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Top Ten Reasons Not to Attend Grand National 27

10. You thought it was in Portland, Maine.
9. You couldn't find an entry form.
8. You didn't get invited to the GRTOC.
7. Your dog buried your GPS in the backyard.
6. The awards banquet doesn't have donuts on the menu.
5. You are afraid to take on MRP-leader **Erik Locke** in his hometown.
4. You're the subject of an Ethics Committee investigation into the black-market sale of MRPs.
3. You squandered your entry fee at the gas station.
2. You're still mad that Pluto was demoted from planet status, and so you're boycotting all tournaments with satellite events.

And the number one reason to avoid GN 27:

1. You've already heard **Warren Sondericker's** duck joke.

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Cribbage Lingo

toilet flush—all four cards thrown into the crib are of the same suit but don't match the suit of the cut card

Holy Jolie

In the past month one member moved past ACC founder Joe Wergin's lifetime total of 1,728 MRPs:

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My Deal

by David Aiken



With summer nearing an end, very soon all 170+ Grass Roots clubs across the United States and Canada will peg into action.

The start of the official Grass Roots season on September 1 is a cause for both rejoicing and consternation. Self-acknowledged cribbage geeks (like me) can hardly wait until the cards hit the table. Here's our chance to defend a title, improve our game, and see cribbage friends every week while playing the world's greatest card game.

Given all these benefits of playing in a Grass Roots club, why then am I hesitant about the start of the new season? I am worried that the next guest to walk in the door won't join our club and the ACC.

I'll grant you that tournament cribbage is not for everyone. Even though I'm happy whenever I meet anyone who loves this game, I'm not naïve enough to think that every cribbage player will want to join the ACC.

That said, I do have a tendency to take it personally when someone finds out about our club, makes the effort to show up on Tuesday, plays the evening with us—and then walks out the door never to be seen again. Since my club is not alone in this regard (see the Stat of the Month on page 8), please allow me to think aloud about the problem of attracting—but not retaining—new players.

In my thinking, the single, most important thing we can do to solve the retention problem is for established club members

to welcome the new folks. When you spot someone new, introduce yourself, find out their name, answer their questions, and then introduce your new friend to one or two other members.

Let's make it a point not to overwhelm guests with rules. Tournament cribbage has a lot of rules and penalties that we cannot expect new players to know on their first few nights. There's a right way and a wrong way to introduce the concept of cutting before the deal. There's a right way and a wrong way to tell them not to look at their discards after they hit the table.

I strongly believe that *no penalties* should be applied to new players during their official two-week initiation period. If they pick up their front peg, let them put it back. If they peg backward, let them reset their pegs and then record their score in the right direction. If they renege, then replay the pegging sequence and let them play the card at the right time with no penalty. If they can't come up with the right total for a tricky hand, then help them count it.

And it's definitely not a good idea to tell new players that they misplayed a hand—even if it is patently obvious. People play cribbage for a variety of reasons, and some guests may simply want to be part of a social club without being bothered by questions of strategy. If they want to take their game to the next level, questions about how to hold or peg a hand will naturally arise in the course of time.

Guests will undoubtedly play slower
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Your Deal



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Stink Hole vs. Dead Hole

I am writing to reaffirm the position taken by Paul Nyberg in the June CW. I too have been playing cribbage more than sixty years, and I was taught that hole 90 was the “stink hole.” Landing in hole 120 and not winning was referred to as the “dead hole.” A few years ago I asked Roger Wilson about this in Reno, and he seemed pretty sure that hole 120 was the stink hole. Nyberg’s letter indicates that more than one of us disagrees.

Bill Shoemaker (Bloomfield CT)

Of Politics and Playing

Nearly three times as many members played the GRNT as voted in the BOD elections. So I guess it is about playing—not politics. There must only be a handful of us interested in dull stuff like regional imbalances and voting procedures.

Graeme Gossett (Prineville OR)

↑Up and ↓Down

As a first-year ACC member, I doubt I will ever have an up-and-down month like June. On June 1, I played the Western Massachusetts Classic. After losing the last game of the main to miss the playoffs, I earned a string of pearls in the eight-game consolation. Three weeks later, the Weir River Tournament was slightly kinder. I qualified for the first time, had a 29-hand, and finished as runner-up. Then at the Baltimore Summer Special on June 29, I again crashed late to miss the playoffs;

after a blunder cost me the first game of the consolation and two more winnable games slipped through my fingers, I laid a seven-game goose egg. The deck gives, and the deck takes away: two strings of pearls, a 29-hand, and runner-up in a main.

Jon Pinyan (Allendale NJ)

Double 19-Hand

Governor Baldacci dealt Maine cribbage players a 19-hand by vetoing a bill that would have removed ridiculous fees required to play cribbage. If getting one 19-hand wasn’t bad enough, the ACC Board of Directors dealt us the first 19-hand by taking no action to help resolve the cribbage mess when made aware of the situation by Director David Campbell! I’ll never understand why no board help was offered. Jack Shumate hit the nail on the head regarding the BOD and their attitude of “don’t change anything.” It is time for the BOD to have term limits and get fresh energy and ideas into our organization. The board needs to give *all* members the opportunity to vote on term limits! Individual directors (mostly from the East), many ACC members, David Aiken, and Larry Hassett were great in providing support! My thanks to each of you! Particular thanks to Mainers who assisted in getting the bill to the governor—may you get the 29-hands you deserve! Directors that provided no help—may you receive more than your share of 19-hands.

Paul Rice (Wells ME)

| Tournament | Director | Main (MRPs) | Consolation (MRPs) | Big Hands | Satellite Winners |
|--|-----------------|--|---|--|---|
| Greater Spokane Valley Open (Spokane Valley WA; May 23--25) | Lynn Raymond | 122 players HQ. Jack Moritzky (60) 1. Gerald Klein (147) 2. Betty Johnson (105) 3. Elmer G. Rasmussen (70) 3. Wilma Davison (70) | 86 players HQ. Ronald L. Morgan (18) 1. Rocky Corisis (84) 2. Hazel Weichseldorfer (60) 3. Roy Hofbauer (40) 3. Tom Varnell (40) | 29-hand: Kenneth Capper* | <i>Early Bird:</i> John Furler <i>High Rollers:</i> John Furler <i>Doubles:</i> Louise Wilson and Hazel Weichseldorfer <i>Saturday:</i> Mills Brubaker |
| That's A Go! (Manitowoc WI; May 30--June 1) | Kristina Wright | 90 players HQ. James Huser (65) 1. Ruth Zimmerman (147) 2. Edward W. Balcer (105) 3. Lloyd J. Heibel (70) 3. Jerome Tork (70) | 58 players HQ. Lana Newhouse (15) 1. Doug Page (60) 2. Vickie Lindner (40) 3. Donald Flesch (24) 3. Gary Haelefrisch (24) | 29-hand: Lloyd "Gabby" Kraft* 28-hand: Donald Flesch* | <i>Friday:</i> Brad Behm <i>Saturday:</i> Dan Pohl |
| Nugget Classic (Paradise CA; May 30--31) | Jerry Moore | 92 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (50) 1. Valerie Sumner (147) 2. Mike Tungate (105) 3. Jeanne Jelke (70) 3. Dennis M. Jacobs (70) | 62 players HQ. Peggy Walberg (18) 1. Herschel Mack (60) 2. Peggy Scalley (40) 3. Cres Fernandez (24) 3. Ben Holder (24) | | <i>Doubles:</i> Anne Sheeran & Evelyn Gillmore |
| Space Coast Open (Merritt Island FL; June 6--8) | Lee Bailey | 67 players HQ. Michael Burnham (35) 1. Chris Parsons (147) 2. Bill Medeiros (105) 3. John Blowers (70) 3. James Wysocki (70) | 50 players HQ. Brenda Snow (21) 1. Harry Maiden (60) 2. Joy Barnes (40) 3. Joe Daesch (24) 3. Brenda Snow (24) | 28-hand: Ray Fischer* | <i>Friday:</i> Joy Barnes <i>Saturday:</i> Lin Simeone |
| Mt. St. Helens (Longview WA; June 6--8) | Chris McComas | 97 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (40) 1. Mike McDaniel (147) 2. Timothy Morrissey (105) 3. Duane W. Toll (70) 3. Robert M. Maupin (70) | 64 players HQ. Laurie Crosslin (24) 1. Elmer G. Rasmussen (60) 2. Laurie Crosslin (40) 3. Rollie Heath (24) 3. Sandra Price (24) | 28-hands: Victoria Norris* Bob Plows* Sandra Price* | <i>Time Passer:</i> Jack Moritzky <i>Doubles:</i> Jim Knutson & Todd Anderson <i>High Rollers:</i> Ron Morgan <i>Saturday:</i> Dennis Misener <i>Team:</i> Rick Baird, Ron Morgan, Duane Toll, Erik Locke |

* = in a sanctioned event

| Tournament | Director | Main (MRPs) | Consolation (MRPs) | Big Hands | Satellite Winners |
|--|------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| Mountain View Open (Loveland CO; June 7) | Troy Thorson & Kathy Pacocha | 50 players HQ. Dwight Van Cleve (40) 1. Max Condiotti (105) 2. Mary E. Skole (70) 3. Betty J. Davis (42) 3. Dwight Van Cleve (42) | 34 players HQ. Kathy Pacocha (18) 1. Troy Thorson (60) 2. John L. Hardy (40) 3. William Barnes (24) 3. William Z. Bender (24) | | Saturday: Dee Copeland |
| Orange Crush Classic (Laguna Woods CA; June 7) | Paul Yellon | 58 players HQ. Mel Ashley (45) 1. Robert J. Gromek (105) 2. Mel Ashley (70) 3. Luther R. Lord (42) 3. Joan Layte (42) | 38 players HQ. Obie Weeks (24) 1. Jim Crawford (60) 2. Walt Krukow (40) 3. Dean Julian (24) 3. John Bourgon (24) | 28-hand: Milton Goodman* | |
| pH Factor (Norwalk CA; June 8) | Pam Pomeroy | 50 players HQ. Donald L. Brown (45) 1. Jason Shumate (105) 2. Carolyn Maston (70) 3. H. Ross Njaa (42) 3. Bob Bartosh (42) | 38 players HQ. Jerry Person (18) 1. Lee Foglesong (60) 2. Jerry Person (40) 3. Kenneth A. Slama (24) 3. Jim Crawford (24) | 28-hands: Carolyn Maston* Judith Beay* Walt Krukow* | |
| Hawai'i Open (Honolulu HI; June 8) | Tsarkie | 18 players HQ. Mel Vios (35) 1. Debra Ann Yoshizu (70) 2. Roy Wong (42) | — | | |
| Capital City Cribbage (Ankeny IA; June 13-15) | Dick Ogden | 57 players HQ. John Syftestad (50) 1. Richard Frost (105) 2. Douglas I. Henderson (70) 3. Doyle Haglund (42) 3. John Syftestad (42) | 38 players HQ. Daniel Pluff (21) 1. Daniel Pluff (60) 2. Robert Julian (40) 3. Frank L. Trojan (24) 3. Doug Page (24) | 28-hand: Daniel Pluff* | Friday: John Syftestad Saturday: John Syftestad All Events: John Syftestad |
| Cascade Cribbage Classic (Redmond OR; June 13-15) | Bill Kaufman | 86 players HQ. Joanne Randolph (50) 1. James Langley (147) 2. Frank Ornie (105) 3. Duane W. Toll (70) 3. Jerold E. Montgomery (70) | 61 players HQ. Rosemary Hendricks (15) 1. Jesse Jarrell (60) 2. Jack Moritzky (40) 3. Erik Royland Locke (24) 3. Dan Marsh (24) | 29-hand: Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen | Early Bird: Liz Harriman Doubles: Duane Toll & Betty Stewart High Rollers: Jerold Montgomery Saturday: Sue Pisha |

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| Tournament | Director | Main (MRPs) | Consolation (MRPs) | Big Hands | Satellite Winners |
|---|------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Medford Lion's Tale (Medford OR; June 20-22) | Herschel & Rickie Mack | 84 players HQ. Paul Hatcher (55) 1. Erik Royland Locke (147) 2. Charles J. Dunn (105) 3. Mike Kashuba (70) 3. Jesse Jarrell (70) | 64 players HQ. Skip White (18) 1. James Langley (60) 2. Tom Langford (40) 3. Bernie Nelson (24) 3. Dennis Misener (24) | 29-hand: Bruce Pomeroy* 28-hands: Cathy Holmes* James Langley | Early Bird: Cres Fernandez High Rollers: Dick Goodboe Doubles: Skip White & Frank Ornie Saturday: John Furler All Events: James Langley Team: Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen, Jerry Blackman, Willie Evans, Paul Hatcher |
| Weir River (Ware MA; June 22) | Mathew Piechota | 84 players HQ. Joan Morrison (40) 1. Ken Patenaude (147) 2. Jonathan Pinyan (105) 3. Albert D. Miller (70) 3. Henry S. Delong (70) | 34 players HQ. Phyllis Schmidt (18) 1. David Samet (60) 2. David Campbell (40) 3. Vicki Soule (24) 3. Phyllis Schmidt (24) | 29-hand: Jonathan Pinyan* 28-hand: Lance Browne* | |
| Spring U.S. Open (West Covina CA; June 22) | Norm Nikodym | 47 players HQ. Luther R. Lord (65) 1. Mary McFarland (105) 2. Steven D. Yellon (70) 3. Michael Duffy (42) 3. Ronald L. Høglund (42) | 30 players HQ. Artland C. Kaai (15) 1. J. J. Stansfield (40) 2. Al Jean Simpson (24) 3. James A. Muller (12) 3. Everett Bieger (12) | | |
| Schafer Shuffle (Slinger WI; June 27-29) | Al & Sharon Schaefer | 109 players HQ. Kevin McCabe (60) 1. Joe Bernard (147) 2. Jerry Newhouse (105) 3. Mike Blackburn (70) 3. John Hiland (70) | 68 players HQ. Lewis A. Gurney (21) 1. Hal Mueller (84) 2. Gary Haeifrisch (60) 3. Donald A. Patrin (40) 3. Tony Danithel (40) | 28-hands: Gary Haeifrisch* Keith Widener | Friday: Marlene Lazachek Saturday: Kenneth Rosvold |

* = in a sanctioned event

Stat of the Month

8,387—number of people who joined the ACC between 11-1-1999 and 8-1-2007
5,187—number of people who dropped their membership after one year

Tournament Tidbits

That's A Go! Needing 14 points to win an early qualifying game against **Paul Mauel** (Appleton WI), Master **Ruth Zimmerman** (Green Bay WI) held A-A-2-2. Sugar! The cut card was a 7, so when Paul paired her Ace lead, Ruth naturally had to take the six points to give her a shot at winning. Oops! Paul had the case Ace and scored 12 points. Suddenly things looked brighter, however, when Paul paired her Deuce. With this second triple, Ruth would now have enough points to win the game when she counted her hand. Double sugar! Paul had the case Deuce, and he won the game by pegging out from hole 97! Ruth got the last laugh, however: she won the tournament.

Nugget Classic Twenty-four of the top fifty players in the Western Region played in Paradise CA at the end of May.

Capital City Cribbage #1 The mid-June floodwaters in Des Moines could not quench the hottest player in Iowa: Grand Master **John Syftestad** (Mount Horeb WI). On Friday night, he won eight games and took first place; in the main, he won seventeen games and was high qualifier; on Saturday night, he won seven games and—yet again—took first place. Needless to say, John also won first place in All Events, with 68 points. After winning 80% of his games in these three events (32 of 40 games), John finally ran out of gas on Sunday when he lost to Life

Master **Doug Henderson** (Racine WI) in a five-game semifinal match.

Medford Lion's Tale #1 Life Master **Erik "The Hammer" Locke** (Portland OR) had an astounding weekend: he qualified with a 32-GP scorecard and went on to win his sixth main of this season. He picked up 177 MRPs and is now averaging 224 MRPs monthly. With 2,395 MRPs on the year, Erik is a scant 82 points away from the season record of 2,477 MRPs set by Life Master (★★★) **Duane Toll** (Sutherlin OR) in 2006.

Medford Lion's Tale #2 After directing tournaments for eleven years, **Herschel and Rickie Mack** (McKinleyville CA) finally had someone get a sanctioned 29-hand in one of their tournaments. On June 21 Master **Bruce Pomeroy** (Middleton ID) was more than happy to take this monkey off their back.

Spring U.S. Open **Kerry O'Connell** (Ventura CA) won her very first MRPs in West Covina CA a few years back and on June 22 returned to the scene of the crime to capture her Master ranking.

Schaefer Shuffle He almost decided to go fishing, but at the last minute **Kevin McCabe** (Milwaukee WI) decided to play cribbage on his 38th birthday—and he ended up shooting his age: he scored 38 GPs and was high qualifier. How's that for a nice birthday present!

Capital City Cribbage #2 Life Master **Doug Page** (Appleton WI) had a couple of strange qualifying rounds in Des Moines IA. In the main, he lost his first five games—and then won seventeen games

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Can any player top John Syftestad's score of 68 points in All Events?

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CAPITAL CITY CRIBBAGE CLASSIC

NAME Doug Page (3)
 TABLE A SEAT 12

Official Scorecard

| GAME | GAME POINTS | SPREAD POINTS | | OPPONENTS' SIGNATURES | ID NO. |
|------|-------------|---------------|----|-----------------------|--------|
| | | + | - | | |
| 1 | - | | 18 | | 11 |
| 2 | - | | 24 | DSX | |
| 3 | - | | 18 | | |
| 4 | - | | 21 | MM | 10 |
| 5 | - | | 28 | | |
| 6 | 2 | 14 | | RMG | A6 |
| 7 | 2 | 09 | | | |
| 8 | 2 | 26 | | M | 2 |
| 9 | 2 | 07 | | | |
| 10 | 2 | 14 | | SBS | 5 |
| 11 | 2 | 08 | | | |
| 12 | 2 | 18 | | | 9 |
| 13 | 2 | 08 | | | |
| 14 | 2 | 07 | | | |
| 15 | 2 | 08 | | | |
| 16 | 2 | 09 | | TG | A8 |
| 17 | 2 | 11 | | | |
| 18 | 2 | 13 | | LMP | 4 |
| 19 | 2 | 04 | | KW | B3 |
| 20 | 2 | 11 | | | |
| 21 | 2 | 30 | | | A9 |
| 22 | 2 | 1500 | | | |

TOTAL 34 TOTALS 200 ✓
 Games Won 17 - 109 ✓
 NET POINTS +103 +96 Checked By: W

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CAPITAL CITY CRIBBAGE CLASSIC
 Official Scorecard (C4)

NAME Doug Page

| GAME | GAME POINTS | SPREAD POINTS | | OPPONENTS' SIGNATURES | ID NO. |
|------|-------------|---------------|----|-----------------------|--------|
| | | + | - | | |
| 1 | - | | 22 | | |
| 2 | 2 | 02 | | H | 3 |
| 3 | 2 | 01 | | M | 7 |
| 4 | 2 | 08 | | W | 6-11 |
| 5 | 2 | 27 | | L | 10 |
| 6 | 2 | 01 | | | 6 |
| 7 | 2 | 18 | | | 2 |
| 8 | 2 | 01 | | | CS |
| 9 | 2 | 27 | | | 9 |

TOTAL 16 TOTALS 85 ✓
 Games Won 8 - 22 ✓
 NET POINTS +63 ✓ Checked By: JP

in a row to qualify #3 with a nifty 34/17 +96. After getting booted from the play-offs, he started with a loss in the consolation—and then won eight in a row, this time turning in a 16/8 +63 scorecard and again qualifying #3.

Grand Slams

- **Jerry Person** (Los Angeles CA)—pH Factor consolation
- **Luther Lord** (Ontario CA)—Spring U.S. Open (see scorecard on page 17)

First Tournament Win

- **Mary McFarland** (Covina CA)—Spring U.S. Open

Short-lived ACC Record

At the Ocean State Classic consolation on May 4, Life Master (★) **Roland Hall** tied the highest score ever in a sanctioned eight-game tournament, with a stunning 18/8 +155 grand slam. Not only was this record-tying score not reported to *Cribbage World* in time for the July issue, but by time it was called to CW's attention, it was no longer a record! On June 1 Grand Master **Roger Bouchard** (Glastonbury CT) reset the bar to 18/8 +180.

than you do. That's okay; you can work on their speed after they join the club. We all know the formula: 9 games x 15 minutes = 2¼ hours—which means that with a 7:00 P.M. start time you can hit the road by 9:15 sharp. But is it really all that bad if you don't walk away until 9:37, or 10:03? Don't think of it as losing thirty minutes; think of it as promoting the game and making new players feel comfortable.

Finally, many new players are overwhelmed by "all that cribbage." For those

club members on hand, you can then play five or six games at a relaxed pace as a way to introduce guests to ACC-style play. A reduced summer schedule (every other week, for example, or seven games a session) can accomplish the same thing.

All of this has one purpose in mind: to make it as easy as possible for guests to feel comfortable with your club while learning the ropes. More importantly, everything you do should be geared to make your guests want to come back. There is

Tips to keep a game moving when playing a slow player. (1) Talk when they are dealing, and listen when you are dealing. (2) Be friendly, but don't try to learn everything about them the first night; when they join your club, you'll have many enjoyable weeks and months in which to hear their life story.

of us who routinely play twenty-two-game qualifying rounds at weekend tournaments, who enter long matches that last thirty or forty games, who can whip through six or seven games in an hour—for us, playing nine games is a snap.

And to be honest, there's not a lot you can do about the nine-games-a-week, thirty-six-sessions-a-year Grass Roots format. This arrangement has obvious advantages, and it is understandable that thousands of ACC members enjoy it week in, week out, year after year. To help assimilate new players, your club could hold an extra (unofficial) session on an off-night. Invite all recent newcomers, lurkers, or semi-interested players for a social night. With several of your friendlier, more outgoing

no doubt that visiting a club full of master cribbage players can be a daunting experience, but it shouldn't be off-putting.

Let me put it another way: there are more important things in Grass Roots play than enforcing a two-point penalty for re-neging, than winning a game, than finishing the session in exactly 135 minutes. There is a hierarchy of priorities at work here, and the #1 goal of the Grass Roots organization is to promote cribbage for its entertainment and education values. If we sometimes have to sacrifice personal goals for the good of the game, then so be it.



My thanks to Larry Hassett, Tom Lewis, Jeff Shimp, and Don Ellis for help with various elements of this issue.

New ACC Record

A new ACC record for a 20-game tournament was set by **Art Burgess** (Buford GA) at the Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic on April 19. After losing two of his first six games, Art (who won this tournament in 2007) then proceeded to win his last fourteen games, for a magnificent 39/18 +267 scorecard.

ACC Awards



It's hard to miss Bill at a cribbage tournament: not only is he one of the best-dressed players in attendance, but you'll usually find him in the playoffs. A boyhood friend taught him how to play cribbage when they were eleven years old, and Bill joined the ACC in 1984. Reno is by far and away his favorite tournament—not only because it is a well-attended and well-directed event, but because Bill and Sharlene were married there in 1994; their reception at the Sands Hotel had tons of well-wishers on hand. Bill credits the late Leo Horigan for mentoring him, and Bill has returned the favor to new players on the tournament circuit. Club champion five times (so far), Bill has twenty tournament championships to his credit (so far).

Bill Medeiros
(Thorndike MA)
Life Master (★ ★) #12

One might assume from Doug's quiet demeanor that he's a cribbage wimp, but you would make this mistake only once. Since joining the ACC in 1991, he's won eleven tournaments, been club champion twice, achieved his Bronze ranking, and now adds a star to his lofty Life Master rating. Just how lethal is Doug? Well, he once won twenty-five games in a row: two grand slams in two different Grass Roots clubs and then the first seven games of a Friday satellite event. In all, he has had eight grand slams (including an impressive 23/9 +275), and he was high qualifier in Reno with 42 points six years ago. (The scorecards on page 10 of this issue show his ability to turn up the heat.) Doug happily reports that "cribbage has been a very enjoyable part of his retirement." He and Ethel Sherwan travel a lot, and quite often they work in a cribbage tournament with their travels.

Doug Page
(Appleton WI)
Life Master (★) #48



David learned to play cribbage before he could read, when his godfather, Raymond Ward, taught him the game at age four. After joining the ACC in 2000, David quickly made his mark by winning the July consolation at Reno. His cribbage mentor is Bill Medeiros, and his toughest opponent is Rob Medeiros (no relation, even though they look a lot alike). David used to play Grass Roots cribbage at the Topsham ME club (#214)—when it was legal to play cribbage in Maine. David enjoys cooking, sports, and meeting friends throughout the country. "Without all of the great people," he writes, "this organization would have dissolved many years ago."

David Campbell
(Parsonsfield ME)
Life Master #154

New Cribbage Masters

- 707. Michael Burnham (Cartersville GA)
- 708. Joe Daesch (Coconut Creek FL)
- 709. Kenneth A. Slama (Laguna Woods CA)
- 710. Kerry O'Connell (Ventura CA)



Fred's father taught him to play cribbage many years ago, and his cribbage mentor was Tatsuo Tsuruda, an ACC charter member who exemplified the love of the game. Fred has won fourteen events in Hawai'i, but he's still looking for his first mainland win,

Fred L. White
(Kailua HI)
Grand Master #266

having finished second in the ACC Open twice: the main in 2000 and the consolation in 2007! He plans to retire in 2010 and then split his time between New England and Hawai'i. Until then, Fred spends his free time playing soccer, tending his fruit trees, and following his doctor's orders to drink a glass of red wine each day (he admits that he's a little ahead of schedule).

Dan picked up the game of cribbage by watching his parents play and became hooked on the game after his first tournament win—the Turtle Lake consolation in 1999. He won the Turtle Lake main a few years later, and his most recent win was the Capital City consolation. Dan's favorite tournament is the National Open in Raleigh NC. He loves the format—plus director Cathy Perkins “puts on a great tournament. Anyone considering this trip,” he says, “should try it. You'll be back.” His toughest opponents are two members of his Grass Roots club (#240): Todd Schaefer and Jerry Gruber. If it's fall and Dan's not at a cribbage tournament, then you'll find him doing his other favorite hobby: bow-hunting.

Daniel Pluff
(Saint Paul MN)
Grand Master #267



Welcome to New Members

The ACC welcomed 26 new members during June. When you see these folks down the tournament trail or at your cribbage club, welcome them with a hearty handshake, answer their questions, and then sit down with them and enjoy the best two-handed card game ever invented.

- Chuck Adams (Redding CA)
- Hugh E. Allen (Sun City Center FL)
- Irwin M. Ames (Redmond OR)
- Cloyd Barnes (Lansing MI)
- Cathy L. Bausch (Laguna Woods CA)
- Steven Beal (Marshfield MA)
- Randall Buck (Barre MA)
- Larry Cann (Winter Haven FL)
- Maureen Cann (Winter Haven FL)
- Jayn Courchaine (Spokane Valley WA)
- Adam Fitzhugh (Jessup MD)
- Beth Fleischer (Laguna Woods CA)
- Kenneth Fleming (Feeding Hills MA)

- Sandra Fleming (Feeding Hills MA)
- Curt Franklin (Boise ID)
- Diane Gentile (Rio Rancho NM)
- James H. Hickie (Palmer AK)
- Donald Kilps (Punta Gorda FL)
- Gary Kuehn (Wasilla AK)
- Jim Langstraat (Milwaukie OR)
- Dana Miller (Berthoud CO)
- Bill Monda (La Grande OR)
- Jay Petross (Fruitland ID)
- Craig Rawls (Redmond OR)
- Chris Ruggerio (Albuquerque NM)
- Joseph Sinkula (Tacoma WA)

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| 02/11/08 | Beth Van Domelen (OR) | 04/21/08 | Scott Buhrow (TN) |
| 02/14/08 | Cate Campbell-Correa (NJ) | 04/24/08 | Beth Witter (WI) |
| 02/16/08 | Peggy A. Johnson (WY) | 04/26/08 | Daniel Crete (NH) |
| 02/17/08 | Adrian Parslow (England) | 04/27/08 | Jonathan Pinyan (NJ) |
| 02/18/08 | John F. Reed (OR) | 04/28/08 | Tom Langford (CA) |
| 02/19/08 | Patricia Gossett (OR) | 04/29/08 | Beverly Bliss (AZ) |
| 02/21/08 | Valerie Nozick (GA) | 05/01/08 | Tom Langford (CA) |
| 02/23/08 | Elizabeth Miller (MN) | 05/04/08 | Elizabeth Miller (MN) |
| 02/24/08 | Evelyn Osaka (Canada) | 05/05/08 | David Bowen (MA) |
| 02/25/08 | Beth Witter (WI) | 05/08/08 | Shawn Hudson (NC) |
| 02/28/08 | John Schafer (MI) | 05/10/08 | Larry Mayo (NM) |
| 03/01/08 | Tom Langford (CA) | 05/12/08 | James H. Morrow (WA) |
| 03/02/08 | Peter Stemler (NV) | 05/13/08 | Allen Nypen (OR) |
| 03/03/08 | William A. Schultz (IL) | 05/15/08 | Richard Shea (CA) |
| 03/06/08 | Beth Witter (WI) | 05/17/08 | Gary Wirth (Canada) |
| 03/08/08 | Ray Fischer (NC) | 05/18/08 | Allen Nypen (OR) |
| 03/09/08 | James H. Morrow (WA) | 05/19/08 | Gerald D. Oxford (CA) |
| 03/10/08 | Gary Wirth (Canada) | 05/22/08 | Richard Shea (CA) |
| 03/13/08 | Royal Newell (MT) | 05/24/08 | Tom Lewis (NM) |
| 03/15/08 | David D. Braach (MT) | 05/25/08 | Patricia Gossett (OR) |
| 03/16/08 | James H. Morrow (WA) | 05/27/08 | Philip R. Beauregard (MA) |
| 03/17/08 | Beth Witter (WI) | 05/29/08 | Mark Van Dyke (MI) |
| 03/20/08 | Philip R. Beauregard (MA) | 05/31/08 | Mike Fetchel (CT) |
| 03/22/08 | Timothy M. Julkowski (OR) | 06/01/08 | James H. Morrow (WA) |
| 03/24/08 | Gary Wirth (Canada) | 06/02/08 | Dick Westphal (NM) |
| 03/25/08 | Donald C. Hannula (MI) | 06/05/08 | Evelyn Osaka (Canada) |
| 03/27/08 | Karen R. Dorcas (AK) | 06/08/08 | Mark Van Dyke (MI) |
| 03/29/08 | Ed Bloom (CA) | 06/09/08 | George Riley (MA) |
| 03/31/08 | John F. Reed (OR) | 06/10/08 | Pat Llewellyn (MA) |
| 04/03/08 | James H. Morrow (WA) | 06/12/08 | Monica Hunt (MT) |
| 04/05/08 | Ray Fischer (NC) | 06/14/08 | Dan Klein (MI) |
| 04/06/08 | Karen R. Dorcas (AK) | 06/16/08 | David D. Braach (MT) |
| 04/07/08 | William MacMillan (WY) | 06/19/08 | Mike Rosenstock (TN) |
| 04/08/08 | Jeff Crane (MO) | 06/21/08 | Valerie Nozick (GA) |
| 04/10/08 | Doris Stemler (NV) | 06/22/08 | Don Eastwood (NC) |
| 04/12/08 | Rick Montague (MA) | 06/23/08 | Nancy R. Roncetti (PA) |
| 04/13/08 | Donald C. Hannula (MI) | 06/24/08 | David D. Braach (MT) |
| 04/14/08 | Douglas I. Henderson (WI) | 06/26/08 | Patricia Gossett (OR) |
| 04/17/08 | Lewis Skidmore (Canada) | 06/28/08 | Robert Medeiros (MA) |
| 04/19/08 | Todd D. Wolfley (ID) | 06/29/08 | Larry Rozeck (Canada) |
| 04/20/08 | John F. Reed (OR) | 06/30/08 | James H. Morrow (WA) |

INTERNET Standings (6-30-2008)

top 10% of internet players (currently 19) earn a TOC invitation

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|--------------------------|----|-----|------------------------------|----|-----|-------------------------|
| 1 | 744 | Gary Wirth, AB (89) | 7 | 528 | Bill Medeiros, MA (77) | 13 | 471 | Mark Van Dyke, MI (111) |
| 2 | 702 | Mike Fetchel, CT (101) | 8 | 525 | William A. Schultz, IL (105) | 14 | 459 | Allen Nypen, OR (100) |
| 3 | 648 | James H. Morrow, WA (87) | 9 | 519 | Evelyn Osaka, AB (121) | 15 | 453 | Tom Langford, CA (94) |
| 4 | 582 | Scott Buhrow, TN (98) | 10 | 498 | Elizabeth Miller, MN (123) | 16 | 447 | Rodney Duff, CT (92) |
| 5 | 570 | John F. Reed, OR (101) | 11 | 495 | Ed Bloom, CA (106) | 16 | 447 | Richard Shea, CA (98) |
| 6 | 558 | Tom Lewis, NM (100) | 12 | 480 | Doug Henderson, WI (92) | 18 | 444 | David Bowen, MA (100) |

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| date | day | time | type | scoring | director |
|----------|----------|-------|--------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Aug. 2 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Aug. 3 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Aug. 4 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Aug. 7 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Aug. 9 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Aug. 10 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Aug. 11 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Aug. 12 | Tuesday | 8p | Cribbage Cup* | manual | Ellis |
| Aug. 14 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Aug. 16 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Aug. 17 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Aug. 18 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Aug. 21 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Aug. 23 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Aug. 24 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Aug. 25 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Aug. 26 | Tuesday | 8p | Cribbage Cup* | manual | Ellis |
| Aug. 28 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Aug. 30 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Aug. 31 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Sept. 4 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Sept. 6 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Sept. 7 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Sept. 8 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Sept. 9 | Tuesday | 8p | Cribbage Cup* | manual | Ellis |
| Sept. 11 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Sept. 13 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Sept. 14 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Sept. 15 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Sept. 18 | Thursday | 10p | single elimination | manual | Oxford |
| Sept. 20 | Saturday | 5:30p | single elimination | automatic | Polmaskitch |
| Sept. 21 | Sunday | 3:30p | single elimination | automatic | Ellis |
| Sept. 22 | Monday | 7:30p | single elimination | manual | Spencer |
| Sept. 23 | Tuesday | 8p | Cribbage Cup* | manual | Ellis |

All times Eastern ♦ * = ACC members only ♦ Screen names of TDs:
 Donald E. Ellis (LoneStar_) Gerald Oxford (_TheOx_1)
 Cathy Polmaskitch (GEMINI) Susan Spencer (LiLlMsRight)

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 19 441 John Dellarsina, CA (96) | 25 423 Peter Stemler, NV (123) | 31 381 Mike Rosenstock, TN (87) |
| 20 438 Lewis Skidmore, AB (91) | 26 411 William MacMillan, WY (92) | 32 378 Rick Allen, VA (114) |
| 21 435 Kelly Ann Burgar, AB (101) | 27 408 Bryan J. Gurden, NV (89) | 33 357 Karen R. Dorcas, AK (100) |
| 21 435 John Schafer, MI (94) | 28 399 Valerie Nozick, GA (90) | 34 351 Jeff Gardner, OH (90) |
| 23 432 Daniel Crete, NH (93) | 29 393 Monica Hunt, MT (96) | 35 345 Patricia Gossett, OR (57) |
| 23 432 Shawn Hudson, NC (102) | 30 384 Don Eastwood, NC (92) | 35 345 Nancy R. Roncetti, PA (65) |

TOC

Invitation Criteria

Can't wait for your TOC invitation to show up in the mail? If you have met at least one of the criteria listed below, then you have qualified to play in this invitation-only event and can begin to make your travel arrangements. All criteria apply to the cribbage season ending on July 31, 2008.

If you earn a one-year invitation more than one way (e.g., you are club champion and winner of a sanctioned event), you cannot split them up to provide multiple invitations stretched over consecutive years. After a one-year invitation is used—even if you met multiple one-year criteria—then you have to requalify the next year.

The one-year criteria marked with an asterisk (*) have a three-year option; that is, if you receive an invitation on the basis of an asterisked criterion, you may use it in 2009, 2010, or 2011. Once used, however, the invitation expires, and you must requalify in subsequent years.

Two other requirements must be met in order to play in the TOC: (1) you must be an ACC member, and (2) you must be age 21 by February 6, 2009 (a deferment is available if you are not 21 by this date).

one-year invitation

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- GRRT winners*
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three-year invitation

- top 50 rated players from each region

ten-year invitation

- winner of TOC

automatic invitation

- anyone reaching a Master rating before the end of the previous season
- anyone reaching a Bronze rating before the end of the previous season

Further questions about the TOC and the criteria may be directed to TOC Director **Joan Rein** (PO Box 306, Carver MN 55315 or accgrassroots@earthlink.net).

Grand National 27

Hotel food not appeal to you? Hop on MAX (light rail), and in less than ten minutes you'll find everything from McDonal-d's to Olive Garden.

Looking for a finer dining experience? Portland is known for its fresh seafood and eclectic restaurants, and this is the perfect time of year to try some delicious Oregon salmon!

For those who prefer to stay at the hotel, we encourage you to try the restaurant in the Holiday Inn. The Northwest Grill offers a wide variety of menu choices, ranging from cheeseburgers to roast beef. Flirts Lounge and Nightclub, also located on the hotel grounds, will give you a chance to kick back with your favorite drink and some appetizers!

Questions about GN 27 may be sent to **Tim and Ken Julkowski** (503.382.9781 or grand_national_xxvii@yahoo.com).

Top Ten Reasons to Ignore the Top Ten Reasons Not to Attend GN 27

10. Maine was last year; try the left coast this year.
9. Umm, look in the centerfold.
8. Neither did 6,761 other ACC members; get over it.
7. Make your dog the navigator.
6. Bring your own.
5. Ah, come on; you're afraid of a 24-year-old phenom?
4. We won't tell anyone you're buying MRPs at \$5 a pop from Bob McCabe.
3. Add an extra person (or dog) to your carpool.
2. Would it help if we called satellite tournaments "plutoids"?
1. You've got admit that it *is* a good joke!

Luther Lord's Really Cool Scorecard

We wanted to print this scorecard from the Spring U.S. Open, but the only place we could find for it was here—on it's side. But maybe that's appropriate, given the heavy scores in the left column! It's not quite an ACC record, but pretty damn impressive, nonetheless.

| Game Points | Games Won | NET SPREAD | U.S. OPEN OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD | | | Verification I.D. Number |
|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 26 | 12 | 248 | Name | Acc# | Seat# | Opponents Initials |
| Game Points | Spread Points (+) (-) | Opponents Initials | Verification I.D. Number | Game Points | Spread Points (+) (-) | Opponents Initials |
| 2 | 14 | AP | A8 | 2 | 14 | AP |
| 2 | 13 | R | A6 | 2 | 13 | R |
| 2 | 23 | AP | A4 | 2 | 23 | AP |
| 3 | 45 | AP | A2 | 2 | 45 | AP |
| 2 | 20 | AP | A2 | 2 | 20 | AP |
| 2 | 25 | JJS | A21 | 2 | 25 | JJS |
| 2 | 08 | KB | A19 | 2 | 08 | KB |
| 2 | 30 | JB | A-1 | 2 | 30 | JB |
| 3 | 32 | M | A15 | 3 | 32 | M |
| 2 | 10 | SF | A13 | 2 | 10 | SF |
| 2 | 16 | AP | A11 | 2 | 16 | AP |
| 2 | 12 | AP | A-9 | 2 | 12 | AP |
| 2.6 | 248 | | Win = 2 Skunk = 3 | 2.6 | 248 | |
| 12 | 248 | | Loss = 0 | 12 | 248 | |
| 12 | 248 | | Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. | 12 | 248 | |
| | | | NET POINTS (+/-) | | | |
| | | | 248 | | | |
| | | | Signature <i>Luther Lord</i> | | | |

19-HANDS

It is time to close the saga of the five-card blank hands. How many blank hands are there? *Only* 220 combinations of five cards (ignoring suit) yield a 19-hand. Given that there are 6,175 total numerical combinations of five cards (again ignoring suit), that's not bad: you will get a blank hand only 3.5% of the time—right?!

As far as CW can tell, **William H. Green's** *Key to Cribbage* (1882) was the first book to enumerate all 220 blank hands. While this book is hard to find (even in a reprint edition), it is included in its entirety as an appendix to ACC founder **Joseph Petrus Wergin's** *How to Win at Cribbage* (1980).

Just in case you want to know what hands to avoid, a complete list of all 220 of those nasty zero hands may be found in the nearby box. **Norm Nikodym** points out an interesting factoid: all blank hands contain at least one 10 or face card. Therefore, if you hold four cards all lower than 10 and the starter is also lower than 10, you will have at least two points.

Which card appears most frequently in these 220 blank hands? The King is king of the blank hand, with 129 appearances, followed by these lesser cards:

card frequency

| | |
|--------------|--------------|
| K | 129 |
| 10 | 112 |
| Q | 111 |
| J | 99 |
| 7 | 93 |
| 3 | 90 |
| A | 89 |
| 6 | 84 |
| 4 | 78 |
| 2 | 77 |
| 9 | 70 |
| 8 | 68 |
| 5 | 0 |
| total | 1,100 |

Since every cloud must by law have a silver lining, what can be the possible benefit in a 19-hand? During the pegging, your opponent will have no idea what cards you are holding!

Cedric Larson (Forestville CA) reminded me that Wergin's book contained Green's list of all cribbage hands. In addition, several cribbage maniacs submitted lists of blank hands. I sure hope they didn't draw from personal experience!

- **Henry Bergeron** (Webster NH)
- **Fred Blanc** (Middleboro MA)
- **Norm Nikodym** (Ontario CA)
- **James Stratton** (Jackson MI)
- **Donald Urban** (Marengo IL)
- **Beth Witter** (Green Bay WI)

Rather than introduce a new quiz this month, it is time to tie up a loose end. In response to last's month Cribbage Quiz, **Jon Pinyan** (Allendale NJ) submitted proof that an eight-card hand has to have at least two points: "First, we already know that any 5-card or combo



| | | | | |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| A-2-6-10-J | A-3-7-9-Q | A-9-10-Q-K | 2-8-10-Q-K | 3-7-9-10-K |
| A-2-6-10-Q | A-3-7-9-K | 2-4-6-8-10 | 2-9-10-Q-K | 3-7-9-J-Q |
| A-2-6-10-K | A-3-7-10-J | 2-4-6-8-J | 3-4-6-7-10 | 3-7-9-J-K |
| A-2-6-J-Q | A-3-7-10-Q | 2-4-6-8-Q | 3-4-6-7-J | 3-7-9-Q-K |
| A-2-6-J-K | A-3-7-10-K | 2-4-6-8-K | 3-4-6-7-Q | 3-7-10-J-K |
| A-2-6-Q-K | A-3-7-J-Q | 2-4-6-10-J | 3-4-6-7-K | 3-7-10-Q-K |
| A-2-7-9-10 | A-3-7-J-K | 2-4-6-10-Q | 3-4-6-10-J | 3-8-9-J-Q |
| A-2-7-9-J | A-3-7-Q-K | 2-4-6-10-K | 3-4-6-10-Q | 3-8-9-J-K |
| A-2-7-9-Q | A-3-8-9-J | 2-4-6-J-Q | 3-4-6-10-K | 3-8-9-Q-K |
| A-2-7-9-K | A-3-8-9-Q | 2-4-6-J-K | 3-4-6-J-Q | 3-8-10-J-K |
| A-2-7-10-J | A-3-8-9-K | 2-4-6-Q-K | 3-4-6-J-K | 3-8-10-Q-K |
| A-2-7-10-Q | A-3-8-10-J | 2-4-7-10-J | 3-4-6-Q-K | 3-9-10-Q-K |
| A-2-7-10-K | A-3-8-10-Q | 2-4-7-10-Q | 3-4-7-9-10 | 4-6-7-10-J |
| A-2-7-J-Q | A-3-8-10-K | 2-4-7-10-K | 3-4-7-9-J | 4-6-7-10-Q |
| A-2-7-J-K | A-3-8-J-Q | 2-4-7-J-Q | 3-4-7-9-Q | 4-6-7-10-K |
| A-2-7-Q-K | A-3-8-J-K | 2-4-7-J-K | 3-4-7-9-K | 4-6-7-J-Q |
| A-2-8-9-J | A-3-8-Q-K | 2-4-7-Q-K | 3-4-7-10-J | 4-6-7-J-K |
| A-2-8-9-Q | A-3-9-10-Q | 2-4-8-10-J | 3-4-7-10-Q | 4-6-7-Q-K |
| A-2-8-9-K | A-3-9-10-K | 2-4-8-10-Q | 3-4-7-10-K | 4-6-8-10-J |
| A-2-8-10-J | A-3-9-J-Q | 2-4-8-10-K | 3-4-7-J-Q | 4-6-8-10-Q |
| A-2-8-10-Q | A-3-9-J-K | 2-4-8-J-Q | 3-4-7-J-K | 4-6-8-10-K |
| A-2-8-10-K | A-3-9-Q-K | 2-4-8-J-K | 3-4-7-Q-K | 4-6-8-J-Q |
| A-2-8-J-Q | A-3-10-J-K | 2-4-8-Q-K | 3-4-9-10-Q | 4-6-8-J-K |
| A-2-8-J-K | A-3-10-Q-K | 2-4-10-J-K | 3-4-9-10-K | 4-6-8-Q-K |
| A-2-8-Q-K | A-6-7-10-J | 2-4-10-Q-K | 3-4-9-J-Q | 4-6-10-J-K |
| A-2-9-10-Q | A-6-7-10-Q | 2-6-8-10-J | 3-4-9-J-K | 4-6-10-Q-K |
| A-2-9-10-K | A-6-7-10-K | 2-6-8-10-Q | 3-4-9-Q-K | 4-7-9-10-Q |
| A-2-9-J-Q | A-6-7-J-Q | 2-6-8-10-K | 3-4-10-J-K | 4-7-9-10-K |
| A-2-9-J-K | A-6-7-J-K | 2-6-8-J-Q | 3-4-10-Q-K | 4-7-9-J-Q |
| A-2-9-Q-K | A-6-7-Q-K | 2-6-8-J-K | 3-6-7-10-J | 4-7-9-J-K |
| A-2-10-J-K | A-6-10-J-K | 2-6-8-Q-K | 3-6-7-10-Q | 4-7-9-Q-K |
| A-2-10-Q-K | A-6-10-Q-K | 2-6-10-J-K | 3-6-7-10-K | 4-7-10-J-K |
| A-3-6-7-10 | A-7-9-10-Q | 2-6-10-Q-K | 3-6-7-J-Q | 4-7-10-Q-K |
| A-3-6-7-J | A-7-9-10-K | 2-7-9-10-Q | 3-6-7-J-K | 4-8-9-J-Q |
| A-3-6-7-Q | A-7-9-J-Q | 2-7-9-10-K | 3-6-7-Q-K | 4-8-9-J-K |
| A-3-6-7-K | A-7-9-J-K | 2-7-9-J-Q | 3-6-8-10-J | 4-8-9-Q-K |
| A-3-6-10-J | A-7-9-Q-K | 2-7-9-J-K | 3-6-8-10-Q | 4-8-10-J-K |
| A-3-6-10-Q | A-7-10-J-K | 2-7-9-Q-K | 3-6-8-10-K | 4-8-10-Q-K |
| A-3-6-10-K | A-7-10-Q-K | 2-7-10-J-K | 3-6-8-J-Q | 4-9-10-Q-K |
| A-3-6-J-Q | A-8-9-J-Q | 2-7-10-Q-K | 3-6-8-J-K | 6-7-10-J-K |
| A-3-6-J-K | A-8-9-J-K | 2-8-9-J-Q | 3-6-8-Q-K | 6-7-10-Q-K |
| A-3-6-Q-K | A-8-9-Q-K | 2-8-9-J-K | 3-6-10-J-K | 6-8-10-J-K |
| A-3-7-9-10 | A-8-10-J-K | 2-8-9-Q-K | 3-6-10-Q-K | 6-8-10-Q-K |
| A-3-7-9-J | A-8-10-Q-K | 2-8-10-J-K | 3-7-9-10-Q | 7-9-10-Q-K |

(A-4 or 2-3) contains points. Thus we can't have a 5, and we can have only one of A or 4 and only one of 2 or 3. With two cards out of A through 5, we would need to hold six cards out of 6 through K. The only way to do that without making any runs would be 6-7-9-

10-Q-K. However, this forces us to hold 6-9, which is a 15-2. Thus no eight-card combination has zero points."

Questions for inclusion in a future Cribbage Quiz may be emailed to cribbage@iserv.net.

CW Contest #2

Six mathematical wizards provided the correct answer to CW Contest #2, which necessitated a blind drawing to determine the prize winner. The drawing was held on July 15 at Grass Roots Club #91 (Grand Rapids MI) and witnessed by the players in attendance, including two BOD members, three ACC judges, and retired Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

The following calculating readers submitted the correct answer:

- **Mattie Bradshaw** (Sharpsburg GA)
- **Joe Daesch** (Coconut Creek FL)
- **Richard Frost** (Berlin WI)
- **Sandra Hinker** (Greenwood WI)
- **Keith Widener** (Clemmons NC)
- **Beth Witter** (Green Bay WI)

And the winner is . . . **Beth Witter**. For proving that her arithmetic prowess extends beyond the actual cribbage game, Beth received free entry into the National Open Cribbage Tournament in Raleigh NC on July 28–29. Watch the September CW for a report on how Beth fared on her free ride.

For those of you who submitted the wrong answer—or failed to send in your entry—the answer to CW Contest #2 is found on the next page.

The final answer—**29**—is not only the perfect hand that all of us dream about, but this number will also figure prominently in CW Contest #3. Stay tuned for details.

Best Cribbage Club in Michigan

They did it again! For the third time in four years, the Cereal City Cribbage Club (#300) won the Michigan All Star Tournament. The wining team—composed of club director **David Gerke**, **George Tank-sley**, **Bob Cook**, and **Gary Reichel**—successfully defended its 2007 title. It previously won the MAST title in 2005.

Thirty-two players from eight Michigan Grass Roots clubs gathered in Grand Rapids on July 12 to compete in the fourth annual in-state competition. According to tournament director **David Aiken**, All Star teams are composed of the best players from each Grass Roots club throughout Michigan, based on their win percentage in weekly play during the 2007–2008 season. This annual tournament generates much enthusiasm throughout the year, as

players in each club jockey for the coveted slots on their All Star team.

Ruthie Tiesma (Kalamazoo) posted top score in this year's 28-game tourney: 40/19 +220. She was followed closely by **Mark Van Dyke** (Muskegon) with 38/18 and **Bob Cook** (Battle Creek) with 38/16.

In the closest finish in the history of this event, only seven wins separated the top and bottom teams. Battle Creek won 59 of their 112 games (130 GPs)—only three games above .500 (52.8%)—while the last-place team won 52 games.

Muskegon #229 (who won the title in 2006) took second place. Other participating clubs were Grand Rapids #71, Grand Rapids #91, Rochester Hills #295, Kalamazoo #321, Mt. Pleasant #329, and Jackson #332.

| question | answer | running total | CW source |
|---|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| fill in the blank: the odds of getting a 29-hand are one in _____ | 216,580 | 216,580 | Oct. 2007, p. 20 |
| divide by the number of sanctioned 29-hands Beverlee Honeycutt has held | 4 | 54,145 | July 2007, p. 25 |
| subtract the year Sir John Suckling was born | 1609 | 52,536 | Feb. 2007, p. 20 |
| divide by the value of the only cribbage hand that cannot be helped by the cut | 12 | 4,378 | Jan. 2007, p. 18 |
| subtract the number of MRPs Chris McComas scored in the 2006–2007 season | 2,118 | 2,260 | Sept. 2007, p. 11 |
| multiply by the number commonly associated with a blank hand (not its actual value) | 19 | 42,940 | [many references] |
| subtract Joe Wergin's lifetime MRP total | 1,728 | 41,212 | March 2007, p. 21 |
| subtract the number of times Sir John Suckling was mentioned in the April 2008 CW | 4 | 41,208 | April 2008 |
| divide by the number of CW issues DeLynn Colvert edited | 202 | 204 | Feb. 2007, p. 4 |
| multiply by the number of cribbage hands that every cut card helps | 77 | 15,708 | Dec. 2007, p. 18 |
| subtract the number of holes by which Jim Wysocki won his closest game in the 2007 GRRT | 3 | 15,705 | March 2008, p. 25 |
| divide by the number of minutes that is the stated goal for the length of a cribbage game | 15 | 1,047 | August 2007, p. 24 |
| subtract the number of players in the first Grand National | 174 | 873 | Sept. 2007, p. 39 |
| subtract the most common size of bracket in long match play | 32 | 841 | Sept. 2007, p. 27 |
| divide by the perfect cribbage hand | 29 | 29 | [many references] |

Best Cribbage Club in Florida

The first annual Florida All Star Tournament was held at the Kissimmee Elks Lodge on July 12. It was attended by six Grass Roots clubs from throughout the state.

Four members each from Greater Orlando #22, Halifax Area #230, Palm Beach County #241, Haines City Peg-A-Longs #276, Space Coast Peggers #336, and Kissimmee Kribbage Klub #341 met to do battle at 9:30 A.M.

When the smoke cleared, amazingly enough the teams finished in the order of their longevity! Leading the Greater Orlando club to victory was **David Fournier** (Casselberry FL), who turned in a nice 29/14 +73 scorecard.

According to tournament director **Ray Wanke** (Kissimmee FL), this will likely become an annual event. Two clubs—Halifax Area and Greater Orlando—volunteered to host the FAST in 2009.



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Other Events

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|-------------------------|---|------------------|-------|
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| Friday Early Bird | — | \$20, \$10 Opt Q | 2:00p |
| Friday High Rollers | — | \$50, \$25 Opt Q | 6:30p |
| Friday Doubles | — | \$50/team | 7:00p |
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| Sunday Crybaby | — | \$20, \$10 Opt Q | 2:00p |
| Sunday Last Chance | — | \$20, \$10 Opt Q | 6:00p |

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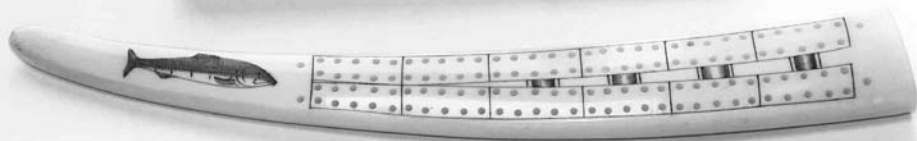
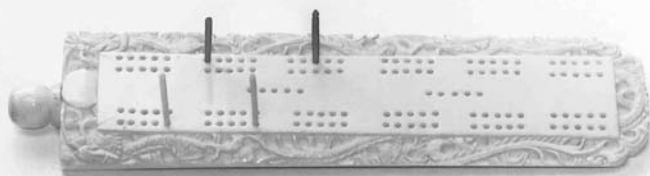
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Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

Handcrafted cribbage boards are frequently made from ivory, horn, and bone. The elephant ivory board pictured here (top) was made in Hong Kong or Japan; most of these boards were sold to GIs who were in Japan following World War II. The walrus ivory board is Native Alaskan scrimshaw. Both types of ivory board are highly valued by cribbage board collectors since there is a limited supply. Other types of ivory come from prehistoric mammoths, whale teeth, warhogs, and elk (the top two canine teeth). Elephant and walrus ivory tusk has many restrictions on its sale and import (for information about the legal restrictions on ivory, go to **boonetradig.com**, the website of the Boone Trading Co. of Brinnon WA).



Jay Fulwider collects cribbage boards in picturesque Washington State. Ideas for and questions about this column may be sent to him at **budandotis@msn.com** (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line). For more information on cribbage boards and collecting, visit the Cribbage Board Collector's Society website at **cbcs.us**.

Milestones!

August 6: Jack A. Barrett (WI)—80th
August 28: Edward Kramer (IL)—80th
August 1: Douglas Myers (MI)—70th

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1. John Blake (WA): Carter Classic (September 22)
2. Jeanette Nielsen (OR): Montana Championship (October 6)
3. Beth Witter (WI): Schaefer Shuffle (October 6)
4. Al Gaudreau (MA): October Occurrence (October 14)
5. Harold Sontag (CA): Reynolds Xmas Wrap (December 1)
6. James Fanning (Garden Valley CA): JPW/ACC Open (February 9)
7. Donald LeVack (Colorado Springs CO): Spirit Special (March 11)
8. Beth Witter (Green Bay WI): March Madness (March 16)
9. Phyllis Roderick (Woodburn OR): Timber Capital (April 5)
10. Paul Roy (Edmonds WA): Washington State Open (April 19)
11. Jack Angel (Etowah NC): Colonial Cribbage Classic (April 26)
12. David Shaff (Minneapolis MN): Black River Country Classic (May 4)
13. Barbara Stockham (Roseville CA): Win River Spring Fling (May 18)
14. Kenneth Capper (Hermiston OR): Greater Spokane Valley Open (May 24)
15. Les Kvien (Mundelein IL): Rockford Memorial Day Classic (May 25)
16. Lloyd "Gabby" Kraft (Seymour WI): That's A Go! (May 31)
17. Bruce Pomeroy (Middleton ID): Medford Lion's Tale (June 21)
18. Jonathan Pinyan (Waldwick NJ): Weir River (June 22)

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- **Sherry R. Correll:** Syracuse NY

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Junior Program Donations

Thanks to the following members, who made recent donations to the Junior Program:

- **George Bryer** (Saugus MA)
- **Sue Edwards** (Denver CO)
- **Dennis Johnston** (Concord CA)
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- **Al Preli** (Laguna Woods CA)
- **Jack B. Shumate III** (Newport OR)

The Junior Program assists ACC members in teaching cribbage to kids by providing a 22-page teacher's guide for the classroom, cribbage boards and cards as needed, and trophies and nonmonetary awards for junior tournaments. Questions about the Junior Program may be addressed to Dan Zeisler.

Master Dan Zeisler is superintendent of an elementary school district in Grass Valley CA and founder of the Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament. Information about youth cribbage may be sent to Dan at 530.274.3124; danthefan@yahoo.com; or 10300 Dawkins Ln, Grass Valley CA 95949-9601.

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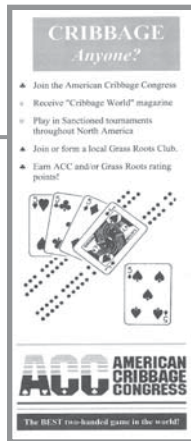
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To Tell or Not to Tell? That Is the Question

Backward-Pegging Opponents



The ACC Rules Committee, under the able stewardship of Life Master **Herschel Mack** (McKinleyville CA), is in the process of considering rule revisions for a new edition of the ACC rule book. At the BOD meeting in February, several proposed changes were discussed by board members, with additional input from ACC members observing the meeting.

One of the most vigorously discussed issues was that of a player's response to an opponent pegging backward. The consensus seemed to be that it was inappropriate to create a rule requiring the non-pegging-backward (NPB) player to inform her opponent that he is pegging his score in reverse and to penalize the NPB player if she allowed that state of affairs to continue.

This would be an unenforceable rule, since it is not possible for two judges who arrive after the fact to ascertain at what moment the NPB player knew her opponent was harming himself. In addition, even if one assumes such knowledge was available, determining an appropriate penalty that could be applied to all such situations would be, to say the least, difficult.

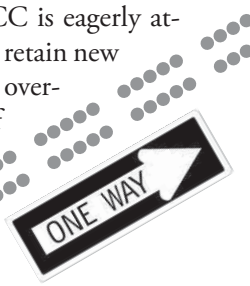
It was proposed instead that a statement be included in the "Code of Ethics" section of the ACC rule book (currently page 5) to the effect that allowing an opponent to continue pegging backward is unethical. Many of those present at the meeting felt that this was an appropriate response

to the perceived problem. But is it? Let's look at some the pros and cons of including this in the ACC Code of Ethics.

Proponents of including the statement point to the fact that the ACC is, first and foremost, an organization devoted to the friendly pursuit of a game we all enjoy playing. In that spirit, it is contradictory to allow an opponent to continue to take action that actually or potentially causes him to lose. Although we are competing, I want to win on my own merits (regardless of the much-debated skill/luck proportions thereof). The rule requiring a player to peg out when he has won the game was scrapped overwhelmingly because judges were being called and told, "My opponent won the game but he didn't peg out." Is pegging backward significantly different?

In addition, many in favor of inclusion pointed to ACC demographics: we have many members who are elderly, have vision problems, or are otherwise physically, mentally, or emotionally handicapped. Taking advantage of their disabilities is bullying—behavior that is antithetical to the aims and objectives of the ACC.

Last, proponents of including the statement note that the ACC is eagerly attempting to recruit and retain new members. New players, overwhelmed by rules of tournament play, are more apt



to make mistakes, including pegging backward, especially when they go around the end of a table. Promptly pointing out that they are pegging backward would not only reduce the number of such errors, but also would demonstrate to newbies that the ACC is, in fact, a friendly organization.

Opponents of including a statement about continuing to allow an opponent to peg backward also presented strong arguments. The ACC is devoted to friendly competition, but it is competition nonetheless. How responsible must one be for an opponent's errors? There is always a learning curve when someone tries something new, and tournament cribbage is no different: new players will always make more mistakes than seasoned ones, and players with disabilities, though not new, play ACC cribbage because they want to.

What about the relatively few occasions where the person pegging backward is drunk or high? Most rules are written with explicit acknowledgement that infractions are caused by error rather than mendacity: we speak of correcting irregularities, not of nailing cheaters. Should the accidental act of pegging backward be treated differently than inadvertently having too few or too many cards in the hand or the crib?

Those against inclusion note that the current Code of Ethics speaks to behaviors that are actively committed by players. Since violations of this code can be grounds for suspension or expulsion, is it reasonable to punish someone for not doing something? Once again, we have the problem of not being able to get inside someone's head: how do judges know that you know your

opponent is pegging backward? Unless a player is injudicious enough to boast about it, we can only surmise what someone else knows. These suppositions are often in direct proportion to how much one dislikes the NPB player.

So what's the best course of action here? In my judgment, including a statement like "Continuing to allow an opponent to peg backward is unethical" is a mistake. It accomplishes nothing because it does not describe behavior that can be unequivocally interpreted and/or documented. Players who brag about encouraging opponents to peg backward could be subject to official sanction by means of the clauses that speak to "actions . . . unbecoming a member of the ACC" or "actions detrimental to the objectives of the ACC."

It is to be hoped, however, that each member considers what is his or her primary reason for ACC membership. Most members, in appropriate circumstances, are inclined to cut opponents a little slack. In my experience, it is far more common to see an NPB player tell her opponent that he has pegged backward than to allow that person to continue doing so. In these situations, each player must be responsible for her own standards of fairness and sportsmanship. The best intentions of this organization will never successfully legislate what is required to be a good person: all of us must decide who it is we want to see when we look in the mirror.

A Life Master (★), Martha lives in Milwaukee and is executive vice president of the ACC.





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Reader contributions are encouraged. Items of interest to Grass Roots players should be sent to Tom at tomlewis@spinn.net or 7916 Eagle Rock Ave NE, Albuquerque NM 87122-2753.

South Siders (Club 144 in Peachtree City GA)—on June 16 Bill Nigro sailed through all nine opponents for a grand slam. Alas, because it came after the regular season ended, there was no award from the Grass Roots organization and no skunk pot! Bill received *only* first-place money and the congratulations of his friends. *submitted by Gene Bradshaw*

Gold Country Cribbers (Sacramento CA) finished the regular season on May 21 when Dave Neifert claimed the club championship after a tight race with Dave Petras and James Fanning. On June 18 fourteen members participated in our club's second annual TOWW (Tournament of Weekly Winners). David Phillips won eight of nine games (16 GPs), but came in second to Art Leno, who turned in a 17/7 scorecard. Marvin Merrill placed third. While the TOWW was being played, the "also-rans" played a separate tournament in which Ken O'Farrell took first place. After Jennifer Burkett and Jack Throne played

each other in game nine, which Jennifer won, they discovered that they had identical scorecards: 11/5 +18. If you visit the greater Sacramento area, please join us on a Wednesday night. We play all year and really enjoy visitors. *submitted by John "Jack" Throne*

Final standings for the 2008 Grass Roots season will be printed in the September CW.

Club 29 (Englewood FL) once again honors Joe Cornelissen as club champion—the seventh consecutive year that Joe has claimed this honor. Joe joined our club during the 1997 season and after the first three years (no doubt a warm-up period) has been the champ every year. Our hats are off to you, Joe! (Some of us more frustrated members are having a fundraiser for a one-way ticket back to Massachusetts.) *submitted by Frank White*

Rule of the Month—Cutting the Pack

When cutting before each deal and for the starter card, no less than four cards shall be taken from the top and no less than four on the bottom.

Granite State Cribbers (Club 314 in Hudson NH)—this season we had our first two-time champion. **Dave Statz**, who finished with 263 GRPs and the best skunk rating (+12), had a very strong last quarter of the season to overtake **Jim Hatch**, who led throughout most of the season but came in second with 226 GRPs and the highest batting average (59.7%). **Greg Gougian** and **Robert Milk** finished third and fourth. Season highlights were 28-hands by **Don McGeouch** (two of them), **Elaine Palaski**, **Dave Statz**, **Eric Bonde**, and **Paul Powers** and grand slams by **Paul Gifford**, **Jim Hatch**, and **Frank Clark**. We wish Bob Milk all the best as he heads back to his home territory next year; our loss will be another club's gain. We look forward to another great season starting in September. *submitted by Dan Crete*

Club 156 (Sunnyside WA)—on June 25 **Scott Ferguson** (Prosser WA) traveled to Sunnyside to see what Grass Roots cribbage was all about, and on the very first deal he cut a 28-hand! **Toni Morrow** scored the only 28-hand during season play. The Silver Dollar club has its first new champion since 2001: **Dan Fergus** became the ninth player to win a championship in the club's seventeen-year history. *submitted by James Morrow*

Club 91 (Grand Rapids MI)—sixteen players showed at our July 15 session, which also happened to be the birthday of member **Cass Fortin** and visitor **Joy Shimp**. In game six, Joy got a 28-hand, which won the game for her and secured first-place money for the night. Now that's a cool birthday present! *submitted by David Aiken*

GRTOC 3 The third annual Grass Roots Tournament of Champions will be held on Friday, September 26, Portland OR. Invitations are in preparation. Contact the co-directors **Andrea Witkin** (213.840.1704; andreaangie6@yahoo.com) and **David Aiken** (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net) for more details.

Michigan Long Match

With all those male egos roaming the cribbage circuit and playing in Grass Roots clubs, you would think that at least one person with a Y chromosome would have made the final four in the fifth annual Michigan Long Match, but none of the twenty-seven male entrants made it into the semifinals.

In the finals, **Sue Schenk** (Newaygo MI) beat **Amy Jo Adams** (Rives Junction

MI) to claim the championship (to say nothing of a healthy winner's check and a handsome trophy board). The other semifinalists were **Wendy Schmidt** (Mount Pleasant MI) and **Kathy Blough** (Kentwood MI).

The next Michigan Long Match will start up this fall. If you would like to play, contact tournament director **David Aiken** (616.897.8727 or cribbage@iserv.net).

Western Washington Long Match

The next Western Washington Long Match will get underway this fall. If you would like to play, contact director **Dennis Misenaar** (360.710.8912 or dmisenar@gmail.com).

COOL STUFF WE FOUND ON THE WEB

sctimes.com The *St. Cloud Times* ran a nice article about the youth tournament held in conjunction with the Granite City Classic. The tournament is free and open to all students in grades five through twelve. First place is a \$500 college scholarship; second place is a \$250 scholarship.

portorchardindependent.com The Kitsap Peggys (Club 204) in Olalla WA received a very nice write-up in the June 25 *Port Orchard Independent*. Columnist **Mary Colborn** attended club one night and spend an obviously enjoyable evening talking to club director **Larry West** and members **Bob Maupin**, **Mills Brubaker**, **Jim and Susan Knutson**, **Dennis and Lori Misenaar**, **David and Marilyn Grayson**, and **Rocky Thrall**.

battlecreekenquirer.com The *Battle Creek Enquirer* ran an article about the Cereal City Cribbage Club (#300) winning the fourth annual Michigan All Star Tournament (see story on page 20).

thevillagesdailysun.com Still going strong at 95, **Noella LaVolie** plays cribbage twice a week in The Villages FL, according to a June 30 story in the *Daily Sun*. "My 'adding machine' works good

for an old lady," she says!

seattletimes.nwsourc.com According to a June 22 story in the *Seattle Times* (and picked up by many other newspapers around the country), an avid 18th-century cribbage player, **John Montagu** (aka the Earl of Sandwich), developed a fondness for bits of cold meat served between pieces of bread because it allowed him to enjoy a meal without getting his cards greasy. So next time you spill your soup or slop your gravy on the cards, take a tip from Montagu and grab a sandwich.

ocregister.com **Carol Veravanich**, a regular education columnist for the *Orange County Register*, recommends cribbage as a technique for increasing a child's math skills—and a great way to spend some valuable one-on-one time having fun with your child. "Kids," she says, "learn better when math is placed in context. Games are the best way to practice math facts."

minnesota.twins.mlb.com **Matt Guerrier**, a right-handed reliever with the Minnesota Twins, says he plays cribbage on his off-days with pitcher **Joe Nathan**, pitcher **Jesse Crain**, and outfielder **Michael Cud-dyer**.

Okay, so who
are you gonna
believe?

"Work is much more fun than fun."
—Noel Coward

"Oh, you hate your job? Why didn't you say so? There's a support group for that. It's called EVERYBODY, and they meet at the bar."

—Drew Carey

25 Years Ago in the ACC



The front page of the August 1983 *Cribbage World* announced that **Bob Madsen** of Niles IL would become the ACC's secretary-treasurer on September 1. Bob and his wife, **Elda**, would keep the ACC ship afloat and on the right course for many years to come.

Elsewhere in this issue, we learn that the National Open Cribbage Tournament in Raleigh NC was won by **Cathy Perkins** (Bear Creek NC), and **Syl Lulinski** (La Grange Park IL) won the NOCT consolation. Cathy was the first woman to win a major tourney; and she is now the director of this prestigious tournament. **Bob Immel** (Northfield MN) won the Minnesota Open.

In Memoriam

Phyllis Aronoff

Master Phyllis Aronoff (Quincy MA) passed away on June 25 at age 72. She was a member of Club 109 and an ACC life member. Until health problems limited her playing time this past year, she was a very active and well-known competitor in the New England area. Never at a loss for words, she leaves behind many memories.

Joseph Beauregard

Grand Master Joseph Beauregard (Pawtucket RI) passed away on June 15 at age 71. He joined the ACC in the early 1980s and for many years participated in tournaments nationwide as well as in his local Grass Roots club. He enjoyed spirited competition until failing health curtailed his participation. Joe will be missed by his friends and family.

Raymond Rasmussen

Ray Rasmussen (Mount Vernon OR) passed away on June 28 at age 103. Born on September 23, 1904, in Rolling WI, the sixth of fourteen children, Ray spent his adult life in Oregon, where he worked for a lumber company. He enjoyed dancing, fishing, camping, hunting—and cribbage. His played in a cribbage tournament as recently as four years ago, and he won the Cascade Cribbage Classic at age 82!

Lou Roso

Lou Roso (Modesto CA) recently passed quietly at age 82. He played cribbage for over seventy years and taught all of his children to play, who in turn have taught some of their children. In 2004 Lou won a trophy board with his name emblazoned on it. He played with passion and tenacity and will missed by one and all.

REGIONAL Standings

(as of 7-10-2008)

| Western Region | | Central Region | | Eastern Region | |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| MRPs | Name | MRPs | Name | MRPs | Name |
| 1 | 2395 Erik Royland Locke, OR | 1 | 1295 Brad Behm, WI | 1 | 1186 Phyllis Schmidt, MA |
| 2 | 1495 Mel Ashley, CA | 2 | 1017 Doug Page, WI | 2 | 913 David Campbell, ME |
| 3 | 1415 Roland A. Hall, VT | 3 | 941 Les Kvien, IL | 3 | 854 Ken Patenaude, MA |
| 4 | 1320 Duane W. Toll, OR | 4 | 911 Robert Julian, WI | 4 | 812 Keith E. Widener, NC |
| 5 | 1244 Jim Crawford, CA | 5 | 909 Tony Danihel, WI | 5 | 805 Phil Martin, CT |
| 6 | 1217 Jeanne Jelke, WA | 6 | 875 Bob McCabe, WI | 6 | 769 Bill Medeiros, MA |
| 7 | 1156 Bob Bartosh, CA | 7 | 868 Wayne Steinmetz, WI | 7 | 714 Bruce D. Sattler, MD |
| 8 | 1119 Cy Madrone, CA | 8 | 813 Donald Flesch, WI | 8 | 640 Henry Douglass, NC |
| 9 | 1039 James Langley, CA | 9 | 787 Alan R. Schaefer, WI | 9 | 590 David Statz, NH |
| 10 | 1030 De Lynn Colvert, MT | 10 | 734 Daniel Pluff, MN | 10 | 569 George Bryer, MA |
| 11 | 1001 Ronald L. Morgan, CA | 11 | 731 Douglas I. Henderson, WI | 11 | 560 Henry S. Delong, MA |
| 12 | 920 Donald L. Brown, CA | 12 | 720 Beth Witter, WI | 12 | 551 John Campanella, MA |
| 13 | 809 Herschel Mack, CA | 13 | 702 Mike Burns, MN | 13 | 545 Lee Dillon, MA |
| 14 | 804 Mike Tungate, CA | 14 | 693 Joy Shimp, MI | 14 | 539 Ann Somers, MA |
| 15 | 803 Willie Evans, WA | 15 | 691 Lloyd L. Kraft, WI | 15 | 531 Earle W. Remington, RI |
| 16 | 800 Dan Marsh, OR | 16 | 632 Richard Frost, WI | 16 | 523 Laurence Samet, MA |
| 17 | 783 Betty Stewart, OR | 17 | 605 David Aiken, MI | 17 | 488 Donna Lafleur, CT |
| 18 | 771 Paul Hatcher, OR | 18 | 600 Jerry Newhouse, WI | 18 | 478 Larry Phifer, NC |
| 19 | 767 Jesse Jarrell, CA | 19 | 582 Joan Rein, MN | 19 | 461 William J. Shoemaker, CT |
| 20 | 750 Jerold E. Montgomery, CA | 20 | 572 Jerome Fischer, WI | 20 | 438 Robert Milk, VA |
| 21 | 742 James A. Clark, CA | 21 | 526 Marty J. Schmidt, WI | 21 | 434 Roger J. Bouchard, CT |
| 22 | 736 Jack Moritzky, WA | 21 | 526 Warren Sondericker, WI | 22 | 412 Albert N. Miller, NH |
| 23 | 729 Leslie G. Sumner, NV | 23 | 523 Gerald Gruber, MN | 23 | 403 Mathew Piechota, MA |
| 24 | 728 Jason Shumate, NV | 24 | 503 Frank L. Trojan, MN | 24 | 402 Jerry Gooden, NC |
| 25 | 717 Bill Wakeman, CA | 25 | 497 Larry LaGassie, WI | 25 | 384 Paul Batterson, CT |
| 26 | 698 Frank Ornie, OR | 26 | 493 John Syftestad, WI | 26 | 377 Charlie Finley, CT |
| 27 | 693 Cres Fernandez, CA | 27 | 487 Bob Joslin, MN | 27 | 376 John J. Rooney Sr., MA |
| 28 | 665 Bill Hill, OR | 27 | 487 Frank Danielski, WI | 28 | 374 Elijah H. White Jr., ME |
| 29 | 657 Elmer G. Rasmussen, WA | 29 | 485 Gene Biegler, WI | 29 | 371 John Blowers, FL |
| 30 | 653 Chris McComas, WA | 30 | 473 Gary Haelfrisch, WI | 30 | 370 Vicki Soule, ME |
| 31 | 651 Rickie Mack, CA | 31 | 464 Edward W. Balcer, MN | 31 | 368 Joy Barnes, FL |
| 32 | 631 H. Ross Njaa, CA | 32 | 453 Roger Grandgeorge, IA | 32 | 365 Jack Howsare, VA |
| 33 | 624 Pamela Pomeroy, CA | 33 | 448 Bob Kiley, WI | 33 | 361 Richard H. West, MA |
| 34 | 579 Gerald D. Oxford, CA | 34 | 427 Allen E. Karr, WI | 34 | 358 Mark Soule, ME |
| 35 | 578 Jones H. Hom, CA | 35 | 426 Alphonse Scarantino, MI | 35 | 358 Michael Burnham, GA |
| 36 | 569 Dennis Misenar, WA | 36 | 425 James Huser, WI | 35 | 350 James Wysocki, FL |
| 37 | 564 Mike McDaniel, OR | 36 | 425 Sharon Schaefer, WI | 37 | 349 Louis J. Petosa, CT |
| 38 | 555 Peggy Walberg, CA | 38 | 409 Ginny Danielski, WI | 38 | 343 Robert J. Drukman, MA |
| 39 | 553 Kerry O'Connell, CA | 39 | 390 Bart Jaeger, NE | 39 | 337 Frank Corrado, CT |
| 40 | 551 Tom Cookman, CA | 40 | 382 Robert P. Chase, MN | 40 | 336 Cindy Veradt, MA |
| 41 | 543 Rich Ekman, CA | 41 | 376 Patrick Barrett, WI | 41 | 332 Susan Cousens, ME |
| 42 | 525 Tom Langford, CA | 42 | 374 Donald A. Patrin, MN | 42 | 331 David Samet, MA |
| 43 | 520 Roy Hofbauer, WA | 43 | 371 Al Booth, MN | 43 | 329 Harry Maiden, FL |
| 44 | 517 Ira T. Deutsch, OR | 44 | 370 Jeremy Wussow, WI | 44 | 326 Robert E. Moore, VA |
| 45 | 505 Jim McKnight, CA | 45 | 365 Joe Bernard, IL | 45 | 322 Dottie Vandenberghe, MA |
| 46 | 497 Michael M. Rowe, AK | 46 | 362 Jeff Shimp, MI | 46 | 310 Gerald Thibodeau, CT |
| 47 | 495 Arland C. Kaai, CA | 47 | 361 Cyril Schmidt, WI | 47 | 308 Jeff Gardner, OH |
| 48 | 478 Rollie Heath, OR | 48 | 360 Kenneth Rasmussen, MI | 48 | 306 Calvin D. Libby, ME |
| 49 | 468 Todd Malmgren, OR | 49 | 345 Dave Yaeger, MO | 49 | 297 Thomas P. Shea Jr., MA |
| 49 | 451 Hal Lamon, WA | 50 | 330 Rhynold Shave, WI | 49 | 297 Jim Hatch, NH |
| 49 | 451 Heidi Glashan, CA | | | | |

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

| Western Region | Central Region | Eastern Region |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Roy Hofbauer 360.835.3623 | Joe Bernard 847.395.7599 | George Bickford 413.733.9288 |

Unless otherwise indicated, all tournaments (a) are round-robin format, (b) include a consolation, and (c) are singles competition. Q pools and side pools are generally available. Details are accurate at time of publication, but check with the tournament director before making travel plans. For more information, visit cribbage.org.

August 1-3, Summer Classic

Sunnyside Eagles, 101 E South Hill Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$50/team. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$10. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944-1254

↓ LOCATION ANNOUNCED ↓

August 1-3, Shut Up and Deal

Sharks Ice, 44388 Old Warm Springs Blvd, Fremont CA 94538. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: donuts, coffee, Sunday lunch. Contact: Ray Mink (510.791.5347 or 510.684.5988), 37981 Lavender Cmn, Fremont CA 94536-5205

August 2, Summer Cribbage Fix

Place TBA, Soldotna AK 99669. Main \$35. Contact: Karen Dorcas (907.252.4950; karendorcas@gci.net), PO Box 1164, Kenai AK 99611

August 3, Patriot Kickoff

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Carl Deyette (860.568.7418), 55 Legion Dr, East Hartford CT 06118-3420 or Walt Brideaux or Don Janelle

August 8-10, Humboldt Bay Classic

Mad River Rapids RV Park, 3501 Janes Rd, Arcata CA 95521. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. All Events \$15. Perks: bagels, coffee, donuts, juice, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA 95519-3858 or Julie Felkins or Barrett Mace or Tom Cookman

August 8-10, Cowboy Country Open

American Legion, 2100 E Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$20. Fri DBL 7pm

\$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Contact: Peggy Johnson (307.421.4900), 6800 Legend Ln, Cheyenne WY 82009-8388

August 9-10, Black River Country Classic

Castle Hill Supper Club, N9581 U.S. Hwy 12, Black River Falls WI 54754. Main \$60. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Lewis & Dianne Gurney (715.937.4105), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456

August 15-17, Peach State Classic

Comfort Suites (678.714.7707), 2945-A Hwy 317, Suwannee GA 30024. Main \$60. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee. Contact: David O'Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021-2738

August 15-17, Garden State Open

Comfort Suites, 315 Davidson Ave, Somerset NJ 08873. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$30. Sat 7pm \$20. Sat HR \$50. Perks: lunch. Contact: Cate Campbell Correa (732.271.5669 or 732.575.9570), 5 Birch Ter, Somerset NJ 08873-4126

August 17, Summer U.S. Open

West Covina Elks Lodge, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761-5436 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

August 22-24, Madison Masters

Howard Johnson, 3841 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53704. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: lunch. Contact: Mike Blackburn (608.577.3940), W9595 County Rd C, Cambridge WI 53523-9306

August 22-24, Nevada State Championship

Sturgeons Casino, 1420 Cornell Ave, Lovelock
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NV. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerece, Sparks NV 89434-9511 or Valerie Sumner or A. J. Tasker or Bob Bartosh

Aug. 22–24, New England Peer Championship
LeFoyer Club, 151 Fountain St, Pawtucket RI 2860. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$15. Sat DBL 7:30pm \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: John & Linda Chambers (401.231.6667), 32 Homestead Ave, Smithfield RI 02917-3213

August 29–31, Skagway Open
Elks Lodge, 5th & State, Skagway AK 99840. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$40/team. Contact: Jerry Hauf (907.780.4015), PO Box 32546, Juneau AK 99803-2546

↓ NEW LOCATION ↓

August 29–31, Mount Rainier Open
Emerald Queen Casino, 2024 E 29th St, Tacoma WA 98404. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$15. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$50/team. Sat 6:30pm \$20. Perks: cookies, muffins. Contact: Jim Hornbacher (253.770.3213), 17509 90th Avenue Ct E, Puyallup WA 98375-6193 or Hal Lamon (253.839.1940), 29228 62nd Pl S, Auburn WA 98001-1211

August 29–31, Capital City Classic
Eagles Lodge, 715 Fee St, Helena MT 59601. Main \$50. Fri 3pm. Fri DBL 7pm. Sat 7pm. Contact: Kathy Thompson (406.443.4825), 3000 Villard Ave #110, Helena MT 59601-0474 or Walt Conell (406.782.5159)

August 30, San Jose Summer Sizzler
San Jose Masonic Temple, 2500 Masonic Dr, San Jose CA 95125. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Stan Katzman (408.472.2020), 311 Spyglass Dr, Rio Vista CA 94571-2156

August 31, Hawai'i Open
HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96817. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainaahe Pl, Aiea HI 96701-3540 or Fred White

September 5–7, St. Louis Gateway Classic
Comfort Inn, 8 Commerce Dr, Collinsville IL 62234. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$25. Contact: Floyd Vincent (636.456.9809), 20101 Southwood Estates Rd, Warrenton MO 63383-6963 or Dave Carey (217.563.7190)

September 7, Daniel Webster Open
Nashua Elks, 120 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua NH 03060. Main \$52. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch.

Contact: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633), 1466 Battle St, Webster NH 03303-7316

September 12–14, Serial City Classic
Park Inn, 4290 Red Arrow Hwy, Stevensville MI 49127. Main \$70. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. LC? Perks: coffee. Contact: Jeff Shimp (616.850.9229; jeffshimp@charter.net), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417 or David Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net)

September 14, Why Not?
West Covina Elks Lodge, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761-5436 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

September 19–21, Carter Classic
Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.887.2123), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

September 19–21, Winnemucca Fall Classic
Convention Center, 50 W Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca NV 89446. Main \$50. Fri EB. Fri DBL. Fri HR. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Peggy Scalley (775.673.6906), 505 E 1st Ave, Sun Valley NV 89433-8007 or Jim Langley (530.527.4606)

September 21, Hawai'i Open
HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96813. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainaahe Pl, Aiea HI 96701-3540 or Fred White

September 25–28, Grand National 27
Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland OR 97220. Main \$60. Thu 7pm \$20. Fri 9:30am \$20. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Sun 2pm \$20. Sun 6pm \$20. Awards banquet. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th Pl #7, Portland OR 97202 or Ken Julkowski (503.788.6907)

October 3–5, Montana Championship
Jokers Wild, I-90 Exit 101, Missoula MT 59806. Main \$50. Fri DBL. Fri HR. Sat. LC. Perks: coffee. Contact: DeLynn Colvert (406.543.6855), PO Box 5604, Missoula MT 59806-5604 or Sharon Hejtmank (406.549.2843)

October 4, Schaefer Shuffle Special
Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Sling-

DBL = doubles ♦ HR = high rollers ♦ LC = last chance

CAPITAL CITY CLASSIC

EAGLES LODGE AERIE NO. 16

715 FEE STREET

Helena MT 59601

ACC SANCTIONED EVENT, AUGUST 29, 30, 31

Fri Aug 29:

3pm Early Bird \$10, 7 games, high card

7pm Doubles \$50 team, 9 games, high card

Sat Aug 30:

8am Main Event Registration \$60/20Q

9am Begin Main Event 22 games vs 22 opponents, top 25% advance to playoffs

7pm Sat Nite Sp \$20, 9 games, high card

Sun Aug 31:

8am Main Event playoff, best 3 of 5 games

10am Consolation \$30/\$10Q, 9 games vs 9 opponents, playoff best 2 of 3 games

100% Payback all events. Q's Pay 100% 1 in 8 players

NO SMOKING AT THE TABLES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Early Bird | Name _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Doubles for yourself | ACC # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Doubles for your partner | Address _____ |
| Partners name: _____ | City/State _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60 Main Event (anchor seat? YES-NO) | Telephone # _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Main Event Q | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Sat Nite Special | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 Consolation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Consolation Q | |
| \$ _____ Total Enclosed | |

Make checks payable to Capital City Cribbage Club

Mail entries to: Kathy Thompson
3000 Villard Ave., #110,
Helena MT, 59601-0474

Tips for Tournament Directors

After you create your tournament flyer for photocopying, send the electronic file to ACC webmaster Diane Waite for posting on the ACC website. This will make all the details of your tournament instantly available to anyone, anytime, anyplace. Send a PDF or Word document to Diane at webmaster@cribbage.org.

er WI 53086. Main \$50. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, coffeecake. Contact: Al and Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766), N162 W20333 Butternut Ln, Jackson WI 53037-9264

October 5, West Bend Classic

Knights of Columbus Hall, 3245 Lighthouse Ln, West Bend WI 53090. Main \$45. Perks: lunch. Contact: Gene "Moose" Biegler (262.334.2980), 1602 Harrison St, West Bend WI 53090-1536 or Richard Frost

October 5, Western Washington Limited

Crystal Grange, 2160 NE Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA 98370. Main \$45. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Larry West (360.830.0783), 1442 W Wilderness Ln, Seabeck WA 98380-9403 or Dennis Misener

October 5, New Hampshire Open

Holiday Inn, Northeastern Blvd, Nashua NH 03062. Main \$45. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Al Miller (603.882.7204), 12 Michael Ave, Nashua NH 03062-1418 or David Statz

October 10-12, Capital City Classic

Best Western, 133 SE Delaware Ave, Ankeny IA 50021. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Dick Ogden (515.419.6818), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315-0302

October 10-12, Richmond Classic

Steven Kent Hospitality Center, 12205 S Crater Rd, Petersburg VA 23805. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7:30pm \$30/team. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: lunch. Contact: Rick Allen (804.323.7476), 3013 Landria Dr, Richmond VA 23225-1813

October 11, Wonderful Woodland "Won-Day"

Woodland Community & Senior Center, 2001 East St, Woodland CA 95776. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, snacks, lunch. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA 95519-3858 or Julie & Cecil Felkins

October 12, October Occurrence

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Phyllis Schmidt (413.458.8693), 95 Nutmeg Ln, Williamstown MA 01267-3201 or Isabel Hyndman

October 17-19, Wisconsin Rapids Open

Hotel Mead, 451 E Grand Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$25. Sat 7:30pm \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Patrick & Linda Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494-9056

October 17-19, Emerald Coast Open

Elks Lodge, 1335 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Scott & Jenny Bailey (850.582.5945), 1951 Waterford Ridge Rd, Fort Walton Beach FL 32547-7190

October 17-19, Crescent City Open

Del Norte County Fairgrounds, 421 Hwy 101 N, Crescent City CA 95531. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, treats. Contact: Jim Waldvogel (707.464.9168), 160 Hinky Rd, Crescent City CA 95531-9243 or Jerry Cutsforth (707.464.2908) or Vernon Ward (707.464.4510)

October 17-19, Niagara Falls Open

Quality Hotel, 240 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls NY 14303. Main \$45. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$20/team. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Nelson Wheaton (716.649.3462), 76 Raymond St, Hamburg NY 14075-5228 or Jane Cannizzaro

October 17-19, Colorado Fall Classic

Hampton Inn, 137 Union Blvd, Lakewood CO 80228. Main \$55. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Roger Wilson (303.254.4670), 11386 Grove St Unit B, Westminster CO 80031-8064

October 18, P&G Open

Fratone's Restaurant, 12253 E Imperial Hwy, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, pastries, fruit, lunch. Contact: Pam Pomeroy (562.929.2901), 12132 Roseton Ave, Norwalk CA 90650-2353 or Gary Sumner

October 19, Fall U.S. Open

West Covina Elks Lodge, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.986.9454),

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Mount Rainier Open Cribbage Tournament

Sanctioned By The American Cribbage Congress

Presented By SeaTac Pegger's Grass Roots Cribbage Club #148



Emerald Queen Casino
 2024 E. 29th Street
 Tacoma WA 98404
 Aug 29 - Aug 31, 2008



Co-Directors Jim Hornbacher - 253-770-3213 Hal Lamon - 253-839-1940 Ed Johnson - Statistician

Directions: **I-5 South Bound** - take exit #135, Puyallup, proceed through stop light, EQC visible on the right
I-5 North Bound - take exit #135, Puyallup, proceed straight ahead, EQC visible on the right

Schedule of Events

Fri Aug 29th

- 3:00 pm Early Bird \$15 / \$10Q (7 games)
- *6:30 pm High Rollers \$50 / \$50Q (10 games)
- *6:30 pm Doubles \$50 Team (9 games)
- * Note Time Change

Sat., Aug 30th

- 8:00 am Main Tournament Registration / Check-In
- 9:00 am Orientation & Main Tournament Play \$60 / \$10Q
- *6:30 pm Saturday Night Special \$20 / \$10Q (9 games)
- * Note Time Change

Sunday Aug 31st

- 8:00 am Main Tournament Playoffs - Best 3 of 5
- 9:30 am Consolation \$25 / \$10Q (9 games)
- Playoffs, Best 2 of 3

All Q-Pools Pay 1 in 6

19 Award Boards

All Cancellations Refunded

100% Payback on All Satellite Events

Early Entries Would Be Appreciated - Thank You



Sponsoring Motels

Days Inn Tacoma Toll Free 1-800-221-2680
 6802 Tacoma Mall Blvd. Exit 129
 Tacoma WA 98409 \$50 + Tax

Econo Lodge - Fife Toll Free 1-877-982-3781
 3100 Pacific Hwy E Exits 136 or 136B
 Tacoma WA 98424 \$50 + Tax

Emerald Queen Casino & Hotel - Fife
 Toll Free 1-888-820-3555
 5700 Pacific Hwy E Exit 137
 Tacoma WA 98424 \$79 + Tax

RV Parking at Casino (Free but no Hookups)

Make Checks Payable To: **Sea-Tac Peggers**

Mail Entry To: Hal Lamon
 29228 62nd Pl. S.
 Auburn, WA 98001-1211

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|--------------|--------------|----------|
| Early Bird | \$15 / \$10Q | \$ _____ |
| High Roller | \$50 / \$50Q | \$ _____ |
| Doubles | \$50/Team | \$ _____ |
| Partner | _____ | \$ _____ |
| Main | \$60 / \$10Q | \$ _____ |
| *Non ACC | \$75 / \$10Q | \$ _____ |
| Sat Nite | \$20 / \$10Q | \$ _____ |
| | | \$ _____ |
| | | \$ _____ |
| Total | | \$ _____ |

Name: _____ ACC # _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Anchor Seat? _____



2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761-5436 or Mary McFarland (626.339.8881)

October 24–26, Abe Kealoha Memorial

Paul & Terry's Place, 100 N Beretania #207, Honolulu HI 96813. Main \$50. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$40/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsar-kie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainaahe Pl, Aiea HI 96701-3540 or Fred White

October 24–26, North Pole Open

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$60. Fri 2pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, breakfast. Contact: Jeanne & Roger Wauters (920.863.3703), 4753 Denmark Rd, Denmark WI 54208-9182

October 24–26, Salem Classic

Black Bear Inn, 1600 Motor Ct NE, Salem OR 97071. Main \$60. Fri EB \$10. Fri \$20. Fri HR \$50. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. No Saturday walk-ins. Perks: coffee, tea. Contact: Phyllis & Ratso Roderick (503.981.1004; rmrstrats@aol.com), 612 N Cascade Dr #24, Woodburn OR 97071-3053

October 24–26, Central Coast Tournament

Avila Beach Community Center, 191 Miguel St, Avila Beach CA 93424. Main \$62. Fri 7pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Billie Reddell (805.772.7721), 680 Sequoia Ct, Morro Bay CA 93442-1352 or Boyd Horne

October 26, Cape Cod Classic

Gull Wing Suites, Route 28 South Yarmouth MA 02664. Main \$50. Perks: breakfast and lunch. Contact: Jack Puleo (508.760.1999), 17 Captain Weiler Rd, South Yarmouth MA 02664-2833 or Doug Kelliher

October 31–November 2, Illinois Open

D'Andrea Banquet Hall, 4419 Northwest Hwy, Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$60. Fri 7pm. Sat 7m. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Marv Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Ct, Woodstock IL 60098-3039 or Dave Drew

October 31–Nov. 2, Sunshine State Classic

Quality Inn, 2050 E. Irls Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri 1pm DBL \$20/team. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd Lot A4, Kissimmee FL 34744-4467

November 1, San Jose Open

San Jose Masonic Temple, 2500 Masonic Dr, San Jose CA 95125. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Stan Katzman (408.472.2020), 311 Spyglass Dr, Rio Vista CA 94571-2156

November 1, Black Butte Bonanza

Tollgate Clubhouse, 69316 Stirrup Rd, Sisters OR 97759 (Blackman residence). Main \$42. Limit 66 players. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Winona Johnson (541.736.1363), 891 Anderson, Springfield OR 97477 or Carolyn Blackman (541.549.8698)

November 2, Dante Club Open

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave., West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: George Bickford (413.733.9288), 89 Clayton Dr, West Springfield MA 01089-1262 or Charlie Finley (860.745.1143)

November 4–6, Susanville Fall Classic

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$57. Tue 3pm \$10. Tue DBL 7pm \$50/team. Wed \$25. Wed HR \$50. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, pastries, lunch. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.254.1077), 719-780 Alexander Ln, Standish CA 96128-9042 or Peggy Scalley (775.673.6906)

November 7–9, Veterans Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$52. Fri DBL \$50/team. Sun pm \$20. Perks: coffee, coffee cake. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons (775.358.4916), 333 K St, Sparks NV 89431-3214 or Roberta Huff

November 11–13, Topaz Open

Topaz Lodge & Casino, 1979 Hwy 395 S, Gardnerville NV 89410. Main \$50. Tue \$10. Tue \$20. Tue HR \$50. Wed \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Valerie Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434-9511 or Les Sumner or A. J. Tasker or Bob Bartosh

November 14–16, Michigan Tourn. of Diamonds

Comfort Inn (231.739.9092), 1675 E Sherman Blvd, Muskegon MI 49444. Main \$70. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: David Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net), P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313 or Jeff Gardner (937.602.0690; jeff.gardner@wright.edu)

November 14–16, Hampton Roads Shoot-Out

Holiday Inn, Greenwich Rd, Virginia Beach VA 23462. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$30. Sat 7pm \$30. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.340.7390 or 757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452-2258

November 14–16, Longest Beach Classic

Chautauqua Lodge, 304 N 14th St., Long Beach WA 98631. Main \$60. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$25. Perks: coffee, snacks, lunch. Contact: Rosemary Hendricks (360.273.7151), 19202 Old Highway 99 SW, Rochester WA 98579 or Sharon Hejtmanek (406.549.2843)

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY 5TH

7:00 PM 9 GAME \$20.00/\$20.00Q NO PLAYOFF PAYS 1/4 Q 1/8

SATURDAY 6TH

8:30AM MAIN \$60.00-Q \$25.00 ORIENTATION

9:00 AM MAIN EVENT 22 GAMES-25% PLAYOFFS SIDE POTTS
PAYS=1/8

22 Games Against 11 Players

7:00 PM 9 GAMES \$25/Q\$20 NO PLAYOFF PAYS 1/4 Q 1/8

ALL EVENTS:\$20 FRI-NITE,SAT MAIN,SAT NITE

SUNDAY 7TH

7:30 AM PLAYOFFS FOR MAIN 3/5 FINAL 4/7

9:30 AM CONSOLATION \$40/Q\$25 PLAYOFFS 1-4 Q 1/8

PLAYOFFS 2/3 FINAL 3/5—ALL SIDE POTTS 1/8

REGISTRATION FORM

_____ \$20.00 ALL EVENTS

_____ \$20.00 FRIDAY NIGHT PAYS 1/4

_____ \$20.00 FRIDAY SIDE POTTS PAYS 1/8

_____ \$60.00 SATURDAY MAIN, PLAYOFFS 1/4

_____ \$25.00 SATURDAY MAIN SIDE POTTS PAYS 1/8

_____ \$25.00 SATURDAY NIGHT PAY'S 1/4

_____ \$20.00 SATURDAY NIGHT SIDE POTTS PAY'S 1/8

_____ \$40.00 SUNDAY CONSOLATION PLAYOFFS 1/4

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November 21–23, Minnesota Open

Grandpa's Garage, 31846 65th Ave Way, Cannon Falls MN 55009. Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Jerry Gruber (612.722.1292), 5121 Nokomis Ave, Minneapolis MN 55417-1452 or Al Booth (763.783.7042)

November 21–23, Hermiston Pro-Am

Hermiston Eagles, 160 NW 2nd, Hermiston OR 97838. Main \$80. Fri 3pm \$20. Fri HR 6:30pm \$100. Fri DBL 6:30pm \$40/team. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Bill Hill (541.567.6594), 1080 SE 9th St, Hermiston OR 97838-6723 or Denny Edwards

November 23, Yankee Classic (Alkas Mem.)

Rockville Elks, 9 N Park St, Rockville CT 06066. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Phil Martin (860.666.8300), 84 Crown Rdg, Newington CT 06111-4230 or Roger Bouchard (860.633.8803)

November 28–30, Thanksgiving Classic

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. Main \$50. Thu 7pm \$20. Fri 3pm \$20. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Larry & Donna Hassett (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97470-2858

December 5–7, Greater Orlando Open

Hampton Inn, 151 N Douglas Ave, Altamonte Springs FL 32714. Main \$55. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Contact: David Fournier (407.695.1902), 808 Osceola Trl, Casselberry FL 32707-2621

Dec. 5–7, Charlottesville Christmas Classic

VFW #1827, 1170 River Rd, Charlottesville VA 22901. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat DBL 7:30pm \$30/team. Sat HR 7:30pm \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Robin Emery (434.971.7000), 4082 Turkey Run, Charlottesville VA 22911-5708

December 7, Western Washington Limited

Crystal Grange, 2160 NE Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA 98370. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Dennis Misener (360.710.8412), 50 Sandy Ct NW, Bremerton WA 98311-9126 or Larry West

December 7, Hawai'i Championship

Paul & Terry's Place, 100 N Beretania #217, Honolulu HI 96813. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701-3540 or Fred White

December 7, Holiday Cribbage Special

VFW #1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Holli & Earle Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd #1, Cumberland RI 02864-1618

December 21, Santa Special

Quality Inn, 2050 E. Irlo Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$35. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Bogy Creek Rd #A4, Kissimmee FL 34744-4467

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January 3, First Chance

Frantone's, 12253 E Imperial Hwy, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit, lunch. Contact: Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901), 980 Pebble Beach Rd, Beaumont CA 92223-8533 or Harold Hilbert (714.397.3222)

January 4, Second Chance

TBD. Laguna Woods CA 92637. Main \$60. Perks: donuts, fruit, juice, lunch. Contact: Lee Fogle-song (949.454.9983), 2212-A Via Mariposa E, Laguna Woods CA 92637-2222 or Paul Yellon (949.837.8177)

January 9–11, Peg for the Border

La Mesa Masonic Center, 4731 Date Ave, La Mesa CA. Main \$65. Fri DBL \$70/team. Sat \$35. Perks: breakfast, lunch. Contact: Shelley & Roz Berman (619.444.7655), 1145 Naranca Ave, El Cajon CA 92021-4817

January 9–10, Carter Classic

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.887.2123), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

January 9–11, Washington St. Championships

TBA. Main \$60. Fri 3pm. Fri DBL 7pm. Fri HR 7pm. Sat 7pm. Sun LC 2pm. Perks: lunch. Contact: Elmer G. Rasmussen (360.262.9755), PO Box 161, Napavine WA 98565-0161 or Gary Rasmussen

January 14–16, Midwest Match Play

Comfort Inn (231.739.9092), 1675 E Sherman Blvd, Muskegon MI 49444. Main \$75. **Limit 64 players.** Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Main is match-play format like National Open; consolation is standard round-robin. Contact: David Aiken (616.897.8727; cribbage@iserv.net), P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313 or Jeff Gardner (937.602.0690; jeff.gardner@wright.edu)

January 16–18, Georgia Open

Quality Inn, 1052 Claussen Rd, Augusta GA 30907. Main \$60. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee. Contact: David O'Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021-2738 or Catherine Perkins or Carl Squire

January 25, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96813. Main

\$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701-3540 or Fred White

January 30–February 1, Northern Calif. Open

Win River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. Main \$60. Fri 3pm. Fri HR 7pm. Fri DBL 7pm. Sat 7pm. Contact: Anna Dunn (530.549.3154), P.O. Box 460, Bella Vista CA 96008 or Jim Langley

February 14, Valentine's Day Open

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W Second St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, breakfast, lunch. Contact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531-7419

February 21, California Championship

Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa CA 95405. Main \$65. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Avon Ray (707.546.8967), 21 Estrella Dr, Santa Rosa CA 95403-2653

February 22, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96813. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahoe Pl, Aiea HI 96701-3540 or Fred White

March 8, Tri-Valley Tournament

VFW, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$52. Sat DBL 7pm \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613), 30 Stone St, Bellingham MA 02019-1235

March 13–14, Waupaca Rotary Open

Waupaca Recreation Center, 407 School Street, Waupaca WI 54981. Main \$50. Fri \$20. Contact: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494-9056 or Joe Jones (715.445.3118)

March 13–15, March Madness

Crabtree Inn, 3920 Arrow Dr, Raleigh NC 27612. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$30. Sat 7:30pm \$30. Perks: lunch. Contact: Larry Phifer (919.788.9701), 901 Shellbrook Ct #5, Raleigh NC 27609-4272

March 20–22, Capital City Open

Best Western, 161 St Anthony Ave, St Paul MN 55103. Main \$60. Fri \$25. Sat \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Todd Schaefer & Diane Waite (651.338.8116), 6651 Lower 12th St N, Oakdale MN 55128-5853

March 27–29, Roadrunner Classic

The Meadows, 2401 W Southern Ave, Tempe AZ 85282. Main \$57. Fri \$20. Fri HR \$50. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Super-Q \$20. No Saturday walk-ins. Perks: coffee, juice, cookies, lunch. Contact: Ron &

Laurie Logan (480.288.9459), 8324 E Sand Wedge Ln, Gold Canyon AZ 85218-5040

March 27–29, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Fri 7:30p \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Allen Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313-7083

March 27–29, Northwest Open (Sissel Memorial)

VFW, Baker City OR 97814. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 7pm \$100. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Carl Heath (541.523.2185), PO Box 903, Baker City OR 97814-0903 or Charlette Springer

April 3–5, Timber Capital Classic

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. Main \$50. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee, soft drinks. Contact: Larry & Donna Hassett (541.672.1474), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97470-2858

April 3–5, Kissimmee Open

Quality Inn, 2050 E Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri 1pm DBL \$20/team. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd Lot A4, Kissimmee FL 34744-4467

April 5, New England Spring Fever

VFW, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Sat DBL \$30/team. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Earle & Holli Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd #1, Cumberland RI 02864-1618

April 17–19, Milwaukee Challenge

Radisson Hotel, 6331 S 13th St, Milwaukee WI 53221. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sun LC 1pm \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Marlene Lazachek (414.427.4595), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132-9604

March 22, March Thaw

VFW #1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Jim & Pat Martin (508.393.2786), 33 Talbot Rd, Northborough MA 01532-2009 or Pat Llewellyn or Dana Farber

April 24–26, Carter Classic

Indian Springs Lodge, 670 Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566. Main \$65. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch, casino bonuses. Contact: Dottie Culver (715.887.2123), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

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