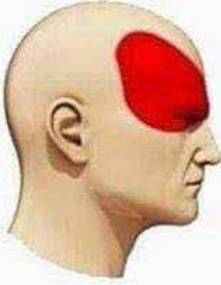
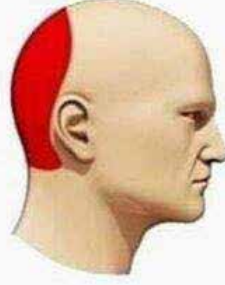


## Types of Headaches

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Stress



Having to play Erik Locke in game 22 and needing a skunk to qualify



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## New ACC Judges

- **Jeff Crabill** (Salem OR)
- **Bill Schlabs** (West Sacramento CA)
- **John Schmidt** (Saint Paul MN)
- **Denis Walker** (Bandon OR)

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The Ethics Committee suspended **Larry Pisha** (Gresham OR) for six months ending February 29, 2024, for being disruptive, confrontational, verbally abusive, and very aggressive to other players.

### ACC membership odometer

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# President's Column

by James Morrow



## New ACC Record!

Setting records is always fun. Sometimes records can happen in the blink of an eye: back-to-back 29-hands, playing a nine-game consolation, or Grass Roots only takes a couple hours. Other times records are a war of attrition: a season of 36 weeks for Grass Roots, 52 weeks for weekend play, 150 tournaments for online play. For those record-setting seasons you must be committed, show up every week, spend some time, and score some qualifying points. Some records last for years, others are broken within weeks or a season later.

According to Guinness World Records, in order to be a world record it must fulfill all of the following criteria. They must be:

- **Measurable**—Can it be measured objectively? What is the unit of measurement? We do not accept applications based on subjective variables. For example, beauty, kindness, loyalty. (Dang, I applied for all of these and was rejected!)
- **Breakable**—Can the record be broken? Record titles must be open to being challenged.
- **Standardizable**—Can the record be repeated by someone else? Is it possible to create a set of parameters and conditions that all challengers can follow?
- **Verifiable**—Can the claim be proven? Will there be accurate evidence available to prove it occurred?
- **Based on one variable**—Is the record based on one superlative and measured in one unit of measurement?
- **The best in the world**—Has anyone else done better? If your record suggestion is new, then Guinness World Records will set a challenging minimum requirement for you to beat.



Sounds easy enough, right?

I don't think **David Aiken** was planning on setting a world record when he started as *Cribbage World* editor in January 2007. He has steadily been working toward a record of his own, seventeen years in the making. Dave has published a record 203 issues.

Dave's first *Cribbage World*, volume 28.1 (January 2007), was the start of several new columns: "My Deal," "a retrospective glance"(25 years ago), and the "Cribbage Quiz." He changed the font to give it a cleaner look and added pictures and graphics to give it a more personable feel. Volume 38.10 (October 2017) featured on the front page the 2017 Grand National champions in a color picture. And

with volume 39.1 (January 2018), the entire issue was in full color.

With the current magazine, volume 45.1 in January 2024, Dave has published 203 issues. Does David's reign as *Cribbage World* editor pass the Guinness test?

- **Measurable?** Yes, 203 issues.
- **Breakable?** Yes, it will take seventeen years and a month if you start today.
- **Standardizable?** All you have to do is fill 32+ pages with cribbage info.
- **Verifiable?** You can see his name in every issue from January 2007 on.
- **Based on one variable?** Months of publications.
- **The best in the world?** With all of Dave's improvements, we are comparing apples to oranges with *Cribbage World* from seventeen years ago.

It looks like a certified new Guinness World Record to the president of the ACC! But if they don't recognize his achievements, then certainly Cribbage World Records acknowledges this great accomplishment. Congratulations, David, and here's to the next 203 issues!

My New Year wish to all the ACC members: May you break many records and set personal bests. Happy New Year to you all. What record will you set in 2024?

### CRIBBAGE WORLD EDITORS

editor	years	issues	total pages	average pages per issue
James Arblaster	1980–1983	42	474	11.29
Robert Madsen	1983–1986	28	376	13.43
Dale Munroe	1986–1990	49	844	17.22
DeLynn Colvert	1990–2006	202	5,452	26.99
David Aiken	2007–2024	203	7,608	37.48
<b>totals:</b>		524	14,754	28.16



## Cool Stuff We Found on the Web

The *Wall Street Journal* crossword on November 11, 2023, had this clue:

**34A. They score a point in cribbage.**

Thanks to **Geoffrey Rezek** (Darien CT) for finding this reference.



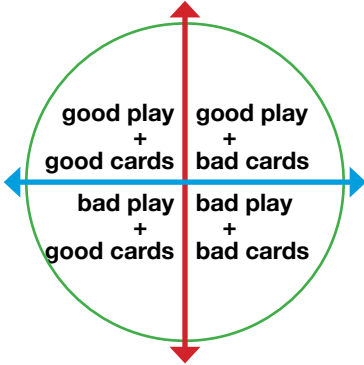
# My Deal

by David Aiken



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

The game of cribbage can be imposed on a two-dimensional grid, with the X axis representing how good our cards are, and the Y axis showing how well we play.



The blue equator separates good play from bad play, and the red prime meridian separates good cards from bad cards.




In an ideal world, we always inhabit the northwest quadrant of this grid, demonstrating good play and having good cards on every deal. Even if we don't have good cards, we still need to play well (northeast quadrant).

The problem comes when we sink south of the equator and begin playing

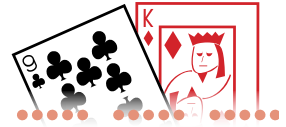
poorly. Even with good cards and bad play (southwest quadrant), we'll manage to win some games. But combining bad cards and bad play (southeast quadrant) is a recipe for disaster.

Although knowledge does not guarantee good play, ignorance is a virtual guarantee of bad play. In fact, bad play is so much easier when players know nothing (or nothing complicated) about cribbage. And at least one element of the unholy trinity of cribbage errors—bad discard, bad play, bad counting—will be evident on almost every deal when we don't bother to increase our knowledge of the game.

It is incumbent on everyone who shuffles a deck of cards to try to improve. I mean, why wouldn't you want to get better? Granted, there is a very thin edge of expert execution that only the elite players seems to achieve, but improving your game even just a little will lead to more enjoyment, as you start to recognize pro plays, count your hands with greater confidence, learn some of the probabilities, pick up on opponents' tendencies, and

Tale of the Tape	 <b>Rick Baird</b>	 <b>David Aiken</b>	 <b>Rob Medeiros</b>
average	51.3% (78–74)	54.3% (82–69)	✓ 65.8% (50–26)
biggest win	✓ +53 vs. Roger Col-linson (OR) @ Club 12	+45 vs. Pam Burdick (MI) @ Wishbone Open	+43 vs. Cheryl Ber-tone (MA) @ Club 464
worst loss	-48 vs. Dennis Morin (CA) @ Susanville	-42 vs. Harry Halicki (MI) @ Club 71	✓ -37 vs. Kenneth Flynn (MA) @ Club 104

# Your Deal



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## Shuffling

I would like to compliment **Keith Widener** about his November column on shuffling (page 21). It's the best article I've read so far as it pertains to ACC cribbage. I agree with everything he stated, especially that a chop is not a shuffle. I feel the goal of a fair shuffle is to randomize the cards. I prefer not to pick up the deck for the allowed pone reshuffle but will if sufficient quality mixing is not done. If you'd like to test how good your own shuffle is, put a deck in order, shuffle, and then look how many cards are still close to the same order.

*Robert Chase (Minneapolis MN)*

## Cribbage Queen

It's easy to see why **John Quist** can't win. There's a virtual crown over **Maria's** head in the picture in the December *Cribbage World!* ➔

*Paul Barnes (Ormond Beach FL)*



## Milestones!

Two months in advance, send info about member birthdays ending in a zero to [cwed152@gmail.com](mailto:cwed152@gmail.com) or 334 Pine St, Coopersville MI 49404.

*Happy Birthday in December!*

80—**Margery Clark** (OR)

*Happy Birthday in January!*

90—**Ronald Logan** (ID)

90—**John Heald** (MA)

70—**Terry Goatz** (KY)

maybe, just maybe, have a bit more success at the cribbage board.

No one lives in the “good play + good cards” quadrant all the time, so this column is mainly an encouragement to all of us to play smart at all times, regardless of how bad our cards are. **CW**

## NIBS or NOBS?

Here's a hint from the sequence of play during a game on how to remember which is which. The first time in a deal that the Jack comes into play is when it is the cut card and the dealer takes two points (**Nibs**). The second time is when a player holds a Jack that matches the suit of the starter card and get one point (**Nobs**). The two terms appear in alphabetical order: I comes before O, so the cut Jack is **Nibs**, and holding a Jack that matches the suit of the starter card is **Nibs**.

*Thanks to Geoffrey Rezek (Darien CT) for this mnemonic.*

# GRASS ROOTS Clubs



official GRPs only, as of 12/22

Division	rank	GRPs	name (club)
1 →	1	191	David Aiello (197)
	1	191	Tom Anderson (356)
	3	176	Duane Toll (62)
	4	174	Robert Medeiros (104)
	5	172	Brett Brunner (240)
	6	169	Brian Bell-Irving (62)
	7	160	Thomas Beucler (388)
	8	159	Dennis Crooks (408)
	9	156	Steve Colgan (467)
	10	154	Dwight Christiansen (382)
	10	154	Ronald Geerdes (396)
	12	149	Alice Souza (453)
	13	148	Ben Holder (43)
	14	147	Joy Barnes (230)
	14	147	Dale Newberry (202)
	16	146	Cynthia Drozynski (173)
	16	146	Roy Martin (306)
	18	145	Allen Karr (61)
	19	144	Rick Baird (12)
	20	143	John Piasecki (390)
	21	142	Bob Bartosh (453)
	21	142	Rick Westerman (379)
	23	141	Gerry Arseneau (308)
	23	141	Frederick Bertorello (390)
	25	139	Dan Sand (94)
	26	138	Steve Kaplan (408)
	26	138	Rex Paddock (347)
	28	137	Joseph Murdock (175)
	28	137	Jeff Olson (22)
	30	136	Gary Duvall (148)
	30	136	James Mahon (361)
	30	136	Nancy Rojas (162)
	33	135	Dave Schwartz (377)
	33	135	Ron Shelton (124)
	35	133	Verdell Brand (96)
	35	133	Jerry Newhouse (90)
	35	133	Louise Streeter (219)
	38	132	Grant Crawford (131)
	39	131	Jim Egan (321)
	39	131	Raymond Tondorf (308)
	39	131	James Wysocki (467)
	42	130	Tim Gudahl (202)
	43	129	Timothy Cuppy (215)
	43	129	Douglas Myers (329)
	43	129	Gary Reichel (300)
	46	128	Dwayne Pankiw (261)
	47	127	Jon Bumstead (379)
	47	127	Timothy Julkowski (377)
	47	127	James Ravenscroft (175)
	50	126	Mike Gervais (277)

rank	GRPs	name (club)
51	125	Michael Lemay (375)
51	125	Wayne Momsen (127)
51	125	Larry Phifer (58)
51	125	Jeff Seidenstein (58)
51	125	Rick Vee (96)
56	124	Sharon Schaefer (400)
56	124	Jason Thornton (12)
58	123	Paul Eugene Dysart (251)
58	123	John Hazlett (71)
58	123	Ken Patenaude (464)
58	123	Bob Prochnow (79)
58	123	Lou Tousignant (368)
63	121	Paul Griffin (308)
63	121	Gary Pinkley (377)
65	120	Jim Blough (71)
65	120	Gregory Gougian (314)
65	120	Donald Janelle (26)
65	120	Chris Kim (177)
69	119	Steve Ellis (28)
69	119	Patrick Ward (108)
69	119	Michael Weber (277)
72	118	Larry Irion (419)
72	118	Brad McCourt (354)
72	118	Kenneth Nicholls (1)
72	118	Duane Schubauer (96)
72	118	Donald Spurgeon (100)
77	117	Bob Brumley (62)
77	117	James Endres (11)
77	117	Terry Hatto (261)
77	117	Arthur Maycroft (71)
77	117	Richard Nourse (109)
82	116	Randy Nyberg (271)
83	115	Ernie Barnett (202)
83	115	Peter Koski (368)
83	115	Robert Lenz (445)
83	115	Bobby Ramelew (198)

Division	rank	GRPs	name (club)
4 →	1	124	Jerry Hedden (318)
	2	108	Darryl Overstreet (395)
	3	107	Aaron Young (455)
	4	106	John Mealy (118)
	5	95	Dulcie Hays (2)
	6	90	Hoss Reynolds (38)
	7	89	Carol Miller (118)
	8	88	Jim Claude (452)
	8	88	James Langley (205)
	10	86	Bob Hodges (376)
	10	86	William MacMillan (211)
	12	85	Doug King (452)
	13	84	Rich Ekman (395)
	13	84	Bill Hill (2)





edited by **Michael Barrett**



Club contributions are encouraged. Send items of interest to **ACCgrassrootscorner@gmail.com**

# GRASS ROOTS CORNER

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Club 284 (Eau Claire WI)—for the first time in the club’s 23-year history two opposing players held 24-hands on the same deal. With nearly identical hands, club member **Krissy Upthegrove** and guest **Tyler Hoernke** had to duck and weave throughout the pegging!



more Grass Roots stories on next page

Club 399 (Duluth MN)—lucky **Rose Marie Thrun** has had *two* 28-hands *and* a 29-hand so far this year!

Club 113 (Albany OR)—like any other club, #113 can have uneventful years, but not this year. **Susan Chambers** started things off with a grand slam in October. **Bob Simpson** followed up the next Tuesday night with his own grand slam. The next week, **Mike Wertz** got his first 29-hand, and the following Saturday at the weekend tourney in Brownsville OR, **Diane Harvey** got her very first 29-hand. Just three days later, in club play, **Edgar Tuttle** got his first 29-hand, which he followed up the next week with a 28-hand. Whew!

**Dawna Gray** won this handmade children’s rocking chair—made and donated by **Joseph “Chris” Christensen** (Silverdale WA)—at Kitsap Peggers Club 204’s GRRT on December 10. The proceeds from the raffle (\$200) will be donated to youth cribbage.



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# GRASS ROOTS CORNER

Club 393 (Sequim WA) saw a rare event: **Mike De Weese** not only held a 28-hand, but also scored a grand slam on the same day in the GRRT!



Club 295 (Rochester Hills MI)—**David Grifith** got an early Christmas present when he scored a grand slam 20/9 +161 (the third slam at Club 295 this season). A club member since spring 2018, this is David's first ever grand slam.



Club 467 (Shelton WA) started up just this year, and **Kay Boone** gets our first 29-hand! Her opponent, **Jim Wysocki**, has had one 29-hand, but it wasn't enough to prevent him from being skunked. Kay's 29-hand happened on fourth street and was enough for her to skunk Jim!



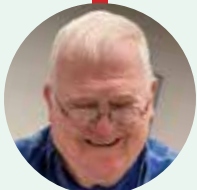
Club 440 (Bandon OR)—on November 20, **Rhonda Sollars** turned in a 12 card and earned her Bronze Award. Only 1,491 points left to Silver!



follow  
the trail



28-Hands



Bill O'Malley (Club 46 in Salem OR)  
 Dan Wright (Club 108 in Lynnwood WA)  
 Mayland Champion (Club 109 in Abington MA)  
 Richard "Mac" McCollem (Club 109 in Abington MA)  
 Raymond Galli (Club 127 in Newport OR)  
 Paul Hearn (Club 131 in Fort Walton Beach FL)  
 Al Lokitz (Club 230 in Ormond Beach FL)  
 Pat McLaughlin (Club 323 in Troy MO)  
 John Byrnes (Club 410 in Butte MT)  
 Kathy Puccinelli (Club 410 in Butte MT)  
 Mary Tellum (Club 464 in North Attleboro MA)

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Grand Slams

Paul Smith (Club 108 in Lynnwood WA)  
 Beth Walker (Club 161 in Bellingham MA)  
 Cyndi Wagner (Club 221 in Winston-Salem NC)  
 Michelle Quackenbush (Club 329 in Shepherd MI)  
 Joe Kelly (Club 464 in North Attleboro MA)



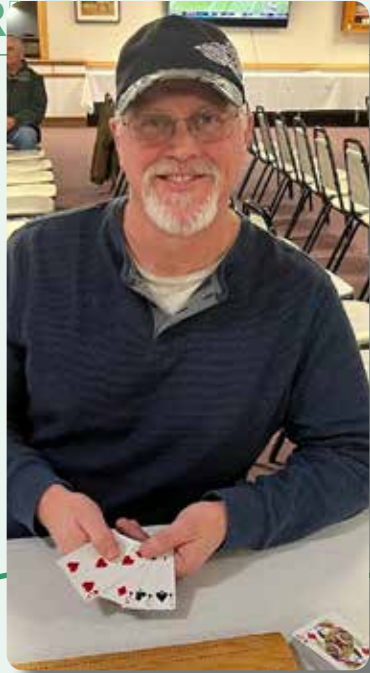
## GrassRoots *Awards*

### SILVER

- Brian W. Bell-Irving (OR), 62
- Dwight M. Christiansen (IL), 382
- John Hazlett (MI), 71
- John E. Marchand Sr. (NY), 130
- John Mealy (OR), 118
- John Tower (CO), 307
- Rick Westerman (WA), 379

### BRONZE

- Kelley Adams (GA), 119
- Beverly Drouin (CA), 140
- Scott Earley (FL), 430
- Albert Fraser (FL), 336
- Jacob French (NC), 346
- James E. Holmes (WA), 232
- Don Hopkins (CA), 164
- Veronica S. Klaas (MN), 399
- Bob Murray (CT), 26
- Jim Potter (MI), 71
- Hoss Reynolds (OR), 38
- Rhonda Sollars (OR), 440
- Robert Walton (WA), 379
- David M. Zook (CO), 456



Club 397 (Yankton SD)—on October 23, **Chad Huntley** was dealt a 28-hand on the first hand of the first game. This was the first 28-hand of Club 397's season. Chad managed to win the game by one point!



**29-Hand**

Mark Morrison (Club 323 in Troy MO)

Club 251 (Sioux Falls SD)—**Rick Swanson** had a 28-hand on his 66th birthday on December 2!

*more Grass Roots stories next month*





{Phil's words} Taking a Sunday off, a buddy and I entered a one-day tournament in our area. After getting our butts kicked my mentor, Rit Alkas, invited us to the local Grass Roots club to play. I soon joined and have been running Club 26 for the last thirty years. My toughest opponent is Mike Fetchel, who has given me many memorable games.

**Phil Martin**  
(Newington CT)  
Platinum #18

Joe learned to play cribbage from his Canadian uncles. He joined the ACC in 1992, and his father is his cribbage mentor. A member of Nibs and Nobs Club 175, he has been club champion twice (2012, 2018). Joe's favorite cribbage moment this year was holding a 28-hand on May 9. He once had a 28-hand and a 29-hand during the same Grass Roots weekly session! Joe has worked in IT for 45+ years, all with Fortune 100 companies. Non-cribbage interests include Legos, coin collecting, frisbee, badminton, and video poker.

**Joseph W. Murdock**  
(High Bridge NJ)  
Gold #204



*more Grass Roots stories next month*



## Grass Roots Awards

Last season the Grass Roots program presented more than two hundred awards to club members. The first level is Bronze, but we also presented awards to



Silver, Gold, and Platinum winners; to batting average champs and club champs; to the GRTOC winner; plus the Commissioner's Award and plaques for 29-hands.

These awards don't order themselves, and since October 2020 we have been privileged to have **Ann Trotter** ♠ (Green Bay WI) administering the Grass Roots awards program. Ann handled suppliers, award selection, and costs. During the past three years she focused on development awards with a single supplier, expanded the award offerings to include a greater variety, and developed numerous cost-saving initiatives.

Due to changing priorities and family health issues, Ann retired from the position in November, and we have now transitioned to **Betty Brumley** ♠ (Roseburg OR). Betty (aka Betty Boop) jumped into this big job with both feet, and she will be a great asset to the Grass Roots program. If you earn a Grass Roots award this season, you may be sure that Betty will be in touch with you.

A *huge* thank you to both Ann and Betty!

# New Members

98 last month

## **Alabama**

Laurelin Waites (Mobile)

## **Alaska**

Paula Bair (Wasilla)  
Bill Howell (Sterling)  
Elaine Howell (Sterling)

## **Arizona**

Doug Clark (Yuma)  
Synthia Corson (Mesa)  
Scott Hilborn (Phoenix)  
Thomas Launders (Chandler)  
John Rickel (Tucson)

## **California**

Megan Beaulieu (Lompoc)  
Glennauberl (San Diego)  
Bill Coffee (Elk Grove)  
Joseph Cross (Santa Maria)  
Charles Fournier (Redding)  
Maggie Fournier (Redding)  
Jennifer Fryer (Oakland)  
Matt Fryer (Oakland)  
Lewis Nova (Crescent City)  
Ray Porter (Elk Grove)  
Mickey Razy (Orangevale)  
Dale Stockly (Eureka)  
Marielle Winuk (Arcata)

## **Colorado**

Graham Billingsley (Boulder)  
Jordan Hasko (Gardner)  
Kevin Mauch (Parker)

## **Connecticut**

Paul Pepas (West Hartford)

## **Florida**

David Amber (Port Saint Lucie)  
Wayne Amber (Port Saint Lucie)  
John Maiuro (Pensacola)  
Brenda Scanlon (Big Pine Key)

## **Idaho**

Kelli Fischer (Meridian)  
Paul Fischer (Meridian)  
John Yore (Twin Falls)

## **Illinois**

Timothy O'Leary (Hawthorn Woods)

## **Iowa**

Debbie Augspurgen (Dubuque)  
Steve Augspurgen (Dubuque)

## **Louisiana**

Zachary Moritzky (La Place)

## **Maine**

Jim Chadwick (Holden)  
Christopher Fallis (Brunswick)  
Bruce Peterson (Limington)

## **Massachusetts**

Richard Clark (Vineyard Haven)  
Jim Higgins (Harwich)  
Ronald Linnane (Lynn)  
Tammy Linnane (Lynn)  
Kevin McLean (Attleboro)  
Karen Moore (North Attleboro)  
Raymond Oglesby (Whitinsville)  
Jeffrey Phaneuf (Chicopee)  
Patrick Swift (Salem)  
Roger Thomas (Edgartown)  
Doug Werther (Edgartown)

## **Michigan**

Barbara McLellan (Bloomfield Hills)  
James McLellan (Bloomfield Hills)

## **Minnesota**

Darin Arendt (Apple Valley)  
Mike Benolkin (Apple Valley)  
Jason Himmelwright (Apple Valley)

## **Missouri**

Alex Davis (Chesterfield)

## **Montana**

Steven Kittel (Helena)  
Nancy Thilmony (Butte)

## **New Jersey**

Susan Chew (Williamstown)

## **North Carolina**

Priscilla Foley (Denver)  
Bill Hubbard (Hillsborough)  
Larry Lingle (Belmont)  
Art McLaren (Denver)  
Tonya Vannoy (Franklin)

## **Ohio**

David Ellinwood (Columbus)

## **Oklahoma**

Mataya Schmitt (Sand Springs)

## **Oregon**

Dick Carter (Salem)

Kyle Curtis (Portland)  
Pete Knapp (Eugene)  
Karen Lee (Portland)  
Dennis Marshall (Keizer)  
Robert Peterson (Gladstone)  
Valerie Peterson (Gladstone)  
Pamela Woodies (Portland)

## **South Carolina**

Kyle Robbins (Columbia)

## **South Dakota**

Wayne Kudera (Yankton)

## **Texas**

Elijah Lopez (Katy)  
Colleen Vigil (San Angelo)

## **Vermont**

David Beaulieu (Swanton)

## **Virginia**

Ben Keebler (North Chesterfield)

## **Washington**

Kenneth Hall (Pasco)  
Waldo Hamilton (Spokane)  
Steve Martinell (Shelton)  
Al Merkel (Spokane Valley)  
John Nechvatal (Long Beach)  
Steve North (Winlock)  
Janet Patterson (Spokane)  
Jeff Raynor (Spokane)  
Clinton Sewright (Cheney)  
Dan Wilson (Edmonds)  
Dennis Zweigardt (Spokane Valley)

## **Wisconsin**

Todd Bartel (Green Bay)  
John Becker (Wausau)  
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Staci Johnson (Eau Claire)

## **Wyoming**

Philip Maloney (Cheyenne)

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**Cribbage Thought for the Day**

It is hard to win a cribbage game but incredibly easy to lose one.

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## Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

“The cards read”

Last month I attended the Veteran’s Day tournament at the J Resort in Reno. I’ve said it before and I’ll say it again: Jacob’s Entertainment has removed the Sands Regency from the building. While the cost of staying there has increased, so has the quality of the venue. You get what you pay for.

A very interesting judging situation occurred when **Carol Williams** was playing **Kathy Pacocha**. During the pegging, Carol announced the count as 15 and took two pegs. Kathy looked and noticed that the count was 14 not 15—but, not only that, Carol had missed a run of three. Kathy corrected the count to 14 but wasn’t sure what to do so she called for a judge. Carol admitted that she missed the run of three. Several judges got involved, including senior judges. A lot of opinions were expressed, but there is only one correct ruling. Can you figure it out?

Rule 7.4b states: **If a player’s incorrect count announcement is not corrected voluntarily but is challenged by the opponent before the opponent**

**plays the next card or calls “go,” then the count shall be corrected. Also, if the offending player pegged points that would not have been earned with the correct count, the player is considered to have overpegged.**

The correct count is 14 and there is a run of three to be taken by Carol, so she did earn points even though she didn’t see them. What matters is what she actually did – not what she said. Since she pegged two points she gets to keep them but cannot correct the score to three points (see rule 8.3). There is no overpegging foul, therefore Kathy does not get to take any points. Since this was not a muggins tournament, Kathy cannot take the one point that Carol missed.

But wait! Carol didn’t see the run of three! **Sally Henderson**, our ACC judge testing examiner, will quickly tell you “cards read.” It doesn’t matter in this case that Carol didn’t see the run. Carol got lucky—or did she? She missed out on one point.

Remember, as always, let’s have fun!

Keith Widener is head of the ACC’s judge program. Send questions about rules and the rulebook to Keith at [kwidener@triad.rr.com](mailto:kwidener@triad.rr.com).

CLUB 29

1. Jordan Hammond (IA): Iowa Classic (Sep. 16)
2. Terry Ward (CA): Barn Café Challenge (Sep. 24)
3. Diane Harvey (OR): Kirk’s Ferry Trading Post (Nov. 18)
4. Marsha Mahan (WI): Jingle Bell Open (Dec. 2)

# Ethics

*Several members wrote about Bill Cooper's letter about player suspensions on page 5 in the December Cribbage World. Here are selected comments, along with a response from Keith Widener, chair of the Ethics Committee.*

Cheating must never be tolerated or accepted. The failure of our Ethics Committee to expel both of those players from the ACC forces me to reevaluate my membership. I want no part of any group that allows cheaters as members. Please assure me this was an aberration that will not be repeated in the future.

—*Rick Rohrer (Wayzata MN)*

Does the ACC now condone cheating? In the 1980s when the ACC was young, there was a lot of this kind of cheating, which is why the Ethics Committee was founded. Doesn't the ACC owe its members protection from these people and consistent punishment for the offenders?

—*Catherine Perkins (Bear Creek NC)*

Why would you allow people that you clearly know cheat, come back and play at all? The impression it gives to the community as a whole is that cheaters are allowed to keep cheating, they will still take advantage of new players, steal money from rightful winners because they cheated their way to the playoffs, and in my opinion, dishonor the entire community. To keep new players and old players and to keep the game fair and respectable, I say we keep the cheaters from ever playing again.

—*Diane Sykes (Liberty Lake WA)*

Cribbage is an honorable game. There is **no** room for cheaters. If I ever caught a cribbage cheat, I would go ballistic! These cheaters should **never** be suspended. They should be banned for life!

—*William Canaguier (Harrisburg PA)*

I believe that any person that is consistently caught cheating should receive expulsion from the ACC. If there is enough information to warrant suspension, then it should be enough for expulsion. I don't believe the ACC should have to tolerate this type of behavior.

—*Jerry Gooden (Raleigh NC)*

## Cribbage Quiz & A

**There are nine ways to score 24 points (ignoring suit). Can you name all of them?**

*answer on page 22*



# Response to Ethics Letters

*by Keith Widener, chair of the Ethics Committee*

This is in response to a letter written to *Cribbage World* by Bill Cooper.

Bill has a very strong opinion about cheaters. To be fair, he is not alone. We have received a few other opinions similar to Bill's. And he is right . . . to an extent.

Back in the early days of the ACC there were some individuals who used different forms of cheating, and they got away with it because we didn't have a good process established to deal with it. Article X of the ACC Constitution and Bylaws established an Ethics Committee and gave the authority to that committee to suspend or expel individuals based on violations of ethical standards, including cheating. In order to expel an individual, sworn affidavits from at least two members have to be made. Copies of those affidavits have to be provided to the accused, and they are allowed thirty days to respond and present a defense. In order for a person to be expelled, the full Board of Directors has to vote in a closed session. Ultimately, some high profile individuals were expelled.

It has never been mandatory to expel someone for any violation. It is the job of the Ethics Committee to receive and investigate complaints and to assess warnings, suspensions, and expulsions based on the severity of the violations and the amount of evidence received. And if you are going to expel someone, you better have your ducks in a row, and you better have enough evidence. You are not only making a serious allegation against an individual, you are potentially putting the ACC at risk for a lawsuit.

Recently the BOD voted to amend the ACC Constitution to allow for the publication of the reason someone was suspended instead of just publishing the fact that they were suspended. For the individuals who were suspended for a form of cheating, we failed to use the word "alleged" in the description. For that we apologize. We will be correcting that in the future.

Nobody but the Ethics Committee is privy to all of the evidence or the entire situation. You cannot look at just one side and make a proper judgment. Regardless of the hardline espoused by some members, we have to have solid evidence. Even murders cannot be prosecuted without hard evidence. Using a suspension where there isn't enough hard evidence for expulsion establishes a history that can be used in future situations.

Bill's letter reminds me of the Queen of Hearts in Alice's *Adventures in Wonderland*, who constantly said "off with their head" regardless of what anyone did wrong. I am really glad that the DMV doesn't automatically revoke your driver's license when you exceed the speed limit, else not too many of us would be able to legally ride our motorcycles.

**ACC Ethics Committee**  
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**Tammy Gibbons**

**Jason Hofbauer**

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# 19-Hands

by David Aiken

**G**iven all the ways there are to score points in cribbage—pairs, 15-2s, runs, flushes—it sometimes boggles the mind that you can pick up six cards and not see a single point.

But just how many blank hands are there? Ignoring suit, *only* 220 combinations of five cards yield a 19-hand. Given that there are 6,175 total numerical combinations of five cards (again ignoring suit), that's not bad: you will get a blank hand only 3.56% of the time—right?!

As far as CW can tell, **William H. Green's** *Key to Cribbage* (1882) was the first book to enumerate all 220 blank hands. The original printing of this book is impossible to find, but it is available in a reprint edition. (The list was also included in its entirety as an appendix in ACC founder **Joseph Petrus Wergin's** *How to Win at Cribbage*).

Here's an interesting factoid: all blank hands contain at least one card with a value of 10. Therefore, if you hold four cards all lower than 10 and the starter is also lower than 10, you will have at least two points.

Which card appears most frequently in these 220 blank hands? The King is king of the blank hand, with 129 appearances, followed by these lesser cards:

card	frequency
K	129
10	112
Q	111
J	99
7	93
3	90
A	89
6	84
4	78
2	77
9	70
8	68
5	0
<b>total</b>	<b>1,100</b>

Since every cloud must by law have a silver lining, what can be the possible benefit in a 19-hand? During the pegging, your opponent will have absolutely no idea what cards you are holding!

The complete list of all 220 nasty hands may be found on the facing page.

**Disclaimer:** CW prints this list not as an aspirational checklist for readers to accomplish, but so you know what hands to avoid!

A-2-6-10-J	A-3-7-9-Q	A-9-10-Q-K	2-8-10-Q-K	3-7-9-10-K
A-2-6-10-Q	A-3-7-9-K	2-4-6-8-10	2-9-10-Q-K	3-7-9-J-Q
A-2-6-10-K	A-3-7-10-J	2-4-6-8-J	3-4-6-7-10	3-7-9-J-K
A-2-6-J-Q	A-3-7-10-Q	2-4-6-8-Q	3-4-6-7-J	3-7-9-Q-K
A-2-6-J-K	A-3-7-10-K	2-4-6-8-K	3-4-6-7-Q	3-7-10-J-K
A-2-6-Q-K	A-3-7-J-Q	2-4-6-10-J	3-4-6-7-K	3-7-10-Q-K
A-2-7-9-10	A-3-7-J-K	2-4-6-10-Q	3-4-6-10-J	3-8-9-J-Q
A-2-7-9-J	A-3-7-Q-K	2-4-6-10-K	3-4-6-10-Q	3-8-9-J-K
A-2-7-9-Q	A-3-8-9-J	2-4-6-J-Q	3-4-6-10-K	3-8-9-Q-K
A-2-7-9-K	A-3-8-9-Q	2-4-6-J-K	3-4-6-J-Q	3-8-10-J-K
A-2-7-10-J	A-3-8-9-K	2-4-6-Q-K	3-4-6-J-K	3-8-10-Q-K
A-2-7-10-Q	A-3-8-10-J	2-4-7-10-J	3-4-6-Q-K	3-9-10-Q-K
A-2-7-10-K	A-3-8-10-Q	2-4-7-10-Q	3-4-7-9-10	4-6-7-10-J
A-2-7-J-Q	A-3-8-10-K	2-4-7-10-K	3-4-7-9-J	4-6-7-10-Q
A-2-7-J-K	A-3-8-J-Q	2-4-7-J-Q	3-4-7-9-Q	4-6-7-10-K
A-2-7-Q-K	A-3-8-J-K	2-4-7-J-K	3-4-7-9-K	4-6-7-J-Q
A-2-8-9-J	A-3-8-Q-K	2-4-7-Q-K	3-4-7-10-J	4-6-7-J-K
A-2-8-9-Q	A-3-9-10-Q	2-4-8-10-J	3-4-7-10-Q	4-6-7-Q-K
A-2-8-9-K	A-3-9-10-K	2-4-8-10-Q	3-4-7-10-K	4-6-8-10-J
A-2-8-10-J	A-3-9-J-Q	2-4-8-10-K	3-4-7-J-Q	4-6-8-10-Q
A-2-8-10-Q	A-3-9-J-K	2-4-8-J-Q	3-4-7-J-K	4-6-8-10-K
A-2-8-10-K	A-3-9-Q-K	2-4-8-J-K	3-4-7-Q-K	4-6-8-J-Q
A-2-8-J-Q	A-3-10-J-K	2-4-8-Q-K	3-4-9-10-Q	4-6-8-J-K
A-2-8-J-K	A-3-10-Q-K	2-4-10-J-K	3-4-9-10-K	4-6-8-Q-K
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A-3-6-7-K	A-7-9-J-K	2-7-9-J-Q	3-6-8-10-J	4-8-9-Q-K
A-3-6-10-J	A-7-9-Q-K	2-7-9-J-K	3-6-8-10-Q	4-8-10-J-K
A-3-6-10-Q	A-7-10-J-K	2-7-9-Q-K	3-6-8-10-K	4-8-10-Q-K
A-3-6-10-K	A-7-10-Q-K	2-7-10-J-K	3-6-8-J-Q	4-9-10-Q-K
A-3-6-J-Q	A-8-9-J-Q	2-7-10-Q-K	3-6-8-J-K	6-7-10-J-K
A-3-6-J-K	A-8-9-J-K	2-8-9-J-Q	3-6-8-Q-K	6-7-10-Q-K
A-3-6-Q-K	A-8-9-Q-K	2-8-9-J-K	3-6-10-J-K	6-8-10-J-K
A-3-7-9-10	A-8-10-J-K	2-8-9-Q-K	3-6-10-Q-K	6-8-10-Q-K
A-3-7-9-J	A-8-10-Q-K	2-8-10-J-K	3-7-9-10-Q	7-9-10-Q-K

# Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson  
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During the 2022–23 season, 47 new players played ACC internet cribbage, with 27 of them becoming brand new ACC members. Already this season, in just four months, we have 20 new internet ACC members, and 36 new internet tourney players! One new member is elite youth player **Marley Souza** (*marleymoo*), granddaughter of **Alice Souza** (*ldyisbad*). Marley is teaching neighborhood kids how to play with the goal of starting a school club to teach others, with the support of their math teacher. **Grumpy Howard** and the ACC will provide her with boards and supplies to have enough equipment to get the club started. Kudos, Marley!

Please note that eCribbage prides itself on being a family-friendly, G-rated site and does not tolerate anything otherwise. Your children and grandchildren are more than welcome to play, and anyone who is not in the ACC is allowed as well. This is a requirement of both of our playing sites, which graciously reserve tournament times for the ACC. We are registering several new ACC members via the internet section of the website, thanks to marketing, word of mouth, our Facebook page, and internet self-searches. One of the

## Point Leader of the Month

**Donald Olney** (*olney47*) @ 172 IRPs

*New Grand eMasters (4,000 IRPs)*

**Gregory Gougian** (*gougie00*)

## Internet 28-Hands

**Kat Hartsell** (*kattthequeen*)

**Mike Rosenstok** (*sirpegger*)

## Internet Grand Slams

**Nancy Rojas** (*nancridbr*)

**Peggy Rooney** (*boondocky1*) x2

## internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	581	Terry Higgins ( <i>chainlink1</i> )
2	490	Nancy Rojas ( <i>nancridbr</i> )
3	434	Donald Olney ( <i>olney47</i> )
4	429	Kelly Ann Burgar ( <i>lithummp</i> )
5	404	Sam Sinram ( <i>ia503</i> )
6	400	Jerry Griffin ( <i>meatloaf627</i> )
7	396	Tammy Gibbons ( <i>mistressofcribbage</i> )
8	386	Daniel Crete ( <i>dec</i> )
9	385	Sue Edwards ( <i>co434sue</i> )
10	381	Scott Earley ( <i>scottcrib</i> )

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things I do at live tourneys is to give out a tutorial step-by-step handout for those interested in playing online. You can also get the tutorial by emailing me anytime. The ACC's internet program becomes an info line and a feeder program to get new players to join their local club and/or go to weekend or national tourneys. You tell someone, they tell someone, and it goes on and on, in a snowball effect. Thanks to those who have helped in this effort!

# Scott's Peek at the Past

by Scott Kooistra (Spencer NE)

**M**y first cribbage tournament experience was playing in the 1979 National Open in Raleigh NC as a nineteen-year-old college sophomore, and then two months later I played the M&M Open in Marinette WI in September 1979. I remember meeting **Joe Wergin** and giving him my two one-dollar bills for an ACC membership. He scribbled me a note that said I was the 158th person to join the American Cribbage Congress.

The first ACC member was **Charles Messina** of Lynn MA.\* Messina mailed in his two dollars to Wergin and was quoted in the first *Cribbage World* magazine suggesting that CW should include stories about unique cribbage boards, hands and situations during games, and playing tips from the experts. I would say Charles was right on!

Another quote sent to Wergin in ear-

**\*Editor's note:** still an ACC member all these years later, Messina now lives in Nahant MA. His ACC number is, you guessed it, MA-1.

ly 1980 that he published was from an eventual ACC Hall of Famer **Ron Logan** (Quincy CA), who said: "I like your style. Keep it up."

The first *Cribbage World* magazine was mailed out in March 1980. The first two CWs were mailed free of charge to members and interested readers.

A copy of the first ACC entry blank is pictured below. For a great history of the founding of the ACC, including the famous Cincinnati meeting, go to **cribbage.org** and click "About Us" at the top of the page; then click "Read More" and "History."

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**A personal note:** I have had some major health and financial challenges lately but am feeling a little better now. I don't plan on any cribbage travel in the immediate future, but I still support cribbage any way I can. So I proposed an idea to *Cribbage World* editor David Aiken about a monthly column highlighting the early years of the American Cribbage Congress. He said yes, so here's my first column: "Scott's Peek at the Past."

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## Cribbage Quiz Answer

Here are the nine ways to score 24 points. The first four have four of a kind plus a singleton. The last five have two pair plus a singleton.

$$3-3-3-3 + 9$$

$$4-4-4-4 + 7$$

$$6-6-6-6 + 3$$

$$7-7-7-7 + A$$

$$4-4-5-5 + 6$$

$$4-4-6-6 + 5$$

$$5-5-6-6 + 4$$

$$7-7-8-8 + 6$$

$$7-7-8-8 + 9$$

This list yields some interesting factoids. First: no face cards or the Deuce are involved in any hand that makes 24 points, so if you hold or

cut one of these cards, you automatically know that you can't score 24 points. Second: the Ace makes 24 points only one way (with four 7s). Third: the 6 shows up in five of the nine 24-point hands, so it is a key card. Here is the frequency of every card:

frequency	card
1	A
2	3
3	5
4	4
5	6

## The Game We Love (to Hate)

by Keith Bryant (Portsmouth VA)

At the recent Virginia Beach Classic, I was playing **Ron Musolf** in the Saturday main. Our conversation turned to the peculiarities of the game that we all love (to hate). Ron told me of a recent game at his local club when he was dealt four 5s . . . and the cut was a 9. I responded with how rare I thought it is just to be dealt four 5s. Two hands later, Ron deals, and I open my hand: 5-5-5-5-K-K! I throw the Kings in his crib . . . and cut the Ace of Spades. ↓ We couldn't believe the irony after we had just talked about it. We thought: What are the odds?



Fast forward to the Sunday con-sy. I'm playing **Frank Abernathy** in my last game, needing a win to make the playoffs. Ron also happened to be watching our game. Frank deals, and I open my hand: 5-5-5-5-J-K! Four 5s again. What are the odds of being dealt four 5s twice in two days? I was

# DCAST

## DeLynn Colvert All Star Tournament

The 33rd annual DeLynn Colvert All Star Tournament will be held at the J Resort in Reno NV on Thursday, February 29, at 1p. The top eight players from each region play each other in a sixteen-game tourney. Spectators are welcome. The Central Region leads the event with 14 wins; the Eastern Region has 12 wins and the Western Region has 6 wins.

In the chart below, team captains are listed in bold; alternates are listed below the dark line. Please contact your captain as soon as possible and let them know if you can participate, so they have time to contact alternate players.

Western	Central	Eastern
<b>Bob Bartosh</b> 916.813.8609 g_bartosh@hotmail.com	<b>Ann Trotter</b> 920.246.9417 annjtrotter@yahoo.com	<b>Charlene Cohen</b> 321.431.0950 cccribbage341@gmail.com
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Betty Brumley	Terry Weber	Rob Medeiros
Bob Brumley	David Aiello	Mary Burlington
Rick Baird	Jim Mahan	Mark Soule
Jim Clark	Jane Vander Loop	David Statz
Cy Madrone	Chad Frischmann	Larry Phifer
Bill Schlabas	Kristina Wright	Jerry Hardy
Ray Klocko	Dale Magedanz	Dave Clemmey
Ronnie Murakami	Clay Collier	Keith Widener

way behind in the game and desperately needed a ten cut for a 28-hand to get me back in the game. I threw J-K to his crib—and cut the Ace of Diamonds. ➡ What are *those* odds?

Fortunately, friends were there to console me: “I would’ve cut a different card!”





Joseph Petrus Wergin

## ACC Open

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**March 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**



**THURSDAY, February 29, 2024: CANADIAN DOUBLES** Entry fee: \$50 per team, register on-site 4 to 6:15 p.m. Play at 6:30. 9 Games, no playoffs pays 1:4. Non sanctioned. Tournament Director Dave Aiken

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024: INVITATION ONLY TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS** play begins at 8 a.m. on Friday. This is an ACC invitation only event. *Please check the list of players eligible for the TOC, posted at [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org), before registering.* Entry fee \$125, includes \$25 Q-Pool. \$4,000 added by J Resort. PAYBACK OVER 100% plus trophies. 1 game vs 16 opponents, top 25% to best 3 of 5 playoffs. (Finals best 3 of 5). Graduated Q-Pool paid to all qualifiers. Muggins will be played in the TOC. Directors: Patrick Barrett 715-323-5027 [gnxvbarrett@gmail.com](mailto:gnxvbarrett@gmail.com), Todd Schaefer 651-338-8116 [cribbageawards@comcast.net](mailto:cribbageawards@comcast.net).

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# Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ soule1994@comcast.net ◆

Happy 2024 from New England and the East Coast! I hope everyone had a joyous holiday season.

This month, we take a moment to remember **David Clemmey** from Mansfield MA, who passed away on December 13. David was Life Master (3★) player who had been in the ACC for over twenty-five years. David's last tournament was on November 19, at the Yankee Classic in East Hartford CT, where he came in second in the consolation. Rest in peace, David. We will miss you. (See obit on page 46.)

Speaking of the Yankee Classic, director **Phil Martin** welcomed seventy players to East Hartford. When the battle of the pegs finished, ROY (Rookie of the Year) **Kendra Munkacsy** ➔ earned her first main win, beating **David Statz** in the final. **Roger Bouchard**, who finished



in the 3–4 bracket, mustered up enough MRPs to gain his One Star ranking. **Bill Cormier** had a grand slam going right up to game nine, but he still qualified #1, with 17/8 +146. In the end, **Mary Burlington** ◀ showed the husband up by winning the consolation, over **David Clem-**

**me**. I am sure Mary gave David tips on how to win on the way home!

The Virginia Beach Classic was held December 1–3 at the site of the 2023 Grand National. On Friday, the Pre-Virginia Beach Classic saw twenty-four players, with **Doug Whitlock**, who was also top qualifier, in first over **David Smith**. The consolation saw newly inducted Hall of Famer **Keith Widener** over high qualifier **Jack Howsare**. On Saturday and Sunday, **Fred Walker** took top honors over **Scott Earley**. The consolation saw the “Fer” from the North Carolina **Megafer** team, **Jennifer Johnson**, take first

over New England's **Donna LaFleur**.

December 8–10 saw New England gather in Wolfeboro NH for the David Campbell Memorial. **Mark Soule** was director, along with codirectors **Frank Reddy** and **Bill Cormier**. Friday night singles was a tale of two Ricks! Roommates **Rick Montague** and **Rick Nurse** had opposite stories: ➔ Rick M. had a grand slam, while Rick N. also had a grand slam . . . of

GAME POINTS	CRIBBAGE POINTS	NET POINTS
21	9	+178

**OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD**  
Name: **RICK MONTAGUE**  
ACC# **MA-1766** Board: **21**

Game	Game Points	Special Points	Opponent's Points	Verification (A, B, Number)
1	3	35	CAF	22
2	2	18	SRC	18
3	2	04	LG	14
4	2	11	OW	1
5	3	45	HS	5
6	3	33	FR	9
7	2	15	LR	10
8	2	18	BR	8
9	2	16	W	6
10	21	194	W	2
11	9	+178	L	9

Win = 2, Slack = 3, Loss = 0  
Player must verify initials and sign below, accepting as correct.  
Signature: *Rick Montague*

GAME POINTS	CRIBBAGE POINTS	NET POINTS
0	0	-143

**OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD**  
Name: **RICK N**  
ACC# **MA-2514** Board: **25**

Game	Game Points	Special Points	Opponent's Points	Verification (A, B, Number)
1	0	25	W	24
2	0	09	CAF	22
3	0	23	SRC	18
4	0	08	CAF	14
5	0	33	OW	1
6	0	11	HS	5
7	0	21	FR	9
8	0	11	LR	12
9	0	02	LR	10
10	0	143	W	2
11	0	-143	L	9

Win = 2, Slack = 3, Loss = 0  
Player must verify initials and sign below, accepting as correct.  
Signature: *Rick Nurse*

pearls! **Todd Smith** and **Mike Steeves** won Canadian Doubles. In the sixty-seven-player main tournament, **Fred Blanc** ↓ came in first place, with **Rob Medeiros** in second.

**Beth Smith** (Tamworth NH), playing her first tournament, came in 3–4. It's great when new players have a good tournament! The consolation saw **Joyce Keay**, hot off her consy win in Malden MA qualify first. In the end, director **Mark Soule** ↓ took top honors and the trophy board honoring his friend David, with **Deb Taylor** coming in second. On a personal



note, I would like to thank all who helped Mark with the tournament, when I couldn't be there. Cribbage really is a family.

In the new year, please remember what Anne Frank said: "What a wonderful thought it is that some of the best days of our lives haven't even happened yet."



## Cool Stuff We Found on the Web

Vineyard Cribbage Club 439 got a nice writeup, with lots of pictures, in the *Martha's Vineyard Times* on November 21. The club plays every Wednesday at 6p at the American Legion in Edgartown MA. To read the article, go to [mvtimes.com](http://mvtimes.com) and type "vineyard cribbage club" in the search box.

## Octoberfest in Marinette WI

¶ While playing **Jim Mahan** at the Octoberfest, he mentioned that because of his great cuts, he doesn't have to refigure his hands. Sounds like sarcasm to me!

¶ **Jane Vander Loop** was having a bad start in the main. During lunch break I asked **Clay Collier** to join us. Jane asks Clay if he knows anyone who gives cribbage lessons? Without hesitation he says: "Everyone I've played."



¶ **Jerry Parins** was not nice to "**Buzzsaw**" **Koehler** ← in the early goings of the main. Not only did Jerry "38-special" Buzz with the cut, but also held him to no pegs. Buzz insists he didn't hear the "go." What was he thinking?! He forgot to take his go.

¶ Lil **Jimmy McCarty** got a new job and recently has not been able to get time off for cribbage. He made his return felt by taking first at the Octoberfest main. I fell one game short of playing him for the title. Earlier in the playoffs, I played Jimmy's uncle, **Steve Steinmetz**, who is normally my toughest opponent. He was just a piece of cake, as I got out the crumb broom and swept him in three.

¶ **Adam Switzer** told me about the consy match between him and **Mike Henze**. Mike is dealing from four out, Adam needs thirteen. As Mike is shuffling he says: "Anything but an 8." Adam holds 6-9-9-10, cuts the 8 that Mike *didn't* want, and pegging got the win. I'm going to start calling Mike "the psychic farmer in dell."

## Fall Classic in Susanville CA

¶ **Jerry Oxford** makes pegs and carries a 55-pound display case with him to tournaments. **Jane Vander Loop** played him the last game of the consy, and Jerry said he needed the game. Jane said that two sets of pegs she previously purchased from him haven't worked for her, so Jerry said she could trade them in after the game. Jerry skunked Jane by 35 to be the last qualifier by one spread point. Now to see if the replacement pegs work!

¶ Thanks to **Jeanne Jelke**, it was nice to be back in Susanville. In the Saturday night event, **K. C. Carder** and Grass Roots commissioner **Ivan Wells** are locked up, both in the dead hole. Ivan avoids cutting a Jack and leads a 2. K.C. plays a 6 and Ivan fifteens it with a 7 for the win. During the consy, I have 12 points after seven games. I lose the next two, the last to **Mike McDaniel**, who says: "At least you have 12." Alas, no 12s and two 13s fall short.

¶ I was watching **Jim Langley** play **Bob Cox** for a dollar. Jim won the match and I asked him for a chance to win the buck. I figured I needed it more than Jim. I may have been overconfident because. On fourth street, I took 31-2, so Jim asked



me why I didn't take them all, as I had missed a run of five. I countered: "If you don't need them, don't take them." So now Jim joins my growing list: 1 from Jim, 2 from Poole, 3 from Baird, and 5 from Kai.



¶ The inventor of the Hawaiian Stir Fry ← and our chauffeur, **Ronnie Murakami**, was on top of his game in the consy. In the play-offs, he polished off his opponents

and faced **Margaret Fanucchi** in the finals. He was still cooking, as he swept her for the win. It was almost a clean sweep, dropping only one game in his first match.

¶ During the consy, I am playing **Bill Eilers**. I hold three 9s and the case 9 is cut. After playing two of my 9s, I play my 2 for a go. Bill leads a 6 at me and I fifteen it. I tease him: "You should of known I had the case 9!"

¶ The fastest game of my life happened against **Cyclone Madrone**. First hand, a 6-cut gives Cy a 24 (7-7-8-8) and me a 21 (4-5-6-6). After the first deal, Cy is at 35 to my 30. After the second deal, Cy is at 54 to my 52. The game continues at lightning speed, and after only seven deals, the game is over and I mark the win on my card.

### Doubleheader in Topaz Lake NV

¶ I win the cut against **Don Thienel**, and he immediately gets a 24. I figured it's ear-

ly and I can come back. That was until he gets his second 24. He is in position to skunk me as I am 17 from getting over. He holds me to zero pegs and I count my 17 to leave the stinky behind me. Don tells me: "I feel like I lost the game." Poor Don.

¶ After I won the cut from **Jim Langley**, he states: "I lose the cut, I can't win. I win the cut, I still can't win." He was correct, I won! He was also correct when he warned some people to be careful what you say around Dale or it might end up in *Cribbage World!*

¶ While playing **Roland Hall, Bob Brumley** holds three 5s and a Queen and cuts the last 5 for a 28-hand on second street. On third street, Roland holds 4-4-6-6 and cuts a 5 for his 24-hand. At the end of the game, Roland shakes Bob's hand and says: "You got the pin but I got the win."

¶ Nearing the end of the second main, I'm facing my friend **Gary Galetti**. In a close match, I get a hand I don't have a clue on what to toss, so I used something I seldom do: place all six cards on the edge of the table and tap them forward; I then toss the two that go furthest. It worked! He got a dead crib and I went to seven. At the end of the game I need a middle card to win. My pair of 5s matched nothing, so into his crib they went. Needless to say a queen was cut. He is still short and I tell him to take his six. That's all he had and needed, which brings us to another Topaz quote: "I've never seen anyone hold four points and pass a pair of 5s."

¶ In the first Topaz main finals, it's **Roland Hall** versus **Terry Weber**. Roland is be-

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hind and in bad shape. He looks at me and says: "I'm pulling out all the stops and using all my tricks." With that he gets up and circles his chair clockwise twice! It didn't work and Terry wins. I have a suggestion. Next time borrow some of **Dave Yaeger's** Pixie Dust. It worked for me!

## Veterans Day Classic in Reno NV

¶ I snapped this ↓ before the start of the 156-player Reno main: teacher and student. I must add that **Erik Locke** passed with flying colors. While playing **Duane Toll** I got this quote: "Playing Erik is like playing myself."



¶ **Tyler Blood** → was playing **Mr. 28** at Reno and complaining about how many 5s I'm getting. That was just before he dealt himself four 5s. The cut card was no help to him, but the 7 matched my A-A-7-7 perfectly. A pair of 20s. Two opponents later, he again deals himself four 5s, and this time the Jack of Spades gives him a 28!

## Thanksgiving Doubleheader in Grand Rapids MI

¶ **Lisa Wagner** was busy helping **David Aiken** prepare dinner for ten cribbage players. When asked what's cooking? She

replied: "A BAT." Loosely translated, it means big azz turkey. Please pardon all of Dave's smoke and the fire alarm. There it goes off again and again.

¶ You can always tell when someone reads your column! I'm playing the pegging machine **Jimmy McCarty** in Grand Rapids. Jimmy waited for me to play my third 9 before he safely took the pair. I scolded him for using **Art Loveland's** and my favorite play *against* me.

## Jingle Bell Open in Marinette WI

¶ The main saw a battle of two titans. **Chris Zager**, who once had two 29s in a weekend tourney, versus **Mr. 28**, who once had two 28s at Grass Roots on the same night. Our game was close, with me needing twelve to win. I toss two Diamonds into her crib and don't get my cut. Chris on the other hand is dealt six Diamonds. When a Diamond is cut, not only did she get a Diamond flush in her hand, but also in her crib.

What was I thinking! Diamonds are a girl's best friend—all nine of them.

¶ During my match against **Bonnie Anderson**, aka "the mean wash





woman,” she told of an unusual feat. She got a 28 in her first hand in the main against **Dan Lauer**; even with a 24 later in the game, she couldn’t skunk him. That night, she again played Dan. Lightning strikes again, and she nails her second 28-hand of the day, also on the first hand, but this time she lost! During our match, she washed the cards twice but to no avail. I guess from now on, I will call her “the nice wash woman.”

¶ My pen works both ways. It praises when you do something noteworthy and it blasts you when you make an oops. This is a major oops that **Smoothy Selke** made in the deciding playoff match against **Kristina Wright**. Dan trips her 8, 31-for-8, but only takes four, leaving him in the dead

hole. Kristina then wins and advances to the semifinals. I’m sure this oops will be on Dan’s mind for a long time, and I’m sure Dan will have a few words for me writing it. Long live freedom of the press!

¶ I previously wrote how **Ivan Wells** had four 5s and took only 12 points. He is not alone! At the Madison GRRT it happened again. Another eight points left on the table! I also saw four 4s and a 7 counted as 20. Always remember: if you need three of a kind to make 15, the hand is 20; for example, 4-4-4-4 and 3 is  $15-8 + 12 = 20$ . If you need only two of a kind to make 15, the hand is 24; for example, 4-4-4-4 and a 7 is  $15-12 + 12 = 24$ .

## The Inside Track

by **Rob Medeiros**



During end-game pegging scenarios, it’s very important for the dealer to note how many points the pone needs to get to 121. If they need only 1–3 points, the pone has the luxury of keeping a nontraditional hand, which could be difficult to read. However, if the pone needs 6–12 points or even more, you can plan your pegging strategy accordingly, as the pone will have to hold a higher scoring hand to go out, which should make it easier for the dealer to read.

Let’s say the dealer needs 3 points to peg out, while the pone needs 10 to go out. The dealer holds 2-3-4-K, and the cut is a King. If the pone leads a Q, what is the dealer’s play? Remember that the pone needs 10; he has Q-K as two of his five cards to add up to 10 points. What types of hand could he have to get to 10? A double run of pictures or three pictures and a 5 are the two likeliest possibilities. So how do we peg three against those hands with our 2-3-4-K hold? We can play the K on the Q, and it’s highly likely that the pone will make the count 30 for a go. Then we can lead our 3 and force either a 5 or picture response, which we have covered with either a 2 or 4.

Always keep your thinking caps on until peg 121.

**Rob is never seen without his thinking cap on. Contact him at [mrob2199@aol.com](mailto:mrob2199@aol.com).**

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Seaside in Wells (Wells MA; Oct. 7)	Joe Bowen	64 players HQ. Jerry Hardy (35) 1. Frank Reddy (105) 2. Michael Steeves (70) 3. Mark Soule (42) 3. Frank Bogus (42)	30 players HQ. Richard Nourse (15) 1. Ethan Guyaz (40) 2. Steven Braley (24) 3. Jack Chandler (12) 3. Paul Gagnon (12)	28-hand: Jack Chandler*	
Salem Classic (Salem OR; Oct. 20–22)	Kim Simmons	66 players HQ. Dan Marsh (75) 1. Kelly Foster (147) 2. Dan Marsh (105) 3. Matt Padrow (70) 3. Duane Toll (70)	44 players HQ. Jeremy Krieger (21) 1. Bruce Hammond (60) 2. Melvin Chase (40) 3. Craig Smith (24) 3. Rick Baird (24)	28-hands: Kelly Foster* Brandon Logan* Monica Newton Greg Schleusner	Early Bird: Bob Brumley Doubles: Robert Simpson & Edgar Tuttle
Octoberfest (Marinette WI; Oct. 27–29)	Al Karr	78 players HQ. Lana Newhouse (70) 1. James McCarty (147) 2. Glenn Gauthier (105) 3. Terry Weber (70) 3. Dale Magedanz (70)	48 players HQ. Allen Karr (12) 1. Haley Hintze (60) 2. Richard Horvath (40) 3. Herb Walline (24) 3. Bob Hanes (24)	28-hand: Richard Frost*	Canadian Doubles: Wayne Steinmetz & Pete Wilbur Saturday: Glenn Gauthier
World Championships (Long Beach WA; Oct. 27–29)	James Morrow	75 players HQ. Erik Locke (60) 1. Rick Westerman (147) 2. Erik Locke (105) 3. Bill Hill (70) 3. Ronald Logan (70)	33 players HQ. Junko Larsen (9) 1. Marcia Glenn (60) 2. Dan Gamba (40) 3. Lasharr Noel (24) 3. Joe Losacco (24)	28-hand: Roy Hofbauer*	Early Bird: Bernie Nelson Canadian Doubles: Dana McClain & Monica Newton High Roller: Gary Pinkley Saturday: Allen Richardson
Arizona Screaming Eagles (Sun City AZ; Oct. 28–29)	Darlene Sifer	48 players HQ. Steve Kaplan (65) 1. Robert Milk (105) 2. Jim Crawford (70) 3. Lynn Multari (42) 3. Barbara Stockham (42)	28 players HQ. Ray Klocko (12) 1. Michael Martin (40) 2. Leroy Zahn (24) 3. Ray Klocko (12) 3. William Eilers (12)	28-hand: Gary Sand*	

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Oroville Halloween Masquerade (Oroville CA; Oct. 28)	Lori Boyer	29 players HQ. Doug Rodrigues (35) 1. Doug Rodrigues (70) 2. Bill Schlabas (42) 3. Chase Harding (21) 3. Paul Gregson (21)	17 players HQ. Alice Souza (6) 1. Roland Hall (40) 2. Jason Shumate (24) 3. Alice Souza (12) 3. Bob Bartosh (12)		
Spooktacular Cribbage (Brewer ME; Oct. 28)	Joe Bowen	25 players HQ. Steven Braley (35) 1. Steven Braley (70) 2. Stephanie George (42) 3. Richard Crosby (21) 3. Jack Chandler (21)	18 players HQ. Donald Thompson (21) 1. Arnold Ward (40) 2. Ethan Guyaz (24) 3. Donald Thompson (12) 3. Robert Thompson (12)		
Dianne Gurney Memorial (Marinette WI; Nov. 3–5)	Wayne Steinmetz	60 players HQ. Rick Kuehn (45) 1. Gary Chamberlain (105) 2. Marsha Mahan (70) 3. Rick Kuehn (42) 3. Darlene Anderst (42)	46 players HQ. Arthur Loveland (21) 1. Gerald Parins (60) 2. Kristina Wright (40) 3. Arthur Loveland (24) 3. Tom Cook (24)	28-hand: Ken Moomey*	Friday: Bob Hanes Saturday: James Huser
Diamond Mountain Fall Classic (Susanville CA; Nov. 3–5)	Jeanne Jelke	54 players HQ. James Langley (35) 1. Danny Mitchell (105) 2. Dave Yaeger (70) 3. Don Thienen (42) 3. Barbara Stockham (42)	40 players HQ. Mike McDaniel (18) 1. Ronnie Murakami (60) 2. Margaret Fanucchi (40) 3. Mike McDaniel (24) 3. Jay Shaffer (24)	28-hands: Chris Fisher* Jay Shaffer*	Early Bird: William MacMillan Canadian Doubles: James Langley & Jeanne Jelke Mid-Foller: Erik Locke All Events: Carol Williams
Boston Regional (Malden MA; Nov. 5)	Frank Reddy	116 players HQ. Steven Braley (35) 1. Jerry Hardy (147) 2. Paul Petit (105) 3. Michael Sclafani (70) 3. Mike Misluk (70)	56 players HQ. Frank Bogus (15) 1. Joyce Keay (60) 2. Carlyle Foss (40) 3. Mary Roberge (24) 3. Pat Llewellyn (24)	28-hands: Donna LaFleur* Jim Maffia*	

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Les Summer Classic (Gardnerville NV; Nov. 6-8)	Bev Castillo	51 players HQ. Roland Hall (30) 1. Terry Weber (105) 2. Roland Hall (70) 3. Jennifer Bolles (42) 3. Alice Souza (42)	43 players HQ. Gary Galetti (18) 1. Cy Madrone (60) 2. Gary Galetti (40) 3. Bob Brumley (24) 3. Bob Bartosh (24)		Early Bird: Art Whitney Canadian Doubles: Charlene Cohen & Ronnie Murakami Mid-Roller: Gordon Dakin
Topaz II (Gardnerville NV; Nov. 8-10)	Bev Castillo	53 players HQ. Terrance Cushman (65) 1. Don Thienel (105) 2. Bob Brumley (70) 3. Ron Guidotti (42) 3. Betty Brumley (42)	32 players HQ. Jennifer Bolles (18) 1. Carol Williams (40) 2. Jennifer Bolles (24) 3. Jim Crawford (12) 3. Keith Widener (12)	28-hands: Bob Brumley* Jennifer Bolles*	Canadian Doubles: Gary Galetti & Gary Louderback Mid-Roller: Charlene Cohen
Veterans Day Classic (Reno NV; Nov. 10-12)	Rick & Peggy Shea	156 players HQ. Terrance Cushman (55) 1. Peggy Shea (196) 2. Doug Dresbach (147) 3. Winona McDaniel (105) 3. Jim Dillard (105) 5. Tyler Blood (70) 5. Steve Haslie (70) 5. Michael Sefick (70) 5. Eric Boysen (70)	104 players HQ. Harold Sontag (21) 1. Ronnie Murakami (84) 2. Chris Branson (60) 3. Harold Sontag (40) 3. Jackie Doppel (40)	28-hands: Tyler Blood* Michael Sefick* Tracy Yott*	Early Bird: Jamison Kaboli Canadian Doubles: Barbara Stockham & Jennifer Bolles
Anchorage Open (Anchorage AK; Nov. 11)	C. J. Kim	17 players HQ. Allen Kim (15) 1. Willie Bragg (70) 2. Kenneth Hunt (42) 3. Allen Kim (21) 3. Randy Elledge (21)	—		
Kirk's Ferry Trading Post (Brownsville OR; Nov. 18-19)	Bob Brumley	50 players HQ. Erik Locke (65) 1. Erik Locke (105) 2. James Clark (70) 3. Bob Bartosh (42) 3. Wes Dinsmore (42)	30 players HQ. Bill Schlabes (12) 1. Bill Schlabes (40) 2. Bob Brumley (24) 3. Rick Baird (12) 3. Carole Herron (12)	29-hand: Diane Harvey* 28-hands: Pete Larsen (x2)*	

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Fort Morgan Wide Open Saturday (Fort Morgan CO; Nov. 18)	David Bute	32 players HQ. Mike Poole (45) 1. Clay Collier (70) 2. Stan Krueger (42) 3. Terry Weber (21) 3. Troy Thorson (21)	20 players HQ. John Shoemaker (18) 1. John Shoemaker (40) 2. William Macmillan (24) 3. Al Pernicek (12) 3. Wayland Kuhnel (12)	28-hand: June Fordham	Lowball: Larry McKinney
Yankee Classic (East Hartford, CT; Nov. 19)	Phil Martin	70 players HQ. Robert Baker (30) 1. <b>Kendra Munkacsy</b> (147) 2. David Statz (105) 3. Roger Bouchard (70) 3. William Shoemaker (70)	40 players HQ. William Cormier (18) 1. Mary Burlington (60) 2. David Clemmey (40) 3. Robert Medeiros (24) 3. Mark Soule (24)	28-hand: John Miller*	
Fort Morgan Wide Open Sunday (Fort Morgan CO; Nov. 19)	David Bute	28 players HQ. Doug Whitlock (20) 1. Al Pernicek (70) 2. Steve Sundet (42) 3. June Fordham (21) 3. Doug Whitlock (21)	12 players HQ. Mike Poole (12) 1. Troy Thorson (24) 2. Mike Poole (12) 3. Wayland Kuhnel (4)		
Thanksgiving at the Mill (North Bend OR; Nov. 24–26)	Scott Milo & Peggy & Rick Shea	44 players HQ. Roland Hall (75) 1. James Langley (105) 2. Kai Lemrise (70) 3. Duane Toll (42) 3. Scott Milo (42)	30 players HQ. Mike McCammon (12) 1. Jeanne Jelke (40) 2. Mike McCammon (24) 3. Herschel Mack (12) 3. Tim Hutsell (12)		Early Bird: Linda Weirup Canadian Doubles: Kai Lemrise & Tim Hutsell
Wishbone Open (Grand Rapids MI; Nov. 24 + 26)	David Aiken & John Hazlett	55 players HQ. Clay Collier (40) 1. Clay Collier (105) 2. Robert Chase (70) 3. John Hazlett (42) 3. Nate Bozman (42)	26 players HQ. Larry Leidenheimer (9) 1. Keith Widener (40) 2. John Schafer (24) 3. David Aiken (12) 3. Larry Leidenheimer (12)		

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tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Reindeer Games (Grand Rapids MI; Nov. 25)	David Aiken & John Hazlett	58 players HQ. James McCarty (40) 1. Kristina Wright (105) 2. Michelle Gryka (70) 3. Robert Chase (42) 3. Keith Widener (42)	31 players HQ. Ed May (24) 1. Patrick Healey (40) 2. Arthur Maycroft (24) 3. Ed May (12) 3. Sara Sanner (12)		
Jingle Bell Open (Marinette WI; Dec. 1–3)	Al Karr	85 players HQ. Dan Selke (60) 1. Darlene Anderst (147) 2. Jeff Shimp (105) 3. Marsha Mahan (70) 3. Kristina Wright (70)	56 players HQ. Don Pohlman (15) 1. Allen Karr (60) 2. Steven Steinmetz (40) 3. Don Pohlman (24) 3. Robert Chase (24)	29-hand: Marsha Mahan* 28-hands: Bonnie Anderson (x2)*	Friday: John Schmidt Saturday: Daniel Pluff Canadian Doubles: Sara Sanner & Sara Sandey

## Tourney Tidbits

**Return to Susanville** After a 3½-year hiatus—due largely to the pandemic—the ACC returned to Susanville CA in November. Players and casino alike were excited to have cribbage back in the heart of Lassen County. The Diamond Mountain Casino’s hospitality included a complimentary lunch on Saturday, which received rave reviews from the fifty-four players in attendance from eleven states. Free play was added to the cards of players who stayed at the hotel, which was already nicely discounted for cribbage players. While cribbage players are known for whining about their cards, this great group didn’t let a minor inconvenience like a thirty-six-hour outage by a major internet supplier in Susanville, affecting ATMs and restaurants, bother them!

**28 Is Bad?** Everyone loves a 28-hand, right? Not **June Fordham** (Sun City West AZ). June was playing the lowball satellite at the Fort Morgan Wide Open on November 18, you know, the cribbage variant where you want to lose. And she had a 28-hand in her crib! Darned 5-5 discard.

The ACC database won’t accommodate certain types of memberships, so for the time being we have to hand-massage points for these members. We’ll get there eventually!

### Additional MRP Leaders

#### Western Region

MRPs name

227 Bill Schlabes

159 Jim Dillard

#### Eastern Region

MRPs name

300 Kendra Munkacsy

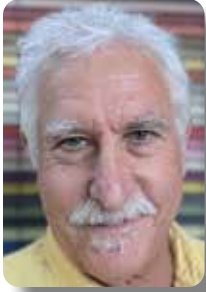
210 Terrence Cushman

112 Eldon Woodman

112 Joshua Parker

100 Frank Bogus

# ACC Awards



I made my first cribbage board in Wisconsin at a summer camp at age 11. I first played tournament cribbage in Quincy CA in 1979, joining the ACC there in 1981. I have won 59 tournaments, 34 mains and 23 cons. My toughest recent opponent is Sandy Sands. I attended the University of Oregon, earning a degree in architecture and designed and built my home. I enjoy singing, playing acoustic guitar and bass, as well as photography, driving, sports cars, motorcycles, and seeking out local road food when I travel to tourneys.

**Cy Madrone**  
(Santa Barbara CA)  
Life Master (4 ★) #10

I joined the ACC in 2003. I made the playoffs in my first tournament, but got eliminated right away by Laurie Owen. I was impressed enough to start dating her and eventually marrying her! My cribbage mentors are Rob Medeiros, David Statz, and Bill Medeiros. I've been club champion in Grass Roots many times. I won the fourth tournament that I ever played, in Shrewsbury MA, directed by Bill and Sharlene Medeiros. I won Rookie of the Year and made the All American Team my first year. I currently have won twenty-two tournaments, and the last one (Malden MA) gave me enough points to earn my One Star. Recently my favorite tournament is the National Open in Raleigh. If I have to list only one player as my toughest opponent, it would be Rob Medeiros, but some others come to mind as well. Away from the cribbage board, I'm an avid poker player, but cribbage will always be #1 for me!

**Jerry Hardy**  
(Topsham ME)  
Life Master (★) #129



My earliest cribbage memories were with my grandparents in a cottage on a lake in northern Wisconsin. I found out about the ACC from a small piece of paper on a coin laundromat bulletin board asking if anyone liked to play cribbage. Hats off to the Chico club for attracting a future GN winner! Secretly, I have a lot of cribbage mentors, but the most influential is Audrey Hatto. She is gracious yet tough as nails. A member of Club 198, I have been club champ four times. My first tournament win was the 2012 Montana Open; I have now won four mains and two cons. My first, and only 29-hand was against (you guessed it) Audrey! I earned my Grand Master at Grand National in Virginia Beach. I qualified in all three

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**Kevin Mansfield**  
(Coeur d'Alene ID)  
Grand Master #485

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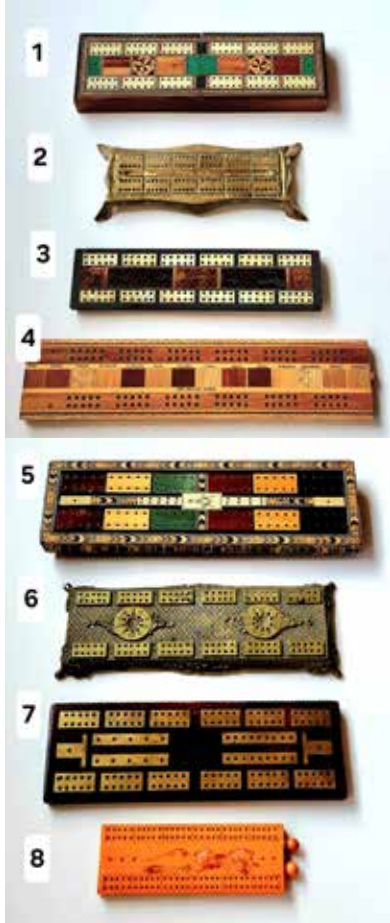
## Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

People often ask about the first cribbage boards. No one really knows for sure. Englishman Sir **John Suckling** invented cribbage around 1640. The British Empire had begun to spread around the world at least sixty years earlier. Cribbage and making cribbage boards continued to spread with the growth of the British Empire. Early boards were handcrafted and followed the style of the first English boards. At that time the game was 61 points. So the boards were 30 points up and 30 back. The English style included a game winning hole at *each* end. That continued as more boards were made around the world. A few tweaks appeared, such as holes to mark games won, starter holes, and so on.

When cribbage boards began to be manufactured, some makers got away from the traditional English style. However, those original style boards are still made today.

Photos 1–3 are totally early English-style boards. However, #2 is a brass board manufactured by MECO in England during the 1930s. Board #4 was made in New Zealand and lacks game winning holes. Board #5 is a wood-inlaid American Masonic Lodge board and is identical to the English style. Board #6 is an American manufactured brass board that added wheels for scoring the game of whist. Board #7 was made in Pakistan. Board #8 is from Japan.

New boards are being made constantly. Most of the new ones are 121-point boards. Take a look at the Etsy website, and you will be amazed at the selection available. Old boards are being phased out, but our favorite game is still going strong!



*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](mailto:budandotis@msn.com) (put “Cribbage Board” in the subject line).

# GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



## Teaching Tip

Here's an idea shared by **Thomas West** (Grand Prairie TX) that I think will be an excellent tool for practice counting cribbage hands. Tom plays "license plate cribbage" while commuting to work. Challenge your children or grandchildren to do the same while on the road. Using the chart below, see who can come up with the biggest five-card cribbage hand.

0 = 10	4 = 4	7 = 7	J = Jack
1 = Ace	5 = 5	8 = 8	Q = Queen
2 = 2	6 = 6	9 = 9	K = King
3 = 3			

## News

**Jeffrey Bohmann** is a welding teacher at Cypress Park High School in Cypress TX. A Wisconsin native, he introduced his students to brats, polish sausage, sauerkraut, and cribbage. After receiving a teaching manual and startup grant of ten boards from the ACC Youth Program, he started a cribbage club in August 2023. Jeffrey now has a thriving club. ↓ Recently, he sent sixteen new youth memberships to the ACC, and the club has an Instagram account (@the29handclub). He conducted a double-elimination tournament in the fall and plans to do a tourney each semester. He wrote: "I figured cribbage would be a good game to teach them as it really helps sharpen their math skills. It also helps the students bond, make friends, and become more social. They all need soft skills to function in the workplace."

On a related note: we now have 68 active youth memberships in the ACC!

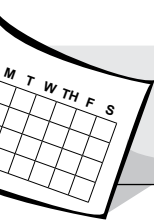
Club 318 (Media PA) donated \$400 to youth cribbage in memory of **Steve Fitchett**, founder and director.

## Teaching Manuals

- **Teddie Crevier** (Harrisburg SD)
- **Scott Halupezok** (Lakeville MN)
- **Karen Klaas** (Cloverdale CA)
- **Melody Martin** (Taylor TX)
- **Alexander Rodriguez** (Dallas TX)
- **Kelsey Siegal** (Madison WI)



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



# SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

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as of December 13

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs name			MRPs name			MRPs name		
1	907	Erik Locke	1	792	Robert Chase	1	449	Jerry Hardy
2	581	Roland Hall	2	790	Terry Weber	2	432	David Statz
3	464	Bob Brumley	3	627	Jeff Shimp	3	400	Donna LaFleur
4	449	Peggy Shea	4	499	Clay Collier	4	382	Rick Allen
5	401	Dave Yaeger	5	475	Kristina Wright	5	375	Mark Soule
6	387	Bob Bartosh	6	432	Haley Hintze	6	327	Rick Montague
7	375	Sandy Sands	7	419	Allen Karr	7	308	Ethan Guyaz
8	372	Charlene Cohen	8	356	Daniel Pluff	8	299	Patrick Robrecht
9	360	Kevin Mansfield	9	349	Marsha Mahan	9	263	Keith Widener
10	358	Troy Thorson	10	329	Lana Newhouse	10	262	Robins Buck
11	338	Sara Sanner	11	289	James McCarty	11	258	Robert Medeiros
12	325	Ronnie Murakami	12	276	Steven Post	12	255	Peter Legendre
13	307	Rick Baird	13	270	David Aiello	13	228	Steven Braley
14	304	William Eilers	14	268	Jim Mahan	14	227	Phil Martin
15	297	Ray Klocko	15	257	Dan Selke	15	223	Mike Fetchel
16	274	Darlene Stier	16	242	Dale Magedanz	16	208	Kenneth Johnson
17	270	Steve Sundet	17	236	Ann Trotter	17	205	David Flaherty
18	255	Tammy Gibbons	17	236	Patrick Healey	18	202	Peter Grant
19	250	James Morrow	19	233	Andy Stireman	18	202	Frank Reddy
20	248	James Langley	20	225	Dan Taylor	20	199	William Cormier
21	247	Alice Souza	21	220	Chad Frischmann	21	198	Paul Petit
22	242	Mike McDaniel	22	214	Darlene Anderst	22	178	Mike Misluk
23	235	Bernie Nelson	23	208	Adam Switzer	23	173	David Clemmey
24	218	Jim Crawford	23	208	Cynthia Wark	24	161	Carl Deyette
25	216	Duane Toll	25	207	Steven Steinmetz	25	160	Sandy Shrum
26	215	Don Dolezal	26	198	Doug Page	26	153	Jack Chandler
27	212	Bob Prochnow	27	190	Henry Brandner	27	152	Peter Setian
28	198	William Macmillan	28	187	Frank Duresky	28	148	Charles Booker
28	198	Eric Boysen	29	186	Les Kvien	29	146	Mary Burlington
30	197	Doug Dresbach	30	185	Bob Joslin	30	144	James Hearon
31	196	David Bute	31	182	Bob Hanes	31	136	Roger Bouchard
32	192	Jack Shumate	31	182	Don Thienel	32	132	Laurie Hardy
33	190	Lori Boyer	33	178	Michelle Gryka	33	131	John Morch
34	187	Carol Perko	34	177	Bob Kiley	34	130	David Peterson
35	184	Carole Herron	34	177	Tom Briski	35	128	Joe Zimmitti
35	184	Robert Milk	36	171	Jason Matheny	36	122	Jonathan Pinyan
37	180	Dan Marsh	37	159	Ed May	37	119	James Edgar
38	179	Cy Madrone	38	155	Emilio Perez	38	112	Larry Phifer
39	178	Junko Larsen	39	152	Rick Kuehn	39	110	Jim Maffa
40	169	William O'Malley	40	150	Todd Schaefer	40	107	Michael Steeves
40	169	Kai Lemrise	41	143	Wayne Steinmetz	41	105	Ron Shelton
42	167	Jason Shumate	42	138	Eric Jensen	41	105	Richard McCollem
43	164	Todd Malmgren	43	135	Lewis Gurney	43	103	Mary Roberge
44	161	Margery Clark	44	131	Marlene Lazachek	44	102	Laurie Schmitz
45	160	Jason Hofbauer	45	130	Mike Miller	44	102	Robert Baker
46	159	Leroy Zahn	45	130	Glenn Gauthier	46	99	Scott Johnson
46	159	Carol Williams	47	120	Jeff Machovsky	47	98	Marty Duchow
48	158	Steve Hastie	47	120	Gary Chamberlain	48	97	Scott Earley
48	158	Joe Gates	49	118	Michael Henze	49	90	Jack Silvia
50	157	Herschel Mack	50	117	John Syftestad	50	88	David Hayes
						50	88	Bob Broxton



# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
<b><u>Rick Shea</u></b> 707.599.4605 31for14@gmail.com	<b><u>Patrick Barrett</u></b> 715.323.5027 gnxivbarrett@gmail.com	<b><u>Mark Soule</u></b> 207.442.9001 soule1994@comcast.net

### GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE

<i>date</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>Tournament Directors</i>
Nov. 12–17, 2024	Las Vegas NV	Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, David Aiken
Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025	Deadwood SD	David Aiken, Patrick Barrett, Dan Selke, John Hazlett
Oct. 13–18, 2026	Niagara Falls NY	David Aiken, Mark Soule, Vlcki Soule

### TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE

June 22–25, 2023	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra
March 1–3, 2024	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra

#### CA ♦ Sacramento 2024 Kickoff

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823.  
 TD: Bob Bartosh (209.365.3232) & Alice Souza

**Jan. 4–5, Kickoff #1**

**Jan. 6, Kickoff #2**

**Jan. 7, Kickoff #3**

#### WI ♦ Jan. 5–7, Wisconsin Dells Deal

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

#### RI ♦ Jan. 7, Ocean State Open

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

#### NC ♦ Smoky Mountain Classic Doubleheader

Crowne Plaza, One Resort Dr, Asheville NC 28806. TD: Jacob French (678.517.2090) & Alan Rogers

**Jan. 11–12, Smoky Mountain Prologue**

**Jan. 13–14, Smoky Mountain Epilogue**

#### AZ ♦ Jan. 12–14, Snowbird Special

DAV Hall, 954 S 13th Ave, Yuma AZ 85364. TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Pam Pomeroy

#### ME ♦ Bangor Doubleheader

Seasons Grill, 427 Main St, Bangor ME 04412.  
 TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

**Jan. 13, Bangor Winter Classic**

**Jan. 14, Bangor Snowbowl**

#### WI ♦ Jan. 19–21, American Pride

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

#### OR ♦ Jan. 20–21, Its a New Year Tournament!

Senior Activity Ctr, 1100 11th St SW, Bandon OR 97411. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

#### CA ♦ Jan. 20–21, Peg for the Border

Masonic Lodge, 4731 Date Ave, La Mesa CA 91942. TD: Kris Bailey (574.722.4539) & Vee Casey

#### NV ♦ Jan. 26–27, Schaefer Shuffle West

Pass Casino, 140 Water St, Henderson NV 89015. TD: Alan & Sharon Schaefer (414.331.0809)

#### FL ♦ Jan. 27–28, Emerald Coast Open

VFW, 213 Carol Ave NW, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548, Ft Walton Bch. FL 32548. TD: Jim & Paul Hearon (850.866.7866)

#### CA ♦ Jan. 27–28, Pacific Coast Championship

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

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**NV ♦ Jan. 28, Bill's Bodacious Bash**

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89015. TD: Bill Eilers (919.457.6351) & K. C. Carder

**AZ ♦ Scottsdale Doubleheader**

Elks, 6398 E Oak St, Scottsdale AZ 85257

**Feb. 2, Cactus Classic**

TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Lynn Multari

**Feb. 3-4, Roadrunner Classic**

TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

**MI ♦ MI Junction Doubleheader**

The Junction, 335 N Railroad St, Rives Junction MI 49277. TD: Jerry Adams (517.612.4455) & David Aiken

**Feb. 2+4, Cribbage @ MI Junction #1**

**Feb. 3, Cribbage @ MI Junction #2**

**NH ♦ Wolfeboro Doubleheader**

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

**Feb. 2, Winter in Wolfeboro One-Day**

**Feb. 2-4, Medeiros Memorial**

**MN ♦ Chaska Doubleheader**

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. TD: Adam Switzer (952.687.1642), Bob Chase, & Bob Joslin

**Feb. 2, Minnesota Snowball One-Day**

**Feb. 3-4, Switzer's Birthday Bash**

**OR ♦ Portland Doubleheader**

TD: Erik Locke (503.754.2979) & Tammy Gibbons

**Feb. 2, Pre-Super One Day**

Moose, 16411 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97230

**Feb. 3-4, Pre-Super Two Day**

Moose, 22980 NE Chinook St, Portland OR 97060

**VA ♦ Hampton Roads Doubleheader**

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

**Feb. 9, Hampton Roads #1**

**Feb. 10-11, Hampton Roads #2**

**WA ♦ Feb. 10, Super Sat One-Day**

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

**WI ♦ Feb. 16-18, Go Green Bay**

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

**ME ♦ Feb. 17, Capital City Classic**

American Legion, 400 Eastern Ave, Augusta ME 04330. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

**CA ♦ Feb. 23-25, Northern California Open**

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

**CA ♦ Feb. 26-28, Susanville Winter Classic**

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

**NV ♦ The Big One!**

J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501

**Feb. 29 ♦ Canadian Doubles**

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett

**Mar. 1 ♦ TOC**

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

**Mar. 2-3 ♦ JPW/ACC Open**

TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)

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**NV ♦ Mar. 4-5, Topaz Winter Wonderland**

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395, Gardnerville NV 89410. TD: Bev Castillo (775.453.3715) & Alice Souza

**CA ♦ Gold Country Doubleheader**

Senior Center, 11960 Heritage Oak Place #15, Auburn CA 95603. TD: Jon Kline (650.279.0001) & Scott Bartosh

**Mar. 9, Gold Country Classic #1**

**Mar. 10, Gold Country Classic #2**

**WI ♦ Mar. 15-16, Mick Michaelis Classic**

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

**OR ♦ Mar. 15-17, Northwest Open**

Elks, 1896 2nd St, Baker City OR 97814. TD: Pat Reynolds (541.403.0172) & Rob Palmer

**RI ♦ Mar. 17, Corned Beef & Cribbage**

St Joseph Veterans Hall, 99 Louise St, Woonsocket RI 02895. TD: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613) & Leo Houle

**OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader**

Eagles, 116 E 2nd Ave, Sutherlin OR 97497. TD: Bob Brumley (541.733.1136) & Betty Brumley

**Mar. 29, Super Sutherlin One-Day**

**Mar. 30-31, Sutherlin Shuffle**

<b>OR ♦ Newport Cluster</b>
American Legion, 424 W Olive, Newport OR 98374
<b>Apr. 6-7, Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial</b> TD: Pete Larsen (503.724.0605) & Rick Baird
<b>Apr. 8-9, Spring Fling</b> TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Pete Larsen
<b>Apr. 10-11, Alsea River Open</b> TD: Carole Herron (406.459.5550) & Wayne Morsen
<b>Apr. 12-13, Dean Bauman Memorial</b> TD: Monica Newton (541.819.1034) & Dana McClain

**NH ♦ Apr. 7, Granite State Classic**  
American Legion, 797 Court St, Keene NH 03431.  
TD: David Statz (603.247.4335) & Mary Burlington

<b>NC ♦ Spring Fling Doubleheader</b>
DoubleTree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703. TD: Jennifer John- son (617.515.2232) & Megan Player
<b>Apr. 12, Raleigh Friday Pre-Fling</b>
<b>Apr. 13-14, Raleigh Spring Fling</b>

<b>WY ♦ Cheyenne Doubleheader</b>
American Legion, 2001 E Lincoln- way, Cheyenne WY 82001. TD: Jim & Margaret Rosso (307.631.2741)
<b>Apr. 12, Cheyenne Open One-Day Challenge</b>
<b>Apr. 13-14, Cheyenne Spring Roundup</b>

**NY ♦ Apr. 19-21, Western New York Open**  
Moose, 45 Church St, Hamburg NY 14075. TD:  
Robyn Boldt (716.648.1830) & Russell Bentley

**WI ♦ Apr. 19-21, Dianne Gurney Memorial**  
Comfort Inn, W 10170 Highway 54 E, Black  
River Falls WI 54615. TD: Wayne Stein-  
metz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

**CA ♦ Apr. 20, Wine Country Spring Open**  
Moose, 3275 Browns Valley Rd, Napa CA 94558.  
TD: Roland Hall (707.738.0799) & Yvonne Bowers

<b>MT ♦ Magic City Doubleheader</b>
Hampton Inn, 3550 Ember Ln, Bill- ings MT 59102. TD: Richard Rudio (406.534.1293) & Gregory Dibble
<b>Apr. 20-21, Magic City</b>
<b>Apr. 22-23, Montana Trailhead</b>

**CA ♦ Apr. 21, George Shea Memorial**  
7 Flags Mobile Home Clubhouse, 300 International  
Blvd, Sonoma CA 95476. TD: Rick & Peggy Shea  
(707.599.4605)

<b>SD ♦ Deadwood Tripleheader</b>
Lodge at Deadwood, 100 Pine Crest Lane, Dead- wood SD 57732. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311), Patrick & Linda Barrett, John Hazlett, Dan Selke
<b>Apr. 25-26, Deadwood Open</b>
<b>Apr. 27, Aces &amp; Eights</b>
<b>Apr. 28, Calamity Jane Open</b>

<b>↓ PROMO IN AUGUST 2023 CW ↓</b>
<b>2024 Atlantic Cruise Cluster</b>
Norwegian Getaway cruise ship, depart- ing New York City on April 29. TD: Wino- na & Michael McDaniel (541.525.1292)
<b>Apr. 30, New York Opener</b>
<b>May 2-3, Nova Scotia Challenge I</b>
<b>May 4, Nova Scotia Challenge II</b>
<b>May 5-6, Nova Scotia Challenge III</b>
<b>May 9, Belfast Challenge</b>

<b>CA ♦ Humboldt Doubleheader</b>
Moose, 4328 Campton Rd, Eureka CA 95503. TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)
<b>May 3, Humboldt Bay One-Day</b>
<b>May 4-5, Humboldt Bay Classic</b>

**WI ♦ May 10-12, Cribbage Weekend in America**  
Mad Apple, 3025 College Ave, Appleton WI 54914.  
TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Bob Kiley

**AZ ♦ May 11-12, Arizona Screaming Eagles**  
Crooks House, 10938 W Tropicana Cir, Sun City  
AZ 85351. TD: Darlene Stier (907.338.3234) & June  
Fordham

**WA ♦ May 17-18, Washington State Open**  
VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944.  
TD: James & Cher Morrow (509.830.2318)

<b>NC ♦ Winston-Salem Doubleheader</b>
Courtyard by Marriott, 1600 Westbrook Plaza Dr, Winston-Salem NC 27103. TD: Keith Widener (336.971.8504) & Jennifer Johnson
<b>May 17, Winston-Salem Open</b>
<b>May 18-19, North Carolina Open</b>

<b>OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader</b>
Eagles, 116 E 2nd Ave, Sutherlin OR 97497. TD: Bob Brumley (541.733.1136) & Betty Brumley
<b>May 24, Super Sutherlin One-Day</b>
<b>May 25-26, Oregon State Open</b>

**WI ♦ May 24-26, Brat Stop Open**  
Brat Stop, 12304 75th St, Kenosha WI 53142. TD:

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Dan Selke (847.977.3875) & Emilio Perez

& Nancy Rojas

WA ♦ Spokane Doubleheader
Eagles, 6410 N Lidgerwood, Spokane WA 99208. TD: Kat Hartsell (509.850.6077) & Michael Crume
<b>May 24, Memorial Weekend One-Day</b>
<b>May 25–26, Memorial Weekend Two-Day</b>

**WI ♦ May 31–June 2, America's Dairyland**  
Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI 53965. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

**CA ♦ May 31–June 2, Montgomery Memorial**  
Win-River Resort, 2100 Redding Rancheria Dr, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

**WI ♦ June 7–9, Steinmetz Frosty Shuffle**  
Mad Apple, 3025 W College Ave, Appleton WI 54914. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

**WI ♦ June 21–23, Peg for Pink**  
Best Western, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546)

NV ♦ Topaz Doubleheader
Topaz Lodge, 1979 US 395, Gardnerville NV 89410
<b>June 24–26, Summer Classic</b> TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Bev Castillo
<b>June 26–28, Les Sumner Memorial</b> TD: Bev Castillo (775.453.3715) & Jeanne Jelke

OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader
Eagles, 116 E 2nd Ave, Sutherlin OR 97497. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136)
<b>July 5, Super Sutherlin One-Day</b>
<b>July 6–7, 4th of July Special</b>

WI ♦ Stetsonville Doubleheader
Community Center, 412 Centennial Ave, Stetsonville WI 54480. TD: Henry Brandner (715.748.3982) & Chad Frischmann
<b>July 12–13, Heart of Wisconsin Classic</b>
<b>July 13, Stetsonville Midsummer Classic</b>

OR ♦ Depoe Bay Doubleheader
Community Hall, 220 SE Bay St, Depoe Bay OR 97341. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Pete Maas & Greg Schleusner
<b>July 12, Depoe Bay Shuffle</b>
<b>July 13–14, Shut Up and Deal</b>

**CA ♦ July 12–14, River City Shake Up**  
Stadium Club Estates, 4200 El Centro Rd, Sacramento CA 95834. TD: Jennifer Bolles (916.203.6636)

*Tournament Trail continued online*

ME ♦ Bangor Doubleheader
Seasons Grill, 427 Main St, Bangor ME 04401. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley
<b>July 12, Running of the Lobsters</b>
<b>July 13–14, Lobster Peg Off</b>

WA ♦ Sunnyside Cluster
VFW, 614 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. TD: James & Cher Morrow (509.830.2318)
<b>July 18–19, Weekday Challenge</b>
<b>July 20, Summer Classic</b>
<b>July 21, Western Region Championship</b>

**IL ♦ July 19–21, Marv Lang Memorial**  
Cliffbreakers Center, 700 W Riverside Blvd, Arlington Heights IL 60004. TD: Dan Selke (847.877.3875) & Jerry Griffin

NC ♦ National Open Cluster
Double Tree, 4810 Page Creek Lane, Durham NC 27703
<b>July 25–26, Open Opener</b> TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett & Soule x2
<b>July 26–29, National Open</b> TD: Megan Player (919.518.3626) & Jennifer Johnson
<b>Come Monday—details forthcoming</b>

CA ♦ Sacramento Starter
VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Bob Bartosh (209.365.3232) & Alice Souza (209.365.3232)
<b>Aug. 8–9, Sacramento Starter #1</b>
<b>Aug. 10, Sacramento Starter #2</b>
<b>Aug. 11, Sacramento Starter #3</b>
<b>Aug. 13–14, Sacramento Bonus Event</b>





## 40 Years Ago

The cover reported that **Leo Schwedersky** (WI) won TOC #2, held in Las Vegas in November 1983. Leo followed this up the next day by winning the Las Vegas Open (forerunner of the ACC Open). Elsewhere we read that **DeLynn Colvert** (MT) won the Idaho

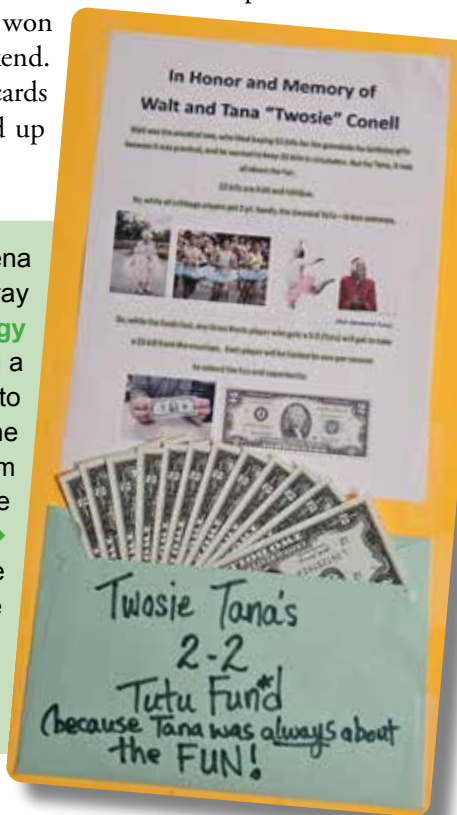


State Championship, his second win on his way to ninety-three victories (see the October 2019 *Cribbage World*, pages 24–25, for a list of all of DeLynn’s tournament wins).

## 25 Years Ago

The cover reported that **DeLynn Colvert** won the Chinook Winds Open in Lincoln City OR—for his thirty-seventh win. He also won the Time Passer and the High Roller that weekend. Elsewhere we read about a phenomenal run of cards by **Elmer “Ras” Rasmussen** (WA), who racked up 555 MRPs in the space of only five weeks!

**Tu-Tu** • Founding members of Helena Club 25 **Walt and Tana Conell** passed away in the past two years. Their daughter **Peggy Rice** approached **Sandy Sands** about finding a way to honor her parents. Since Tana liked to announce a two-point hand as a “Twosie,” the club purchased a stack of \$2 bills and gives them away for a 2-2 (tu-tu). While funds last, anyone who has a 2-2 takes a \$2 bill from the pot. ➔ Always the practical one, Walt wanted to see the \$2 bill remain in circulation, so they gave the grandkids \$2 bills for their birthdays. Tana loved giving them because \$2 bills were fun and unique. And Tana was all about the fun! ◀



## IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS



### William Carlstrom

Willie Carlstrom, 76, passed away on July 31 after a long battle with cancer. Willie loved watching wildlife with his wife, Wanda, at their home in rural Cannon Falls MN. He enjoyed camping, fishing, deer hunting with friends and family, but his passion was playing cribbage. Willie was a member of Club 388 in Northfield, where he earned his Bronze Award, and attended many tournaments around the country. He was a wonderful person and will be missed by many.



### David Clemmey

David Clemmey (Mansfield MA) passed away on December 13. David ran Club 81 in Mansfield for many years (until Covid), where he was club champion many times. His club merged with Club 109, and he quickly became club champ again. He joined new Club 464 this year and was on a path to become champion once again. David was the eleventh player in Grass Roots history to earn Platinum (6,000 GRPs). He won forty ACC tournaments—including the prestigious ACC Open in 1993—and was a Life Master (3★) with over 21,000 points; he was All American twice (1993 and 2001). David was a formidable opponent and would help newer players improve their game. It's easy to say that his presence will be missed.



### Jerry Hook

The world lost a mighty good man. Jerry fought cancer for two plus years but lost the battle at the Fort Meade VA hospital on November 29. Jerry never complained about his health or a sour run in

cribbage. He never said a bad word about any person. He had a gift to make everyone he met feel special, and he was good at pulling legs and playing pranks. The good Lord got him home from Vietnam, as nineteen young men in his unit of the 196 Light Infantry came home in body bags. It could be the Lord had plans for him to meet and marry Elaine and have Hollee and Layne. Jerry and Elaine loved to fish (salmon on the Missouri and lake trout on Pactola). He was a master craftsman and woodworker, making over one hundred cribbage boards. He has already made trophy boards for Club 96 for the next three years. He was at the Bronze level and enjoyed attending Grand National, Midwest, and Reno tournaments. We know the Lord has a new righthand man, and if he's not got him working in the shop or planting flowers, he's fishing, resting, or playing cribbage.

### Bob Patterson

Club 17 lost a fellow member on November 18. Bob Patterson (Des Moines IA), age 83, loved to go camping, attend sprint car races at Knoxville IA, and play cribbage. He was owner of Patterson Conoco for several years. He then worked for MidAmerican Energy until his retirement in 2002. Bob was fun to play with and will be greatly missed by all.



### Myron Schmidt

Myron Schmidt (Wykoff MN), 79, passed away on his family farm on October 28. He was a Master-rated cribbage player who won several tournaments around the Midwest. Myron loved history and knew it well. He also loved to travel, the game of softball, old time music, and the great Western film genre. Myron always had a good story to tell and a great laugh to follow it up with.





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