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name: _____ age on July 11: _____

address: _____

city: _____ state: _____ zip: _____

phone: _____ Youth ACC number: _____

email: _____

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Happy Birthday in April!

70—**Dave Maas** (WI)

60—**Wayland Kuhnel** (NE)

Happy Birthday in May!

90—**Ross Njaa** (CA)

90—**Ronald Reid** (CA)

90—**Carolyn Balmer** (WA)

80—**Ed Tasca** (VA)

70—**Sally Henderson** (MI)

70—**Vickie Humphrey** (CO)

60—**Jim Watry** (TX)

CURRENT SUSPENSIONS

The Ethics Committee suspended **Roy McGillivray** (Chico CA) indefinitely, starting January 11, 2024, for leaving a Grass Roots event without completing all the games; this is a repeat offense.

The Ethics Committee suspended **Carol Williams** (Oceanside CA) for an incident that occurred at Win-River Casino in February. She has served her suspension and is back in good standing.

ACC membership odometer

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as of March 31

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President's Column

by James Morrow

Oregon Oceanside In a main playoff, which is best three-of-five, the goal is to get all the cuts, all the runs, pairs and big hands for three games. In a perfect match, it would be the first three games.

When asking players how their match went, I've heard—and used—the answer: “I lost but we went five games.” When a playoff match goes five games, it adds a little more to the story. Both players had some luck or skill to win two each.

While attending the Newport OR cluster, I had an amazing run of cards. I was lucky enough to qualify in every main, but I was also knocked out of every main playoff in some great matches. In the Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial, I lost to Hall-of-Famer **Roy Hofbauer**, but “we went five games!” In the Spring Fling, **Steve Macomber** took me out in the first round and made it look easy, with a 3–1 victory. In the second round of the Alsea River Open, **Margery Clark** didn't let me go five games either (3–1).

In the Doc Bauman Memorial, I matched up with **Wayne Momsen** in the second round. (Wayne also qualified in every main.) It turned out to be the perfect match. Every cut hit, on every pair there was a trip. Wayne went 31-for-4 at the end of several plays. When the smoke cleared and the last 5-cut hit his 5-5-10-10 hand, all Wayne could say was: “If you hurry you can still get into the consolation.”

I jumped into the consy and managed to qualify again. In the playoffs **Darlene Stier** treated me like I was **Rick Baird** and didn't let me say “my match went three games,” as she sent me home 0–2.

The only tournament where no one knocked me out of the playoffs was the doubles tourney on Friday. Guess what? There were *no playoffs!* My partner **Ray Klocko** NV and I finished first.

If you haven't attended these Oregon tournaments, put them on your to-do list. The directors do a great job, plus the Oregon Coast has many attractions and sites to explore.

I hope all your playoff matches go five games . . . or three!

“I'd like to report a theft. Wayne Momsen stole my game.”



Your Deal



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The Little Tournament That Could

The Ocean State Open was originally scheduled for January 7 but had to be canceled due to what would be the biggest snowstorm of the year. It was then rescheduled for March 24. On March 19 I started getting cancelations due to Covid being spread at the tournament the weekend before. In total there were fifteen cancelations. At eight o'clock the night before the tournament, with several people already arrived from as far as five hours away, I got

a text saying the parking lot and the road leading to the hall were flooded and the hall wasn't sure they could open for us the next day. Thankfully the rain stopped two hours later, and the water receded in time for seventy-one people to play cribbage.

Mike D'Elena (Coventry RI)

Kristin Hannah

Joy just read *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. It mentions cribbage on page 285.

Paul Barnes (Ormond Beach FL)

Tired of buying an envelope, buying a 68¢ stamp, looking for lost stamp, then buying another stamp? You can renew your ACC membership and Grass Roots dues online by going to cribbage.org and clicking this button. ↓

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Never Give Up!

Here's a classic example of never give up. Grand Master **Wayne Momsen** (Waldport OR)—who recently won the ACC Open consolation—won only two of his first ten games at the Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial. Then he learned how to play and won eleven games in a row → to qualify with 28/13 +69.

Never give up!

**Have a "never give up" story?
Send it to cwed152@gmail.com.**

NAME	SCORE	NET POINTS	WINS	LOSSES
1	28	13	+69	
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3	/	27	Bob	7
4	/	12	Bob	3
5	/	05	Bob	4
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8	/	07	Bob	1
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10	/	30	Bob	24
11	2 13		Bob	21
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14	2 10		CE	9
15	2 03		DW	5
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18	2 01		Bob	10
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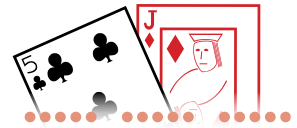
NET POINTS (24)

Win 6 2 - Skunk = 3
Loss = 0
Player must verify score and sign below, accepting as correct.

Signature: *Momsen*

My Deal

by David Aiken



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






The ACC lives on the strength of its volunteers. Yes, we have some paid positions (including the *Cribbage World* editor), but without dozens and hundreds of volunteers, our organization would flounder.

For decades, one of our most dedicated volunteers has been **Dan Zeisler** (Grass Valley CA). Dan began working with youth players in 1990 and was appointed director of the youth program a few years later. Now—after thirty-four years of ded-

icated work—Dan is retiring.

During his three-plus decades, Dan provided steady leadership in the youth program, directed thirty Sierra Youth Tournaments, created a teaching manual and sent it to over one thousand teachers, served on the Board of Directors for four years, and began writing the “Game On” column in the July 2008 *Cribbage World*.

But even prior to this, in a letter printed in the September 1994 *Cribbage World*,
continued on page 7

Tale of the Tape	 Rick Baird	 David Aiken	 Rob Medeiros
average	52.7% (77–69)	60.5% (72–47)	✓ 63.6% (91–52)
biggest win	✓ +52 vs. Lono Kaai (OR) @ Club 12	+43 vs. Jeff Shimp (MI) @ Grand Rapids	+48 vs. Brian McCoy (MA) @ Club 104
worst loss	–55 vs. Ben Creighton (OR) @ Club 12	✓ –36 vs. Jim Blough (MI) @ Grand Rapids	–49 points vs. Nancy Riccio (MA) @ Club 104



Dan enumerated the benefits of teaching cribbage to youth: “I’ve watched cribbage raise math grades, produce new friendships, teach sportsmanship, and enhance relationships at home (many kids have developed a bond with a grandparent thanks to cribbage).”

These benefits motivated Dan to write nearly 190 “Game On” columns. And what a great columnist he was! He was never late; his columns were always well written and provided helpful information for both youth and adults alike. I will miss Dan’s cheery email each month as he submitted his column.

In 2011 Dan’s contributions to childhood education were honored when the

Chicago Park School District erected a new gymnasium and named it in his honor. ↑

With this kind of résumé, it’s no wonder that Dan was named the 2017 Volunteer of the Year in the Western Region.

Please join *Cribbage World* in thanking Dan for his many contributions to the ACC and in wishing him the best of luck in retirement. **CW**

New ACC Judges

- **Paul Brask** (Mount Prospect IL)
- **Jack Chandler** (Lowell MA)
- **Allen Young** (Bonney Lake WA)

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

At the upcoming Grand National in Las Vegas NV in November, the BOD will award the Western Region’s next Grand National, scheduled for 2027. ACC members interested in hosting this event must inform Executive VP Rick Shea (31for14@gmail.com) of their interest by August 31. Detailed information is not necessary at this time; a general plan is sufficient to consider the bid.

GRASS ROOTS Clubs



official GRPs only, as of 4/18

Division 1 = 3,048 players ♦ Division 4 = 554 players

Division 1 →	rank	GRPs name (club)
	1	421 Tom Anderson (356)
	2	367 David Aiello (197)
	3	309 Thomas Beucler (388)
	4	305 Duane Toll (62)
	5	300 Bob Bartosh (453)
	6	298 Robert Medeiros (104)
	7	282 Roy Martin (306)
	8	279 Dale Newberry (202)
	9	272 Brian Bell-Irving (62)
	10	268 Greg Schleusner (46)
	11	266 Larry Phifer (58)
	12	264 Jon Kline (190)
	13	262 Dwight Christiansen (382)
	13	262 Craig Phipps (106)
	15	261 Kenneth Nicholls (1)
	15	261 Robert Reister (221)
	17	260 Verdell Brand (96)
	17	260 James Ravenscroft (175)
	19	256 Gerry Arseneau (308)
	20	254 Dwayne Pankiw (261)
	21	253 Dennis Crooks (408)
	22	249 Gregory Gougian (314)
	22	249 Ray Klocko (400)
	24	248 Jon Bumstead (379)
	24	248 Robert Donovan (219)
	24	248 Scott Noble (124)
	27	247 Bob Prochnow (79)
	28	245 Chris McComas (426)
	29	244 Kerry O'Connell (193)
	30	243 Allen Karr (61)
	30	243 Jon Podevels (445)
	30	243 Nancy Rojas (162)
	33	242 Robert Lenz (445)
	34	241 Jim Egan (321)
	34	241 Bryan Gurden (400)
	34	241 Jeff Olson (22)
	37	240 Frederick Bertorello (390)
	38	239 Peter Koski (368)
	39	238 Pete Severson (240)
	39	238 Dan Vogel (224)
	41	236 Chris Kim (177)
	41	236 William O'Malley (46)
	41	236 Dave Parenteau (131)
	41	236 Gary Pinkley (377)
	45	235 John Murphy (147)
	46	234 Rick Baird (12)
	47	233 Paul Barnes (230)
	47	233 Rex Paddock (347)
	49	232 Joy Barnes (230)

rank	GRPs name (club)
49	232 Jim Blough (71)
49	232 Don Tietgen (251)
52	231 David Aiken (71)
52	231 David Boyer (300)
52	231 Diana Webster (62)
55	229 Jim Jackson (440)
55	229 Scott Sand (94)
57	228 Terry Hatto (261)
58	227 Bethany Rolfsen (154)
59	226 Brett Brunner (240)
59	226 Timothy Cuppy (215)
59	226 Paul Dysart (251)
59	226 Julie Hardardt (359)
63	225 Pauline Taylor (436)
63	225 Robert West (34)
65	224 Steve Ellis (28)
65	224 Walter Howell (127)
67	223 Bernard Brentar (390)
67	223 Steve Colgan (467)
67	223 Mike Gervais (277)
67	223 Timothy Julkowski (377)
67	223 Richard Nourse (109)
67	223 Gary Rasmussen (232)
67	223 Gerald Sabick (399)
74	222 Bob Alexander (337)
74	222 Robert Chase (215)
74	222 John Piasecki (390)
74	222 Steven Strobridge (89)
78	221 Dan Sand (94)
79	220 Grant Crawford (131)
79	220 Cynthia Drozynski (173)
79	220 Glen Humbert (415)
82	219 Carlyle Foss (361)
82	219 Dick Lind (82)
82	219 Rick Montague (161)

Division 4 →	rank	GRPs name (club)
	1	261 John Mealy (118)
	2	211 Rich Ekman (395)
	3	200 Jack Shumate (420)
	4	191 Bill Hill (2)
	5	186 Rhonda Perry (336)
	6	183 Carol Miller (118)
	7	182 Brad Seger (39)
	8	178 Phyllis Day (336)
	9	170 Jerry Hedden (318)
	10	169 Paul Gregson (54)
	11	168 Eunice Kendall (395)
	11	168 Steve Lancaster (274)
	11	168 Barrett Mace (194)
	14	165 Aaron Young (455)



edited by **Michael Barrett**



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

GRASS ROOTS CORNER

Brat Stop Club 197 (Kenosha WI)—in the first game of the night, **Emilio Perez** deals a 29-hand to **Todd Letven!** Todd just signed up as an ACC and Grass Roots member.



Club 108 (Lynnwood WA)—**Laurie Kenny** scored a grand slam 18/9 +141 on March 12. Unfortunately for her, **Sam Skates** skunked four players on an eight-win card to post a 20/8 +197 and take the win away!

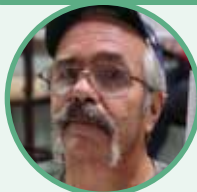
more Grass Roots stories on next page

Grand Slams

Club 202 (Boise ID)—on March 18 two players, **Dale Newberry** and **Kevin Sell**, both won their first eight games, and then faced each other in game nine. Dale won to score a grand slam. Kevin was a gracious loser and took second place with 16/8 +98.

↓ Mike Polyot (Club 230 in Ormond Beach FL)

Roger Keskitalo (Club 360 in Pahrump NV) ↓





GRASS ROOTS CORNER



Club 295 (Rochester Hills MI) had its *seventh* 28-hand this season on March 27. It was a first for **Jim McLellan**, who learned to play cribbage as a child. Jim and his wife Barb joined Club 295 this season.

MIA

The USPS has returned mail for the following members (city and state are from last known address). Do you know where they are? If so, please contact the membership secretary at membership@cribbage.org.

- Bruce Dean (Yankton SD)
- Angie Fisher (Plainville MA)
- David Filipiak (Bangor ME)
- David Wardwell (Bangor ME)



Club 238 (Casper WY)—on March 18, **James Chase** proudly posted an impressive 23-point grand slam. He also had a grand slam on December 18, 2023—for a total of five grand slams since 2015.

GrassRoots *Awards*

SILVER

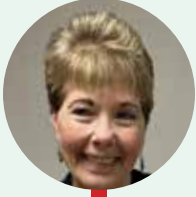
- Allen Amaro (CA), 371
- Scott Attridge (WA), 232
- Bob Brumley (OR), 62
- Roy Hohn (CO), 34

BRONZE

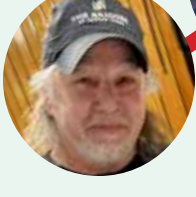
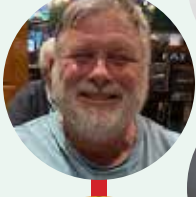
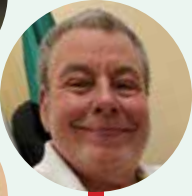
- Charles L. Buzzell (WI), 1
- Kenneth Ching (HI), 110
- Regan Dean (MT), 410
- Thomas J. Goeschel Sr. (NC), 58
- Geri Hannah (NM), 271
- David E. Long (CA), 389
- Gary Nerton (WA), 426
- Carol M. Robinson (CT), 26
- Joe C. Stanke (MN), 388
- Karen Vlasak (CO), 307
- Brian Wilson (NC), 58



follow the trail



more Grass Roots stories next month



28-Hands

Nicole Gordon (Club 12 in Bend OR)

Mary Gates (Club 23 in Aurora CO)

Nate Bozman (Club 71 in Grand Rapids MI)

Sue Dalton (Club 100 in Napa CA)

Paul Smith (Club 108 in Lynnwood WA)

Tom Calvert (Club 119 in Marietta GA)
~ his second 28-hand in three weeks ~

Paul Hearon (Club 131 in Fort Walton Beach FL)
~ his third 28-hand this season ~

Richard Anderson (Club 204 in Ollala WA)

Linda Harrison (Club 360 in Pahrump NV)

Dave Tomlin (Club 451 in West Valley City UT)

Steve Martenell (Club 467 in Shelton WA)

There's a very good chance that new cribbage master **Eric Jensen** (Grand Rapids MI) is just a little bit proud of his first grandson. As soon as Declan grows into his onesie, look for grandpa and grandson at a Canadian Doubles tourney near you!



New Members

116 last month

Alberta

Mike Wong (Edmonton)

California

Carol Bailey (Lakeport)
Christy Chapel (Costa Mesa)
Tracie Coyle (Auburn)
Kenny Dabill (Eureka)
Phillip Davis (San Leandro)
Amy Dimmick (Ventura)
Phil Frantz (Roseville)
Matthew Gallagher (Los Angeles)
Roger Hall (Chico)
Martin Hamann (Walnut Creek)
Benjamin Kraatz (Oceanside)
Robert Michael (Bay Point)
Jason Montgomery (Burney)
Daryl Oie (Fair Oaks)
Paul Snyder (Lakeport)
Stacie Trutanich (Paso Robles)
Tony Trutanich (Paso Robles)
Juan Uriarte (Paradise)
John Wincuinias (Napa)
Kim Woodruff (Sacramento)
Jessica Wu (La Mesa)

Colorado

Matt Luckey (Denver)
Jonathan Mullett (Fort Collins)
Paula Novak (Woodland Park)

Connecticut

Daniella Masciola (Bridgeport)
Jason Masciola (Bridgeport)
Maria Masciola (Bridgeport)
David Noheimer (Vernon)

Florida

Lucien Arsenault (Brooksville)
James Baker (Lakeland)
Joe Bolduc Jr. (Boynton Beach)
Bonnie Pierie (Venice)
Tim Pierie (Venice)
Nancy Williams (Pensacola)

Idaho

Pat Brady (New Meadows)
Bryce Dinkelman (Ammon)
Matthew Grismer (Post Falls)
Paul Schmit (Boise)
Stephanie Schmit (Boise)
Mark Wimer (New Meadows)

Illinois

George Barney (Mundelein)

Iowa

Sawyer Loger (Dike)
Whitney Schlelein (Clive)

Maryland

Tom Paxton (Columbia)

Massachusetts

Jack Emberg (North Falmouth)
Jakob Hartz (Wellesley)
Naama Hartz (Wellesley)
Michael Keogh (Haverhill)

Michigan

Gwen Garcia (Jackson)

Minnesota

Christine Fiorani (Duluth)
Michael Gibbons (White Bear Lake)
Bill Hein (Faribault)

Montana

Eric Bell (Helena)
Edward Cuerth (Alberton)
Sandi Cuerth (Alberton)
Caleb Nistler (East Helena)
Paul Pierre (Missoula)

Nevada

Chandra Allred (Winnemucca)
Wynn Allred (Winnemucca)
Joseph Dendary (Winnemucca)
Rick Gianti (Las Vegas)
Marc Gumpenberger (Las Vegas)
Jerry Phillips (Winnemucca)
Valarie Phillips (Winnemucca)
Bryant Wadsworth (Winnemucca)

Douglas Wadsworth (Winnemucca)

New Hampshire

Rose James (Dover)
Stephen James (Dover)

North Carolina

Frank Easton (Raleigh)
Barry Judge (Raleigh)
Howard Paul (Cherokee)

Oregon

Doug Berggren (West Linn)
Deb Bliven (Salem)
Judy Helvig (Jefferson)
Bruce Johnson (La Grande)
Rhonda Wilson (Brownsville)

Pennsylvania

John Kapoosian (Aldan)

Rowena Koran (Collegeville)

Rhode Island

Leo Ernst (West Warwick)

South Dakota

John Julius (Rapid City)
Debra Points At Him (Rapid City)
Pat Siemonsma (Sioux Falls)

Texas

Dr. Donald Chipman (Austin)

Utah

Bruce Elton (Washington Terrace)

Vermont

Thomas McGibney (Montpelier)
PJ McHenry (South Burlington)

Virginia

Michael Alexiou (Harrisonburg)
Paul Fisher (Virginia Beach)
Brian McKinnon (Falmouth)

Washington

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Susan DePeter (Edgewood)
Tom DePeter Jr. (Edgewood)
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Vaughn Hagen (Bellingham)
Dale Martinell (Shelton)
Brian E. McIntosh (Mount Vernon)
Courtney McKeen (Walla Walla)
DonRay McKnight (Lakewood)
Neal Owen (University Place)
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Doug Allie (Crivitz)
Brendan Barkovich (Eau Claire)
Samantha Crist (Eau Claire)
Carl Dahl Jr. (Alma)
Barbara Davis (Madison)
Amy Donovan (Summit Lake)
Garrett Franks (Superior)
Todd Letven (Pleasant Prairie)
Kathy Mitchell (Eau Claire)
Susan Otto (Pleasant Prairie)
Mark Rice (Eau Claire)
Dale Smrecek (Greenwood)

Wyoming

Matthew Fogle (Cheyenne)
Patti Petro (Casper)
Greg Stampfli (Cheyenne)

Scott's Peek at the Past

by Scott Kooistra (Spencer NE)

The board of directors has been instrumental in most policies and facets of growing and maintaining the overall operations of the American Cribbage Congress. Here's a short overview on how the officers and board got the ACC off the ground.

After the congress was organized in August 1979, President **Joseph Wergin** appointed six people as officers and twenty-one more across the country as directors. The next major gathering of the organizers was in January 1980 in Cincinnati. The group ratified the ACC constitution and bylaws, approved the officers and directors, set the cribbage year and dues structure, organized committees, developed awards and a rating system, and so on.

The first election for the board of directors was in the spring of 1981. The names of sixty-two potential candidates were published in the March 1981 *Cribbage World*. A half-dozen of these people declined to run, leaving 56 hopefuls up for the first election of the BOD. Around 1,200 ballots were mailed out to the ACC membership, and 444 ballots were returned, an impressive 34% voter turnout. Members could vote for no more than twenty-five candidates. The top twelve vote-getters would receive a two-year term on the board, while the next thirteen in line earned a one-year board term. Joe Wergin (president and leading vote-getter) then appointed five directors to reach the total of thirty on the initial BOD.

Every year afterward in the early stages of the American Cribbage Congress there was a mail-in election for either twelve or thirteen directors. This election process was kept in place until 1989, when the board agreed that mailing and other expenses precluded annual elections. Starting in the spring of 1989, there would be election of twenty-five directors every other year, and the president would still appoint five directors to fill out the thirty-member board. I remember being part of a group on the board who voted to eliminate the appointed positions, which was done soon after. There also was a later movement to reduce the number of board members to nineteen, but that failed, and the number of BOD members has been consistent at 25 for the past three decades.

In closing, a big **thank you** to all those individuals who have served on the board of directors or run for those positions. Your service and dedication is greatly appreciated!

John and Maria are in England, as you can probably tell from the front cover. What time is it? Time to play cribbage! Big Ben is one of the most famous London landmarks. Here they are on a rare walking tour of London's Underground. Watch out for that train! Go to page 14.





Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

Don't cut the deck—yet!

When I started writing articles for *Cribbage World*, my editor, **David Aiken**, told me I would not always hit a home run. He was right. This article is probably just a single. But it covers something I frequently see done incorrectly, especially at clubs.

I am talking about cutting the starter card after tossing to the crib. Frequently you have tossed your cards to the crib and you are waiting for the dealer to toss theirs. They may have a dilemma and are taking their time, or maybe they just play slow. But the wait to cut for the starter card is driving you nuts! So you go ahead and cut and wait for them to toss, or you cut and place the cards on the bottom of the pack and tell them that the top card is the cut card. Either way you have broken a rule.

Rule 6.1.a deals with cutting the deck: **Only after both players discard to the crib shall the pack be cut by the pone to determine the starter card.** Further, rule 6.1.c states: **The dealer shall turn**

the top card of the lower pack and place it as the starter card, face up on top of the complete pack.

There are several reasons for this rule, but mainly we don't want someone fumbling with the deck while their opponent isn't paying attention. Players have been expelled for manipulating the cut card. (In fact, one of these expelled players did this to me twenty-some years ago.) There is no reason for anyone to cut before the crib is formed. Not only that, but what if you cut prematurely and the cut card is found to be face up? Rule 6.1.d deals with that, but you have interrupted the dealer's concentration on trying to figure out what they are going to toss and now you have to solve this new problem.

So the bottom line here is this: keep your hands off of the deck until **both** players have tossed to the crib, **then** cut for the starter card.

Next time I'll try for a double.

Keith Widener is head of the ACC's judge program. Send questions about rules and the rulebook to Keith at kwidener@triad.rr.com.

John and Maria visited a London bridge. No, not the London Bridge. This is the Tower Bridge. Go to page 31.



The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



Does it seem like the best players get the most luck? Obviously, winning cribbage games requires a certain amount of good fortune, but the elite players prove the axiom that luck is often the product of design. Let's examine a recent "lucky win" by **Erik Locke**.

Erik has first count needing 9; his opponent is dealing from 8 out. Erik holds 6-Q-K-K and cuts an 8. It's a bleak situation but Erik has a plan (albeit one that needs a ton of things to go right): lead the Queen and hopefully trap a King at the end for 7 points.

So Erik leads the Queen, and the dealer plays a 5. The next play is the difference between Erik and most players. He knows if he plays the King for 25 the most he can possibly peg at that point is 4 (his 6 for 31-2 and his King to match on the next pegging series). That won't put him out, so he plays his 6 to make the count 21. The dealer plays a Queen for 31. Erik leads a King and dealer has J-K left and matches the King! Erik takes his 7 points for the trip and the go and wins the game!

What do we learn from this? Well, the dealer could have kept a more flexible pegging hand for starters, and in retrospect, playing the Jack would give Erik a three-card run and not put him out. However you can also say Erik had poor luck to be dealt such a bad hand at that juncture of the game. But he devised a plan—and stuck to it, thus forcing his opponent to make a decision.

So you can say Erik was the recipient of good fortune, but ask yourself if you would have played the hand as he did. I don't think I would have, and I pride myself in end-game pegging.

Rob always has good luck! Contact him at mrob2199@aol.com.

Editor's note: I've always appreciated the following quotation from the TV show *Frasier*, and it seems especially appropriate here in conjunction with Rob's column:

"Luck is the residue of design."

—said by Niles Crane (played by David Hyde Pierce) to explain how he made a halfcourt shot during halftime at a Seattle Sonics basketball game, in the episode "Hooping Cranes" (S8.E15)

Loaner Pegs

Pamela Pomeroy (Norwalk CA) loaned **John Taylor** (Vista CA) a set of pegs to play the SoCal in March B main in Oceanside CA, and when he made it into the playoffs as low qualifier with 16/6 with four skunks, she told him if he won the tournament, he could keep them. John ran the table, and with his winnings he could now buy fifty sets of pegs!

Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson
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Kudos to **Mike Rosenstock** (*sirpegger*) upon earning his Life eMaster (★) rating! Mike is the eleventh person in the twenty-year history of ACC online play to reach this milestone! Well done, Sir.

Help! Lately we have had more players who are slowing down the tournaments because they are dawdling once their game ends. We should have all players in two (maybe three) rounds at once, but we are seeing some tourneys with players in four rounds, and even five! Please X out of your game pronto, and move on to the waiting opponent. It is important that you look down the list before setting a new table. Note: If you are using the mousepad instead of an external mouse, then this adds

internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	1051	Jerry Griffin (meatloaf627)
2	940	Gregory Gougian (gougie00)
3	937	Nancy Rojas (nancribdr)
4	912	Donald Olney (olney47)
5	892	Terry Higgins (chainlink1)
6	824	Sue Edwards (co434sue)
7	769	Kelly Ann Burgar (lilthumpper)
8	754	Betsy Miller (weezieboop)
9	734	Sam Sinram (ia503)
10	728	Gary Brandt (eaglear39)

to the time it takes to click all of those exit buttons, so please consider using a mouse to speed things up.

On behalf of all of the TDs, I respectfully request that players refrain from complaining in the lobby that the tourney is behind. As TDs, we are very well aware of the fact! Just like live play, some of you are faster, and some are slower. Some games take several hands to finish. Pointing it out only agitates everyone, and it won't make things move any faster. Thanks much!

When a player has a huge card, I wonder if it breaks a record. I asked statistician **John Schafer** to see if any recordkeeping had been done in this regard for internet tournaments over the last twenty years. I checked on the ACC website under "Record Holders" and saw no mention of internet play.

Point Leader of the Month

Jerry Griffin (*meatloaf627*) @ 180 IRPs

New Life eMaster (★) (10,000 IRPs)

Mike Rosenstock (*sirpegger*)

New Life eMaster (6,000 IRPs)

Donald Olney (*olney47*)

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)

Ken Moomey (*kenia*)

Phillip Cammack (*bigbutte*)

Internet 28-Hands

Lori Boyer (*elmo4x4*)

Brad Henderson (*ousooner*)

Tim Julkowski (*timoregon2854*)

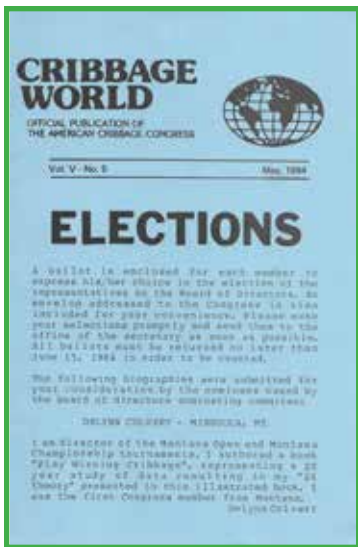
Jim Miller (*sierrapete*)

Don Olney (*olney47*)

Internet Grand Slams

Monica Newton (*oreo2757*)

Sandy Sands (*now4sands*)



40 Years Ago

The BOD election was touted on the cover and two interior pages. Elsewhere we read that **Bob Madsen** (IL) won the Western New York Open consolation.

25 Years Ago

Ken Benson (MI) won the 341-player MGM Open main in Green Bay, beat-



ing **Syl Lulinski** (IL) in the finals. Elsewhere we read that the ACC sanctioned 151 mains and 134 consolations in the previous year; these tournaments averaged 108.5 and 73 players, respectively. Here are the corresponding stats for the most recent cribbage season (2022–23):

type	sanctioned tournaments	total attendance	average
mains	175	11,071	63.26
consolations	169	6,764	40.02



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)
5. Chris McComas (WA): Depoe Bay Challenge (Dec. 9)
6. Kevin Post (MN): ACC Open (Mar. 2)
7. Neil Fagerhaugh (MN): ACC Open (Mar. 3)
8. Richard LaRiva (CO): ACC Open (Mar. 3)
9. Les Sissel (OR): Northwest Open (Mar. 16)

I discussed this with **James Morrow** and **David Aiken**, and this change has now been added by ACC webmaster **John Hazlett**:

Highest score in ACC-sanctioned 9-game internet tournament

William MacMillan (Cheyenne WY): 24/9 in January 2002

Sandy Sands (Helena MT): 21/9 +205 on March 20, 2024

Who will be the next player to set a record?

Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ soule1994@comcast.net ◆

May flowers are here, well hopefully soon in New England. I hope we take a few minutes to honor our moms on Mother's Day and honor those who gave their lives protecting us, so we can travel freely and play this game we all love. I found a couple other days that I will be celebrating in May: National Chocolate Chip Day is May 15, and National Pizza Party Day is on May 20! Sounds like good May is full of good things! [*Editor's note:* and don't forget an important birthday on May 31!]

Before I go with our recaps, I would like to introduce you all to **Jason, Maria, and Danielle Masciola**, ➔ who found us on-line. On March 17, dad, mom and daughter made the one hour and forty minute trip from Bridgeport CT to Woonsocket RI to play Corned Beef and Cribbage. Danielle qualified in the main, and Maria qualified second in the consolation. They both were knocked out early (still sorry, Maria). I sat by Jason in the consolation. They had the best time with us. Everyone was cordial. I told them we don't see many families coming, and it was a welcome sight. They promised they would be back. I would like to extend a huge welcome to them.



Speaking of Corned Beef and Cribbage, 106 players were in attendance. We want to extend our sympathies to Club 161 with the unexpected passing of member **Liz Daley** on the Friday night before the tournament. Thank you to all of Club 161 ◀ for going through with the tournament, and to all others who pitched in and helped. Liz will be missed. The inaugural sportsmanship winner was



hoping he would have St. Patrick's Day *and* birthday luck. **Mike Fetchel** celebrated by qualifying #25 of 27 and then finishing in the top four to the eventual winner, **David Statz**. **Barry Spadea** was second. The consolation saw a familiar name, **Rob Medeiros**, with top qualifying honors. When the playoffs were finished, **Jack Chandler** ➔ came in first place over Rob. Thank you, **Pat Llewellyn**, and your club for always providing a great tourney.

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Topaz Tidbits

As of March 6, **Marty Duchow** (Unionville CT) and **Homer Simpson** (Springfield USA) had the same number of ACC-sanctioned wins. That would be zero. Unlike Homer, however, Marty qualified ninth in Topaz #1 and then ran the table. Score update: **Marty 1, Homer 0.**

There were two 28-hands during Topaz #2 on March 7–8. Both were dealt to players named Mike, and both were dealt by the same person: **Marty Duchow** (from Club 26 in Hartford CT). In the qualifying round, **Mike Meyer** (WA) was two points out, so he naturally held 5-5-5-5 and cut a face card. The second 28 came in the playoffs versus **Mike Misluk** (Marty's clubmate from #26). With the score at one game apiece and Mike at 28 out, he said it would be a good time for a 29-hand. Marty pointed out that he didn't need that many. Mike held 5-5-5-X and cut the case 5. (Marty's average dipped slightly when he dealt an opponent 5-5-5-5 in Auburn two days later, but they didn't cut as well and had *only* a 20-hand!) The way Marty looks at it, after Topaz #1, it was time to share the wealth!



On March 24, the rescheduled Ocean State Open took place in Providence RI, directed by **Mike D'Elena** and **Joe Bowen**. When the pegging was over, **Carlyle Foss** from Plymouth ME received his first win over **David Hayes** from Mansfield MA. The consolation saw another first-time winner: **Deb Cotter** bested the field of 42 for her first win! **Joel Parker**, who came with his twin brother **Josh**, for his first tournament, came in second.

On April 7, newlyweds Mary **Burlington** and **David Statz** welcomed players to Keene NH, the new home of the Granite State Open. Eighty players came out, with many new play-

ers in their first tournament. Club 104 certainly showed their cribbage chops. One of their players, name of **Rob Medeiros**, bested the field. Another familiar name, not from Club 104 though, **Mike Fetchel** came in second. In the consolation, it was pure Club 104 with **Stan Filipiak** coming in as a high qualifier with 17/8; clubmate **Bill Cormier** ↑ battled to take the win over Stan, while being careful not to drink on the dance floor! Someone should be treating that club to something!

Springtime Puns

A flower's favorite type of pickle is a daffo-dill.

Flowers kiss with their tulips.

A well-dressed lion is a dandy-lion.

The sun listens to the ray-dio.

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Minnesota Snowball (Chaska MN; 2/2)	Adam Switzer	72 players HQ. Steven Post (30) 1. Michael Henze (147) 2. Neil Fagerthaug (105) 3. Gary Chamberlain (70) 3. Jim Mahan (70)	52 players HQ. Jim Steinberg (15) 1. Steve Schneider (60) 2. Bob Joslin (40) 3. Mark Fries (24) 3. Eric Hinnekkamp (24)	28-hand: *Jeff McKinney	
Switzer's Birthday Bash (Chaska MN; 2/3)	Adam Switzer	80 players HQ. Basil Rudnick (45) 1. Jim Mahan (147) 2. Jim Claude (105) 3. Ken Moomey (70) 3. Troy Thorson (70)	48 players HQ. Diane Lundahl (15) 1. Bob Joslin (60) 2. Wayland Kuhnelt (40) 3. Dan Conlin (24) 3. Al Pernicek (24)	28-hands: *Timothy Shaw *Sandra Stroup *Mark O'Hanlon	Canadian Doubles: Al Karr & Steven Steinmetz
Go Green Bay (Green Bay WI; 2/16)	Al Karr	96 players HQ. Dan Sand (35) 1. Steven Steinmetz (147) 2. Les Kvien (105) 3. James Knorr (70) 3. Dan Sand (70)	56 players HQ. Donald Curry (21) 1. Jeff Shimp (60) 2. Donald Curry (40) 3. Steve Aho (24) 3. Edward Balcer (24)	28-hands: *Andy Court *Dan Sand *Donald Curry	Friday: Kevin Harris Canadian Doubles: Les Kvien & Robert Chase
Northern California Open (Redding CA; 2/23)	Jeanne Jelke	60 players HQ. Bernie Nelson (55) 1. Danny Mitchell (105) 2. Cy Madrone (70) 3. Rick Baird (42) 3. Robert Cox (42)	35 players HQ. Marilyn White (15) 1. Jeanne Jelke (60) 2. Barbara Stockham (40) 3. Peggy Shea (24) 3. Marilyn White (24)	28-hand: *Chris Fisher	Early Bird: Bob Cox Canadian Doubles: Jennifer Bolles & Barbara Stockham Saturday: Charles Booker All Events:
Susanville Winter Classic (Susanville CA; 2/26)	Jeanne Jelke	62 players HQ. Chad Frischmann (50) 1. Darlene Stier (105) 2. Bryan Gurden (70) 3. Jim Mahan (42) 3. Steve Scadden (42)	50 players HQ. Ronnie Murakami (15) 1. Peter Jackson (60) 2. Tom Brown (40) 3. Ronnie Murakami (24) 3. Bill Schlabes (24)	28-hand: *Bryan Gurden	Early Bird: Chad Frischmann Canadian Doubles: Chad Frischmann & Clay Collier Mid-Roller: Bryan Gurden All Events: Charles Booker

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tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
JPW/ACC Open (Reno NV; 3/2)	Peggy & Rick Shea	408 players HQ. Lana Newhouse (65) 1. Erik Locke (252) 2. Larry Phifer (196) 3. Nancy Rojas (147) 3. Alan Schaefer (147) 5. Frank Abernathy (105) 5. Ray Klocko (105) 5. Todd Schaefer (105) 5. Michael Watson (105) 9. Richard Scott Corbin (70) 9. John Dawes (70) 9. Tyler Dinkelmann (70) 9. Sue Edwards (70) 9. Scott Harker (70) 9. Laurie Logan (70) 9. Lana Newhouse (70) 9. Sharon Schaefer (70)	314 players HQ. David Aiello (24) 1. Wayne Momsen (144) 2. Don Thienel (112) 3. Robert Medeiros (84) 3. Kathy Pacocha (84) 5. Timothy Johnson (60) 5. Wayne Koski (60) 5. Betsy Miller (60) 5. David Vee (60) 9. Arlene Carle (40) 9. Don Dolezal (40) 9. Jeanne Jelke (40) 9. Pete Larsen (40) 9. Kai Lemrise (40) 9. Scott Sand (40) 9. Darlene Stier (40) 9. Tracie Swanson (40)	29-hands: *Kevin Post *Neil Fagerhaugh *Richard LaRiva Karl Reynolds 28-hands: *David Anderson *Kim Corn *Robert Cox *Dave Ehle *Timothy Johnson *Jamison Kaboli *Dana McClain Rick Baird	DCAS7: Eastern Region All Stars <i>Canadian Doubles:</i> Ronald Jensen & A. J. Tasker <i>Cribbage Bowl:</i> Rick Shea TOC: Allan Stanek
Topaz Winter Wonderland #1 (Gardnerville NV; 3/5)	Bev Castillo	51 players HQ. Adrian Levy (40) 1. Marty Duchow (105) 2. Rhynold Shave (70) 3. Bob Brumley (42) 3. Duaine Jacob (42)	40 players HQ. Jim Dillard (24) 1. Jim Mahan (60) 2. Andrew Laurence (40) 3. Cy Madrone (24) 3. Sara Sanner (24)	28-hand: *Darlene Pekovich	<i>Early Bird:</i> Jeanne Jelke <i>Canadian Doubles:</i> Bob Cox & Larry Phifer <i>Mid-Roller:</i> Cres Fernandez
Topaz Winter Wonderland #2 (Gardnerville NV; 3/7)	Bev Castillo	36 players HQ. Jennifer Bolles (30) 1. James Clark (105) 2. Jim Mahan (70) 3. Jennifer Bolles (42) 3. Mike Misluk (42)	16 players HQ. Chad Loupee (9) 1. Adrian Levy (24) 2. Margery Clark (12) 3. Chad Loupee (4) 3. Barbara Stockham (4)	28-hands: *Mike Meyer *Mike Misluk	<i>Canadian Doubles:</i> Ronnie Murakami & Charlene Cohen <i>Mid-Roller:</i> Ray Klocko

continued

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Gold Country Classic #1 (Auburn CA; 3/9)	Jon Kline	44 players HQ. Jon Kline (35) 1. Larry Phifer (105) 2. Ben Holder (70) 3. Bob Brumley (42) 3. Ray Klocko (42)	28 players HQ. Ronnie Murakami (12) 1. Don Thienel (40) 2. Peter Jackson (24) 3. Ronnie Murakami (12) 3. Jennifer Reitz (12)	28-hand: *Don Thienel	Canadian Doubles: Roger Widdowson & Brad Saunders
Gold Country Classic #2 (Auburn CA; 3/10)	Jon Kline	41 players HQ. Sara Sanner (50) 1. Paul Gregson (105) 2. Les Rasmussen (70) 3. Ray Klocko (42) 3. Alice Souza (42)	22 players HQ. Ronald Jensen (9) 1. Ronald Jensen (40) 2. Jim Mahan (24) 3. Brad Saunders (12) 3. Don Thienel (12)		
Mick Michaelis Classic (Marinette WI; 3/15)	Al Karr	79 players HQ. Wayne Steinmetz (55) 1. Chad Frischmann (147) 2. Mark Habighorst (105) 3. David Aiello (70) 3. Darnel Chevette (70)	50 players HQ. Bob Kiley (24) 1. Emilio Perez (60) 2. Bob Kiley (40) 3. James McCarty (24) 3. Jeff Shimp (24)		Friday: Christine Zager Saturday: Arthur Loveland All Events: Steve DePouw
Northwest Open/Sissel Memorial (Baker City OR; 3/16)	Pat Reynolds	35 players HQ. Jason Ramelow (30) 1. Bill Schlabes (105) 2. Casey Scott (70) 3. Kim Corn (42) 3. Erik Locke (42)	24 players HQ. Raydene Ramelow (15) 1. Craig Smith (40) 2. Todd Malmgren (24) 3. James Morrow (12) 3. Raydene Ramelow (12)	29-hand: *Les Sissel	Early Bird: Margery Clark Canadian Doubles: Rick Baird & Craig Smith
Corned Beef & Cribbage (Woonsocket RI; 3/17)	Pat Llewellyn	106 players HQ. Frank Reddy (55) 1. David Statz (147) 2. Barry Spadea (105) 3. Mike Fetchel (70) 3. Mary Roberge (70)	60 players HQ. Robert Medeiros (18) 1. Jack Chandler (60) 2. Robert Medeiros (40) 3. Jim Maiffa (24) 3. Dan Routhier (24)		

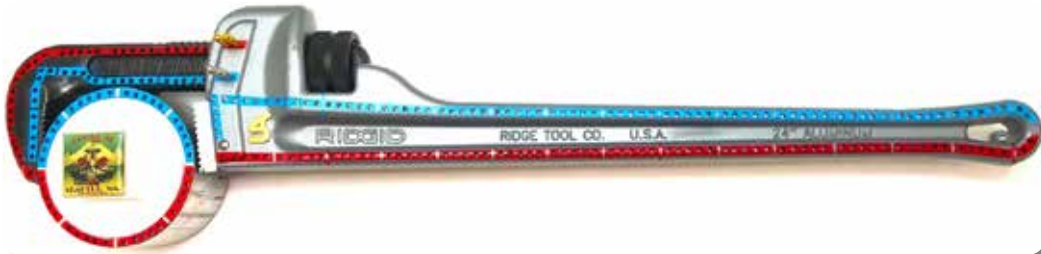
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tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
SoCal in March A (Oceanside CA; 3/23)	Obie Weeks	37 players HQ. Dawn Diaz (40) 1. Dennis Morin (105) 2. Donald Brown (70) 3. Dawn Diaz (42) 3. Pamela Pomeroy (42)	15 players HQ. Obie Weeks (9) 1. Jim Lowe (24) 2. Norman White (12) 3. Obie Weeks (4) 3. Art Whitney (4)	28-hand: *Dennis Morin	
SoCal in March B (Oceanside CA; 3/24)	Obie Weeks	22 players HQ. Ray Klocko (35) 1. John Taylor (70) 2. Bob Prochnow (42) 3. Ray Klocko (21) 3. Cy Madrone (21)	11 players HQ. Dawn Diaz (9) 1. Dawn Diaz (24) 2. Pamela Pomeroy (12) 3. James Clark (4)	28-hand: *Jim Lowe	
Ocean State Open (Providence RI; 3/24)	Mike D'Elena	71 players HQ. Mike Misluk (45) 1. Carlyle Foss (147) 2. David Hayes (105) 3. Dan Michela (70) 3. Rick Montague (70)	42 players HQ. Claire Cook (18) 1. Debra Cotter (60) 2. Joel Parker (40) 3. Michael Dostoomian (24) 3. Mary Roberge (24)		
Super Sutherlandin One-Day (Sutherlandin OR; 3/29)	Bob Brumley	44 players HQ. Trevor Poole (40) 1. Jim Mahan (105) 2. Trevor Poole (70) 3. Bob Bartosh (42) 3. Dale Carey (42)	30 players HQ. Bob Brumley (12) 1. Bob Brumley (40) 2. Scott Milo (24) 3. William O'Malley (12) 3. Duane Toll (12)		
Sutherlandin Shuffle (Sutherlandin OR; 3/30)	Bob Brumley	42 players HQ. Brian Bell-Irving (50) 1. Brian Bell-Irving (105) 2. James Morrow (70) 3. Erik Locke (42) 3. Diana Webster (42)	21 players HQ. Jim Mahan (18) 1. Dale Carey (40) 2. Bill Schlabes (24) 3. Jim Mahan (12) 3. Peggy Shea (12)		

New Cribbage Masters
Steven Post (Arlington MN)
Dan Sand (Grey Eagle MN)
Richard Scott Corbin (McKinney TX)
Michael N. Watson (Yuma AZ)

Cribbage Board of the Month *BY JAY FULWIDER*

The cribbage board featured this month is probably the most distinctive handcrafted board to appear in this column. It was designed and made by ACC member **Jim Lockhart** of Lynnwood WA. He is a member of the Sno-King Peggers of Lynnwood.



Jim spent thirty-eight years as a member of Local Union 32, United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters. He mostly worked large commercial jobs around the Seattle area.



Like many of us, Jim was taught cribbage by his father. When he retired, he decided to make a cribbage board that would honor his profession and love of cribbage. I talked with Jim and can tell you that this was not an easy project. Bottom line, this is a beautiful and one of kind cribbage board. Thanks Jim.



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).

Dale's Tales

*Cribbage Stories by Dale Magedanz
CW's Milwaukee Correspondent*



Mick Michaelis Classic

Emilio Perez (Waukegan IL) was dealing from 37 out against **Lewis Gurney** (Eau Claire WI), who was 26 points out. Emilio stated: "You won't get skunked, unless you count backward." Louie piped up: "I may count backward but I don't peg backward."

Useless Fact

Did you know that Alabama still taxes playing cards at 10¢ per pack and has annual fee of \$2 for the privilege of selling cards? I recently sold a two-pack of Evinrude playing cards → that I opened in my childhood that had a tax stamp.



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31-for-14 ♦ by Michael Rogers

I have always thought that 31-for-14 relied upon having Aces or Deuces that let you sneak in at the end of pegging. I have done that myself with Aces and also fell victim to **Jones Hom**, who nailed me with Aces in Topaz Lake a year ago. But this one happened recently in Grass Roots play:

pone	2		6		6 (for 6)		6 (for 14)
dealer		5		6 (for 2)		{go}	
running count	2	7	13	19	25		31

I didn't even know this was possible with 6s.* Cribbage has many surprises, and this is one more of them.

Michael is a member of Club 100 in Napa CA. His license plate is 31FOR14.

***Editor's note:** 31-for-14 can be scored with any card smaller than 8 and by both the pone and dealer. Here are two examples with 7s, once for each player:

pone	3		7 (for 2)		7 (for 14)
dealer		7		7 (for 6)	
running count	3	10	17	24	31

pone	K		K (for 1)		7		7 (for 6)	
dealer		10		3		7 (for 2)		7 (for 14)
running count	10	20	30	3	10	17	24	31

Raleigh Spring Fling

Pre-Fling

Friday, April 12

8:30 am Main (12 games)

1:30 pm Consy (7 games)

Spring Fling

Saturday, April 13

8:30 am Main (22 games)

Sunday, April 14

9:15 am Consy (9 games)

TD: Jennifer Johnson
817-515-2232

Springtime in North Carolina

Tournament Clusters

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Walk-ins Welcome

North Carolina Open

Winston Salem Open

Friday, May 17

8:00 am Main (12 games)

1:00 pm Consy (8 games)

North Carolina Open

Saturday, May 18

8:30 am Main (22 games)

Sunday, May 19

9:00 am Consy (9 games)

TD: Keith Widener
338-671-8504

GAME ON by Dan Zeisler



The ACC Youth Program – Time for Transition

In 1990, I met **Joe Wergin** at a cribbage tournament in Reno. As you may or may not know, Joe was a huge advocate of youth cribbage, coining the phrase *the family that plays together stays together* [**editor's note:** see March 1994 *Cribbage World*, page 5]. As we spoke, Joe eyes lit up when he discovered I was teaching cribbage to middle school students. He told me that together we were going to make a big deal about the promotion of youth cribbage in the ACC.

Not long after, Joe suffered some significant health issues that limited his participation in tournaments. We had a few telephone conversations, and on our last call, he made me promise to continue the pursuit of strengthening our youth program, "to sustain long-term membership in the ACC," as he put it.

For the next thirty-four years, I faithfully served as the director of youth cribbage for the ACC. In that time, the youth program has become a viable part of our organization. In 1994, I wrote a manual for educators who want to teach cribbage to groups of youngsters in a single setting. Since then, over one thousand teaching manuals have been sent all over the world to aspiring instructors of the game we love so much. I fielded hundreds of calls and emails helping teachers get started, or assisting retirees to get into a classroom or an after-school program. Through membership donation outreach, we now offer grants through the ACC youth program, which include up to ten new long boards for instructors and up to \$500 to reimburse directors for conducting sanctioned youth tournaments. Lastly, with the help of **Don "Grumpy" Howard**, youth program bylaws have been adopted, including a youth master point program that allows youth members to transfer their hard-earned master points obtained in sanctioned junior events when they become adult members.

Thirty-four years after my meeting with Joe, with a bittersweet heart, it is time to pass the torch of youth directorship to new leadership. At the board meeting in February, I officially submitted my letter of resignation, effective June 1, 2024. As the BOD seeks the right individual for the position, Don Howard has agreed to serve as interim director for up to one year. I will work with him to maintain the integrity of the ACC youth program, as well as mentor the newly chosen director when he or she is selected.

I'd like to thank the many, many individuals who have supported my efforts in making the ACC youth program what it is today. I am also grateful to those that have acknowledged my hard work with kind words of appreciation and support over the years.

What's in a peg? While playing **Gary Girard** (Surprise AZ) in the penultimate game of qualifying in the Cactus Cribbage Classic in Scottsdale AZ on February 2, **Bryan Gurden** (Las Vegas NV) was the pone. After counting his hand Bryan was in the dead hole and Gary was eight holes out. Gary counted seven, turned over the crib, which was zip, zero, nada. Bryan pegged out on the first card and won the game. If Gary had a single point in the crib he wins, Bryan does not qualify and Yours Truly does. In the finals of the playoff **Alan Schaefer** (Henderson NV) leaves Bryan in the dead hole in game five to capture the championship. Two days later in the Roadrunner Classic consolation semifinals, game 3, the selfsame **Gary Girard** leaves me in the dead hole, goes onto the finals, where he beat **Bill Schlabs** (West Sacramento CA) for the championship. All that action hinged on a single peg.

In my thirty years in the ACC I have never had a 29-hand or a string of pearls. I thought I'd finally achieved the latter the other night at club when I started out with six straight losses. Only three to go to achieve some kind of notoriety but, alas, I woke up and won a couple games to end the night. So, I still have never had either the 29 or the string.

Dennis Morin is an ex-pat living in the Yucatan, Mexico. He was born in Maine but spent time in the Sacramento area, where he joined the ACC in the mid-2000s. He



visited the Yucatan a couple of times and liked it so much he moved there in 2020. He particularly likes the tacos and margaritas but, not so much, the occasional 120+ temperatures along with 60% humidity. He says he has all the comforts of home, low cost of living, and reasonable safety. He does miss his kids and grandkids, who he sees a couple times of a year when gets back to the States, where he consults with the San Joaquin (CA) County Office of Education. No cribbage club in the Yucatan, but he enjoys playing online nearly every day. Dennis made one of his annual visits to coincide with the weekend of two Oceanside tourneys and handily beat me for the championship of Oceanside "A," which he also won last year. I may skip this tournament next year if Dennis is going to attend.

RIP, **Jim Jones** (1935–2024). Get well, **Artland**.

Now, if you'll excuse me I must go pack for the Transatlantic Cribbage Cruise. Ahoy, shipmates and *bon voyage*.

Over and out.

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We're glad to share some big news! Element3 Health has transformed and is now proudly known as Grouper. (Yes, we know it's a fish. Know what else it is? Amazing!) Grouper signifies something remarkable—a new era of fun, connection, and seamless club experiences.

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How we are improving the experience:

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- **Our mission**—encouraging healthy, active living through activities that foster social connections and create memorable experiences.
- **Our dedication**—ensuring you and your club enjoy every moment with us, without financial worries, thanks to the support of Medicare Advantage or Medicare Supplement plans.
- **Our commitment to social wellness**—as your social wellness partner, our primary aim is to keep you active and involved. To maintain your ongoing eligibility, it is important that you confirm that you continue to stay active in your club. Each month, you'll receive a friendly reminder via email to report your activities, ensuring that your continuous journey with us remains smooth and enjoyable.

For any questions or a simple chat, reach out at 833.906.1700. Our member-engagement team is standing by ready to help Monday–Friday from 10a to 7p (Eastern time). Here's to unforgettable times at your club and a future that's healthier and happier, together.

The

Kat Hartsell

EXPERIENCE



My travels this month took me to Baker City and then a short eight-hour drive to Newport.

I never gave a lot of thought to the time it would take to drive across a state or two to play this amazing game. Since both cities are in Oregon, my children thought they would be virtually the same. How can two towns in the same state be so completely different? One is a cozy little town against a mountain range, the other is on the ocean, and I had never been to either. I found a wonderful cheese shop in Baker City, and the little souvenir shops in Newport could have been explored several times over. The beach was exquisite, a must-visit with my family someday. I think these cribbage tournaments are more than worth it just for the incredible sights and new experiences I get to live.

My cards in Baker City were wonderful in the early bird, but in the main and consolation I was just the pone who people loved to play. I had a blast with some

of the ACC's best people. Strengthening relationships and getting to know new friends and watching old friends take the stage filled my cup to overflowing. The most incredible moment was watching Spokane locals **Jason and Raydene Ramelow** take high qualifier in the main and consolation. So awesome!



The Newport cluster was like walking into a family reunion. There were . . .

- fun uncles: **Bob Chase, Ray Klocko, Bill Schlabs, Craig Smith**, and of course **Uncle Ronnie**
- annoyingly amusing cousins: **Jason Hofbauer, Erik Locke, Kai Lemrise**
- parents: **Brumleys, Logans**
- crazy aunts: **Marcia Glenn, Tammy Gibbons, Darlene Stier, CC**
- dudes that make you wonder if they are even related: **Jim Mahan, Chad Frischmann, Cy Madrone**

Qualifying in the Spring Fling was the cherry on top of this fabulous weekend. I never wanted to leave!

The Kat Hartsell Experience continues next month in Brownsville OR.

by John Quist
 ~ with lots of help from Maria ~

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We are back on an international cribbage tour, starting in London. Since England is the homeland of cribbage, we were excited to find a 290-year-old pub to play our London games in. ↓ I think Maria had some jet lag, as I managed to win two of three games. I'm not used to having a lead as I write our *Cribbage World* update, as Maria crushed me during our last series of stories. [*Editor's note: in case readers have forgotten, Maria stomped John 61 to 52 in the Around the World cribbage cruise.*]

Next month, we will visit the town where cribbage inventor **John Suckling** lived. Thanks to an introduction by **David Aiken**, we have been invited to a cribbage team event tournament in Norwich. Maria and I have done well in the Reno Canadian Doubles tournaments, so we are hoping to represent the ACC well. Wish us luck. Cheers,

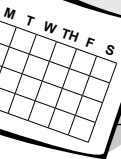


Maria and John's home bar while in London. It was built in 1730, just a handful of decades after cribbage was invented.



Wayne Momsen
 (Waldport OR)
 Life Master

Wayne learned cribbage from his father and joined the ACC in 1990. His cribbage mentor is Ron Logan. A member of Club 127 in Newport, he has been club champion once. Wayne's first tournament win was the 2011 Canadian Summer Classic in Edmonton AB, and he's now won sixteen tourneys—including the ACC Open consy, where he earned enough points to reach Life Master, and his own tournament in Newport OR just a few days ago! The most memorable part of his Reno playoff run was beating his friends Pete Larsen and Rob Medeiros! Wayne's favorite tourney is the Deadwood cluster, and his toughest opponent is his soulmate, Carole Herron. Wayne enjoys computing, reading, and driving his third Corvette (although he has to share driving with Carole). He has had three 300-games in bowling and five 29-hands in cribbage but can't seem to get the elusive hole-in-one golf shot! **Update:** Wayne says that his best memory is going to be when he, Carole, and Pete and Junko Larsen give Bob Bartosh an item on his bucket list. Bob is a diehard Cardinals fan, but he's never been to a live Cardinals game. Since Bob will not fly, they are driving to the Deadwood cluster, then driving with Bob and Ginger to a live Cardinals baseball game in Busch Stadium in St. Louis, third row up from first base. If the game is on TV, look for the old guy with a mile-wide smile in a Cardinals hat! [*Editor's note: see also pages 4 and 5.*]



SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

as of April 11

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs name			MRPs name			MRPs name		
1	1691	Erik Locke	1	1109	Jim Mahan	1	789	Robert Medeiros
2	1078	Roland Hall	2	972	Robert Chase	2	751	David Statz
3	887	Bill Schlabes	3	842	Jeff Shimp	3	627	Phil Martin
4	809	Bob Brumley	4	820	Terry Weber	4	615	Larry Phifer
5	764	Ray Klocko	5	809	Clay Collier	5	611	Donna LaFleur
6	744	Darlene Stier	6	648	Don Thienel	6	606	Mark Soule
7	688	Cy Madrone	7	626	David Aiello	7	563	Rick Montague
8	622	Bob Bartosh	8	609	Allen Karr	8	527	Jerry Hardy
9	576	Troy Thorson	9	603	Lana Newhouse	9	496	Kendra Munkacsy
10	569	James Morrow	10	519	Haley Hintze	10	495	Mike Fetchel
11	556	Peggy Shea	11	492	Marsha Mahan	11	479	Terrance Cushman
12	551	Rick Baird	12	487	Kristina Wright	12	457	Scott Earley
13	547	William Eilers	13	472	Chad Frischmann	13	452	Ethan Guyaz
14	546	Ronnie Murakami	14	449	Daniel Pluff	14	423	Rick Allen
15	537	Sara Sanner	15	435	Jason Matheny	15	380	Patrick Robrecht
16	535	Dave Yaeger	16	433	Patrick Healey	16	373	David Hayes
17	533	Charlene Cohen	17	418	Doug Page	17	362	Frank Reddy
18	499	Alice Souza	18	415	James McCarty	18	359	Jack Chandler
19	468	Junko Larsen	19	413	Steven Steinmetz	19	343	Steven Braley
20	454	Alan Schaefer	20	398	John Syftestad	20	342	Charles Booker
21	449	Steve Hastie	21	361	Emilio Perez	21	330	Carlyle Foss
22	437	Carole Herron	22	352	Cynthia Wark	22	327	Keith Widener
23	436	Bernie Nelson	23	339	Steven Post	23	318	Frank Abernathy
24	432	Jim Crawford	24	338	Darlene Anderst	24	312	Peter Legendre
25	419	James Langley	24	338	Bob Joslin	25	291	Mike Misluk
26	412	Carol Perko	26	335	Wayne Steinmetz	26	280	Marty Duchow
27	397	Todd Malmgren	27	328	Michael Henze	27	271	Robert Baker
28	393	Bryan Gurden	28	321	Les Kvien	27	271	Fred Blanc
29	392	James Clark	29	315	Dan Selke	29	262	Robins Buck
30	377	Jack Shumate	30	297	Doug Whitlock	30	245	Mary Roberge
31	375	Sandy Sands	31	295	Todd Schaefer	31	243	Joy Barnes
32	372	Kevin Mansfield	32	293	Dale Magedanz	32	235	Deborah Taylor
33	368	Jason Shumate	32	293	Dan Taylor	33	233	Barry Spadea
34	355	Don Dolezal	34	277	Rick Kuehn	34	228	Barri Gehrand
35	352	Duane Toll	35	269	Bob Hanes	35	225	William Cormier
36	341	Bob Prochnow	36	267	Bob Kiley	35	225	David Peterson
37	337	Steve Sundet	36	267	Adam Switzer	37	224	Peter Setian
38	327	Jim Dillard	38	264	Ed May	38	216	Sandy Shrum
39	310	Kai Lemrise	39	245	Jane Vander Loop	39	215	Kenneth Johnson
40	308	Mike McDaniel	40	243	John Schafer	40	209	Michael Steeves
41	305	Marcia Glenn	41	240	Andy Stireman	41	205	David Flaherty
42	283	Wayne Momsen	42	238	Henry Brandner	41	205	Michael Sclafani
43	280	Doug Dresbach	43	236	Ann Trotter	43	204	Michelle Gryka
43	280	Jeanne Jelke	44	232	Tom Briski	44	202	Peter Grant
45	279	William O'Malley	45	230	Steve Schneider	45	198	Laurie Hardy
46	276	Peter Jackson	46	217	Tom Cook	45	198	Paul Petit
47	275	Don Hansen	47	215	Gary Chamberlain	47	192	Joyce Keay
48	273	Danny Mitchell	48	205	Frank Duresky	48	191	Joshua Parker
49	259	Margaret Fanucchi	49	202	Daniel Betz	49	188	Michael Burnham
50	257	Dan Marsh	50	198	John Hazlett	50	182	Kate Furler

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
<u>Rick Shea</u> 707.599.4605 31for14@gmail.com	<u>Patrick Barrett</u> 715.323.5027 gnxvibarrett@gmail.com	<u>Mark Soule</u> 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

March 1–3, 2024	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra
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2024 Atlantic Cruise Cluster

Norwegian Getaway cruise ship, departing New York City on April 29. TD: Winnona & Michael McDaniel (541.525.1292)

five tournaments between April 30 and May 9

CA ♦ Humboldt Doubleheader

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

May 3, Humboldt Bay One-Day

May 4–5, Humboldt Bay Classic

MA ♦ May 5, South Shore Open

Knights of Columbus, 254 Hancock St, Abington MA 02351. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Deb Cotter

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)

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NC ♦ Winston-Salem Doubleheader

Courtyard by Marriott, 1600 Westbrook Plaza Dr, Winston-Salem NC 27103. TD: Keith Widener (336.971.8504) & Jennifer Johnson

May 17, Winston-Salem Open

May 18–19, North Carolina Open

CA ♦ May 18, Pegging for Vets

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

ME ♦ May 18, Maine State Championships

Elks, 317 High St, Ellsworth ME 04605. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader

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

May 24, Super Sutherlin One-Day

May 25–26, Oregon State Open

WI ♦ May 24–26, Marv Lang/Brat Stop Open

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

WA ♦ Spokane Doubleheader

The Trailhead, 1102 N Liberty Lake Rd, Liberty Lake WA 99019. TD: Kat Hartsell (509.850.6077) & James Morrow

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May 24, Memorial Weekend One-Day
May 25–26, Memorial Weekend Two-Day

CA ♦ May 25, EEC Barnyard Bonanza
Escondido Equestrian Center, 26002 Bear Valley Heights Rd, Escondido CA 92027. TD: Joan Layte (760.751.2073)

MT ♦ Montana Spring Roundup
May 28–30, Montana Championship Westside Lanes, 1615 Wyoming St, Missoula MT 59801. TD: Rex Pad-dock (406.360.3333) & Sandy Sands
May 31–June 2, Capital City Spring Roundup Moose, 4750 N Montana Ave, Helena MT 59602. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Roger McGlenn
June 4–6, Copper City Classic East Side Athletic Club, 3075 Dexter, Butte MT 59701. TD: Gary Galetti (406.491.5892) & Sandy Sands
June 7–9, Spring Territorial Prison Classic Elks, 230 Main Str, Deer Lodge MT 59722. TD: Bob Stone (140.656.0138) & Dave Hayden

WI ♦ May 31–June 2, Madison Masters
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

CA ♦ June 8, Peggung for Vets
VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

MA ♦ June 9, Boston Regional Summa Special
Irish American Club, 177 West St, Malden MA 02148. TD: Frank Reddy (617.974.7562) & Bill Cormier

NV ♦ Rampart Doubleheader
JW Marriott, 221 N Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89145. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & Brenda Nason
June 13–14, Rampart Casino Midweek
June 14–16, Rampart Casino Open

MI ♦ June 14–16, Lake Superior Challenge
Rock River Lanes, 1011 N Rd, Ishpeming MI 49849. TD: Pat Healey (906.458.2065) & Tom Butcher

NV ♦ Topaz Doubleheader
Topaz Lodge, 1979 US 395, Gardnerville NV 89410
June 17–19, Summer Classic TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Bev Castillo
June 19–21, Les Sumner Memorial TD: Bev Castillo (775.453.3715) & Jeanne Jelke

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NV ♦ June 21–23, Independence Day Classic
J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. TD: Peggy Shea (707.599.4605) & Rick Baird

NV ♦ June 22, Youth Grand National 5
J Resort, 345 Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. TD: Don Howard (916.212.2465) & Dan Zeisler

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

AK ♦ June 22, Midnight Sun Open
Amvets, 1591 N Creste Foris St, Wasilla AK 99654. TD: Marli Holden (907.631.1933) & C.J. Kim

ME ♦ June 30, Capital City Classic
American Legion, 400 Eastern Ave, Augusta ME 04330. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

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

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

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

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FROM TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

American Pride: \$550 to DAV of Wisconsin
Go Green Bay: \$510 to Cerebral Palsy Research

CA ♦ July 12–14, River City Shake Up

Stadium Club Estates, 4200 El Centro Rd, Sacramento CA 95834. TD: Jennifer Bolles (916.203.6636) & Nancy Rojas

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

CO ♦ July 13–14, MVP Summer Sizzler

VFW, 305 S Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80538. TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Wanda Berry

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

MN ♦ July 19–21, Switzer-Selke Summer Shuffle

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. TD: Adam Switzer (952.687.1642) & Dan Selke

CA ♦ July 20, Pegging for Vets

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

IL ♦ July 19–21, Marv Lang Memorial

Cliffbreakers, 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
July 25–26, Open Opener TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett & Soule x2
July 26–29, National Open TD: Megan Player (919.518.3626) & Jennifer Johnson
July 29, Come Monday TD: Jennifer Johnson (617.515.2232) & Megan Player

MN ♦ Hinckley Doubleheader
Community Center, 102 Dunn Ave N, Hinckley, MN 55037, Hinckley MN 55037. TD: Steve Schneider (612.968.7280) & Adam Switzer
Aug. 2, Midwest Kickoff
Aug. 3–4, Midwest Great Hinckley Fireball

WY ♦ Cheyenne Doubleheader
American Legion, 2001 E Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001. TD: Jim & Margaret Rosso (307.631.2741)
Aug. 2, Wyoming Open One-Day Challenge
Aug. 3–4, Wyoming Fall Roundup

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

OR ♦ Aug. 9–11, Blue Mountain Open

American Legion, 301 Fir St, La Grande OR 97850. TD: Charlette Springer (541.975.3176) & Sue Anderson

CT ♦ Aug. 10, Patriot Kickoff Classic

Moose, 404 Prospect St, East Hartford CT 06118. TD: Marty Duchow (860.324.8019) & Deb Taylor

CT ♦ Aug. 11, Northeast Peer Tournament

Moose, 404 Prospect St, East Hartford CT 06118. TD: Donald Janelle (860.490.0712) & Marty Duchow

CA ♦ Jimmy Yee Memorial
Stadium Club Estates, 4200 El Centro Rd, Sacramento CA 95834
Aug. 16, Peg for the Crown TD: Annett Eiffert (916.521.3208) & Nancy Rojas
Aug. 17–18, Yee Peg for the Hangover TD: Jennifer Bolles (916.203.6636) & Nancy Rojas

NC ♦ Aug. 23–25, John Medeiros Memorial

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

OR ♦ Aug. 30–Sep. 1, Portland Sum. Festival

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

ID ♦ Sep. 13–15, Gem State Classic

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

IA ♦ Iowa Classics Doubleheader
Rock Island Inn, 3303 S Center St, Marshalltown IA 50247. TD: Mike Henze (641.485.2604) & Bob Joslin
Sep. 13, Iowa Classic#1

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- 2 pm Registration Opens for Early Bird, Mid Roller and Main Tournament
- 3 pm Early Bird, \$20, 7 Games, No Playoffs
- 7 pm Canadian Doubles \$50-Team \$20- Side Pools, 9 Games, No Playoffs

Saturday June 22, 2024

- 7 am Pick Up Scorecards, Complimentary Coffee and Danish
- 8 am Main Tournament, \$73, \$10-\$20-\$50 Side Pools, 22 Games, \$1,000.00 J Resort Added
- 5:30 pm Main Tournament Playoffs, Best 3 of 5

Sunday, June 23, 2024

- 7:30 am Main Tournament Playoffs Continue, Complimentary Coffee and Danish
- 8 am Consolation Registration
- 9 am Consolation, \$40, \$10 Side Pool, 9 Games, \$500.00 J Resort Added
- 1 pm Consolation Playoffs, Best 2 of 3

Tournament Directors Rick and Peggy Shea 707-599-4605, Rich Baird Co-Director. All Prize Funds Pay 1:4, All Side Pools Pay Graduated 1:6. Cut for deal. Current ACC membership encouraged. Visit www.cribbage.org, or join/renew at tournament.



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Name _____ ACC# Required Stationary Seat

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone w/Area Code _____ E-Mail _____

- _____ \$20 Early Bird
- _____ \$25 per person Doubles partner _____
- _____ \$20 Doubles Side Pool
- _____ \$73 Saturday Main Tournament Make Payable To: Peggy Shea-Independence Day
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Sep. 14–15, Iowa Classic #2

TX ♦ Sep. 14, Red River Peg Out

Elks, 8550 Lulleater Dr, Dallas TX 75238. TD: Scott Buhrow (469.650.5740) & Doug Weier

NV ♦ Sin City Doubleheader

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Brenda Nason (619.300.2628) & Sharon Schaefer

Sep. 20, Sin City Sunrise

Sep. 21–22, Sin City Spectacular

ME ♦ Sep. 22, Capital City Classic

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

OR ♦ Sep. 27–29, Oregon Championship

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

VA ♦ Williamsburg Doubleheader

Wyndham Gardens Hotel, 201 Water Country Pkwy, Williamsburg VA 23185. TD: Scott & Mark Noble (434.806.7286)

Sep. 27, Williamsburg Scream Opener

Sep. 28–29, Williamsburg Scream

ME ♦ Sep. 28, Seaside in Wells

Wells Ogunquit Senior, 300 Post Rd, Wells ME 04090. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Carlyle Foss

WI ♦ Oct. 11–13, Oktoberfest

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

ME ♦ Oct. 26, Spooktacular Cribbage

Seasons Grill, 477 Main St, Bangor ME 04401. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Carlyle Foss

WI ♦ Nov. 1–3, Northeast Wisconsin Open

Best Western, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

ME ♦ Nov. 2, Chris Greeley Classic

Holden School, 590 Main Rd, Holden ME 04429. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Carlyle Foss

OR ♦ Nov. 2–3, Brownsville Open

Kirks Ferry Trading Post, 217 Bishop Way, Brownsville OR 97327. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136)

NV ♦ Nov. 8–10, Veterans Day Classic

J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. TD: Peggy Shea (707.599.4605) & Rick Baird

NV ♦ Grand National 42

Rampart Casino, 221 N Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89145. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & Troy Thorson

Nov. 12–14, GN 42 Midweek

Nov. 15–17, Grand National 42

CO ♦ Dec. 7, MVP Winter Challenge

VFW, 305 S Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80538. TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Wanda Berry

OR ♦ Depoe Bay Doubleheader

Community Hall, 220 SE Bay St, Depoe Bay OR 97341. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Pete Maas & Greg Schleusner

Dec. 27, Steve Lewis Memorial

Dec. 28–29, Depoe Bay Challenge

AZ ♦ Jan. 10–12, Snowbird Special

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

OR ♦ Jan. 18–19, Bandon Its a New Year!

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

NV ♦ Sin City Doubleheader

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Brenda Nason (619.300.2628) & Sharon Schaefer

Jan. 24, Sin City Shuffle

Jan. 25–26, Schaefer Shuffle

AZ ♦ Scottsdale Doubleheader

Elks, 6398 E Oak St, Scottsdale AZ 85257. TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

Jan. 31, Cactus Cribbage Classic

Feb. 1–2, Roadrunner Classic

OR ♦ Feb. 15–16, Come Sea Bandon

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

CA ♦ Mexican Riviera Cruise Doubleheader

NCL *Bliss*, departing Los Angeles CA. TD: Winona & Michael McDaniel (541.525.1292)

Mar. 24, Mexican Riviera Cruise #1

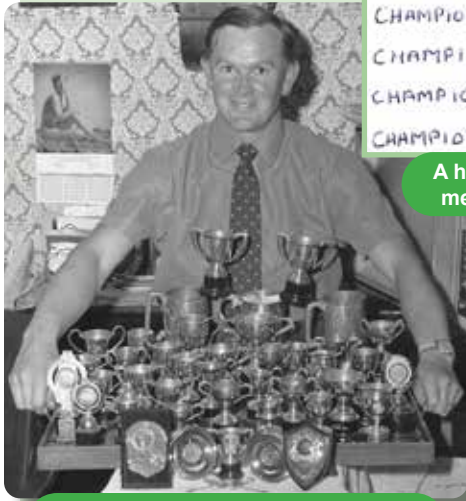
Mar. 28–29, Mexican Riviera Cruise #2

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IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

James P. Jones

Jim Jones (Rancho Santa Margarita CA)—a lifelong cribbage master—passed away on March 21 at age eighty-nine at an assisted living center in Tustin CA. Jim was born in 1935 on a farm in rural England, near the border with Wales. He taught himself cribbage at the tender age of six and by age eighteen had already amassed many trophies. Jim married Joan



Jim with some of his cribbage trophies earned in England.

in January 1999; after they immigrated to the United States in 2011 to be near her daughters in Orange County, Jim joined the ACC and Club 227. He was champion in Club 419 six times between 2017 and 2023 and also played in many national and regional tournaments. Cribbage was near and dear to his heart until the end. Jim's shy laugh and his kind heart will be missed by all.

Lynn Multari

Lynn Multari (Phoenix AZ) passed away on April 1 at age seventy-two after a short battle with cancer. She was a past member of Screaming Eagles Club 408 and a current member of Arizona

JIM JONES AACL-6325
LAGUNA WOODS VILLAGE PEGGARS CLUB 219
WON 350 TROPHIES IN ENGLAND
CAME TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN 2011
CHAMPION OF RAMPARTS LAS VEGAS
CHAMPION AT PEHRUMP TWICE
CHAMPION AT WEST COVINA
CHAMPION AT VISTA 4 TIMES
CHAMPION PEG FOR THE BORDER TWICE
CHAMPION WEST DIVISION 2015/2016
CHAMPION WEST DIVISION 2021/2022
CHAMPION OF CLUB 219 THE LAST 4 YEARS
CHAMPION AT RENO CANADIAN DOUBLES PARTNER ART KARL

A handwritten list of Jim's cribbage accomplishments sent to *Cribbage World* three years ago.

Roadrunners Club 24. She was codirector of the Roadrunner Classic for many years. She always had a smile and kind word for everyone. Lynn was very active in therapy-dog activities. She had two Yorkies (Chip and Comet), and she visited many places with them, from challenged children schools to hospices. She was also a dog trainer and helped others get their dogs approved. Lynn never achieved Master or Bronze, but she won a major: the ACC Open in Reno in 2018. She was well liked in both clubs and will be greatly missed.



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