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Reno Draws 324 **HORNBACHER!**

Grand Master Jim Hornbacher, Mountlake Terrace, WA, is on a roll! He took the Reno Veteran's Day Classic by storm (324 players) and is unofficially well over the 600 MRP mark for the year. This veteran Northwest pegger has always posted high marks, but this year is special. He is taking home bushels of MRPs at almost every stop, and has unofficially taken the National MRP lead for this cribbage year. Another pegger on a roll is Grand Master Ron Morgan (CA). He finished 2nd in this huge event (196 MRP's) and is also unofficially at the 500 MRP mark for the year. Another perennial winner...Life Master Greg Schleusner (CA)...nailed down 3rd, followed by Alaskan Charles Fetters in 4th.

Master Roberta Nelson (CA) topped the field with an excellent 4018/22+340 to easily take qualifying honors. In the 210-player Consolation, it was Marion Buckley (AB) taking qualifying honors (21 9/10 +182).

In the Consolation playoffs, Michael Stevens (UT) took the win...and he dedicates the win to his brother, Brad. Brad was severely injured when a grapefruit-sized rock came through his windshield,

blinding him in one eye, and leaving him with no sense of smell or taste, and short term memory problems.

Julien Pomerleau (CA) finished 2nd, with Dennis Bays (CA), and veteran ACC charter member (and Grand Master) Dick Graham (CO) in 3-4.

Bill and Dorthalee Irons and staff conduct many satellite events as well. The winners:

Doubles: David & Bryant Gilkeson

High Rollers: Todd Malmgren

Sunday: Daulph Plummer

28's: Jason Eck, Ken Morgan, Ron LaBuff, Keith Gaynor

29: Julien Pomerleau

Pomerleau's 29-hand was scored in the 8th game of the Consolation qualifying round, and is the ACC's 3rd of the season. Pomerleau takes home the ACC's \$100 for the effort.

Once again, the Sands rolled out the red carpet for the players, making the three annual trips to this playing site the most popular in the nation.

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Hornbacher...Again! 29's Galore!

Fresh from his Reno win, Grand Master Jim Hornbacher (WA) has nailed yet another large tournament. This time around, he waxed 'em all at the 154-player Thanksgiving Classic at the Seven Feathers Casino in Canyonville, OR. With another 196 MRP's in the bag, Hornbacher is unofficially at well over 700 MRP's for the season...the best early-season start in memory by any player in ACC history. Grand Master Jim Langley (CA) added 147 MRP's to his lofty lifetime totals by taking home 2nd. Ken Julkowski (OR) and Master Jerry Hahn (OR) finished 3-4 in this large event. John O'Shea (WA) took qualifying honors with a nice 38 16/22 +208, adding 60 MRP's to his ledger.

A sizeable group played the Consolation and it was Ken Slama (WA) besting Vonita Gill (WA) in the final playoff match. Jerry Brooks (OR) and Virginia Grant (OR) finished 3-4.

Co-directors Larry Hassett and John Thiems hosted a long four-day event that featured Thanksgiving dinner and a Thanksgiving day match. The winners:

Thanksgiving Day: Jim Albrecht (WA)
Time Passer: Kenneth Morgan (CA) (age 11)
Doubles: Deena & Michael Lowry (CA)
High Roller: John Furler
28's: Mary Miller, Lee Broggi, Glenna Little, Dick Waleker, Todd Anderson
29's: Patricia Echard, Graeme Gossett (doubles), Dan Freeburg, and Jerry Hahn

The four 29-hands in one event is a record for ACC play. Echard's was scored in the Time Passer. Gossett's was scored in doubles (and was the longest odds), but Freeburg and Hahn scored sanctioned 29's...and took home a cool \$100 each for their gems. Needless to say, old man odds took a shellacking with the hot cards scoring these 216,580 to 1 gems.

Kenneth Morgan, 11-year old son of Ron Morgan, scored a great 15 7/7 grand slam to take the Time Passer event on Friday afternoon.

The host Seven Feathers Casino gave away \$1,000 in 24-hand prizes, and furnished coffee, tea, and pop for all the players. In addition, Joe Cover (OR) had the lucky key for the treasure chest and took home a \$72 bonus! The quality playing areas make these Canyonville, OR events special...and the crowds keep coming.

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Comfort Suites 4-Star!

Clair Morse Cops Salem Fall Classic

Grand Master Clair Morse finished 8th in last year's ACC action, earning his first All-American team honors...and it appears he is on track for yet another run for the roses. Not only did he take qualifying honors (37 17/22 +250), he came home the winner in the playoffs as well at the recent 158-player Salem Fall Classic in Salem, Oregon. His MRP take was an impressive 251, and he is back in the MRP hunt once again.

Jerry Blackman (OR) finished 2nd and picked up a nifty 147 MRPs, in addition to a sizeable 2nd place check. Grand Master Frank Ornie (OR) rode into town in a huge motor home, and his 3rd place check may fill up his gas tank. Master Susan Chambers (OR) finished 4th.

Three-Star DeLynn Colvert (MT) nailed the 104-player consolation (after qualifying 2nd), and he took home an aggregate 154 MRP's. Bill Mero (OR), Susan Herman (WA), and Grand Master Heidi Glashan (CA) finished 2-3-4. Gienna Little (WA) scored a 17-GP card to take qualifying honors.

Director Paul Hatcher had a full slate of satellite events. The winners:

Friday Time Passer: Ed Peterson (OR)

High Roller: John Furler (OR)

Doubles: D. Mickow (WA) & L. Pruett (OR)

Saturday: Jim Gogolin (OR)

Last Chance: Sylvia Hampton (OR)

Sadie Hawkins: S. Hejzmanek, D. Colvert

Team: C. Morse, S. Hejzmanek, D. Colvert, J. Moritzky, P. Hatcher

(Record 169 GP's, see story, this issue)

28's: J. Thiemens, G. Gossett, J. Blackman, N. Lorenz

The host Comfort Suites Inn rolled out the red carpet for the players, and even guests who were not registered were allowed a nice continental breakfast, in addition to snacks and an unlimited supply of coffee, day and night. Director Hatcher was pleased with the turnout, a solid 18% increase over last year's 130 players. The host Comfort Suites, plus Hatcher's expertise certainly attribute to the increase. Mark your calendars for next year's event.

Mitch Mitchell Started Puyallup Fair Promotion

Last month's Cribbage World had the Puyallup Fair promotion as the feature article. It had one glaring omission...C. A. Mitch Mitchell was the brain-child of this promotion. He arranged with the Fair Board for space...and the rest is history. Atta way, Mitch!

Ras Almost Wins by Forfeit

Ras Rasmussen's (WA) opponent in round one playoffs at Reno was very late. Each 15-minute game was forfeited. After a 40-minute delay, Ras had two games in the bag and was 5-minutes from winning the match by a forfeit. Opps, Walt Howell (OR) made it in the nick of time...and proceeded to win three in a row!

Buckley's Have Odd Day

The travelling Canadians had an odd day in Reno. In the Consolation, Harold Buckley won his first game, and spouse Marian lost her first game. Then the worm turned. Harold lost his next 9 games, and Marian won her next 9 games (and was top qualifier)

Membership Card Numbers

Larry Hasset, our Membership Secretary, would like to clarify the numbers printed on your membership cards.

Only the lifetime totals at the end of the season are shown on the membership cards.

The "Throw-a-way" section of the form will show the seasonal ACC points accumulated as per the date of the last update (about 18th of each month). It also shows the GR points earned for the previous season.

To provide members with current information, membership cards are mailed once a month after the updated ACC MRP's have been received (about 18th of each month).

Membership cards are mailed when members join or renew their memberships. Cards for lifetime members are mailed after the final ACC and GR updates are received after the close of the season.

Larry adds that Lifetime cards were late again this year. He also adds that Lifetime members should verify the information on their cards, as a new form was used. Problems? Call 1-888-PEGGING.

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Joe Bernard Tops October St. Croix

One-Star Joe Bernard, Antioch, IL, is the ACC's 4th-ranked player (lifetime) and he is making a move up by taking the October issue of the St. Croix Classic in Turtle Lake, WI. With a whopping 198 players in action, Bernard took home a nifty 196 MRP's. He is, once again, on track for All-American honors. His lifetime MRP totals? Well over 13,000!

Jim Stricker (MN) nailed down 2nd, followed by Kathy Maresh (WI) and Steve Finnegan (MN) in 2-3-4. Bea Johnson (WI) scorched the boards with a nice 37 16/22 +282 to take qualifying honors.

Newly crowned Grand Master Les Kvien (IL) took Consolation qualifying honors, winning 8 of 9, 19 GP's +129. Mike Jacka (MN) took home the playoff action in this 110-player event (and 63 MRP's). Helen Adair (WI), Lee Tesch (WI), and Diane Waite (MN) finished 2-3-4.

As usual, director Alan Lindner had a full slate of satellite events. The winners:

Friday: Connie Staven (WI)

Saturday: Dale Vincent, Sr. (WI)

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28 (\$250); Clark Donnelly; 29 (\$500); Gary Dunham (MI); 24-hands (\$25); 262! Total casino perks: \$7,550!

Director Lindner reports that the first-ever 29-hand was scored in this event (in 14 trys). Gary Dunham, Spring Lake, MI, turned the trick to pick up \$500 from the St. Croix Casino and another \$100 from the ACC.

Lindner is scheduling more of these popular events. Check Tournament Trail, this issue, and enter early. Lindner reports these Classics sell out early.

Dan Carr... Who Is He?

Dan Carr is one of America's greatest Grass Roots players. He drives two hours round-trip from his home in Shelton, WA to play as a member of the Chehalis-Centralia GR 232 club. During the last four years, he has earned 1,003 national rating points...an average of 250 per year! He will become the first member of this club to earn a bronze award from this club. During that period he has won two club championships (scoring 290 and 266 points). He holds the record for scoring 73 wins in a 108-game quarter's action. And he has played in 108 consecutive sessions.

Director George "Ras" Rasmussen invites you to play in his upcoming Washington State Championship in mid-January and meet Dan Carr. He proclaims him "One of the real wonders of the Cribbage World."

Capper At It Again

At the Salem Fall Classic in Salem, OR, there was Ken Capper (OR) at it again! This time around he was handing out sacks of potatoes for 24-hands!

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