

Roos Hall is a manor house in Suffolk County, England, near the town of Beccles. **Sir John Suckling** bought it in 1600. Alert readers will immediately (continued on page 10)

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My Deal



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

"To everything there is a season."

So goes the well-known song written by Pete Seeger in the late 1950s, which reached #1 on the Billboard Hot 100 in 1965 after it was released by The Byrds.

The song is based on the even better known verse from the bible: "To everything there is a season, / and a time to every purpose under the heaven" (Ecclesiastes, chapter three, verse one).

Everyone's favorite hobby has seasons: the MRP and IRP seasons run from August 1 to July 31, and the Grass Roots season is September 1 to May 31 (except in years ending in pandemic). But "season" in the song and the bible refers to an "appropriate time," not to a predetermined time period.

During my CW editorship, I have started up any number of monthly features. Unfortunately, not all of them reached full flower, and their seasons were short-lived, illustrating the second verse of the biblical chapter just quoted: "A time to be born, and a time to die."

Perhaps my biggest "seasonal" regret is the "Hall of Fame" series. It started promisingly with a profile of **Sir John Suckling** in the February 2007 issue, but fizzled out after a half-dozen installments. Many HOF members from the ACC's early years deserve to be better known by today's players, so I'd love if someone wants to take ownership of this series. If not, we'll regard

the HOF series as having reached the end of its season.

Some series reach the end of their natural lives because of limited subject matter, for example, "Cribbage on Postcards." While the number of postcards ever printed seems almost limitless, the subset "postcards featuring cribbage" is finite. I was especially fond of this series because it combined two of my favorite hobbies: cribbage and stamp collecting. The last cribbage postcard in my personal collection appears on page 11 below, but if readers find more on this theme, I'd happily reopen the season.

"Favorite Cribbage Memorabilia" also had a short season. The items featured in this series were some of the best I have ever printed, but maybe the supply of memorabilia is also exhausted. Regardless, I'd be happy to hear from players who have cribbage memorabilia to share.

On the other hand, there are many multiple-season features in *Cribbage World* that I am extremely proud of: "Cribbage Board of the Month" (by **Jay Fulwider**) and "Game On" (by **Dan Zeisler**) spring immediately to mind. Both Dan and Jay are punctual, and their columns are always well written, informative, and entertaining. May their seasons never end.

While "to everything there is a season," some things are always in season. Cribbage is one of those things! CW

Your Deal



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Shuffling between Deals

When I grew up in England, both my father and grandfather would admonish me if I shuffled the deck between deals. I have noticed, here, that when a high-scoring hand—like 5s and faces, or 7s and 8s—is held, the next dealer will carefully spread them out into the deck to avoid them being bunched and redealt as another pat hand. But, thinking it through, if you put the pat hand as-is into the deck to be dealt, this ensures these cards are actually dealt alternately to the players, thus breaking

up the sequence of good cards. If there were four 5s in one hand and you then dealt without separation of the 5s and you saw two 5s in your own hand, you could reasonably conjecture your opponent has the other two 5s. To that extent, shuffling the deck provides more unpredictability to the hands and the presumptions you could make about your opponent's cards. On balance, shuffling makes it harder to predict your opponent's holdings.

Michael Rogers (Napa CA)

ANYONE RECOGNIZE THIS?

Does anyone recognize this cribbage medallion? These pictures came from Britain, so it is potentially of British origin. The front of the medallion has four Aces (not a standard hand used to illustrate cribbage). The back reads: "B.S.R.R. / 1922 /



CRIBBAGE / CHAMPION / A. HORN." Because it is made of 9ct gold, the owner is planning to scrap it for gold value, but it would be nice to learn something about it before it hits the dustbin. Please contact CW if you have info.



Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Dianne Gumey Memorial (Black River Falls WI; Nov. 13–15)	Wayne Steinmetz & Richard Frost	46 players HQ. Donna LaFleur (70) 1. James McCarty (105) 2. Dale Magedanz (70) 3. Donna LaFleur (42) 3. Thomas Beucler (42)	33 players HQ. Joe Skibba (21) 1. Ann Trotter (60) 2. Christine Zager (40) 3. Joe Skibba (24) 3. Laura Johnson (24)	28-hands: Teri Murdy* James McCarty	Friday: Mark Smith Saturday: James McCarty
Jingle Bell Open (Marinette WI; Dec. 4–6)	Al Karr & Lee Tesch	46 players HQ. Ann Trotter (80) 1. Rick Kuehn (105) 2. Steven Steinmetz (70) 3. Ann Trotter (42) 3. Lana Newhouse (42)	32 players HQ. Mark Smith (15) 1. Donna LaFleur (40) 2. Lewis Gurney (24) 3. Kristina Wright (12) 3. Bob Kiley (12)		Friday: Mark Smith Saturday: Dave Yaeger Canadian Doubles: Jason Kabara & Andrew Court
Mick Michaelis Classic (Marinette WI; Dec. 11–13)	Al Karr	47 players HQ. Wayne Steinmetz (40) 1. Dave Yaeger (105) 2. James Huser (70) 3. Wayne Steinmetz (42) 3. Henry Brandner (42)	28 players HQ. David Sniegowski (15) 1. David Sniegowski (40) 2. Joan Rein (24) 3. Wendy Pitts (12) 3. Kristina Wright (12)	28- <i>hand:</i> Ellen Kutz*	<i>Friday:</i> Sandy Sands <i>Saturday:</i> Mark Smith <i>All Events:</i> Henry Brandner

Cribbage Lane Challenge

We've received another entry in the Cribbage Chal-Lane lenge. Here is Charles Hall (Fulshear TX) standing by the sign for Cribbage Court Houston. in Charles has played cribbage for sixty years. Only one

to go: Prince Edward Island. Perhaps a cribbage-playing/
Anne of Green Gables—reading fan could



merge two hobbies into a combo AGG/ACC pilgrimage and look up the last unphotographed Cribbage Lane (that we know of).

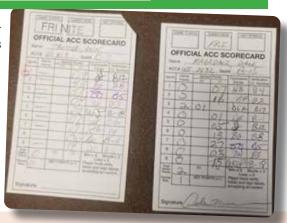
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Charles Hall
Art Collins June Fordham
Nina Plowman
Joe Schuck
June Fordham
Chuck Althoff & Suzi Muller

The Magedanz Chronicles

Stories from the Tournament Trail by Dale Magedanz CW's Milwaukee Correspondent



You Be the Judge It was a rough Friday night opener at the Mick Michaelis Classic in Marinette WI. Central Region leader Ann Trotter (Green Bay WI) had a string of pearls, and I had a single win by one peg over Dennis "Buzz" Koehler (Wisconsin Rapids WI). So who is the better player? String-of-pearls Ann or the one-pegwonder Dale? Without hesitation my vote goes to Ann.



The Inside Track
by Rob Medeiros
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I'm sure all of us have heard opponents make comments about strategy that we strongly disagree with. Here is one I've heard many times over the years: "As nondealer I like to keep my low cards for the end to peg as much as I can."

The first issue I have with this statement is that keeping the lower cards for later in the pegging gives your opponent more chances to peg on you. Obviously the dealer can't make 15-2 on a lead of A, 2, 3, or 4, so you decrease his chances of pegging by 50% right away when you lead one of these low cards.

Another reason I like to lead a low card is the risk that you transfer to the dealer: he could match it for two points but he risks giving up six points. Leading low may deter the original match and provide you with more pegging possibilities.

The third and possibly most important aspect is the chance to get first blood in potential high pegging hands. For instance, if you hold 2-6-7-8 as nondealer, the 2 is the optimum lead. If dealer has a hand composed of middle cards you will most likely score the first 15 and possibly the second three-card run. You might also score when the dealer has a hand made up of 5 and three picture cards. Many times the dealer will try to protect against the 2-3 combo and play his 5, enabling you to score the 15-2 and 31-2.

So when you are nondealer view your little cards as weapons to be used *early* in pegging battles, not *later*.

Contact Rob at mrob2199@aol.com if you have a cribbage nut for him to crack.

Twopenny Cribbage

This quaint etching is entitled "Twopenny Cribbage." The caption is a dialog between the two players:

One for his Nob.
Then I'm nobb'd out of
Two-pence!

It is hard to see exactly where the pegs are on the board, but apparently the extra point that one player gets for nobs (he is holding the Jack of Clubs, and the Ace of Clubs is the cut card) is enough to give him the win, as the second player laments losing money at that point.

At an average annual inflation rate of 2.2% (according to the Bank of England) from 1799 to 2019, in today's money two pence would be about three dollars. So in other words, it is pretty much in line with today's "Wanna play for one-two?"

Interestingly, "nob" is given in the singular, whereas we typically use the plural term today: "and one for nobs." Of the seven examples of this term in the *Oxford English Dictionary* (ranging from 1821 to 1979), only one of them is plural, so the singular may be a Briticism.



Details

- artist: Thomas Rowlandson (1757-1827)
- publisher: Rudolph Ackermann (active 1794–1829)



• date: originally 1799; reissued October 1, 1810

• medium: hand-colored etching

• size of plate: 105/8" x 133/4" (27 x 35 cm)

Roos Hall

(continued from page 1) note the discordance created by this sentence because the inventor of cribbage was born in 1609. So to clarify: the manor-owning Sir John is the father of the cribbage-inventing Sir John.

Roos Hall (sometimes called Rose Hall) was built in the late 1500s and was completed by 1593, when the owner died. After its purchase by Sir John the Elder in 1600, it remained in the Suckling family until his death in 1627, at which time it passed out of the family as payment of a debt. (Running up debts seems to be a Suckling family trait.)

Despite being part of the family heritage, Roos Hall was not the birthplace of our Sir John, who was born at Whitton, Twickenham, Middlesex—which being translated means: in the residential area known as Whitton, in the town of Twickenham, in the county of Middle-

sex, and all of this, of course, in England.

Roos Hall is once again owned by a member of the Suckling family and serves as their residence.



Alabaster monument for Sir John Suckling the Elder (Saint Andrew's Church, Norwich)

Never Give Up ◆ by Bob Hanes (Ankeny IA)

Some years ago I was playing at the National Open in Raleigh against **Warren Sondericker**. I was ahead 3 wins to 2 wins. In game six, I was dealing from 53 holes out, and Warren was 10 holes out; if he skunks me I lose the match. I deal him A-2-3-3-5-10, and he discards 5-10 to my crib. I was dealt 4-5-5-6-6-10, and I throw 5-10 to my crib. The cut card was a 5, and the play went as follows:

Warren	3	3	2		
Bob				5	4 (for 7)

I pegged 7 points and had a 24-hand backed by a 22-crib. At the end of the deal, Warren had no peg points and only his 8-hand, while I scored 53 total points—not only avoiding the skunk but also winning the game and the match.

Never give up!

Do you have a "never give up" story? Send it to cribbageworld@cribbage.org.

Cribbage on Postcards

Mailed on December 10, 1903, from Glasgow, Scotland, this postcard sports a big, bold postal strike over the top of an Edward VII Penny Red stamp issued by Great Britain in the early 1900s. Addressed to Frankfurt am Main in Germany, it also has a receiving postmark from that city dated December 12, meaning that it traveled 900 miles in two days—*before* the advent of airmail delivery!

The postcard doesn't deal with cribbage, per se; what caught my eye was the name of the addressee: **Miss Suckling**. Nothing is written in the space traditionally reserved for messages; rather, the sender squeezed his note to his sister in the tiny margin surrounding the photo on the front:

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Union. Thursday.

Dearest Lonie. Thanks awfully for your p.c. [postcard] received yest^d [yesterday]. Will answer your letter as soon as possible. So sorry you won't be here for the School Dance. You've still got a week and a half to change your mind in. Seen any nice uniforms yet? Your lovingest brother.

According to the caption, the postcard features a photo of "Miss Mary Moore as Ada Ingot & Sir Charles Wyndham as David Garrick." Longtime acting partners Moore and Wyndham (who eventually married in 1916) were performing in a play entitled "David Garrick." This 1856 comic interpretation of the famous actor's life (who died in 1779) became the signature role for Wyndham throughout his career.



Our Suckling is not a direct descendant of **Sir John Suckling** (he never married), but she and her brother may well be related to another line of Suckling descent. And who knows—maybe she taught cribbage to her German neighbors three centuries after Sir John invented the game. **CW**

Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

CC member Skip Stanley of South Weymouth MA sent me the photo of this cribbage board. The board is in the shape of Lake

Lauren's dad lives on Lake Cavanaugh, and their entire family has played a lot of cribbage there. It is a beautiful lake, a beautiful cribbage



board, and-I am sure-a treasured Father's Day gift.

I've included two more photos showing details from two cribbage boards made with CAD and laser cutting/ engraving. With this technology, cribbage board design

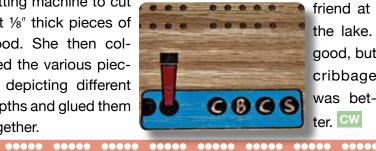
Cavanaugh, about seventy miles north of Seattle. Skip's niece, Lauren, made the board as a Father's Day gift for her father Michael (Skip's brother).

and production is unlimited.

Lauren is an engineer and lives in Summerville MA. She found an online fishing map that had the depths of Lake Cavanaugh. She used CAD (computer-aided design) and a laser

A final note: I fished Lake Cavanaugh about fiftv years ago. I stayed with a

cutting machine to cut out 1/8" thick pieces of wood. She then colored the various pieces depicting different depths and glued them together.



friend at his cabin on the lake. Fishing was

good, but cribbage was better 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).

Pop Goes the Culture

A large number of letters—some of them going back years—have piled up about cribbage in books and movies. To clear the backlog, *Cribbage World* presents them here without further commentary or photos. The CW editorial staff is still working on some submissions, so if you don't see your favorite book or movie here, stay tuned.

• Robert Heinlein's Tunnel in the Sky has the main characters in the book playing cribbage to pass the time after they are stranded on an alien planet (like a sci-fi Lord of the Flies). It was published in 1955 and is considered one of his young-adult books, and even references a unique scoring dialog. 2 Just listened to Lawrence Block's All the Flowers Are Dying, and in it there are a couple of references to people playing cribbage to pass the time while looking out for the bad guys. One of the characters claims to have learned the game from a grandparent, which seems to be a common theme in my experiences as well. Timothy Havighurst (Hampstead MD)

In a book by Charles Todd titled *The Confession*, Scotland Yard Inspector Ian Rutledge walks into a nearly empty pub named "The Rowing Boat." Only two tables are taken, one by a lonely man eating his lunch and the other by two blokes playing cribbage. He questions them about a murder but "they know nothing"! *Richard Orff (Hopedale MA)*

●In the 1995 movie *The Ranger, the Cook, and a Hole in the Sky*, Sam Elliot, Ricky Jay, and Jerry O'Connell sit in the bunkhouse after work and play cribbage. ②Written by Nora Roberts, the book *Mysterious* has three stories. The third story, "The Right Path" (1985), mentions cribbage. ③A Harlequin Superromance entitled *Dear*

Cordelia, written by Pamela Ford, mentions cribbage. On page 69, the characters are stuck at home during a blizzard, and they pull out a cribbage board.

Alene Inman (Grand Junction CO)

I was listening to/watching *Tombstone Territory* (a 1960 Western) and heard them counting a cribbage hand; there was a cribbage board but they didn't show what it looked like. Clay Hollister said he had a "dead man's hand." Other *Tombstone Territory* episodes also show Sheriff Clay and the newspaper editor playing cribbage.

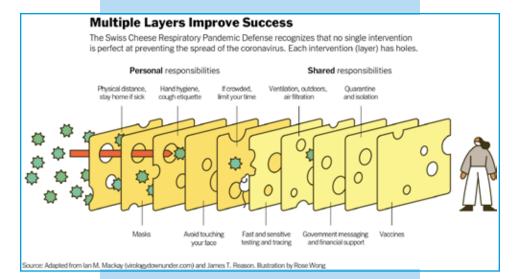
Michelle Park (Twin Falls ID)

My wife and I were watching a movie from Australia called *Red Dog*. She spent a year there as a foreign exchange student, and that is why she choose the movie. It wasn't a really bad movie, in fact there was much to be enjoyed. The interesting thing was the couple who ran a trailer park; their names were Mr. and Mrs. Cribbage!

Art Collins (Sun Lakes AZ)

I was watching an old *Frankie Drake Mysteries* and cribbage was mentioned nine minutes into season 2 episode 9, "Dealer's Choice." And in *Midsomer Murders* (season 7 episode 2, entitled "Bad Tidings"), about 1h 14m in the program, two characters are sitting and playing cribbage, but cribbage is not mentioned.

Elaine Jeche (La Puente CA)



As we begin to see a glimmer of hope on the horizon for tournaments and clubs to restart, it seems as if the Swiss Cheese model of defense against the Covid-19 pandemic is also relevant to the ACC. Staying safe/healthy takes more than just one line of defense; it requires multiple levels.

Some of these things *always* made sense (e.g., stay home if sick, hand hygiene), while others are relatively new to us (masks, contact tracing). And yet others the ACC still needs to work on (social distancing, ventilation).

In order to begin playing cribbage again, we players need to accept "personal responsibilities," and we the ACC need to incorporate "shared responsibilities" into our way of conducting tournaments. The whole point of staying home for months and missing all that cribbage playing is so that when we gather together in the future none of us will be missing.

Defensive Discards

by David Aiken, based on data from Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen

Need to slow down your opponent? Here are a couple ways to do it.

Based on thousands of discards tracked in live games, Life Master $(2\star)$ Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen (Chehalis WA) discovered that 9-K and 10-K are the *only* two discards that average less than four points to the opponent's crib.

At first glance, these two discard choices show little difference:

	7 or fewer points	8 or more points
9-K	88.37%	11.63%
10-K	86.03%	13.97%

But if we go deeper into the weeds, we start to see some significant differences between these two discards. Here are the hard data:

9-K = 2,004 discards sampled, with an average of 3.903 points

points yielded	0	1–2	3–7	8–11	12–15	16+
number of times	175	599	997	214	19	0
percentage	8.73%	29.89%	49.75%	10.68%	0.95%	0%

10-K = 2,999 discards sampled, with an average of 3.776 points

points yielded	0	1–2	3–7	8–11	12–15	16+
number of times	483	895	1,202	354	54	11
percentage	16.10%	29.84%	40.08%	11.80%	1.80%	0.37%

The 10-K discard produces more zero-point cribs than does 9-K—in fact, more zero-point cribs than *any* discard combo in the deck—but it also produces more cribs of 8+ points and of 12+ points than does 9-K. And 10-K can even surprise you with the occasional 20-point crib—something that 9-K can never do.

Of course, nothing is guaranteed, but if you need to blank your opponent's crib, then 10-K is the discard of choice. But 9-K runs a close second.

A note about Ras's data: these numbers were first published in the February 1996 Cribbage World. While the total number of hands that Ras tracked has increased in the last quarter century, the percentages are still fairly constant. To make sure the results are valid for tournament play, Ras did not record results except when playing folks of average or better skill, and he did not record results if no part of the crib was scored, as in end-game situations.

MASTERING MRPs • What's an MRP? How do I get one?

For ACC members who have been around for decades, the terms and abbreviations that we toss around with abandon are second nature. For newer members, not so much. Beginning with MRPs this month, *Cribbage World* will explain the various point systems we use to rate cribbage players.

Short version: MRP stands for "Master Rating Point," and it is the basis for awarding points at weekend tournaments, based on (a) how good your qualifying scorecard is and (b) how far you go in the playoffs.

Long version: keep reading.

ACC-sanctioned tournaments are comprised of two parts—a qualifying round and a playoff round—and players earn MRPs in both parts.

The qualifying round of a weekend (or weekday) tournament frequently consists of 22 games (12 or 14 games are more typical of one-day tournaments). At the end of the qualifying round, the top 25% of the field makes the playoffs. These players are ranked from #1 down to the last qualifier according to how well they did during the qualifying round.

Players in the bottom half of the qualifying field earn 5 MRPs across the board, while the top half of the qualifiers earn MRPs based on GPs, or game points (all those 2s and 3s you wrote in the left column on your scorecard). For example, in a 22-game main tourney, players the top half of the field earn MRPs according to this schedule:

GPs	MRPs
27	5
28	10
29	15
30	20
31	25
32	30
33	35
34	40
35	45
36	50
37	55
38	60
39	65
40	70
etc.	

(Different scales apply for main tournaments with fewer games in the qualifying round and for consolation events.)

The second way to earn MRPs is during the playoff round of a sanctioned tourney, which features head-to-head matches between the qualifiers. MRPs earned in the playoffs correlate with the round in which you lose: lose in the first round of a main tournament and get 7 MRPs (4 MRPs in a consy); lose in the second round of a main and get 21 MRPs (12 in a consolation); and so on. The farther you advance in the playoffs, the more MRPs you earn:

Playoff Round	Main MRPs	Consy MRPs
1	7	4
2	21	12
3	42	24
4	70	40
5	105	60
6	147	84
7	196	112
8	252	144
9	315	180
10	385	220

In a main tournament, the minimum MRPs you earn for qualifying is 12 (i.e., 5 for qualifying plus 7 for a first-round knockout), while 7 MRPs are the fewest you can earn in a consolation (3 for qualifying plus 4 for a first-round loss).

After you've earned MRPs in several tournaments they start to add up, and when you collect 2,000 of 'em, you reach the rank of ACC Master. Here are the various ACC award levels and how many MRPs are needed to reach each one:

Award Level	MRPs
Master	2,000
Grand Master	4,000
Life Master	6,000
Life Master (★)	10,000
Life Master (★★)	15,000

Life Master (★★★)	20,000
Life Master (★★★★)	25,000
etc.	

Each year players across the continent compete for the national championship. The person who accumulates the most MRPs between August 1 and July 31 is crowned national champion. Last year's champ was Life Master $(4\star)$ Erik Locke (Wood Village OR), and the all-time point leader is Life Master $(9\star)$ Duane Toll (Sutherlin OR). Even though their accomplishments are impressive, remember that they started earning MRPs the first time they qualified.

While this system might look complex, it is in reality fairly logical. Study the tables—and ask lots of questions of experienced tournament players. For more information about the ACC's MRP scoring system, visit **cribbage.org**, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "Sitemap" and then click on "Point Scoring System" under the "About" heading.

One final note: two types of sanctioned tourneys do not have a qualifying round: match play and consy lite basically consist of only playoffs. As a result the MRP schedule for playoffs in these formats are slightly different—but you still earn MPRs!

Bottom line: to become an ACC Master, you'll need to master both cribbage and MRPs.

Next month: the gripping saga of GRPs.

Internet Cribbage



by Sally Henderson (Internet Commish)

Happy New Year! Things can only get better, and I am hoping many of you are

enjoying the January–February special tournament in honor of International Cribbage Day. If you are one of the 131 players in this inaugural event, I am grateful for your participation and hope that you find it to be a fun alter-

internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	649	Sam Sinram (IA503)
2	502	Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
3	495	Gary Brandt (Eaglear39)
4	468	Jeff Raynes (jeffraynes29)
5	456	Daniel Crete (dec)
6T	447	Ed Bloom (heliumman)
6T	447	Nancy Rojas (nancribdr)
8	434	Ronnie Murakami (Hapegger)
9	419	Kelly Ann Burgar (lilthummper)
10	406	Peter Legendre (legend397)

native. News this month includes three grand slams in less than a week!

Major announcement: effective February 1, the Board of Directors has approved a new way to award IRPs for the nine-game Grass Roots style tournaments. Currently, the chart is "top heavy and bottom light," so the new IRP schedule will be more balanced at both ends. You can see the new IRP chart by clicking "Play Online" at **cribbage.org** and then clicking "Internet Rating Points (IRPs)" in the left column. February 1 was chosen as the start date so that there would be six months of the current schedule, balanced with six months of the new schedule. Special thanks to

Player of the Month

Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425) at 164 IRPs

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)

Debra Lucas (MsBeeHaven_OR3253)

Internet 28-Hands Ronnie Murakami (HApegger)

Internet Slams
Mike Rosenstock (sirpegger)
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John Schafer and James Morrow for their efforts to do all of the math and provide options for the BOD discussion at their November meeting, and to the Internet Committee.

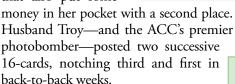
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Grass Roots

Club 120 (Wisconsin Rapids WI) enjoys a visit from Kathy Pacocha, Troy Thorson, Bonnie Pacocha, and Jill Groshek every holiday season, and Kathy was the luckiest of the bunch this year. Her nifty 28-hand punctuated a night that also put some



At Club 346 in Cherokee NC, Meredith Ferrier started the year with *three* first places and followed up with a second place! Club 346 is the only Grass Roots club playing on an Indian reservation.

Here's an oddity from Scottsdale Club 24. **Ron James** was playing **Zelma Strandell**, and on her deal he held a flush consisting of 2-6-7-9 of Diamonds



and then cut the 8 of Diamonds for a cool 15 points. On the very next deal, Ron tossed 6 and 9 of Diamonds into his crib, Zelma

threw 7 and 8 of Diamonds, and then the 2 of Diamonds was cut. *Same* exact hand and, of course, a cinch to count the second time!

Many clubs are shuttered because of Covid restrictions, and so the number of Grass Roots Regional Tourcontinued on page 20

GrassRoots Awards

SILVER

Karen Smith (WY), 238 BRONZE

Kai Lemrise (CA), 98 June Pafford (WY), 211 Michael Wertz (OR), 113 Wendy Yafuso (TX), 281

Kenneth P. Young (WY), 211

Frosty's buddies Lloyd Lubbert and Lewis Kamps taught him how to play cribbage many years ago, and he joined the ACC in 1991.

His cribbage mentor is Wayne Steinmetz, with whom he has codirected many tournaments in Wisconsin. Currently a member of Omro Club 370, Frosty has been club champion there as

Richard Frost (Berlin WI) Gold #150

well as at the now defunct Berlin Club. His toughest opponent at club is James Huser. His first tournament win was the 1991 Polish Open in Appleton WI, and he has now won twenty-six events. In a non-pandemic year, Frosty attends thirty or more tournaments. Non-cribbage interests include coin collecting and attending rummage sales and auctions.



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naments is way down. GRRT statistician Marlene Lazachek reports that eleven clubs in the Central Region held a GRRT last fall, with a total of 147 players. Douglas Sletten, playing with Club 96 in Rapid City SD, had the only 28-hand. Here are top ten GRRT scorecards in the Central Region.

At Club 6 on November 24, I hear a voice call out "29!" I look to my right and see Life Master (4★) Wayne Steinmetz with his third 29-hand. ♣ He wins all of our



skunk kitty, and his four 5s put him in contention for our high poker hand, which pays two places. Well, Wayne was not that lucky, as his four 5s drop to third place after four 9s and four 6s are called in. No worries—Wayne had both of them also! Now for the best stat. After losing this game, Wayne is one-of-three with 29s. The real stopper had to be the 29 he had in a long match against **Richard Frost**, when Wayne still got skunked! —*submitted by Dale Magedanz*

rank	player	club	score
1	Terry Lundwall	390	31/15 +190
2	Duane Sink	107	31/14 +271
3	Doyle Haglund	17	29/13 +118
4	Dale Magedanz	6	28/13 +157
5	Bernard Brentar	390	28/13 +156
6	Rick Redding	107	28/13 +143
7	Donald Smith	390	28/12 +156
8	Gerald Buss	90	27/13 +156
9	Fred Sanders	17	27/13 +145
10	Ronald Rose	17	27/13 +135

Club 371 (Citrus Heights CA) played its Grass Roots Regional Tournament on December 5, and **Jae McElroy** had a good day. He started with two losses, then put together a fourteen-game winning streak that netted a 31 card!



Cribbage and/in Pop Culture

Set in the early 1800s in the Pacific Northwest's frontier days, the arthouse/indie film *First Cow*—directed by Kelly Reichardt in her typical minimalist style—references cribbage twice.

Early in the movie the main character, Otis "Cookie" Figowitz (played by John Magaro), finds himself in a backwoods



stockade filled with roughhewn shacks and peopled by equally roughhewn trappers.

As Cookie enters what passes for a saloon, the dimly lit scene quickly shows some card playing, including two cribbage boards, which appear to be made of horn or wood with thin white ivory-looking pegs. No cribbage-related words are spoken in the scene, but a player's fingers are seen picking up the back peg, dragging it slowly along as he scores what looks to be a count of ten or more points. Because of the dim lighting, it is difficult to tell which cards the players are holding.

Later in the movie Cookie is on the run, and several men ransack his shack looking for him. As they leave the area, having not found Cookie, they have a running dialog between a character named Lloyd and an unnamed soldier, including this part about cribbage (starting at 1h 46m):

Lloyd: A cheater. . . . I've skunked him every game, regardless. He's not a

worthy opponent. He prefers to discard just one card to the crib.

Soldier: One card?

Lloyd: Aye.

Soldier: Abysmal.

Lloyd: It's an archaic rule, but he prefers the old ways.

Soldier: Aye.

Lloyd: The guy's true adversary is John Suckling's noble game. Soldier: Cribbage players are in short supply in this hemisphere.

Lloyd: Aye. I've suffered for it dearly.

While cribbage players are no longer in short supply in this hemisphere, it is abysmal that opportunities to play are limited right now.

Cribbage World thanks John DeRosa (Dundee IL) for the heads-up on this movie.

IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Kenneth R. Ehrich

Ken "Butch" Ehrich (Denver CO) was a beloved member of Club 23, who never failed to have a story to tell. A former US Navy chaplain assistant and then a banking examiner, his long life provided much fodder for those stories. He enjoyed counting his cribbage hand with "only 12", when his opponent had just eight points. He loved heading "up the hill" to the Colorado casinos. Saturday afternoons will not be the same without Butch!

Earl G. Fox

Earl Fox (Minneapolis MN) passed away on November 1 at the age of eighty. He spent a lot of weekends traveling to Wisconsin tournaments and always enjoyed his yearly trip to Reno. Earl played with Twin City Peggers for many years and reached the Silver level and earned his Master rating. Earl loved fishing, hunting, and casinos. He always had a big smile. He will be missed.



Daniel Guimond

With a heavy heart, Club 314 shares that our dear friend Dan Guimond (Hudson NH) passed on December 26. Dan was part of our club for just the last two years, but we will miss him. Prayers to his family and wishes that Dan will rest in peace.

Robert Hadley

Robert Hadley (Hickory NC) passed away on December 14 at age eighty-six. Born in Detroit MI, Bob met his bride of sixty years, Elaine Verbyla, at Duke University. An avid bridge player, Bob also excelled at cribbage, having earned his Silver Award.

Pete Johnson

Pete Johnson (age eighty) passed away peacefully on December 9 in his home in Sunnyside WA, surrounded by loved ones. He served at Fort Bragg NC and in the Military Reserve in the 1960s. He married the love of his life, Linda Fuchs, in 1969, and they shared fifty-two years together. A man of many interests—including cars, motorcycles, hunting, and cribbage—Pete taught many people the game of cribbage. He taught his grandchildren and was very happy that they enjoyed learning and playing. He was a charter member of Silver Dollar Club 156 and earned his Silver Award in 2018. He was club champion in 2009 and set the club record for most points scored in a season. Pete made many friends in the ACC and will be remembered for his wit, humor, integrity, strength, and uncanny ability to see the good in every person who knew him. He is already missed by many.

Zigmunt Kryszczuk

Zig Kryszczuk (Hickory NC) passed away on December 22 at age seventy-six. Born in Winnipeg, Canada, he immigrated to the United States in 1952, relocating to Rockford IL, and was incredibly proud to become a U.S citizen at the age of nineteen. He was famous for building back decks, smoking turkeys, and playing a mean game of cribbage. While he was playful and fun, he also espoused a strong work ethic and encouraged his children to constantly seek knowledge. For most of his career he worked in electronics sales, retiring in 2008. After retirement he moved to Hickory to be close to grandchildren. He enjoyed playing cards, especially cribbage, poker, and samba. Zig was a dedicated husband, and family was always his number one priority.

Roger Leduc

Roger Leduc (Paw Paw MI) passed away on December 28 at his home. Roger was ninety-one years young and married to the love of his life, Jackie, for seventy years, who preceded him in death twenty days earlier. He served his country in the US Army during the Korean War. He was the patriarch of LeDuc and Sons Builders and LeDuc Blueberries in the Paw Paw area. He learned to play cribbage (and many other card games) when he was about eight years old at family gatherings. Unfortunately, he didn't know about organized

California

David Christensen (Walnut Creek)

Edward Cundiff (Sacramento) Jessica Ralph (San Diego) John Ralph (San Diego)

Florida

David Goguen (Land O Lakes) Dorothy Kemmler (Merritt Island)

Maryland

Christine Murphy (Potomac) *Massachusetts*

Mary Ann Doherty (Foxboro) Mitch Rogers (Natick)

New Members

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Michigan

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New Mexico

Dan Akins (Nashua)

New York

Carl J. DiMarco (Center

Moriches)

Oregon

Richard Bender (Tualatin) Sharon Bender (Tualatin) John Kendrick (Bend)

Washington

Abby McGinnis (Lake Tapps) Matthew McGinnis (Lake Tapps) Liz Roth (Seattle)

Wisconsin

Jeb Birch (Appleton) Charlie Giese (Plainfield) Trescha Kay (Plainfield) Eric Olsen (Hortonville) Phil Vangones (Suamico)

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT - A better Cribbage Community starts with lifting a hand - not pointing a finger.

cribbage until 2019 when he joined the Kalamazoo Cribbage Club. Had he heard about the ACC back when it came to southwest Michigan in the late 1980s, there's no doubt he would have been one of the charter members. In his brief career with the club, he accumulated 138 points in twenty-one weeks, had a respectable .540 winning percentage, and a 19/14 skunk differential, but most of all everyone who played against him enjoyed it very much.

J. Bayard Lliteras

Bayard Lliteras (Coeur d'Alene ID) died January 14 at age sixty-seven. Bayard won the 1993 Grand National held in Missoula MT, coming out on top in the field of 406 players. He played tournaments primarily in Idaho and Montana.

Daniel J. Patriss

Dan Patriss (age ninety-six) passed away peacefully on December 12 at his home in Newington CT. Daniel served honorably in the U.S. Army during World War II, stationed on a ship in the Aleutian Islands as a Morse code radio operator. After his discharge, he was employed as a mailman for almost thirty years until his retirement. Although inactive for the last ten years, Dan played in Club 26 for about twenty years and earned his Bronze Award. He enjoyed sports, volunteering for bingo,

and watching UConn women's basketball. Above all, he was a selfless and giving person.

David C. Rideout II

A note from Jacob Rideout informs us of the passing of his father, David Rideout (Santa Clara CA). "Cribbage was," writes Jacob, "my Dad's favorite game but I never knew he was a part of a national community for cribbage lovers. After finding his ACC membership card, I felt the need to write."

Richard A. Verney

Dick Verney died peacefully on December 11 in South Windsor CT. In the early 1950s he served in the US Army Signal Corps for two years as a cryptographer, stationed in Austria. He married Jean Beaumont in 1953; upon Jean's death in 1996, he lost the love of his life. His career spanned forty-five years as an office and finance manager for several industrial companies. His retirement years were spent in Rhode Island and Connecticut. Avocations included the Episcopal Church, music (especially from the Big Band Era), and piano playing for friends and family. He played Grass Roots clubs and tournaments and earned his Bronze Award. Dick was a humble gentleman, with a dry wit and sense of optimism to the end. He leaves the world a better place and will be missed by many.

Cribbage Both Historical and Hysterical





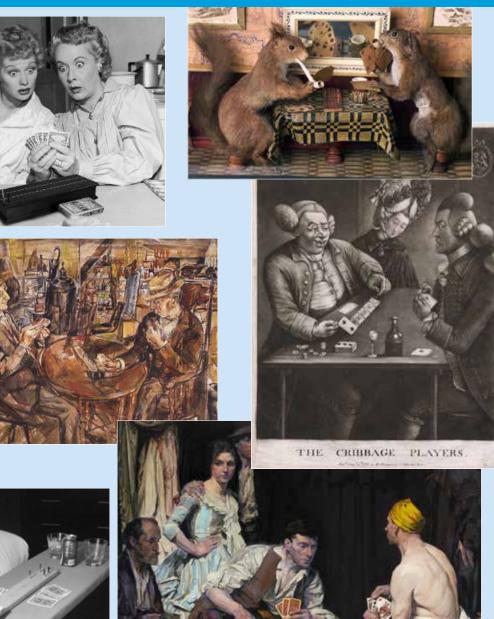






Joe Zimmitti (Cromwell CT) submitted this collage of photos he captured via screenshot from the internet (except for the makeshift ironing board/cribbage table when Joe was in Raleigh NC).

Which is your favorite? Or least favorite? Some of these are desperately in need of captions. Any takers?



GAME ON by Dan Zeisler

Youth Teaching Tip

The ultimate goal when teaching youth cribbage is for kids to develop a deep appreciation and love for the game that will last a lifetime. One key to this is to have a detailed conversation about good sportsmanship and understanding that cribbage is just a game. When you win, do so with grace; and when you lose, congratulate your opponent and look forward to the next game. Ingraining this perspective into your students may keep some from taking the game too seriously, and they will more likely find the joy in simply playing a friendly game regardless of the outcome.

Youth News

I have heard from quite a few families that introduced themselves to cribbage during the pandemic. In one instance, Henry Howard (age 14)—a new youth player from Merrimack NH—and his family decided to learn a "new" game. His aunt Ellen retrieved an instructional cribbage manual from the library, and the entire family began to play. They held family tournaments nightly. Oh, the fun of healthy competition among loved ones! As their confidence built and the State of New Hampshire opened, Henry, his grandmother Fran, and mom Suzanne tried their hand at a local tournament. Although none of them made it to the qualifying round, the experience and all the welcoming players made for a delightful day. Henry has asked to establish a cribbage club at his school once things get back to normal. The ACC Youth Program will aid his endeavors with a teaching manual and ten long boards.

A local elementary school teacher from northern California figured out a way to teach the basic concepts of cribbage through Zoom to her fifth-grade students. She teaches the pupils to recognize 15s, runs, pairs, and so on, and challenges them to identify the correct point values of hands she displays. What a great math activity to keep kids engaged while at home learning.

Teaching Manuals

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

- Henry Howard (Merrimack NH)
- Sandy Nyhart (Bandon OR)
- Carolyn Balmer (Puyallup WA)
- Mark Topliss (Kieler WI; Mark is sending the manual to family near Mexico City)
- Nick Tuzzolino (Arcadia CA)

COOL STUFF ON THE WEB

In a recent episode of Smarter Every Day, host Destin Sandlin goes to school on how sonar works. He interviews the Chief Petty Officer onboard the USS Toledo (SSN-769) as a part of his "Nuclear Submarine Deep Dive." As the CPO steps up to a whiteboard to explain a sonar concept, the camera zooms in (@ 9:15) to show "CO and XO Cribbage Record" on a paper above the whiteboard (best seen in full-screen mode on a large monitor). Unfortunately, no cribbage board or cards are visible in the Officers' Wardroom. To see the entire episode, go to youtube.com and type "Smarter Every Day 249" in the search box. CW thanks the eagle eye of Tracy Yott (Newark CA) for spotting this.

Don't throw away Cribbage World

As we prepare to restart clubs and tournaments, keep in mind that *Cribbage World* is one of our best advertising tools.

When you done reading CW, take it with you on your next trip to the doctor, auto repair shop, community center, or lodge, so it can be enjoyed by others.

In addition, extra *Cribbage Worlds* are available free of charge for membership drives and special events. Contact **cribbageworld@cribbage.org** for more info.

Youth Program Donations—Thanks to members who contributed to the future of cribbage.

- Aaron Ames (Urbana IL)
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- Albert Sullivan (Puyallup WA)
- Nick Tuzzolino (Arcadia CA)
- Rick Vee (Hermosa SD)
- Doug Venne (Reno NV)
- Jon F. Walters (Auburn WA)
- Art Whitney (Long Beach CA)

TWTHFS



Players with 100+ points

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs name			MRPs name			MRPs name		
1	525	Dave Yaeger	1	354	Ann Trotter	1	275	Donna LaFleur
2	235	Gordy Wise	2	321	Doug Page	2	247	Keith Widener
3	230	Sandy Sands	3	255	Henry Brandner	3	213	Robert Medeiros
4	217	Laurie Logan	4	232	Wayne Steinmetz	4	194	Kevin Harris
5	209	Erik Locke	5	229	Richard Frost	5	185	Mike Fetchel
6	204	Dennis Morin	6	204	Dale Magedanz	6	170	David Campbell
7	155	Trevor Poole	7	192	James McCarty	7	167	Pat Llewellyn
8	151	Cy Madrone	8	159	Jeff Shimp	8	155	Phil Martin
9	144	Joe Gates	9	154	David Aiello	9	152	Charlene Cohen
10	143	Ronald Logan	10	136	Rick Kuehn	10	136	Barry Spadea
11	123	Pamela Pomeroy	11	134	Clay Collier	11	105	Robert Baker
12	119	Dana McClain	12	125	Steven Steinmetz	11	105	Albert Miller
13	109	Wayne Momsen	13	120	Emilio Perez	13	102	Richard West
14	108	Bob Brumley	14	117	Patrick Healey			
			15	108	Bob Joslin			

TWO ACC JOB OPENINGS

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Main task—processing membership applications (new and renewal). The following requirements are necessary to accomplish this task:

- 10 hours per week
- detail-oriented approach to work
- computer and software literacy
- · understanding of basic accounting principles

A full description of the membership secretary's duties may be found in the ACC Policy Manual, chapter 4 \$II.

WEBMASTER

Main task—maintaining, updating, and developing the ACC's website (cribbage.org). The webmaster will be responsible for these tasks:

- overseeing the website
- troubleshooting technical issues
- designing and maintaining the web pages
- promoting the ACC website to increase prominence
- updating cribbage statistics A full description of the webmaster's tasks may be found in the ACC Policy Manual, chapter 4 §VI.

If you are qualified for either position, please send email to ACC president David Campbell at acccribbage@aol.com.

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.

GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE							
date	city/state	TD					
Sept. 21–26, 2021	Sacramento CA	Jeanne Jelke					
Sept. 23-25, 2022	Omaha NE	Scott Kooistra					
Oct. 10–15, 2023	Virginia Beach VA	Jack Howsare					

TOC &	ACC OPEN SCHEDULE			
@ Sands Regency in Reno NV				
	March 5 7, 2021			
	March 4-6, 2022			
	March 3-5, 2023			

WI ◆ Feb. 12-14, Go Green Bay

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

TOC & ACC Open Canceled

OR ◆ Mar. 19-21, Sissel Memorial NW Open

Elks, 1896 2nd St, Baker City OR 97814. TD: Les Sissel (541.519.1483) & Mindy Sherrieb

WI ◆ Mar. 19-21, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverside Inn, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546)

SD ◆ DEADWOOD TRIPLEHEADER

Lodge at Deadwood, 100 Pine Crest Lane, Deadwood SD 57732

Apr. 1-2, Deadwood Open

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & David Campbell

Apr. 3, Aces and Eights

TD: David Campbell (207.730.2051) & Lana Newhouse

Apr. 4, Calamity Jane Open

TD: Lana Newhouse (920.585.7718) & Julie Pierce

AK ◆ Apr. 10, Alaska State Championship

Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99507. TD: CJ Kim (907.245.2687) & Bonnie Kline

WI ◆ Apr. 23–24, Black River Classic Spring

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

WI ◆ May 7–9, Peg for Pink

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

CA ◆ May 29, EEC Barnyard Bonanza

Escondido Equestrian Center, 26002 Bear Valley Heights Rd, Escondido CA 92027. TD: Joan Layte (760.751.2073)

CA ◆ June 11–13, Northern California Open

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

ME ◆ July 9-11, Lobster Pegoff

Season's Grille, 427 Main St, Bangor ME 04419. TD: Dave Leissner (207.848.8050) & Joe Bowen

OR • July 10-11, Shut Up and Deal

Gleneden Beach Community Club, 110 Azalea St, Gleneden Beach OR 97388. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Steve Lewis

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go to cribbage.org for more tournament details

NE ◆ Aug. 1, Nebraska One-Day Starter

Comfort Inn, 7007 Grover St, Omaha NE 68106. TD: Scott Kooistra (605.661.7081) & Don Thienel

ID ◆ Sep. 17-19, Gem State Classic

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

CA + GRAND NATIONAL 39

Doubletree, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento CA 95815

Sep. 22-23, Grand National Midweek

TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)

Sep. 25-26, Grand National 39

TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

NE ◆ Oct. 1-3, Cornhusker Classic

Comfort Inn, 7007 Grover St, Omaha NE 68106. TD: Scott Kooistra (605.661.7081) & Don Thienel

OR ◆ Oct. 15-17. Salem Classic

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

OR ◆ Nov. 18-19, Chinook Winds Weekday

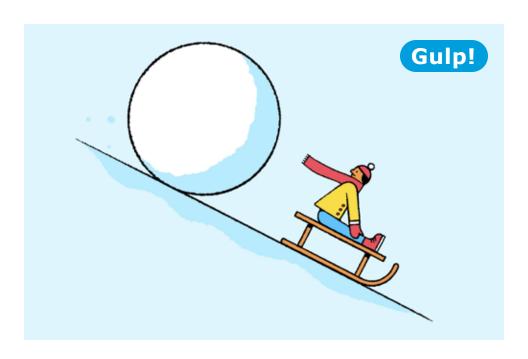
Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th St, Lincoln City OR 97367. TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318) & Pete Larson

CA ◆ Nov. 19–21, Jerry Montgomery Memorial Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

Some states are lifting stay-at-home orders, but always check cribbage.org for the latest updates and/or check with the tournament director to confirm if a tourney is still on schedule.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FROM TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

Jingle Bell Open: \$125 to Salvation Army
Mick Michaelis Classic: \$165 to Shriners Children's Hospital







40 Years Ago

Printing the ACC's first rulebook hit a snag: the Executive Committee authorized \$350 to print 2,000 copies, but the actual bill ran to \$750. What to do? President Joe "Think Big" Wergin's solution was to sell advertising space in the rulebook to make up the deficit. One might legitimately wonder why some other logical choices were not pursued: (1) cutting the print run in half or more and (2) asking for more money from the ACC.

25 Years Ago

The front cover announced that George Edge (RI) won the 166-player Holiday Classic main in Woonsocket RI, and Donna LaFleur (CT) beat Robert Medeiros (MA) in the finals of the 94-player consolation. Elsewhere we read that George Mackie (WA) won the 146-player Portland Winter Open. A discarding tip from Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen shows that 9-K and 10-K are the only discards to the opponent's crib that average less than four points (see page 15 for more details).

Financial Assistance

The ACC does not want anyone to drop their membership be-

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 - Be kind to
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