now let's just hope he doesn't power down his phone at the end of the day!



Night &

Day

You Never Forget Your First There were *five* first-time winners on Halloween weekend. Congrats to these players!

Signature

• Arnold Ward (Palmyra ME) wins Spooktacular main in Brewer ME

Signature

- Mike Due (Elon NC) wins John Medeiros Memorial consy in Durham NC
- John Bianco (Appleton WI) wins Madison Masters main in Appleton WI
- Don Zeutschel (Puyallup WA) wins World Championship main in Long Beach WA
- Michael Meyer (Longview WA) wins World Championship consy in Long Beach WA

On another note, one streak snapped at the World Championship in Long Beach WA, but another one continued. The last four main winners have been from Whidbey Island WA, but this year's winner, **Don Zeutschel**, hails from Puyallup WA. The continuing streak? The winner of the main has now been a first-time winner for five years in a row!

satellite winners	<i>Early Bird:</i> Carole Herron <i>Canadian Doubles:</i> Charles & Dan VanDerhoff	<i>Friday:</i> Betsy Miller <i>Canadian Doubles:</i> Sara Sandey & Samuel Wollin			LEGEND HQ = high qualifier	red = first win
very big hands	28-hand: Tim Hutsell*	28-hands: Francis Pasiuk* Craig Lamb*	28-hands: Paul Sullivan* Richard Sullivan*		28-hand: Bill Schlabes*	
consolation (MRPs)	<i>41 players</i> HQ. Brad Seger (18) 1. James Morrow (60) 2. Sara Sanner (40) 3. Bryan Gurden (24) 3. Pete Larsen (24)	<i>31 players</i> HQ. Chad Frischmann (18) 1. Scott Fritz (40) 2. Chad Frischmann (24) 3. Rod Mandler (12) 3. Edward Balcer (12)	45 players HQ. William Cormier (15) 1. Frank Reddy (60) 2. William Shoemaker (40) 3. William Cormier (24) 3. Carlyle Foss (24)	28 players HQ. Erik Locke (9) 1. Carol Williams (40) 2. Erik Locke (24) 3. Jeanne Jelke (12) 3. Jim Wilder (12)	27 players HQ. Beverly Castillo (18) 1. Roland Hall (40) 2. Fred White (24) 3. Beverly Castillo (12) 3. Dennis Morin (12)	
main (MRPs)	60 players HQ. Margery Clark (45) 1. Erik Locke (105) 2. Nikki Anderson (70) 3. Beverly Bliss (42) 3. Wes Du Mont (42)	84 players HQ. Brett Brunner (50) 1. Robert Chase (147) 2. Chris Melhein (105) 3. Dan Taylor (70) 3. Ann Trotter (70)	<i>116 players</i> HQ. David Clemmey (45) 1. Paul Batterson (147) 2. Stanley Fillpiak (105) 3. Michael Kopp (70) 3. Barbara Barbour (70)	50 players28 playersHQ. Carolyn Washington (40)HQ. Erik Locke (9)1. Bob Bartosh (105)1. Carol Williams (2. Betty Brumley (70)2. Erik Locke (24)3. Fred White (42)3. Jeanne Jelke (1	ouza (45) mley (105) Eilers (70) uza (42) nd (42)	
director	Ron & Laurie Logan	Bob Joslin	David Statz & Mary Burlington	Bob Bartosh & Alice Souza	Bob Bartosh & Alice Souza	
tournament	Gem State Classic (Boise ID; Sep. 16–18)	Gruber Memorial (Chaska MN; Sep. 30–Oct. 2)	New Hampshire Open (Brookline NH; Oct. 9)	Barn Cafe Challenge #4 (Elk Grove CA; Oct. 15)	Barn Cafe Challenge #5 (Elk Grove CA; Oct. 16)	

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Wisconsin State Championship (Lac Du Flambeau WI; Oct. 15–17)	Patrick Barrett	<ul> <li><i>111 players</i></li> <li>HQ. Lewis Gurney (55)</li> <li>1. Donald Flesch (147)</li> <li>2. Matt Klar (NM) (105)</li> <li>3. Christine Zager (70)</li> <li>3. Henry Brandner (70)</li> </ul>	<i>58 players</i> HQ. Scott Nordlund (21) 1. Scott Sand (60) 2. Dennis Koehler (40) 3. Scott Nordlund (24) 3. Ann Trotter (24)	<i>29-hand:</i> Arlen Algrem* <i>28-hands:</i> Steve Schneider* Darlene Marczak* Lori Cizek	<i>Friday:</i> Les Kvien Saturday: Dianna Larson
Octoberfest (Marinette WI; Oct. 21–23)	Al Karr	<i>80 players</i> HQ. Frank Danielski (65) 1. David Aiello (147) 2. Dennis Koehler (105) 3. Frank Danielski (70) 3. Gerald Parins (70)	<i>52 players</i> HQ. Alan Andrews (12) 1. Ann Trotter (60) 2. Jim Steinberg (40) 3. Chad Frischmann (24) 3. Betty Briggs (24)	28- <i>hands:</i> Rhynold Shave* Jeffrey Briski* Donna Aird	<i>Crib Cross</i> : Adam Switzer <i>Canadian Doubles</i> : Tom Cook & James McCarty
World Championship (Sunnyside WA; Oct. 28–30)	James Morrow	68 <i>players</i> HQ. Gary Pinkley (65) 1. Don Zeutschel (147) 2. Scott Reidy (105) 3. Rick Baird (70) 3. Cathy Carter (70)	41 players HQ. George Mackie (18) 1. Michael Meyer (60) 2. Alice Souza (40) 3. Richard Winfield (24) 3. Mark Fletcher (24)	28-hands: Deborah O'Brien* Michael Meyer	<i>Early Bird</i> : Dan Gamba <i>Canadian Double</i> s: Betty & Bob Brumley <i>Saturday:</i> Jason Shumate <i>High Roller</i> : Bernie Nelson



Where in the world are John and Maria playing cribbage now? (see page 16)



GRASS ROOTS



## as of November 17

Division r	ank	GRPs	name (club)	ran	k GRP	s name (club)
1 🔿	1	187	Ralph Turco (243)	50	104	Frank Duresky (240)
	2	185	Kevin Mansfield (198)	50	104	Joseph Greiner (58)
	3	180	Mike Berberich (204)	52	103	Al Doucet (288)
	4	177	Tom Highshoe (55)	52	103	Paula Krupp (308)
	5	169	Frank Hanson (198)	52	103	Bill Schlabes (453)
	6	163	Gordy Wise (243)	55	102	Peter Setian (72)
	7	152	Jeff Shimp (229)	56	101	Hans Anderson (382)
	8	149	Mike Due (221)	56	101	Dan Balmer (317)
	9	148	Robert Russ (25)	56	101	Bob Byrd (391)
	10	145	Mills Brubaker (317)	56	101	Greg Dumas (140)
	11	143	Glen Humbert (415)	56	101	Richard La Crosse (218)
	11	143	Duane Toll (62)	56	101	Elmer Rasmussen (232)
	13	134	Mattie Kivett (69)	62	100	Allen Amaro (371)
	14	129	James Hearon III (131)	62	100	Eric Boysen (25)
	14	129	Bob Murray (26)	62	100	Ted Canepa (371)
	16	128	Dennis Lunn (219)	62	100	James Johnson (288)
	16	128	Wendi Smith (431)	62	100	Ronald Logan Sr. (202)
	18	127	Jim Jones (419)	62	100	Bill Monda (356)
	19	122	Michael Crume (69)	62	100	Donald Spurgeon (100)
	19	122	Charles Kaplan (354)	69	99	Beverly Castillo (11)
	19	122	Samuel Skates (108)	69	99	Dawna Gray (243)
	22	118	James Ney (191)	69	99	Gary Reichel (300)
	22	118	Dale Weilep (69)	72	98	Albert Moy (290)
	24	117	Dave Schwartz (377)	72	98	Roman Obermeier (120)
	25	115	Terry Pederson (284)	72	98	George Windish (26)
	26	114	John Byrne (410)	75	97	Daniel Betz (229)
	26	114	LeRoy Mehring (410)	75	97	Gary Galetti (600)
	28	113	Patricia Crooks (408)	75	97	Carl Vennes (69)
	29	112	Jeremy Krieger (46)	78	96	Lloyd Boyd (27)
	30	111	Pamela Pomeroy (68)	78	96	Bob Joslin (215)
	30	111	Jeff Wussow (157)	78	96	William McArthur (393)
	32	110	Buster Riley (391)	78	96	Jason Dean Stauffer (430)
	32	110	Doug Whitlock (17)	78	96	Liz Stockdale (600)
	34	109	Ron Balmer (317)	83	95	Jim Blough (71)
	34	109	Denny Denend Jr. (243)	83	95	Sharon Kemp (337)
	34	109	Tom Durkin (410)	83	95	JoAnne Thomas (243)
	34	109	Richard Kelliher (314)	Division 1	97	John Mealy (118)
	34	109	John Sain (390)	4 ➡ 2	92	Mark Adelman (436)
	39	108	Joy Barnes (230)	3	90	Brad Seger (39)
	39	108	David Brokken (281)	4	82	Andrew Laurence (422)
	39	108	Don Miller (375)	5	77	Dulcie Hays (2)
	39	108	Doug Rodrigues (418)	6	72	Cheryl Bruno (443)
	43	107	Scott Bartosh (371)	7	70	Kirby Aasen (389)
	43	107	Ben Holder (43)	8	69	Pat McLaughlin (323)
	43	107	Norman Maurice (430)	9	68	Wes Du Mont (38)
	46	106	Haley Hintze (3)	10	67	Bert Cox (323)
	46	106	Gary Pinkley (377)	11	65	Bill Hill (2)
	48	105	Dan Beuttenmuller (276)	11	65	Tony Wiedemann (205)
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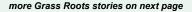
Club contributions are encouraged. Send items of interest to **ACCgrassrootscorner@gmail.com** 

## **GRASS ROOTS CORNER**

Club 288 (Collinsville IL)—Larry Brockmeier showing off his 29-hand.

Marley Souza is a charter member of the newly formed Elk Grove Peggers Club 453. At the ripe old age of ten years old, she beat her grandma by 28 pegs in her first official Grass Roots game,  $\clubsuit$  then went on to skunk another member and did not have the lowest card her first week. During her second week she again did not have the lowest card and in game 9 (only her eighteenth official Grass Roots game!) she was dealt a 28-hand ⇒ by Gary Green, the same player she skunked the week before. She *really* likes playing Gary! Congrats Marley!





## **S ROOTS CORNER**

Club 345 (Loveland CO)—**Ginger Cauley** scores a 28-hand!

Club 308 (Cape Cod MA)—Mark Steinkrauss sat in the same seat in October 2021 and got a 28hand. This October he oneupped himself and made it a 29!

Club 98 (Crescent City CA) had our first 28-hand of the season on October 25 by some lucky guy named Kai Lemrise. Club 295 (Rochester Hills MI)— Michael Loyd got our club's first grand slam of the season with 18/9 +135 card on November 16. This was his second grand slam since becoming an ACC member.

Club 34 (Denver CO)—in just his seventh week of play, new member **David Carle** scored a 28 hand.



#### Dan Taylor (Inver Grove Heights MN) Gold #185

{*Dan's words*} My dad taught me cribbage when I was ten, and I joined the ACC in 1998. My cribbage mentor was Jerry Gruber, and I attend Twin Cities Peggers Club 240, where I've been club champion just once, in the 2009– 10 season. My toughest opponents at club are Brett Brunner,



Lori Johnson, and Pete Severson; toughest on the Tournament Trail is Richard Frost. My first weekend tournament win was the 2001 Eau Claire consolation; I've now won two

### Dan Taylor (Inver Grove Heights MN) Life Master #278

mains and five consolations. My favorite cribbage moment this year was earning my Life Master at the Jerry Gruber Memorial on October 1 and my Gold just a few weeks later on October 19. My non-cribbage interests are fishing, hunting, smoking meats, and making my own sausages.

*Editor's note:* Dan had a great showing at the TOC in Reno for three years running: in 2009 he made the final 8, in 2010 he was top 16, and in 2011 he took second.

Mr. 28 (aka **Dale Magedanz**) strikes again—only this time in club, not on the Trail. On November 10 at Club 1 (Madison WI), Dale and **Terry Weber** are battling it out in game 8. About halfway up third street, Terry becomes the proud owner of Mr. 28's signature hand, which allows Terry to win the game on the next deal by 23.



## GrassRootsAwards

## **SILVER**

Anton Ficko (AB), 261 Ronald Logan Sr. (ID), 202 Mathew Piechota (MA), 72 Robert Russ (MT), 25 <u>BRONZE</u>

Ellen Boling (CA), 162 Steven Braley (ME), 361 Reiny Gramsick (MN), 215 Ellie Grider (MO), 288 Loren Lookabill (CA), 43 Bill Monda (OR), 356 David Lee Phillips (CA), 306 Meme Schafer (MI), 71 Sharon Sherbert (CA), 140 Jim Sikorski (MN), 240 Denny Spero (CA), 55 Mike Starrine (MI), 368 Sharyn Trucks (GA), 119

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## **GRASS ROOTS CORNER**

Club 284 (Eau Claire WI) had a busy night on October 19. **Randy DeMars** scored a grand slam, → and **Max Ulberg** held her eighth 28-hand! Notably, that same night, two players overpegged and falsely claimed games. One of those players, a guest, as the dealer pegged out from 17 holes with his 14-hand. He went back the three holes plus the 15-hole penalty. The cribbage gods were smiling on him as he was then dealt a 24-hand to legally win the game.



Club 230 (Ormond Beach FL)—Tim Lavey got a 29-hand in our GRRT, Joy Barnes scored two 28-hands at Grand National, and both Mary Lou Tomkiewicz and Galen Friend had grand slams.

Club 148 (Federal Way WA) has a hot player. **Glen Humbert** has already had a grand slam and a straight flush to cash in on bonuses.



Does this help you locate John and Maria? (*if not, see page 25*) We've got a problem: four orphaned pictures without captions. Can you help us identify these players?





## Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

The photo of this carved whalebone cribbage board was sent to me by ACC member **Dee Davis** of Rochester NY. The first thing you might note is that it is short ten holes on each set of tracks. Collectors refer to this as a "mistake" board. My guess is that the carver was not a cribbage player. Dee obtained the board at a flea market on Cape Cod. It came from a Martha's Vineyard estate sale of a home owned by a family of fishermen. While it is not a very playable board, it is still a nice addition to a board collection.



Dee's family history of cribbage goes back to the logging camps of northern Pennsylvania, where the game was passed down from great-grandfather to grandfather to father to Dee. Dee still has her great-grandfather's handmade board from the mid-1800s.

In keeping the family tradition of cribbage, Dee taught her wife, **Suronda Gonzalez**, to play cribbage while they were dating. They are also cribbage board collectors.

A teacher friend of theirs thought cribbage would be a valuable learning tool. They joined with some other parents and started teaching eight-year-

old kids. After completing classes, each kid was given a board from their collection. They continue to teach all of their friends to play and give out boards. We should all be as dedicated to teaching cribbage as Dee and Suronda.

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Jay Fulwider collects cribbage boards 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 **budandotis@msn.com** (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line).

# The Inside Track by Rob Medeiros •••••• ••••••

We all realize no two cribbage games will ever be the same, but certain hands or pegging sequences seem to arise often. And garnering the optimum results from these situations can be the difference in getting ready for a playoff match or counting out thirty bucks for the consolation signup.

Let's examine one example. It's early in the game and you are dealer with either A-2-2-3 or A-2-3-3. When pone leads a picture card, what do you respond with? Let's eliminate the Ace play first. Making the count 11 with an Ace is often a good play but not here without a picture backing it up. If the pone has three pictures and a 5, it won't matter if we play the 2 or 3 from either hold; we will eventually get the 31 and win the pegging battle 3–0.

But what if pone is holding four pictures? What play maximizes our pegging value? Obviously after the pone's second play, the count will be over 21 so we will be the only one playing cards. Playing the 2 or 3 from our pair in either hand will enable us to score a three-card run with a go rather than just pairing a 2 or 3. So the pegging will either be 4–1 or 4–3 instead of 3–1 or 3–3. That extra peg could keep your title hopes alive. The little things make a huge difference in this game.

Rob Medeiros knows how to play the little cards. He can be reached at mrob2199@aol.com.

You are ahead 2–0 in the finals of the main playoffs in Deadwood and **Clay Collier** deals you this hand. What do you throw? Knowing how to handle tough decisions like this is what led **Scott Kooistra** to the MRP championship last season (see pages 20–21). Scott threw Ace of Clubs and 2 of Spades and won the tourney!



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## Anatomy of a Championship Season

## Scott Kooistra's

## **Record-Breaking National Championship**

When he wasn't busy planning and directing Grand National 40, Life Master ( $\star$ ) Scott Kooistra (Omaha NE) was racking up MRPs on his way to the 2021–22 national championship.

This was not just a run-of-the-mill championship, but a record-breaking championship. Here are some of the records Scott set last season:

- most MRPs ever by a Central Region player
- tenth best MRP total in ACC history
- first national champion outside the Western Region since 2002
- forty years between first and most recent All American appearances
- thirty-two years between first and most recent national championships

Scott set three personal goals prior to the 2021–22 cribbage season:

- 1. promote Grand National 40 in Omaha
- 2. visit new tourneys and states, make friends and renew old friendships, play golf, visit national parks
- 3. hopefully win a tournament and earn some MRPs along the way

From CW's perspective, this is **Mission Accomplished!** Here are more of Scott's stats for the year:



- won 3 mains (pictures below) and 5 consolations
- played 59 main tourneys, qualified in 27 (45.8%)
- played 35 consolations, qualified in 16 (45.7%)
- won the first playoff match in main (not counting byes) 21 times (77.8%)
- won the first playoff match in consy (not counting byes) 10 times (62.5%)
- made the final four 21 times in 43 qualifications (48.8%)
- played 112 playoff matches (main and consy) and won 74 of them (66.1%)
- played 1,908 sanctioned games (includes playoffs but not satellites or Grass Roots), with a record of 1,064 wins and 844 losses = 55.8%
- won 60.3% of games when he had first deal
- won 52.1% of games when he had second deal
- won the cut for deal only 43.4% in over 1,500 cut-for-deal games (most Central Region games are alternate deal)
- states where Scott won over 60% of his games: South Dakota, Wisconsin, Arizona
- states where Scott won less than 51% of his games: California, Michigan, Montana
- played 17 tournaments/cities that he had never been to or visited before
- drove almost 68K miles in his Chevy Cruze, averaging 43.5 MPG, and made seven roundtrips over the Rockies
- played golf in 32 states
- visited 34 national parks during the cribbage seasons

Scott writes: "Thanks to my traveling partners, mainly Jim Mahan and Don Thienel,



along with all the places I stayed and the meals we shared."

What a fantastic season Scott had. But it was also exhausting. No wonder he's taking some time off before hitting the trail again. Congrats to Scott. And may his success encourage future champions!

region	MRPs
Western	1,230
Central	1,162
Eastern	105
total:	2,497

Where Scott earned MRPs in 2021–22

## New Members

103 last month

## Alaska

Chris Novak (Wasilla) Judith Splitstoser (Fairbanks)

## Alberta

Anna Nolin (Calgary)

#### Arkansas

John Mitrokostas (Hot Springs Village)

## California

Bill Bales (Chico) Mary Ann Bales (Chico) Amanda Connelly (Sacramento) Carol DuVall (Los Angeles) Robin Garden (Chico) Monika Larson (McKinleyville) Marsha Lind (Spreckels) J. B. Morch (San Diego) Alisa Rose Mueller (Citrus Heights) Randy Pitzer (Portola) Carole Rouin (Carmichael) Jon Schwindt (San Diego) Colorado Kent Bair (Colorado Springs)

## Ralph Bier (Lyons) Rachel Dick (Colorado Springs) Debbie Ann Freireich Bier

(Lyons)

#### Connecticut

Jimmy Smith (Rockfall) Florida

#### Justen Belz (Pensacola) Thomas Bruns (NW Port Charlotte)

Albert Dube (Lakeland) Jennifer Jones (Land O Lakes) Allan Keaney (Ormond Beach) Aaron Kerzner (Land O Lakes) Mike Peppler (Sanford) Elmer Phillippi (Bradenton) Rebecca Schwartz (Pensacola) Idaho

Hunter Christensen (Idaho

Falls) Mark Christensen (Idaho Falls) Sam Mauch (Dalton Gardens) Indiana Cheryl Ahmann (Westfield)

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Chris Dougherty (West Des Moines)

#### Maine

Ruben Deprey (Gardiner) Sue Deprev (Gardiner)

#### Maryland

Michael Belz (Crofton) Marv Knill (Bethesda)

## Massachusetts

Gerald Bennett (Monson) Joseph Donoghue (Woburn) Tom Gagne (Abington) Gordon Holden (Wilmington) Matthew Kimsal (Somerville) William McGonigle (Canton) David Morrell (Wakefield) William Sampson (Abington) Patricia Yablonski (Springfield)

## Michigan

Mike Chambon (Rockford) Brian LePert (Kalamazoo) Jim Murtha (Gladstone) Calvin Shafer Jr. (Kalamazoo)

## Minnesota

Jeffrey Bovitz (Rice) Jill Griffith-McRaith (Little Falls) Julie Hovey (Scandia) Ralph Karki (Mounds View) Alex King (Minneapolis) Keith McCarthy (Little Falls) Chris Melheim (Lasalle) Llovd Piepho (Savage)

#### Nebraska

Scott Petersen (Omaha) Jan Verdick (Omaha)

## Nevada

Samantha Clements (Reno) Thomas Hay (Reno) David Johnson (Las Vegas)

## New Hampshire

Rita Doyon (West Stewartstown) Freda Hawkinson (Manchester)

#### New Jersey

Rebecca Giannotto (Somerville) New Mexico

Santa Claus (Albuquerque)

## New York

Larry Fagen (Rochester) North Carolina

Melanie Clyburn (Gastonia) Suzanne Hawes (Huntersville) Carol Pearson (Stanley) Pete Pearson (Stanley) Bob Smith (Siler City) Pat Smith (Siler City) Walter R. Smith (Denver) Kurt Swicer (Denver)

## Oregon

Nicole Chandler (Portland) Nolan Chandler (Portland) Wavne Hansen (Grants Pass) Jamie Jarrett (Portland) Charles Locke (Portland) Jack McClain (Eugene) May McClain (Eugene) Alan Shin (Portland) Joanne Standley (Roseburg) Denis Walker (Bandon)

## South Carolina

Ervin Swearingen Jr. (Aiken) South Dakota

## Bill Comer (Rapid City)

Tim Connors (Sioux Falls)

## Texas

Kari Clark (Sugar Land) David Rogers (Dallas)

## Virainia

Kendra Shvne (Alexandria) Washington

Jamie Hatton (Pasco) A Longoria (Bellingham) Kris F. Parker (Edmonds) **Beverly Stamper (Otis** Orchards)

## Wisconsin

John Gronski (Wisconsin Rapids) Patty Heying (Neenah) Kimberly Long (Eau Claire) Brady Napiwocki (Stevens Point) Ray Zirngible (Medford)

When something good happens, **play cribbage** to celebrate.

If something bad happens, play cribbage to forget.

If nothing happens, **play cribbage** to make something happen.

## Vicki's Cribbage Vibes Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

## • by Vicki Soule • soule1994@comcast.net •



I want to start this month by remembering my friend **Lee Ann Ka'ai**. May she rest in peace. She, **Tammy Gibbons**, and I met each other by playing this game and we be-

came the best of friends. She was known all over the country, and I know that New England players will miss her smiling face.



Way up north in Brewer ME, 26 players descended on the Vacationland Inn to play the second annual Spooktackular Tournament October on 28. directed by Joe Bow-Returnen. ing champion Mark Soule turned in а great score of

21/9 +142 and was feeling pretty confident of the #1 seed until he asked his wife, aka Vicki Soule aka me, what I had. I had 27/11 +211 to be exact. ↑ However, Arnold Ward went through his competitors to be one of five peggers across the country to get their first win that weekend. Director and high-qualifier **Joe Bowen** won the 13-player consolation.

In warmer Durham NC, Jennifer Johnson directed the 46-player John Medeiros Memorial, which has 100% payback! Jennifer's 22-year-old son played his first event on Friday evening. Rumor has it that when he is home from college this summer, he will play Grass Roots. The high qualifiers won both the main and consolation. Side pool guru **Henry Douglass** was the main champ, with **Mike Due** qualifying #1 and finishing #1 in the consy. Mike was also one of the five first-time winners that weekend. Jennifer wants to thank her village of helpers, especially her partnerin-crime (her words) **Megan Player**.

On November 6, Malden MA was the site of the Boston Regional, directed by **Bev Gobiel** and Club 104. After a two-year hiatus, 99 players played on a 75-degree day. **Lee Dillon** showed how hot he was with a 25/12 +93 grand slam! When all was said and done, bride-to-be **Mary Burlington** bested Life Master **Jerry Hardy** for the win. In the 46-player consolation, newly crowned Master **Rick Montague** came out in first over **Antone Rezendes**.

Upcoming tournaments include Virginia Beach Classic in Virginia Beach VA, the first annual David Campbell Memorial in Wolfeboro NH, Ocean State Open in Providence RI, and the return of cribbage to Florida with the Emerald Coast Open.

Remember, you are never too important to be nice to people.

# GAME ON by Dan Zeisler



## Teaching Tip

Teaching cribbage is not limited to going into classrooms, working with after-school groups, or conducting group lessons at a senior center. Here are two ideas for the holidays that involve the opportunity to teach the game of cribbage. (1) Give the gift of a cribbage board, a deck of cards, and lessons to a family member or friend. (2) Take a deck of cards and a cribbage board to a retirement home this holiday season, and either teach someone how to play or find an elderly cribbage player that would love to play a game or two. Happy holidays to all, and may you spread good cheer through the glorious game of cribbage!

## News

To all the many generous donors to the ACC Youth Program, I want to genuinely thank you. Without your support, we would not be able to fund our grant program which provides up to ten quality cribbage boards for use in classrooms. We also reimburse youth tournament directors to help defray the costs of advertising,

food, trophy boards, 🔿 raffle prizes, and other expenses associated with putting on a youth event.



In early October I received a box of thirteen beautiful cribbage boards that the late Norm Nikodym had won over the years. They were sent by Grass Roots Club 66 in Hacienda Heights CA in Norm's memory. They will be used as trophy boards for future youth cribbage tournaments.

## Teaching Manuals Requested

Dale Carey (Roseburg OR)

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



During the return flight from our Philippines family visit, Maria and I had an Anthony Bourdain–style weekend layover in Singapore. We played our third match for the ATW competition, while enjoying great views of the city skyline. Singapore is known for being very clean (no gum on the streets), very organized (British colonial influence), and having great food options (Chinese, Malaysian, Indian, Singaporean, and more). Singapore has street food vendors with Michelin star ratings, so anyone can get a Michelin star meal for ~\$5. Our favorite food options include chili crab, cereal prawns, Peking duck, Laksa, and dim sum in the Chinatown neighborhood. For those that are more adventurous, durian is almost always available (durian is a uniquely strong smelling and tasting fruit). We both love durian, but many people don't.

I tried to delay the outcome of game three as long as I could, but Maria won again. For the end game I was in the uncomfortable position needing eleven points with first count. Maria needed only ten points to win. I wanted a 5 cut for the sure win, holding 4-4-6-9 after disposing of my 8-J, but a 7 was cut. Maria didn't let me peg, and won the game.



## Dale's Tales Cribbage Stories by Dale Magedanz CW's Milwaukee Correspondent

Knee Slapper I was skunked by 36 in the first consy game of the Wisconsin State Championship by John Syftestad (Mount Horeb WI). He was 17 out and gets a cut for 17. John had us all in stitches when he said: "It was the only cut I got all day." First-game skunk jinx takes its toll, and John's dirty 12 didn't make it in.

From the man who said "if you see my lips moving, I'm just getting advice from

an expert" comes these words of wisdom: "I was dealt bad cards, but played them expertly!" —Jerome Tork (Wisconsin Rapids WI)

**¶Christine Zager** ⇒ (Owen WI), who once had two 29s in one tournament, made it to the Wisconsin State Champi-



onship main semifinals before bowing out to **Don Flesch** (Brookfield WI) in game five. It could have been a great day for **Matt Klar** (Hinckley MN), playing in only his second tournament, but his luck finally ran out in game five of the finals, also losing to Don.

**Tossing the Dog** Time and again, I've stated that I don't like to toss K-9 because I feel that 9 is a dangerous card. Point in case, I'm playing **Bernie Brentar** in the Lac du Flambeau main when I toss the "canine" and cut a 9. Bernie turns over the crib and the two 9s he tossed are staring me in the face for a hard dozen. Later in the day, I was playing **Cynthia Wark** and toss 4-9 in her crib. An Ace is cut, matching her two Aces



for a smooth dozen. Yup, 10-K is my choice!

**Family Affair** At Appleton WI, while getting my chair kiss from **Kathy Pacocha**, we decided to make it a family affair **•** by having her mom, **Bonnie**, join us. This responsibility of coming up with articles for CW is a tough job. Just to let my loyal readers know, I did it for you.

**Michael Henze**, a farmer from State Center IA, is famous for his statement of needing an "honest farmer's dozen" when he is 14 out. During a game against **Jimmy McCarty**, he was so far ahead that he said he didn't need a honest farmer's dozen to win. The open-mouth-insertfoot syndrome took over, and he lost. Once when Mike attended the Wisconsin Dells tourney, **Ellen Kutz** named him "the farmer in the dell."

On Fire Playing at Club 445 in Stetsonville WI, Chad



**Frischmann** thought he had a great card at 16/7 +124. That was until **Bill DeGroot** turned in his 24/9 +243 grand slam, ➡ which included six skunks—five of them consecutively!

Homefield Advantage Kristina Wright (Appleton WI) used homefield advantage to garner her first grand slam. ↓ During the Madison Masters consy held in Appleton, she scored an impressive 19/9 +185. On the other hand, Wayne Steinmetz and Ann Trotter, sitting next to each other, had only one win each for a pair of Deuces.



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**§**Earlier this year in Michigan, **Kevin Harris** was playing **Jimmy McCarty**. They cut for the deal and tied four times before the fifth cut decided the deal. During the first hand, they both had 4 and cut into 10 and then pegged the same amount. The next hand was the same in that they had the same amount of points and pegged the same. Truly bucking the odds.

**28** Isn't Enough At the Wisconsin State Championship, Jane Vander Loop was sitting next to Steve Schneider (Askov MN) when he got a 28-hand. He comments that he doesn't know if he can peg that as he hasn't pegged that many before. After her next hand, Jane glanced at the board and noticed something was not right. She asked Steve why he pegged 30 on his 28-hand. Both players look at the board to see the error. Steve immediately apologized and corrected the pegging. During Jane's

next game with **Eric Hinnenkamp** (Minnetonka MN), **Arlen Algrem** (McFarland WI) announced that he had a 29-hand. Eric comments that at least he didn't get 30. Jane instantly asks Steve to retell the story of what had happened in the previous game. A lot of laughs were happening at those two boards.

¶Every year Al Karr has a 24-hand gift table at his Octoberfest tournament. Adam Switzer (Crookston MN) had his eyes on a beer sign, but had to play Al the first game. They are tied on third street when Al deals himself 6-7-7-7-8-8 and tossed 7-8 to his crib. Of course an 8 is cut, giving Al a 24-hand and a 16-crib. Not only does Adam lose the game, but Al takes the beer sign for his 24. Poor Adam.

## **ACC***Awards*



{*Ann's words*} My mom was an avid card player, and she made all of her children play cards as soon as our hands could hold them.

Ann Trotter (Green Bay WI) Life Master #277 She didn't "let" us win, which helped make me a more competitive player. I joined the ACC in 1987 but played only two tournaments before I was suddenly widowed with two young children

to raise, so cribbage took a backseat. When I retired in 2016 I decided to try tournament cribbage again and am still loving it. Jeff Shimp has helped improve my game tremendously. My toughest opponent is Doug Page. I have been club champion the last three years. My first tournament win was the 2020 Schaefer Shuffle, and I have now won four mains and two cons. I like Oregon Coast tournaments because

I can go crabbing while I'm there. I like being competitive at most everything. I have earned national honors for my art quilts and awards for my oil paintings. I also grow dahlias. I have been a competitive equestrian since I was a teenager and have won national awards with my quarter-horses. I no longer own riding horses but have owned ten racehorses in the past few years. I love to travel and have been in all fifty states and forty-two countries. I



own a custom-made RV that I travel to cribbage tournaments with; in the last six years I have traveled coast to coast, attending tournaments in twenty states.

{Lowell's words} I learned cribbage from my father after being perplexed by the chatter when watching uncles and older cousins play.

I joined the ACC in 1993. A member of Sno-King Peggers Club 108 in Lynnwood WA, I've been club champion twice and have won ten sanctioned tourneys, topped off by the 2013. IDW/ACC Open Mu favorite cribbe

Lowell W. Bailey (Everett WA) Life Master #279

the 2013 JPW/ACC Open. My favorite cribbage moment this year was getting back into tournament play this fall after a 2½-year absence. It was great seeing cribbage family again! Away from the cribbage tables, I enjoy time with my grandchildren, reading, traveling, and puzzles of all kinds.





{*Henry's words*} I learned cribbage from two retired army veterans, John and Abe Roiger. They said they would teach me for 25¢ a game—which was the greatest investment of my life. I joined the ACC

## Henry Brandner (Medford WI) Grand Master #466

in 2013 by going to the Greenwood WI club. I started playing sanctioned tourneys the same year and won my first tourney in Maplewood MN in 2014, which was only my fourth tourney

overall. My cribbage mentor was Jerry Fischer, who got me going in the ACC and was standing behind me when I won my first tourney. I just won my ninth sanctioned event this last week at the Dianne Gurney Memorial in Marinette WI. I earned my Grand Master at the Wisconsin State Championship in Lac Du Flambeau. I really don't have a favorite tourney as I enjoy each and every time I can get to-

gether with my cribbage friends. My toughest opponent has to be Doug Page. My favorite cribbage moment this year was getting the Central Division Outstanding Volunteer Award

in Omaha at GN. Was quite a surprise. My other interests include family, fishing, and the Green Bay Packers.

<u>New Cribbage Masters</u>

## HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

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

- 1. Nominations must be submitted by email to the address below. If you cannot email, please call the number provided. Nominations may be made only by a current ACC member and must include the name of the person doing the nominating.
- 2. An individual nominated for the Hall of Fame must meet the following *mandatory* criteria. He/she must . . .
  - a. be a member in good standing for seven consecutive years or have been a member in good standing for a minimum of five consecutive years until death intervened.
  - b. have displayed and complied with the rules of ethical play.
  - c. have displayed and complied with standards of good sportsmanship.
- 3. In addition, to be eligible for nomination, a candidate is required to meet at least three of the following criteria. He/she must have . . .
  - a. promoted the game of cribbage and/or served the ACC by specific acts of accomplishment as specified in the nominating letter.
  - b. established his/her expertise by being rated a Master player or higher.
  - c. established his/her expertise by being rated Bronze Award or higher in

the Grass Roots program.

- d. served as a tournament director of an ACC sanctioned tournament for a minimum of five years.
- e. served as a Grass Roots club director for a minimum of five years.
- f. served as a member of the Board of Directors of the ACC for a minimum of four years.
- 4. Exceptions to or exemptions from the above criteria must be initiated by a current member of the BOD.

Nominations must be submitted by January 15.

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



copies of each letter to the HOF voting panel (composed of twenty-five BOD members plus three panel members selected by each BOD member). The ballots will be counted prior to the March BOD meeting.

Any nominee who receives 75% or more positive votes will be elected to the HOF. Any nominee who receives more than 50% positive votes but less than 75% will be voted on by the BOD; if the BOD approves by two-thirds majority, that candidate will be elected to the HOF. Induction into the HOF will take place at Grand National.

Email HOF nominations to:

## Jennifer Johnson: HOF@cribbage.org

If you have any issues with emailing, please call/text Jennifer at 617.515.2232.

## **Internet Cribbage**

by Sally Henderson (Internet Commish) accjudgetest@ gmail.com

If you haven't been able to log in to eCrib-

bage, pay close attention to this article for help. If you know players who have been locked out, please share this info with them so they can come back and play. (If yours is working fine, *don't* switch to this; leave well enough alone!)

internet.leaders						
rank	IRPs	name				
1	409	Peter Legendre (legend397)				
2	354	Carl McCullum (absent)				
3	319	Gregory Gougian (gougie00)				
4	310	Bob Bartosh (Accbob)				
5T	300	William MacMillan (WY00191L)				
5T	300	Bernard Kitheka (Wanzelu)				
7	294	Daniel Crete (dec)				
8	286	Basil Rudnick (Basil 22)				
9	284	Pat Liegl (patco1950)				
10	271	Scott Earley (scottcrib)				

**Announcement:** the Internet/Play Online section of the ACC website has been updated again. Miracle worker TD **Jen/JJx7Fan** has found a way to bypass the eCribbage log-in! Go to **cribbage.org/NewSite/internet/eCribbage%20** assistance.asp.

You will *not* use the standard way of going through the homepage log-in section anymore. Part of the issue is Java, because everyone must use Java 8 *only*. If you try

to use a higher version, it won't recognize eCribbage. This means everyone should always ignore all Java updates. Many thanks

to ACC webmaster **John Hazlett** for spending hours with Jen and me to make this alternative method available. Jen spent an insane number of hours and very late nights working on this solution, and then prepping it all (with visuals!) for the website. She and **Scott/Sgt Pegger** are available for tech issues at **support@ecribbage.com** and

Point Leader of the Month Peter Legendre (legend397) @ 189 IRPs

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs) Bernard Kitheka (Wanzelu)

Internet 28-Hands Richard Wilken (fishinggone)

Internet Grand Slams Roger Baxter (rdbaxter) Nancy Roncetti (nunzia)

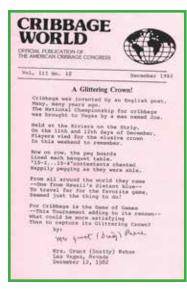
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will help you in a timely manner.

Reminder: *all* ACC tournaments on eCribbage are now Grass Roots style ninegamers, and both tourneys on Game Colony remain best-of-three bracketed.

I've changed the honor of "Player of the Month" to "Point Leader of the Month." Many thought it was a popularity contest, but it is simply the person who earned the most IRPs during the previous month.

No tourneys on December 24 and 25.



**25 Years Ago** Future HOF-er Joe Bernard (Libertyville IL) won the 96-player West Bend Classic, and Cheryl Mussell (Sparks NV) won the 108-player Feather River Open in Oroville CA.

## 40 Years Ago

Sometimes we hear complaints about the 2-versus-11 for-



mat used in the Central Region. If you hate that format, aren't you glad we no longer do this:

The sentiment is mounting for qualification rounds to consist of one game against 21 opponents rather than three games against each of seven opponents.

And all cribbage players should be thankful that the ACC adopted the "long board" format early in our history:

The Congress approved the "long board"--60 holes up First Avenue and return 61 holes on Second Avenue down the center of the board.

## IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

## Mark A. Smith

Club 17 (Ankeny IA) lost a fellow member on September 24 at Grand National in Omaha. Mark Smith (Marshalltown IA), age sixty-five, loved to play cribbage. He served honorably in the Navy in the mid-1970s. He played in many sanctioned tournaments over the years, including Reno. He was always fun to play with. Mark will be greatly missed by all.

## Frank L. Trojan

On a sad note, Club 240 (Saint Paul MN) learned that Frank Trojan (New Brighton MN) passed away this month at age eighty-eight. A Gold Award winner at Grass Roots and a Life Master (\*) on the Tournament Trail, Frank was a tough competitor. He will be missed.



# SANCTIONED

## as of November 5

100 MRPs minimum

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2	426	Bob Bartosh	2	351	David Aiello	2	247	Paul Batterson
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4	372	Alice Souza	4	272	Allan Stanek	4	206	Mary Burlington
5	366	Betty Brumley	5	256	Les Kvien	5	195	Barbara Barbour
6	315	Cy Madrone	6	240	Donald Flesch	6	189	Phyllis Schmidt
7	309	Bob Brumley	7	233	Bob Hanes	7	179	Vicki Soule
8	303	Todd Malmgren	8	212	Ray Stahl	8	170	Jim Maffa
9	273	Bryan Gurden	9	209	Dennis Koehler	9	167	Phillip Jenkins
10	248	James Seufert	10	208	Kristina Wright	10	166	Mike Misluk
11	247	Rick Baird	11	202	Jim Mahan	11	149	Charlene Cohen
12	237	Fred White	12	191	Jane Vander Loop	12	147	Stanley Fillpiak
13	236	Terry Higgins	13	172	Patrick Healey	13	142	Joseph Bowen
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16		Carole Herron	16	156	Edward Balcer	16	126	Carl Deyette
17	204	Margaret Fanucchi	17	152	James McCarty	17	110	Rick Allen
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22			23	135	Frank Danielski	23	103	Phil Martin
24		Peter Jackson	24	131	Arthur Loveland	24	102	Tom Fiorini
25		Scott Reidy	25	126	Bob Joslin	25	100	Louis Petosa
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GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE						
date	location	TD				
Oct. 10–15, 2023	Virginia Beach VA	Jack Howsare				
Nov. 12–17, 2024	Rampart Casino Las Vegas NV	Troy Thorson Kathy Pacocha David Aiken				
Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025	Lodge Casino Deadwood SD	David Aiken Patrick Barrett Dan Selke John Hazlett				

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## VA Dec. 2–4, Virginia Beach Classic

Four Points Sheraton, 1121 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie Schmitz (757.214.2327) & Jack Howsare

## WI + Dec. 2-4, Jingle Bell Open

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

## NH Dec. 9–11, David Campbell Memorial

Windrifter Resort, 337 Main St, Wolfeboro NH 03894. TD: Mark & Vicki Soule (207.442.9001)

## CA + Dec. 10, Wine Country Winter Open

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

## CO + Dec. 10, Mountain View Open

VFW, 305 N Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80537. TD: Troy Thorson (303.909.5125) & Kathy Pacocha

## Youth Tourneys

Dec. 3 • Ready Springs Youth Tourney (Penn Valley CA) TD: Jeff Duran (530.913.246) or Dan Zeisler (530.263.7468) - see promo on page 2-

## CA Barn Café Doubleheader

Barn Café, 8976 Grant Line Rd, Elk Grove CA 95624. TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Alice Souza

Dec. 17, Barn Café Challenge #6

## Dec. 18, Barn Café Challenge #7

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VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Alice Souza

Jan. 5-6, Sacramento Kickoff #1

Jan. 7, Sacramento Kickoff #2

Jan. 8, Sacramento Kickoff #3

## WI + Jan. 6–8, Wisconsin Dells Deal

Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI 53965. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

## RI + Jan. 8, Ocean State Open

Providence Firefighters Hall, 92 Printery St, Providence RI 02904. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Joe Bowen

## AZ Jan. 13–15, Snowbirds Special

DAV Hall, 954 S 13th Ave, Yuma AZ 85364. TD: Pamela Pomeroy (156.292.9290) & Jerry Blackman

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### ME Brewer Doubleheader

Vacationland Inn, 453 Wilson St, Brewer ME 04429. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111), Mark Soule, & Sarah Arsenault

#### Jan. 14, Brewer Winter Classic

#### Jan. 15, Brewer Snow Bowl

#### WI + Jan. 20–22, American Pride

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

## FL + Jan. 20–22, Emerald Coast Open

VFW, 361 Gardner Dr NE, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. TD: Jim Hearon (850.866.7866) & Wayne Maurice

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CA ◆ Jan. 20–22, Peg for the Border Masonic Lodge, 4731 Date Ave, La Mesa CA 91942. TD: Paulette Gagnon (619.665.1073) & Virginia Casev

## CA Jan. 21–22, Pacific Coast Championship

American Legion, 694 Legion Way, Marina CA 93933. TD: Dick Lind (831.595.9920) & Raymond Lee

#### NV + Jan. 27–28, Schaefer Shuffle West

Schaefer House, 775 Merry Maple St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Alan & Sharon Schaefer (414.331.0809)

#### NV + Jan. 29, Denise's Deal in the Desert (D3)

Bob Ruud Community Center, 150 N Hwy 160, Pahrump NV 89048. TD: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444) & Bob Mason

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Elks, 6398 E Oak St, Scottsdale AZ 85257

Feb. 3, Cactus Classic

TD: Lynn Multari (480.203.4587) & Robert Milk

Feb. 4–5, Roadrunner Classic TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

## NH + Feb. 3–5. Medeiros Memorial

Windrifter Resort, 337 S Main St, Wolfeboro NH 03894. TD: Vicki & Mark Soule (207.442.9001)

## MN Winter Snowball Doubleheader

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. TD: Bob Joslin (952.270.3632) & Adam Switzer

Feb. 3, Winter Snowball Special #1

## Feb. 4–5, Winter Snowball Special #2

OR ◆ Feb. 3–5, Pre-Super Portland Open Moose, 16411 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97230. TD: Erik Locke (503,754,2979)

## WA + Feb. 11, Super Saturday One Day

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

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CA + Feb. 11, Burbank Bomber Blast

American Lutheran Church, 755 N Whitnall Hwy, Burbank CA 91505. TD: Pierre Olivier (818.451.8566) & Ron Reid

#### WI + Feb. 17–19, Go Green Bay

Townline Pub, 2544 Lineville Rd, Green Bay WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

#### VA + Feb. 17–19, Hampton Roads

Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Jack Howsare (757.699.2999) & Laurie Schmitz

#### CA Barn Café Doubleheader

Barn Café, 8976 Grant Line Rd, Elk Grove CA 95624. TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Alice Souza

Feb. 18, Barn Café Challenge #8

Feb. 19, Barn Café Challenge #9

## CA ♦ Feb. 24–26, Northern California Open

Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

NV ♦ Feb. 27–Mar. 1, 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

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## NV The Big One!

Sands Casino, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501

March 3 + TOC

TD: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059) & Todd Schaefer (651.338.8116)

March 4-5 ◆ JPW/ACC Open TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605) & Scott Kooistra

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NV ◆ Mar. 6–7, Les Sumner Memorial Topaz Lodge, 1979 US 395, Gardnerville NV 89410. TD: Beverly Castillo (775.453.3715) & Alice Souza

RI ◆ Mar. 12, Corned Beef and Cribbage St. Joseph Veterans Hall, 99 Louise St, Woonsocket RI 02895. TD: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613) & Leo Houle

#### WI • Mar. 17–19, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverfront Ave, Marinette WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

## NH Mar. 26, Granite State Classic

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

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## NC Spring Fling Doubleheader

DoubleTree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703. TD: Jennifer Johnson (617.515.2232) & Megan Player

Mar. 31, Friday Pre-Fling

Apr. 1–2, Raleigh Spring Fling

## **OR • Oregon Coast Cluster**

American Legion, 424 W Olive, Newport OR 97365

**Apr. 1–2, Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial** TD: Pete Larsen (503.724.0605) & Rick Baird

Apr. 3–4, Spring Crib Fest TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Pete Larsen

> Apr. 5–6, Alsea River Open TD: Carole Herron (406.459.5550) & Wayne Momsen

Apr. 7–8, Dean Bauman Memorial TD: Monica Newton (541.819.1034) & Dana McClain

## AK ♦ Apr. 8, Alaska State Championship

Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99503. TD: C. J. Kim (907.245.2687) & Bonnie Kline

## ME + Apr. 8, Pine Tree Open

Vacationland Inn, 453 Wilson St, Brewer ME 04429. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

## CA Barn Café Doubleheader

Barn Café, 8976 Grant Line Rd, Elk Grove CA 95624. TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Alice Souza

Apr. 15, Barn Café Challenge #10

Apr. 16, Barn Café Challenge #11

## MT Billings Doubleheader

Hampton Inn, 3550 Ember Ln, Billings MT 59102. TD: Richard Rudio (406.534.1293) & Greg Dibble

## Apr. 22–23, Magic City Main

Apr. 24–25, Trailhead Main

## SD + Deadwood Cluster

The Lodge, 100 Pine Crest Ln, Deadwood SD 57732. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311), Patrick & Linda Barrett, Dan Selke, & John Hazlett

Apr. 27–28, Deadwood Open

## Apr. 29, Aces & Eights

Apr. 30, Calamity Jane Open

#### NY ◆ Apr. 28–30, Western New York Open Moose, 45 Church St, Hamburg NY 14075. TD: Robyn Boldt (716.648.1830) & Russell Bentley



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## ME + Apr. 30, Tulips in Topsham

Topsham Grange, 47 Pleasant St, Topsham ME 04429. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Mark Soule

WI ◆ May 5–7, Peg for Pink Best Western, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. TD: AI Karr (920.639.3546)

CA ♦ May 5–7, Humboldt Bay Classic

Moose, 4328 Campton Rd, Eureka CA 95503. TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)

#### CA Win-River Doubleheader

Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Beverly Castillo

May 12–13, Jerry Montgomery Memorial

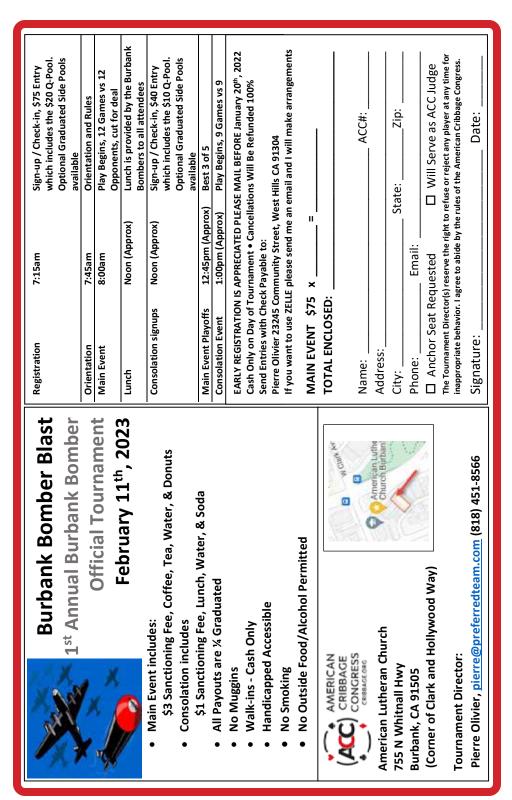
May 14, Mother's Day Open

WI ◆ May 12–14, Cribbage Weekend In America Mad Apple, 3025 College Ave, Appleton WI 54914. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Bob Kiley

WA ◆ May 19–21, Washington State Open VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. TD: James & Cher Morrow (509.830.2318)

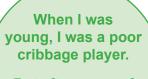
CA ◆ May 20, Peg for the Crown/Yee Memorial Mobil Country Club, 2473 Sunrise Blvd, Rancho Cordova CA 95670. TD: Annett Eiffert (916.521.3208) & Nancy Rojas

ME ◆ May 20, Maine State Championships Elks, 317 High St, Ellsworth ME 04605. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley



## **COOL STUFF ON THE WEB**

A cribbage board made from the USS *Constitution* recently sold at auction in London. ➡ Created from timber and brass from the famous navy vessel, an engraving on the board mentions Commander Isaac Hull and the year 1820, so the board was probably made in or shortly after that year. The board is 12.5 inches long. With an estimated value of £150–£250, it was hammered down at £1,500 (= US \$1,725).

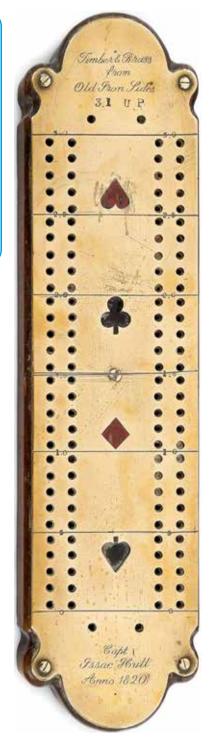


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## **Christmas-Eve Cribbage**

The satirical print on the front cover (acquired by the British Museum in 2006) shows two chimney sweeps sitting on a bench playing cribbage. Printing details:

- · print possibly by George Dawe
- published by John Diprose in 1840
- · etching and aquatint on steel
- printed on paper
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