

# CRIBBAGE WORLD

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## McManus, Heath Cop Huge Western Meets

### WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Jim McManus, a newly crowned One-Star from Milwaukee, has won yet another large tournament...the World Championship, played at Quincy, CA May 2, 3, and 4. With some 284 peggers, McManus earned 277 MRP's and vaults into contention for the national MRP title for this cribbage season. Beginning with a win at the large St. Paul match in March, McManus has been unbeatable. After qualifying first at the recent Iowa classic, and finishing 3rd, his MRP's have been piling up at an astonishing rate. The win at Quincy garnered \$1,500, in addition to the MRP's.

Dick Williams, Ventura, CA, came close and took home 2nd...losing the final match to McManus 3-2.

Herschel Mack, McKinleyville, CA, won the Consolation. This professor from Humboldt State University edged 124 players for the win.

Directors Mike Taborski and Dan Smith had a full array of satellite events beginning with a Friday doubles match that drew 102 teams. Bob Greenefeld and Ray Gonzalez (Sunnyvale, CA) took honors. Mary Herrmann, Alamo, CA, took home the top prize in the High Rollers...and event that drew 42 contestants. Herrmann, a Grand National winner at Napa last fall, continues her fine play and earned \$500 for the win.

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### OREGON COAST CLASSIC

Rollie Heath, a co-director of the Oregon Coast Classic, and a local player from Lincoln City, is on one of cribbage's better "rolls." He won this 191-pegger Classic, after qualifying 4th. The 258 combined MRP's zip Heath among the MRP leaders for this cribbage year, as he is well over the 1,200 mark. In addition to sizeable winnings, Heath also earned the ACC's 308th Master award.

Jay Maloney, Gresham, OR, ran a nice streak to 2nd place, but simply couldn't match Heath's hot cards in the final match, losing 4-1. Nevertheless, he earned 188 MRP's and a sizeable prize for 2nd.

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## ELECTIONS

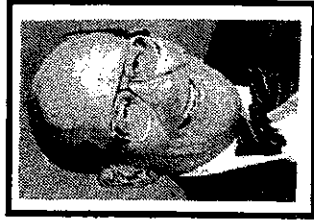
ACC Board of Directors

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## The President's Column

### Everett "Ev" Bey

in return for x-number of hotel rooms occupied or meals served.

Two examples I'm familiar with: last year's Grand National at Napa carried a \$3,500 rental fee for the 3-day Fairgrounds event. And the recent World Championship at Quincy, CA paid \$1,500 to the Plumas County Fairgrounds for its 3-day tournament.

### Tournament Paybacks

It isn't often that I'm wrong, but when it's called to my attention I (begrudgingly) admit it!

That's the case with my column in the April CW, the one complaining about allotment of tournament costs to various segments of the weekend's play and reimbursement for "no-shows."

Eagle-eye Roy Hofbauer, Western Tournament Commissioner, straightened me out, citing tournament guidelines and requirements that I should have been aware of.

Way back in Sept. 1987, the ACC Board adopted the following: "85% payback required in Main and Consolation events; 90% in satellite events and Q-pools. Main and Consolation prize funds can be combined to ascertain compliance with 85% requirement."

The previous year, Sept. 1986, 85% payback was defined to include "player benefits." "Player benefits" means items actually or potentially available to ALL entrants...meals, coffee, trophies, plaques, souvenirs; it does not include hall or room rent, cribbage boards, pegs, playing cards, printing, stationery, postage, etc.

Here's where I disagree: without any of those seven letter items there just wouldn't be a tournament. To me, they are essential "player benefits" ...you have to have a place to hold the tournament, you must have boards, pegs, cards, and the event must be publicized with printed flyers and mailing pieces. Take any one of them away and you don't have a tournament!

More and more, tournament directors are finding hall or room rental is getting to be a bigger and bigger item. Very few tournaments these days enjoy the luxury of free space or reduced rental

You sure don't get this kind of money back from 15% of the Main and Consolation fees and 10% from other events! That means the sponsors have to resort to other income-producing activities, such as selling drinks, raffles (strong-arming merchants to give prizes), and catering meals.

Secondly, repayment of entry fees to persons who are unable to attend a tournament (Feb. '96), allows the tournament's director to deduct incurred expenses.

I still think there ought to be some provisions requiring a "no-show" to notify the tournament director at least a day before the tournament so it doesn't throw the pairings and expenses out of whack. Of course, certain incidents, like unexpected illnesses, bereavements or accidents, should be honored without question.

Elsewhere in this publication, you'll find the list of 33 nominees for the ACC Board of Directors, 15 from the West, and 9 each from the East and Central Regions.

All incumbents are running, with the exception of Ron Hamilton, chairman of the nominating committee, who recently re-located from Minnesota to Kansas and finds his job volume not conducive to tournament attendance.

Nine new names will appear on the ballot. Please refer to the biographies before casting your ballot. Vote for up to 25. All ballots must be returned by July 15, 1997. The new directors will be seated at the Annual meeting at the Grand National at Wisconsin Dells (WI) on Friday, Sept. 26, 1997.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

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On Saturday night, 84 players hit the boards for more pegging action and Grand Master Lee Norris, the only player from Massachusetts, took home the marbles. The Last Chance saw Jack Shumate from nearby Lake Tahoe win the 34-pegger event. Last year, his son, Jason, won this event.

The tournament drew players from 14 states and Canada. 12 players from Wisconsin played, and this contingent fared quite well (with Milwaukee's McManus winning the Main Event) and the other 11 held Wisconsin's honors intact.

Quincy's Rotary Club, once again, did a bang-up job in running the show, including a nice lunch and dinner for the players. A portion of the entry fees support Rotary projects for the Quincy area, and according to co-director Mike Taborski, the 27th annual will be held next year in early May.

## OREGON COAST CLASSIC

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Charlie Ball, a Master pegger from Mesa, AZ, took home 3rd, followed by Darren Black, another Master pegger from Portland, in 4th.

Todd Anderson, Portland, OR, burned up the track in the qualifying round, winning 19 of 22 (39 +199) to easily take honors.

118 peggers played the Consolation, and Ray Van Orsow (OR) nailed a 9/9 20GP qualifier to take the "Q" money. But in the playoffs, Sandy Locker, Waldport, OR took home the bacon. Leslie Hein (WA), Master Bernie Saueressig (WA), and Life Master Roy Hofbauer (WA) took 2-3-4.

David Grayson (WA) nailed a 9/9 20GP Grand Slam to win the Time Passer. Claire and Joann Morse (OR) took the doubles event, and One-Star Jesse Jarrell (CA) won the High Rollers. Jarrell, needing a jack cut to stay alive against director Bernie Nelson, called for the "jack of clubs" ...and he rolled a jack of clubs! George Rasmussen (WA) won the Saturday night game with a 8/9 19GP card.

Directors Roy and Jeanne Hofbauer, Rollie Heath, and Bernie Nelson, once again, ran a first-class event, and this match remains one of the premier tournaments in the Northwest, attested to by another large crowd.

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# Walt Chowanec Wins Consolation **Jack Wilborn Cops Milwaukee Challenge**

Jack Wilborn, playing out of Germantown, WI, nailed the recent 146-pegger Milwaukee Challenge played at the spacious Kamada Inn in Milwaukee April 18-20. And with the win in this sizeable meet, Wilborn took home a nice 160 MRP's plus a sizeable purse.

Pete Momsen, New Berlin, WI came close and settled for 2nd place, followed by Harvey Rasmussen and Joe Aird in 3rd and 4th. Rasmussen and Aird hail from Gladstone, MI.

Al Schaefer, Slinger, WI, is zeroing in on his Grand Master by scoring the top qualifying score...and adding another 58 MRP's to his lifetime total. His lifetime total is at 3,900+.

97 peggers played the Consolation and hometown Master pegger Walt Chowanec came away with the win. Gary Haelfrisch, Francis Creek, WI took home 2nd. Donna Aird, Gladstone, MI took 3rd, followed by newly crowned Grand Master Roger Wilson, the travelling pegger from Boulder, CO.

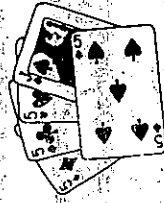
## *The satellites:*

Friday: Tony Danihel (WI)  
Friday 3-Man: Todd Schaefer (MN)  
Saturday \$20: Ed Heinowski (WI)  
Saturday \$50: Doug Henderson (WI)  
Last Chance: Max Steplyk (IL)

Steplyk nailed a 28-hand in the Last Chance to propel him to the win. Incidentally, this gem was worth a whopping 28 cents!

Larry Johnson (WI) and Tom Green (WI) scored that elusive 28-hand in sanctioned play and they will receive a framable certificate from the ACC.

Director Marlene Lazachek manages the local Milwaukee meets on Tuesday nights...and her expertise was evident in directing this large match.



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## Stan Babiec Cops Rhode Island Open

Stan Babiec, pegging out of N. Dartmouth, MA, won the recent Rhode Island Open at Warwick, RI. In besting the large field of 178 peggers, Babiec took home a whopping 194 MRP's, running his totals for this cribbage year to the 500 mark.

Dick West, Attleboro, MA finished 2nd (and 169 MRP's), followed by Bruce Hassan, Glastonbury, CT, and Harold Davis, Colebrook, NH, in 3rd and 4th.

But Donna LaFleur, Bristol, CT, made the biggest move in the MRP standings. With some 600 MRP's already in the bank, she qualified first, and finished 6th in the playoffs for a grand total of 191 MRP's, running her totals to over 800 for this cribbage season....and a shot at All-American honors.

Brenda Palmer, W. Springfield, MA, is also in the hunt for national honors and by qualifying 4th and finishing 9-16 added some 134 points to her year's take. This Grand Master stands at well over 1,100 for the year.

92 peggers played the Consolation and Margaret Torrey, Mansfield, MA nailed the event, earning 52 MRP's. Grand Master Bob Drukman, E. Bridgewater, MA took 2nd, followed by Gloria Welch (Plymouth, MA), and Kirk Hobbs (Norwood, MA) in 3rd and 4th.

Director Joe Ramos keeps 'em pegging in Rhode Island. He plans on renewing this event next April 26, 1998. Mark your calendars.

## Youth Cribbage

On April 29, we held a cribbage tournament (5 games) for 7th and 8th grade students at Lannoye School. Parents were invited to play with us. Other participants were 30 students, 1 parent and 1 grandparent. The PTA had prizes and refreshments for all players. Fun was had by all!

*Margaret Strebe, Ruth Zimmerman  
Green Bay, WI*

*Ruth writes that "We had students in 7th and 8th grade take a class in cribbage. We then held a tournament for them. We also plan on doing this next school year."*

*It appears that Dan Zeisler's "Youth Program" is beginning to take root. Jack Shumate's "Youth Worlds Championship" match at Lake Tahoe is another example. Ed.*

## Two Brothers?

Every Tuesday, a local Grass Roots club held their pegging action at the local Elks club.

And every Tuesday, one of the peggers would wind down the pegging action by heading for the bar and ordering three drinks...one for himself and two for his "two brothers."

This routine kept up for a long while, but recently he went into the bar and ordered "Two drinks, please."

The bartender was taken aback. With a wink, he asked the pegger: "I hope one of your brothers hasn't taken ill..."

"Oh no," replied the pegger, "I quit drinking!"

*Vignette courtesy of Tom Butler, Crescent City, CA*

## George Butz Too Quick!

Tillamook, OR's George Butz decided to hit the early Friday afternoon "Time Passer" event at the Oregon Coast Classic in Lincoln City.

Wrong move! He hit that coveted 29-hand! The event was not sanctioned...and no \$100 for George!

And would you believe that despite 191 peggers in the Main Event, and another 118 in the Consolation, that nary a 28 or 29 hand showed? Cribbage! Never a dull moment!

## Bill O'Malley Hot in GR Action

Salem, OR's GR 46 sports some tough players; but recently none have been tougher than Bill O'Malley.

Recently, he has won four of the last five matches, two by Grand Slams! That's picking 'em up and layin' 'em down!

And this club also reports some strange happenings: Rodney Bair, when cutting for deal to begin the game, cut six consecutive aces! And 'as for cutting aces, how about Rollie Heath and Leon Stormo? They cut aces three consecutive times (and knowing how hot Heath is, CW bets he won the deal, despite his opponent cutting three aces!)

## Bill Cooper Tops In Atlanta

With 80 peggers in the competition, Bill Cooper came away the winner at the recent Atlanta Classic. This Marlboro, MA pegger came away with a nice 93 MRP's and a sizeable purse.

Ted Dick, a pegger from Raleigh, scored the most MRP's, however, as he qualified 3rd, and took 2nd in the playoffs. Steve Angier, Decatur, GA, also nailed a bundle of MRP's by qualifying 2nd and finishing 3rd. John Belliveau, Coconut Grove, FL took 4th.

The hot hand in the 20-game qualifying round belonged to Master Dave Ritchey, Orange City, FL. He won 17 games and sported a +278.

Al Kucera, W. Columbia, SC, nailed the 52-pegger Consolation's qualifying round with a 17 & +150. However, the playoffs saw Henry Douglass, Reidsville, NC come away the winner. Aaron Geroux (NC), Kucera (SC), and John Broderick (FL), went 2-3-4.

### *The Satellites:*

Friday Early Bird: Bob Julian (WI)  
Saturday Special: Ken Cambell (SC)  
Sunday Last Chance: Richard Rieke (SC)

Director Bobby Stuart reported three 28-hands (Charlie Bowzer, Jackie Depizol, and Bob Julian) and he will play this event again next year (April 24-26, 1998). Mark your calendars.

## 95 Cent Worms

Bernie Nelson, a Grand Master from Pacific City, OR owns a sporting goods store that specializes in fishing gear.

Every Friday for the past several years Bernie has been buying worms (fishing bait) for 95 cents a dozen from a local patron. Lo and behold, this worm salesman hit the lottery! **One million bucks!** Wow!

However, Bernie began lamenting about where he would now buy his worms.

On the next Friday would you believe the worm salesman showed...right on schedule! And the price? Still 95 cents a dozen!

## Betty Capper Wins Mid-Columbia

Betty Capper, the Hermiston, OR tournament director, has won yet another Main event. This time around she nailed the 75-pegger Mid-Columbia Open, played in Hood River, OR May 2-3-4. In February, 1995 she won the Oregon Championship in Primeville.

DeLynn Colvert, *Cribbage World* editor, had a hot weekend and finished 2nd. He also won the Friday Time Passer and High Roller. After qualifying 9th his total 84 MRP's keep Colvert among the leaders in the annual MRP race.

Bruce Gentry, Kennewick, WA nailed 3rd, followed by Clarence Van Orsow, Culver, OR, in 4th.

Newly crowned Life Master Roy Hofbauer took qualifying honors with a nice 35 (16) card.

Jack Moritzky, Mabton, WA nipped Paul Hatcher, Salem, OR in the playoffs in the 54-pegger Consolation. Hatcher is also a newly crowned Life Master.

The Friday doubles saw Shari and Bob Wikstrom, Port Orchard, WA take home the grand prize. The Saturday Special was won by Bob Wikstrom.

In the early going in the playoffs, Betty Capper needed 17 pegs to keep her march to the title alive. A large crowd gathered to see if she could score the 17 points to win...or go home a loser. She picked up her cards...5...5...5...K! Wow! Could she cut a face card to win? No way! She cut the case 5 for a nifty 28! Overkill!

Hood River is on the banks of the Columbia River, and this spring the water was quite high...but not high enough to interfere with the pegging action at the American Legion. Director Don Hilton reports that he will play it again next year...and he bets the water will be a little lower.

## Don Hilton Dedicated Pegger

After winding down his Mid-Columbia event Don Hilton got in his pickup truck and headed out for Lincoln City, OR, and some more pegging action at the Oregon Coast Classic.

After driving a few miles, the engine blew on his truck. After getting the truck back to a garage, Don rented a car and set sail once again for Lincoln City: Oops. The rented car's brakes locked up and could not move. Don then rented yet another car...and this time he made it to Lincoln City...and on time!

## **Bob Townsley Runs table in Canada**

Prince George's Bob Townsley qualified number one...and continued on to win the championship at the recent Canadian Cribbage Championship in Prince George, BC. Local Gerry Klein qualified number two...and he finished 2nd in the playoffs. Matt Korolek and Al Johnson are finished 3rd and 4th. Korolek and Johnson are from Prince George.

Eleanor Arnold, Prince George, continued the 1-1 trend in the Consolation, qualifying first and winning the playoffs.

Director Linton Walker keeps 'em pegging in Western Canada and plans to re-schedule this event next April.

## **Jerry Hearsom On The Mend**

LaGrande, OR's Jerry Hearsom recently underwent quadruple heart by-pass surgery and is on the mend.

*Cribbage World* and the ACC's many peggers wish Jerry a fast and complete recovery!

## **Missing Members, Where Are You?**

Jeff Monroe, our Membership Chairman, reports that the following members are "missing." If you are on this list, or know where these members are, give Monroe a ring at 1-888-PEGGING:

Rodney Blair, Salem, OR  
Robert Bradshaw, Newnan, GA  
Sandra Carr, Lemon Grove, CA  
Walt Chowanec, Milwaukeee, WI  
John Cleary, Lunenburg, MA  
Dennis Dooley, Olympia, WA  
Janette Elkin, Grand Rapids, MI  
Carlyle Elliott, Richmond, VA  
Donald Frey, Daytona Beach, FL  
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Peter Luzaich, Alexandria, VA  
James Ninedorf, Pahrump, NV  
Chad Pullian, Spokane, WA  
Mike Saddington, Phoenix, OR  
Ted Salomon, Santa Maria, CA  
Marilyn Salomon, Santa Maria, CA  
Pete Schmidt, Bay City, MI  
Jeff Severeide, Sisters, OR  
Margaret Swafford, Mesa, AZ  
Santiago Tabino Jr., Portland, OR

## **Asparagus Bonus**

### **Joe Dunn Tops In Hermiston**

The Greater Hermiston (OR) Open played to 96-peggers and Joe Dunn, Boise, Idaho came away the winner. His final match was with the streaking Rollie Heath, Lincoln City, OR. Heath is at the top of the Western Region's leaderboard and this 2nd place finish runs his yearly total to the 900 mark...and a shot at the national championship for 1997.

Diane Harvey, a veteran pegger from Albany, OR, very nearly went all the way, but settled for 3rd. Local Bill Jones, always tough on his home turf, took 4th.

Another pegger in the hunt for national honors is George Rasmussen, Chehalis, WA...and with a top-qualifying mark (38 GP's) has winged it well over the 1,000 MRP mark for the year, and is among the leaders nationwide. Another pegger with a nice 38 GP card was Al Grantz, a Grand Master from Kelso, WA.

Newly crowned Life Master Roy Hofbauer, Washougal, WA took honors in the 66-pegger Consolation, nipping Frank Ornie, a Master pegger from Forest Grove, OR, in the final playoff match.

Janice Foster, a local pegger, took 3rd, followed by Clarence Van Orsow, a Master pegger from Culver, OR, in 4th.

### **The satellites:**

Friday Timer Passer: Jerry Riggs (WA)  
High Roller: Otis Smith (WA)  
Doubles: Al Dean (WA) & Millie Wolf (MN)  
Saturday: Joann Lyons (WA)  
Last Chance: Ron Morgan (MT)

Directors Ken & Betty Capper, always looking for interesting sidelines to make the matches more exciting, held their usual Calcutta auctions...and even rounded up five cases of locally grown asparagus for the players to take home. And their unusual watermelon trophy boards added excitement to the matches.

## **GR 232 On Move**

George Rasmussen is the director of a newly formed Grass Roots club in Chehalis, WA and this club is on the move! In a single year this club has some 38 members, and is promoting cribbage in great fashion in Western Washington.

## **Ocean State Classic**

### **Fayann Salerno Tops 208**

John Chambers runs a unique tournament in Pawtucket, RI. First, his entry fee is a modest \$35, and has no "Q" pool. In addition, he qualifies 1 in 3 (rather than the standard 1 in 4), and gives a free book (Chambers on Cribbage) to all new players. And every player who brings a new player receives a chance at a cash prize drawing. 16 new ACC members were signed on, and four cash prizes were given.

This format has proven popular as this meet drew a whopping 208 players...and Fayann Salerno, South Easton, MA, came away the winner. The 200 MRP's earned put Salerno on the Eastern Region's leaderboard (top 50).

Michael Samet, East Northport, NY; finished 2nd in this large meet, followed by Dave Thomas, Smithfield, RI, and local Larry Cornell in 3rd and 4th.

112 peggers played the Consolation, and Grand Master Brenda Palmer (MA), the Eastern Region's front-runner, edged husband Life Master Harry Palmer in the final match. Both players are in the MRP hunt this year (as usual). Carl Deyette (CT), and Albert LeTellier (RI) nailed 3rd and 4th.

Chambers invites any player who would like to get on the Ocean State Classic mailing list to write to: John Chambers, PO Box 40068, Providence, RI 02940.

### ***Oops! A 29-Crib!***

Playing at my GR club, my opponent was Ruby Ellison. She was way ahead and dealt me a A-A-5-5-7-7. I needed several points to avoid a skunk so I discarded 5-5, thus keeping 8 points. I gambled because most of my opponents end up with 2 points when I do this. Ha! Ha! Then the 5 of spades was cut, and I began to sweat. I pegged 8 points as Pone. When she turned over the Crib, guess what? She had thrown the other five with the jack of spades for a whopper 29 **CRIB!!!** She skunked me by 42 points. This feat won the High Crib pot of \$3.75. Has this ever happened before? Does the ACC pay \$100 for a 29-crib during a sanctioned event?

*Gerald Hahn  
Medford, OR*

*Yes, yes...and only \$3.75? To Evans won \$365.25 for her 29...and it was in her hand! I think your GR club should dig into their pockets and give Ruby an extra reward for this long, long, long shot! Ed.*

### ***Courtesy, Please!***

Having just returned from the well-run Oregon Coast Classic, I write to open a topic of conversation with the membership.

Over the past year or so, I have noticed a tendency on the part of players to make comments about the competition going on at either side. It may involve only a loud throat-clearing or an obvious "rolling of the eyes." It is sometimes so overt as to be an actual correction of another's hand count or pegging!

This unfair, incorrect, and rude practice is done by only a few, but these people are usually members of long-standing expertise who know better!

This outside interference can make the difference in a game!

It happened to me during play in Lincoln City. The interference was so blatant that I lost my cool and told this long-time member to "butt out" in a loud voice. He knew he was wrong and apologized profusely. But...the damage was done!

There is considerable difference between friendly "table-talk" with your seatmates and commentary on another's game. I think we all know what is proper etiquette...and what is not. **NO ONE** should comment on another's game during play!

Let's all remember this, whether at Tournament or Grass Roots level.

*"Aloha" Rob Wintersteen  
Aloha, OR*

*Rob, I couldn't agree more. Our players are slipping in their courtesy to their competitors. In a recent playoff match, my concentration was completely shattered by friendly banter and comments directed at me during play...and I almost came out of my chair in anger, when a spouse of my opponent, meaning no harm, remarked that "He's stacking the deck" after I played two nice hands in a row. Years ago, when Hall 'O Famer Bob Madsen was the ACC's chief executive, this banter was simply not tolerated! Not so much as a whisper was allowed. I agree with Rob that we need to tighten up on our manners. Remember, some players have a low tolerance for interference...and I am among them. My Irish blood boils quickly! Ed.*

## Estill Elliott Tops 126 In Tahoe

Estill Elliott, fresh from a 42GP qualifying card in Winnemucca, came away the winner at the recent Lake Tahoe Challenge, topping some 126 peggers in the process. Elliott hails from Sparks, NV.

Another player on a roll is Daryle Tavares from Clovis, CA. This time he qualified with a nice 36 16 +120 to take qualifying honors.

Jones Hom (Fairfield, CA), Wes Summers (Seaside, CA), and Ross Njaa (Salinas, CA) finished 2-3-4 in this event.

Roger King, Santa Clara, CA won the 76-pegger Consolation, as this Master pegger continues a fine run. Richard Wardenburg (Grass Valley, CA), Dennis Phillips (Magalia, CA) and Angelo Torrise (Quincy, CA) took 2-3-4.

### *The Satellites:*

Friday Time Passer: Mike Brown (NV)

Friday Early Bird: Roger King (CA)

Doubles: Chris Christensen & Sandy Warner

Saturday: Bob Loch (WI)

High Roller: Jesse Jarrell (CA)

Last Chance: Allen Wiles (CA)

Director Jack Shumate reported attendance up 37% from his last meet...and his "Jack Dollars" were a novelty for the players. His likeness, complete with his stove-pipe hat, shaped like a dollar bill having a value of seven dollars, were used at participating restaurants in the area. Look for his upcoming fall tournament this October.

## Youth Tournament Draws 38

Jack Shumate, with help from Dan Zeisler, staged the first World Championship Youth tournament on May 18. Some 38 peggers were on hand for this inaugural event.

Jason Shumate took the 16-21 category, besting Frances Sayer, Sonora, CA in 3 close games in the final match.

In the under 16 category, 13-year old Gregg Urmston (Keno) took honors. Gregg is the grandson of Bob Dellinger, Graeagle, CA. Urmston edged Lexie Griebel, Sonora, CA for honors.

Every entrant received a free lunch and took home a souvenir tournament long board and a deck of cards. The Cribadier General program helped underwrite tournament expenses and according to Shumate "I've been to many tournaments and run five of my own, but this was something special!"

## Kids Will Be Kids...

At the Lake Tahoe Youth Tournament, time out was taken to go for a swim in the lake (right outside the playing hall). Kids will be kids, as they gleefully took a plunge...and tracked in sand and water upon returning to the playing hall. But, no one seemed to mind this exuberance!

Many ACC members and friends donated to get this event off the ground:

Lea Hornbeck, Cribadier, Genral Program  
Bob Dellinger

Roger King

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Nan & Clarence Russell

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Roy Banducci

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Mary Gladish

Heidi & Wayne Glashan

Jones Hom

Dale Kochenburg

Dennis Leyva

Cy Madrone

Jeff Monroe

Tony Montooth

Bea Olyer

George Petevich

Dennis Phillips

Anne Sheeran

Tom Stevens

Richard Wardenburg

Sandy Warner

Thelma Weber

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## In Memoriam

### Glenn R. Graber

Salem, Oregon

Glenn passed away May 6 at age 67 from lung cancer. He was a regular at the Salem Grass Roots club and participated with great sportsmanship and skill. His many Northwestern friends and peggers will sorely miss him.

### Ralph A. Duey

Miami, Florida

Ralph passed away April 20 at age 69. He loved cribbage and euchre and was an excellent player. His many friends at the Orlando and Hialeah cribbage clubs will greatly miss him...as he was affectionally known as "Easy Money!"

## **Ervin Bentz Wins 10th San Ramon**

Ervin Bentz, a veteran pegger from San Francisco came away the winner at the 10th Annual San Ramon Lions Open on April 19. The win came with a nice 120 MRP's and bragging rights.

Master Roger King, Santa Clara, CA, had a great tournament as he took qualifying honors...and finished 2nd. He scored an aggregate 149 MRP's and zips to the 500 mark for this cribbage year.

Harold Sontag, Vacaville, CA took 3rd, and One-Star Jesse Jarrell, Pittsburg, CA finished 4th in this 102-pegger event.

Roberta Nelson, Sunnyvale, CA, ran the table in the 56-pegger Consolation. She qualified first and went on to win the event. Margaret Larson, San Lorenzo, CA, Evelyn Gillmore, Concord, CA, and Ross Njaa, Salinas, CA finished 2-3-4.

Director Ron Graham will play it again next April 18, 1998.

## **Darren Black Tough On Coast**

After finishing 3rd at the huge Oregon Coast Classic, Darren Black, Portland, OR, went a little further south the next weekend and played the 44-pegger Bill Mitchell Memorial at Crescent City, CA. This time around he came away the winner! Could salt air be the reason for Black's fine performances? The Main Event win is the first for Black (he had an outstanding 1996 season, finishing 5th nationally).

Rollie Heath, Lincoln City, OR, had the tournament buzzing, however, as his hot streak continued with a vengeance. He began the weekend by nailing the Time Passer, placing 3rd in the High Roller, qualified 4th in the Main, and finished 2nd in the playoffs. He also won the Saturday Special, and cashed in every event for the weekend. The 53 MRP's earned vault Heath into contention for the national title for this cribbage year...having topped the 1,200 mark for the year.

Jim Broadhurst, Medford, OR, and Barrett Mace, Eureka, CA finished 3-4.

Two-Star DeLynn Colvert, Missoula, MT, edged local Vernon Ward for the 25-pegger Consolation win.

### **The SateLites:**

Time Passer: Rollie Heath (OR)  
High Roller: Jim Gogolin (OR)  
Saturday Special: Rollie Heath (OR)

Director Dan Mitchell ran a great tournament, and despite the size, had great paybacks!

## **Bill Sperry Scores 12th 29**

### **Bob Hanes Takes Hawkeye**

Local Bob Hanes copped the championship at the Hawkeye Classic, played in Des Moines, Iowa, April 25-27. Grand Master Hanes, the only 2-time winner of the Grand National events, came away with a sizeable purse and some 120 MRP's to add to his lofty lifetime totals.

Frank Leiter, Vadnais Heights, MN took 2nd (after qualifying 4th). The streaking One-Star Jim McManus continues his run by finishing 3rd (and qualifying first) and earned an aggregate 139 MRP's and is among the nation's front-runners for this cribbage year. Gene and Aggie Mikulsky, a tough-pegging duo from Sobieski, WI finished 4-5. Clay Collier, Beatrice, NE, a former Grand National winner, nailed 6th in this 104-pegger event.

Tony Danelhel, Brookfield, WI won the 71-player Consolation, followed by Grand Master Jerry Gruber, Minneapolis in 2nd. Jim Harrison, Marshalltown, IA, and newly crowned Life Master Martha Fingleton, Milwaukee, WI, finished 3-4.

A highlight of this event was the ACC's 12th 29-hand of the season...and Bill Sperry, Maplewood, MN takes home \$100 for this gem.

Director Larry Loupee keeps 'em pegging in Iowa.

## **Rollie Heath On Tear**

Rollie Heath is an 8-year veteran of ACC pegging, and this year he has put his game into high gear. He has more than doubled his lifetime MRP's in this season, scoring well over 1,200 to date. He earned his Master rating at the Oregon Coast Classic recently and he is among the nation's leaders in scoring those coveted MRP's.

*Cribbage World* researched Heath's 1997 season's numbers and they are astounding. He has played in 17 tournaments this year, and qualified 15 times! He has finished in the top three six times! He won the Long'est Beach and Oregon Coast Classic...two large tournaments, finished 2nd three times, and 3rd once.

Cribbage fever...catch it! You never know when those nasty cardboards will turn in your favor!

## Grass Roots Corner

Standings as of April 9, 1997

**Division 1 (club number in parenthesis)**  
1 242 Elmer Rasmussen, Chehalis WA (232)  
2 236 Gene Goodell, Portland OR (118)  
3 230 Brian Heroux, Woonsocket RI (31)  
4 217 Beatrice Cook, Punta Gorda FL (147)  
5 203 David LeBoeuf, Sacramento CA (162)  
6 201 Anne Haller, Bend OR (12)  
7 198 Bill Medeiros, Shrewsbury MA (31)  
8 197 Wm. McDonald, Fresno CA (45)  
9 195 Donald Dutcher, Tualatin OR (191)  
10 193 "Casey" Schneider, Woodstock IL (213)  
11 192 Tom Nohrdren, Sacramento CA (162)  
12 191 Willard Peters, Green Bay WI (61)  
13 186 Steven Sattler, Baltimore MD (178)  
14 183 Lorraine Lamar, Greenwood WI (199)  
15 180 Jerome Fischer, Volby WI (199)  
15 180 Patrick Barrett, WI Rapids WI (120)  
15 180 Robert Michaelis, Marinette WI (61)  
18 179 Bruce Sattler, Baltimore MD (178)  
19 178 Danny Bennett, VA Beach VA (117)  
20 177 John McCreedy, Revere MA (104)  
20 177 Jack Howsare, VA Beach VA (117)  
22 176 John Mohler, Seaside CA (82)  
23 173 Maurice Chouanard, Englewood FL (29)  
24 172 Paul Arvello, Schaumburg IL (116)  
25 169 Clarence Pinkerton (WY), Lyle Lund (MN), Carl Stone Jr. (CA), Albina Farfish (CA), Brenda Carson (MI), Gil Johnson (WA), Norm Wright (WI)

### Division 2

1 158 Tony Montooth, Palo Alto CA (48)  
2 145 Merritt Schumann, Grnd Jcton CO (224)  
3 135 John Williams, Brooklyn Park MN (67)  
4 132 Huston Kitts, Midlothian VA (225)  
5 130 Bill Jensen, Los Altos CA (48)  
6 129 Carl Garner, Grand Junction CO (224)  
7 124 Wendy Lysyk, Ankeny IA (17)  
8 121 Matt Kacer, Ankeny IA (17)  
9 119 Al Wigger, Cupertino CA (48)  
10 116 Roger King, Santa Clara CA (48)  
10 116 Francis Lake, Everett WA (108)  
12 115 Sue Wheaton, Olympia WA (148)  
13 113 James Huser, Berlin WI (196)  
14 111 Louis Kamps, Berlin WI (196)  
15 110 Elmer Morlock, Minneapolis MN (67)  
15 110 Bruce Forbes, Chico CA (142)  
17 107 Alvin Lokitz, Ormond Beach FL (230)  
17 107 Garry Folz, Yreka CA (223)  
17 107 Stanley Mullins, Lancaster NH (219)  
17 107 Alta Roberts, Rapid City SD (96)

### Division 3

1 106 Mike McDaniel, Fairfield WA (216)  
2 97 Joyce Keeling, Spokane WA (216)  
3 94 Gordon Oberst, Spokane WA (216)  
4 87 Gary Sand, Wellpinit WA (216)  
5 80 Ralph Heslop, Mooresville NC (20)  
6 78 Bob Kemp, Post Falls ID (216)  
7 60 W. D. Rakestraw, Reidsville NC (102)  
8 59 Russell Nelsen, Scottsdale AZ (24)  
9 57 Dick Partee, Mesa AZ (24)  
10 56 Edgar Bastedo, Lethbridge AB (24)

## Joe Ramos Stricken With Heart Attack

Joe Ramos, The ACC's Vice-President, Operations was recently stricken with a heart attack.

After a stay at the hospital, he is at home recuperating. *Cribbage World*, and the ACC membership wish Joe a speedy and full recovery. Anyone wishing to send a get well card, his address: 565 Quaker Lane, Unit 40, West Warwick, RI 02893.

Ramos is also the Grass Roots program's National Statistician, and, understandably, there is no update to the division standings this month.

Ramos will make every effort to get up to speed next month...but in the meanwhile, *Cribbage World* wishes him the best, and don't overdo the huge workload that he manages.

## GR 109's Dennis Chick Scores 29!

Dennis Chick was playing a warm-up game prior to our regular Wednesday night session...and up jumped a 29-hand! His first and just 10 minutes too early! But it's always a thrill to get one at any time...

Thanks for the great job on the magazine, I look forward to it each month and read every word....

*Doris Perkins  
Director, GR 109, Quincy, MA*

## Grass Roots 29 Hands

### 1996-1997 Season

- 1 Bob Hemond, Grand Rapids MI 9-24-96
- 2 Judy Bucheger, Greenwood WI 10-9-96
- 3 Bob Lambert, Muskegon MI 10-14-96
- 4 Shirley Carr, Chehalis WA 10-24-96
- 5 Leo Labadini, Brentree MA 10-30-96
- 6 Walter Howell, Newport OR 11-23-96
- 7 Elizabeth Schaeffer, Kissimmee FL 11-14-96
- 8 Tom Marr, Fort Charlotte FL 12-24-96
- 9 Lee Franklin, Aurora CO 1-4-97
- 10 Milzi Chapman, Grand Junction CO 1-9-97
- 11 Leo Galbraith, Hermiston ORE 1-19-97
- 12 Alta Roberts, Rapid City SD 2-9-97
- 13 Monroe Everett, Robinet Park CA 3-4-97
- 14 Arnold Schwarz, Prince George BC 3-6-97