

# Cribbage World



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(story on pages 20–30)



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*Happy Birthday in November!*

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# President's Column

by James Morrow



**Life Master One (Movie) Star!** I have a shirt that reads: "Cribbage, I don't play all the time . . . Oh wait . . . Yes I do!" I do play a lot of cribbage weekends, online, Grass Roots. This article is about the one time I did something else.

Four years ago, a Facebook notice said extras were needed for a movie being filmed just twenty miles from my house. My son Jackson and I went to the movie set, signed the waivers, and then spent the day being extras. Then Covid showed up and the movie wasn't released at the normal canned film festivals. In late 2021 the movie was released, and now it is on Amazon Prime.

The movie's title is *All Sorts*, a comedy about an office worker who finds a secret door behind an office vending machine, which leads him into the world of competitive folder filing.

While on the set Jack and I met the star, **Eli Vargas**, who was very nice. We got to see how scenes were shot. We found out it's a long and extra-boring process when you're just milling around in the background, especially once the excitement wore off for a nine-year-old.

Now that the movie is out, we decided to have an outdoor movie screening. Red carpet, spotlights, limos, tuxedos, evening gowns? No, but we did have nachos, hotdogs, and popcorn with a big screen on the side of the house.

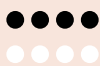
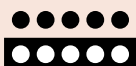
*All Sorts*  
starring **Jack and James Morrow**

The movie is 127 minutes long and at minute 123, there we are! A blurry kid in a striped shirt, and if you squint, turn your head to the left, and use your imagination there I am. But don't blink, or you will miss our big scene.



## The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



In my opinion positional play on fourth street is the most difficult aspect of cribbage—and one that no player will never truly perfect.

For instance, if you are dealing from 28 out and the pone is 23 out. Is that position better or worse than dealing from 20 out with your opponent 15 out? It's still a five-point deficit, but which would you prefer? I would rather be dealing from 28 out.

Obviously, many players like to pattern their play on the 26-theory, so in this particular case they would be two points short. On fourth street it's much easier to pick up pegs than prevent your opponent from amassing pegs. The 28-out scenario allows you to be much more aggressive in pegging and not be deathly afraid of the pone going out with one pegging blunder.

With the pone at 15, however, every play must be made with abundant caution, because even giving up a trip to a six-point hand could be fatal in the next hand.

So in weighing your discarding and pegging decisions nearing fourth street, remember it's easier to play offense than defense as needed late in the game.

**Rob Medeiros is a very offensive player. He can be reached at [mrob2199@aol.com](mailto:mrob2199@aol.com).**

Yes, it was just a flash, but we made the cut. We weren't disappointed. Our names are in the credits. Plus, I'm now listed on **imdb.com** as "James Morrow Actor, known for *All Sorts* (2021)." ↓

That's right I don't always play cribbage . . . sometimes I do some acting.



# My Deal

by David Aiken



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

It springs to life on a fairly regular basis in cribbage. In fact, probably at every tournament or club session, someone says: “I never should’ve gotten a skunk in game one. That is the kiss of death. No wonder I didn’t qualify.”

For the record, I don’t believe this fairy tale, because it is based on anecdotal evidence and has no basis in facts. Can anyone tell me why you wouldn’t want to write a 3 in the game points column of your scorecard? But before I get to the hard facts, let me regale you with my Omaha experience (scorecards on next page):

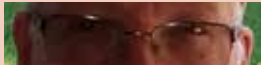


- (1) In the Cornhusker main, I started with a 36-point skunk and did not qualify.
- (2) In the Cornhusker consy, I started with a 35-point skunk and did not qualify.
- (3) In the GRTOC, I started with a 33-point skunk and did not cash.
- (4) In the Grand National main, I lost my first game, got skunked my second game—and qualified!

So this proves the adage—right? Well, maybe not. Keep reading.

Since many players were eager to point out that I didn’t qualify in Omaha three times *because* I started with a skunk, I decided to check the scorecards from all four playoff tournaments in Omaha: Cornhusker main and consy, Grand National main and consy. And here’s what I found:

tourney	qualify	not qualify	total	qualifying percent
Cornhusker main	3	10	13	23.1
Cornhusker consy	14	3	17	82.4
Grand National main	5	17	22	22.7
Grand National consy	7	x	17	41.2
	29	40	69	42.1

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Tale of the Tape	 Rick Baird	 David Aiken	 Rob Medeiros
average	49.7% (78–79)	✓ 56.25% (90–70)	52.4% (77–70)
biggest win	+52 over Richard Rudio (MT) @ Boise ID	✓ +58 over Ginny Danielski (WI) @ Grand National	+55 over Kirsten Brokken (TX) @ GRTOC
worst loss	✓ –41 by Dean McK-inney (IA) @ Omaha	–54 by Dan McAla-ry (MI) @ Club 71	✓ –38 by Charles Booker (CT) @ DWO



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Since 1-in-4 players qualify for playoffs—that's 25% for my arithmetically challenged readers—a purely random distribution of skunks means that 1-in-4 players with a skunk in game one would qualify. As you can see from the table on the previous page, first-game

skunkers in the two mains were slightly below the mean (23.1% and 22.7%), while the same group of players in the two consolations were far above average: 82.4% and 41.2%. In total, 42.1% of players with a first-game skunk made the playoffs.

To provide truly scientifically evidence, we would need to check scorecards from, say, a hundred tournaments. But perhaps one conclusion we can draw from this small sample size is that a skunk is more important in consolations. All too often a 12/6 doesn't qualify in these shorter tourneys, so do players perhaps try harder to get a skunk in order to get to 13?

Here's one thing that we never hear: "I skunked so-and-so in the first game of the playoffs—and lost the match!" Perhaps this is because we don't record spread points in playoff matches, but maybe it is also seldom true.

Regardless, it just doesn't make sense to avoid handing out a skunk at *any* time during the qualifying round.

One more thing: I wonder what **David Bute** (Brush CO) thinks about beginning with a skunk. He started the Cornhusker main with a 35-point skunk, ➡ so that can't be good—right? Wrong! David not only qualified #19, but he went on to win the 232-player tournament! He was also named "GN Player of the Week."

So you still wanna tell me that starting with a skunk is a bad thing? **CW**

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
OFF		David Bute			
Name		Brush, CO			
ACC#		CO-1027		D-59	
Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	3	35		TK	D 60
2	—		28	EK	64
3	2	14		AK	68

# Your Deal



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## Great People

I have always felt the best feature of the ACC is the great people. This was evidenced by what transpired at the Marv Lang Memorial. In the middle of that week I had parental issues that prevented me from running, and indeed playing, in my own tournament. The event proceeded seamlessly due to the help of many friends, including **Terry Weber, Dave Aiken, Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, Jerry Griffin, Kevin Harris**, and probably several individuals who I might not even be aware of. All instantly agreed to pitch in when I first called; I was able to take care of my personal issues without worry. Thanks again to all, looking forward to seeing everyone on the cribbage trail!

*Dan Selke (Arlington Heights IL)*

## Don't Be a Sore Loser—or Sore Winner

Grand National was a lot of fun. I always enjoy catching up with friends that I see only at these larger tournaments. But I also saw something else. Sore losers, and sore winners. Winners laughing after skunking someone. Losers hitting the table so hard after a game they dislodged the pegs. Cards being slammed on tables. A player I was sitting next to during one of these incidents said after the game was over: “Boy, I sure am glad I’m not spending the entire day next to him.” At a time when we’re working hard to bring in new players, scenes like these only drive people away. On the Grass Roots level it may

cause players to seek out another club. So remember, if you lose a game, before getting angry, think to yourself. If I see someone do what I’m thinking of doing right now, would I want to play them? If the answer is no, take a deep breath, congratulate your opponent on a win, and move on to the next game.

*Michael Crume (Nine Mile Falls WA)*

## Dear ACC . . .

Meet **Ellie Pedersen** (Woodway WA). ↓  
Joined tonight [September 21].  
Slammed tonight!  
'Nuf said.

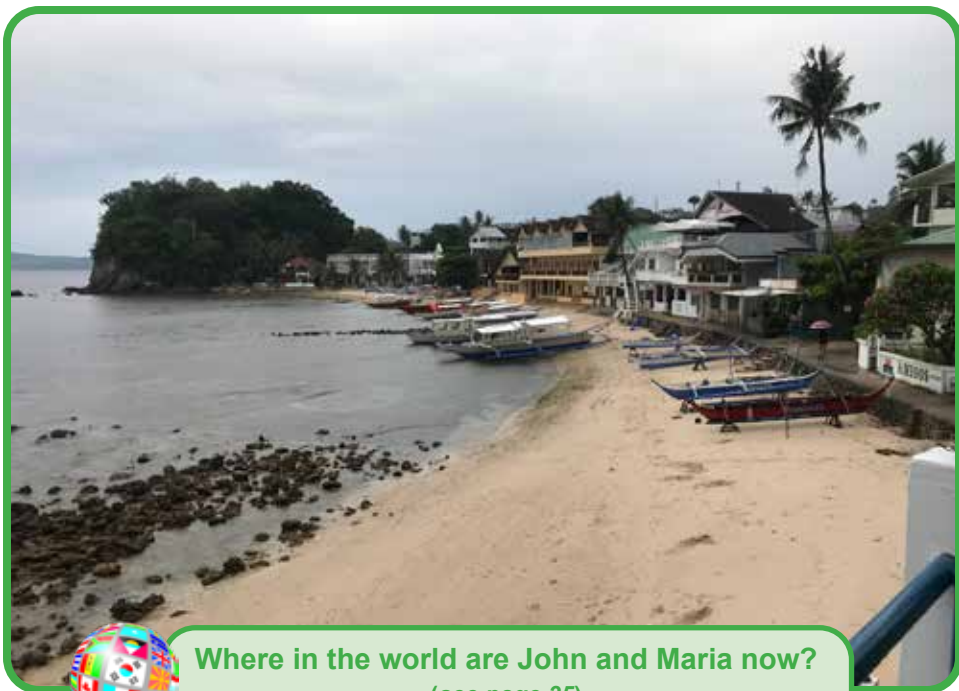
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(Lynnwood WA)*



## Cribbage in 1882

While doing some newspaper research, my wife came across this item from a July 8, 1882, entry in a local newspaper (*LaCon-*





Where in the world are John and Maria now?  
(see page 35)

### Pro Tip from Duane Toll

When you need a cut, count the number of “outs” (that is, unseen cards that help you) and multiply by two to figure the approximate odds of getting a cut. For example, when holding 3-Q-Q-K with first count from eight out, twelve cuts give you the victory: 2-2-2-2-5-5-5-5-J-J-J-J. Since  $12 \times 2 = 24$ , you have a 24% chance of getting the cut and winning the game on this deal.

In addition, eight more cuts (3-3-3-Q-Q-K-K-K) give you *some* help but not enough to win. In all, you have a 40% chance of getting help on the cut.

*ner Puget Sound*): “Twenty-five hundred games of cribbage have been played at Albany, N.Y., in a recorded match, with a result of 1,251 and 1,249 games to the respective players; and it is said that during the entire contest not a hand that was dealt counted to exceed twenty-four.” As you

are probably aware, newspapers ran stories and news from all over the country in each issue. It would be interesting if any ACC members who live in the Albany NY area could do a little digging and see if they can find a local account of this contest.

*Mike Diamanti (Coupeville WA)*

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Function at the Junction (Junction City OR; Aug. 26–28)	Erik Locke	46 players HQ. Matt Padrow (45) 1. Rick Baird (105) 2. Carolyn Blackman (70) 3. Dan Marsh (42) 3. Gordy Wise (42)	18 players HQ. James Bishop (24) 1. Betty Brumley (40) 2. Pete Davis (24) 3. James Bishop (12) 3. Dave Waller (12)	28-hands: Bob Brumley* Greg Schleusner*	Canadian Doubles: Gordy Wise & JoAnne Thomas
Copper City Classic (Butte MT; Aug. 26–28)	Gary Galetti	39 players HQ. Tom Gannon (50) 1. Cy Madrone (105) 2. Ann Trotter (70) 3. Eric Boysen (42) 3. Sandy Sands (42)	25 players HQ. Rob Voysey (18) 1. Rob Voysey (40) 2. Robert Russ (24) 3. David Braach (12) 3. Terry Hatto (12)	28-hand: Tom Durkin*	Early Bird: Dave Yaeger Friday Canadian Doubles: David Braach & Dan Daniels Saturday Canadian Doubles: June Fordham & Ed Scharf
Montana Championship Fall Roundup (Missoula MT; Aug. 30–Sep. 1)	Rex Paddock & Sandy Sands	45 players HQ. Cy Madrone (65) 1. Bob Stone (105) 2. Cy Madrone (70) 3. Monica Hunt (42) 3. Ann Trotter (42)	30 players HQ. June Fordham (15) 1. Gary Pinkley (40) 2. Dale Magedanz (24) 3. Donna Laridon (12) 3. June Fordham (12)		Early Bird: Dave Yaeger Tuesday Canadian Doubles: Dale Weilep & Rob Smith Wednesday Canadian Doubles: Scott Cannon & Kevin Mansfield
Montana Capital City Fall Roundup (Helena MT; Sep. 2–4)	Sandy Sands & Roger McGlenn	45 players HQ. Ann Trotter (40) 1. Ann Trotter (105) 2. Donna LaFleur (70) 3. Laverne Zieske (42) 3. Wayne Wyman (42)	28 players HQ. Kevin Mansfield (21) 1. Kevin Mansfield (40) 2. Dave Maas (24) 3. Cy Madrone (12) 3. Robert Russ (12)	28-hand: Leroy Zahn*	Early Bird: Wayne Wyman Friday Canadian Doubles: Ann Trotter & Richard Rudio Saturday Canadian Doubles: Richard Rudio & Sara Sanner
Fall Territorial Prison Classic (Deer Lodge MT; Sep. 6–8)	Bob Stone	37 players HQ. David Hayden (35) 1. David Hayden (105) 2. Todd Malmgren (70) 3. Bob Byrd (42) 3. Ann Trotter (42)	20 players HQ. Jane Vander Loop (15) 1. Leroy Mehning (40) 2. Jane Vander Loop (24) 3. Tom Gannon (12) 3. Gary Louderback (12)		Early Bird: Donna LaFleur Tuesday Canadian Doubles: Robert Snow & Tom Palmer Wednesday Canadian Doubles: Ann Trotter & Donna LaFleur

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Crescent City Doubleheader #1 (Crescent City CA; Sep. 9)	Kai Lemrise	28 players HQ. Bob Brumley (30) 1. James Langley (70) 2. Bob Brumley (42) 3. Ronnie Murakami (21) 3. Peter Jackson (21)	18 players HQ. Alice Souza (12) 1. Alice Souza (40) 2. Charlene Cohen (24) 3. Bob Bartosh (12) 3. Kai Lemrise (12)		
Crescent City Doubleheader #2 (Crescent City CA; Sep. 10–11)	Kai Lemrise	34 players HQ. Gerald Oxford (65) 1. Gerald Oxford (105) 2. Bob Bartosh (70) 3. Lisa Humiston (42) 3. Terry Higgins (42)	20 players HQ. Rich Ekman (12) 1. Rich Ekman (40) 2. Susan Humphreys (24) 3. Bob Brumley (12) 3. Kevin Mansfield (12)		Canadian Doubles: Rich Ekman & Alice Souza
Daniel Webster Open (Brookline NH; Sep. 11)	Jerry & Laurie Hardy	107 players HQ. Nancy Riccio (45) 1. Phillip Jenkins (147) 2. Rick Allen (105) 3. Donna LaFleur (70) 3. Joseph Bowen (70)	50 players HQ. William Shoemaker (21) 1. James Edgar (60) 2. William Shoemaker (40) 3. Marilyn Dyer-White (24) 3. Peter Legendre (24)	29-hand: Richard McCollem*	
Cornhusker Classic (Omaha NE; Sep. 20–21)	Scott Koolstra	232 players HQ. Bob Hanes (65) 1. David Bute (196) 2. Bob Hanes (147) 3. Dan Selke (105) 3. Ray Stahl (105) 5. Betsy Miller (70) 5. Jim Rosso (70) 5. Matthew Easterbrook (70) 5. Michael Henze (70)	210 players HQ. Marty Duchow (27) 1. Kristina Wright (112) 2. Bob Joslin (84) 3. Terry Higgins (60) 3. Glenn Gauthier (60) 5. James Langley (40) 5. Allen Richardson (40) 5. John Hazlett (40) 5. Marty Duchow (40)	28-hands: Kevin Harris* Peggy Shea* Fred White* Marilyn White*	Tuesday: Steve Sundet Wednesday: Richard Frost Thursday: Darlene Johnson

#### LEGEND

HQ = high qualifier

\* = in sanctioned event

green = grand slam

red = first win

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tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Grand National 40 (Omaha NE; Sep. 24–25)	Scott Koolstra	326 players HQ. Gary Galetti (60) 1. Allan Stanek (252) 2. James Seufert (196) 3. Patrick Healey (147) 3. Vicki Soule (147) 5. Robert Milk (105) 5. Bryan Gurden (105) 5. Mary Gates (105) 5. Robert Chase (105) 9. Peggy Shea (70) 9. Clay Collier (70) 9. Jordan Bauldic (70) 9. Scott Earley (70) 9. Frank Abernathy (70) 9. Les Kvien (70) 9. Darlene Johnson (70) 9. Zachary Widener (70)	198 players HQ. Jane Vander Loop (21) 1. Edward Balcer (112) 2. Daniel Betz (84) 3. Kristina Wright (60) 3. Keith Widener (60) 5. Rick Vee (40) 5. Bruce Sattler (40) 5. Roland Hall (40) 5. Jane Vander Loop (40)	28-hands: Joy Barnes (x2)* Bob Prochnow*	GATOC: Rob Medeiros Friday afternoon: <b>Gerald Peterson</b> Friday night: Rich Yeager Canadian Doubles: Tim Johnson & Richard Sutherland Saturday: <b>Tim Cuppy</b>
Oregon Championship (Bend OR; Sep. 30–Oct. 2)	Rick Baird	37 players HQ. Wayne Momsen (40) 1. Erik Locke (105) 2. Don Dolezal (70) 3. Todd Malmgren (42) 3. Don Hansen (42)	32 players HQ. Marilyn Dyer-White (15) 1. Pete Larsen (40) 2. Fred White (24) 3. Gerald Hahn (12) 3. Ian Symons (12)	28-hand: Sonya Clevenger*	Mid-Roller: Don Dolezal



## CLUB 29

1. Wayne Momsen (OR): Labor Day at the Mill (Sep. 3)
2. Richard McCollem (MA): Daniel Webster Open (Sep. 11)

## Tourney Tidbits

**So close!** ACC member **Charles VanDerhoff** (Boise ID) and his son **Dan** captured the Canadian Doubles trophy at the Gem State Classic on September 16. They were as close to a grand slam as you can get—without actually getting it. They lost game nine in the dead hole! But 18/8 +194 is still pretty good!

**Low to High** The low qualifier in both halves of the Oregon Championship in early October won their respective tournaments: **Erik Locke** in the main and **Pete Larsen** in the consy.

18		08		+194	
OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD					
Name <u>VANDERHOFF X 2</u>					
ACC#			Seat# <u>17</u>		
Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	02	30		BS	18
2	03	53		MS	15
3	02	26		MS	13
4	02	25		MS	12
5	02	06		BS	9
6	03	35		MS	7
7	02	16		BS	6
8	02	04		BS	4
9	-		01	BS	2
Total Game Points	18	195	01	Win = 2 Skunk = 3	
Games Won	8	NET POINTS (+/-)		Loss = 0	
		+194		Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.	

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## Oops!

The cover of the October *Cribbage World* said **David Hayden** (Deer Lodge MT) “learned to play cribbage from his gunnery sergeant in the US Navy.” As apparently everyone knows—except the guy who wrote the story and the guy who edited the magazine—the US Navy doesn’t have the rank of gunnery sergeant. Here’s the scoop: David was serving as hospital corpsman in the US Navy at Charleston Naval Hospital in the late 1960s. Sometime in 1970, a gunnery sergeant in the Marine Corps was admitted to the hospital, and during his stay he taught David how to play cribbage. A mere fifty-two years later, David wins his first tournament! *Cribbage World* apologizes to David and to all US Navy and Marine Corps personnel everywhere for this mistake.





# GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

as of October 17

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rank	GRPs	name (club)
1	127	Mike Berberich (204)
2	126	Gordy Wise (243)
3	105	Kevin Mansfield (198)
4	102	Ralph Turco (243)
5	94	Tom Durkin (410)
6	93	Mattie Kivett (69)
7	87	Terry Pederson (284)
8	85	Denny Denend (243)
8	85	Frank Hanson (198)
10	83	Samuel Skates (108)
11	82	Mills Brubaker (317)
12	81	Shirley Moschetti (456)
13	78	Joseph Greiner (58)
14	77	Glen Humbert (415)
14	77	Bob Murray (26)
16	75	Rex Paddock (347)
17	74	James Hearon (131)
17	74	Robert Reister (221)
19	73	Buster Riley (391)
20	72	Paulette Gagnon (79)
20	72	James Johnson (288)
20	72	Gary Louderback (391)
20	72	Carl Vennes (69)
24	71	Dale Weilep (69)
25	70	Michael Crume (69)
25	70	Dave Schwartz (377)
27	69	Frank Abernathy (58)
27	69	Jim Blough (71)
27	69	Wendi Smith (431)
30	68	Mike Due (221)
30	68	Allen Kim (177)
32	67	Daniel Betz (229)
32	67	Patricia Crooks (408)
32	67	Jeff Shimp (229)
35	66	Betty Briggs (300)
35	66	Ben Holder (43)
35	66	Mike Miller (17)
38	65	Galen Friend (454)
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38	65	Carol Grimes (307)
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44	63	Frank Duresky (240)
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56	59	Richard Gole (71)
56	59	Paula Krupp (308)
56	59	Paul Smith (108)
62	58	David Lee Franklin (142)
62	58	Scott Milo (440)
62	58	Bill Monda (356)
62	58	JoAnne Thomas (243)
62	58	Doug Whitlock (17)
67	57	James Bertschy (90)
67	57	Jackie Doppelt (21)
67	57	Doyal Hannibal (71)
67	57	John Hazlett (71)
67	57	Dearl McCullough (140)
67	57	David Petras (306)
67	57	Jeff Raynes (58)
67	57	Ro Rocco (79)
75	56	Larry Brockmeier (288)
75	56	Al Doucet (288)
75	56	Stephanie George (361)
75	56	Mindy Imber (162)
75	56	Glenn Mann (277)
75	56	William McArthur (393)
75	56	James Ney (191)
75	56	William O'Malley (46)
75	56	Frank Trojan (240)
75	56	Jeff Wussow (157)
85	55	Sue Anderson (356)
85	55	John Tower (307)

Division  
4 ➔

1	57	Brad Seger (39)
1	57	Jack Shumate (420)
3	50	Dulcie Hays (2)
4	49	John Mealy (118)
5	45	Danny Martinez (422)
5	45	Carol Miller (118)
7	44	Alan Bengtson (452)
7	44	Andrew Laurence (422)
9	43	Pat McLaughlin (323)
10	41	Rich Ekman (395)



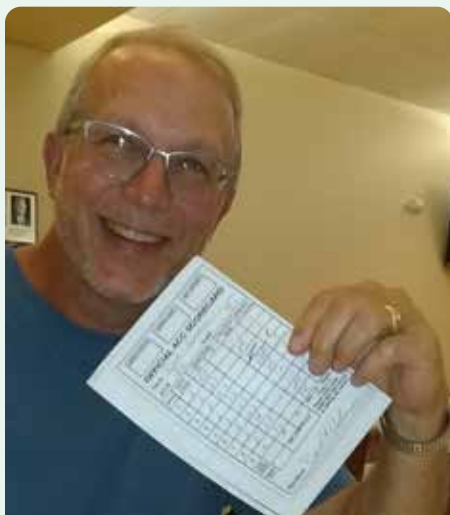
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Club contributions are encouraged. Send items of interest to **ACCgrassrootscorner@gmail.com**

## GRASS ROOTS CORNER

River City Peggers Club 162 (Carmichael CA) is the first ACC club to have two Platinum members. **Harold Sontag** was Platinum #1, and **Annett Eiffert** was Platinum #14 (and the first woman to earn Platinum).



Club 5 (Hamburg NY) started the season with **David Dukarm** winning the night and scoring 17/7 +136. He topped it in the second session with a perfect 18/9 +122. His first—and probably not his last—grand slam!

Worst to first—and then to Bronze! On September 27, **Meme Schafer** had a terrible night, winning only two games and coming in dead last at Beer City Peggers Club 71 (Grand Rapids MI). Seven days later, she took first place with 17/7 and in the process earned her Bronze Award! Congrats, Meme!



Spokane Valley Club 198 (Liberty Lake WA)—on September 19, **John Garman** scored **two** double skunks (by 61 and 64) to finish the night in first place with 15/6 +172.

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# GRASS ROOTS CORNER

## GRAND SLAMS GALORE!

**ACC Grass Roots**  
Office Scorecard

Date: 9-12-15 ACC 2015 Seat 5

Name: **MARGERY CLARK**

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Game	Score	Special Points	Opponent	Verification ID Number
1	2-12	—	10	10
2	2-12	—	10	10
3	2-21	—	10	1
4	2-14	—	10	4
5	2-05	—	10	8
6	2-05	—	10	4
7	2-09	—	10	4
8	2-31	—	10	5
9	2-18	—	10	5
Total	19	128	10	5

Game Points: Win 2, Loss 0

Player must verify each and sign below

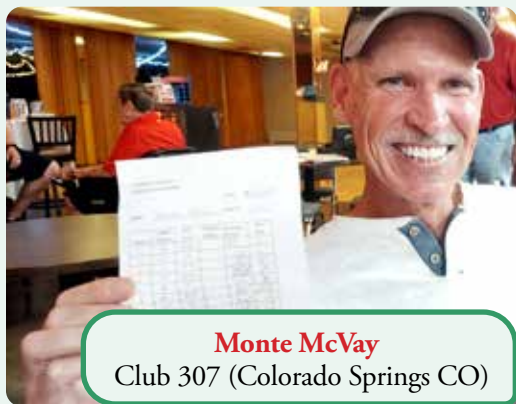
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**Margery Clark**  
Club 12 (Bend OR)



**Art Leno**  
Club 306 (El Dorado Hills CA)

**Debbie Cotter**  
Club 109 (North Easton MA)



**Monte McVay**  
Club 307 (Colorado Springs CO)



**Robert Waldron—x2!**  
Club 340 (Richmond BC)

**Cloverdale Cribbage Club ACC**  
Tournament Scorecard

Game Points: 19 09 164

Score: 100 3

Game #	Score	Special Points	Opponent	Verification ID Number
1	02-28	—	10	10
2	02-18	—	10	10
3	02-15	—	10	10
4	02-21	—	10	10
5	02-15	—	10	10
6	02-14	—	10	10
7	02-11	—	10	10
8	02-37	—	10	10
9	02-06	—	10	10
Total	19	128	10	10

Game Points: Win 2, Loss 0

Player must verify each and sign below

Signature: **R. Waldron**



Terry learned cribbage from his parents when he was five, and he frequently played with his mother a f t e r

**Terry C. Pederson**  
(Eau Claire WI)  
Gold #182

school and on rainy days. He joined the ACC in 1999 and after two years of driv-

ing one hour each way to Greenwood, he founded the Chippewa Valley Club in Eau Claire in 2001. He has been club champion five times.

Needing only 16 points, he quickly earned Gold this season by scoring 15/7 and 17/8 on the first two nights. His toughest opponents are Dave Elliott (his nemesis) and Dennis Ulberg (the club's other Gold player). Terry also runs two annual cribbage tournaments in nearby Altoona to promote cribbage in the Chippewa Valley and to recruit new club members. His most memorable cribbage moment was getting a 29-hand *on his birthday* in 1980. Since retiring as a civil engineer in 2010, Terry has given back to his hometown by serving on the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. Other interests include a weekly poker game (forty years), euchre, cooking, word puzzles, and sharing home-grown tomatoes and charcoal-broiled bacon as "BLT starter kits" with neighbors and friends.

## GrassRoots *Awards*

### BRONZE

David Lavezzi (CA), 257

Tom Reum (CO), 34

George Humbert (FL), 328

Roger McGlenn (MT), 25

Fred Sharp (MA), 109



Walnut Creek Cribbers Club 290 (Walnut Creek CA)—what a night! **Angie Murray** returned to the club at the beginning of the season after five months away recuperating from a broken hip. At our third club tournament on September 21, she had a 28-hand (cash award from the club) and of course took the high hand pot (\$1 per player); she had a grand slam (another cash award from the club) and of course took first place. Way to go, Angie!



Club 410 (Laguna Woods CA)—first-ever 29-hand for **Larry Irion** in over sixty years of play.

Club 430 (Tallahassee FL)—**Matt Reum** scores a 28-hand on the first night of the new season!



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## GRASS ROOTS CORNER

Club 204 (Olalla WA)—visitor **Sam Skates** (a member of Club 108 in Lynnwood) pulled a 28-hand out of thin air on October 12!

Windy City Club 382 (Chicago)—an ACC member since 1998, on October 3 **Hans Anderson** finally cut to his first 29-hand!



A new Grass Roots club is forming in Louisville KY. Contact **Kevin Harris** (crib1542@gmail.com) for more info.

### Grass Roots TOC

*by Jeff Gardner (Lewis Center OH)*

In the 2022 Grass Roots Tournament of Champions, held in Omaha NE as part of Grand National 40, seventy-four players competed to be the best in the nation. **Rob Medeiros** (Dorchester MA) jumped out to a quick start, skunking his first two opponents before getting skunked in game three, which was his only loss of the evening. He finished the evening as champion with a very nice 20/8 +196, followed by **Bryan Gurden** (17/8 +149) and **Doug Rodrigues** (14/7 +65).

This event would not have been possible without the help of many people: GN director **Scott Kooistra** for providing playing space, playing cards, and boards; GR-TOC codirector **David Aiken**, who ran the side pools; cross-checkers **Pete Larsen**, **Bob Milk**, **Pam Pomeroy**, and **Bruce Sattler**; and **Nikki Pearce**, who handled seat assignments and assisted with prize payouts and cross-checking.

Next year's GRTOC will be held on October 12, 2023, in conjunction with Grand National 41 in Virginia Beach VA.



## Program for Clubs • *by Sandy Sands*



Element3 Health has launched the Club Reimbursement Program, a Medicare Advantage benefit that pays clubs for eligible, enrolled member activity. They recognize that your involvement in socially, physically, and mentally engaging activities is key to your health.

A pilot project established this as a legitimate opportunity for Grass Roots clubs to generate revenue to offset expenses. (Note: member emails and privacy are protected.)

If you are interested or have questions, please contact **Diana Banuelos** (diana.banuelos@element3health.com). **Sandy Sands**, our Grass Roots Marketing Manager, is available to serve as a conduit between Grass Roots clubs and Element3 Health.

## 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.

**70 Grass Roots clubs have adopted the “Play Nice Pledge”**

*— here is the latest club to sign up —*

**Oregon's Best Club 12 (Bend OR)**

**To add your club to this list, send email to [cwed152@gmail.com](mailto:cwed152@gmail.com).**



Another Grand National—the fortieth in a long line stretching back to 1982—is in the books. This year’s Grand National in Omaha NE was frequently referred to as Grand National XL, and that “XL” stands for both #40 and extra-large!

Grand National 40/extra-large was directed by **Scott Kooistra** (Omaha NE) and his extra-large team of indefatigable workers: **Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, Clay Collier, Don Thienel, Patrick Barrett, and Linda Barrett.**

Stretching over the past four years, Scott et al. labored to put together an extra-large event worthy of the ACC.

Even with all that extra-large advance planning, some last-minute snafus still sprang up. In July, the hotel informed Scott that due to staffing issues they could not (a) provide meals during the tournaments or (b) host the awards banquet. Gulp! A lesser director might’ve panicked, but Scott did some extra-large thinking outside the box.

First, Scott lined up food trucks for some of the meals, and he solicited donations for others (see below). And then he found the fabulous Omaha Firefighters Hall to serve as the venue for the awards banquet, which featured food by renowned BBQ specialist **Mike Hogan.**

As an extra-large cribbage promoter, Scott also solicited donations from local businesses and nearby ACC members. All GN players owe an extra-large thank you to these Nebraska members, who paid for lunch out of their own pockets.

Topping the list is **Joe Clarke** (Central City NE), who bought forty extra-large pizzas for the 232 players in the Cornhusker main on Wednesday. The following eight members also made extra-large donations (between \$100 and \$600 each) to purchase sandwiches, chips, cookies, and drinks for 326 GN players on Saturday:

**Don Thienel** (Omaha NE)

**Scott Kooistra** (Omaha NE)

**Pat Liegl** (Lincoln NE)

**Al Pernicek** (Lincoln NE)

**Wayland Kuhnel** (Lincoln NE)

**Paul Zanderholm** (Lincoln NE)

**Walter Mack** (Omaha NE)

**Clay Collier** (Beatrice NE)

As disruptive as the news was, in the end it proved serendipitous. The money not spent on meals was then funneled back into what became an extra-large prize pool. The cash payback alone was over 93% in all four sanctioned events, and this number doesn’t even include two other major player benefits: ACC sanctioning fees and trophies.

Even the GN winner was extra-large: **“Big Al” Stanek** from Bismarck ND withstood

the challenges of eighty-one other playoff contenders and emerged victorious after a first-round bye and six tough matches. Big Al's six opponents averaged a seeding of 42.7 and nearly 2,570 lifetime MRPs:

seed	MRPs	Allan Stanek's opponents
31	1,057	Raymond Yaeger (Florence AZ)
2	1,342	Dan Sand (Grey Eagle MN)
82	601	Zachary Widener (Winston Salem NC)
55	8,110	Bryan Gurden (Las Vegas NV)
22	1921	Patrick Healey (Ishpeming MI)
64	2,386	James Seufert (Umatilla OR)
256	15,417	
= 43	= 2,570	
average	average	

By contrast, Al's last opponent, **James Seufert**, ➡ had a tougher path to the finals. He played an extra match because of no bye; and his matches included the ACC Open reigning champion **Richard May** (Waukegan IL), the GN high qualifier **Gary Galetti** (Butte MT), who posted a personal best 38/17 +246 on Saturday, and three players rated Grand Master and above. Overall his seven opponents averaged a seeding of 32.1 (a lower number means tougher) and 5,002 MRPs (almost double that of Al's opponents):



seed	MRPs	James Seufert's opponents
65	2,086	Richard May (Waukegan IL)
1	1,737	Gary Galetti (Butte MT)
32	17,175	Cres Fernandez (Santa Rosa CA)
16	8,394	Peggy Shea (Eureka CA)
40	186	Mary Gates (Centennial CO)
37	4,006	Vicki Soule (Woolwich ME)
34	1,434	Allan Stanek (Bismarck ND)
225	35,018	
= 32	= 5,003	
average	average	

The GN consolation featured high qualifier **Jane Vander Loop** (Sun Prairie WI) posting a 19/9 +125 (this was not quite a grand slam, as the consy was ten games). Jane's good run of cards lasted until the quarterfinals, but in the end it was Life Master



**Ed Balcer** (Duluth MN) who claimed the fortieth Grand National consolation title when he defeated Master **Daniel Betz** ➡ (Muskegon MI) in the finals.

On his way to the finals, Ed defeated the reigning Eastern Region champion

**Charlene Cohen** (Saint Cloud FL) and Life Master (5★) **Roland Hall** (Napa CA), while Dan had to defeat Life Master (★) **David Statz** (Amherst MA) and Life Master (2★) **Keith Widener** (Clemmons NC) in his earlier rounds.



Master **Kristina Wright** (Appleton WI) deserves special mention here. She won the 210-player Cornhusker Classic consolation on Thursday and very nearly repeated as GN consy champ on Sunday. She fell just short of this goal when she lost to the eventual champion, Ed Balcer, in the semifinals.

For the record, this was the fifth Grand National that **Scott Kooistra** directed, which puts him in a category of . . . one! Nobody has directed that many GNs (see table below), plus he won Grand National 4 in Denver CO in 1985. Scott has certainly earned extra-large thanks from the ACC and all its members for his extra-large contribution to our organization.

GN	year	attendance	location
5	1986	256	Minneapolis MN
13	1994	380	St. Paul MN
22	2003	304	Sioux Falls SD
34	2015	306	Yankton SD
40	2022	326	Omaha NE
		<b>1,572</b>	<b>= 314 average</b>

## GN Player of the Week

The GN Player of the Week is Master **David Bute** (Brush CO). David competed in eight events in Omaha and won at least 50% of his games in every event. He was 57–32 (64%) in qualifying rounds and satellite events. He also won six consecutive best-of-five matches to finish first in the 232-player Cornhusker Classic main. Congratulations, David!



## GULP!

In the Grand National main, Life Master **Dan Selke** (Arlington Heights IL) had 24 points with eight games to go—and won only one more game. Meanwhile . . .

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>C</b>  Na  AC </div> <div> <b>Dan Selke</b>  Arlington Heights, IL  'IL-1013  A-18 </div> <div> <b>RD</b>  <b>F-10</b> </div> </div>					
Game	Game Points	Spread Points (+) (-)	Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number	
1	2	03	GG	F69	
2	3	37	MLL	F67	
3	—		03	CS	F65
4	3	37	EM	F-63	
5	—		11	A	61
6	2	06	o	57	
7	2	26	MSO	55	
8	3	52	A	F-53	
9	—		31	BG	51
10	3	42	DT	49	
11	2	11	Pam	47	
12	—		24	PD	45
13	2	01	VGI	43	
14	2	03		41	
15	—		12	JTH	39
16	—		02	JH	37
17	—		05	JK	35
18	—		21	Jar	33
19	2	21	JA	F31	
20	—		10	turn	F29
21	—		31	A	27
22	—		18	RH	F25
Total Game Points	26	(+) 29 (-) 168	Win = 2 Skunk = 3		
Games Won	11	NET POINTS (+/-) +77	Loss = 0		
Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. Signature <u>D Selke</u>					

## BIG GULP!

Life Master (3★) **Jeff Shimp** (Grand Haven MI) won his first eight games with a skunk—and won only one game the rest of the day! Batting average in games 1–8 = 100%, in games 9–22 = 7.1%.

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>C</b>  Na  AC </div> <div> <b>Jeff Shimp</b>  Grand Haven, MI  MI-04  A-5 </div> <div> <b>RD</b>  <b>—</b> </div> </div>					
Game	Game Points	Spread Points (+) (-)	Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number	
1	2	10	EF	A6	
2	2	25	JAL	10	
3	2	12	W	A-4	
4	2	12	LL	18	
5	3	44	A	22	
6	2	07	RO	26	
7	2	15	JK	A30	
8	2	13	JB	A34	
9	0		35	KC	A38
10	0		06	JAM	42
11	0		27	med	46
12	0		07	JG	A4
13	0		19	AR	A8
14	0		22		12
15	0		03	AB	APB
16	0		02	A	20
17	0		31	BG	24
18	2	06	FA	28	
19	0		23	SP	32
20	0		14	JK	36
21	0		26	A	40
22	0		18	BR	48
Total Game Points	19	(+) 44 (-) 253	Win = 2 Skunk = 3		
Games Won	9	NET POINTS (+/-) -43	Loss = 0		
Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. Signature <u>Jeff Shimp</u>					





## 40 Grand Nationals

			main		consolation		
			attendance	winner	attendance	winner	
1	1982	Milwaukee WI	Daniel Weir	174	Jim Pershing	114	Doris Connors
2	1983	Springfield MA	Harry Palmer	140	Marco Amato	[unknown]	Helene Woffenden
3	1984	Chicago IL	Bob Madsen	154	Grace Cummings	108	Dennis Thiel
4	1985	Denver CO	Dick Graham	136	Scott Kooistra	[unknown]	Pat LaBrassew
5	1986	Minneapolis MN	Scott Kooistra	256	Bob Hanes	160	Jerry Dickinson
6	1987	Hartford CT	Bob Plourde Dale Munroe	184	Bill Seymour	120	Ed Blecker
7	1988	Milwaukee WI	Bob McCabe Barbara Buntrock Gene Biegler	248	Jim Heemstra	174	Shirley Fitzpatrick
8	1989	Prineville OR	Joe Nelson	442	Harvey Honeycutt	304	Jim Clark
9	1990	Des Moines IA	Larry Loupee	296	Clay Collier	210	Ray Boesel
10	1991	Fort Lauderdale FL	Harry Stoops J. J. Gella	216	Joy Barnes	148	Ray Meade
11	1992	Green Bay WI	Tom Gallagher Jerry Lembke Bob Miller	448	Glenn Gauthier	244	Deb Schisel
12	1993	Missoula MT	DeLynn Colvert Rex Paddock	406	J. Bayard Lliteras	314	Brian Heroux
13	1994	St. Paul MN	Ron Hamilton Jim & Joan Rein Scott Kooistra	380	Bob Hanes	258	Jeff Monroe
14	1995	Plymouth MA	Jim Ready George Bickford	348	Louis Caccia	188	Irv Torrey

*Coming next month: “Anatomy of a Championship Season”—a look at Scott Kooistra’s record-breaking run for the national championship.*

year			city	director(s)	main		consolation	
					attendance	winner	attendance	winner
15	1996	Napa CA	Jeff Monroe	428	Mary Herrmann	308	Helene Sontag	
16	1997	Wisconsin Dells WI	Patrick Barrett	456	Patrick Barrett	294	Charlie Bell	
17	1998	Daytona Beach FL	Paul Barnes	284	Bobby Stuart	213	Joe Aird	
18	1999	Las Vegas NV	Bob Gromek Bob Julian Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer	678	Joe Aird	460	Bill Hill	
19	2000	Eau Claire WI	Alan Lindner Vickie Long	390	Warren Sondericker	250	Doug Page	
20	2001	Richmond VA	John Mangiaratti Huston Kitts	236	Ron Logan	182	Harry Palmer	
21	2002	Lake Tahoe CA	Jack Shumate	410	Mike McDaniel	268	Cruz Fernandez	
22	2003	Sioux Falls SD	Scott Koolstra	304	Cathy Perkins	194	Bob Wingo	
23	2004	Atlanta GA	David O'Neil Gene Bradshaw Bobby Stuart	322	Jim Crawford	216	Dwight Christiansen	
24	2005	Lincoln City OR	Rollie Heath Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer Bernie Nelson Verne & Jeanette Nielsen	556	DeLynn Colvert	394	Charlie Rodgers	
25	2006	Wisconsin Dells WI	Patrick & Linda Barrett	407	Donna Gavin	256	Bart Jaeger	
26	2007	Portland ME	David Campbell	545	Erik Locke	286	Bob McCabe	
27	2008	Portland OR	Tim Julkowski Ken Julkowski	534	Rob Palmer	356	Gary Louderback	

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## 40 Grand Nationals

year	city	director(s)	main		consolation	
			attendance	winner	attendance	winner
28	2009	Grand Rapids MI Jeff Shimp David Aiken	356	Joan Rein	240	Joe Aird
29	2010	Virginia Beach VA Jack Howsare	293	Duane Toll	192	Charles Barnes
30	2011	Reno NV Peggy Scalley Annett Eiffert James Langley	526	Charlie Finley	396	DeLynn Colvert
31	2012	Appleton WI Joan Rein Richard Frost Don Hannula	392	Charles Barnes	252	Nolan Johnson
32	2013	Atlanta GA David O'Neil Carl Squire Barri Gehrand	260	Mary Burlington	188	David Bute
33	2014	Phoenix AZ Brion Neeley Denise Fortin	306	Larry Phifer	190	Robert Milk
34	2015	Yankton SD Scott Koolstra	306	Jason Matheny	164	Jeremy Krieger
35	2016	Bethesda MD Bruce Sattler	248	Fred White	160	David Sniegowski
36	2017	Lincoln City OR Peggy & Rick Shea	494	Kevin Mansfield	316	Skip White
37	2018	Milwaukee WI Terry Weber	416	James Morrow	234	Audrey Hatto
38	2019	North Conway NH David Campbell	334	Betsy Miller	180	Carole Herron
39	2021	Sacramento CA Jeanne Jelke	324	Emilio Perez	210	Herschel Mack
40	2022	Omaha NE Scott Koolstra	326	Al Stanek	198	Ed Balcer
<b>total attendance:</b>			<b>13,959</b>	<b>= 349 average</b>	<b>8,939*</b>	<b>= 235 average</b>

\*Excluding the consolations at GN 2 and GN 4 because of (now) unknown attendance.

## GN Tidbits

Playing in only his third tourney ever, **Rich Yeager** (Yankton SD) paid \$60 on Friday night to renew his ACC membership for three years. He won the Friday event with an 18/8 +179 scorecard, but the GN main was not so good: 8/4!

**Joel Neugebauer** (Rapid City SD) ➡ was in a hurry to get away from this 84-point beatdown, administered by **Leslie DeHaan** (Phoenix AZ).

Eight former Grand National champions qualified for the main playoffs in Omaha, including defending champion **Emilio Perez**. Here are the eight champs, listed in order of their finish this year:



previous GN champion			how they did this year	
champion	year	GN city	qualifying no.	finishing no.
<b>Clay Collier</b>	1990	Des Moines IA	24	9–16
<b>Mary Burlington</b>	2013	Atlanta GA	50	17–32
<b>Larry Phifer</b>	2014	Phoenix AZ	57	17–32
<b>James Morrow</b>	2018	Milwaukee WI	70	17–32
<b>Erik Locke</b>	2007	Portland ME	17	33–64
<b>Emilio Perez</b>	2021	Sacramento CA	33	33–64
<b>Joy Barnes</b>	1991	Fort Lauderdale FL	43	33–64
<b>Glenn Gauthier</b>	1992	Green Bay WI	63	33–64

## Top Ten Qualifiers in Grand National 40

rank	main	consy
1	<b>Gary Galetti</b> (Mesa AZ)	<b>Jane Vander Loop</b> (Sun Prairie WI)
2	Dan Sand (Grey Eagle MN)	David Brokken (Houston TX)
3	Kathie Nordlund (Spooner WI)	Mike Miller (Des Moines IA)
4	Troy Thorson (Loveland CO)	Tim Hutsell (Brookings OR)
5	Betty Brumley (Sunnyside WA)	Charlene Cohen (Saint Cloud FL)
6	David Aiello (Kenosha WI)	Keith Widener (Clemmons NC)
7	Darlene Johnson (Prior Lake MN)	David Statz (Amherst MA)
8	Mike Erdmann (Waite Park MN)	Kristina Wright (Appleton WI)
9	Jan Blevins (Boise ID)	Marilyn White (Kailua HI)
10	Jack Howsare (Virginia Beach VA)	Daniel Betz (Muskegon MI)



## Cribbage Players Support Fight against MD

This year's awards banquet—with a wear-your-favorite-sports-jersey theme—was a fun, terrific event held at the Omaha Firefighters Hall. The firefighters support fundraising to battle muscular dystrophy.

In a single evening, generous cribbage players donated \$1,200 to aid the battle against MD. A special extra-large thanks to **Peggy Shea** and **Cheryl Mussell**, ➡ who sold raffle tickets, and to all who donated.

This awards banquet was definitely one of our best ever!

**Real-life sisters Peggy Shea and Cheryl Mussell as onscreen sisters Dottie Hinson (played by Geena Davis) and Kit Keller (Lori Petty) in *A League of Their Own*.**



## Winners of Multiple Grand Nationals

GN	year	location	type
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### x3—Joseph Aird (Gladstone MI)

17	1998	Daytona Beach FL	consy
18	1999	Las Vegas NV	main
28	2009	Grand Rapids MI	consy

### x2—Bob Hanes (Ankeny IA)

5	1986	Minneapolis MN	main
13	1994	St. Paul MN	main

### x2—DeLynn Colvert (Missoula MT)

24	2005	Lincoln City OR	main
30	2011	Reno NV	consy

### x2—Charles Barnes (Boca Raton FL)

29	2010	Virginia Beach VA	consy
31	2012	Appleton WI	main

**Honorable Mention: Patrick Barrett (Wisconsin Rapids WI)—the only GN director to win his own tourney!**

16	1997	Wisconsin Dells WI	main
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**GN main semifinalists: Vicki Soule and Patrick Healey.**







Lose the first game, win all the rest! Cornhusker consy high qualifier Marty Duchow (Unionville CT), with his 21/9 +176 scorecard.

## Hosts of Multiple Grand Nationals

- x3—**Milwaukee WI** (1982, 1988, 2018)
- x2—**Atlanta GA** (2004, 2013)
- x2—**Lincoln City OR** (2005, 2017)
- x2—**Wisconsin Dells WI** (1997, 2006)

## Future Grand Nationals

GN	year	location	directors
41	2023	Virginia Beach VA	Jack Howsare Laurie Schmitz Keith Widener
42	2024	Las Vegas NV	Troy Thorson Kathy Pacocha David Aiken
43	2025	Deadwood SD	David Aiken Patrick Barrett Linda Barrett John Hazlett Dan Selke

*more Grand National stories on next page*



Cornhusker winners celebrating on the town: David Bute (main) and Kristina Wright (consy).





## Grand National: Consy Retention Rate

(excluding #2 and #4 because of unknown consy attendance)

	year	city	main attendance	consy attendance	retention rate (%)	change from mean (%)
12	1993	Missoula MT	406	314	77.34	12.01
20	2001	Richmond VA	236	182	77.12	11.79
30	2011	Reno NV	526	396	75.29	9.96
17	1998	Daytona Beach FL	284	213	75.00	9.67
32	2013	Atlanta GA	260	188	72.31	6.98
15	1996	Napa CA	428	308	71.96	6.63
9	1990	Des Moines IA	296	210	70.95	5.62
24	2005	Lincoln City OR	556	394	70.86	5.53
7	1988	Milwaukee WI	248	174	70.16	4.83
3	1984	Chicago IL	154	108	70.13	4.80
8	1989	Prineville OR	442	304	68.78	3.45
10	1991	Fort Lauderdale FL	216	148	68.52	3.19
13	1994	St. Paul MN	380	258	67.89	2.57
18	1999	Las Vegas NV	678	460	67.85	2.52
28	2009	Grand Rapids MI	356	240	67.42	2.09
23	2004	Atlanta GA	322	216	67.08	1.75
27	2008	Portland OR	534	356	66.67	1.34
29	2010	Virginia Beach VA	293	192	65.53	0.20
1	1982	Milwaukee WI	174	114	65.52	0.19
21	2002	Lake Tahoe CA	410	268	65.37	0.04
— average consy retention rate is 65.33% —						
6	1987	Hartford CT	184	120	65.22	-0.11
39	2021	Sacramento CA	324	210	64.81	-0.51
35	2016	Bethesda MD	248	160	64.52	-0.81
16	1997	Wisconsin Dells WI	456	294	64.47	-0.86
31	2012	Appleton WI	392	252	64.29	-1.04
19	2000	Eau Claire WI	390	250	64.10	-1.23
36	2017	Lincoln City OR	494	316	63.97	-1.36
22	2003	Sioux Falls SD	304	194	63.82	-1.51
25	2006	Wisconsin Dells WI	407	256	62.90	-2.43
5	1986	Minneapolis MN	256	160	62.50	-2.83
33	2014	Phoenix AZ	306	190	62.09	-3.24
40	2022	Omaha NE	326	198	60.74	-4.59
37	2018	Milwaukee WI	416	234	56.25	-9.08
11	1992	Green Bay WI	448	244	54.46	-10.86
14	1995	Plymouth MA	348	188	54.02	-11.31
38	2019	North Conway NH	334	180	53.89	-11.44
34	2015	Yankton SD	306	164	53.59	-11.73
26	2007	Portland ME	545	286	52.48	-12.85
$\frac{13,683}{360 \text{ average}} = \frac{8,939}{\text{average}} = 65.33\%$						

## Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

Over the years of writing this column, I have featured many ivory boards. This board is a twenty-inch walrus tusk, given to me by my good friend, **Janis McWilliams**. We have no history on the board. However, from looking at the scrimshaw, it is obviously Alaskan and quite old.



When I first got the board, the scrimshaw was very faded and worn. It was difficult to even make out the scrimshaw on the sides. I googled “how to restore scrimshaw”; some options were fairly expensive, and others required special materials.

I thought about it for a while. Then one day I saw my wife writing on a white erase board with a black erasable marker. I immediately got my ivory board and tried a small area on the side. After covering an area about a half-inch square, I wiped off the smooth surface with. The black remained in the scrimshaw area. I was so excited that I finished the rest of the board in about half an hour.

It was amazing to see ships, animals, whales, hunters, houses, dog sleds, appear. I have never seen this much scrimshaw on an ivory board. Thank you, Janis!

Finally, a warning: if you try this process be sure to use an erasable marker and work on only very smooth ivory.



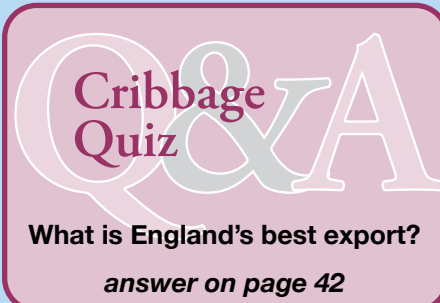
**Jay Fulwider** collects cribbage boards in picturesque Washington State, where he also enjoys golf, fishing, and racquetball. His philosophy on the key to life: “Just keep your pegs moving.” Ideas for and questions about this column may be sent to **budandotis@msn.com** (put “Cribbage Board” in the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

Today's discussion deals with cross-checking scorecards after qualifying ends. The ACC rulebook (pages 58–59) has fairly explicit directions on how and when to cross-check, while section 12.2 of the rulebook gives detailed directions on how to handle nearly any permutation that may be discovered in the process of cross-checking. Continuing the mention on page 18 of the October *Cribbage World*, where wins were incorrectly posted in four consecutive games, I recently saw a card incorrectly posted as a win in three straight games. In all three cases, the opponents initialed the scorecard. Although these errors were later caught and corrected, if taken to the extreme, the player with the incorrect scorecard would have picked up six game points plus a slew of spread points. Cross-checking would have caught this, but strictly speaking the “real winner” would be docked two game points while the “wrong winner” would revert to the loss it actually was. The important thing to note is that the game would not be counted as a win for the actual winner. The point of all this is to urge you to carefully check the opposing scorecard prior to initialing it. We all—me, you, everybody—are lax in this regard. We make the entry on our scorecard, initial the opponent's, and move on.

At another fourteen-game tournament a player turned in a 19/8 scorecard when, in fact, it should have been 19/9. This one-point error cost the player a spot in the playoffs. While the onus is always on the player to ensure a correct card is turned in, the cross-checkers, per rule 5 on page 58 of the ACC rulebook, should have caught this in cross-checking. Once the playoffs start, it's too late to tell the director there was a scorecard error. So, check 'em and check 'em again.

At a recent Grass Roots meeting I had 11 points with three games to go, so I needed one win to qualify for GRPs. Unsurprisingly I lost all three games, but what was quite surprising was that I lost each game by 14 points. In bowling three strikes are a “turkey”; in hockey three goals are a “hat trick.” Anybody know what to call three cribbage losses in a row by the same spread points?

*Over and Out.*



**Cribbage Quiz**

**What is England's best export?**

*answer on page 42*

# Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

*Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard*

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ [soule1994@comcast.net](mailto:soule1994@comcast.net) ◆

As we transition into the beauty of fall in New England, another month of cribbage has come and gone! The most exciting thing in September was Grand National in Omaha NE. It was a beautiful place to visit. Being from Maine, I enjoy seeing various parts of the United States. It really sunk in how flat the Midwest was flying from Chicago to Omaha! Here are some highlights for Eastern Region players.

GN director **Scott Kooistra** had a ceremony honoring past Grand National champions. The Eastern Region was represented by **Joy Barnes** (who won Fort Lauderdale FL in 2010), **Mary Burlington** (Atlanta 2013), and **Larry Phifer** (Phoenix 2014).

**Jennifer Johnson** celebrated her birthday on September 25. The cribbage players did not cooperate with gifts though. Poor Jennifer started 0–6!

The GRTOC was won by **Rob Medeiros** (see page 18).

Both **Fred and Marilyn White** had a 28-hand in the same tourney (see page 36)!

Congratulations to East Coast Volunteer Award winners **Joe Bowen** and **Laurie Schmidt**! They are well deserved.

Eastern Regional All Stars ➡ are **Donna LaFleur**, **Keith Widener**, **Larry Phifer**, and **Marty Duchow**.

Four people were inducted into this year's Hall of Fame. **Bill Medeiros** will be officially inducted

at Grand National in Virginia Beach in October 2023 so that his family may attend.

**Marty Duchow** was high qualifier in the ten-game Cornhusker consolation with 21/9. He ended up in the 5–8 round! Other Eastern Region players doing well were **Matt Easterbrook** (Cornhusker main 3–4), **Keith Widener** (GN consy 3–4), and **Vicki Soule** (GN main 3–4). Congrats to all Eastern players who qualified in Omaha.

Directed by **David Statz** and **Mary Burlington**, the 37th annual New Hampshire Open drew in 116 players on October 9. Congratulations to **Rick Montague**, who received his Masters by qualifying #3. The tournament was won by **Paul Batterson**, with **Stan Fillpiak** as runner-up. **Frank Reddy** won the 45-player consolation, with **Bill Shoemaker** as runner-up.

Next month: reports from Bangor ME, Durham NC, and Malden MA.

Enjoy your month of cribbage, and play fair and fun. Remember: you were once new as well.





# GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



## Teaching Tip

For those teaching a youth cribbage class, do you have enough cribbage boards? The ACC Youth Program provides up to ten long boards upon request to anyone who has a class ready to go or already in progress. Requests can be sent to me at [danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com). Make it your goal to give each student a board to take home with them to practice cribbage and hopefully teach family members how to play. One way to accumulate enough boards is to ask members of your local club to donate to your excellent cause. You can also pick up old boards at yard sales for a dollar or two. Be sure to save any nice boards you get to use as trophy boards if you decide to conduct a tournament.

## News

Here's an email I received from **Horst Rosenberg** (Lancaster PA): "Thanks again for the lesson plans and resources you've shared so far. I'm CC'ing our Head of School, who is quite supportive of starting our cribbage program. I'm so pleased the Cribbage Congress has such thoughtful resources available for students. We've got a nice amount of student interest so far and I'm hoping to start teaching the fundamentals of the game in the coming weeks. I'd be so grateful to accept your offer of boards." **Update:** Horst received ten boards through the ACC Youth Program and is enthusiastically teaching a group of youngsters the great game of cribbage!

Mark your calendars—new youth tournament on Saturday, December 3, at Ready Springs School in Penn Valley CA (an hour north of Sacramento). Email [danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com) for details.

A genuine thank you to the ACC Board of Directors for their ongoing enthusiastic support of the Youth Program, to Membership Secretary **Brenda Nason** for managing youth memberships and incoming donations, to CW Editor **David Aiken** for printing youth cribbage news and tournaments in *Cribbage World*, and to ACC Treasurer **Marlene Lazachek** for efficiently managing the youth budget.

## Teaching Manuals Requested

- **Laurence Cunningham** (Derry NH)
- **Rick Morrell** (Auburn WA)
- **Mary Simon** (Laguna Woods Village CA)

**Dan Zeisler** is founder of Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament. Send info about youth cribbage to 530.263.7468 or [danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com).



by John Quist

~ with lots of help from Maria ~

Maria and I visited the Philippines to see Maria's family before leaving on our Around the World adventure. While in the Philippines, we visited our favorite scuba diving locations off of Sabang Mindoro. Sabang has been selected by *National Geographic Magazine* as a top scuba diving site due to the environmental protections the locals have supported.

We played our second ATW cribbage game in Sabang. Maria cut enough points to win the game, and I couldn't trap any of her cards with my 7-8-9, so she won by two points.

While in Manila, we visited the National Museum and learned about Ferdinand Magellan's historic around-the-world voyage. He started with five ships, but only one finished the entire voyage. One of the ships disappeared due to a mutiny, others were lost due to storm damage and loss of crew members during the voyage. The museum

had many points of view on how it happened, but Magellan was killed in the Philippines because he wasn't a very nice visitor. His name for the island did stick though, as the Philippine Islands are named after King Philip II of Spain. Maria and I are hoping to be much better visitors as we travel on our ATW adventure. And we also hope we don't need five ships to complete the journey!



John Maria

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**All in the Family** The Cornhusker Classic didn't have any 29s but it did have several 28-hands. I had a friendly game going with **Peggy Shea** until she hit her 28 to change the course of our game. **Marilyn and Fred White** → used their "Hawaiian Heat," and both had 28s in the same tournament!



**Patrick Barrett** and I were looking for a repeat of last year's 1–2 finish in the GRTOC. We may have been first and second this year, but it was on the bottom end! Last year, I almost had a near slam, but was still second to Patrick. At this year's GN, the Friday afternoon nine-gamer was similar in that I missed my slam by one game and was hoping to be second to **Gerald Peterson's** 20/9 +140. Instead I took seventh place with 18/8 +88. Tough crowd!

The GN side-pool crew of **Kathy Pacocha**, **Troy Thorson**, and **Chad Frischmann** did an expert job collecting, tabulating, and dispersing the winnings. When Kathy was asked about helping with the pools at Reno, she quickly replied that she would help *only* if it was located next to the Buffalo Slot Machine. I wonder why?

During the GN consy, Green Bay's **Al Karr** ran into a buzzsaw by the name of **Sara San-ner** (Colorado Springs CO). During their game, Sara had not one, not two 24-hands—but three of them! How did Al avoid being skunked? Sara picked up her front peg after pegging one of those hands. There is a lot of room between pegs after a 24-hand and easy to make an error. What's funny is that both players came to me individually with the same story to report.

I always enjoyed **Mark Smith's** tall tales and, even more, I liked to kid him about missing points. One time it denied him winning his first tournament. It comes with a heavy heart that I must report that Mark will never have the opportunity to miss another point or win his first tournament. Mark passed away while at a restaurant with friends in Omaha NE. While driving home to Wisconsin, our fuel light came on, so we stopped at the next exit. It was a city that I had never been to. Come to find out, it was Marshalltown IA—Mark's hometown. What a coincidence. RIP Mark, your cribbage family will miss you.

While playing Canadian doubles with **Ann Trotter** in Butte MT, we played the father/son team of **Tom and Hunter Boyle**. I tell ya, Hunter at age 7 knows his cribbage.

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He was in charge of pegging, while his dad watched and coached him. They took us out by six pegs. Sitting at the table, you could say it was the tall (4' 32") versus the short (4') of it. ◀ Look out, Erik, because you'll see more of Hunter after he turns eight and can play in tournaments.

There was a time in my playing career when I handed out so many 28 hands that I was known as Mr. 28. Like many things with cards, over time, things change. Such was the case on October 6 at Club 1 in Madison. Sitting nine holes out, I was dealt four 5s, and the Jack of Spades is cut for 28. Later, I am playing club director **Mary Tegt**, and she reminds me about a 28 I still owe her. Mary then deals four 5s to me, and the 10 of Spades is cut for my second 28 of the night! ▶ Yes, Mary, I would rather owe you a 28, than cheat you out of it, especially after you let me come from way behind to win.



**Editor's note:**  
just in case  
you thought

Dale was  
kidding about  
being "Mr.  
28," here's  
a 2017 b&w  
shot from the  
CW archives  
where Dale—  
from two  
tables over—  
apparently  
has the ability  
to conjure up  
a big hand  
for Vicki  
Rodriguez  
(Billings MT) in  
Reno!



# ACC *Awards*



**James H. Morrow**  
(Sunnyside WA)  
Life Master (★) #120

{James's words} My dad and my Uncle Barry taught me to play cribbage. Pete Johnson was my cribbage mentor. I joined the ACC in 1995 but didn't start really playing until 1998. A member of Silver Dollar Club 156, I have won the club ten times. My first tournament win was the 2003 Masters Midweek challenge. I have won eighteen tournaments. [Editor's note: including the 2018 Grand National in Milwaukee.] My **#newfavoritetournament** is Boise ID, where I earned my One Star. Pete Larsen is my toughest opponent, because he is so intimidating. My non-cribbage interests include . . . well let's get real, who has time for non-cribbage interests! But I do enjoy fishing, and I have a decent garden.

Brittany's dad, Rick Pierce, taught her how to play cribbage when she was eleven years old. She joined the ACC in the early 2000s and won her first tournament in Bend OR in 2011; she's now won nine sanctioned events, including at least one in each region. Her favorite tournaments are Reno, Lincoln City (Chinook Winds), and the former Three Rivers tourney. Non-cribbage interests include spending time with family, traveling, and game night with the kids. Brittany has been an ACC member for well over half her life. She's had two 29-hands—one when she was thirteen at the Lincoln City Saturday night special and the other in a long match in Salem.

**Brittany Pichette**  
(Springfield OR)  
Grand Master #464



**Gerald D. Oxford**  
(Crescent City CA)  
Grand Master #465

Jerry is a self-taught cribbage player who joined the ACC in 2003. A member of Club 98, he has been club champion three times. His first tournament win was the 2008 Lovelock NV Open. He has now won five tourneys. His favorite cribbage moment this year was being high qualifier and winning a Crescent City tourney. He was named Western Region Volunteer of the Year in 2021. Non-cribbage interests include golf (he once won the biggest golf tournament in Crescent City) and bowling (he's won four Pro-Ams with his son, a professional bowler). Jerry and his brother were the first set of twins recorded born in Tu-

lare CA. In the 1980s Jerry was known as the Pumpkin Man because he had a huge pumpkin patch where school kids would pick pumpkins; as long as they could carry the pumpkin without help, they got it for free. Jerry was a professional wedding photographer for forty years.

## *New Cribbage Masters*

1027. Carolyn Blackman  
(Sisters OR)

## 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](mailto:membership@cribbage.org).

- Rebecca Adams (Madras OR)
- Randy Dickenson (Seattle WA)
- William Jones (Deer Lodge MT)
- Dee Krieger (Saint Charles MO)
- Norris Monaghan (Port Charlotte FL)
- Mike Southard (Pasco WA)



# New Members

128 last month

## Alaska

Jeffrey Hartman (Douglas)  
Kathleen Jackman (Palmer)  
Evan Keihl (North Pole)

## Alberta

Alan Chant (Coaldale)

## Arizona

Bonnie Bloom (Congress)  
Steve Kaplan (Sun City)  
Raymond Lindell (Phoenix)  
Jim Macdonald (Yuma)  
Bernard McCleary (Sun City)  
Daniel Myrick (Phoenix)  
Kathi Spittell (Gilbert)

## California

John Baranowski (El Cajon)  
Linda Beaulieu (Lompoc)  
Michelle Black (Palermo)  
Stephen Branson (Carmichael)  
Patty Braun (El Dorado Hills)  
David Deal (Benicia)  
Amy DeVaudreuil (San Diego)  
Cynthia Drozynski (Santa Maria)  
Darrell Fails (Santa Maria)  
Mary Fiala (Atascadero)  
Stephen Foster (Rocklin)  
Lauri Gordon (Crescent City)  
Sabrina Gunderson (Sacramento)  
Steve Gunderson (Sacramento)  
Dennis Hall (Oroville)  
Kim Hofschield (Roseville)  
Mark Hofschield (Roseville)  
Mark King (Citrus Heights)  
Carol Kloninger-Piper (Fresno)  
Edward M Laroche (Lompoc)  
Marko Marrero (Los Alamos)  
Caitlynn Nash (Oakland)  
Jacob Nash (Oakland)  
Athena Powers (Los Alamos)  
Pam Schmidt (Rocklin)  
Pamela Taylor (Orangevale)  
Gene White (Sonora)

## Colorado

David Carle (Denver)  
Juanita J. Hall (Cotopaxi)  
Lewis G. Hall (Cotopaxi)

## Connecticut

Carl Jamroga (East Hartford)

## Florida

Karen Butera (Orlando)  
Jack Crocetto (Land o' Lakes)  
John Layman (Orlando)  
Steven Nisbet (Land o' Lakes)

## Georgia

Amy Barton (Richmond Hill)  
Carson Oldham (Roswell)

## Idaho

Lora Anderson (Eagle)  
Brian O'Connor (Star)  
Joseph O'Connor (Star)  
Sean O'Connor (Boise)

## Illinois

Benjamin Thomae (Chicago)

## Indiana

Timothy Estle (Indianapolis)  
Ron Miller (Jeffersonville)

## Iowa

Rick Kelling (Grinnell)  
Terri Kelling (Grinnell)  
Mary Jo McLaughlin (Des Moines)

## Kentucky

Vicki Marchand (Louisville)

## Maine

Clarence Merchant (Newport)  
Joel Parker (Readfield)

## Maryland

Bruce Reinke (Nottingham)

## Massachusetts

Irene Amos (Ontonagon)  
Paul Kane (Franklin)  
Tom Ostrowski (Blackstone)

## Michigan

Don Mattson (Negaunee)  
Susan Stouffer (Lowell)

## Montana

Scott Cannon (Stevensville)  
Steve Minich (Helena)  
LaKota Stahl (Columbus)

## Nevada

Felix Maldonado (Pahrump)  
John Schwartz (Las Vegas)  
Su-Bei Yin (Las Vegas)

## New Jersey

Irving Peyser (Mountain Lakes)  
Randall Sehn (Morristown)

## New Mexico

Dennis Dresbach (Albuquerque)

## New York

Marvin Knoeck Jr. (Henrietta)  
Paul Micciche (Smithtown)

## North Carolina

Katherine Healy (Yadkinville)  
Hannah Miller (Winston-Salem)

## Oregon

Patrick Budden (Klamath Falls)

Chuck Cahan (Klamath Falls)  
Courtney Chandler (Wood Village)

Doug Earhart (Coos Bay)  
Karen Fay (Bandon)  
Jeff Gordon (Hillsboro)  
Brooklyn Gregory (Klamath Falls)  
Glen Gregory (Klamath Falls)  
Ken Haskell (Medford)  
Bennett Hutchinson (Portland)  
Anthony Jungst (Baker City)  
Jerrie Millman (Grants Pass)  
Rebecca Monahan (Baker City)  
Jan Saia (Medford)

Adrian Staruch (Eugene)  
Nicolas Staruch (Eugene)  
Christine Strom (Eugene)  
Lonn Swanson (Madras)  
Blake Swensen (Portland)  
Parker Swensen (Portland)  
Irene Maggi Theiss (Eugene)  
Eric Thomas (Coos Bay)  
Jennifer Thomas (Coos Bay)  
Micah Tuttle (Bend)  
Ian Van Gordon (Roseboro)

## Pennsylvania

James Ravenscroft (Ambler)

## Texas

Patrick Costa (The Colony)  
Dale East (Frisco)  
Mary Morici (Plano)  
Colin Pedicini (Fort Worth)

## Virginia

Elyse Devereux (Newport News)  
Pat Devereux (Newport News)  
Andrew Henderson (Fredericksburg)  
Thomas Kay (Stafford)  
Daniel Piotrowski (Richmond)

## Washington

Chad Bice (Edmonds)  
Erica Bice (Edmonds)  
Ross Harrison (Redmond)  
Stephen Hellriegel (Bainbridge Island)  
Andrea King (Concrete)  
Christi L. Lewis (Port Orchard)  
Thomas A. Lewis (Port Orchard)  
Colleen Melott (Maple Valley)  
Ellie Pedersen (Woodway)  
Mandie Wall (Edmonds)

## Wisconsin

Mary K Allen (Appleton)  
Scott Nelson (Mequon)  
Walter Willey (Oregon)

# Internet Cribbage

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



**Notice, notice, notice**—starting Monday, October 31, *all* ACC tournaments on eCribbage will use the Grass Roots format.

I'm excited that **June Fordham** (June6) has started TD training! I'm confident that she will do very well.

We are fortunate to have tech expert TDs who have tips that may help you get on/stay on each site by using a bypass. Both sites have complications due to Java.

**eCribbage**—Jen (JJx7fan) has found a way to get back onto eCribbage by *not* using their main page. You *must* have **Java 8** to use eCribbage (the newer versions are what locks you out!). Uninstall your current Java, go to **java.com/en/download/** to revert to version 8, and then download these two files:

**proxy.ecribbage.com/smart\_launcher.jar**

**proxy.ecribbage.com/ecrib.bat**

The latter one gives a black box in the upper lefthand corner. Ignore it, let it finish filling in. Drag the launcher onto your desktop as a shortcut. Then click on the launcher. The website links will be updated again ASAP with this new info (and much more), thanks to Jen's talents and graphics! If you need more help, contact her at **jurnow@att.net**. She is doing eCrib support now, along with Scott (Sgt Pegger). They will answer in a timely manner.

**Game Colony**—if you have trouble maintaining connection, it could be because of Java. Using a browser instead should eliminate the problem. Here's advice

from John (netview85): go to GC, choose Cribbage, click the blue/white or green/white dot, *not* java. Logout to activate the change. After that, you should rarely lose connection to the site or freeze up. To read his visual tutorial, go to **cribbage.org** and click on "Tip to help avoid freezing at GameColonyx." Thanks John!

## internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	277	Carl McCullum (absent)
2	235	Basil Rudnick (Basil 22)
3	220	Peter Legendre (legend397)
4T	214	Daniel Crete (dec)
4T	214	Betsy Miller (weezieboop)
6	203	William MacMillan (WY00191L)
7	202	Scott Earley (scottcrib)
8	200	Jeff Raynes (jeffraynes29)
9	194	Mike Rosenstock (sirpegger)
10	189	Bob Bartosh (Accbob)

### Player of the Month

**Carol Miller** (carol1946) @ 174IRPs

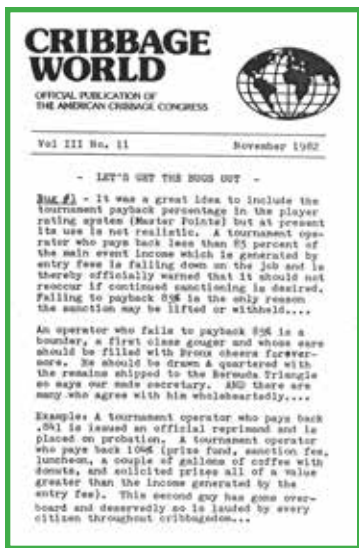
*New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)*

**Jeff Raynes** (jeffraynes29)

### Internet Grand Slams

**Brad Gronli** (Dakesh) — x2!

**Frank Reddy** (DrVodka)



## 40 Years Ago

Page 3 announced that ACC dues were being raised to \$5 a year. Today the fee is \$20. And on page 4 we find an announcement for the first Tournament of Champions, to be held in Las Vegas in December.

## 25 Years Ago

The cover story featured **Patrick Bar-**



**rett**—who not only directed the 1997 Grand National in Wisconsin Rapids WI, but won it, thus becoming the only GN director to win his own tourney! **Charlie Ball** (WA) won the 294-player consolation. Elsewhere we read that **Jack Moritzky** (WA) won the 180-player Longest Beach Open.

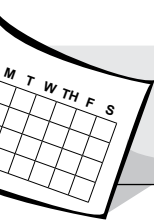
## Cribbage Anyone?

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# SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

as of October 10

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
MRPs name	MRPs name	MRPs name
1 373 <b>Ronnie Murakami</b>	1 532 <b>Ann Trotter</b>	1 288 <b>Donna LaFleur</b>
2 315 Cy Madrone	2 272 Allan Stanek	2 210 Robert Medeiros
3 314 Erik Locke	3 233 Bob Hanes	3 179 Vicki Soule
4 303 Todd Malmgren	4 212 Ray Stahl	4 177 Phyllis Schmidt
5 292 Bob Bartosh	5 196 Kristina Wright	5 166 Mike Misluk
6 271 Betty Brumley	6 191 Jane Vander Loop	6 155 Jim Maffa
7 248 James Seufert	7 172 Patrick Healey	7 152 Phillip Jenkins
8 221 David Bute	8 152 James McCarty	8 149 Charlene Cohen
9 220 Bryan Gurden	9 140 Les Kvien	9 142 Joseph Bowen
10 214 Carole Herron	9 140 John Syftestad	10 134 Mary Burlington
11 202 James Langley	11 138 Jim Mahan	11 126 Keith Widener
12 188 Margaret Fanucchi	12 137 Dan Selke	12 124 Lee Dillon
13 180 Terry Higgins	13 131 Arthur Loveland	13 110 Rick Allen
14 179 Bob Brumley	14 126 Bob Joslin	13 110 Bruce Sattler
15 171 Mary Gates	15 125 Michael Henze	15 109 Scott Johnson
15 171 Peggy Shea	16 118 Kathie Nordlund	16 105 Frank Abernathy
17 170 Gerald Oxford	17 115 Edward Balcer	17 103 Phil Martin
18 166 David Hayden	17 115 Andy Stireman	18 102 Tom Fiorini
19 163 Fred White	19 111 Clay Collier	19 100 Steven Braley
20 161 Peter Jackson	20 110 Robert Chase	19 100 Barbara Barbour
	20 110 Darlene Johnson	

*The full list of regional standings will return next month (probably).*

**Cribbage Quiz Answer: Well, duh, cribbage!**

## BOD Meeting Quick Takes

- Two Grand Nationals were awarded: **2024 to Las Vegas NV**, to be directed by Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, and David Aiken; and **2025 to Deadwood SD**, to be directed by David Aiken, Patrick Barrett, John Hazlett, and Dan Selke.
- Online voting will be required of all future **Hall of Fame** panelists (some current panelists were grandfathered in).
- From here on out, **international memberships** will *not* include a printed copy of *Cribbage World*.
- The BOD approved contact with **Element3 Health**, a program to keep seniors mentally and physically active and that pays back to clubs for reported activities (applies only to members on Medicare).
- Reminder to all players: **add your scorecard!** At the end of *every* tourney and club event, you *must* add up your scorecard, or your card is likely to be overlooked in creating the playoff bracket or payback list.

# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
<u><a href="#">Rick Shea</a></u> 707.599.4605 <a href="mailto:31for14@gmail.com">31for14@gmail.com</a>	<u><a href="#">Patrick Barrett</a></u> 715.323.5027 <a href="mailto:gnxvibarrett@gmail.com">gnxvibarrett@gmail.com</a>	<u><a href="#">Mark Soule</a></u> 207.442.9001 <a href="mailto:soule1994@comcast.net">soule1994@comcast.net</a>

GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE			TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE	
date	location	TD	@ Sands Regency in Reno NV	
Oct. 10–15, 2023	Virginia Beach VA	Jack Howsare	March 3–5, 2023	
Nov. 12–17, 2024	Rampart Casino Las Vegas NV	Troy Thorson Kathy Pacocha David Aiken	TBA	
Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025	Lodge Casino Deadwood SD	David Aiken Patrick Barrett Dan Selke John Hazlett	TBA	

#### 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

#### MA ♦ Nov. 6, Boston Regional

Irish American Hall, 177 West St, Malden MA 02148. TD: Bev Gobiel (781.771.1715)

NV ♦ Topaz Doubleheader
Topaz Lodge, Hwy 395, Gardnerville NV 89410
<b>Nov. 7–9, Les Sumner Memorial</b> TD: Beverly Castillo (775.453.3715) & Pam Pomeroy
<b>Nov. 9–10, Topaz II</b> TD: Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901) & Charlene Cohen

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#### NV ♦ Nov. 11–13, Veterans Day Classic

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

#### MD ♦ Nov. 11–13, Charm City Classic

Ramada, 1700 Van Bibber Rd, Edgewood MD 21040. TD: Michael O'Brien (301.367.3643) & Bruce Sattler

#### WI ♦ Nov. 11–13, Dianne Gurney Memorial

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

## Youth Tourneys

#### Dec. 3 ♦ Ready Springs Youth Tourney (Penn Valley CA)

TD: Jeff Duran (530.913.246) or Dan Zeisler (530.263.7468)

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#### AK ♦ Nov. 12, Anchorage Open

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

#### CT ♦ Nov. 19–20, Yankee Classic

American Legion, 114 West St, Vernon CT 06066. TD: Phil Martin (860.666.8300) & Mike Fetchel

#### OR ♦ Nov. 19–20, Depoe Bay Fall Challenge

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

#### MI ♦ Thanksgiving Doubleheader

American Legion, 401 N Park St NE, Grand Rapids MI 49525. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett

#### Nov. 25 & 27, Wishbone Open

#### Nov. 26, Reindeer Games

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**OR ♦ Nov. 25–27, Thanksgiving at the Mill**

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

**VA ♦ Dec. 2–4, Virginia Beach Classic**

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

**WI ♦ Dec. 2–4, Jingle Bell Open**

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

**NH ♦ Dec. 9–11, David Campbell Memorial**

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

**CA ♦ Dec. 10, Wine Country Winter Open**

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

**CO ♦ Dec. 10, Mountain View Open**

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

**CA ♦ Barn Café Doubleheader**

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

**Dec. 17, Barn Café Challenge #6**

**Dec. 18, Barn Café Challenge #7**

**CA ♦ Sacramento Tripleheader**

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

**Jan. 5–6, Sacramento Kickoff #1**

**Jan. 7, Sacramento Kickoff #2**

**Jan. 8, Sacramento Kickoff #3**

**WI ♦ Jan. 6–8, Wisconsin Dells Deal**

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

**RI ♦ Jan. 8, Ocean State Open**

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

**AZ ♦ Jan. 13–15, Snowbirds Special**

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

**ME ♦ Brewer Doubleheader**

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

**Jan. 14, Brewer Winter Classic**

**Jan. 15, Brewer Snow Bowl**

**WI ♦ Jan. 20–22, American Pride**

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

**FL ♦ Jan. 20–22, Emerald Coast Open**

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

**CA ♦ Jan. 21–22, Pacific Coast Championship**

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

**NV ♦ Jan. 27–28, Schaefer Shuffle West**

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

**NV ♦ Jan. 29, Denise's Deal in the Desert (D3)**

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

**AZ ♦ Scottsdale Doubleheader**

Elks, 6398 E Oak St, Scottsdale AZ 85257

**Feb. 3, Cactus Classic**

TD: Lynn Multari (480.203.4587) & Robert Milk

**Feb. 4–5, Roadrunner Classic**

TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

**NH ♦ Feb. 3–5, Medeiros Memorial**

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

**MN ♦ Winter Snowball Doubleheader**

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

**Feb. 3, Winter Snowball Special #1**

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

**OR ♦ Feb. 3–5, Pre-Super Portland Open**

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

**WA ♦ Feb. 11, Super Saturday One Day**

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

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**WI ♦ Feb. 17–19, Go Green Bay**

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

**VA ♦ Feb. 17–19, Hampton Roads**

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

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

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

**NV ♦ Feb. 27–Mar. 1, Gold Dust West Spring Fling**

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

**NV ♦ Mar. 6–7, Les Sumner Memorial**

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

**NV ♦ The Big One!**

Sands Casino, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501

**March 3 ♦ TOC**

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

**March 4–5 ♦ JPW/ACC Open**

TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605) & Scott Kooistra

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**WI ♦ Mar. 17–19, Mick Michaelis Classic**

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

**OR ♦ Oregon Coast Cluster**

American Legion,  
424 W Olive, Newport OR 97365

**Apr. 1–2, Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial**

TD: Pete Larsen (503.724.0605) & Rick Baird

**Apr. 3–4, Spring Crib Fest**

TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Pete Larsen

**Apr. 5–6, Alsea River Open**

TD: Carole Herron (406.459.5550)  
& Wayne Morsen

**Apr. 7–8, Dean Bauman Memorial**

TD: Monica Newton (541.819.1034)  
& Dana McClain

**SD ♦ Deadwood Cluster**

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

**Apr. 27–28, Deadwood Open**

**Apr. 29, Aces & Eights**

**Apr. 30, Calamity Jane Open**

**ME ♦ Apr. 30, Tulips in Topsham**

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

**WI ♦ May 5–7, Peg for Pink**

Best Western, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546)

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## IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS


### Dick Christy

It was with sad heart that Club 419 received news of the passing of longtime member Dick Christy (Laguna Woods CA). Legally blind and never able to play in weekend tournaments, Dick played at club regularly on a special large board with jumbo cards. A retired Marine, Dick served during the Vietnam War, was eighty-seven at the time of his death, and will be missed by all who knew him.

### James Klingler

James Klingler (Hamburg NY) passed away

peacefully on September 14 at age ninety-five. Jim joined the ACC in the late 1990s and played mainly on the East Coast and Michigan, with a few forays to Nevada and Wisconsin. A steady, methodical player, he earned his Bronze Award at Western New York Club 5 and was club champ in 2008. His best finish ever in a weekend tournament was second place in two consolations, but he personified all that is good about the ACC by his friendly demeanor, companionship, and good sportsmanship. Jim was a good man who will be missed by all who knew him.



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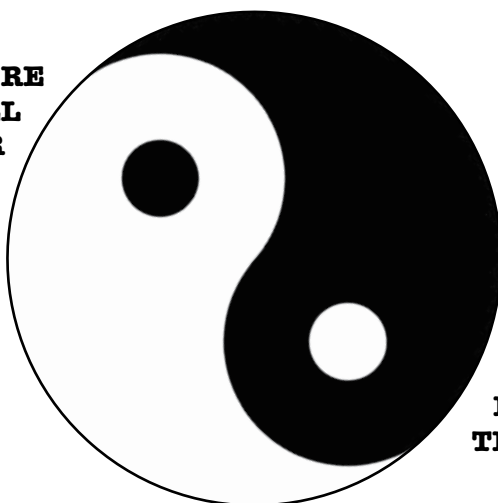
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