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Four huge tournaments—four excited winners **Reno Winners!**



Joe Fay ACC Open Winner



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My Deal by David Aiken

With all the talk about the New England Patriots having almost achieved a perfect season in the recently completed professional football season, I began thinking about what perfection looks like in cribbage.

Of course, we all know that the **perfect hand** consists of three 5s and the right Jack—with the case 5 as the start card. But if our concept of perfection allows for only this one definition, then most of us definitely qualify as imperfect. So perhaps the perfect hand should be defined not as getting one of these 1-in-216,580 gems but playing well whatever hand we are dealt.

A perfect game, on the other hand, can be defined several ways: winning a close game by a single point, skunking someone you've had trouble beating in the past, not having any blank cribs. But isn't it also possible to define the flawless game as one in which you outplay a (normally) superior opponent, get the lucky cuts when you need them, and don't make any errors?

Many players would define the **perfect tournament** with one phrase: first place. Since no one has ever won all twentytwo games in the qualifying round of a two-day event, perhaps the perfect tournament should also be thought of in different terms. Could it be as simple as one in which . . .

- You focused on excellent play.
- You won your last game and qualified for the playoffs—giving you just enough MRPs to earn your Master award.

- Someone in your carpool made enough money to treat everyone to dinner on the way home.
- You met all your old friends, made some new ones, and had a blast.

Can any cribbage player ever claim to have had a **perfect season**? Granted, there have been many amazing accomplishments in the ACC over the years: **Duane Toll**'s record-setting three-year championship run, Jim Crawford's winning the Grand National and the ACC Open in the same cribbage year, **Chuck Barnes**'s blistering record in Grass Roots play—and the list could go on. But as this short inventory shows, no one has every claimed every prize throughout the year.

Since no less an authority than John Wooden—coach of the UCLA basketball teams that won 88 consecutive games once said, "There is no perfect season.... Winning doesn't make you perfect," perhaps it is wrong to think about perfection as an either/or proposition. Perhaps it is more a matter of degree. I'm not saying that we shouldn't strive for perfection, as commonly defined. But knowing that we'll never win 100% of our games should make us happy simply being better than we were last game or last week or last year.

However you define perfection, all I know is that cribbage is the **perfect game**.

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My thanks to Rick Westerman, Gary Bailey, and Joan Rein for the photos used in this issue.

Your Deal

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The Battle for Maine

As a World War II veteran, I remember well the events that led up to the war. Germany started conquering neighboring countries-Czechoslovakia, Austria, Hungary. Each time the world complacently sat back, thinking that each conquest would be the last. Holland, Belgium, Norway, and Poland fell. The world woke up almost too late. Then France was gone, along with part of Russia, and England on the verge. We came closer to losing the war than many people realize. What has this to do with cribbage? Well, Maine is now lost to cribbage players. What state will be next? Maybe your state. These things spread. Do we sit back and hope that each loss will be the last, or do we fight back now before it is too late? If every cribbage player lets their voice be heard, those misguided Maine officials will have to listen. We need to be active! Complacency is not our friend.

Roy Grayson (Lawrenceville GA)

Cribbage players concerned about the situation in Maine should make their views known by writing Representative Stephen Hanley of Gardiner ME (repstephen.hanley @legislature.maine.gov) or ACC member Paul Rice (pdrice@gwi.net).

Cribbage Friends

In twenty plus years of going to Reno I have never had such miserable travel conditions as encountered this year. Elliott

Havitz and I left early Wednesday for the 3.5-hour trip to O'Hare. Six hours later we arrived in Chicago, where Les Kvien drove us to the terminal in blizzard conditions. We barely made our flight and took off as O'Hare was canceling over two hundred flights. Our trip home was even more eventful. We left Reno Monday morning, flew to Denver, and then sat there until 6:00 р.м. due to flight delays out of Chicago. We arrived at O'Hare past 10:00 P.M., with Les once again picking us up. One problem: Elliott's van had a flat tire. Les changed the flat, took us to their home, and got us to the tire dealer the next morning. We finally arrived home at 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, driving through more snow and treacherous roads. Thanks so very much to Les, Deb, Donnie, and Logan for their help and hospitality; we would have been stuck without them. Cribbage friends are the best friends anywhere! (P.S.

Les makes a great egg breakfast!)

Patrick Barrett (Wisconsin Rapids WI)

Electronic CW

I look forward each month to the arrival of *Cribbage World*; the format and content are great! My suggestion is to offer electronic distribution to save printing and mailing costs.

Don Thienel (Omaha NE)

ACC Online Tournaments

As a regular participant in ACC online continued on page 11

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Last Chance (Norwalk CA; Dec. 29)	Pomeroy	<i>62 players</i> HQ. Artland C. Kaai (35) 1. Donald L. Brown (105) 2. Artland C. Kaai (70) 3. Bob Bartosh (42) 3. Roland A. Hall (42)	46 players HQ. Michael Namm (15) 1. Mel Kranz (60) 2. Michael Namm (40) 3. Jerry Person (24) 3. Norman Nikodym (24)		
Very Last Chance (Laguna Woods CA; Dec. 30)	Foglesong	42 players HQ. Roland A. Hall (40) 1. Pamela Pomeroy (105) 2. Jason Shumate (70) 3. Mel Ashley (42) 3. Roland A. Hall (42)	<i>30 players</i> HQ. Jim Crawford (15) 1. Leslie G. Sumner (40) 2. Kerry O'Connell (24) 3. Bob Bartosh (12) 3. Jim Crawford (12)		
Peg for the Border (La Mesa CA; Jan. 4–6)	Shelley & Roz Berman	<i>45 players</i> HQ. Roger Bailey (45) 1. Cy Madrone (105) 2. Dan Marsh (70) 3. Kenneth A. Slama (42) 3. Jim Crawford (42)	<i>27 players</i> HQ. Dorothy Westerlund (15) 1. Norman Nikodym (40) 2. Roland A. Hall (24) 3. Dorothy Westerlund (12) 3. Lee Foglesong (12)		<i>Doubles</i> : Bryan Gurden & Bob Gromek S <i>aturday:</i> DeLynn Colvert
Carter Classic (Carter WI; Jan. 11–13)	Dottie Culver	<i>112 players</i> HQ. Patrick J. Healey (80) 1. Tony Danihel (147) 2. Patrick J. Healey (105) 3. Kelly Holt (NM) (70) 3. Pat Kufahl (70)	<i>55 players</i> HQ. Brad Behm (27) 1. Joan Rein (60) 2. Rick Kuehn (40) 3. Daniel Betz (24) 3. Jeanne Wauters (24)	28-hands Rebecca Winkels* Frank Pacocha Chad Frischmann Lloyd Kraft Don Flesch	<i>Early Bird:</i> Linda Brandl <i>Friday:</i> Al Karr Saturday: Don Flesch All Events: Patrick Healey
Washington State Championship (Centralia WA; Jan. 11–13)	Elmer Rasmussen	220 players 134 players HQ. Mel Ashley (70) 1. Chris McComas (18) 1. Duane W. Toll (196) 1. Chris McComas (11) 2. Sue Pisha (147) 2. Michael Sofaly (84) 3. Ronald D. Gustafson (105) 3. Dennis Misenar (60) 5. Tim Julkowski (70) 5. Paul Peterson (40) 5. Roy Koch (70) 5. Roy Hofbauer (40) 5. Mel Ashley (70) 5. DeLynn Colvert (40)	 134 players HQ. Willie Evans (18) 1. Chris McComas (12) 2. Michael Sofaly (84) 3. Dennis Misenar (60) 3. Bruce Wridge (60) 5. Paul Peterson (40) 5. Marty Symons (40) 5. Roy Hofbauer (40) 5. DeLynn Colvert (40) 	28-hands Kelly Paxton* Victoria Norris*	<i>Early Bird:</i> Dennis Misenar <i>Doubles:</i> Jim & Susan Knutson <i>High Rollers:</i> Mel Ashley <i>Saturday:</i> Jeanne Jelke <i>Cry Baby:</i> Rex Paddock
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			See Tour	nament Tidbi	ts on page 18.
Satellite Winners	<i>Friday:</i> Jack Howsare S <i>aturday:</i> Phyllis Schmidt	<i>Friday:</i> David Aiken Saturday: Dan Betz	<i>Friday:</i> Butch Billow Saturday: Peter Lerch	<i>Friday:</i> Joan Rein	
Big Hands	28-hands Phyllis Schmidt	28-hands Bill Cartwright*	28-hands Michael Burnham*	<i>28-hands</i> Mike Martin*	28-hands Larry Samet* Polly Hawkins*
Consolation (MRPs)	<i>47 players</i> HQ. Henry Douglass (21) 1. Russ Perkins (60) 2. Henry Douglass (40) 3. David Statz (24) 3. David Campbell (24)	26 players HQ. Brad Behm (18) 1. Warren Sondericker (40) 2. Brad Behm (24) 3. Jim Blough (12) 3. Marty Schmidt (12)	44 players HQ. Larry Phifer (18) 1. Sandy Denmark (60) 2. Nancy G. Wanke (40) 3. Jeff Raynes (24) 3. R. G. Sherfinski (24)	42 players HQ. Alan R. Schaefer (15) 1. Gene Biegler (60) 2. Brett Brunner (40) 3. Lewis A. Gurney (24) 3. Patricia Upton (24)	<i>52 players</i> HQ. Gerard St. Germain (15) 1. Mike Fetchel (60) 2. Charlie Finley (40) 3. Gerard F. St. Germain (24) 3. Lynn Babbitt (24)
Main (MRPs)	<i>T6 players</i> HQ. Michael Burnham (40) 1. Dave Leissner (147) 2. Phyllis Schmidt (105) 3. Bruce D. Sattler (70) 3. Michael Burnham (70)	<i>48 players</i> 1. Tom Kenniston (105) 2. Wayne Steinmetz (70) 3. Bill Cartwright (48) 4. Michelle Gryka (36)	<i>58 players</i> HQ. Raymond Wanke (45) 1. Henry Douglass (105) 2. Joy Barnes (70) 3. Virgil W. Dulin (42) 3. Raymond Wanke (42)	<i>To players</i> HQ. Dave Yaeger (35) 1. Becky Gorton (NM) (147) 2. Robert P. Chase (105) 3. Mary Thacker (70) 3. Rhynold Shave (70)	<i>102 players</i> HQ. Bill Medeiros (40) 1. Polly Hawkins (147) 2. Bill Medeiros (105) 3. David Jenkins (70) 3. Albert N. Miller (70)
Director	Rick Allen & Janet Meinert	David Aiken	Dave O'Neil	Jerry Gruber	Charles Finley
Tournament	Virginia Rick Allen Championship & Janet (Richmond Meinert VA; Jan. 11–13)	Midwest Match Play (Muskegon MI; Jan. 18–20)	Georgia Open (Augusta GA; Jan. 18–20)	Minnesota Winter Special (Chaska MN; Jan. 26)	Super Lite Classic (Springfield MA; Jan. 27)

* = in a sanctioned event

oe Fay has been coming to Reno for the JPW/ACC Open "for about seven years," he says, "but without much success." This bit of understatement is right in line with Joe's quiet, yet steady, approach to the game.

A retired sales manager, Joe now spends his time in nearby Carson City, where he plays weekly in a nonsanctioned local club with his buddies. Despite his lack of tournament experience, Joe prevailed in the biggest tourney of the year—and pocketed \$10,000 for his efforts!

The main event at the JPW/ACC Open attracted 1,016 players this year—up 52 players over last year's attendance of 964, a respectable 5.4% increase.

In the playoff field with 254 qualifiers, Joe came in #89, with his best ever scorecard (31 GPs—good for 25 MRPs), and then he slogged his way through the playoffs for his first tournament win—and another 315 MRPs! Most of his playoff matches went the full five games, but this low-key player didn't let any of the big names or MRP leaders in Reno scare him away from the championship.

The high qualifier was **Fred Adolphson** (Delray Beach FL), who posted a 41/19 +254 scorecard, followed closely by **Denny Moore** (Napa CA) at 40/18 +226.

The four semifinalists—all of them fairly new on the cribbage scene—had a combined 690 MRPs between them prior to the start of this year's Open, but that

STat of the Month

MRPs earned by Joe Fay, winner of the JPW/ACC Open, **57** prior to February 8, 2008

MRPs earned by Joe in Reno 340

didn't stop them from forging ahead with determination, skill, and derring-do. Peter Chroscinski (Kelowna BC) was Joe's hapless semifinal opponent, while James Wysocki (Merritt Island FL)—coming off a record-setting GRRT (see story on page 24)—eliminated James Clark (Livermore CA) in the other half of the bracket.

One of the funnier episodes of the final match occurred during game 5. Jim was the pone at hole 53 and opened his hand to look at A-3-4-10-10-Q. He threw two cards to Joe's crib and then cringed in horror to see that he had accidentally thrown 4-Q instead of the 3-Q that he meant to throw. Even though another Ace as the cut card gave him eight points, Jim was now worried about the 4-Q combo that he had thrown in Joe's crib.

When Joe exposed his crib, Jim breathed a sigh of relief: Joe had thrown 2-2, giving him a six-point crib on the strength of A-2-2-4-Q. If Jim had thrown the cards he intended to throw, Joe would have had a fourteen-point crib!

Fast forward to the end of the game: Joe is dealing from nine holes out, and Jim is able to hold enough points to win the game and force a sixth game. Back on second street, if Jim's hands had done what his brain told them to do, Joe would have been dealing from the stink hole and would have won the match then and there. As it was, a serendipitous mistake kept Jim in the game and the match, even though Joe eventually won the championship in seven games. B oyd Horne has played in the Tournament of Champions four or five times, and last year he qualified in the #2 spot. This year, however, the #14 slot was just the right starting place for his path to first place.

At the end of the sixteen-game qualifying round, contested by 544 players on Friday morning, the high qualifier was Life Master **Robert Kaplan** (Randolph MA), who turned in a 29/13 +257 scorecard. The TOC playoffs took place on Friday afternoon and evening, until the field was whittled down to the four semifinalists, listed here according to their lifetime MRPs:

- Life Master (★★★) Duane Toll (Sutherlin OR)—23,666
- Grand Master John Syftestad (Mount Horeb WI)—4,784
- Grand Master Robert Gromek (Las Vegas NV)—4,409
- Master **Boyd Horne** (San Luis Obispo CA)—2,076

After a break for the ACC Open main qualifying round, the TOC playoffs resumed on Saturday afternoon. In each of the two semifinal matches, the player with fewer MRPs ousted the more experienced player. Bob dispatched John, and Boyd was not intimidated by Duane's three stars.

In a marked contrast to last year's TOC

final, this final pairing was a more subdued affair. The taciturn and tightlipped dual could have been playing their match under a court-ordered gag rule, for there was no sign of the verbal jabs and jokes that dominated the 2007 finals between **Scott Buhrow** (TN) and **Warren Sondericker** (WI). In the end, Boyd concentrated all his efforts on his cards and secured his first TOC championship by defeating Bob three games to one.

Just prior to the restart of the TOC playoffs on Saturday, Boyd held a 28-hand in the last game of the ACC Open main qualifying round earlier that afternoon. If that wasn't enough to excite him, then he surely was ecstatic by the end of the playoffs.

A proud member of the Santa Maria Grass Roots club, Boyd is also a Bronze award winner. His wife, Sara, usually plays in the Reno tournaments, but this year a prior commitment prevented her from traveling with him. He was looking forward to surprising her with the news—and the winner's check—when he got home!





Four Hawaiian brothers playing in Reno





In the biggest consolation tournament ever held in Reno, or anywhere else, for that matter, 794 players who didn't fare so well in the main event took aim at each other in hopes of salvaging an otherwise dismal weekend.

Seventy-five percent of them ended up being disappointed again, but at least one player—**Bruce Hassan** of Glastonbury CT—could probably have flown home on his own power after outlasting the other 198 qualifiers in the playoffs.

Bruce qualified #28 (with 16 GPs), got a first-round bye, and then played five close matches on his way to the semifinals. In the final four, he first outlasted Master **Joy Shimp** (Grand Haven MI) and then Master **Dan Zeisler** (Grass Valley CA), who in the meantime had overcome Master **Louis Petosa** (Plainville CT). A retired educator, Bruce plays Grass Roots cribbage with the Hartford Metro Club in East Hartford CT, where he has earned his Bronze award. Along with newly minted Grand Master **Roger Bouchard**, he teaches cribbage at a continuing education program in their hometown. But Bruce can't win them all: he was recently beaten by his nine-year-old granddaughter and skunked by her thirteen-year-old brother!

The high qualifier in the consolation was **Evon Forrest** (Spokane WA), who turned in the best scorecard at 19/8 +183.



\$100 Hand

Twenty-four 28-hands were recorded in sanctioned play at Reno, and **James Fanning** (Garden Valley CA)

had the event's only 29-hand, which was worth a cool hundred from the ACC. **Anne Sheeran** (Pittsburg CA) dealt James this 1-in-216,580 gem in game 13 of the main tourney. Even though he skunked Anne by 38 points, James later showed his apprecia-

tion by purchasing a stained-glass light catcher for her at the gift shop.

\$1,000,000 Smile



Cribbage Bowl

n even 600 players entered the Cribbage Bowl on Friday afternoon in Reno, but only one of them can say he won the event: Grand Master **Norbert Upton** (Apple Valley MN). After twelve grueling games, Norb turned in a 24/11 +250 scorecard, just slightly better than the 24/10 +279 posted by Life Master (*) **Jones Hom** (Fairfield CA).

Smooth Runnin'

On Saturday, Denny Moore (Napa CA) qualified #2 in the main with a 40/18 + 226 scorecard.

Cribbage Ouiz

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

CW was taken to task by several correspondents for two issues about last month's quiz: (1) isn't cutting from 4 to 24 points an increase of 600%? and (2) the quiz didn't clarify whether "biggest increase" meant most points or largest percentage.

Regarding the first issue, CW stands by its assertion that holding two pair and cutting into 24 points is a 500% increase. Granted, 24 is six times or 600% larger than 4, but the amount of the *increase* is 20 points, or 500%.

The February quiz intended to prompt readers to find the most points that could be gained from the cut card. Based on a suggestion from Martha Fingleton (Milwaukee WI), here is the question rephrased to emphasize the *largest percentage* increase.

What is largest percentage increase a cut card can give to hand or crib? What cards are you holding, and what card is cut?

Your Deal-continued from page 5

tournaments, I would like to compliment the four tournament directors (TDs): Don Ellis, Jerry Oxford, Cathy Polmaskitch, and Susan Spencer. These folks work very hard every week making sure the tournaments function as they should. Online tournaments average 30-60 participants, all of whom need to be signed into the tournament, verified as ACC members, matched with opponents, and told where to sit, how to set up their table, and how to report their wins. Amid the constant chatter, these TDs are busy recapping the rules and making sure everything goes as planned. There are usually five or six playoff rounds, and the TDs are responsible for pairing all the players in each round. Unlike at Grass Roots clubs or weekend tournaments, just one online TD is responsible for making it all happen correctly. I think that I speak for all online ACC players when I say, "Thanks for doing such a great job!"

Tom Lewis (aka pegfast) (Albuquerque NM)

Luck or Skill?

If you have an opinion on what percentage of cribbage is luck (see the February cover story), please send it to CW at cribbage@iserv.net or P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313.

Train Wreck

On Sunday, Denny Moore (Napa CA) turned in a string of pearls (0/0 - 99) in the consolation.

Answer on page 20.

Central Region All Stars

The Central Region, lead by Captain Wayne Steinmetz, captured the 18th annual All Star Tournament, played in Reno on Thursday, February 7.

The Central team staked its claim to the championship early by winning seven of the first eight games, with the only loss being by a single point. This commanding lead was never seriously threatened throughout the rest of the tournament, as the Central peggers rolled up a 163-143 advantage over the Western Region, led by Captain Chris McComas (Kelso WA).

Directed by Captain **Bruce Sattler** (Nottingham MD), the Eastern Region, winners of the 2007 event, were a distant third, with 100 GPs. Despite this disappointment, they still hold a 7-6-5 overall lead in the series.

For the second consecutive year Bob Ju-

lian set a new record in the All Star Tournament, posting a 30/13 +236 to top last year's effort of 29/13 +205. Don Flesch placed second, followed by Life Master Jim Crawford (CA) and Grand Master Erik Locke (OR) from the Western Region. Erik had the event's only 28-hand.

At the other extreme was Grand Master **David Campbell** (ME), who turned in a 2/1 –198 scorecard! His only win came against Bob Julian in the second game, and David then dropped fourteen in a row. To illustrate just how bad his cards were, in his last game, against Life Master (*****) **Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen** (WA), David held a pair of nickels with first count from seven holes out—and couldn't win the game! But not to worry: David got his groove back the next day when he knocked **Warren Sondericker** out of the National Long Match.



Wayne Steinmetz



Bob McCabe



Warren Sondericker



Bob Julian



Jerry Gruber



Jerry Newhouse



Don Flesch



Doug Page

Jeanne Hofbauer Elected to HOF

At the February ACC Board of Directors meeting in Reno, **Patrick Barrett**, chairman of the Hall of Fame Voting Committee, announced that **Jeanne Hofbauer** of Washougal WA had been elected to the ACC's Hall of Fame.

An ACC/Grass Roots member since 1986, Jeanne has an impressive list of cribbage accomplishments: 10,288 lifetime MRPs, placing her in 40th place overall, with a Life Master (\star) ranking; 13 tournament wins (7 main, 6 consolation); and Silver Award in Grass Roots play at Club 28 in Portland OR, with 2,959 points.

Jeanne has made many tangible contributions to the ACC:

- BOD member since 2001
- BOD recording secretary since 2002
- assistant to the Western Region Tournament Commissioner since 1990
- director/co-director of more than fifty tournaments, including two Grand

Nationals (Las Vegas and Lincoln City) and the ACC Open (since 1993)

No less remarkable are Jeanne's intangible qualities: she is a dedicated, honest,

and fair judge; she is a gracious player who, win or lose, displays good sportsmanship at all times; and she serves as a frequent host for traveling cribbage players.



Jeanne's service to the ACC

was previously acknowledged when she received the President's Award in 1999. Jeanne will be formally inducted into the HOF at the September Awards Banquet in Portland OR.



Other Hall of Fame Nominees

Other nominees on the ballot but not elected to the HOF this year were these outstanding ACC members (in descending order of votes):

- Life Master (*) Elmer G. Rasmussen (Napavine WA)
- Life Master (*) Rollie Heath (Lincoln City OR)
- Grand Master Larry Hassett (Roseburg OR)
- Life Master (*) Bill Medeiros (Thorndike MA)
- Life Master Gene "Moose" Biegler (West Bend WI)

Rules Committee

The Rules Committee, chaired by **Herschel Mack** (McKinleyville CA), presented several rule changes to the BOD at the February meeting. The board approved the changes and will vote on specific wording at the September BOD meeting in Portland OR.

Texas Size Growth

At the beginning of the 2005–2006 Grass Roots season, Lone Star Club 106 in Dallas had approximately a dozen active people. It was very difficult to get the necessary six people to play, since people had moved away, died, or lost interest in a small club.

Over forty new members have joined our club in the last two years, and we now

You have to be creative in finding new players for your club.

have sixty-five members. How did we grow so much so fast?

Our club uses fliers, business cards, and word of mouth to help us grow (if you would like a copy of the fliers or business cards, email me at the address below). But the one thing that has helped more than anything is a website called Meetup.

The meetup.com website costs \$19 a month (paid by the organizer), but any club member may then join the group for free. This is a great way to email everyone every week, talking about how many people attended that week and who won. To see what's been happening in our Dallas club, go to cribbage.meetup.com/127.

When you start a Meetup group, do

not get discouraged after just a month or two. I started a group two years ago, and after three months I deleted it because of no activity. In June 2007 I tried again, and since the second month we have averaged at least one new member a week.

You have to be creative in finding new players for your club. On the back of my car I have a sign that says "CRIBBAGE PLAY-ERS" and my phone number, and this has had some results. We are also planning a cribbage day/membership drive at one of the large malls.

Once a week we have training for new players and others who want to improve their game. We go over basics, board position, strategies, hand recognition for faster counting, and so on, and it has really helped some of the new players. (Teaching and helping others has also improved my game!)

Cribbage is much too important not to get the word out. I hope that these suggestions—which have worked well for the Lone Star Club—will also help your club to achieve Texas-size growth. Please let me know if you need help implementing any of these ideas.

Brock is the director of Lone Star Club 106 in Dallas and may be reached at brock_cribbageacc@yahoo.com.

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At every tournament, many players volunteer their services and expertise as ACCcertified tournament judges to help sanctioned tournaments run smoothly. ACC Hall of Fame member **G. Douglas Anderson** was instrumental in having players judged by their peers (see November 2007 CW, pages 24–25). This practice is alive and well today as we play under "Cribbage: Official Tournament Rules," the August 2004 rulebook that all judges must use at sanctioned tournaments.

To become a certified judge, an ACC member must take a test. Life Master (\star) Al Miller (Nashua NH) is the testing examiner and has confirmed hundreds of judges. This open-book test contains questions that are not considered easy, but it is mainly common sense and is achievable by anyone. Players who pass the test are added to the list of certified judges for their region.

The rulebook covers nearly every situation that can occur during play, but the occasional odd call may develop, and judges handle these with logic and past experience of the game. Judges are asked to document these rulings so other judges can learn from those oddities at future tournaments.

At every tournament the director chooses the head judge, whose duty is to coordinate all of the judges for the weekend and announce them as "on duty" before the start of play. These judges correct errors and disputes during play and fix scorecards that have mistakes. When a dispute arises, two judges are called to each situation. They look over the situation, discuss the solution, and then rule accordingly. If either player does not agree with their ruling, a third judge is called in, ideally the head judge. The decision of these three judges is final.

Tournament judges correct errors and disputes during play and fix scorecards that have mistakes.

The chairman of the judges program, Life Master **Jeff Shimp** (Grand Haven MI), oversees the appointment of senior judges (there are eight for each region). They become the "go to" judges during difficult decisions. The senior judges have decades of experience on the boards as well as judging at many tournaments around the United States and Canada.

The judges program is a vital part of our game and continues to grow in numbers and experience. The next time you need a judge or see one at a tournament, remember, they are volunteering their services to help keep the game of cribbage as honorable as it can be.

Patrick Barrett (Wisconsin Rapids WI) is a senior judge in the Central Region.

If you know of a person or group of people who should be recognized for their volunteer work, contact Tom Lewis at tomlewis@spinn.net. Every month Tom volunteers to edit the Volunteers Column and the Grass Roots Corner.

Contest Results

Twenty-six members submitted entries in CW Contest #1, and twenty-three of them correctly identified all eight images. The winner of a free night's stay at the Reno Casino Hotel during 2008 is Jeff Seidenstein (Raleigh NC).

The eight images in the contest were taken from the following sources:

- C Cheers (television sitcom)
- R Radisson Hotel
- I Doritos (snack)
- B Boston Red Sox
- B Bicycle (playing cards)
- A Dasani (bottled water)
- G Good & Plenty (candy)
- E Revolution (part of a Chevrolet advertising slogan)

Correct entries were also submitted by these members:

Elizabeth Cline (Plano TX)

Bob Cross (Santa Maria CA) Sue Edwards (Denver CO) Cecil Felkins (Woodland CA) Julie Felkins (Woodland CA) Scott Field (Pearland TX) Jeff Gardner (Fairborn OH) Paul Gregson (Antioch CA) Tammy Gregson (Antioch CA) Roland Hall (Napa CA) Bill Hill (Hermiston OR) Isabel Hyndman (Williamstown MA) Laura Johnson (Maplewood MN) Herschel Mack (McKinleyville CA) Rickie Mack (McKinleyville CA) Cy Madrone (Santa Barbara CA) John Murphy (Nashville TN) John Noblet (Alexandria VA) Susan Parker (Randolph MA) Daniel Pluff (Saint Paul MN) John Schafer (Battle Creek MI) Irma Symons (Madras OR)

Rules for Random Seating

The following statement was unanimously approved by the BOD for immediate implementation at all sanctioned tournaments. Any questions about this policy may be directed to the tournament commissioners.

One of the tournament directors' jobs is to work toward the goal of random seating. But given the nature of many tournaments, truly random seating is virtually impossible. Exceptions for good cause shall be made to the random seating goal.

Exceptions for good cause in seating at tournaments include, but are not limited to, adherence to "The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990." A wide set of methods in seating the players may be used by tournament directors to best deal with the variety of on-site conditions that they will encounter when running a tournament, as long as they don't grossly violate the goal of random seating.

Gross violations of the goal of random seating include, but are not limited to, allowing a player to select a seat to avoid playing a specific group* of other players, allowing players to look at numbers when drawing for seats, and having odd and even numbered containers when drawing for seats. (*A group is defined as a unit of 2 or more.)

- Roger Bailey traveled all the way from Franklin MA to southern California in order to be the high qualifier at the sixth annual Peg for the Border in early January.
- The Washington State Championship in Centralia WA, directed by Life Master (*) Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen, is one of the premier events on the West Coast, and this year's edition in mid-January proved to be no exception-despite having to move the venue at the last minute due to severe flooding. Over one hundred sponsors donated nearly \$14,000 in trophies, cash, gift cards, meal coupons, and tournament-related services. Thanks to these generous donations, the tournament paid back an overall return rate of 139%, with \$500 donated to charity! Life Master Mel Ashley (Marina CA) needed an extra suitcase to carry all his hardware home. He earned three trophies: high roller champion, high qualifier in the main (winning 20 of 22 games!), and fifth place in the main. Life Master $(\star \star \star)$ Duane Toll (Sutherlin OR) won his 45th tournament by besting the other 219 players in the main event.
- "Magic 11s" were hot at the second annual Midwest Match Play. In each satellite event, at least some 11-GP scorecards either cashed or qualified: Friday night had one such card, Saturday had three (half of the cash winners), and the consolation saw an 11/5 +43 scorecard not only qualify but go on to win the whole thing. Life Master

(★★) Warren Sondericker (Milwaukee WI) was low qualifier and winner of the consolation—his 27th tournament win and his second consecutive consolation win at the Muskegon Comfort Inn.

♦ Polly Hawkins (Limington ME) almost missed the Super Lite Classic in Springfield MA on January 27 due to snow in Maine. But things worked out okay: she was low qualifier, had a 28-hand, and won the tournament. A bad day turned out really great!

First Tournament Wins

- Dave Leissner (Harwood MD)— Virginia Championship on January 13
- Sandy Denmark (Casselberry FL)—Georgia Open on January 20 (Sandy's first time to qualify!)
- Rebecca Gorton (Lakeville MN)—Minnesota Winter Special on January 26 (Becky's first ACC tournament!)

Grand Slams

- Linda Brandl (Wisconsin Rapids WI)—Carter Classic early bird on January 11
- Brad Behm (Appleton WI)—Carter Classic consolation on January 13



ACC*Awards*



Roger obtained his Grand Master rating at the Super Lite Classic on January 27. A faithful member of the Hartford Metro Grass Roots Club 26, he considers club director Phil Martin to be his cribbage mentor. Roger learned cribbage from his father many

Roger J. Bouchard (Glastonbury CT) Grand Master #257 years ago and joined the ACC in 1997. His first tournament win was the Mini-Winni Hudson in September 2000, and he's since won five more tournaments.

His toughest opponent? Roger says: "There are a lot of players who are very good and hard to beat. The one player who I play a lot of games against is Frank Corrado, and those games are usually a battle."



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- 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)

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Dan Pelton (Phoenix AZ), a member of Club 24 in Mesa, asks CW to explain the criterion that determines in which division a Grass Roots club is placed.

The official Grass Roots season runs from September 1 to May 31. Each club may play a maximum of 36 nine-game tournaments during this nine-month period, plus two eighteen-game tourneys (GRRT and GRNT), for a total of 360 games.

Some clubs, however, are unable to play

Cribbage Quiz Answer

There are two ways that the cut card will provide a whopping 650% increase, going from 2 to 15 points in hand or crib! In both cases, the Jack must match the suit of the cut card in order to give 15 points.

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4-6-6-J	5

(Note of clarification for my analytical friends: 15 is 7.5 times larger than 2, but the amount of the increase proper-13 points—is 6.5 times larger than the starting value!)

every week, and in order to provide an equitable basis for competition, clubs are assigned to one of three divisions, without regard to geography, based upon the number of tournaments played in the season:

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Harvey Ackerman

Harvey Ackerman passed away January 24, at age 83, after a long and courageous fight with cancer. He was a long-time cribbage member of the Gold Country Cribbers (Club 306 in Folsom CA). Harvey played cribbage all across the country: from his native New England to Maryland to Florida to California. Harvey loved the game and was always a competitor. He never complained but played the cards he was dealt. His cheerful smile and natty appearance will be missed from coast to coast.

Patrick Beaudin

Pat Beaudin (Grand Rapids MI) died on January 28 after a brief fight against cancer. He was 75. A longtime member of the Grand Rapids Square Peggers Club, Pat cofounded the Michigan Tournament of Diamonds and each year handmade the diamond-shaped trophies. A member of AA for over thirty-five years and a veteran of the Korean War, Pat was a sheet-metal worker who was constantly coming up with ideas and making things. His presence at club and tournaments will be missed by all his friends.

Ted H. Hokenson

Ted Hokenson (Marquette MI) died on January 17, at age 72, as the result of a fall. He and his wife, Agnes, were avid cribbage players and traveled to many tournaments in Reno, Marinette, Green Bay, and elsewhere before Agnes moved to a nursing home last year. Ted had achieved his Master rating in tournament play.

George Stycyk

Club 164 mourns the passing of dear friend and fellow pegger George Stycyk (Culver City CA), a longtime member of Alondra 29ers. He not only played a great game of cribbage, but was masterful on the golf course and played the fiddle like a pro. His passion was square dancing, and he traveled around the country meeting up with friends and dancing his heart out. George enjoyed playing cribbage on the internet against his brother in Canada and friends around the country. We will miss you dearly, George.





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"I missed by one #!%@ spread point!"



"Get that camera outta my face!"



"You heard what the lady said!"



2007 GRRT

The GRRT for the 2007–2008 season is now complete. Many thanks to the four regional Grass Roots commissioners who conducted a GRRT in their region: **Roger Wilson, Dave O'Neil, Patrick Ward,** and **Marlene Lazachek**.

Each of these volunteers spent many hours to make their tournaments function properly. They put together and mailed a letter of instruction to all the Grass Roots clubs, opened bank accounts to deposit the entry fees, and set up space on the website for clubs to enter their GRRT results. They tracked the entries that the club directors entered into the system and made any needed corrections. They spent the month of January making sure all of the numbers balanced, prepared the standings, wrote the checks, and mailed the prizes and a copy of the GRRT results to participating club directors.

We had a total of **1,915 official participants** throughout the United States and Canada (up from 1,862 last year). The top players in each region are listed below. Due to space limitations, only scorecards of 30 or more GPs are listed, along with those receiving a 29-hand, a 28-hand, or a grand slam.

Congratulations to Austin Adams, a junior player in Club 333 (Jackson MI) who scored a 25/11 +114.

Region II (503 players)

- 1. Douglas Benson (33/14 +236)
- 2. Gary Hohstadt (32/15 +158)
- 3. Hal Lamon (32/14 +229)
- 4. Ed Johnson (31/14 +213)
- 5. Dale Weilep (31/14 +192)
- 6. Raymond Zeutschel (30/14 +184)
- 7. Shawn Brown (30/13 +182)

New GRRT Record

Congratulations to Jim Wysocki, who scored an amazing 39/17 +355 scorecard at Club 336, the Space Coast Peggers in Merritt Island FL. He lost only one game by nine points and skunked five opponents (see scorecard on next page).

Jim has been playing cribbage for about fifty-five years, having learned to

play by watching his parents. Being raised in Schofield WI in the days before television and snowmobiles, there wasn't much else to do during the winter months



except play cards and board games. It was a few years later when he learned that cribbage boards actually came with pegs and that broken toothpicks or wooden matchsticks were not the norm!

The week following his record-setting GRRT scorecard, Jim scored 18 GPs in regular Grass Roots play. And in February he came in second in the ACC Open. Given this phenomenal success, there's a real good chance that Jim will be playing many more tournaments in the future!

Region IV (529 players)

- 1. Gloria Smalley (34/15 +280)
- 2. James Langley (32/15 +201)
- 3. Dearl McCullough (31/14 +194)
- 4. Vern Mierkey (31/14 +182)
- 5. Tom Mills (31/14 +160)
- 6. Mary Jane Esera (30/14 +162)
- 7. Franklin Robinson (30/13 +251)
- 8. Don Pinnock (30/13 +224)

Region VI (424 players)

- 1. Richard Corbin (36/16 +304)
- 2. Sharon Schaefer (32/15 +185)
- 3. Deborah Hannula (31/15 +273)
- 4. Brock Lee (31/14 +220)
- 5. Philip Whitehouse (30/13 +202)
- 6. Harry Bean (30/13 +183)

Region IX (459 players)

- 1. Jim Wysocki (39/17 +364)
- 2. Roger Shalhoub (34/15 +297)
- 3. Marilyn Gaudreau (32/15 +283)
- 4. Roland Cull (32/14 +280)
- 5. Keith Miller (31/14 +276)
- 6. Earle Remington (31/14 +242)
- 7. John Groz (31/12 +334)
- 8. Roger Dreyling (30/14 +308)
- 9. Jack Marchand (30/14 +289)
- 10. Ralph Haynes (30/14 +217)
- 11. Thomas Connally (30/14 +280)

29-Hands (\$100)

Dave Neifert (CA) Vicki Skaradek (MD)

28-Hands (\$25)

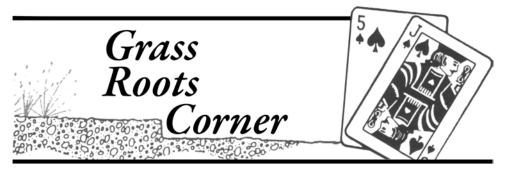
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Grand Slams (\$25)

Joseph Aird (MI) Marilyn Gaudreau (MA) Deborah Hannula (MI) Jim Hogen (MN) Jim Langley (CA) Adrian Levy (CA) William MacMillan (WY) Tom Mills (CA) Len Overholser (NV) Dave Shaff (MN) Dale Weilep (WA) Roger Widdowson (CO) Jim Wysocki (FL)



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Grass Roots Registration Forms—please include your two-character state or province code on the form. All the states and provinces start with #0001 and progress upward.

Club 343 (Elk Grove CA)—in the first game of a recent weekly tourney, Ann Springer had three 24-hands but ending up losing when she pegged one of them the wrong way! Guest Les Sumner took second place behind Bob Bartosh, and Albert Baptista came in third. The next week J.R. Springer (Ann's son) had a 28-hand in his first game, which he won by ten points, but could win only three more games that night. Submitted by Joe Remlinger

Club 245 (Grants NM)—at the January 16 tournament, with seven members present (our normal number), we had four four-of-a-kind-in-the-hand—and three of these were all 10s! Each quad paid \$5. *Submitted by Tom Bombaci*

Club 110 (Honolulu HI)—86-year-old Lambert Wai ran the table for a grand slam 19/9 +149. Two wanderers returned home after a lengthy absence and immediately made an impression: Barry Farinaro (Kent, England) turned in a fine 14/6 +85 and Ron Dellork (the Big Apple) had 12/5 +17. Mary Jane Esera continues her winning ways with nice 16/7 +89, along with her 30-GP card in the GRRT and is now at 162 GRPs points for the season. *Submitted by Fred White*

Humboldt Cribbers (Club 194)—on March 4 the Humboldt Cribbers will begin playing on Tuesdays at 6:30 P.M. at the Red Cross headquarters at 11th and E Streets in Eureka CA. On January 17 there were two 24-hands in the same game: one against Lavonne Cookman and the other against Julie Kelly; both players are new to the cribbage circuit and are both under fifty, so it is good to see their success. Despite snow on

Rule of the Month—Order of Dealing

If a player deals out of turn and the error is discovered before *both* players have played a card, the deal is void and the correct player redeals. If discovered thereafter, the hands shall be played and the nondealer deals the next hand in that game.

the hills and rainy, foggy, and snowy driving conditions, January has been a hot month for cards in Eureka. The skunk bank started the month with \$52.65 in it, but took some hits after 28-hands (each of which receives one-quarter of the total) by **Carl Stone Jr.** on January 3 and **Rickie Mack** on January 17, plus a grand slam by **Ruth Fraker**. We are averaging about 24 players each week. *Submitted by Rickie Mack*

Club 241 (Lake Worth FL)-the comeback of the year occurred on January 26 at our GRNT. Past club champion Chuck Barnes won two games in the first half for only 4 GPs. In the second half he stormed back with a vengeance, winning all nine games, with two skunks-for the necessary 24 GPs he needed to qualify. In addition, he won the second half Q-pool of \$29, placed second in the overall Q-pool for \$48, won half of the skunk bank for his grand slam, and took home the optional \$5 winner-take-all envelope of about \$50, since the winner Joannie Ledbetter wasn't in that pool. I contributed to Chuck's 20 GPs by letting a game slip away in the second half, that I thought sure I had won. That's another five bucks! Submitted by Joe Daesch

How about a shout out for **Hugh Berry**, who recently became the first Grass Roots player in the **Richmond Cribbage Club** to attain the Silver level! Hugh is an annual contender for the club championship and regularly competes on the tournament trail in the Mid-Atlantic states. Hugh learned to play the game while he was in the Navy in 1950, has played in our club for sixteen years, and was also Richmond's first Bronze award winner. Hugh is a typical Grass Roots Club member: he seldom misses a night and can always be counted on to help out with any and all of the tasks that must

GrassRootsAwards

Silver Award John A. McCready (104) MA Alan J. Lindner (199) WI

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be done to make a good club a great one! *Submitted by Rick Allen*

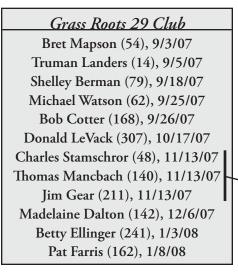
Orange County Cribbage Club 227-talk about streaks: Hank Kaneshige recently had four first-place finishes in five consecutive meetings. Dick Christy had two first-place finishes in three weeks. On the other hand, Rosemary Lionetti had three consecutive 19-cribs in one game-ouch! Since the start of the new season we have had five 28-hands: one each by Larry Irion, Ken Miller, Art Lange, Steve Yellon, and first-time guest Larry Barr. Larry joined at his second meeting. Maybe the best way to increase membership is to deal more 28-hands? New member Don Hightower won first place at his first meeting. Maybe this helps too! Longtime player Al Prelim finally had a first-place card at a recent meeting and received a round of applause. At a recent meeting, Art Lange and Ken Slama played each other in the last game of the night. When they added their cards, continued on page 28

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they had identical numbers for total game points, net points, and plus points. This rarity is the first occurrence in our eleven-year history! *Submitted by Paul Yellon*

Orange County Cribbage Club 227-Dave Gillis had a 22-hand and a 23-hand at a recent tourney. Apparently he has been practicing his cutting! Andre Hahn won fifth place recently and was overjoyed. She has demonstrated her competitive spirit and is excited to be playing cribbage. Yes, you read correctly, we paid five places. In the last two weeks we have set records for attendance at our club: 24 on January 23, and 25 on January 30. We seem to be in a growing mode as we have gained six new members in the last three weeks and nine since the beginning of the season, with a couple more probables in the wings. Submitted by Paul Yellon

Club 109 (Stoughton MA)—the battle for club leader is still tight, with Tom McLaughlin holding a slight edge over Tony Pacheco. Moving up fast behind them are Ken Patenaude and Dottie Van-DenBerghe, who were last year's leaders.



Cindy Veradt had an interesting grand slam this month. She started out very cautiously and after her first five wins had a gigantic +12 spread points. Her confidence assured, she clobbered her next two opponents, increasing her point spread to +26 after seven wins! She then pulverized her last two victims to finish with an impressive 19/9 +78 grand slam. It is nice to have **Bill Inglis** back with us after his unwanted medical sojourn. **Wayne Tyler** is also doing better. *Submitted by J.J. Campanella*

A Grass Roots Experience—early last fall I traveled to the Fresno area on business. Well, I got down to business and found the local Grass Roots club that meets in nearby Clovis. My traveling buddies dropped me off at the club, which was seven miles from my motel. They asked me how I would get back to the motel, and I said that somebody from the club would drop me off. They asked if I knew any of the local players, and I said no but they are cribbage players and at least one would welcome a chance to help me out! Sure enough, after being there two minutes I met Jim "Mad Dog" Markowitz for the first time. And after another two minutes he insisted that he would be glad to drop me off at my motel. The next time I played Mad Dog was in Reno in November, where he desperately needed a win and my card was meaningless. So, of course, I paid Mad Dog back for the ride by beating him! What a game and what a great bunch of folks. Submitted by Richard Hinrichs

➤Oddity of the Month

Three 29-hands occurred in three different Grass Roots clubs on November 13, 2007.

GRASS ROOTS Standings

Division 1

Points Name (Club) State/Province

- 248 Keith R. Miller (346) NC
- 215 Mel Ashley (82) CA
- 208 Charlie Douthit (211) WY
- 205 Clair E. Morse (14) OR
- 194 Jack Stakley (147) FL184 Joseph Cornelissen (29) FL
- 183 Duane W. Toll (62) OR
- 181 Henry T. McLaughlin (109) NH
- 179 Larry Phifer (58) NC
- 177 Tom Langford (194) CA
- 176 Jeff Olson (317) WA
- 175 Keith W. Forrest (69) WA
- 174 Jack Wifladt (261) AB
- 172 Alvin Lokitz (230) FL
- 170 Pete Chamousis (142) CA
- 169 Marilyn Gaudreau (72) MA
- 168 Chuck Yeomans (117) VA
- 166 Larry Mayo (271) NM
- 166 George Mackie (148) WA
- 166 Beatrice E. Cook (147) FL
- 165 Hugh Durkin (318) PA
- 162 Clay Lindgren (277) AK
- 162 Raymond Desmarais (168) RI
- 162 Ronald L. Hoglund (257) CA
- 161 Tony Pacheco (109) MA
- 160 David Fournier (22) FL
- 160 Dennis Misenar (204) WA
- 159 Judy Fasani (222) CA
- 157 Gary Rasmussen (232) WA
- 156 David Statz (314) NH
- 156 Gerry Anderson (198) WA
- 156 H. Ross Njaa (82) CA
- 155 Charles G. Sladek (337) CA
- 154 Robert M. Maupin (204) WA
- 154 Elmer G. Rasmussen (232) WA
- 154 Lewis Skidmore (261) AB
- 153 Jim Tuning (232) WA
- 153 John D. Hensley (274) WA
- 153 Norm Ferbert (178) MD
- 152 Vern Mierkey (190) CA
- 152 Paul Hirschmann (285) OR
- 152 Ian Wilson (205) CA

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- 151 Roger Holthaus (198) WA
- 150 Randy Craig (191) OR
- 150 Carl Stone Jr. (194) CA
- 150 Mike Maiden (328) FL

Division 2

Points Name (Club) State/Province

- 189 Raymond Wanke (341) FL
- 149 Donald G. Niebauer (341) FL
- 143 Mark Mano (341) FL
- 140 Louise Streeter (219) NH
- 123 Paul Barrows Jr. (219) NH
- 116 Dorothy Westerlund (267) AZ
- 112 Bob Drobnik (283) IL
- 112 John Fitzgerald (38) OR
- 107 Roger Madsen (245) NM
- 107 Terry Bond (38) OR
- 105 Edward Dove (38) OR
- 105 Douglas Sletten (96) SD
- 104 John E. Marchand Sr. (130) NY
- 104 Delia Doffin (245) NM
- 100 Ralph Haynes (219) NH
- 99 Nancy G. Wanke (341) FL
- 98 Wes Hall (96) SD
- 92 Richard J. Andrew (220) NH
- 90 Patty Vowell (38) OR
- 89 Doris Denny (145) GA
- 87 Linda J. Newman (249) CA
- 86 Andy Anderson (38) OR
- 86 Dennis Lunn (219) NH
- 85 George A. Lozy (130) NY

Division 3

Points ♦ Name (Club) ♦ State/Province

- 104 Warren A. Gallagher (24) AZ
- 96 Jon Taylor (24) AZ
- 87 Helen L. Mroczkiewicz (24) AZ
- 87 Peggy S. Cunningham (24) AZ
- 85 Dick Partee (24) AZ
- 85 John Wallen (24) AZ
- 69 Robert A. Duckworth (24) AZ
- 68 Audrey Robertson (24) AZ
- 58 Tom Rio (24) AZ
- 58 Obie Weeks (150) CA
- 58 Russell R. Nelsen (24) AZ

Joe El Grande

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

1753 Roger Grandgeorge, IA

REGIONAL Standings

(as of 1-31-2008)

	w	lestern Region		С	entral Region		E	astern Region
		Name			Name			Name
		Erik Royland Locke, OR	1	740	Brad Behm, WI	1	647	Phyllis Schmidt, MA
2		Roland A. Hall, CA	2	627	Bob McCabe, WI	2	554	
3		Ronald L. Morgan, CA	3	611	Wayne Steinmetz, WI	3	545	
4	638	•	4	572	Tony Danihel, WI	4	544	, ,
5	634		5	523	Alan R. Schaefer, WI	5	503	
6	567	Jim Crawford, CA	6	489	Beth Witter, WI	6	453	Henry S. Delong, MA
7	550	, ,	7	478	Robert Julian, WI	7	447	
8	532	,	8	473	Donald Flesch, WI	8	443	Bruce D. Sattler, MD
9	498	· · ·	9	450	Doug Page, WI	9	416	Donna Lafleur, CT
10	490	,	10	411	Daniel Pluff, MN	10	413	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
10	467	,	11	405	Frank L. Trojan, MN	11	369	Ken Patenaude, MA
12	407	,	12	405 391	Gerald Gruber, MN	12	340	Richard H. West, MA
13	425	, -	12	367	Warren Sondericker, WI	13	340 339	,
	405			356	,	-	339 332	Lee Dillon, MA
14		Jason Shumate, UT	14		Frank Danielski, WI	14		Cindy Veradt, MA
15	399		15	347	Les Kvien, IL	15	323	
16	368	0,	16	343	Douglas I. Henderson, WI	16	313	Bill Medeiros, MA
17	367	,	17	342	Lloyd L. Kraft, WI	17	306	,
18	364	,	18	317	Al Booth, MN	18	305	0, 1, 1
19	341	<i>'</i>	19	313	Mike Burns, MN	19	302	
20	335	,	20	305	Gene Biegler, WI	20	295	,
21	323		20	305	Sue Schenk, MI	21	288	0
21	323	,	22	302	Ken Rasmussen, MI	22	276	Robert J. Drukman, MA
23	319		23	297	Joan Rein, MN	23	269	,
24	315	,	24	283	Bob Joslin, MN	24	266	Jeffrey A. Messinger, MA
25	310	,	25	280	David Aiken, MI	25	250	,
26	305		26	272	Dave Yaeger, MO	26	249	· · · ·
26	305	U ,	27	263	Patrick Barrett, WI	27	245	
28	304	<i>'</i>	28	262	Jeff Shimp, MI	28	242	Mike Fetchel, CT
29	303	, ,	29	256	Marty J. Schmidt, WI	28	242	, -
30	302		30	248	Cyril Schmidt, WI	30	237	,
31	295	,	31	247	Rhynold Shave, WI	30	237	Mathew Piechota, MA
32	287	James Langley, CA	32	234	Alphonse Scarantino, MI	32	230	Matthew Easterbrook, VA
32	287	,	33	232	Dianne M. Gurney, WI	33	229	David Samet, MA
34	282		34	228	Roger Grandgeorge, IA	34	225	
35	275		35	225	Jeremy Wussow, WI	34	225	Elijah H. White Jr., ME
36	268	J . , .	36	223	Russell B. Adams, MN	36	222	,
37	258	U ,	37	218	Ray Schenk, WI	36	222	Janice Blanc, MA
38	257	<i>'</i>	38	212	Mark Van Dyke, MI	38	220	,
39	254	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	39	204	Jerome Fischer, WI	39	219	Bill Richmond, CT
40	252	,	39	204	Larry Lagassie, WI	40	214	
41	249	,	41	203	Frank Duresky, MN	41	213	U ,
42	246	,	42	200	Allen E. Karr, WI	42	203	John Blowers, FL
43	245	0,	43	198	Robert P. Chase, MN	43	200	
44	236	,	44	187	Marvin R. Gier, MI	43	200	,
45	234	0	45	185	Patrick J. Healey, MI	45	195	
46	226	,	45	185	Bob Kiley, WI	46	194	
47	224		47	180	Richard Frost, WI	47	189	Howard L. Terry, VA
47	224	,	48	177	W. Lee Tesch, WI	48	187	Dave Leissner, MD
49	215	· ·	49	175	Ed Heinowski, WI	49	183	Harry Maiden, FL
50	214	Mike Tungate, CA	50	172	Sandra Stroup, IL	50	182	Marilyn Gaudreau, MA
						50	182	Andy Laventure, VA

Tournament Trail

UPCOMING SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

-	Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
-	Roy Hofbauer	Joe Bernard	George Bickford
	360.835.3623	847.395.7599	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 www.cribbage.org.

NEW LISTING +

February 29–March 2, Frozen Tundra Classic Country Inn, 850 Kepler Dr, Green Bay WI 54311. Main \$60. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Jeff Wussow (920.857.9656; jeff-wussow@yahoo.com), 1100 12th Ave, Green Bay WI 54304 *or* Roger & Jeanne Wauters (920.863.3703)

March 1, Socal Open

Bixby Village Clubhouse, 5951 Bixby Village Dr, Long Beach CA 90803. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Donald Brown (562.597.1603), 6001 Avenida De Castillo, Long Beach CA 90803-2005 *or* Andrea Witkin (213.840.1704)

March 2, Winter 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

March 7–9, Illinois Open

D'Andrea Banquet Hall, 4419 Northwest Hwy, Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Marvin Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Ct, Woodstock IL 60009 or Dave Drew

March 8, Cribbage Cruise on Carnival Spirit

Two full tournaments aboard Carnival Spirit in Mexican waters. Contact: Roy Cook (760.967.7351), 3619 Frenzel Cir, Oceanside CA 92056 or Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901)

- Acapulco Action (March 8): Main \$52
- ♦ Spirit Special (March 11–12): Main \$62

March 9, Tri-Valley Tournament

VFW 1526, 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

March 9, 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 Misenar

March 14–15, Waupaca Rotary Open

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

March 14–16, Northwest Open (Sissel Memorial)

VFW, 2005 Valley, Baker City OR 97814. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/ team. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Carl Heath (541.523.2185), PO Box 903, Baker City OR 97814 or Charlette Springer

March 14–16, March Madness

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

March 14–16, Chico Open

Chico Eagles Hall, 20th & Mulberry Sts, Chico CA 95926. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, tea, donuts, lunch, drink ticket. Contact: Bruce Forbes (530.899.0844), 4532 Garden Brook Dr, Chico CA 95973 or Pete Jackson (530.342.2617) or Dennis Jacobs (530.343.7218) Tournament Trail continued on page 32

March 28–30, Mick Michaelis Classic

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Fri 3pm. Fri 8pm. Sat 7:30pm. All Events. Perks: lunch. Contact: Allen Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313-7083

March 28–30, Roadrunner Classic

The Meadows, 2401 W Southern Ave, Tempe AZ 85282. Main \$55. Fri 7pm \$20. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$20. All Events \$20. Super-Q \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, juice, sodas, snacks. Contact: Ron & Laurie Logan (480.288.9459), 8324 E Sand Wedge Ln, Gold Canyon AZ 85218

March 28–30, Lovelock Open

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

March 29, April Fools' Open

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

March 30, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96817. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahee PI, Aiea HI 96701-3540 *or* Fred White

April 4–6, Kissimmee Open

Ramada Inn, 2145 E Hwy 192, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Fri DBL 1pm \$20/team. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791; rwanke@cfl.rr.com), 1983 Boggy Creek Road #A-4, Kissimmee FL 34744

April 4–6, Timber Capital Classic

Mill Casino & Hotel, 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 4–6, Montana Open

Jokers Wild, I-90 Exit 101, Missoula MT 59801. Main \$55. Fri EB. Fri DBL. Fri HR. Sat. Perks: coffee, cookies. Contact: DeLynn Colvert (406.543.6855), PO Box 5604, Missoula MT 59806-5604 *or* Sharon Hejtmanek (406.549.2843)

April 4–6, Capital City Cribbage

Best Western Kelly Inn, 161 St. Anthony Ave, St. Paul MN 55103. Main \$60. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Todd Schaefer & Diane Waite (651.338.8116), 6651 Lower 12th St N, Oakdale MN 55128-5853

April 11–12, Houdini Challenge

Columbus Club, 2531 N Richmond, Appleton WI 54911. Main \$55. Fri \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Brad Behm (920.739.4358), 1342½ W Spencer St, Appleton WI 54914-4972 *or* Frank Danielski

April 11–13, Oregon Championship

Prineville Elks, 151 N Main St, Prineville OR 97754. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, cookies, lunch. Contact: Patti & Graeme Gossett (541.416.0921), 15852 SE Yakima St, Prineville OR 97754-8848

April 12, Tax Relief Tournament

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit. Contact: Bill Wakeman (510.276.1600), 15750 Via Cordoba, San Lorenzo CA 94580-2530 *or* Mary Herrmann (925.935.3325)

April 13, New England Spring Fever

VFW #1526, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Sat DBL \$30/team. Perks: coffee, pastries, lunch. Contact: Holli & Earle Remington (401.333.5946), 3748 Diamond Hill Rd, Cumberland RI 02864

April 18–20, Washington State Open

Sunnyside Eagles, 100 S Hill Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. All Events \$20. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224; the29seeker@earthlink.net), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

April 18–20, 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; marlemae@sbcglobal. net), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132

April 18–20, Western New York Open

Quality Hotel, 240 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls NY 14303. Main \$45. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$20/team. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Nelson Wheaton (716.648.4314), 3950 Nottingham Ter, Hamburg NY 14075 or Jane Cannizzaro

April 18–20, Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic

Comfort Inn, 2945 Lawrenceville-Suwannee Rd, Suwannee GA 30024.

Main \$60. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. Contact: Barri Gehrand (770.402.1975), 111 Wynnes

DBL = doubles HR = high rollers LC = last chance Ridge Cir SE. Marietta GA 30067-6003 or Valerie Nozick

April 25–27, 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 (715.909.0043), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

April 25–27, Winnemucca Spring Classic

Convention Center, 50 W Winnemucca Blvd. Winnemucca NV 89446. Main \$55. Fri EB. Fri DBL. Fri HR. All Events. Super-Q. Team. Perks: coffee, tea, pastries. Contact: DeLynn Colvert (406.543.6855) or Sharon Heitmanek or Jeanette Nielsen or Peggy Scalley. Send entries to The Winners. Winnemucca NV 89446

April 26, Colonial Cribbage Classic

Ukrop's Supermarket, 6610 Mooretown Rd, Williamsburg VA 23188. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bill Whiting (757.564.8955), 109 Barlows Run, Williamsburg VA 23188

April 26–27. Maine Spring Fling

Holidav Inn. 81 Riverside St (Exit 48 on I-95). Port-



PO Box 5604, Missoula, MT 59806

land ME 04103. Main \$55. Sat HR 9am \$100. Sat DBL 7pm \$40/team. Contact: Susan Cousens (207.892.3724), 30 River Rd, Windham ME 04062

May 2-4, Oregon Coast Classic

Chinook Winds Casino Resort, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City OR 97367. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri 7pm DBL \$50/team. Fri 7pm HR \$50. Perks: coffee. soft drinks, pastries. Contact: Jeanne & Roy Hofbauer (360.835.3623), 30937 NE 23rd St, Washougal WA 98671-9561 or Bernie Nelson (503.392.3092) or Verne & Jeanette Nielsen (503.666.3528)

May 3–4, 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: buffet lunch. Contact: Lewis & Dianne Gurney (715.937.4105), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456

May 4, Ocean State Classic

Lefover Club, 151 Fountain St, Pawtucket RI 02861. Main \$40. Perks: coffee. donuts. lunch. Contact: John Chambers (401.231.6667), 32 Homestead Ave. Smithfield RI 02917-3213 or Linda Partain Tournament Trail continued on page 34

\$10 Time Passer 3PM	Fri 7 games				
\$40 Doubles 7PM Fri. 9	games				
\$50 High Roller 7PM Fr	ri (high card) \$50Q				
\$55 Main Event 9 AM S	Sat, 22 games				
\$10 Q Main event					
\$20 Saturday Special 7 PM 9 games					
\$1- 28-29 Pool: \$25 1st two 28's*, \$300 1st 29'					
We guarantee 96% (or more) CASH paybacks All Q-pools 100% (1 in 8), Team event 100% All events pay top 1 in 4, graduated (1 in 5 EB)					
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Info: DeLynn Colvert (406	6) 543-6855				
Sharon Hejtmanek (406) 549-2843					
Name	ACC#				
City	State				

May 9–11, Redwood Coast Classic

Lucky Seven Casino, 350 N Indian Rd, Smith River CA 95567. Main \$50. Fri \$10. Fri HR \$50. Fri DBL \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. All Events \$10. Perks: drinks, donuts, snacks. Contact: Tom Cookman (707.443.1029), 1920 Freshwater Rd, Eureka CA 95503-9414 *or* Tom Langford (707.599.6722)

May 16–18, Potawatomi Peggers Pow-Wow

Holiday Inn Waterfront (800.788.8411), 940 W Savidge, Spring Lake MI. Main \$70. Fri 7:30pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. LC \$10. Perks: cookies from the Cookie Lady. Contact: Jeff & Joy Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417

May 16–18, Diamond Mountain Open

Win River Casino, 21000 Redding Ranchera Rd, Redding CA 96001. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: beverages, lunch. Contact: Peggy Scalley (775.673.6906), 505 E 1st Ave, Sun Valley NV 89433-8007 *or* Jim Langley *or* Steve Hastie

May 16–18, Gem State Challenge

Eagles Lodge, 7025 Overland Rd, Boise ID 83706. Main \$55. Fri 3pm \$20. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$25. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Kathy Atwood (208.353.4862), 194 E Harris Hawk Dr, Kuna ID 83634-3428

May 16–18, North Carolina Open

Quality Inn, 2008 S Hawthorne Rd, Winston-Salem NC 27103. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$30. Sat 7pm \$30. Sat HR 7pm \$60. Sun LC 1:30pm \$15. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Henry Douglass (336.349.7581), 726 Russell Ave, Reidsville NC 27320-4531 *or* Cathy Perkins (cathyp@cheerful. com)

May 18, Connecticut Championship

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$50. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Entry deadline: May 13; no walk-ins. Contact: Bill Richmond (860.666.4794), 72 Sunset Rd, Newington CT 06111-2620 *or* Bob Fitzgerald *or* Joan Fletcher

May 18, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96817. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahee PI, Aiea HI 96701-3540 *or* Fred White

May 23–25, Greater Spokane Valley Open

Spokane Valley Eagles, 16801 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99037. Main \$50. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Lynn Raymond (509.928.4983), 4105 N McDonald Rd #20, Spokane Valley WA 99216-1286 or Dave Schwartz (509.328.4022)

♣ NEW TOURNAMENT ♣

May 23–25, Rockford Memorial Day Classic Holiday Inn, 7550 E State St, Rockford IL 61108. Main \$65. Fri \$20. Sat \$20. All Events \$20. Perks: lunch. Contact: Don Urban (815.568.0494), 818 Whitetail Dr, Marengo IL 60152-3623

May 24, Channel Islands Open

Marie Callender's, 1295 S Victoria Ave, Ventura CA 93003. Main \$60. Perks: breakfast, lunch. Contact: Cy Madrone (805.962.1733), PO Box 40307, Santa Barbara CA 93140-0307 or Mel Kranz (805.642.4932) or Kerry O'Connell (805.643.7683)

May 30–June 1, That's a Go!

Best Western, 101 Maritime Dr, Manitowoc WI 54220. Main \$60. Fri 7pm \$25. Sat 7:30pm \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Kristina Wright (920.772.4005), PO Box 115, Collins WI 54207

May 30–31, Nugget Classic

Paradise Ridge Senior Center, 877 Nunneley Rd, Paradise CA 95969. Main \$60. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/ team. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Jerry Moore (888.533.5994 or 530.877.1477), 1473 Patrick Dr, Paradise CA 95969

June 1, Western Massachusetts Classic

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

June 6-8, Mount St. Helens Classic

American Legion, 1250 12th, Longview WA 98632. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$20. Perks: coffee, lunch. Contact: Chris McComas (360.501.6885), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626

June 6–8, Space Coast Open

Clarion Hotel, 260 E Merritt Island Cs, Merritt Island FL 32952. Main \$55. Fri. Sat. Perks: coffee, donuts. Contact: Lee Bailey (321.459.5358), 300 S Sykes Creek Pkwy #204, Merritt Island FL 32952-3313 or Mike Elkins

June 7, Orange Crush Classic

Laguna Woods Village, 24262 Punta Alta, Laguna Woods CA 92637. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Paul Yellon (949.837.8177), 2184 Via Mariposa E Unit O, Laguna Woods CA 92637 *or* Lee Foglesong (949.454.9983)

June 8, pH Factor Open

Frantone's, 12253 E Imperial Way, Norwalk CA 90650. Main \$62. Perks: coffee, donuts, fruit, lunch. *Tournament Trail continued on page* 36

Washington State Open

MOTELS:

 100 E. South Hill Rd Sunnyside WA
 98944
 Legends Stay and Play 1-877-723-6311

 April 18, 19, 20, 2008
 Country Inn & Suites 1-877-896-7878

 Sun Valley Inn 1-509-837-4721

Friday April 18th

3:00 p.m. Early Birds \$10.00/ \$10.00 optional Q 7 games 6:30 p.m. Doubles \$50.00 per team 10 games 7:00 p.m. Hi Rollers \$50/\$50Q 10games

Saturday April 19th

8:00 a.m. Registration / Eagles Breakfast \$6.50 / (**Draw Seats**) 9:00 a.m. Main \$60/\$10Q 22 games 7:00 p.m. Saturday Night Special \$10 / \$10 Q / \$20 Q 9 games

Sunday April 20th.

7:00 a.m. Eagles Breakfast \$6.50
8:00 a.m. Main Playoffs (3 out of 5)
9:30 a.m. Consolations \$25 / \$10 Q 9 games
1:00 pm Consolations Playoffs after cards checked
Possible Last Chance after playoffs start \$10 / \$10Q 5 games 1:30 p.m.

All Events: \$20.00 total score in Main, SNS, Doubles or Hi-Rollers.

Registration Form

Name:		ACC#
Address:		
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\$50 Hi-Rolle \$50 Q Hi-Ro	llers	James Morrow
\$50 Doubles		313 N 15 th St Sunnyside WA 98944
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\$10 Q Main I	Payback1-8	the29seeker@embarqmail.com
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\$20 SNS 2 nd	Payback Q 1-6 Double	es Partner
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Contact: Pam Pomeroy (562.929.2901), 12132 Roseton Ave, Norwalk CA 90650 *or* Harold Hilbert (714.397.3222)

June 13–15, Cascade Classic

VFW Hall, Veteran Way, Redmond OR 97756. Main \$55. Fri DBL. Fri HR. Sat. Contact: Bill Kaufman (541.548.1029), PO Box 263, Redmond OR 97756 *or* Margery Clark

June 13–15, Capital City Classic

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

June 20–22, Medford Cribbage Lions' Tale

Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center, 228 N Holly, Medford OR 97501. Main \$52. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:45pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$40/team. Sat 7pm \$20. All Events \$15. Limited to 90 players—no walk-ins accepted if full. Perks: coffee, donuts, snacks. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (707.839.0249), 581 School Rd, McKinleyville CA 95519 *or* Julie Felkins

June 22, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96817. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahee PI, Aiea HI 96701-3540 *or* Fred White

June 27-29, Schaefer Shuffle

Kettle Morraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$55. Fri 8pm \$20. Sat 7:30pm \$20. Sun LC \$10. Perks: coffee, coffee cake. Contact: Alan & Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766), N162W20333 Butternut Ln, Jackson WI 53037

June 29, Baltimore Summer Special

Golden Dragon Inn, 8109 Liberty Rd, Baltimore MD 21244. Main \$60. Sat \$30. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Bruce Sattler (410.371.8954; b.sattler@verizon.net), 3732 Foxford Stream Rd, Nottingham MD 21236-2900

July 4–6, Independence Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$62. Fri \$35. Sun pm \$20. Perks: coffee, coffee cake. Contact: Bill & Dorthalee Irons (775.358.4916), 333 K St, Sparks NV 89431-3214 *or* Roberta Huff

July 8–10, Topaz Open

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395 S, Gardnerville NV 89410. Main \$50. Tue 3pm \$10. Tue HR 6:30pm \$50. Tue 7pm \$20. Wed 7:30pm \$20. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: A. J. Tasker (775.829.1474), 2700 Plumas St #104, Reno NV 89509-4104 or Les Sumner or Valerie Sumner or Bob Bartosh

July 12, Truckee River Classic

North Tahoe Community Center, 8318 N Lake Blvd (Hwy 28), Kings Beach CA 96143. Main \$60. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Greg Schleusner (530.587.7339), PO Box 1526, Truckee CA 96160-1526 *or* Ron Morgan

July 13, 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 Misenar

July 18–20, Devil Mountain Caper

Antioch Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$65. Fri \$25. Perks: lunch. Contact: Mary Gladish (925.798.0329), 833 Blarney Ave, Concord CA 94518 *or* Bob Clark

July 18–21, Granite City Classic

VFW Hall, 9 18th Ave N, St Cloud MN. Main \$60. Fri. \$20. Sat \$20. All Events. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Mike Burns (320.252.5329), 1212 Washington Memorial Dr #134, Saint Cloud MN 56301-3517 or Bob Joslin or Doug Munneke

July 20, Yearend Cribbage Extra

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

July 20, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Summer St, Honolulu HI 96817. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahee PI, Aiea HI 96701-3540 *or* Fred White

July 25–27, Portland Summer Open

Vancouver Elks, 11605 SE McGillivray, Vancouver WA 98683. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$10. Fri HR 6:30pm \$50. Fri DBL 7pm \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$10. Sun CB \$10. All Events \$20. Team. Super-Q. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th PI #7, Portland OR 97202-3069 *or* Ken Julkowski

July 25–28, National Open

Hilton North Raleigh, 3415 Old Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Perks: coffee, lunch. Main \$70. Fri \$30. Sat \$30. Sun \$30. Mon \$30. Contact: Catherine & Russ Perkins (919.837.5790), 1030 Barker Rd, Bear Creek NC 27207-9316 or Jerry Gooden or Henry Douglass

July 30–31, Master Midweek

VFW Hall, 615 N Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$50. Wed \$10. Thur \$10. Perks: coffee, donuts. *Tournament Trail continued on page 38*



The tournament director reserves the right to refuse/eject any player at any time for inappropriate behavior. I agree to abide by the rules of the American Cribbage Congress and rules set by the tournament directors. Signature

Contact: Bob Brumley (509.839.6323), 1301 Lester Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944-9171

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

August 1–3, Shut Up and Deal

Location TBA, San Leandro/Fremont area. 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 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 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 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 Cerese, 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 (410.231.6667), 32 Homestead Ave, Smithfield RI 02917-3213

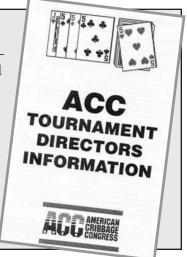
August 29–31, Skagway Open

Elks Lodge, 5th & State, Skagway AK 99840. Main

Booklet for Directors

A handbook entitled "Tournament Directors Information" is available for directors of ACC-sanctioned tournaments. This helpful manual is chock-a-block full of practical info concerning supplies, formats, awards, schedules, judging, and much more. For a free copy, contact the national tournament commissioner:

George Bickford 89 Clayton Drive West Springfield MA 01089-1262 *phone:* 413.733.9288



\$60. Fri \$20. Sat DBL \$40/team. Contact: Jerry Hauf (907.780.4015), PO Box 32546, Juneau AK 99803-2546

August 29–31, Mount Rainier Open

Tacoma Elks, 1965 S Union Ave, Tacoma WA 98405. Main \$60. Fri 3pm \$15. Fri HR 7pm \$50. Fri DBL \$50/team. Sat 7pm \$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 PI 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 31, Hawai'i Open

HonBlue, 501 Sumner St, Honolulu HI 96817. Main \$40. Perks: coffee, donuts, lunch. Contact: Tsarkie (808.223.2400), 99-553 Kaulainahee PI, 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 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 (715.909.0043), 1121 Pleasant View Dr, Port Edwards WI 54469-1159

September 25–28, Grand National 27

Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland OR 97220. Main \$60. Thu 7pm \$20. Fri 2pm \$20. Fri 7pm \$20. Fri "Duplicate" 7pm \$50. Sat 7pm \$20. Sat HR 7pm \$50. Sun 2pm \$20. Sun 6pm \$20. Awards banquet. Contact: Tim Julkowski (503.382.9781), 3602 SE 28th PI #7, Portland OR 97202 *or* Ken Julkowski (503.788.6907)



Ne ACC welcomed 119 new members during Janu-

The ACC welcomed 119 new members during January. 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 card game ever invented.

Brian Adair (Laguna Woods CA) David Adamson (Hancock MI) Trilby Aki (Honolulu HI) Scott Baines (Pleasant Hill CA) Ian Bannon (Portland ME) Earl Baum (League City TX) Arlan Berglas (Tarzana CA) Jeff Bloomquist (Salem OR) Nancy Brewster (Napa CA) Jim Brintnall Jr. (Windsor CO) Jacob Brown (La Grande OR) Guy Bryant (Belleville IL) S Wynnett Burlison (Fort Walton Beach FL) John Churchwell (Anderson CA) Tony Costanzo (Saint Paul MN) Norm Cox (Poulsbo WA) Anne Craver (Dallas OR) Phil Craver (Dallas OR) Nikki Daly (Sparks NV) Ron Daly (Sparks NV) Patricia Davidsen (Juneau AK) Anthony DePinto (Costa Mesa CA) John Dill (South Portland ME) Ralph Driscoll (Alexandria VA) Eric Dupere (Portland ME) Robert Fischer (Niceville FL) Wendy Flynn (Portland ME) Todd Fortier (Kennewick WA) Ed Foster (Englewood FL) Deborah French (Potosi MO) Wally Fulton (Citrus Heights CA) Sam Gaglio (Norton MA) Silvio Garaventa (Napa CA) Avery M. Golden (Encino CA) Alfred J. Gorman (Canoga Park CA) Rebecca Gorton (Lakeville MN) Nancy J. Gray (Catawissa MO) James E. Harbeson Jr. (Sellersburg IN) Cindy Hayes (Bay City MI) Paul Hertlein (Scarborough ME) Verna Hetterley (Penticton BC, Canada) Don E. Hightower (Bellevue WA) Richard W. Hill (Traverse City MI) Sharon L. Hill (Traverse City MI) Patricia B. Jackson (Kalamazoo MI) Hartley Johnson (Marstons Mills MA)

Julie Kelly (Eureka CA) Andrew Knowles (Portland ME) Sidney A. Kroeger (Hortonville WI) Matt Lambert (Westbrook ME) Sandie LeBlanc (Fields Landing CA) Ed Macias (Seal Beach CA) Dennis Main (Rohnert Park CA) Peter Martin (Portland ME) Kevin J. Mason (Chesterfield VA) Patrick McAnany (Portland ME) Alice McCormack (Portland ME) John McCue (Edmonton AB, Canada) Mitchell McLean (Portland OR) Ray Mielbrecht (Vashon WA) Glenn Morin (Biddeford ME) David Muldoon (Portland ME) Denise Muller (Penticton BC, Canada) Marge Neifert (Granite Bay CA) Charles D. Neprud (Colbert WA) Hugh Northington (Plymouth MA) Fred J. Padden (Yuma AZ) Cindy Pergrim (Fort Walton Beach FL) Glenn Perkins (West Bank BC, Canada) Bob Perry (Penticton BC, Canada) Mona Perry (Penticton BC, Canada) Brian Pettis (Freeport FL) Doran Price Lovell (Portland ME) David Rice (Old Orchard Beach ME) Aaron Richard (Portland ME) Ben Richmond (Westbrook ME) Steve Rilev (South Portland ME) Judge Risley (Amarillo TX) Karen Rogers (Davenport IA) Ralph G. Romero (Lynnwood WA) Jon Erik Ross (Portland OR) Paul Rousseau (Old Orchard Beach ME) Rick Rowe (Vancouver WA) Mary Ryckman (Toledo OR) Terry Ryckman (Toledo OR) Dennis Sating (Atlanta GA) Oreme Sating (Atlanta GA) Hanna Schott (Kenai AK) Nolan Scripture (Kalamazoo MI) Gene Secor (West Branch MI) Marilyn J. Seguin (Macomb MI) Timothy A. Seguin (Macomb MI)

25 Years Ago in the ACC

The cover story of the March 1983 *Cribbage World* highlighted 29-hands by **Richard K**. **Band** (then of North Scituate RI, now of Stuart FL) and **Donald "Dogsled" Rhode** (Marinette WI). These were the third and fourth 29-hands in ACC history, but the first to earn their holders \$100 from the ACC. The first two 29-hands were held by **Dennis Backdahl** (St. Louis Park MN) and **Robert Olson** (Minneapolis MN) at the 19

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and **Robert Olson** (Minneapolis MN) at the 1981 Minnesota Open—but, alas, before the BOD approved the \$100 payout.

The world's largest cribbage board—a 25-foot beauty made of hickory, pine, and cherry, with pegs one foot tall—was reported to be at the American Legion Post in Norwich CT. It was used only once a year, for the finals of their annual cribbage tournament. Can any player in this area send a report to CW about whether this board is still in existence? Does any member know of a larger cribbage board?

Elsewhere inside this issue, we learn that Wisconsin became the first state to top the 500-member mark; today Wisconsin has 526 members and ranks #4 behind California, Oregon, and Washington. Jim McManus (Milwaukee WI) led the MRP parade.

New Members-continued from previous page

Daniel P. Shanoski (Pontiac MI) Mary Ann Snell (Bradenton FL) Ralph Stanley (South Portland ME) Bill Stefonivk (Yuma AZ) Jeffrey L. Stetson (Lisbon Falls ME) Peter H. Stetson (Woolwich ME) Sam Surprise (Portland ME) Mark Tardiff (Portland ME) Julie E. Tidewell (Fernley NV) Stuart P. Trumble (Laguna Niguel CA) Dan Umphrey (Portland ME) C. William Vajda (Bradenton FL) Chris Vokaty (Blythewood SC) Bill Webb (Mooresville NC) Jeffery Weiss (Calabasas CA) Lea Welt (Redding CA) Judy Wheeler (Dunsmuir CA) Sue Whiteley (Lakewood CO) Frances Whitman (Plymouth MA) Ralph Whitman (Plymouth MA) Dave Wiik (Penn Valley CA) Lauren Wille (Portland ME) Ted Williams (Scarborough ME) Cash C. Wiseman (Scarborough ME) Jane M. Wiseman (Scarborough ME) Joseph Zamboni (Portland ME) Patricia Zink (Bradenton FL)





In Search of My Master Award

BY SHARI WIKSTROM

Cribbage Stories from around the ACC

A couple of months ago, I won my very first cribbage tournament. Never mind that it had only twenty-six players, it was still a sweet win for me. It was made even sweeter because it put me over the top for my Master rating—or so I thought! On the way home I called our son, our daughter, my brother, and other friends, telling them I won my first tournament and obtained my Master at the same time.

> Maybe you can see where this tale is leading! I arrived home and went online to add up my points and—you guessed it—find out that I'm one point short at 1,999!

> I want to receive my Master award at the Grand National in Portland this fall, so in mid-January, Bob and I traveled to Centralia for the Washington State Championship, directed by **Elmer "Ras" Rasmussen**. Neither of us had any luck in the main, and so we decided to go back home and forget about playing on Sunday. But the weather was nice and it was only an hour-long trip, so we went back Sunday morning and played.

> At the end of seven games I have 10 GPs and was looking at the most famous lament in cribbage: "All I need is one more game." I lose game

8 big time and now face **Mike Rowe**, the Alaskan powerhouse.

Mike is ahead most of the game, but I pick up some speed. When he gets to count first at the end of the game, he makes it only to the infamous stink hole. My hand isn't enough, but my crib holds a double run and I peg out! What a thrill. Except—will a 12/6 +44 make it?

I show the card to **Roy Hofbauer**, and he says "yes." I show the card to some other people, looking for assurance, and they say "possibly" or "it's on the bubble." So Bob and I eat lunch and wait and watch the counting.

After about forty minutes, I approach the desk and hear someone ask, "Only one twelve card makes it?" My heart sinks. Ras answers, "Yea, a 12/6 +44 is in." As busy as he is, I asked him if it was my card and sure enough he pulls out the bottom card and it is mine! I made it!

Even though I get knocked out of the playoffs right away, I still get the point I needed—and have a threepoint start on my Grand Master!

Shari lives in University Place WA and will receive her Master award at the Grand National this fall in Portland OR, surrounded by her cribbage friends. JOIN THE FUN IN

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