

Cribbage World



Using her very best “you’ve got to be kidding me / not again / how many is this?” eye roll (center), North Idaho Open tournament director **Kat Hartsell** gives **Erik Locke** a subtle hint to share to wealth! Erik and **Rick Baird** also took first place in Canadian Doubles (left). How does Kat really feel about having a cribbage celeb attending her tourney? Like the photo on the right shows!



RALEIGH

Three **B I G** tournaments
wrap up the cribbage
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- ① **Open Opener**
- ② **National Open**
- ③ **Come Monday**

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Milestones!

Happy Birthday in March!

80—**Charles Breider** (WA)

Happy Birthday in May!

80—**Kathy Thompson** (MT)

70—**Bambi Klem** (WA)

[Not 80 as reported previously.
Sorry, Bambi!]

50—**Rob Sepp** (IL)

Happy Birthday in June!

60—**Dan Chromy** (NE)

Happy Birthday in July!

70—**Clay Collier** (NE)

70—**Dave Bosio** (MI)

70—**Charles Martin** (MA)

60—**Anthony Draper** (UK)

50—**Benjamin Witz** (WI)

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President's Column

by James Morrow



New Playoff Trend? Grass Roots clubs go beyond a weekly night of fun and social entertainment. Clubs should prepare players for weekend or weekday tournaments. Club members should help improve each other's game: see all the points in runs or counting hands, learn traps and strategies, and see how different discards work for other players. Also, club members should eventually be able to play a game in fifteen minutes or less. Traveling to weekend tournaments gives members the chance to meet new players and compare strategies, to watch these players and what they do with their discards and pegging if it differs from your own.

I recently noticed a new trend: instead of playing new people, club members have started playing each other in the finals of weekend tournaments.

I first noticed this in December at the Longview WA tournament, where **Paul Downing** and **Elmer Rasmussen** from Chehalis Club 232 played for the main championship. Then again in April at the Alsea River Open, where Sunnyside Club 156 members **James Morrow** and **Betty Brumley** finished first and second. In Sunnyside WA, Pasco Club 39 members **Willie Evans** and **Ken Cochlin** met in the finals, and a week later Club 156 members **Steve Duis** and **James Morrow** fought for the Pasco consolation title.

I thought perhaps these are just rare happenings and that I was putting too much thought into them. But then in Worley ID, **Frank Hanson** and new ACC member and fellow Spokane club member **Rob Heath** (*not* Hall of Famer Rollie Heath's son) played off for the title. Not to be outdone, in the consolation another Club 156 matchup featured **Diego Alvarez** and **James Morrow** in the finals.

These are just at the tournaments I have attended, but I see in Alaska **Doug Holden** and **Allen Wilson**, both from Wasilla Club 354, met in the finals, and in Michigan two members of Club 71 played in the finals in Battle Creek: **William Stacey** and **Eric Jensen**.

I think this new trend of club members playing is going to continue.

My suggestion: if you want to be in a tournament final, take at least ten of your club members to every tournament. If you ride together and meet in the finals, make sure win or lose you have the car keys!

Cribbage Club Code of Congeniality

During a new player's trial period (four visits or until they earn points—whichever is longer) . . .

- We pledge to welcome new players warmly and make them feel wanted.
- We pledge to not penalize new players for violating tournament rules. (We will, instead, gently tell them what the rule is and what the penalty would be.)
- We pledge to not let new players underpeg points or undercount hands. (We will, instead, explain errors and then allow new players to take all points they are entitled to.)
- We pledge to not make new players feel inferior if/when they miss points or make a bad play. (We will, instead, let them know that all cribbage players do this and that it is part of the learning process.)
- We pledge to not force new players to play a game in fifteen minutes. (We will, instead, be tolerant and not complain, remembering that we, too, started slow.)
- We pledge to allow new players to play for free or at the minimum cost of club expenses and Grass Roots/ACC dues.

After the trial period is up . . .

- We pledge to continue to make *all* players—new and existing—feel welcome and comfortable at our club.

68 Grass Roots clubs have adopted the “Play Nice Pledge”

here are the latest clubs to sign up

Surf City 29ers Club 164 (Huntington Beach CA)

Yuma Club 267 (Yuma AZ)

Gold Club 318 (Holmes PA)

Wasatch Club 451 (West Valley City UT)

To add your club to this list, send email to cwed152@gmail.com.

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The following new judges have been certified:

- **Jim Correa** (Land O'Lakes FL)
- **Dan McPherson** (Soulsbyville CA)
- **Rhonda Sollars** (Coos Bay OR)

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Scott Kooistra's Vegas checklist

- ☒ win Rampart Casino Open
- ☒ earn Two Star award



My Deal

by David Aiken



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

I just discovered that my main *Cribbage World* email address has not been functioning properly. Some emails are downloading to my laptop, but a cache of 300+ emails dating back to March was sitting in cyberspace undelivered and unread.


Oh sure, it included the normal assortment of spam, offering me 50% of large sums of money found in abandoned bank accounts, or inviting me to click a link to see why my new flatscreen TV hadn't arrived, or prompting me to buy this or that wonder-product to decrease—or increase—the size of certain body parts.

But some of these emails contained items of importance to ACC members: birthday notices, obituaries, advertisements, stories from clubs or tourneys. I grabbed the most time-sensitive emails and include them in this *Cribbage World*, but it may take me a couple months to




fully catch up.

Before turning to the stories themselves, I offer two words of advice. First and foremost, if you send me email and I do not respond and say “I got it”—then I didn't get it. I reply to *every* cribbage-related email, so please check back if you haven't heard from me in a couple days. Second, **cwed152@gmail.com** is the most secure way to reach me, so please use it for future correspondence.

Obits and b-days are listed in their normal places in this issue, some stories are printed in the Grass Roots Corner, and others are printed throughout this issue.

Whenever you see the symbol  in this magazine, that means the story comes from this overlooked group of emails. I apologize for the three-month delay, but I hope you enjoy the stories nonetheless.

CW

Tale of the Tape	 Rick Baird	 David Aiken	 Rob Medeiros
average	56.7% (76–58)	59.4% (85–58)	✓ 61.1% (22–14)
biggest win	✓ +50 over Jim Snyder (WA) @ Worley ID	+42 over Jim Blough (MI) @ Battle Creek	+34 over Kendra Munkacsy (MA) @ Club 104
worst loss	–45 by Mike Crume (WA) @ Sunnyside WA	–56 by Ann Trotter (WI) @ Battle Creek	✓ –25 by Kenneth Flynn (MA) @ Club 104

Your Deal



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Thanks to Club Directors

Butte Mile High Club 410 owes director **Joe Peterson** an enormous debt of gratitude for all he has done for us since accepting the mantle from **Phil Cammack** a few years ago. The club's success is due to Joe's steady, thoughtful, and competent leadership. Hours spent on our behalf requires an exceptional time commitment. We also appreciate all Phil has done. I doubt Club 410 would exist today but for Phil's prescience and perseverance. The important setting-up and taking-down efforts each week by **Tom Durkin** and **LeRoy Meh-ring** also contribute to the club's seamless functioning. Thanks also to East Side Athletic Club, our host. Finally, thank you to the club's old-timers, new members, and cribbage buddies from Deer Lodge, Anaconda, and Helena who join us frequently. Yeah, I suspect we all have a cribbage addiction, which is untreatable other than through our weekly fellowship. I am grateful for those who make it a "good" addiction.

Disclaimer: I reserve the right to whine regularly about unfair treatment from the cribbage gods and the right to threaten to quit cribbage as needed to keep what little remains of my sanity.

Bob "I'm Quitting" Brown

Cribbage Solitaire

The article on cribbage solitaire in the May *Cribbage World* (page 19) asks if anyone

can top the shown 168 points grid. I did by changing the last row to four Jacks. ↓ All vertical rows remain the same, but the last horizontal row becomes 21 points (versus the current 17 points). Therefore the new total score is 172.

Farokh Ziari (Fremont CA)



Cribbage in a Movie

In Harm's Way, starring John Wayne, Patricia Neal, and Kirk Douglas (1965), shows officers playing cribbage (but not well) on the aft deck of destroyer.

William Moody (West Linn OR)

Q-Pool

☀ I like the new 26-point qualifier rule. [Editor's note: but see June *Cribbage World*, page 4, last paragraph.] I completely disagree with the mention of qualifiers not

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It's never too late for good Reno stories!

from Jackie Doppelt (Rio Vista CA)

☉ On Saturday in the main tournament, after seven games I had won only two and was standing, waiting for my next when I felt an allergy attack coming and reached in my slacks pocket for a tissue only to find—no pocket! A brief exploration found the pocket on my backside; I dashed to the ladies room, made a fore and aft correction, then came back to win game 8 and continue to win ten in row. My seatmates were beginning to speculate how a clothing faux pas might be replicated to their own advantage in future play. I won two of the remaining three to qualify with a 28-card and then made it to the fourth round, where I was ousted by **Richard May**, who won the tournament. The cribbage gods may be a fickle lot, but they do have a sense of humor if not decorum.

from Roy Hohn (Centennial CO)

☉ On a flight returning from the Reno tournament, **Dan Selke** sat next to **Brian Damiani**, a stranger for only a few moments. Brian inquired about the cribbage insignia on Dan's jacket, and they talked cribbage for most of the flight. Brian lives in Denver but travels to Wisconsin for business three weeks a month. He played his first ACC cribbage with a Milwaukee Grass Roots club. Dan suggested that Brian contact a Denver club and attend one of their tournaments. On March 15 Brian came to Club 34 in Denver, won six games, and decided to join. An unusual way to expand membership, but

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it worked. Perhaps the ACC could use Dan as their secret weapon in membership recruitment: outfit him in cribbage paraphernalia and fly him back and forth across the country exuding cribbage.

from Scott Harker (Phoenixville PA)

☉ After 21 games in the ACC Open main I was holding a 25/11 +20 card, and people told me a 27/12 wouldn't qualify for the playoffs, so I had to skunk my last opponent to get in. I sit down and look across the board to see **Duane Toll**. Great. We were very close through the game, which wasn't good enough, until halfway down third street when I held 3-3-4-5 and a 3 was cut. The 21-point hand, followed by some bad cards for Duane, were enough to give me the 38-point skunk I needed. He was very gracious in defeat and even helped me add up my scorecard. It turns out he had 28/12 coming into our game and finished with a better spread than mine, so no harm done. After I was knocked out of the playoffs I entered the consolation, where after eight games I had 10/5 +5, so again I needed to skunk my last opponent. This time it was **June Fordham**, who I can never seem to beat. Once again we were even all the way until the middle of third street, when I held 4-4-5-6 and cut a 4 for another 21. I ended up skunking June by 40 and getting in. Talk about déjà vu!

from Rick Baird (Bend OR)

☉ I was playing **Donna Zuben** from Florida in first round of playoffs on Saturday

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night. She whipped me three straight. The match was very friendly, and I did my best to not whine. At the end of game three, she asks: “Can I give you a hug?” I quickly said: “Only if I can give you a hug.” Then we stood up and hugged, and she said she got all the cuts (true) and I didn’t whine. (I realize that whining just makes you look like some of those players you don’t like.) This was absolutely incredible to me (not me not whining, but her asking to hug me).

... and even one from Redding

from Rick Baird (Bend OR)

☉ Here is brutal pegging situation from the Northern California Open main in Redding CA on February 26. I was poned at 39 playing **Gordon Dakin** (Pleasant Hill CA), who was dealing from 50. Here’s how the pegging went:

Rick	3		2 (for 3)		3		A (for 6)
Gordon		4		6 (for 2)		5 (for 5)	7 (for 9)

I was totally trapped. By playing his 6 and not his 5, he outpegged me 16-9.

Letters to the Editor—continued

participating in the Q-pool. I had mentioned this years ago when not all qualifiers received Q-pool money. I do not have an issue with progressive Q-pool payouts but am very much opposed to no payouts for those that qualify.

Ed Tasca (Springfield VA)

Oldest Club Champion

☉ What is the oldest age that someone has won a club championship? A ninety-year-old, **Jim Stratton**, won this honor at Club 332 (Jackson MI) this year.

Dave Bosio (Cement City MI)

CW responds: if your club has had a champion older than ninety, please let us know.

Cribbage Cousins

☉ **Jim Clark** had just done a family search and found that **Deliverance Hall** (1683–1752) from Rhode Island was in

his lineage. At a cribbage tournament in Sacramento on April 23, he kiddingly commented to **Cy Madrone** that maybe he was related to me. Cy gave Jim my email, and Jim sent me the info. A good friend of mine who passed away last year was a genealogy fanatic, and she traced my father’s lineage back to 1576. After checking the family tree, Jim and I discovered that we have the same great, great, great, great, great, great grandfather: **William Hall** (1645–91). Wow, we’re cousins!

Roland Hall (Napa CA)

Danny Ocean

☉ I just read “Dale’s Tales” in the May *Cribbage World* about eleven-point scorecards. A few years back I had such a streak of 11-point cards that they started calling me Danny Ocean (à la *Ocean’s Eleven*).

Bill Klem (Auburn WA)

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Very Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Alaska State Championship (Anchorage AK; Apr. 5)	C. J. Kim	17 players HQ. Carole Kim (25) 1. Kenneth Hunt (70) 2. Allen Wilson (42) 3. Carole Kim (21) 3. Elaine Laux (21)	—		
Barn Cafe Challenge #1 (Elk Grove CA; Apr. 23)	Bob Bartosh & Alice Souza	28 players HQ. Margaret Fanucchi (45) 1. Jones Hom (70) 2. Margaret Fanucchi (42) 3. Victor Rodriguez (21) 3. Brock Lee (21)	21 players HQ. Donald Spurgeon (18) 1. Terry Higgins (40) 2. Scott Bartosh (24) 3. Donald Spurgeon (12) 3. Richard Shea (12)		
Bob Watkins Memorial Part 1 (Brookings OR; Apr. 27–29)	Fred Howe	26 players HQ. Lisa Humiston (55) 1. William O'Malley (70) 2. Lisa Humiston (42) 3. Beverly Vishnevsky (21) 3. Fred Howe (21)	14 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (15) 1. Jeanne Jelke (24) 2. Todd Malmgren (12) 3. Ray Hatcher (4) 3. Don Dolezal (4)	28-hand: Beverly Vishnevsky*	Early Bird: Beverly Vishnevsky Canadian Doubles: Scott McManan & Don Dolezal
Bob Watkins Memorial Part 2 (Crescent City CA; Apr. 29–May 1)	Kai Lemrise	30 players HQ. Duane Toll (35) 1. Jackie Doppelt (70) 2. Alice Souza (42) 3. Fred Howe (21) 3. Peter Jackson (21)	18 players HQ. James Langley (18) 1. Sheryl Brekke (40) 2. Skip White (24) 3. James Langley (12) 3. Ray Hatcher (12)		Canadian Doubles: James Langley & Jeanne Jelke
Peg for Pink (Marinette WI; May 6–8)	Al Karr	84 players HQ. Steven Steinmetz (60) 1. Steven Steinmetz (147) 2. Ann Trotter (105) 3. Doug Page (70) 3. James McCarty (70)	56 players HQ. Allen Karr (21) 1. Allen Karr (60) 2. Lana Newhouse (40) 3. Mary Tegt (24) 3. Tom Briski (24)	28-hand: Dave Anderson*	Friday: Al Karr Canadian Doubles: Jane Vander Loop & Donna LaFleur

LEGEND

HQ = high qualifier
* = in sanctioned event
green = grand slam
red = first win

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Very Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Washington State Open (Sunnyside WA; May 13–15)	James Morrow	46 players HQ. Willie Evans (40) 1. Ken Cochlin (105) 2. Willie Evans (70) 3. Gary Pinkley (42) 3. Steven Macomber (42)	29 players HQ. Joanne Thomas (15) 1. Laurie Logan (40) 2. Dan Fergus (24) 3. Jason Shumate (12) 3. Pat Reynolds (12)	28-hand: Ken Cochlin*	Early Bird: Michael Meyer Canadian Doubles: James Morrow & Rick Baird Saturday: Roy Hofbauer
Jerry Montgomery Memorial (Redding CA; May 13–15)	Jeanne Jelke	30 players HQ. Austin Gregson (35) 1. Margaret Fanucchi (70) 2. Bob Bartosh (42) 3. Austin Gregson (21) 3. Doug Dresbach (21)	22 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (12) 1. Sheryl Brekke (40) 2. Peggy Shea (24) 3. Jeanne Jelke (12) 3. Patti Whiteaker (12)		Early Bird: Carolyn Washington Canadian Doubles: James Langley & Lee Padden Saturday: Sheryl Brekke All Events: Sheryl Brekke
Mountain View Classic (Loveland CO; May 14)	Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha	44 players HQ. William Shirland (35) 1. Troy Thorson (105) 2. Kathy Pacocha (70) 3. Clay Collier (42) 3. William Shirland (42)	26 players HQ. Roger Baxter (18) 1. William Barnes (40) 2. Kevin Pierce (24) 3. Vickie Humphrey (12) 3. Roger Baxter (12)		
Michigan Cup (Battle Creek MI; May 19–20)	David Boyer & John Schafer	46 players HQ. Andy Stireman (60) 1. Andy Stireman (105) 2. Jerald Adams (70) 3. Arthur Loveland (42) 3. David Aiken (42)	33 players HQ. Scott Kooistra (15) 1. Doug Page (60) 2. Terry Weber (40) 3. Betty Briggs (24) 3. David Boyer (24)	28-hands: Jerri Halicki* Scott Kooistra*	
North Carolina Open (Greensboro NC; May 19–21)	Keith Widener, Jennifer Johnson, & Megan Player	39 players HQ. Jacob French (40) 1. Tom Calvert (105) 2. Keith Miller (70) 3. Barri Gehrand (42) 3. Terrance Cushman (42)	32 players HQ. Larry Phifer (15) 1. Jeff Mather (40) 2. Scott Noble (24) 3. Jerry Gooden (12) 3. Jack Howsare (12)		Friday: Tom Calvert Canadian Doubles: June Fordham & Jeff Mather

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Potawatomi Peggars (Battle Creek MI; May 20-22)	John Hazlett & David Aiken	39 players HQ. David Gerke (45) 1. William Stacey (105) 2. Eric Jensen (70) 3. David Gerke (42) 3. Ann Trotter (42)	28 players HQ. Ron Drake (12) 1. Ron Drake (40) 2. Daniel Betz (24) 3. Scott Kooistra (12) 3. Joyce Betz (12)	28-hand: Les Kvien*	Friday: Meme Schafer Canadian Doubles: John Hazlett & Lisa Wagner
Humboldt Bay Classic (Eureka CA; May 20-22)	Rick & Peggy Shea	23 players HQ. Pete Larsen (50) 1. Peter Jackson (70) 2. Kai Lemrise (42) 3. Sheryl Brekke (21) 3. Pete Larsen (21)	19 players HQ. James Langley (24) 1. James Langley (40) 2. Barrett Mace (24) 3. Tim Hutsell (12) 3. Don Allen (12)	28-hand: Joseph Botkin*	Canadian Doubles: Gordon Draken & Tom Cookman
Pasco Spring Tournament (Pasco WA; May 21-22)	James Morrow & Brad Seger	19 players HQ. Danny Mitchell (50) 1. Bill Hill (70) 2. Ken Cochlin (42) 3. Sue Anderson (21) 3. Danny Mitchell (21)	16 players HQ. Ken Cochlin (12) 1. Steve Duis (24) 2. James Morrow (12) 3. Leslie Hein (4) 3. Ken Cochlin (4)		
Maine State Championships (Ellsworth ME; May 21)	Joe Bowen	35 players HQ. Jerry Hardy (40) 1. Jerry Hardy (105) 2. Peter Legendre (70) 3. Laurie Hardy (42) 3. Ethan Guyaz (42)	13 players HQ. Robert Hewes (12) 1. Jack Chandler (24) 2. Bob Mc Kenndy (12) 3. Carlyle Foss (4) 3. Robert Hewes (4)		
North Idaho Open (Worley ID; May 27-29)	Carl Vennes & Kat Hartsell	79 players HQ. Erik Locke (50) 1. Frank Hanson (147) 2. Robert Heath (NM) (105) 3. Wayne Koski (70) 3. Dale Orth (70)	50 players HQ. Kristy Haught (15) 1. James Morrow (60) 2. Diego Alvarez (40) 3. Nikki Anderson (24) 3. Kristy Haught (24)		Early Bird: Bill Klem Canadian Doubles: Erik Locke & Rick Baird Traditional Doubles: Frank Hanson & Carl Vennes

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Very Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Brat Stop Open (Kenosha WI; May 27-29)	Dan Selke	57 players HQ. Ann Trotter (65) 1. Les Kvien (105) 2. Troy Thorson (70) 3. Ann Trotter (42) 3. Bob Hanes (42)	39 players HQ. Dan Selke (12) 1. Wayne Steinmetz (60) 2. Jeff Shimp (40) 3. Larry Morse (24) 3. Clay Collier (24)	28-hand: Lana Newhouse*	Friday: Rob Sepp Saturday: David Boyer
ECC Barnyard Bonanza (Oceanside CA; May 28)	Obie Weeks	28 players HQ. Jim Jones (40) 1. Artland Ka'ai (70) 2. Jim Jones (42) 3. Donald Brown (21) 3. Bob Prochnow (21)	20 players HQ. Pamela Pomeroy (12) 1. Art Whitney (40) 2. Pamela Pomeroy (24) 3. Obie Weeks (12) 3. Ro Rocco (12)		
John Kern Memorial (Oceanside CA; May 29)	Carol Williams	34 players HQ. Bryan Gurdin (30) 1. Bryan Gurdin (105) 2. Kris Bailey (70) 3. Jim Jones (42) 3. Donald Brown (42)	20 players HQ. Art Whitney (12) 1. Ray Klocko (40) 2. Art Whitney (24) 3. Robert Galbraith (12) 3. Artland Ka'ai (12)	28-hand: Artland Ka'ai*	

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Soule Slam

☎ Earlier this year *Cribbage World* featured two twelve-game scorecards that won the first eleven games and lost the grand slam in game twelve: **Jack Chandler** (January CW, page 10), and **David Aiken** (February CW, page 10). When we learned about a twelve-game grand slam, we eagerly asked for the scorecard so we could print it. Oops! It got buried in a stack of mail and was only recently excavated. Life Master **Mark Soule** (Woolwich ME) had a perfect 27/12 +252 at Cornbeef & Cribbage in Uxbridge MA on March 20. This gorgeous scorecard should've been featured in the May *Cribbage World*. Hopefully Mark is still on his grand slam sugar buzz and won't notice the two-month delay.

GAME POINTS 27		GAMES WON 12		NET SPREAD +252	
SOULE,		MARK			
ME257		WOOLWICH ME		C01 SEAT	
Game	Game Points	Spread Points (+) (-)		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
1	2	22		CS	102
2	2	26		SR	C-4
3	2	05		ND	C06
4	2	01		HZ	C8
5	2	36		W	C10
6	3	35		KS	C12
7	2	30		BS	C14
8	3	39		SW	C16
9	3	37		FR	C-18
10	2	15		FE	C-20
11	2	15		FB	22
12	2	01		WB	C24
Total Game Points	27	252		Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0	
Games Won	12	NET POINTS (+/-)		Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.	
		+252			
Signature <i>Mark Soule</i>					

Tourney Tidbits



Peg, Rinse, Repeat! **Sheryl Brekke** (Eureka CA) won her first ACC-sanctioned tournament—the Bob Watkins Memorial Part 2 consolation in Crescent City CA—on May 1. ◀ It was so much fun that she did it again ▶ on May 15 at the Jerry Montgomery Memorial consy in Redding. At the JMM, Sheryl also won the Saturday night satellite and took first in All Events! While we're on a list of Brekke accomplishments, here's Sheryl getting a 29-hand at the Crescent City GRRT on December 4, 2021. ▶ What's next on the docket for Sheryl?!



What Family Does When the director of ECC Barnyard Bonanza, scheduled for May 28 in Oceanside CA, came in contact with Covid-19 just days before the tourney, **Obie Weeks** and **Carol Williams**, directors of the nearby John Kern

Memorial on May 29, stepped up and moved the first half of the doubleheader to their location. Thanks to their quick response, both tourneys went off without a hitch and no one had to cancel their travel plans.

Oopsie! Conversation between eighteen-year-old **Austin Gregson** (Antioch CA), playing in his first ACC main as an adult, and his father, Grand Master **Paul Gregson**, prior to the start of the Jerry Montgomery Memorial in Redding CA on May 14:

Austin: Hey, Dad, should I get in the Q-pool?

Paul (using his best "father knows best" voice): I definitely think you can qualify, but I probably wouldn't get in the graduated Q.

Oops! Austin is high qualifier with 33/15 +223! ▶

So how did Austin do when he played his dad? In game 20, Paul barely avoided the skunk by pegging over the line. Karma at its best!

Double Double The high qualifier in both sanctioned halves of Peg for Pink in Marinette WI also won the tournament. Life Master **Steven Steinmetz** (Caledonia WI) qualified #1 and then ran the field in the main, and Life Master (★) **Al Karr**

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TABLE SCORES		TABLES WON		TABLES LOST	
OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD					
Name: <i>Gregson, Austin</i>					
ACCR: <i>CA-7005</i> Seat: <i>2</i>					
Game	Score	Opponent	Score	Opponent	Verification (1-Number)
1	2 07		23 4		1
2	2 18		10 6		6
3	0	94	10 10		10
4	2 04		14 14		14
5	3 39		18 18		18
6	2 08		22 22		22
7	0	20	26 26		26
8	0	13	30 30		30
9	0	01	27 27		27
10	2 17		23 23		23
11	2 17		19 19		19
12	0	03	15 15		15
13	2 28		11 11		11
14	0	01	7 7		7
15	0	17	3 3		3
16	2 09		4 4		4
17	2 30		8 8		8
18	2 01		12 12		12
19	2 17		16 16		16
20	2 28		20 20		20
21	3 39		24 24		24
22	3 35		25 25		25
Total Score	33	15	223	223	
Net Points (W-L)		+273			
Score		15			

W = 2, Loss = 1
 Loss = 0
 Player must verify score and sign before accepting as correct.

Signature: *Gregson*

(Green Bay WI) did the same in the consy. That doesn't happen very often!

Calvert Benefit **Tom Calvert** (Atlanta GA) started the North Carolina Open in Greensboro NC in high fashion: he scored his best ever nine-game event by posting a 20/9 +165 \downarrow on Friday. As an encore, he won the main event on Sunday, to claim his second sanctioned win.



OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD

Name: **Tom Calvert**
ACCS: **GA 084** Score: **00 31**

Game	Game Points	Scored Points	Opposition	Opposition Score	Method of Victory
1	3	39	KC	32	
2	2	03	JJ	36	
3	2	28	JBY	40	
4	2	27	TG	37	
5	2	05	MAP	35	
6	2	05	K	29	
7	2	03	OB	26	
8	3	41	ST	30	
9	2	14	AD	34	
Total Points	20	185			
Games Won	9	7165			

Win = 2 Draw = 3 Loss = 0
Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.

Signature: *Tom Calvert*

Symmetry Master **Art Whitney** (Long Beach CA) very nearly pulled off a doubleheader win. He claimed the consy title at the Barnyard Bonanza in Oceanside CA on Saturday when he beat high qualifier **Pamela Pomeroy** (Norwalk CA) in the finals. On the next day, Art was high qualifier in the John Kern Memorial consy, but the tables turned when **Ray Klocko** (Henderson NV) beat Art in the finals.

Birthday Cribbage On May 31—the first day of the first leg of Montana's Spring Roundup—**Kathy Thompson** from Club 25 in Helena celebrated her



eightieth birthday with a cake \uparrow and a crown \downarrow brought in by **Tricia Campbell**, one of Club 25's newest club members.



Catherine Perkins (Club 58) held the only 29-hand in the 2022 GRNT. *Story on page 17.*



Cribbage Lessons

by Anne Monty Zhang (CA-7067)

Facing an empty nest and emerging from Covid isolation, I stepped out of my comfort zone and signed up for a cribbage tournament in Oceanside CA. Tired of playing against computer algorithms, I drove to Southern California to play my favorite childhood game against human players with a real deck of cards.

I started out shaky, dropping cards during the shuffle, worrying about missing a 15-2 or lifting the front peg, which, unfortunately, I learned is a real no-no in tournament play and almost cost me a game. By the end of the day, the cards began to blur: 6s turned into 9s. I even found myself trotting up the board in the wrong direction—a Big Oops!

Despite my first-tourney jitters and losses outnumbering wins, I discovered a new subculture in my card-playing opponents. Lloyd, another newbie, kept me laughing with his self-deprecating jokes. Ray, seated to my left, peered over my shoulder and gave me playing tips in

between games. Chris, an aerospace engineer, encouraged me when I felt overwhelmed by the cutthroat nature of some of my opponents. Then there was Obie, whose mannerisms reminded me of my late father who taught me the game.

The most memorable players, however, were 92-year old Jimmy and Art, his 78-year old sidekick. Art cares for Jimmy and drives him to tournaments throughout the state. In Oceanside, these best friends found themselves head-to-head in the finals. Winning three out of five, Art took the nod with Jimmy in a close second. Shaking hands afterward, they told me that for several decades they have always split their tournament winnings.

Although I drove away from the weekend with only one 24-hand, more importantly, I left with fond memories of these salt-of-the earth players who impacted both me and my game. My dad was correct: cribbage is a “gentleman’s game.”

Anne ↓ enjoying her first tourney with new friends.



GRNT

The results of the 2022 Grass Roots National Tournament have been announced by tournament director **Jennifer Johnson**.

In a sharp increase from the Covid-reduced affairs of 2020 and 2021, this year saw 1,634 players in action between January 1 and April 30 at ninety-five events throughout the country.

First place went to **Bryan Gurdin**, playing out of Club 400 in Las Vegas. Bryan took top honors with a score of 35/15 +280.

Twenty-three players scored 30 or higher, and a total of 318 players (roughly 19.5% of all players) scored 24 or more points and received prize money this season; one youth player earned GRPs in the GRNT.

There were nine grand slams, thirteen 28-hands, and one 29-hand, scored by **Catherine Perkins** (Bear Creek NC) in the first game of the Raleigh GRNT (see photo on page 15).

Here are GRNT payouts:

points	players	prize
35	1	\$191
34	1	\$129
33	4	\$119
32	3	\$109
31	6	\$99
30	8	\$89
29	23	\$70
28	29	\$60
27	41	\$50
26	55	\$40
25	72	\$30
24	75	\$25

2022 Grass Roots National Tournament by the Numbers

California had
the most, with
12 GRNTs held!

95
EVENTS

1,634
PLAYERS

1,556 Official
73 Unofficial
5 Youth



\$14,004 paid out
to GRP earners

28-Hands: 13
Grand Slams: 9
29-Hands: 1



\$650 in
additional
prizes!



157
Participating Clubs
(including travelers!)

8,339
GRPS
EARNED

High Score:
35 GRPs

The season wouldn't be a
success without all of you
making these tournaments
happen!

THANK
YOU

Cribbage World is happy to introduce a new column featuring stories about cribbage in the Western Region, collected and written by Don Brown. If something newsworthy happens at a tournament, please contact Don at dlba@charter.net.

★ The Barnyard tournament scheduled for Saturday, May 28, in Escondido CA was canceled due to health reasons. Since they were hosting the John Kern Memorial the next day in Oceanside, directors **Carol Williams** and **Obie Weeks** moved the Saturday tournament to the Oceanside venue. Quite a feat in transferring the sanction and entry fees, notifying entrants, securing the venue, getting food, drinks, boards, tables, scorecards—and seeing to the literally dozens of tasks that directors are responsible for. Kudos to Carol, Obie, and their friends for the seamless transition.

★ Both tournaments were twelve-game qualifiers; in the Barnyard one 17-card didn't qualify but in the Kern three 15s made it, and one of those had a bye! Go figger. In qualifying for the Barnyard, **Don Brown** needed 12 to get out and was dealt A-2-3 of Hearts and A-2-3 of Clubs. While pretty looking, the ensuing 5-cut resulted in another loss. **Jim Jones** was playing **Bryan Gurden** in the semis of the Kern; behind on second street, Jim had back-to-back 20-hands, a quad peg, and an 8-crib for a nifty sixty points in two hands. While Jim won that game, in the deciding fifth game Bryan turned the tables on him when, dealing from 42 holes out, Bryan held 4-4-5-5 with A-8 to his crib and cut the 6 for a 24-hand, a 10-crib, and a trip peg to go out and win the match.

★ Carpooling was in. In **Bryan Gurden's** car, Bryan won the Kern main, and rider **Ray Klocko** won the consolation the same day. In **Artland Ka'ai's** car, Art won the Barnyard main and qualified in the Kern main; while rider **Jim Jones** was high qualifier in the Barnyard and finished second and in the Kern finished 3-4. In **Don Brown's** car, Don finished 3-4 both days and rider **Art Whitney** won the Barnyard consolation and finished second in the Kern consolation. **Lloyd Lenson** was the third person in the car; it was his first tournament so all were happy.

Editor's note: Don has been on a hot streak. Here are some of his recent tournaments, full of *seconds*:

- Yuma: *second* place to John Alig
- TOC: qualified with 23/11 +3, knocked out in *second* round
- JPW main: qualified with 29/14 -7, knocked out in *second* round
- JPW consolation: [don't ask]
- Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial: *second* place to Carol Williams
- Spring Fest (Newport OR): *second* place to Bob Bartosh

Don may get his *second* ★ yet!

Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

The cribbage board featured this month is a special, one of a kind, C. W. LeCount board. It belongs to my friend and fellow collector, **Larry Snow** (Denver CO). Larry is a mem-

and manufacturer, the plated-metal sliders are inscribed "Presented to Mrs. Geo. O. Keeler by C. W. LeCount Sept. 20, 1881" in elegant Spencerian script.

Research on George O. Keeler of South Norwalk CT from that era finds that George was president of the Amity Mining Company of Leadville CO. A granite tombstone at Union Cemetery in Norwalk CT (Fairfield County), marks the joint graves of

George O. and Julia B. Keeler. So, one assumes that Julia was the recipient of this unique board. The question is, why? Was she a financial backer? Was she a valued employee? Was she a relative? All or none of the above?

ber of the Cribbage Board Collectors Society (CBCS) and wrote the following for the *CBCS Newsletter*:

Back in June 2001, the late **Peter Leach** (CBCS #136) authored a 48-page research booklet titled *C. W. LeCount Cribbage Boards*. . . .

Well, just when Peter and I thought that all the iterations of the 1879 patented cribbage board had been found, wouldn't you know that a sleeper might come along. This one Peter and I dubbed a "Presentation Board." It is a LeCount F-2 Board (Peter's numbering system). In addition to the patent date



Thank you Larry for sharing your board and article with me and my fellow ACC members.



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

ACC *Awards*



Keith E. Widener
(Clemmons NC)
Life Master (3★) #26

{Keith's words} I learned to play cribbage in the US Air Force in 1974 when I was twenty years old. After relocating to Pope Air Force Base in North Carolina, I attended the National Open Cribbage Tournament in Raleigh before the ACC was formed. I became an ACC charter member in 1979 and received number NC-48. In the 1980s, I played in tournaments in Des Moines IA, where I met a very young Scott Kooistra, and Madison WI, where I met Joe Wergin. I played sparingly until 1993 when I got a phone call from Robert Wenzel, asking if I would help start a club in Winston-Salem. My cribbage skills improved, and I won the club championship four times. Robert taught me about board position, and for that reason I consider him

my mentor. I started playing the Tournament Trail in earnest in the early 2000s. I won my first tournament in 2000, and this past January I won my fiftieth. My favorite tournaments include National Open, the new tournaments in Deadwood SD, and any tournament in Florida. Away from cribbage I spend 80% of my time handling over 1,000 clients in my accounting business. I love doing taxes almost as much as I love cribbage. I also like going to casinos with my wife and partner Leshia. I am so lucky that she came into my life.

{Dave's words} I am self-taught, learning cribbage with a grade school friend and a book of Hoyle. I joined ACC in the mid '90s and am currently a Grass Roots traveler (Club 600). I have won ten mains and seven consolations, been All American three times, and earned my One Star in Newport OR earlier this year.

To pick a toughest opponent is difficult, as I have played with most of the best. I enjoy playing Keith Widener, Henry Brandner, Erik Locke, Laurie Logan, Dave Bute. But it's just not fair to all of the others who have made this One Star trip a great adventure. I've accumulated over five thousand hours of flying time as a pilot with endorsements for commercial, instrument, and flight instructor over a thirty-year period from early '70s on. Age takes a toll on reflexes and sight, so I retired from flying and working at the Ford Motor Co, in 2002. Since then my priority has been traveling to play cribbage.



Dave Yaeger
(Kettle Falls WA)
Life Master (★) #117



Marsha Mahan
(Appleton WI)
Grand Master #459

{Marsha's words} A friend introduced me to cribbage a long time ago. I joined the ACC in the late '80s. While I've belonged to Club 90 in Appleton for many years, I have not been club champion as I do have a life outside of cribbage. I don't have a cribbage mentor, but my husband lets me know when I play the wrong card! I haven't won a main tournament; my first consolation win was in the mid-90s. I earned my Grand Master by winning the Calamity Jane consy in Deadwood in May. My favorite tournament was played at Midway Motor Lodge in Green Bay in February 1989. That's where I met my husband! Jim was my last opponent and he beat me out of qualifying for the tournament. As he tells it: he bought me a beer

and he's been paying for it ever since! My toughest/favorite opponent was Jerry Gruber. He was a real gentleman—whether he won or lost (he usually won). My non-cribbage interests are too numerous to mention as this article has already exceeded its limits or else Dave won't be able to include my picture. I've dealt two 29-hands in tournament play, and I've made a hole-in-one while golfing. My husband says if I'm going to get lucky, he'd prefer I win the lottery.



{Alice's words} My mother, Aljean Simpson, taught me to play cribbage when I was about six years old. I joined the ACC in 2001, have been club champion twice (Hawaii in 2011–12 and Club 600 in 2017–18), and have won six mains and four cons. Besides my mother, the person who has had the largest impact on how I play is Roy Wong. An amazing player, he is not afraid to tell me how “dumb” I am, which is always followed with laughter about how right he was. Since I moved back to California, Bob Bartosh has helped me be a better player; conversations with Erik Locke, Bryan Gurden, and Cy Madrone have helped improve my game. I have lived in so many states that I feel like I belong to several clubs. My favorite clubs to play besides Hawaii are Ollala, Tacoma, and Puyallup (all in Washington) and the West Sacramento Club, where director Terry Ward does a great job. My favorite tournament is the Sacramento tripleheader in January and August. People come from all over, Bob Bartosh and his team always do a great job, and the competition is impressive. Hands down, Rick Baird is my toughest opponent. My favorite cribbage moment was a game against James Morrow in Sacramento. I was 17 out with first count and held A-A-4-4; an 8 was cut. I tripped him twice, got a go, and won the game with a four-point hand. I enjoy anything outdoors. Currently, I have been playing a lot of disc golf with the family and it is so much fun.

Alice Souza
(Ione CA)
Grand Master #460

**The best offense is a good defense.
Unfortunately, there is no defense against the cut.**

The Inside Track *by Rob Medeiros*



Many decisions during a cribbage game can be the determining factors in winning or losing that particular game. In most cases we point to the obvious ones, such as giving up a 20-crib when you discard 6-8 to their crib. But many little decisions can affect your wins and losses as well.

You are the pone early in the game and hold 5-6-7-8. You lead the 8 and the dealer responds with a K. What's the best decision for your next play? I prefer playing a 6 here for a few reasons. First, if the dealer has all pictures you will outpeg him 4–2 whether you play the 6 or 7 as your second card. But if dealer has three pictures and a 5, you will be stuck with a 5-6 combo to his two picture cards on the second round of pegging, giving him a 31-for-2. With the 6 play, the difference in pegging would be 2–1 for the dealer; with the 7 play, it is 3–0 for dealer.

There is another factor too. If dealer is holding A-A-4 or A-2-3 with his King, he will still get those cards in on the pegging but you will save giving up the 31-for-2 if you make the count 24 with a 6 instead of 25 with a 7.

It's often the little things that make a much greater impact than we normally suspect.

Rob “The Decider” Medeiros can be reached at mrob2199@aol.com.



The American Cribbage Congress Grand National XL will be held September 23-25, 2022 at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 1-80 and 72nd Street (Exit 449) in Omaha, NE and is sanctioned by the ACC. Please join us for a great weekend of cribbage along with the annual ACC Awards Banquet.

The Comfort Inn & Suites has blocked every room for the Grand National, and is offering rooms for \$89 and up depending on choice of room for the entire week. Please call as soon as possible for your reservation at 402-934-4900 and request the Cribbage Grand National rate.

You're also invited to the mid-week Cornhusker Cribbage Classic on September 20-22, 2022 at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 7007 Grover Street (I-80 and 72nd Street) in Omaha, NE.

All registration checks for either or both events should be made out to Scott Kooistra GN40 and mailed to Scott Kooistra, PO Box 7019, Yankton, SD 57078 with an entry postmark deadline of September 10, 2022.

THANKS to our fundraising, the payback for each sanctioned event will be 100% or more!!

For information, please contact Scott Kooistra at 605-661-7081 or GN40Cribbage@gmail.com.

For complete Schedule of Events, please refer to the other side of this flyer.

Name _____ ACC # _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____

Anchor Seating Requested (please circle if needed) YES

Cornhusker Cribbage Classic - Comfort Inn & Suites, 1-80 and 72nd Street, Omaha, NE

_____ \$20	Tuesday, Sept. 20	7:30 p.m.	9 games	(Pre-Game Show)
_____ \$70	Wednesday, Sept. 21	8:30 a.m.	22 games	(Touchdown Event)
_____ \$20	Q-Pool - optional			(Touchdown Event)
_____ \$20	Wednesday, Sept. 21	7:30 p.m.	9 games	(Post-Game Show)

There will be a Consolation Tournament on Thursday, Sept. 22 starting at 9:00 a.m.

ACC Grand National XL - Comfort Inn & Suites, 1-80 and 72nd Street - Omaha, NE

_____ \$20	Thursday, Sept. 22	7:30 p.m.	9 games	(Omaha Event)
_____ \$20	Friday, Sept. 23	1:00 p.m.	9 games	(Lincoln Event)
_____ \$20	Friday, Sept. 23	7:30 p.m.	9 games	(Husker Event)
_____ \$20	Friday, Sept. 23	7:30 p.m.	9 games	(Canadian Doubles - pay on site)

Please **do not** enter Thursday evening event if you are competing in the GRTOC.

_____ \$80	Saturday, Sept. 24	8:30 a.m.	22 games	(Main Event)
_____ \$20	Q-Pool - optional			(Main Event)
_____ \$30	each for ACC Awards Banquet (Support your Sport Theme)		6:30 p.m. Social	
_____ \$20	Saturday, Sept. 24	7:30 p.m.	9 games	(Big Red Event)

Please **do not** enter the Saturday evening event if you are attending Awards Banquet.

There will be a Consolation Tournament on Sunday, Sept. 25 starting at 9:00 a.m.

_____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

(Please make checks payable to Scott Kooistra GN40 and mail to Scott Kooistra, PO Box 7019, Yankton, SD 57078)

Player Points		Opponent Points		Net Score	
Saturday				0	
OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD					
Name: Bob Joslin					
AOC: MA		JETD:		D-15	
Game	Game Points	Game Points	Game Points	Game Points	Game Points
1	0	06	16		
2	0	10			
3	0	02	20		
4	20				
5	03				
6	01	5P	17		
7	18				
8	39	27	D-13		
9	06	20	03		
10	06	20	03		
11	16		5		
12	15				
13	10				
14	01	12	D-2		
15	07	24	D-6		
16	15	24	D-6		
17	0	21			
18	0	49	AL	D-16	
19	0	02	14		
20	0	22			
21	0	33	18		
22	0	03			
Total Game Points	27	187	148	Win = 2	Skunk = 3
Game Won	13	NET POINTS	29	Loss = 0	
Player must verify totals and sign below, accepted as correct					

Streaky Bob Joslin's card at Black Rivers Falls had a great middle, but the start and especially the finish left a lot to be desired! Any cribbage player would think that with 27 after 16, a play-off spot was in the bag. When you drop the last six, you're putting things up to fate. Fate was is Bob's favor and he made it in.

in their pockets, coming up with much needed cash to help Jeff and family in their time of need.

Pick on Mark Time Mark Smith (Marshalltown IA) is at it again. During the Friday satellite at Appleton WI, he missed an easy two points and still won by 29. Later he missed points and won by 18. Hmm, maybe I should try missing points so I can win more games? Nice seeing you, Mark, to which he replied: "I'd rather see you, than be carried past you." Gotta love that Iowa sense of humor.

1-2 Punch Coming up on sixty-four years of marriage in August, this **Daniel-ski team** still has it! **Ginny** handed her 2021 first place crown off to **Frank** this year at the Mick Michaelis Classic. Now, at Club 90 in Appleton WI, Frank finished the season in first with 180 GRPs and Ginny a close second at 172. My guess is that next year it will be Ginny first and then Frank. At the Cribbage Weekend in America main, Frank was high qualifier (36/17 +204). Here he is in the playoffs against **Jimmy McCarty**. Frank was too much for Jimmy, but lost his next round to clubmate **Marsha Mahan**.

Burning up the Boards The tightknit father/son duo of **Jeff and Jeremy Wus-sow** drove from Green Bay WI to Deadwood SD to compete. While Jeff was burning up the boards in the Deadwood main by qualifying first, the boards in their home were also on fire. Alerted by the smoke detector, everyone at the home got out safely. Even the two cats showed up a couple of days later. Since they couldn't get into the house until Tuesday, Jeff and Jeremy decided to stay and play. The ACC cribbage family dug deep





Finally Over **Richard Frost**, aka Frosty, officially ended his three-year slump. At Deadwood, he qualified in three out of four tournaments. Too bad his partner, **Wayne Steinmetz**, wasn't there. Like I always say: You just have to play out of your losing streaks.

Fifteen Is Too Much! After **Doug Page** (WI) carped about the common Central Region format of 2-games-against-11-players at a recent tournament, **David Aiken** (MI) joshed Doug: "Evidently you want to spend only fifteen minutes playing me instead of thirty." Doug immediately quipped: "I'd rather spend only *ten* minutes playing you!"

Just Ask Dan I was lucky and won the last two championships at Club 6. That got me thinking what is the record for the most championships. Naturally, I went to the ACC statistics guru, **Dan "Smoothy" Selke**, for the answer. To my surprise, he didn't know, but he gave me an astounding factoid. **Dwight Christiansen** of Windy City Club 382 has won nine in a row!

I Can Still Hear Him **Vicky Fry** (Aurora IL), playing her first ACC tournament at the Brat Stop Open, had the veteran **Don Flesch** for an opponent. She is having her way with him, getting cut after cut. Then a minor hiccup happens on Don's deal, when he gets a 24-crib! Not to worry. Vicky was so far ahead that Don only avoided sunk. I can still hear Don moaning: "I can't believe I got a 24-crib and still lost by 21!" My comment to Don was: "You'll

read about it in *Cribbage World*." Great job, Vicky!

This Is Easy! **Rob Sepp** and his girlfriend **Vicky Fry** joined Club 3 (Elgin IL) about five months ago. The Brat Stop Open was their first ACC tournament (see story above). Rob's first attempt was the Friday night satellite. Rob must think cribbage is easy, especially when he wins on first attempt. Who's next!



Weight Gain At America's Dairyland, some of the players were kidding **Mike Henze** (State Center IA) about putting on a few extra pounds. Mike took it to heart and the next morning he was on the treadmill for forty-five minutes. He was so happy with himself that he went back the next day—and this time he turned it on!

Grand Slam Unlike **Jimmy McCarty** missing a grand slam by one hole at the Reno Canadian doubles (April CW, page 12), his uncle **Wayne Steinmetz** and **Richard "Frosty" Frost** get it done at America's Dairyland with 18/9. A few years ago, when I was Frosty's partner at Stevensville MI, we had a record low of six points on one deal. Frosty had six points in his hand, and I had a 38 special. Previously I had stated I kept pegging cards. That was a tall cribbage tale. The cards were just that terrible. Frosty was counting first, so, of course, I gave him the best hand.



Superstitions We've all heard it's bad luck to skunk your first opponent. Another superstition is never touch the money envelope in the playoffs until you lose the match and "win" the envelope. I was observing a consy playoff match at Lake Delton WI between **Jim "Sandles" Mahan** and **Wayne Steinmetz**. Wayne is trying to make it two consy wins in a row. **Al Karr** comes to the table and says you better make sure the envelope is correct. Wayne breaks the rule and counts the cash and jokingly says: "We don't want Jim to be short." The curse of touching the envelope wins out, and Sandles advances.



Kinda makes you wonder if Jim put Al Karr up to it.

Looking Up In my ongoing battle with **Keith Widener**, things are looking up. At America's Dairyland, I actually beat him! It felt so refreshing that I may even try to make it two in a row. He may even stop asking me what table I'm at.

SACRAMENTO'S FIRST AFTERNOON GRASS ROOTS CLUB

Where: The Barn Café, 8976 Grant Line Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624

When: Every Tuesday starting August 2nd at 11 AM

Entry: TBD

(August is summer play and the 2022-23 season starts September 6th)

We are a nine-game club and a great alternative to those that cannot or do not want to drive at night. Maybe you need to make up a few weeks you may have missed at your home club? Everyone is welcome anytime and you do not need to be a member of the club to play.

The Barn Cafe has been a great partner for our cribbage habit. I encourage everyone to come early for breakfast or stay after for lunch. They have great food and specialize in American comfort food and BBQ.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Alice Souza at 209-365-3232.



The ACC Grand National 40 in Omaha has a strict entry deadline this fall. We have lunches to prepare, tables and chairs to rent, general set-up, labels to print, and so on.

The postmark deadline is **September 10** for both the Grand National and Cornhusker Midweek. If you enter and are unable to attend, your entry fee will be quickly refunded.

Please send in your fee if you plan to attend the awards banquet as well. You may definitely enter the satellite events on-site that week.

Thank you for adhering to this deadline, and please contact **Scott Kooistra** with any questions.

See you in Omaha for GN 40!

*For more info, call or text GN director **Scott Kooistra** at 605.661.7081.*

See GN flyer in centerfold

New Members

44 last month

Alaska

Kalli Hopkins (Wasilla)

California

Chris Cooper (Mission Viejo)
Linda Cooper (Mission Viejo)
Stacey Douglas Jones (Napa)
Richard Gilley (Redding)
Riley Gowan (Arcata)
Donald Spurgeon (Fairfield)

Colorado

John Craig (Clifton)
James L. Rigdon (Colorado Springs)

Idaho

Shannon Julkowski (Priest River)

Maine

Roger St. Pierre (Westbrook)

Michigan

Marvin Balbierz (Marquette)

Minnesota

Matt Klar (Hinckley)
Rick Rohrer (Wayzata)

Missouri

Ty Mwengi (Springfield)

Montana

Tamara Bonato (Deer Lodge)
Margaret Cramer (Butte)
Tim Gauthier (Butte)
Linda Isaacs (Anaconda)
Alana LaRock (Butte)
CathiJo Neff (Butte)
Heidi Sedivy (Missoula)

North Carolina

Michael D. Hill (Winston-Salem)

Oregon

Grant Barr (Eugene)
Diane Chase (Keizer)
Steve Dinkowitz (Grants Pass)
Brian Hudson (Roseburg)
Timothy "Bill" Walter (Eugene)

Pennsylvania

Irene Berkowitz (Bala Cynwyd)

Steve Jesseph (Doylestown)

South Carolina

Tim Hurlburt (Seneca)

South Dakota

Angel Hamm (Rapid City)
Bret Hamm (Rapid City)
Carter McGregor (Tea)
Doug Stahl (Mellette)
Jesse Weideman (Mellette)

Texas

Frank H. Johnson (Irving)

Utah

Christopher Derry (Syracuse)
Ernest Gamonal (Salt Lake City)

Washington

Wanda Burke (Everett)
Valera Lincoln (Lynnwood)
Shane Schooler (Wenatchee)

Wisconsin

Tyler Hoerke (Altoona)
Melody Kuenne (Medford)
Cole Simonson (Chippewa Falls)

Internet Cribbage

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



A follow-up comment is needed regarding my last column detailing lapsed ACC membership dues. One of the issues we're finding is that a member hands ACC dues payment to their club director instead of mailing it themselves. Your dues are *not* paid at this point—they are in limbo. Until ACC membership secretary **Brenda Nason** inputs your payment into her database, dues are still considered unpaid. You risk losing IRPs during the lapsed period by using this method, as your club director might hold on to them for a long time! Brenda is the deciding factor as to when dues are truly current. Suggestion: get a money order for cash, or have a friend write a check for you and mail it to Brenda pronto and/or early to stay a member.

Some of you were having trouble with saved games, but it's fixed now. I'm sorry for the frustration that this was causing players and TDs. *Please be sure you're waiting for the peg to physically get put into hole 121.* We've also found that profile boxes have become overloaded for those who have played on eCribbage for many years. When we try to add new "bling" badges, the box erases. **Scott Milo** is working on a solution as he noticed it happening when I tried to add his latest eMaster award badge. For this reason, I now will put in a badge for only the highest eMaster level you've achieved, and the lower levels will be removed.

If you have any issues with eCribbage, the email address **support@ecribbage.com** is now being managed by **Scott/Sgt Pegger** and **Jen/JJx7Fan**. They will filter as much as possible for **Damien** in a timely manner.

We are approaching the end of the season on July 31. Will the ACC get their first Life eMaster (2★)? *Go **Mike Fetchel**!* I'm looking forward to giving out awards at the Grand National awards banquet in Omaha.

internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	1129	Paul Gregson (a2zCribbage)
2	1071	James Morrow (29seeker)
3	1039	Bernard Kitheka (Wanzelu)
4	970	Sue Edwards (CO434Sue)
5	925	Jeff Raynes (jeffraynes29)
6	902	Sam Sinram (IA503)
7	893	Roger Wilson (rogerw29)
8	849	Tom Langford (yanknshank29)
9	835	Pat Liegl (patco1950)
10	810	Daniel Crete (dec)

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ecribbage.com

gamecolony.com/acc

Player of the Month

Donald Olney (*olney47*) @ 189 IRPs



40 Years Ago

President **Joe Wergin** issued a five-page “State of the Congress” enumerating all the ACC had accomplished in three short years. Membership stood at 2,293, with at least one member in every state. And one city—Racine WI—had over 100 members! Election



results show that **Scott Kooistra**, this year’s MRP leader, was elected to the BOD for his first time.

25 Years Ago

President **Ev Bey** announced the new MRP program to be instituted at the start of the new cribbage season; it was basically the same as we currently have, except consolation now have a 4+4 system instead of 3+3, plus now all qualifiers get qualifying MRPs. **George Bickford** (West Springfield MA) was appointed national tournament commissioner.

Cribbage Quiz

The Cribbage Quiz in the May *Cribbage World* showed how A-A-7-7 could peg 22 points. **Barry Mednick** (Yorba Linda CA) points out that the dealer can peg 24 points with this hand if the pone holds A-7-7 plus anything other than another Ace. Here’s how the pegging goes:

pone	7	7 (for 6)		A	go
dealer	7 (for 2)		7 (for 12)	A (for 2)	A (for 8)

GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



Teaching Tip

In my June column, I shared four reasons to teach youth cribbage. This month I list four reasons to work with seniors. **Purpose**—giving our seniors purpose later in life is critical for their well-being. I know several retired individuals who, without cribbage, would have a huge void in their lives. For many older adults, physical and/or health limitations restrict options such as travel and local outings. All you need to enjoy cribbage is a deck of cards and a bit of dexterity.

Keeping the Mind Sharp—it is well known that seniors need to challenge their minds in order to maintain their ability to stay aware and focus. Many articles I've read point to puzzles and games as essential activities in their daily lives. Not only does cribbage keep the mind strong, it enables sociability, which is also a key factor in staying mentally strong.

Teaching Opportunity—if you teach someone living in nursing home or assisted-living facility, encourage them to do the same with their peers. We talked earlier about purpose; imagine the sense of pride for someone who starts a cribbage movement in their living arrangement, and may even get a club going with tournaments. If you plant the seeds, wildflowers will grow.

Personal Gratification—regardless of whether you work with school-age children or adults, there is something very special about teaching cribbage. Watching the light go on when a student understands a basic concept or advanced strategy is truly heart-felt. I've never spoken to anyone who has taught cribbage that hasn't felt a great sense of pride and accomplishment, knowing that they are creating a foundation for countless hours of enjoyment in new players for the rest of their lives.

News

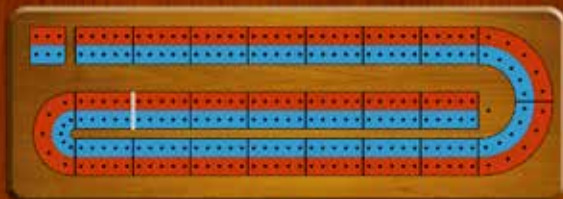
Jim Wilder is an ACC member in Santa Rosa CA. His Grass Roots club is planning on outreach at the local farmer's market to invite people to their regular evenings. They will have informational handouts available, plus eager club members available for anyone wanting to either get a lesson or play a game.

Are you ready to teach at a local school? Did you know that the ACC Youth Program has grants available for up to ten new cribbage boards to assist teachers in the classroom? For more information contact Dan Zeisler (danthefan@yahoo.com).



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GrassRoots *Awards*

SILVER

Brad Archer (NV), 418
Bill Bowen Sr. (MA), 308
Ginny Danielski (WI), 90
Terry Greenawald (OR), 127
Jeff Wussow (WI), 157

BRONZE

David Aiello (WI), 197
John J. Bianco (MI), 368
Joseph J. Bowen (ME), 361
Robert C. Brown (MT), 410
Gary Chamberlain (CA), 306
Neil Fagerhaugh (MN), 240
Stanley Fillpiak (MA), 104
William Dale Griffin (CA), 306
Theo Mattingly (CA), 43
Michael Rogers (CA), 100
Carol Zale (MI), 295



Annett J. Eiffert
(Fair Oaks CA)
Platinum #14

{Annett's words} I'm excited to share something with Queen Elizabeth II — besides our love of British tea. The Queen and I are both proud women celebrating our Platinum Jubilee! Hers took a lot longer to achieve and is going to be celebrated

by more people! I joined the ACC in October 1993, and it has been my pleasure to have been director of River City Peggers (Club 162) since November 1993. In my first thirty or so years of playing cribbage, I played the game with only family and friends—probably less than twenty people in all. In the twenty-nine years since joining the ACC, I have played with literally thousands of cribbage players all over the country. That experience has been an absolute joy. Our club was the first in Sacramento, and we have propagated a half dozen other clubs in this area. It has been a satisfying accomplishment to contribute to the growth of organized cribbage. Our club has some outstanding cribbage playing members, including Harold Sontag and Nancy Rojas. Harold was the first ACC member to reach Platinum; Nancy reached Gold this season. Both are formidable opponents, and I look forward to playing them each week. My favorite cribbage moment is any game that when we finish, my opponent and I are still smiling. And if I actually won the game, and my opponent is still smiling . . . hey, that's really a win-win!

Don joined the ACC in the mid-80s. A member of Club 113 and a past club champion, he has also earned his Master Award in weekend play, with his first tournament win coming in Portland. Don's toughest opponents at the club are also Gold winners: Lee Chambers, Susan Chambers, and Diane Harvey. Don attends a half dozen tournaments a year. His favorite moment this year was watching his daughter attend her first tournament and placing ninth. When not playing cribbage, Don is likely fishing.

Don Hansen
(Albany OR)
Gold #167



{Alan's words} I learned to play cribbage from a brother-in-law in the late 60s. I joined Club 6 in the early 80s, where I was subjected to the merciless beating and education from all the ACC's big guns: Warren Sondericker, Martha Fingleton, Bob Julian, Jim McManus, Bob McCabe, Don Flesch, Wayne Steinmetz, Duane Toll, and more. In 2012 we moved to Vegas and joined Club

400, where we ran into a whole new slew of tough players. Bottom line is that after playing forty years in Grass Roots, I finally won a club championship! What a fun ride it's been.

Alan R. Schaefer
(Henderson NV)
Gold #168

more Grass Roots awards on page 34



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

GRASS ROOTS CORNER

☉ Butte Montana Mile High Cribbers Club 410 has had a few interesting happenings in the last couple of months. On January 22, while playing in our GRNT, **Jim Schwindt** scored a 28-hand. Jim joined the ACC and Club 410 this year. Then on February 17, with nineteen players in attendance, five players won seven games, with four of them scoring 17 game points. ↓ Quite the evening for high scores!

rank	name	score
1	Robert Brown	17/8 +149
2	Buster Riley	17/8 +141
3	Regan Dean	17/7 +143
4	Joe Peterson	17/7 +122
5	Betty Piskolich	14/7 +41

Big Butte Mile High Cribbers									
Club 410 Official Scorecard									
Name	Caleb Blanton			19					
Rank	ACCR								
City	Butte								
Game	Win	Loss	Hand	Score	Game	Win	Loss	Hand	Score
1	2/19	—	Bob 17		1	3/49	—	Bob 17	
2	2/26	—	Bob 17		2	2/12	—	Bob 17	
3	2/12	—	Bob 17		3	2/14	—	Bob 17	
4	2/1	—	Bob 17		4	2/09	—	Bob 17	
5	2/27	—	Bob 17		5	3/37	—	Bob 17	
6	2/12	—	Bob 17		6	3/34	—	Bob 17	
7	3/43	—	Bob 17		7	2/10	—	Bob 17	
8	2/05	—	Bob 17		8	2/10	—	Bob 17	
9	2/22	—	Bob 17		9	2/16	—	Bob 17	
10	2/22	—	Bob 17		10	2/16	—	Bob 17	
11	2/22	—	Bob 17		11	2/16	—	Bob 17	
12	2/22	—	Bob 17		12	2/16	—	Bob 17	
13	2/22	—	Bob 17		13	2/16	—	Bob 17	
14	2/22	—	Bob 17		14	2/16	—	Bob 17	
15	2/22	—	Bob 17		15	2/16	—	Bob 17	
16	2/22	—	Bob 17		16	2/16	—	Bob 17	
17	2/22	—	Bob 17		17	2/16	—	Bob 17	
18	2/22	—	Bob 17		18	2/16	—	Bob 17	
19	2/22	—	Bob 17		19	2/16	—	Bob 17	
20	2/22	—	Bob 17		20	2/16	—	Bob 17	
21	2/22	—	Bob 17		21	2/16	—	Bob 17	
22	2/22	—	Bob 17		22	2/16	—	Bob 17	
23	2/22	—	Bob 17		23	2/16	—	Bob 17	
24	2/22	—	Bob 17		24	2/16	—	Bob 17	
25	2/22	—	Bob 17		25	2/16	—	Bob 17	
26	2/22	—	Bob 17		26	2/16	—	Bob 17	
27	2/22	—	Bob 17		27	2/16	—	Bob 17	
28	2/22	—	Bob 17		28	2/16	—	Bob 17	
29	2/22	—	Bob 17		29	2/16	—	Bob 17	
30	2/22	—	Bob 17		30	2/16	—	Bob 17	

During February, we protected Club 410 from the Marx Bros. Covid variant by masking up. ↓ It obviously worked, as no member of the club contracted the dreaded variant. The monthly *Cribbage World* editions are very much appreciated. Each month people make comments on different stories and articles. We very much appreciate your continued efforts. — submitted by Club 410 directors Joe Peterson and Phil Cammack





GRASS ROOTS CORNER



{*Laura's words*} I am not exactly sure who taught me cribbage; a lot of family played and I learned in my teens. My cribbage mentors are my mom and Jerry Gruber (I sure do miss him). I play in Club 240 in Roseville MN and have been club champion twice. My first tourney win was in Wausau WI. I attend about eight tournaments a year and am looking forward to attending Grand National in Omaha this year. My toughest opponents are Brett Brunner, Dan Taylor, and Dan Pluff. I like seeing all my cribbage friends and meeting new players. One of my favorite cribbage moments was attending the first Deadwood tourney; in the first tourney I was the last qualifier and

ended up in second place! Other interests include reading and watching true-crime shows. And cheering for my home teams: Twins, Wild, and Vikings. Skol Vikes!

Roger learned cribbage from his father. He joined the ACC in 1997 and plays at Hartford Metro Club 26, where he is a two-time club champion.

There was a little drama on May 23 at the club. With four weeks to go Roger needed only 3 points to reach Gold. He did not qualify in the first three weeks of that stretch. On the final night of the season (May 23)

he had 10 points with two games to go. But in game 8 he did something he had never done in twenty-five years of ACC play: false claim a game! It happened like this. With both players on fourth street, Roger counted his hand and still needed four points to win the game. He turned the crib and saw A-4-9-10-K, so took four points to claim the game. When he looked again the 4 had turned into a 7! No points in the crib! After the appropriate penalty was applied, he lost the game. Fortunately, he won game nine and earned 12 points for the night—and his Gold Award! Roger won his first weekend tournament in September 2000 at Hudson WI, and he now has seventeen sanctioned wins. Non-cribbage interests include ocean cruising, reading, and walking.

Roger J. Bouchard
(Glastonbury CT)
Gold #178



Michael learn to play cribbage from his mom and dad and joined the ACC in the 1980s. His cribbage mentor is big brother Patrick,

Michael Barrett
(Wisconsin Rapids WI)
Gold #179

but Warren Sondericker, Duane Toll, and Mick Michaelis taught him a lot. A member of Club 120 in Wisconsin Rapids, he has been club champion five times. Michael earned his Gold

Award when he posted a 32-point Grass Roots National scorecard—his best ever! He won 210-player consy at Green Bay in 1989, but he's never won a main. His two toughest opponents are Patrick Barrett and Malia Ironside. Michael is very involved in live community theater

and also works as an announcer at two asphalt race tracks. He was a DJ for twenty-five years and collects watches and unique American tools. Toss in movies, Shakespeare, and science fiction, and you get the whole Michael.

© Yuma Snowbirds Club 267 is proud to announce that member **Leroy Zahn**—after 84 days and sleepless nights, and after 12 fruitless tournaments at club—finally on March 16 scored the elusive ten points needed to qualify for his Bronze Award. Atta boy, Leroy!



Club
25 (Helena
MT)—on the last
night of the Grass
Roots season **Kathy
Thompson** holds
a 28-hand!



Club 5
(Hamburg
NY)—the 2022
champion **Mark
Pascale** capped
a fine season
(winning 63%
of his games!)
by scoring his
first 28-hand.

Club 96 (Rapid City SD)—**Wes
Hall** donates another \$300 to the
VFW Post 1273. Accepting for the
Honor Guard is **Lisa Jendry**.



🕒 Club 281 (Houston TX)
has evidence that it pays to join
the ACC. **Howard Levinson** had
been a guest of the club a couple
of times and decided to join the
ACC. In his first session as an of-
ficial club member, he recorded a
grand slam 20/9 +205! ➡



ACC Grass Roots Official Scorecard					
Date	4/9/22	ACC#	572	Seal#	1
Name	HOWARD LEVINSON				
City	SPRING		State TX		
Game	Home Points	Spread Points +/-	Opponent Initials	Verification ID Number	
1	2	11	ES	6	
2	2	26	Scot	5	
3	2	2	TM	4	
4	2	16	KB	3	
5	3	32	RV	2	
6	3	49	PS	6	
7	2	25	SG	5	
8	2	27	TM	4	
9	2	27	KB	3	
Total Games Points	20	205	Games Points: Win 2, Lose 0.		
Common Win	9	205	Player must verify totals and sign below		
Signature					

GRASS ROOTS CORNER

Capitol Club 46 (Salem OR)—**Rollie Heath** got a 29-hand on May 17—the fifth one of his cribbage career!



FAST Six Florida teams gathered in Tallahassee on May 28 for the 14th annual Florida All Star Tournament. Each team was composed of the top four players in their club, and they played each player from the other five clubs. After twenty games, **Greater Orlando Club 22** came out on top with 103 point—winning this prestigious event for the eighth time! The winning club included **John Blowers**, **Bob Johnson**, and **Ted Lee Southland** and was captained by **Dave Fournier**, who also had the highest individual scorecard (35/16). Other participating clubs were Greater Okaloosa Club 131, Pensacola Peggers Club 396, High Noon Club 328, Milton Club 444, and Big Bend Club 430. **Pat Jewell** (Club 444) had the second best card (28/14). Pat and **Cate Correa** (Club 328) had the event's only 28-hands.

© Club 440 (Bandon OR)—a grand slam goes to **Rhonda Sollars** on March 10.



Club 61 (Roseburg OR)—on May 17 **Jerry Hahn** held a 29-hand while teaching cribbage at the Fremont Middle School!





Club
34 (Denver
CO) — **Bruce
Sweetman** scored
his *second* 28-hand
this year!

© Club 307 (Colorado
Springs CO)—during our April
13 tournament, **Scott Schaefer**
whipped up on **Richard LaRiva**
with a *monster* 45-point hand,
which included a 28-point hand
and a 17-point crib!

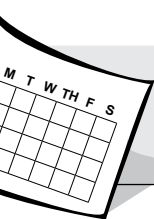
Waldport Parade

Club 127 in Newport OR displayed
the ACC banner at the Beachcomber
Days parade in nearby Waldport. It was
a great success and fun for all. Even the
kids had fun, as club members passed
out candy! The club distributed 250
decks of cards with stickers on them
showing club and contact info.



Club
204 (Ollala
WA)—after
forty plus
years of ACC
cribbage,
**Joseph
“Chris”
Christensen**
got his first
29-hand
on June 15
during Grass
Roots play.





SANCTIONED

Tournaments **MRPs**

as of June 10

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
MRPs name	MRPs name	MRPs name
1 1632 Erik Locke	1 1850 Scott Kooistra	1 1096 Charlene Cohen
2 1258 Bryan Gurden	2 1620 Ann Trotter	2 905 Donna LaFleur
3 1174 Bob Bartosh	3 1249 Doug Page	3 731 Keith Widener
4 1061 Rick Baird	4 898 Clay Collier	4 683 Larry Phifer
5 1054 Troy Thorson	5 891 Jim Mahan	5 566 Bruce Sattler
6 880 James Morrow	6 851 Emilio Perez	6 523 Peter Legendre
7 819 William O'Malley	7 694 Jeff Shimp	7 429 Mark Soule
8 742 Kathy Pacocha	8 689 Terry Weber	8 415 Jeff Raynes
9 700 David Bute	9 658 Dan Selke	8 415 David Statz
10 666 Ray Klocko	10 649 Chad Frischmann	10 412 Charles Booker
11 631 Dave Yaeger	11 625 Steven Steinmetz	11 392 Marty Duchow
12 607 Ronnie Murakami	12 614 James McCarty	12 387 William Shoemaker
13 591 Todd Malmgren	13 598 Allen Karr	13 359 Jack Chandler
14 564 Terry Higgins	14 578 Don Thienel	14 318 Jerry Hardy
15 563 Carol Williams	15 572 Wayne Steinmetz	15 304 Robert Medeiros
16 536 Carole Herron	16 552 Henry Brandner	16 292 Jacob French
17 506 Margaret Fanucchi	17 536 William Stacey	17 280 Paul Batterson
18 487 Bob Brumley	18 521 Richard May	18 272 Ethan Guyaz
19 480 Duane Toll	19 512 Kristina Wright	19 266 Jim Maffa
20 471 Chris McComas	19 512 John Syftestad	20 262 Barry Spadea
21 465 Sara Sanner	21 510 Marlene Lazachek	21 259 Scott Earley
22 451 Donald Brown	22 469 Doug Whitlock	21 259 Janice Blanc
23 440 Betty Brumley	23 467 David Aiken	23 242 Robert Fitzgerald
24 433 Peter Jackson	24 409 Les Kvien	24 230 Mathew Piechota
25 431 Laurie Logan	25 407 Kevin Harris	25 228 Dave Leissner
26 426 William Macmillan	26 403 Scott Sand	26 223 Joseph Bowen
27 404 K. C. Carder	27 398 Edward Balcer	27 214 Jerry Hedden
28 398 James Langley	28 376 Lana Newhouse	28 210 Patrick Robrecht
29 383 Cy Madrone	29 368 John Schafer	29 207 Richard Weston
30 372 Peggy Shea	30 367 Richard Horvath	30 206 Kristy Haught
31 363 Denise Fortin	31 363 Bob Hanes	30 206 Louis Petosa
32 358 Artland Ka'ai	32 355 James Huser	32 188 Phyllis Schmidt
33 356 Bob Prochnow	33 325 Dennis Koehler	33 184 Lee Dillon
34 350 Bernie Nelson	34 323 Michael Henze	33 184 Michael O'Brien
35 349 Carl Vennes	35 312 David Sniegowski	35 177 Donald Thompson
36 329 Willie Evans	36 296 Ellen Kutz	36 170 Mary Burlington
37 317 Basil Rudnick	37 295 Don Pohlman	37 166 Laurie Hardy
38 312 Herschel Mack	38 294 Jason Matheny	37 166 Diane Houle
39 311 Gerald Hahn	39 293 Glenn Gauthier	37 166 John Miller
40 305 William Eilers	40 290 Jane Vander Loop	40 164 Frank Abernathy
41 297 Danny Mitchell	41 285 Tom Briski	41 161 Darlene Young
42 287 Carol Perko	42 282 Patrick Barrett	42 158 Thomas Goeschel
43 286 Kai Lemrise	43 280 Dan Taylor	43 151 Sandy Shrum
44 278 James Clark	44 270 Patrick Healey	43 151 Curtis Barbour
45 276 Joe Gates	45 256 Marsha Mahan	45 150 Barbara Barbour
46 271 Mary Gates	46 247 Michelle Gryka	46 144 Mike Fetchel
47 270 Jay Shaffer	47 239 David Aiello	47 143 Barri Gehrand
48 267 Barrett Mace	48 237 Mark Smith	48 142 David Flaherty
49 264 Lynn Multari	49 228 Andy Stireman	48 142 Matthew Binkowski
50 262 Fred White	50 225 Bob Joslin	50 140 Phil Martin
50 262 Don Dolezal		50 140 Bernard Whitfield

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
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GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE			TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE	
date	city/state	TD	@ Sands Regency in Reno NV	
Sept. 23–25, 2022	Omaha NE	Scott Kooistra	March 3–5, 2023	
Oct. 10–15, 2023	Virginia Beach VA	Jack Howsare		

Youth Tourneys

July 8 ♦ New England Youth Championship (Bangor ME)
TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111)

ME ♦ July 8–9, Lobster Pegoff

Seasons Restaurant, 427 Main St, Bangor ME 04401. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Dave Leissner

OR ♦ July 9–10, Depoe Bay Challenge

Depoe Bay Community Hall, 220 SE Bayview Ave, Depoe Bay OR 97341. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Chris McComas

CO ♦ Mountain View Doubleheader

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

July 8&10, Mountain View Championship

July 9, Mountain View Open

IL ♦ July 15–17, Marv Lang Memorial

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

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

In order to finalize end-of-year stats in a timely fashion, reports for *all* July tourneys must be submitted to the regional tournament commissioners by August 5.

CA ♦ The Barn Doubleheader

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

July 16, The Barn Café Challenge #2

July 17, The Barn Café Challenge #3

↓ SEE PROMO ON PAGE 2 ↓

NC ♦ NOCT Cluster

Double Tree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703

July 21–22, Open Opener

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & Mark Soule

July 22–25, National Open

TD: Megan Player (919.518.3626) & Jennifer Johnson

July 25, Come Monday

TD: Fran Ward (919.377.2470)

OR ♦ July 23–24, Midsummer Open

Moose, 16411 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97230. TD: Erik Locke (503.754.2979) & James Morrow

WA ♦ Sunnyside Cluster

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

July 28–29, Weekday Challenge

July 30, Summer Classic

July 31, Western Region Championship

CA ♦ Sacramento Tripleheader

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823

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Aug. 4-5, Sacramento Starter #1

TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Duane Toll

Aug. 6, Sacramento Starter #2

TD: Duane Toll (541.580.3221) & Bob Bartosh

Aug. 7, Sacramento Starter #3

TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Bob Bartosh

CT ♦ Aug. 7, Patriot Kickoff

American Legion, 114 West St, Vernon CT 06066.

TD: Marty Duchow (860.324.8019) & Carl Deyette

MI ♦ Battle Creek Doubleheader

Country Inn, 2590 Capital Ave
SW, Battle Creek MI 49015

Aug. 11-12, Michigan Cribbage Cup

TD: John Schafer (517.262.9153) & David Boyer

Aug. 12-14, Cereal City Classic

TD: David Boyer (269.788.1289) & John Schafer

OR ♦ Aug. 12-14, Blue Mountain Open

American Legion, 301 Fir St, La Grande OR 97850.

TD: Charlette Springer (541.975.3178) & Sue Anderson

CT ♦ Aug. 13-14, Northeast Peer Tournament

American Legion, 113 West St, Vernon CT 06066.

TD: Donald Janelle (860.490.0712) & Pat Llewellyn

NV ♦ Aug. 19-21, Pahrump Open

Pahrump Nugget Hotel, 681 S Hwy 160, Pahrump NV 89048. TD: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444) & Bob Mason

OR ♦ Aug. 26-28, The Function in Junction

Moose, 427 Front St, Junction City OR 97448. TD:

Erik Locke (503.754.2979) & Dan Marsh

MT ♦ Montana Fall Roundup

Aug. 26-28, Copper City Fall Roundup

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

Aug. 30-Sep. 1, Montana Championship

Eagles, 2420 South Ave W, Missoula MT 59801. TD: Rex Paddock (406.360.3333) & Sandy Sands

Sep. 2-4, Montana Capital City

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

↓ SEE PROMO ON PAGE 41 ↓

OR ♦ Sep. 2-4, Labor Day at the Mill

The Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

NH ♦ Sep. 11, Daniel Webster Open

Brookline Events Center, 32 Proctor Hill Rd, Brookline NH 03033. TD: Jerry Hardy & Laurie (120.773.0319)

ID ♦ Sep. 16-18, Gem State Classic

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

NE ♦ Grand National 40

Comfort Inn, 7007 Grover St, Omaha NE 68106.

TD: Scott Kooistra (605.661.7081) & Don Thienel

Sep. 21-22, Cornhusker Classic

Sep. 24-25, Grand National 40

see entry form at centerfold

OR ♦ Sep. 30-Oct. 2, Oregon Championship

Elks, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701. TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Jason Thornton

NH ♦ Oct. 9, New Hampshire Open

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

OR ♦ Oct. 21-23, Salem Classic

Elks, 2336 Turner Rd SE, Salem OR 97302. TD: Kim & Rick Simmons (503.409.8870)

NV ♦ Nov. 4-6, Gold Dust West Fall Festival

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

NV ♦ Nov. 7-9, Les Sumner Topaz Tournament

Topaz Lodge, Hwy 395, Gardnerville NV 89410. TD: Beverly Castillo (775.453.3715) & Pam Pomeroy

NV ♦ Nov. 11-13, Veterans Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. TD: Peggy & Rick Shea (707.599.4605)

VA ♦ Dec. 2-4, Virginia Beach Classic

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

CA ♦ Dec. 10, Wine Country Winter Open

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

NV ♦ Dec. 29, Schaefer Shuffle Singles West

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

CA ♦ Jan. 7-8, Pacific Coast Championship

American Legion, 694 Legion Way, Marina CA 93933. TD: Randy Borchardt (831.277.1414) & Dick Lind

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FROM TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

Peg for Pink: \$623 to Ribbon of Hope

Oregon Youth Tourney

The June *Cribbage World* (page 23) stated that an upcoming tourney in Maine would be “the first ACC-sanctioned youth tournament outside of California.” This sentence should have read: “the first ACC-sanctioned youth tournament not on the West Coast.”

Timber Capital Club 62 in Roseburg OR has been very active in teaching cribbage at the Fremont Middle School since 2013. In January 2019, the club hosted forty-six youth at a tournament in Roseburg, directed by **Tracy Grauer** and **Don Howard** and ably assisted by members of Club 62. (See the full report of this tournament in the March 2019 *Cribbage World*, pages 18–19.) CW apologizes for this oversight and wishes to recognize the wonderful job that the Roseburg club does in promoting youth cribbage.

Thanks to **Gerald Hahn** (Winston OR) for the heads-up about this blunder.



Labor Day At **The MILL**

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Friday 2nd Sept

\$20 Early Birds

\$10 Side-Pool (1/6 Graduated) Optional

\$25 Doubles (Per Person) (Canadian Style)

\$20 Doubles Q-Pool (Per team)

Saturday 3rd Sept

\$70 **Main: Entry Fee – Current ACC members**

*(New/Expired memberships may join/renew at time of entry.)

\$10 Side-Pool (1 in 6 Graduated) Optional

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Sunday 4th Sept

Main Play-offs & Consolation \$30 & \$10 Q

Notes:

- **\$500.00** in gaming chips for 24,28, & 29 hands! 😊
- Each Event pays 1 in 4 Graduated
- All \$10, \$20, & \$50 Q-Pools pay 1 in 6 Graduated
- Non-smoking tournament Smoking areas are available
- Tournament Open to Players 21 & over (Mill requirement)
 - For additional information contact: Scott A. Milo at scottamilo@msn.com
 - Cell # (707) 330-4218
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IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS



Robert Adams

⊙ Bobby Adams (Silverton OR) passed away on March 11 at the young age of 54. He was a union sprinkler fitter since 1991, loved traveling with his wife Connie, going to the beach with his family, and played cribbage through-

out the country. Bobby played at Clubs 46 and 113 and will be remembered for his great attitude even when his cards didn't go his way. We're going to miss you Bobby!

Rita Frey

Rita Rachael Frey, longtime resident of Dallas OR, passed away on May 26 at age forty-seven. Born in Portland, she excelled in music in high school, playing oboe and saxophone. Following marriage to Eric Frey in 1994 and the birth of two sons, she returned to college and earned two degrees in education and later taught at community colleges. From 2019 to 2021 she and Eric lived in Florence, where she loved exploring the art, history, and culture of Italy. Rita was a military spouse for twenty-two years while Eric was in the Oregon Army National Guard, including deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. When he retired in 2016 she was awarded the Army Commanders Award for Public Service Medal for her years of dedicated service supporting the military. Outside of her family three activities brought great joy to her life: teaching, traveling, and cribbage. She especially loved traveling by military hops, since she didn't know where they might end up or what adventures they might have; as long as she had family with her, she was happy. Rita was a member of Capital Club 46 in Salem and enjoyed traveling to tournaments; she was respected for her skill and tenacity. Rita's greatest joy came eleven days before she passed, when she became a grandmother to



Jaxson. Despite her fragile state, her eyes and spirit absolutely lit up when she held him in her arms.

Mary E. Gladish

⊙ It is with sadness that we share that "The Virgin" Mary Gladish (longtime resident of Concord CA), the matriarch of Club 54, passed in April at age ninety-six. Mary was a founding member of the Fourth Street Terrorists and the club's president for many years. She organized and ran the Devil Mountain Cribbage Caper for several years before passing the baton. Mary was also the club's poet laureate, as she always honored the club champ with a poem, and also wrote a few ditties that appeared in *Cribbage World*. Over the board, Mary was an amazing player. In Grass Roots she reached Gold, even winning the club at the fine old age of ninety. She traveled to many weekend tournaments as well, including a long streak of attending all three Reno tournaments every year. She finished at the Life Master level. Mary took special pride in being independent and was passionate about youth learning to play and went to her grandson's school to teach. Many of her winning boards have been donated to the youth program. Rest in peace, old friend. Until we meet again!



Rebecca Kauffman

⊙ Rebecca Kauffman passed away on March 14. Rebecca was not only a dear friend to many but also served as a dedicated tournament director on eCribbage for more than twelve years. Rebecca was one of the original TDs for eCribbage and was even part of the beta testing program when the site was first turned on. Although Rebecca never participated in live ACC action, she was very instrumental in



helping to host many tournaments during the recent Covid pandemic when players could not go to live tournaments. Her presence is still with us in spirit.

John W. Pursley

Club 191 (Canby OR) sadly reports the loss of longtime ACC member John Pursley at the age of ninety-six. He played Grass Roots weekly until the shutdown in March 2020. He also enjoyed attending tournaments and had his trophy cribbage boards proudly displayed on his fireplace mantel. After seventy-five years of playing the game, he had his first and only 29-hand while playing Grass Roots on January 8, 2019. His friendly demeanor and love of the game made him a joy to know. He will be missed.



Vaida Iris Stevens

🕒 Vaida Stevens passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, on December 11, 2021, in Oroville CA at age eighty-seven. While working a summer job as a waitress in Garberville CA, she caught the eye of a local logger, Tom Stevens, and they soon became the love of each other's heart. They married in 1953 and moved to Oroville in 1959. Vaida became the first in her family to go to college (beginning college when their youngest child began grade school) and got her dream job teaching first and second grade. She and Tom loved RVing, rock hounding, and fishing the coastal waters off Alaska. Together they directed the Feather River Open



in Oroville from 1991 to 2006. They also ran the Oroville club for many years. Vaida was a kind lady and was loved by all who knew her. She is dearly missed by her husband, family, and friends.

Don Wanta

Don Wanta, a member of Boise Peggers, has passed away. Don started playing cribbage with the Centralia WA club, and when he moved to Idaho he looked for a city with activities his family would enjoy. Since Boise had the only cribbage club they moved to Meridian and later Caldwell. Don was an avid cribbage player and according to his wife, Freda, she got to listen to every play and every card he and his opponents held and why he had made the wrong play! His favorite comment was "horse pucky" when things went wrong. He made many friends in the Boise club and hosted visiting friends from the Centralia area during tournaments. He will be missed.



Stan Wilson

Stan Wilson (Canby OR), a World War II and cribbage veteran, passed away quietly in a veteran's facility in Lebanon OR on May 11. At age 99, Stan was only three months away from the century mark and still an avid, very competent, player. Stan was known by many, as he was a longtime member of Club 191 in Canby and later Club 420 in Lincoln City. For a number of years, Stan played in Oregon, Washington, and Reno tourneys. All who knew him lost a very patriotic, loving family man who served his country on a battleship in Normandy on D-Day, June 1944. [Editor's note: see the cover of the June 2016 Cribbage World for more stories about Stan.]

The ACC's Ethics Committee suspended **Rocky Corisis** (Spokane WA) for twelve months beginning June 1, 2022, and ending May 31, 2023.

The ACC's Ethics Committee suspended **John Alig** (Mesa AZ) for three months beginning May 1, 2022, and ending July 31, 2022.



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