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Silver Anniversary Match Draws 372 **MONROE WORLD CHAMP**

Jeff Monroe, the ACC's Membership Secretary from Napa, CA came away the winner in the huge silver anniversary World's Championship match at Quincy, CA May 5. With the win came some 319 MRP's and a nifty \$3,000. Monroe, on a roll all year, put icing on this year's play and has zipped to the 1,200 MRP mark, keeping alive his chances for a national championship.

His final match pitted him against Nevada's Harvey Brotzman, but it was Monroe's day as he won the finals 3-1. Brotzman, nevertheless netted some \$2,000 and 283 MRP's.

Local Bob Dellinger finished 3rd, and, as usual, the Quincy peggers do quite well on their home turf. Don Brown, San Pedro, CA, finished 4th.

Jim Wilson, Chico, CA had the hot hand in the qualifying round picking up 18 wins and scoring 41 +311.

The Consolation drew 192 peggers, and Clair Morse, Bend, OR nailed this event. Darlene Carr, Santee, CA finished 2nd, followed by One Star Jesse Jarrell, Pittsburg, CA, and the streaking Jones Hom, Fairfield, CA in 3rd and 4th.

144 teams (288 players) kicked off this World Championship on Friday night, and Willie and Jo Evans from Richland, WA took home the bacon (\$800). The Saturday High Roller was won by none other than MRP leader Bob Julian, the Milwaukee King. He did not, however, pad his MRP score in the sanctioned events. Kathleen Von Bargaen, Artois, CA, won the Saturday Special, and Jason Shumate Kings Beach, CA, won the Last Chance.

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The President's Column

Everett "Ev" Bey

Hall of Fame Balloting

I'm sorry to report that, although we had six deserving candidates for the ACC Hall of Fame, none of them received enough votes to win induction. A 75% affirmative vote is required for approval.

With great effort, we had a fine 66.9% participation, with 178 ballots being returned by the 266 tournament directors, Grass Roots leaders and ACC board members who were eligible to vote for nominees suggested by the general membership.

However, the vote compilation showed the following disappointing individual results:

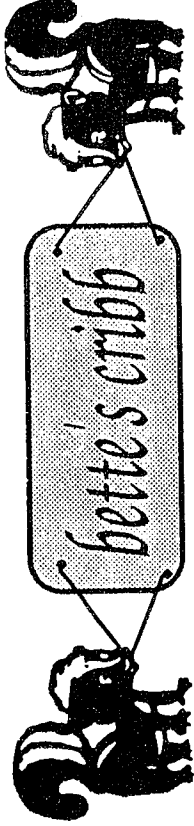
- Joe Ramos, 119 votes, 66.9%
- Jeff Shimp, 111 votes, 62.4%
- Joe Seigle, 73 votes, 41%
- Frank Zabrowski, 69 votes, 38.8%
- Gene Biegler, 55 votes, 30.9%
- Elbert Hargesheimer, 50 votes, 28.1%
- None of the above, 4 votes, .2%

Pat Barrett, chairman of the Hall of Fame process, said he's frustrated by the fact that this system *should* but just doesn't elect any of our well-deserving members...a condition which has prevailed for the last two years.

He said: "I can't see this system being fair to the Congress any longer, so I am going to propose a new system at this year's board meeting in Napa."

It's obvious, with the time and money spent each year of this project, the ACC needs to overhaul this one way or another, in order to recognize deserving members and add to the 17 persons now enshrined in our Hall of Fame.

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Huge Eastern Region Meet

Paul Gallagher Tops 200 At Rhode Island Open

Once again the Rhode Island Open drew a huge crowd as some 200 peggers played for the championship at the U.C.T. Hall in Johnston, RI April 28.

This time around Paul Gallagher, a Master pegger from Avon, MA came away the winner, picking up a nifty 208 MRP's in the process.

Life Master Larry Samet (MA) took 2nd...and has zipped over the 600 MRP mark for this cribbage year, and has an outside chance of earning yet another top ten award in 1996. Phil Martin (CT) nailed 3rd, and Bill Shoemaker (CT) took 4th (and qualified 8th). Shoemaker has topped 400 MRP's for the year and is closing in on his Grand Master.

Brian Heroux (RI) is at the top of the MRP list, and a fine 8th place finish netted another 141 MRP's, keeping his national title hopes alive.

Life Master Phyllis Schmidt (MA) nailed the top qualifying spot and is nearing the 8,000 MRP mark lifetime. She stands at no. 10, lifetime, on the ACC's roster.

Rit Alkas, last year's national champion, is at it again, as he topped the field in the 114-pegger Consolation. The 60 MRP's earned puts Alkas at the 900 mark for the year, and is knocking on the door for yet another top ten spot. Life Master Harry Palmer (MA) took 2nd (and stands no. 9 lifetime). Bruce Sattler, the Baltimore whiz, who nailed both Consolations in Reno this February, continues his fine play and took 3rd. Jim McDonald (MA) was 4th.

Director Joe Ramos has a long history of directing huge tournaments, and this time around was no exception. He reports that some \$777.50 was donated to the M.D.A. charity. He also reports that next year's matches will be played April 27, 1997.

Dehel Nails Alaska Event

Local Louis Dehel nailed the recent Anchorage End of Season Singles event in Alaska. He not only was the top qualifier, but came away the winner in the playoffs as well. Raldo Estridge, Chugiak, AK, took 2nd. Local Chuck Beng won the Consolation. Director Mitke Rowe keeps 'em pegging way up north!

Sylvia Sutton Tops

George Florentine Memorial

Sylvia Sutton, Burbank, CA nipped top qualifier Len Wahlig (HI) for the title at the recent 52-pegger George Florentine Memorial in Pomona, CA. John Dawes (CA) not only qualified first in the Consolation but won the event in the playoffs. Director Ron Gurdotti plans on renewing this match next April 19.

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Monroe World Champ

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Heidi Glashan, Pittsburg, CA began the Main Event in stirring fashion as she scored a 28-hand on the very first deal! Alas, the cards slumped thereafter.

Dan Zeisler, Sonora, CA scored his first MRP's in Quincy years ago...and this time around scored a few more MRP's and earned his Master rating. Another player earning Master was Darren Black, Portland, OR. He has played sanctioned events for only two years and has earned the award in record time. And by winning his 2nd round match, he has zipped to the 1,200 MRP mark.

The high Nevada qualifier receives the Kozlowski Award and this year it was Bryan Gilkeson from Sparks scoring a nifty 33 GP's to take home the award. The Robert Moon Award goes to the highest Plumas County qualifier, and David Windle nailed a very nice 36 17 +145 to win that award going away.

The Quincy Rotary Club was well organized and gave 110% effort to this event. Raffles, souvenirs, lunches, dinners, and the refreshment stand were all humming, and the fairgrounds "barn" added a fun atmosphere to the proceedings. The 25th Anniversary match will be one to remember, as Mike Taborski and crew managed a first-rate event! Even the Star Spangled Banner that kicked off the Main Event was superbly performed.

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QUIZ

At the recent World Championship in Quincy, CA, they served a delicious roast beef dinner to some 416 players and friends. How long did it take the WCCT staff to serve this meal?

Answer on page 6.

New Master Rating System August 1

Scott Kooistra, the ACC's Executive Vice-President has been busily conducting a poll of BOD members concerning the new MRP system. As we go to press Scott reports that 14 BOD members voted to implement the system, but modify the numbers to equal those of the old system. 11 BOD members voted to implement the new system as voted in Reno in February.

The plan of action is for the new system to take effect August 1 as we begin our new cribbage year. The 12 or so tournaments that will be played before the next BOD meeting in Napa, CA (Sept. 27) will have a "hold" put on the MRP reports.

National Statistician Bob McCabe will modify these reports to coincide with the BOD's action in Napa, and posting of the MRP's will take place after the BOD's action.

At this time it appears very likely that the new system will parallel the old system, insofar as total number of MRP's awarded. Ed Horigan, author of the new system, has been busy compiling new charts that BOD members can analyze before the Napa BOD meeting. Hopefully, a fair and equitable system can be quickly worked out.

Don Wright Tops In Lincoln, Nebraska
Don Wright, playing out of Minden, NE edged local Mickey Griffin to take the February Great Plains Open.

Dick Ogden Wins Des Moines Open
Director Dick Ogden came away the winner in his April edition of the Capital City Open in Des Moines, IA April 13. He nipped Nancy Warren (Bellevue, NE) in the final match. Larry Lykins, Story City, IA, won the Consolation.

Bob Gombatz Continues Roll

Bob Gombatz recently earned Life Master and this Raleigh, NC pegger continues his "roll" by winning the 90-pegger Atlanta Classic. And by qualifying 3rd, the 126 MRP's keep him at the top of the MRP leader board for this cribbage year. Lindsay Peever (FL) came close, but settled for 2nd, followed by Henry Douglass (NC) and Larry Breech (GA) in 3rd and 4th.

Ken Cambell (SC) pegs far and wide (seen in Oregon in May) and pays for his sojourns by high finishes...and took top qualifying honors with a 38 17 +274.

58 peggers played the Consolation and Ken Goss (FL) won going away, edging Bernard Whitfield (NC) in the final match. Paul Barnes (FL) and Richard Rieke (SC) took 3rd and 4th.

Peggy Goss (FL), Al Odom (SC), Ed Thompson (SC), and Mark Adams (GA) all scored 28-hands, but, alas, no 29's showed.

The Satellites:

Friday Early Bird: Allen Wiles (GA)
Saturday Special: Richard Rieke (SC)
Last Chance: Johnnie Wilkinson (GA)

Director Bobby Stuart expressed his thanks to Paul Barnes and his Florida crew for their assistance...and he plans on a bigger and better Atlanta Classic next April 11-13, 1997.

Jim McManus Takes Milwaukee Challenge

Life Master Jim McManus is tough on his home turf as he nailed the 151-pegger Milwaukee Challenge and joins the national MRP race as one of the frontrunners. His total this cribbage year stands at a whopping 1,000!

Charlie Parker (MN) finished 2nd in this huge meet, followed by Jean Cervantes (WI) and Attila Boros (WI) in 3rd and 4th.

The Consolation had a sizeable 95 peggers and Ron Hirschman, another local pegger, took home the marbles. Aggte Mikulsky (WI) took 2nd. Les Kvien (MN) and Duane Sink (MI) took 3rd and 4th.

Director Marlene Lazachek plans on re-newing this event again next April 18-20, 1997.

Editor Sniffing Glue (Again)

Last month's CW reported that Winnemucca was 64 miles east of Las Vegas. Anyone knows that Winnemucca is 164 miles east of Reno! Your editor has been sniffing glue (again)!

Panama Canal Cruise Date Changed

Cruise Director Doris Denny reports that the upcoming Panama Canal Cribbage Cruise date has been changed to January 12 (instead of Jan. 19). For further information, call Denny at (770) 431-9301.

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Doug Brown A Winner In Hermiston
Doug Brown, a Master pegger from Pasco, WA won the 113-pegger Greater Hermiston Open April 28...and with the 120MRP's is moving in on his Grand Master. He currently stands at 3,860, needing but a scant 140 for Grand Master.

Jim Hornbacher, Bothell, WA, has been a "bridesmaid" on a regular basis lately, and, once again, has finished 2nd. George Rasmussen, Chehalis, WA, knows his discarding numbers (see Discarding Tips, this issue) and finished 3rd, followed by Tom Anderson, La Grande, OR, in 4th.

Al Grantz, Kelso, WA, is also zeroing in on his Grand Master. He qualified tops with a nice 38 GP card, and finished in the 9-16 bracket to run his lifetime MRP's to 3,900!

Grand Master Denny Van Orsow (OR) nailed the 74-pegger Consolation. Ron Krebs (OR), Beverlee Honeycutt (OR), and Gary Sand (WA) finished 2-3-4.

The Satellites:

Friday Early Bird: Don Kunz (ID)
Doubles: Gil & Betty Johnson (WA)
High Roller: Bill Hill (OR)
Saturday Special: Louis Primc (WA)
Cry Baby: Ron Leslie (OR)

Ken & Betty Capper continue their tradition of fun tournaments, complete with their Calcutta auctioning of players in the Main Event playoffs.

Jim Langley Tops San Ramon Lions
Jim Langley (CA) edged Mary Ryan (CA) in the final match to take the 87-pegger San Ramon Lions April 20. Carl Mitchell (CA) and Jay Sorensen (CA) took 3rd and 4th. Wayne Glishan (CA) nailed the 48-pegger Consolation. Director Mary Herrmann will play it again next April 19.

Quiz Answer

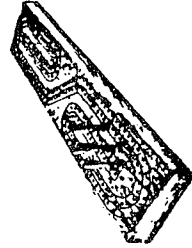
The WCCT staff served the 416 meals in an amazing 23 minutes!

Kooistra Has Unique Award

Scott Kooistra is a Life Master, One Star, and, of course, has garnered many, many awards. But on May 14, he earned a very coveted award. He now sports an Olympic Torch!

He was selected as 1 of 9 South Dakotans to carry the torch on its run to Atlanta. He travelled 200 miles to Kearney, NE, and ran his mile with the torch as the bands played and fireworks boomed overhead. Kooistra said "This was one of the most memorable experiences I've ever had!"

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2nd Annual Ocean State Draws 210! Norman Robert Nails Huge Win

Norman Robert, Cumberland, RI, qualified lucky 13th, and then roared through the playoffs to win the recent 210-pegger Ocean State Classic in Pawtucket, RI.

Paul Musard (RI) finished 2nd, followed by Larry Fitzgerald (RI) in 3rd. Russell Lovell (MA) nailed 4th in this huge meet.

Raymond Durocher (RI), playing in his first sanctioned event, won all 12 games in the morning round (25 +193) to easily win top qualifying honors.

Rhode Islanders continued to win all events as they also came through in the Consolation. Lee Norris, a newly crowned Grand Master from North Kingstown won the 108-pegger event. Charles Burgess, East Greenwich took 3rd. Ronald Foley (MA) took 2nd, and Floridian Tom Azevedo finished 4th.

Director John Chambers had a modest \$29 entry fee, and his paybacks were well distributed with a unique qualifying system. 70 players qualified for the playoffs in the morning, and 36 more in the afternoon, resulting in more prize winners overall. Judging from the size of this event, players are pleased with this format. If you wish to be on Chamber's OSCC mailing list, write to PO Box 40068, Providence, RI 02940.

Edwin Park Tops Mid-Columbia Open

The 2nd Annual 101-pegger Mid-Columbia Open title was won by veteran pegger Edwin Park, Roseburg, OR. Donna Hassett, another pegger from Roseburg finished 2nd. Donald Smith (OR) nailed 3rd, and Master Gene Sissel (OR) took 4th...and is closing in on his Grand Master.

Todd Malmgren (OR) is having a fine season and continues his winning ways by winning the 70-pegger Consolation. Wendell Rush (OR) is knocking on the door for his Master's by finishing 2nd. Master Bernie Saueressig (WA) and Diane Harvey (OR) took 3rd and 4th.

This match is played on the banks of the Columbia River in Hood River, OR, and this 2nd annual, hosted by directors Marvis & Ralph Reynolds drew yet another 100+ players. The American Legion charities received \$454 from the players. This event is scheduled to be re-newed next May 2-3-4.

Dick Williams Cops San Joaquin

Dick Williams, San Jose, CA, came away the winner in the 47-pegger San Joaquin Valley Open April 24. Jack Stone (CA), Jack Shumate (CA), and Dale Kochenburg (CA) nailed 2-3-4. Richard Burns topped the 34 peggers in the Consolation event. Director Bill McDonald will play it again next march 21-23, 1997.

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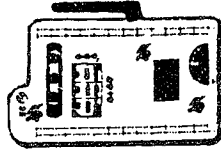
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