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## RENO

The 2013 JPW/ACC Open will be held in Reno NV on February 9–10. Named in honor of the ACC's first president, **Joseph Petrus Wergin**, the ACC Open is held at the Sands Regency



Casino Hotel in downtown Reno every February on the Saturday and Sunday after the NFL's Super Bowl.

Friday features the Tournament of Champions and the Cribbage Bowl. This year the TOC is named in honor of **Syl Lulinski**, so it will be possible for someone to leave Reno with *two* trophies that have on them the names of two of the ACC's most valuable contributors!

The All Star tourney on Thursday evening will feature the top twenty-four players from around the league. If you feel the need to brush up on your pegging skills before the TOC and the Open, then what better way to do so than by watching how the elite players perform!

Other activities include the Board of Directors meeting on Thursday and the Grass Roots volunteers meeting on Friday. The ACC Open consolation will be held on Sunday morning, but—of course—no one is planning at this stage to be playing in *that* tourney!

If you've not yet made your plane, train, or automobile reservation, go online right now and get 'er done! Don't forget: entry fees must be mailed by January 25. **CW**

## Schedule of Events

*\*Players must be in their assigned seats thirty minutes prior to announced start time.*

Thursday 9a—Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday 6:30p—All Star Tourney

\* Friday 8a—Tournament of Champions

\* Friday 3:30p—Cribbage Bowl

Friday 8p—Grass Roots Volunteers Meeting

\* Saturday 8:30a—JPW/ACC Open

\* Sunday 9:15a—Consolation Tournament

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Reno registration deadline

**January 25**

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# My Deal

by David Aiken



I hope this doesn't make me sound too slutty, but I've slept with a *lot* of cribbage players. The list is at 55 and counting:

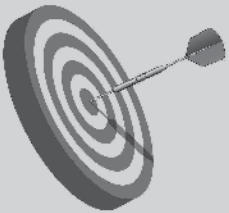
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- Jim Wysocki

To set the record straight, these are people I stayed with at tournaments. (I hope I haven't excluded anyone, although if I did, you're probably happy!) Players make this list if I stayed at their house, if they stayed at mine, or if we roomed together, whether in a hotel, at a rented house, or at another member's house.

Put another way, I wouldn't know these people if I weren't an ACC member. All of my best friends are cribbage players; the people I hang out with are cribbage players; and when I die, I want cribbage played at my wake. I'm thankful for my ACC friends, and this is just my eccentric way of acknowledging their impact on my life.

And for inquiring minds, I slept in the same bed with only one person on this list. **CW**



**Target practice: feel free to take aim at the CW editor whenever we play—but be careful, or your name might end up in the center column!**

<p><b>My monthly batting average</b></p> <p>100–90 (52.6%) in November</p>	<p><b>My biggest win of the month</b></p> <p>55—against Wayne Steinmetz (WI) at Brat Stop Open</p>	<p><b>My worst loss of the month</b></p> <p>51—by Sharon Schaefer (WI) at Wisconsin State Championship</p>
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# Your Deal



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## Incoming Frog!

I would like to share some ideas we use for side pools at Oregon's Best Club 12. We have a free prize (financed by skunk bucket funds) that pays \$5 to the recipient of the last blank crib. In the eighth or ninth game, a little plush frog starts being tossed back and forth to the current blank crib holder, and it gets traded in at the end of play for the \$5 prize. Our players seem to be greatly entertained by bellowing "Frog!" and then ducking the incoming amphibian. We also have an optional \$1 pool for the first crib flush during the night's play. A player having miserable luck can still keep their hopes up for a chance to get this crib flush pool. But the best benefit has been the improvement in attendance when the pool goes three or four weeks without a winner. It costs only a dollar each week to compete, but some happy winners have collected upward of \$100 for their crib flush.

*Liz Stockdale (Bend OR)*

## Fair, Friendly, Fun

Jeanne Hofbauer (November CW, page 22) touched on one of the big problems with seasoned cribbage players, and that is that they do not show good sportsmanship to new people, acting as if they should not be beaten by new players and even pouting if or when they are beaten. Our thirty-two-year-old grandson played with us this past summer about four times. He's a good player and knows the rules of play, yet was

thrown off his play by seasoned members throwing more rules at him and by members who would not speak to or smile at him. Many of the players were enjoyable for him to play, but those who weren't, who took the fun out of the game, also gave him good reason not to continue to go to the weekly club. If we want to keep new members, it needs to be fair, friendly, and fun with good sportsmanship.

*Evon Forrest (Apache Junction AZ)*

## Member Retention

Larry Hassett wrote a thoughtful and important opinion piece in the November CW (page 18) dealing with ACC membership over the last ten years. As Larry points out, recruiting new members has not been a problem for the ACC; holding on to the newly recruited members seems to be a major problem. To Hassett, the BOD has not addressed this situation: "Spending 90%–95% of its time on items that affect only the top 3% of the membership." This is not surprising to me since election to the BOD is chiefly influenced by candidates who achieve high MRP totals and tournament wins. These are aggressive and competitive people who have neither the desire nor the skill to de-

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**ACC membership odometer**

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*as of December 1*

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Wonderful Woodland Won- day (Woodland CA; Oct. 13)	Julie Felkins	108 players HQ. Jim Crawford (40) 1. Jones Horn (147) 2. Cres Fernandez (105) 3. Russ Cuckler (70) 3. Bob Bartosh (70)	60 players HQ. Arlene Walker (12) 1. Leslie Sumner (60) 2. Tracy Yott (40) 3. Grumpy Howard (24) 3. Arlene Walker (24)	28-hands: Mike Tungate* Richard Hinrichs*	
Colorado Fall Classic (Denver CO; Oct. 19–21)	Katey Mayo	72 players HQ. Sue Edwards (45) 1. Shirley Phelps (147) 2. Mike Comer (105) 3. Troy Thorson (70) 3. Glenn Gossert (70)	42 players HQ. Jim Brintnall (12) 1. Bart Jaeger (60) 2. Kathy Pacocha (40) 3. Kevin Pierce (24) 3. Tammy Adcox (24)	28-hands: Dude Reyman* Bruce Sweetman	Friday: Mike Comer Saturday: Bart Jaeger
Salem Classic (Salem OR; Oct. 26–28)	Kim Simmons	112 players HQ. Ronald Boulé (50) 1. Mike Smith (147) 2. Jack Moritzky (105) 3. Paul Hatcher (70) 3. Ronald Boulé (70)	52 players HQ. Scott Dague (18) 1. Tom Varnell (60) 2. Monica Newton (40) 3. Ronald Logan Sr. (24) 3. Roland Hall (24)	28-hands: Robert Stevens* Ken Dawson* Richard Simmons* Ian Symons*	Early Bird: John Pursley Doubles: Glen Humbert & Laurie Castle Saturday: Marty Symons
Rosemary Hendricks Memorial (Long Beach WA; Nov. 2–4)	James Morrow & Jason Hofbauer	83 players HQ. Rick Westerman (65) 1. Erik Locke (147) 2. Roy Hofbauer (105) 3. Tammy Gibbons (70) 3. Richard Munro (70)	45 players HQ. Scott Reidy (12) 1. Ronald Logan Sr. (60) 2. Karen Vermillion (40) 3. Jim Hornbacher (24) 3. Jeanne Hofbauer (24)	29-hands: Willie Evans 28-hands: Bill Mero* Audrey Pastore*	
Wisconsin State Championship (Madison WI; Nov. 2–4)	Terry Weber	82 players HQ. Emilio Perez (55) 1. Pete Severson (147) 2. Marlene Lazachek (105) 3. Betty Briggs (70) 3. Ginny Danielski (70)	51 players HQ. Beth Widener (21) 1. Donald Patrin (60) 2. Lyle Lund (40) 3. Beth Widener (24) 3. Donald Urban (24)	28-hand: John Swett*	Friday: Adelia Lange Saturday: Ginny Danielski

**LEGEND**  
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**\* = in a sanctioned event**  
**highlighting = first win**

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
<b>Gold Dust Fall Festival (Carson City NV; Nov. 2-4)</b>	Diane Leal	60 players HQ. David Johnson (40) 1. Valerie Sumner (105) 2. Clay Lindgren (70) 3. David Johnson (42) 3. Donald Brown (42)	44 players HQ. Michael Duffy (21) 1. Bob Bartosh (60) 2. Margaret Fanucchi (40) 3. Patricia Echard (24) 3. Mel Ashley (24)	28-hand: Bryant Gilkeson*	Early Bird: Bryan Gurden Doubles: Ira Deutsch & Anne Sheeran Saturday: Mike McCammon All Events: Mike McCammon
<b>George Bickford Memorial (West Springfield MA; Nov. 4)</b>	Charlie Finley	82 players HQ. Robert Kaplan (45) 1. Peter Grant (147) 2. Armand Hamel (105) 3. Hazel St. Cyr (70) 3. Frank Corrado (70)	40 players HQ. Louis Petosa (9) 1. Louis Petosa (60) 2. Roger Bouchard (40) 3. Donna LaFleur (24) 3. Barbara Barbour (24)	28-hands: Paul Batterson* Ray Cook*	
<b>Susanville Fall Classic (Susanville CA; Nov. 7-9)</b>	Steve Hastie	47 players HQ. David Carlson (75) 1. Duane Toll (105) 2. Larry Phifer (70) 3. Margery Clark (42) 3. Bob Bartosh (42)	33 players HQ. DeLynn Colvert (21) 1. Frank Kierman (60) 2. Peter Stemler (40) 3. Robert Gromek (24) 3. Pamela Pomeroy (24)	28-hands: Thomas West* Kathryn Bray*	Early Bird: Bryant Gilkeson Doubles: Chuck Yeomans & Margaret Fanucchi Thursday: Larry Phifer All Events: Duane Toll
<b>Veterans Day Classic (Reno NV; Nov. 9-11)</b>	Les Summer	198 players HQ. Rick Baird (60) 1. Paul Gregson (196) 2. Gerald Oxford (147) 3. Julie Felkins (105) 3. Tom Cookman (105) 5. Edward Deveau (70) 5. Rick Baird (70) 5. Bethany Rolfsen (70) 5. Michael McCammon (70)	136 players HQ. Bob Prochnow (24) 1. Charles Dunn (112) 2. Richard Shea (84) 3. Larry Phifer (60) 3. Dennis Moore (60) 5. Heidi Glashan (40) 5. Graeme Gossett (40) 5. Richard Pierce Jr. (40) 5. Larry Miller (40)	28-hands: Bob McMahon* Terry Ward* James Aleschus* Thomas Nohrden* Steve Hastie	Early Bird: Dennis Phillips Doubles: Carol Williams & Skip Smith Mid-Roller: Patricia Crooks AJ's Sunday: Tonya Fyke
<b>Brat Stop Open (Kenosha WI; Nov. 9-11)</b>	Donald Urban	49 players HQ. Keith Widener (40) 1. Arthur Loveland (105) 2. Valerie Degenstedt (70) 3. Robert Deeds (42) 3. Keith Widener (42)	30 players HQ. Emilio Perez (18) 1. Donald Patrin (40) 2. Donald Urban (24)	28-hand: John Hazlett*	Friday: James Huser Saturday: Phyllis Schmidt All Events: Emilio Perez



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<b>New Orleans Open (New Orleans LA; Nov. 9-11)</b>	Kevin Harris	24 players HQ. Earl Baum (45) 1. Jack Howsare (70) 2. Steve Angier (42)	18 players HQ. Wendy Yafuso (21) 1. Wendy Yafuso (40) 2. Rick Allen (24)	29-hand: Jack Howsare* 28-hand: Chris Leishear	Friday: Gary McCuskey
<b>Topaz Winter Classic (Topaz NV; Nov. 12-14)</b>	Valerie Sumner	42 players HQ. Ross Njaa (50) 1. Duane Toll (105) 2. Ross Njaa (70) 3. Mark Fletcher (42) 3. Ira Deutsch (42)	26 players HQ. Michael Brown (18) 1. Tom Cookman (40) 2. Michael Brown (24)	28-hand: James Blakeley* <b>GRAND SLAMI!</b>	Early Bird: Les Sumner Monday: Delynn Colvert Tuesday: Larry McKinney Doubles: Ira Deutsch & Christy Lens All Events: Delynn Colvert
<b>Vacaville Fall Classic (Vacaville CA; Nov. 17)</b>	Stan Katzman	98 players HQ. Dennis Morin (35) 1. Cres Fernandez (147) 2. Tom Cookman (105) 3. Farokh Ziari (70) 3. Evelyn Gilmore (70)	58 players HQ. Jimmy Yee (15) 1. Mary Herrmann (60) 2. Jimmy Yee (40) 3. Robert Cox Jr. 24 3. Dennis Phillips (24)	28-hand: Bob Bartosh*	
<b>South Sac Moose (Sacramento CA; Nov. 18)</b>	Steve Hastie	53 players HQ. Christy Lens (45) 1. Tom Langford (105) 2. Michael McCammon (70) 3. Paul Gregson (42) 3. Jones Hom (42)	30 players HQ. Ira Deutsch (12) 1. Ira Deutsch (40) 2. Wayne Morris (24)	28-hand: Keith Johnson*	
<b>Thanksgiving Classic (North Bend OR; Nov. 23-25)</b>	Larry Hassett	70 players HQ. Tom Cookman (65) 1. Duane Toll (147) 2. Erik Locke (105) 3. James Morrow (70) 3. Tammy Gibbons (70)	40 players HQ. Rick Baird (18) 1. Frank Ornie (60) 2. Rick Baird (40) 3. Margaret Fanucci (24) 3. Delynn Colvert (24)	28-hands: Tammy Gibbons* Del Robinson* Phyllis Roderick	Early Bird: Tim Hutsell Doubles: Gerald Oxford & John Pursley High Rollers: Dennis Misener Saturday: Cres Fernandez All Events: Dennis Misener
<b>Pre-Turkey Shootout (Virginia Beach VA; Nov. 16-18)</b>	Jack Howsare	55 players HQ. Jack Howsare (50) 1. Jeff Raynes (105) 2. Bruce Sattler (70) 3. Bernard Whitfield (42) 3. Michael Burnham (42)	38 players HQ. Bill Whiting (15) 1. Matthew Easterbrook (60) 2. David O'Neil (40) 3. Bill Whiting (24) 3. David Snięowski (24)	29-hand: John Morch 28-hand: Gary Ussia*	Friday: Robert Moore Saturday: Marvin Lang



# Tournament Tidbits

## Satellite Winners

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 highlighting = first win

## Big Hands

28-hands:

- Pat Llewellyn (x2)\*
- Ray Cook\*
- Bob Fitzgerald\*

## Consolation (MRPs)

36 players

- HQ: Louis Petosa (9)
1. Robert Fitzgerald (60)
  2. Peter Olson (40)
  3. William Shoemaker (24)
  3. John Rooney Sr. (24)

## Main (MRPs)

76 players

- HQ: Robert Drukman (35)
1. Mark Soule (147)
  2. Charlie Finley (105)
  3. Barbara Barbour (70)
  3. Bill Richmond (70)

## Director

Phil Martin

## Tournament

**Yankee Classic**  
 (Rockville CT;  
 Nov. 18)

**Rosemary Hendricks Memorial** It's every player's dream to get a 29-hand, so we can't complain too loudly about *when* we get this once-in-a-lifetime gem. Life Master (★) **Willie Evans** (Richland WA) got a 29 (okay, it was his *third*-in-a-lifetime) in the Early Bird, and **Scott Reidy** (Rochester WA) got his first during a pickup game on Saturday. Of course, they would rather have gotten these big hands in sanctioned play—when they'd been worth \$100 from the ACC—but at least Scott won \$5 off **Don Wanta** (Toledo WA)!

**Susanville Fall Classic** Everyone makes mistakes, but you don't see Life Master (6★) **Duane Toll** (Sutherlin OR) do it very often. On fourth street in the third game of his playoff match against Master **Paul Gregson** (Antioch CA), Duane was the pone, and here's how pegging started:

<b>Duane</b>	10		4		6
					(2 pts.)
<b>Paul</b>		6		5	
				(3 pts.)	

That's right, Duane missed the run of three, and it cost him the game, but he went on to win the match—and the tournament. Proof that everyone makes mistakes, but the best players forget about them and move on quickly!

**Veterans Day Classic** Life Master (★) **Bob Bartosh** (Sacramento CA) got a grand slam 18-point scorecard in the consolation but, sigh, came in second to Master **Bob Prochnow** (Livermore CA), who registered a high-qualifying 19 with one loss.

**Brat Stop Open** As if Central Region players didn't already have enough to worry about with Life Master (3★) **Wayne Steinmetz** (Hartland WI)—by anyone's calculation the best player in the Central Region—and Master **Steve Steinmetz** (Caledonia WI), who is following in big brother's footsteps. But now we have a Steinmetz sister, **Valerie Degerstedt** (Caledonia WI), prowling the Tournament Trail. In her very first ACC tournament, Valerie qualified with a 27 scorecard and went all the way to the finals, before succumbing to **Art Loveland** (Brighton MI) in the fifth game by a single hole!

**Brat Stop Open** And speaking of **Art Loveland** (Brighton MI), this newcomer qualified in all five of the first ACC tournaments he played—including a win at the Brat Stop Open—and has climbed to #16 in the Central Region MRP list.

**Thanksgiving Classic** With a win in the main on November 25, Life Master (6★) **Duane Toll** (Sutherlin OR) moved ahead of Life

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## Veterans Day Classic Winners



**Paul Gregson**  
main winner



**Charles Dunn—consolation winner**  
**Richard Shea—consolation runner-up**



**Gerald Oxford**  
main runner-up

Master (6★) **DeLynn Colvert** (Missoula MT) in number of tournaments won. Here's how the top two ACC players stack up in tourney wins:

rank	player	total	mains	cons.
1	Toll	78	50	28
2	Colvert	77	51	26

**New Orleans Open** TD **Kevin Harris** knows how to host a good tourney: players were treated to beignets (a traditional New Orleans pastry sprinkled with bagfuls of powdered sugar), were entertained by Kevin's friends performing skits, and also enjoyed king cake—a pudding-filled U-shaped cake with colored icing. A baby doll was baked into the cake for good luck. **Chris Leishear** (Montgomery Village MD) found the doll but it was too late for his luck, so he'll have to use it next tournament. Speaking of luck, Life Master **Jack Howsare** (Virginia Beach VA) qualified in the main, won the 50/50 drawing, split

the Henry Douglass pool, won the tournament, and also got a 29-hand. That's going to be a hard weekend to duplicate!

**Yankee Classic** Grand Master **Pat Llewellyn** (Bellingham MA) had two 28-hands in the main—and still couldn't qualify! When Grand Master **Bob Fitzgerald** (East Hartford CT) needed 26 points in order to win the deciding game of his semifinal match against Life Master (★) **Bill Shoemaker** (Bloomfield CT), he cut to a 28-hand and was able to tell Bill (who was a full street behind him): "I've got enough!" And then in the deciding game of the finals, **Peter Olson** (Nashua NH) needed a measly 5 holes and Bob let him have only 4. Bob definitely knows how to finish a match!

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termine what would benefit a new player. What the BOD needs to do is bring in a consultant who is experienced in social organizations and devising strategies to make newcomers feel comfortable. Perhaps special tables at each tournament could be designated where newcomers play each other for prizes that are generated by the newcomers' fees. I am not an expert in this area, but there are surely several out there. Some may even be ACC members who would be willing to volunteer their help. The BOD should expand their images of cribbage players to include people who want to play in a relaxed surrounding, sometimes winning, sometimes not. Playing cribbage in the ACC is too enjoyable to be limited to 6,000–7,000 people in the entire country.

*Bill Shoemaker (Bloomfield CT)*

### Job #1

We should be recruiting and retaining cribbage players—period. Labeling those of us in the ACC and placing us into various racial, gender, and cultural classes goes a long way in pointing out our differences, but does nothing to promote the game. Finding people who *enjoy* playing the game should be our number one priority. Retention is also a huge problem so why not mail out questionnaires to those people who have not renewed their memberships after one year and ask them “why?” Tabulate the responses and make the necessary course corrections. I don't see the ACC

membership's lack of diversity as being a factor in the recruiting, retention, or longevity of the ACC.

*Bruce McGillivray (Lake Almanor CA)*

### Diversity?

So a few of us read Keith Miller's article in CW (December cover story), and if he wants to recruit some minorities, we have a collection set up for him to go to the inner cities like Compton, Newark, etc., etc. if he is interested.

*Erik Royland Locke (Wood Village OR)*

### Western Region All Star Team

Why was no All Star Team listed for the Western Region (December CW, page 14)? Have they been exiled for radical views?

*Graeme Gossett (Prineville OR)*

**CW:** All Star teams are composed of the top eight players from each region who do not make All American. Thus, since the top eight Western Region players were All Americans, there was not a separate Western Region All Star team this year. None of the top eight Eastern Region players made the All American team, and so there are eight Eastern Region All Stars. One Central Region player was All American, and so that leaves seven players on the Midwest All Star team.



1. David Braach (MT): 31 Away (Sept. 19)
2. David Clemmey (MA): Daniel Webster Open (Sept. 9)
3. Bruce Grimstad (WA): Columbus Day Tourney (Oct. 6)
4. Jack Howsare (VA): New Orleans Open (Nov. 11)

# 25 Years Ago in the ACC



The cover of the January 1988 *Cribbage World* contained a tongue-in-cheek list of ways for players to ingratiate themselves (or not) at cribbage tournaments. (This may have been the first—and only—time that the word *panache* appeared on the cover of *Cribbage World*!)

Elsewhere in this issue we read that **Jesse Jarrell** won the Bay Area Championship main, **Jeff Shimp** won the Polish Open main, and **Larry Loupee** won the Jesse James Open consolation.



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## All St★rs in Reno

Each year the top eight players from each region gather for one of the ACC's most prestigious matches. The 23rd All Star Tournament will be held at 6:30p on Thursday, February 7, at the Sands Regency in Reno. Defending champion Central Region is tied with the Eastern Region at 8-8-6 over the Western Region.

Each region fields an eight-person squad, playing one game against each player from the other two regions, for a total of sixteen games. The entry fee is \$100.

The top eight players from each region are listed below, along with two alternates. Each player should contact his or her team captain (the first player in each column) to confirm that they will be playing in this event.

Western	Central	Eastern
<b>Duane Toll</b> (541.580.3221)	<b>Donald Flesch</b> (262.434.0020)	<b>Keith Widener</b> (336.971.8504)
Roland Hall	Douglas Henderson	Donna LaFleur
Frank Ornie	Beth Widener	Robert Medeiros
Tom Langford	Marvin Lang	Larry Phifer
DeLynn Colvert	Richard Frost	Phyllis Schmidt
Jim Crawford	Wayne Steinmetz	Charlie Finley
Jeanne Jelke	Tony Danihel	Peter Legendre
Cy Madrone	Haley Hintze	David Campbell
Mel Ashley	Roger Grandgeorge	Chuck Yeomans
Erik Locke	Jeff Shimp	Lee Dillon

Spectators  
welcome!

## Grand National 31 Financial Recap

INCOME	
entry fees (not including charity and sanctioning fee)	66,172
GN 31 apparel	2,916
50/50 raffle ticket sales	10,600
donation	140
advertising income	915
auction income	612
banquet 150 x \$35	5,250
ACC donation for BOD lunch	1,250
<b>total:</b>	<b>87,855</b>



PLAYER BENEFITS AND EXPENSES	
sanctioning fee: 392 players x \$2	784
charity donation: 1,788 players x \$1	1,788
charity donation from auction	612
total prize fund paid out	65,630
10 x \$100 prize for 31-for-8 hands	1,000
trophies	862
GN 31 pins	745
value of GN 31 booklet	2,125
80 raffle items all donated by advertisers	
20 x \$50 prize for 31-for-8 hands after GN 31	1,000
shirts sold or given away at cost or less after GN 31	2,500
donation to Youth Cribbage	500
advertising expense	75
bank charge for bad check redeposited	7
playing cards 4 cases of ACC cards	220
Radisson Paper Valley room, microphone, banquet, and BOD and visitors lunch	7,020
office expense: paper, ink, printing, stamps, labels, clothing, postage; directors' dinner, travel expense, and tips; BOD gifts	2,964
<b>total:</b>	<b>87,832</b>

Thanks again to all who attended, to those who contributed to the event by purchasing raffle tickets and shirts, and to the staff at the Radisson Paper Valley.

—Joan Rein, Richard Frost, Don Hannula

### *New Cribbage Masters*

834. Peter Stemler (Carson City NV)

### **Better Than Joe!**

Noting the achievements of members who moved past ACC founder Joe Wergin's lifetime total of 1,728 MRPs: 1747 John W. Swett (IL)

## Vendors

If you would like to sell boards, pegs, or other cribbage paraphernalia at the ACC Open/TOC in February, please contact Barbara Woodward via email (bwoodward@affinitygaming.com).



Robert L. Julian died on November 24 at the age of 92. Born in Janesville WI on January 19, 1920, Bob proudly served his country in WWII as a member of the 42nd Infantry Division. He was later transferred to the 90th Infantry Division and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He finished his tour of duty as a staffer on the *Stars and Stripes*. In his professional life, he worked in the graphic-arts industry for forty years. A four-time national champion (1994, 1996, 1999, and 2002), Bob also served on the BOD for eighteen years and was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2008. Among his surviving grandchildren is ACC member Dean Julian (Simi Valley CA).

## **Bob Julian (1920–2012)**

***Life Master (3★): 24,079 MRPs***  
***Bronze Award: 2,123 GRPs***

I started playing cribbage with Bob at a corner bar back in the mid-80s before he had 500 MRPs. Even then he was after points, and at one point I offered to sell him mine (which were very few) since I didn't think I would ever need them. Bob had two personalities: one behind the board and one away from the board. As the years went on I spent more time with him, especially in the last few years taking him to tournaments. He had an interesting life, and his memory served him well, telling many of his life adventures on our rides. He was frugal with himself but generous with others. He had a good life.

—*Marlene Lazachek*

Bob was a friend to the ACC. He did an extraordinary job working on behalf of our organization during his time on the BOD. He was a good friend to our family; our sons truly thought the world of Bob. He spent a lot of time at our house when he traveled to play in tournaments in the Northwest. We always teased him that he had to clean out the barn for his room and board, but he always forgot to bring his rubber boots with him! Some of our favorite memories of Bob are listening to him and Harvey Honeycutt sitting at our kitchen table talking about their WWII exploits while enjoying a game of cribbage and taking Bob huckleberry picking up in



**Bob with (left to right) Jim Arblaster, Arnold Crews, and Ev Bey in his Wisconsin home.**



the Cascade Mountains. Bob was a much better napper than he was a berry picker! Bob was blessed with the best memory of anyone we have ever known and could recall events and details with such clarity, it was amazing. We are really going to miss him.

—*The Hofbauer Family*

Bob Julian—92 years young! Bob lived independently in his apartment until about three weeks before he died.

Many people heard Bob say, “This is my last tournament.” And then the next go-around, there he was! Bob even set a new ACC record for an eight-game tournament only six months before he died when he turned in a grand slam 19/8 +190 at the Kenosha WI consolation.

Annett Eiffert and I flew into Milwaukee for Grand National. We picked up Bob, and on the beautiful drive to Appleton, Bob said he might die on this trip. I said to him—as any cribbage player would—“Couldn’t you wait until we are on our way home! Annett, Dean [Bob’s grandson], and I did not come this far *not*



Bob with his traveling ACC advertisement

to play cribbage.” Of course, we all laughed and encouraged him to hang on.

When we left Wisconsin at four in the morning on Monday, Bob got out of bed to say goodbye to us. And I found out his cribbage secret. You want to know how Bob Julian could win so many games or score so many MRPs? Well, Bob slept on a blanket made of playing cards! Of course, he knew how to find the right cut: he dreamt of cards all night long. I told him I would tell everyone his secret, and we laughed.

—*Nancy Rojas*

## In Memoriam

### Don Hendricks

Don Hendricks (77), founding member of Mat-Su Peggys in Palmer-Wasilla AK, passed away in July. Following the 1964 Alaska earthquake, he was assigned to FEMA to deal with the devastation. He retired from the U.S. Army as a captain, then retired from Alaska Sales and Services, but he never really retired. He was active in cub scouts, coached youth bowling, and built a lake home in Mat-Su Valley. Don would be proud to see how Mat-Su Peggys has grown.

### John F. O’Shea

John O’Shea (Portland OR) passed away on November 7 at age 79. He was a member of Club 28 in Portland. John grew up in New Orleans and never lost that distinctive accent. He served in both the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Army and did two tours in Vietnam. He retired from the service in 1980 and went to work for the U.S. Post Office, retiring from there in 1996. He loved to drive to tournaments in Reno. He will be missed.



## October and November Wrap-Up

**Sam Sinram** (IA503) moved into first place, and **Sue Edwards** (CO434SUE) came out of nowhere to move into second place. For winning consecutive tournaments during October, **Daniels Crete** (par121) is the October player of the month. For winning consecutive tournaments during November, **Sam Sinram** is the November player of the month.

## internet.standings

IRPs	name (tourneys played)
1	486 Sam Sinram (62)
2	381 Sue Edwards (41)
3	372 Richard May (69)
4	366 John F. Reed (52)
5	324 Timothy M. Julkowski (40)
6	315 Daniel Crete (44)
7	312 Mike Fetchel (45)
8	306 Rick Allen (42)
9	300 Mark Van Dyke (52)
10	294 Larry Rozeck (44)

## internet.tourney.schedule

Internet tournaments are played on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Go to [cribbage.org/internet](http://cribbage.org/internet) for details.

*December: no tourney on Christmas Eve (24) or New Year's Eve (31)*

## internet.tourney.winners

10/1	Daniels Crete (par121)	10/31	Sue Edwards (CO434Sue)
10/3	non-ACC winner	11/1	Larry C. Loupee (hrts007)
10/4	John A. Kern (JohnInSD)	11/3	Howard Garvin (salthawk622)
10/6	Andy Roland (muesli64)	11/4	Steven E. Quinnell (qqq55894)
10/7	Mel Ashley (MellifluousOne)	11/5	Sam Sinram (IA503)
10/8	David M. Landreth (dmland123)	11/7	Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
10/10	Carl McCullum (absent)	11/8	Rick Baird (RickyTicky2201)
10/11	Roger D. Baxter (rdbaxter)	11/10	Timothy M. Julkowski (Tim_Oregon2854)
10/13	Norman C. Thompson Sr. (nomadnorm)	11/11	Paul Batterson (CT31)
10/14	Billy Barnes (BillyCA5177)	11/12	Rick Allen (Excitations)
10/15	Virginia Grant (OR1547)	11/14	Monica Newton (oreo2757)
10/17	Brad Saunders (zeke11563)	11/15	Mark Van Dyke (loosespokes)
10/18	Douglas I. Henderson (dih1633)	11/17	Jeff Gardner (accoh157)
10/20	John Dellarsina (ca2281)	11/18	Daniels Crete (par121)
10/21	Steven E. Quinnell (qqq55894)	11/19	Sue Edwards (CO434Sue)
10/22	Daniels Crete (par121)	11/21	Richard E. Wilken (fishinggone)
10/24	Richard E. Wilken (fishinggone)	11/24	Sam Sinram (IA503)
10/25	Bob Bousquet Sr. (tinsmith)	11/25	Don Gilder (Rkck61)
10/27	Sam Sinram (IA503)	11/26	Michelle Barthelmess (Frazu2)
10/28	Janet Meinert (JanetSM)	11/28	non-ACC winner
10/29	Timothy M. Julkowski (Tim_Oregon2854)	11/29	results not available

# Welcome to New Members

The ACC welcomed 96 new members during November. 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.

## **Alaska**

Beverly Glasgow (Anchorage)  
Mitch Glasgow (Anchorage)  
Carrie Sheffield (Anchorage)

## **Arizona**

Kathleen Stadum (Green Valley)  
Tony Stadum (Green Valley)

## **Arkansas**

Paul Smith (Hot Springs Village)

## **British Columbia**

Rob Corrins (Langley)  
Carmen Fjeld (Kimberly)  
Velda Fjeld (Kimberly)  
Don A. Holzer (Kelowna)  
Tim Land (Langley)  
Fay Newhouse (Penticton)  
Ginny Schmidt (West Kelowna)

## **California**

Dave Austin (Crescent City)  
Fred Deyoung (Salinas)  
Patricia Dominguez (Roseville)  
Glenn Ebert (Fresno)  
Candi Fleming (Chico)  
Martha J. Foster (Escondido)  
Aly Krystkowiak (Arcata)  
Twila Lewis (Fresno)  
Cierra Matizoni (Arcata)  
Jean McGill (Atascadero)  
Jim Penticoff (Crescent City)  
Fred Pfeifer (Fresno)  
Ron Rand (Oceanside)  
Sheila Tracy (Comptche)  
John Whatley (Fort Bragg)

## **Colorado**

Michele Clem (Denver)  
Bruce Lofdahl (Lakewood)  
Constance Mustin (Fountain)

## **Florida**

Daphne Drew (Merritt Island)  
Linda Hall (Rockledge)  
Richard Hall (Rockledge)  
Barbara Maynard (Kissimmee)

Ron Maynard (Kissimmee)  
Diana Thurston (Bradenton)  
Charlotte Vallieres (Bradenton)

## **Georgia**

John Cox (Decatur)

## **Illinois**

Tonia Austin (Saint Elmo)  
Michael Demar (Evanston)  
Eric Langley (Chicago)  
Carol Tellefson (Worden)  
Terry Tellefson (Worden)

## **Maine**

William S. Wilson (Portland)

## **Massachusetts**

Paul Bickford (Feeding Hills)  
Elizabeth A. Gabrielle (Green Harbor)  
Ralph V. Shapino (Rutland)  
Jeremy Shea (Sandwich)

## **Michigan**

David Dainelis (Middleville)  
Harry Farley (Ishpeming)  
Joyce McDaniel (Kalamazoo)  
Penny Strongman (Ishpeming)  
Mark Torrance (Portage)

## **Minnesota**

Marie G. Cooney (Saint Paul)  
Bill A. Miller (Pierz)  
Peter Muscala (Minneapolis)  
Tony Muscala (Minneapolis)  
Bill O'Day (Carver)

## **Nebraska**

Beth Stone (Norfolk)  
Gregg Stone (Norfolk)

## **Nevada**

Terry Espeland (Pahrump)

## **New Hampshire**

Lionel Sylvestre (West Stewartstown)

## **New Mexico**

Frank Farr (Jamestown)

## **New York**

Billy B. Attridge (Rochester)

## **North Carolina**

Brian Wilson (Raleigh)

## **Oregon**

Bobby Adams (Salem)  
Frank A. Butler (McMinnville)  
Kelly K. Foster (Salem)  
Larry Hance (Newport)  
Al Seaman (Aloha)

## **South Dakota**

Natasha Maurer (Rapid City)

## **Virginia**

William F. Walker (Springfield)

## **Washington**

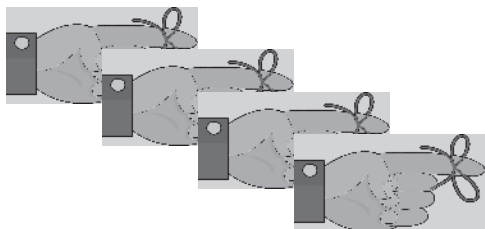
Cody Blevins (Port Angeles)  
Marc Boxberger (Lakewood)  
Troy Dempsey (Olympia)  
Bryan Erlebach (Kent)  
Zak Everly (Eastsound)  
James H. Franklin (Tacoma)  
Jordan Gale (Seattle)  
Vivien Harvey (Walla Walla)  
Nancy Hudson (Olympia)  
John K. Murphy (Federal Way)  
Dustan Music (Bremerton)  
Tim Tagliente (Puyallup)  
Mark White (Olympia)  
Tony White (Rochester)

## **West Virginia**

Damian Corwine (Bunker Hill)  
Samuel Padgett (Bunker Hill)

## **Wisconsin**

Josh Chase (Altoona)  
James Degerstedt (Caledonia)  
Valerie Degerstedt (Caledonia)  
Joe Isaacson (Eau Claire)  
Doug Mayer (Eau Claire)  
Bryan Olsen (Eau Claire)  
Barbara J. Shapiro (Madison)



Reno registration deadline

## January 25

# WORLD'S LARGEST CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT

Joseph Petrus Wergin

## ACC OPEN

and Syl Lulinski Invitational  
Tournament of Champions

**February 8-9-10, 2013**

**\$15,000.00**

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### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2013

**INVITATION ONLY TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS** play begins at 8 a.m. on Friday. This is an ACC **invitation only** event with \$4,000.00 ADDED by the Sands Regency. Invitations have been mailed out. New for 2013: TOC Entries are mailed to the Sands Regency, or you may enter on-line at [www.cribbage.org](http://www.cribbage.org). If you have questions about the Invitational, contact Don Hannula, 906-296-9107.

**CRIBBAGE BOWL** play will begin at 3:30 p.m. sharp. Entry fee \$50. ***PLEASE DO NOT PRE-REGISTER FOR THE CRIBBAGE BOWL IF YOU ARE PLAYING IN THE TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS.*** On-site registration between noon and 3 p.m. Friday. Play 1 game vs 12 opponents. No playoffs. 100% PAYBACK plus trophies.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2013

**ACC OPEN MAIN TOURNAMENT** play will begin at 8:30 a.m. sharp. Limited to first 1,024 players, enter early! (Money refunded if unable to play.) Entry fee \$80 for ACC Members (\$95 for new members) includes \$20 Q. Qualifying round, 1 game vs 22 opponents, cut for deal. Top 25% advance to best 3 of 5 playoff. (Finals best 4 of 7.) \$10,000 ADDED by the Sands Regency! PAYBACK OVER 100% plus trophies. Q-Pool 100% Payback, graduated 1 of 8. THERE WILL BE PLAYOFF ROUNDS ON SATURDAY, CHECK POSTED SCHEDULE.

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2013

**CONSOLATION TOURNAMENT** play will begin at 9:15 a.m. sharp. Entry fee \$40, includes \$10 Q. No pre-registration. Please register on Saturday night, or Sunday morning before 8:30. Qualifying round 1 vs 9. Top 25% to best 2 of 3 playoff. (Finals best 3 of 5.) \$1,000.00 ADDED by the Sands Regency. PAYBACK OVER 100% plus trophies, Q-Pool 100% Payback, graduated 1 of 8.



### **DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES: JANUARY 25, 2013**



To enter these events on-line with a credit card through PayPal (small fee applies) go to **WWW.CRIBBAGE.ORG**



Questions? Contact Roy and Jeanne Hofbauer 360-835-3623, Rick and Peggy Shea 707-444-3161, or Scott Kooistra 605-661-7081, [sakrwb75@yahoo.com](mailto:sakrwb75@yahoo.com). For TOC, call Don Hannula 906-296-9107.



**No telephone entries – Please enter by mail or on-line.**

# ENTRY FORM – ACC CRIBBAGE – FEB. 8-9-10, 2013

Current ACC membership required. Annual membership \$15 Individual, \$18 Joint.

**1<sup>ST</sup> ENTRY:** ACC # \_\_\_\_\_  \$50 C. Bowl\*  \$80 ACC Open  ACC Dues

Name \_\_\_\_\_  New to ACC

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone w/area code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>ND</sup> ENTRY:** ACC # \_\_\_\_\_  \$50 C. Bowl\*  \$80 ACC Open  ACC Dues

Name \_\_\_\_\_  New to ACC

Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**ANCHOR SEATING:** Name \_\_\_\_\_  ← Check if Wheelchair/Scooter

**HOTEL:** \$30 Sunday-Thursday, \$50 Friday or Saturday, plus 13.5% room tax and \$2 City tax, single or double occupancy. No Saturday arrivals. To guarantee room by credit card (no tournament entries) call toll free 1-866-FUN STAY (386-7829), **Code: ACC 13.** Book and guarantee by January 25, 2013 for special rate.

Please make me a reservation  Made by phone  No room needed

Made with TOC Entry  Made with Casino Host

Sharing room with:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Nights \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Rooms \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_

1 Bed  2 Beds  No Preference  Request Non-Smoking

Low Floor  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**(Please Note: All specific hotel requests are subject to availability at time of arrival.)**

## MAIL BY JANUARY 25, 2013

Make check payable to:

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Cribbage Tournament

345 N Arlington Avenue

Reno NV 89501

Cribbage Bowl\* (Fri.) \$50 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

ACC Open (Sat.) \$80 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch Buffet (Sat.) \$10 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

ACC Dues (If Expired) \$15 or \$18 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Deposit \$36.05 or \$58.75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*REMINDER: Do NOT enter the Cribbage Bowl in advance if you are playing in the Tournament of Champions.**

*The Internal Revenue Service considers prize money earned of \$600 or more as income which must be reported. The Sands Regency is required by law to withhold 30% of prize money of \$600 or more awarded to non-US Citizens without US TIN numbers and a US address, or US Citizens who cannot provide a valid US Social Security Number.*

# The President's Column

by Jeanne Hofbauer



Most of us start out the new year with a few resolutions, usually changes in our behavior that we want to make. There are the always popular resolutions to lose weight or spend money and time more wisely. But this year I am asking all of us to work on sportsmanship and tolerance.

We know what good sportsmanship is about. Lots of ACC members honestly will tell you that winning is just a bonus to the whole experience of playing in an ACC venue. They enjoy the social aspect of the tournaments.

Let's face it, no one really likes to lose. However, there is no way to eliminate losing! In every cribbage game, there is a winner and a loser. So in most cases you have a 50% chance of losing a game (I can just hear some of you arguing this point). So what are you going to do about it? Getting upset every time you lose a game could be hazardous to your health. I wonder how many ACC players are on medication to lower their blood pressure? There is no useful purpose to getting angry about losing a game of cribbage.

Most of us have faced more challenging problems in our life. So put it in perspective, it is only a game.

However, there are times of frustration when people lose their cool, say things

they should not say, do things they should not do. This is where tolerance comes in. You know how it is to have 26 points with five games to go, only to lose all five and not qualify. Not a fun experience! You also know how it feels when you have a substantial lead on an opponent, only to see them get a 24-hand on fourth street and breeze by your pegs to claim a win you were already mentally claiming on your scorecard. Again, not fun!

I am not granting anyone permission to act rude. I am just saying that people will be people, and to cut them some slack when certain types of *mild* bad behavior occur. You are an intelligent bunch; you know when someone steps too far over the line and when their conduct is not acceptable. Most of the time, you can take the high road, be a class act, and not let anyone ruin your day!

I wish you all a Happy New Year and lots of good cards!

*Jeanne*

Due to the early deadline for the January CW, the BOD agenda could not be included. It will be posted on [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org) as soon as it is ready.

## ***Milestones!***

Send info about member birthdays ending in a zero two months in advance to [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net) or P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313.

**Bill Laukus (MI) turned 90 on December 21**

**David Staup (OR) turned 70 on December 23**

**Maurice Ansolabehere (MN) turns 80 on January 11**

**Pat Ray (MI) turns 80 on January 30**

# ACC Awards

Herschel learned to play cribbage in grade school and joined the ACC in the mid-1990s. He improved his game by observing players like Jim Langley and DeLynn Colvert. He

**Herschel Mack  
(Gold Hill OR)  
Life Master (2★) #24**



Herschel Mack taught Rickie how to play, and while he is her cribbage mentor, she says that "I don't always listen!" Rickie is a member of the Travelers' Club, and she's earned her

**Rickie Mack  
(Gold Hill OR)  
Life Master #197**

was champion at Club 194 in Eureka CA a half-dozen times and has won thirty tournaments. His favorites are Reno (he won the 2011 ACC Open), any in Oregon (Lincoln City for the turnout, Prineville for the cookies!), and any tourney his family has started. To name one from each region, his toughest opponents are Jim Langley, Wayne Steinmetz, and Phyllis Schmidt. Herschel's interests include cooking, orcharding, reading, scrabble, and sports. After teaching for thirty-six years at Humboldt State University, he retired in 2006.

Bronze Award. Her favorite tournament is Crescent City; she held a 29-hand there last year and earned her Life Master there this year. Rickie's toughest opponent is anyone who gets better cards or beats her in the finals (i.e., Jim Langley and DeLynn Colvert). She joined the ACC in the mid-1990s and has won three tournaments. A retired elementary school secretary, Rickie's non-cribbage interests include Scrabble, crossword puzzles, traveling, and enjoying the scenery in southern Oregon.



Charlie learned to play cribbage in 1964 and joined the ACC in 1983 after meeting Harry Palmer on a golf course. His cribbage mentor was George Bickford, who never let Charlie off the hook for missing one of George's tourneys to play golf! A member of Pegging Fools Club 72 (Longmeadow MA), which he started with Jim Law in 1988, Charlie was club champion—and national Grass Roots champion!—in 2002. Charlie has won fourteen weekend tournaments and enjoys the Grand Nationals the most, because he loves traveling to all three regions around the country. In the past, his toughest opponents were George Bickford and Tossie Shea, but now Peter Vangsness is the toughest. Charlie enjoys reading and dabbling in the stock market.

**Charlie Finley  
(Enfield CT)  
Life Master (★) #81**

Tom learned to play cribbage in high school and joined the ACC a dozen years ago. Many players have mentored him along the way, but he credits Paul Hatcher, Jim Langley, Bob Bartosh, Rick Shea, and Tom Langford for having helped the most. Tom has been club champion twice at Club 194 in Eureka. His first tournament win was the 2006 Humboldt Classic main, and he's now won thirteen tourneys. His favorite cribbage moment this year was when he *lost* in the consolation finals at Crescent City. Not too many players enjoy losing, but Tom has a very good reason to have enjoyed it; he says, "I lost this match to my toughest opponent, my beautiful wife Lavonne." Tom enjoys hunting, spending time with five grandkids, and church.

**Tom Cookman  
(Eureka CA)  
Grand Master #336**





# GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



## Youth Teaching Tip

The 2012 Youth Cribbage Recognition Award for making a positive impact on youth cribbage in the past year (or beyond) goes to **Mike Burns** (Prior Lake MN). Mike has been teaching cribbage to kids for the past twelve years. In that time he has worked with more than 400 students. Mike has directed the annual Granite City Classic Junior Tournament in St. Cloud MN for the past seven years and has given out college scholarships to one in four competitors. Mike has produced a teaching video for educators as well as a textbook for students. To date, more than 300 booklets have been distributed. Mike no longer resides in St. Cloud, but he has kept the vibrant youth program alive through the St. Cloud Grass Roots Club. As a result, more than 200 children will be taught how to play cribbage in the area this year. I commend Mike for his gallant efforts to bring smiles to the faces of our youth and at the same time create a strong base of potential ACC members. A formal presentation will be made to Mike at the BOD meeting in February at the Sands Regency. If you can't be there, be sure and acknowledge Mike's achievements when you see him.

## Youth News

The twentieth annual Sierra Youth Tournament on February 23 will leave all participants with a lifetime of fond memories. Players will be treated to breakfast and lunch, given custom t-shirts (donated by the Sands Regency), get raffle tickets when they score 16-point hands or higher, get tickets to buy items at the "cribbage store" every time they get heels or nobs, and win gift cards with every 20-point hand. The main event consists of six games for ages eleven and under and nine games for ages twelve and over. Playoffs will follow, along with a four-game consolation. Beautiful trophy boards and gift cards will be given to the top four finishers of each age group. For more information or to sign up, contact Dan Zeisler ([danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com) or 530.263.7468).

## Teaching Manuals

Recent requests for youth teaching manuals were received from the following people. Watch for a youth boom in these areas!

- **John Ohman** (Springfield VA)
- **Kurt Bloeser** (Phoenix AZ)
- **Charlie Finley** (Enfield CT)
- **Janet Mowen** (Lakewood CO)

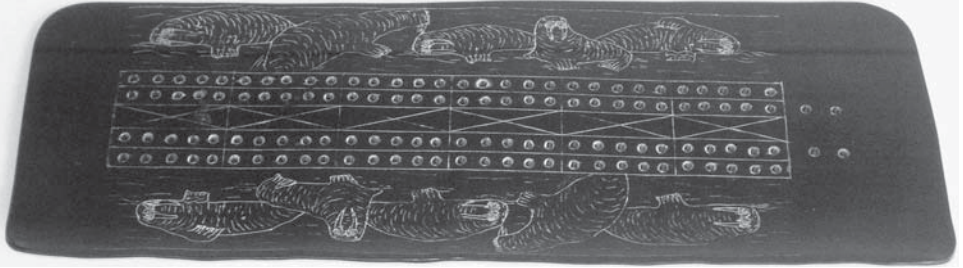


# Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

The board featured this month was given to me by **Mike Rowe** (Soldotna AK). Many of you have met Mike at various ACC tournaments. He was a 2011 All American and is one of the more fun ACC members to play against (as long as you don't mind getting beat regularly).

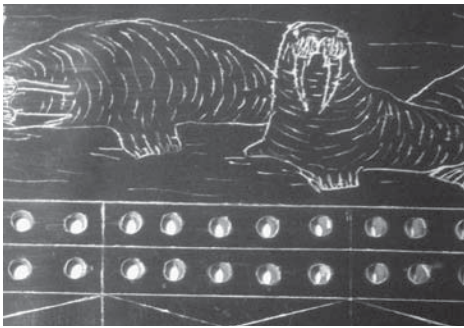
Several Native artists with the name "Frankson" in the Point Hope area of northwest Alaska. That would be an appropriate origin for this board because the Inupiat Eskimos of Point Hope (Tikibaq) still maintain a seasonal hunt for bowhead whales. It is hard to imagine, but many still



This board was given to Mike many years ago. It is made from whale baleen by Alaska Native artist **F. E. Frankson Sr.** Both Mike and I researched this board to get more information on the artist. We found

hunt with traditional sealskin boats powered by paddles.

Not only is this board a beautiful example of Native scrimshaw art, but it is also unique because very few boards are made from baleen. Baleen plates from bowhead whales are usually used for nets, lines, weaving baskets, and other artwork. When baleen is used for cribbage boards, it is normally as inlays, end caps, or other accents on carved walrus ivory boards.



**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](mailto:budandotis@msn.com) (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line). For more information on cribbage boards and collecting, visit [cribbageboardsonline.com](http://cribbageboardsonline.com), the Cribbage Board Collectors Society website.

# GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

as of December 4

## Division 1

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### Points ♦ Name (Club)

137	Michael M. Rowe (600)
124	Ben Hester (62)
122	Frank E. Hanson (198)
118	George Mackie (148)
117	Gerald DeVowe (390)
116	Peter Setian (72)
115	Jeff Raynes (58)
114	Lawrence E. Gould (58)
113	Randy Braukmann (46)
113	Brenda Carson (71)
111	Ida Sanford (277)
109	Norm Ferbert (178)
109	Jerome Fischer (199)
109	Ted Hauptman (230)
109	Channing Holmes (232)
109	Norman Nikodym (68)
108	Elmer G. Rasmussen (232)
108	Arlene Walker (290)
107	Joseph Cornelissen (147)
104	Owen Mayer (329)
104	Ian Travers (211)
103	James Correa (175)
103	Jim Duff (357)
103	Donna Hassett (62)
103	Joe Lilley (350)
102	M. S. Elkins (336)
102	John Piasecki (390)
101	Don Bain (198)
101	Ken Cochlin (184)
101	Glen Humbert (148)
101	Jack Stakley (147)
100	Mark Hauser (295)
100	David Statz (314)
99	John F. Reed (274)
99	Dennis Reising (20)
99	Marinus Verwey (329)
98	Bruce Goff (243)
98	Mike Huey (347)
98	Scott Sand (240)
97	Gregory Gougian (314)
97	Ronald D. Gustafson (357)
97	Robert Reister (221)
97	Nick Vowell (38)
96	Glenn Blair (347)
96	Joe Meske (295)
95	Ron Dailey (207)
95	Donald Novacich (390)
95	Herb Petty (38)
95	Pete Severson (240)
95	Phillip E. Whitehouse (329)

94	Ron Allard (375)
94	Don Chmielewski (240)
94	Donald C. Hannula (333)
94	Mort Herstrom (333)
94	Gary Pinkley (198)
94	Dennis Ulberg (284)
93	Don Grater (371)
93	Dennis Johnston (54)
93	Bill Klem (305)
93	Patrick Ward (108)
93	Toya Winton (177)
92	Joe Degrazio (309)
92	Mike Sudduth (339)
91	Steve Aho (368)
91	Millard Dunton (213)
91	Mike Gervais (277)
91	Dave G. Harris (238)
91	Bill Juedemann (344)
89	Mills Brubaker (317)
89	Dianne M. Gurney (199)
89	Marvin Koon (305)
89	Eddie Paul (346)
89	Wayne Pinguoch (354)
89	Dan Sand (94)
87	Rich Ekman (600)
87	Bill Ellis (600)
86	Jerry Hardy (375)
86	Jason Hofbauer (28)
86	Karen Keil (339)
86	Herschel Mack (600)
86	John Perry (288)
85	Scott Buhrow (106)
85	Barbara Charman (309)
85	Al Doucet (288)
85	Gerald Hahn Jr. (62)
85	Sue Schenk (71)
85	Thomas Schroeder (357)
85	Thomas J. Wilson (2)
85	Carl Wolinsky (119)

## Division 2

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71	Dwight M. Christiansen (382)
69	Gary McCuskey (281)
67	Steve Farmilant (382)
66	Wes Hall (96)
62	George A. Lozy (130)
62	Charlie Perthes (97)

## Division 3

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29	Nicki Newvine (150)
27	Clark C. Faint (102)
25	Jeremy Resch (373)
19	Jon Taylor (24)



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Corner

*Reader contributions are encouraged. Items of interest to Grass Roots players should be sent to Dave at [davegerke29@yahoo.com](mailto:davegerke29@yahoo.com)*

**Chippewa Valley Club 284 (Eau Claire WI)**—when our club participated in the GRRT on November 10, we seemed to go to extremes beyond normal mathematical probabilities. The twenty-two participating players recorded a total of 35 skunks, one 28-hand, and eighteen 24-hands. **Dave Elliott** led the way with five skunks, **Ben Witz** held the 28-hand, and **Greg Michels**, visiting his father in our club from his club in Ishpeming MI, captured the 24-hand envelop in *both* the morning and the afternoon sessions. Prior to Greg playing with us, I dutifully checked his ACC and GR status. Next time he wants to play with us, I'll also check his Green Card status! *submitted by Terry Pederson*

**Square Peggers Club 91 (Grand Rapids MI)**—our club picks a special hand that starts at \$10 and grows by \$5 each week until someone gets it or until it reaches \$100. On September 6, 2011, we picked A-5-5-5-5. And on November 13, 2012, **Allen Southwell** held all four fives and got the Ace cut. A few games later, **John Hazlett** got the exact same hand, but—unfortunately for John—the money for this hand is doled out on a first-claimed-first-paid basis, so Allen got the C-note. No one had claimed this special hand in fourteen months—and then it shows up twice in the same night! Who dares to say that this game makes sense? *submitted by Dave Aiken*

**Timber Capitol Club 62 (Roseburg OR)**—on October 23, just one week after **Ralph Hart** scored 23/8 +300 (see page 27), **Sid Hohbein** scored a grand slam 21/9 +189 scorecard. *submitted by Jerry Hahn*

**Redwood Peggers Club 55 (Santa Rosa CA)**—**Cres Fernandez** has been playing cribbage since the 1960s, and he finally got his first 29-hand on November 28 during the club's weekly tourney. You should have heard him yell! And look at the big smile on his face! *submitted by Sherry Vale*



**Middle Atlantic Club 115 (Elkins Park PA)**—veteran (fourteen-year old) pegger **Noah Dworetzky** smiled when his grandfather dealt him three fives and the wrong jack, but grinned when he cut the case five for his first 28-hand and half of the accumulated skunk pot at a recent club tourney.

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His proud father was looking on. *submitted by Frank Wurman*

**Square Peggers Club 91 (Grand Rapids MI)**—some club members were playing three-handed cribbage at lunch when **Haig Kassouni** held 3-5-J-K, all in Hearts;



**Andy Ruster** held 4-5-6-J, all in Spades; and **Armen Kassouni** held 2-3-8-K, all in Diamonds. The cut card—the 4 of Diamonds—helped everyone’s hand, including the crib, which, alas, had only three clubs, but 8 points. Now that’s what you call a cut card! *submitted by Dave Aiken*

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**Crossroads Club 323 (Troy MO)**—playing in his sixth year, **Jerry Rowe** had never won all nine games, nor had he never lost all nine. On November 12 Jerry had already lost eight in a row, including two by a single point each. Playing against **Don Phillips** in game nine, it was down to the wire. Dealing, Don needed just two pegs to win, before Jerry would count his hand. Fortunately, Jerry let Don peg only one point. One-and-eight is infinitely better than a string of pearls! *submitted by Don Kubant*

**GrassRoots Awards**

**SILVER AWARD**

- Dave Carey (213), IL
- Chip Digiovanni (22), FL
- Ben Hester (62), OR
- David A. Peterson (218), MI
- Joan Rein (215), MN

**BRONZE AWARD**

- Doug Brackemyre (329), MI
- Maija Clough (290), CA
- Richard R. Crampton (321), MI
- Russ Cuckler (290), CA
- Mike Erdmann (94), MN
- Debra Fox (178), MD
- Bernard Friedman (336), FL
- Marilyn Gaudreau (72), MA
- Pete Larsen (28), OR
- Miriam Larson (204), WA
- Monica E. Marchand (130), NY
- Lana Newhouse (370), WI
- Bill Poole (5), NY
- Gordon S. Rickard (191), OR
- Rhynold Shave (120), WI

# Scorecard of the Month

On October 16 Ralph Hart had a night to remember at Timber Capitol Club 62 (Roseburg OR), scoring a 23/8 +300 card! Seven of his eight wins were skunks, by an average of 38 points per game. Ralph missed the all-time record for nine games when he lost game two to Skip White by four holes. To top it off, this extremely cool scorecard earned Ralph his Silver Award this night.

Ralph's opponent	Ralph's score
Margaret Keeley	+35
Skip White	-04
Tracy Meyer	+32
Duane Toll	+39
James Gogolin	+39
Garry McCorkle	+52
LaVonda Hart	+12
Robert Sawyer	+50
Steve Lamphere	+45

## Timber Capital Cribbage Club

ACC #: NM 1 Table/Seat: 21

Name: Ralph A. Hart

Game No.	Points			Opponents Initials	Seat No.
	Points	Plus	Minus		
1	3	35		mk	18
2	0		04	SW	19
3	3	32		TM	15
4	3	39		AT	11
5	3	39		AS	7
6	3	52		GM	4
7	2	12		SA	8
8	3	50		BD	12
9	3	45		SC	16
Totals	23	304	04	← GPs (FAR LEFT)	
	8		+300	← Net Spread	

Signature: Ralph A. Hart

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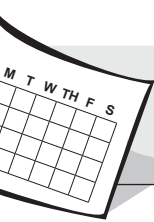
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## MIA

The USPS has returned mail for the following members (city and state are from last known address). Do you know where they are? If so, please contact the membership secretary at acc@cmspan.net or 888.734.4464 (9a-11a Pacific Time).

- Frankie Blett (Kalamazoo MI)
- Dan Bryski (Chicago IL)
- Bob Buntrock (Fort Myers FL)
- Rose Dillberger-Bey (San Diego CA)
- Paul Gunther (Menasha WI)
- Sheri Israel (Northfield MN)
- Doris Kennedy (Diamond Spgs CA)
- Dave Malone (Garden City ID)
- Scott Mason (Corvallis OR)
- Richard Rehfus (Columbia CA)
- Antony & Vyvyan Smith (Yuma AZ)
- Alva Stewart (Biddeford ME)
- Dale & Beverley Warren (Yuma AZ)





# SANCTIONED Tournaments

MRPs

as of December 8

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs	Name		MRPs	Name		MRPs	Name	
1	874	Tom Cookman, CA	1	471	Emilio Perez, IL	1	489	John Rooney Sr., MA
2	737	Paul Gregson, CA	2	412	Donald Flesch, WI	2	358	Frank Reddy, MA
3	616	Bob Bartosh, CA	3	365	Gerald Gruber, MN	3	356	Keith Widener, NC
4	585	Duane Toll, OR	4	355	Thomas Koncan, IL	4	336	Phyllis Schmidt, MA
5	535	Erik Locke, OR	5	331	Wayne Steinmetz, WI	5	292	Charles Barnes, FL
6	498	Cres Fernandez, CA	6	329	Allen Karr, WI	6	285	Harold Cook, MA
7	402	Roy Hofbauer, WA	7	297	Donald Patrin, MN	7	278	Larry Phifer, NC
8	364	Ira Deutsch, OR	8	270	Frank Danielski, WI	8	274	Michael Burnham, GA
9	334	Jones Hom, CA	9	256	Bart Jaeger, NE	9	254	Laurie Hardy, ME
10	326	Mel Ashley, CA	9	256	Jeff Shimp, MI	10	253	Donna LaFleur, CT
11	319	DeLynn Colvert, MT	11	254	Beth Widener, WI	11	248	Armand Hamel, MA
12	304	Todd Malmgren, OR	11	254	Steven Steinmetz, WI	12	240	Frank Corrado, CT
13	299	Herschel Mack, OR	13	252	Richard Frost, WI	13	231	Joy Barnes, FL
14	287	Gerald Hahn Jr., OR	14	251	Terry Weber, WI	14	229	William Shoemaker, CT
15	275	Brittany Pierce, OR	14	251	Pete Severson, MN	15	226	Henry Bergeron, NH
16	266	Roland Hall, CA	16	247	Arthur Loveland, MI	16	222	Henry Douglass, NC
17	265	Rick Baird, OR	17	246	Doug Page, WI	17	221	David Campbell, ME
18	261	James Clark, CA	18	241	Joy Shimp, MI	18	212	David Clemmey, MA
19	254	Richard Shea, CA	19	239	Kristina Wright, WI	19	211	Bill Richmond, CT
20	253	Roger Wilson, CO	20	235	James Huser, WI	20	204	Bruce Sattler, MD
21	249	Bill Mero, WA	21	208	Jerome Tork, WI	21	195	Mathew Piechota, MA
22	248	Willie Evans, WA	22	192	Alice Korn, IL	21	195	Charlie Finley, CT
23	238	Mike McDaniel, OR	23	186	Richard Horvath, WI	23	193	Richard West, MA
23	238	Sue Edwards, CO	24	182	Tony Danihel, WI	24	190	Paula Bergeron, NH
25	235	H. Ross Njaa, CA	25	177	Dan Selke, IL	24	190	Jack Howsare, VA
26	226	Gerald Oxford, CA	26	175	Marvin Lang, IL	26	189	Robert Drukman, MA
27	224	Valerie Sumner, NV	27	170	Nolan Johnson, WI	27	186	Jeff Raynes, NC
28	212	Rodney Marshall, WA	28	151	Rhynold Shave, WI	28	178	Catherine Perkins, NC
28	212	Tom Langford, CA	28	151	Betty Briggs, MI	29	164	Mike Misluk, CT
30	210	William Macmillan, WY	28	151	Connie Ewka, MI	30	163	Mark Soule, ME
31	207	Rick Westerman, WA	31	148	Jerome Fischer, WI	31	159	Paul Barnes, FL
31	207	Tammy Gibbons, OR	32	146	Tom Briski, WI	32	156	David O'Neil, GA
33	201	Egon Koch, BC	33	145	Haley Hintze, IL	33	154	Mary Burlington, MA
34	195	Fred White, HI	33	145	Donald Urban, IL	33	154	Leo Houle, RI
35	194	Jeanne Jelke, WA	35	142	Delores Brey, WI	35	151	Rick Allen, VA
36	192	Tim Crowley, MT	36	135	Curt Shawkey, WI	36	150	Hazel St. Cyr, ME
37	191	Valerie Nozick, WA	37	132	Joseph Aird, MI	37	147	Brian Baer, NH
38	187	Mike Smith, OR	38	131	Lyle Lund, MN	38	144	Albert Miller, NH
39	182	Gary Duvall, WA	39	130	Frank Pacocha, WI	39	132	Brenda Palmer, MA
40	180	John Prehn, CA	39	130	Marlene Lazachek, WI	40	130	Peter Olson, NH
41	179	Gordy Wise, WA	41	129	Kathy Maresch, WI	40	130	Louis Caccia, MA
42	178	Leslie Sumner, NV	42	120	John Schafer, MI	40	130	Phil Martin, CT
42	178	John Kern, CA	42	120	Sandra Stroup, IL	43	129	Mike Fetchel, CT
44	176	Jack Moritzky, WA	44	118	Brad Behm, WI	44	126	Barbara Barbour, CT
45	175	James Morrow, WA	45	116	Sharon Schaefer, WI	45	125	Jack Allison, GA
46	169	Bryan Gurden, NV	45	116	Alan Schaefer, WI	46	120	Robert Fitzgerald, CT
47	168	Jim Crawford, CA	47	115	John Hazlett, MI	47	115	Lee Dillon, MA
48	164	David Braach, CA	48	110	Ginny Danielski, WI	48	113	John Blowers, FL
49	162	Troy Thorson, CT	48	110	Bob Hanes, IA	49	112	Louis Petosa, CT
49	162	Audrey Hatto, AB	50	105	Mike Comer, SD	50	105	Joseph Lucas, MA
			50	105	Richard Knauf, WI	50	105	John Martinson, MD
						50	105	Terrance Cushman Jr., ME
						50	105	Chip Corrado, CT

# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
<b>Roy Hofbauer</b> 30937 NE 23rd St Washougal WA 98671 360.835.3623 roynjan@teleport.com	<b>Patrick Barrett</b> 5821 Griffith Ave Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494 715.424.5059 gnxvibarrett@gmail.com	<b>David Campbell</b> 1321 North Rd Parsonfield ME 04047 207.730.2051 acccribbage@aol.com

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##### January 4–6, Wisconsin Dells Deal

Wintergreen Resort (800.648.4765), 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI. Main \$60. Contact: Terry Weber (608.255.4476), 2613 Golden Gate Way, Madison WI 53713 or Keith Widener

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##### January 4–6, Peg for the Border

Masonic Lodge, 4731 Date Ave, La Mesa CA 92041. Main \$68. Contact: Shelley & Roz Berman (619.444.7655), 1145 Naranja Ave, El Cajon CA 92021 or John Kern

##### January 11–13, Pacific Coast Championship

Masonic Lodge, 48 E San Joaquin, Salinas CA 93901. Main \$62. Contact: David Shifflett (831.373.1040), 1319 Lawton Ave, Pacific Grove CA 93950 or Ross Njaa

##### January 11–13, Virginia Championships

Wyndham Crossings, 1000 Virginia Center Pkwy, Glen Allen VA 23059. Main \$60. Contact: Rick Allen (804.323.7476), 3013 Landria Dr, Richmond VA 23225 or Janet Meinert

##### January 11–12, Tom Winter Memorial

Moose Lodge, 1946 English St, Maplewood MN 55109. Main \$50. Contact: Ginger Grogan (651.235.8886), 1873 Whitaker St, Saint Paul MN 55110 or Dan Pluff

##### January 12, Daffodil Express Open

Eagles, 202 5th St NW, Puyallup WA 98371. Main \$50. Contact: Don Zeutschel (253.845.4226), 10520 123rd Street Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374 or Dick Albedyll

##### January 13, Minnesota Snowball

Moose Lodge, 1946 English St, Maplewood MN 55109. Main \$50. Contact: Betsy Miller: 7981 County Rd 39 NE, Monticello MN 55362

##### January 18–20, Portland Winter Open

Moose Lodge, 16411 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97230. Main \$65. Contact: Stephanie Akin (503.257.1141), 727 NE 128th Ave, Portland OR 97230 or Jeanne Hofbauer

##### January 18–20, Georgia Open

Quality Inn, 1052 Claussen Rd, Augusta GA 30907. Main \$60. Contact: Carl Squire (404.983.5058), 3292 Bells Ferry Rd, Marietta GA 30066 or David O'Neil (404.296.4689)

##### January 20, Finley Family Superlite Classic

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$50. Contact: Peter & Patti Vangness (413.525.7787), 235 Canterbury Cir, East Longmeadow MA 01028

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##### January 19–February 3, Hawai'ian Cruise

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- Coconut Shuffle (January 20–21)
- Tropical Madness (January 22–23)
- Hawai'ian Blowout (January 29–30)
- Pineapple Express (January 31–February 1)

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## Tournament of Champions

The invitation-only TOC will be held on Friday, **February 8**, in Reno NV. The list of invitees is posted at **cribbage.org/TOC/toc2012.asp**. Entry forms may be mailed in or submitted online at **sandsregency.com**. If you do not see your name on the list or did not receive your invitation, please contact Grass Root Commissioner Don Hannula:

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*email:* accgrassroots@earthlink.net

*mail:* 911 Front St, Lake Linden MI 49945

If you earned an invitation this year but will not be 21 years of age by February 8, please advise Don so you can use your invitation another year.

### January 25–27, Michigan Cribbage Cup

Comfort Inn (269.965.3201), 2590 Capital Ave, Battle Creek MI 49015. Main \$55. Contact: David Boyer (269.788.1289), 110 Greentree Ln #14A, Battle Creek MI 49015 or David Gerke

### January 25–27, Northern California Open

Win River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. Main \$60. Contact: Anna Dunn (530.549.3154), PO Box 460, Bella Vista CA 96008 or Jerry Montgomery (530.527.6402)

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### January 25–27, Lee Bailey Memorial

Comfort Inn, 3901 N Atlantic Ave, Cocoa Beach FL. Main \$60. Contact: Marc Leichtling (321.266.3551), 8752 Palm Way, Cape Canaveral FL 32920

### January 27, Destination Honolulu

Fleet Reserve Assn, 891 Valkenburgh HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5150 Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706

### February 2, Super Saturday

VFW, North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$55. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

### February 4–6, Susanville Winter Classic

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Dr, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$62. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.251.5397), PO Box 813, Herlong CA 96113 or James Fanning

### February 9–10, JPW/ACC Open

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$60. Contact: Scott Kooistra

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### February 11–13, Topaz Spring Open

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hw 395, Topaz NV 89410. Main \$50. Contact: A. J. Tasker (775.829.1474), 2700 Plumas St #104, Reno NV 89509 or Les Sumner

### February 15–16, Tournament of Hearts

Holiday Inn Express (616.940.8100), 5401 28th Street Court SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$55. Contact: John Hazlett (616.340.7009), 112 Gold Ave NW, Grand Rapids MI 49504 or Dave Aiken

### February 16–17, Yuma Snowbirds

American Legion, 2575 S Virginia Dr, Yuma AZ 85364. Main \$65. Contact: Walt Conell (406.498.0195), 500 W 28th St #18, Yuma AZ 85364 or Beverly Bliss

### February 22–24, Florida Open

Clarion Waterpark, 2261 E Irlo Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Contact: Paul & Joy Barnes (386.671.6164), 2900 N Atlantic Ave #806, Daytona Beach FL 32118 or Ray Wanke (407.433.6791)

### February 22–24, Go Green Bay

Comfort Suites (920.499.7449), 1951 Bond St, Green Bay WI 54303. Main \$70. Contact: Al Karr (920.639.3546), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313

### February 22–24, Sharlene Medeiros Memorial

Best Western Wynwood, Portsmouth NH. Main \$60. Contact: Vicki Soule (207.442.9001), 89 Sam Moore Rd, Woolwich ME 04579 or Dave Campbell

### February 23, Valentine's Day Special

Antioch Senior Ctr, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$65. Con-

tact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531

**February 24, Tsarkie Special**

Fleet Reserve Assn, 891 Valkenburgh HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5150 Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706

**February 24, South Sac**

AmVets, 7215 Lindale Dr, Sacramento CA 95828. Main \$64. Contact: James Fanning (915.396.9699), 5590 Garden Valley Rd, Garden Valley CA 95633 or Steve Hastie

**March 1-3, Illinois Open**

Holiday Inn (815.477.7000), 800 S Rte 31, Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$70. Contact: Marv Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Ct, Woodstock IL 60098

**March 1-3, Three Rivers Open**

Three Rivers Casino, 5647 Hwy 126, Florence OR 97439. Main \$60. Contact: Winona McDaniel (541.736.1363), 1771 Kellogg Rd, Springfield OR 97477 or Brittany Pierce

**March 1-3, Hampton Roads March Shootout**

Surfside Oceanfront, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. Main \$62. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452

**March 2, Fallbrook Avocado**

Fallbrook Senior Ctr, 399 Heald Ln, Fallbrook CA 92028. Main \$50. Contact: Obie Weeks (760.695.2977), 3354 Hillside Ln, Fallbrook CA 92028

**March 3, Winter U.S. Open**

Elks Lodge, 841 W Merced Ave, West Covina CA 91790. Main \$50. Contact: Norm Nikodym (909.319.6488), 2132 S Wisteria Ct, Ontario CA 91761 or Mary Prisk (626.339.8881)

**March 8-10, Nevada Spring Fling**

Gold Dust West, 2171 Hwy 50 E, Carson City NV 89701. Main \$62. Contact: Mike McCammon (775.342.0249), 50 Cour De La Celedon, Sparks NV 89434 or Diane Leal

**March 9, Western Washington Open**

Crystal Grange, 2106 Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA 98370. Main \$50. Contact: Robert Maupin (360.876.6318), 4920 Sherlyn Ave SE, Port Orchard WA 98367 or Larry West

**March 8-10, Waupaca Spring Open**

Best Western (877.880.1054), 110 Grand Season Dr, Waupaca WI 54981. Main \$60. Contact: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059), 5821 Griffith Ave, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54494

**March 15-17, Bruce Forbes Mem.**

Eagles, 20th & Mulberry Sts, Chico CA 95928. Main

\$60. Contact: Dennis Jacobs (530.343.7218), 3654 Cosby Ave, Chico CA 95928 or Peter Jackson (530.342.2617)

**March 15-17, March Madness**

Ramada, 1520 Blue Ridge Rd, Raleigh NC 27612. Main \$60. Contact: Larry Phifer (919.389.0680), 703 Benchmark Dr, Raleigh NC 27615

**March 17, Corned Beef & Cribbage**

VFW, 126 Holliston St, Medway MA 02058. Main \$55. Contact: Pat Llewellyn (508.966.1613), 30 Stone St, Bellingham MA 02019

**March 22-24, Michaelis Classic**

Best Western (715.732.0111), 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Contact: Al Karr (920.639.3546), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313

**March 22-24, Roadrunner Classic**

Meadows, 2401 W Southern Ave, Tempe AZ 85282. Main \$60. Contact: Brion Neeley (602.525.3919), 4525 N 66th St #122, Scottsdale AZ 85251 or Ron & Laurie Logan (406.241.5006)

**March 22-24, Gene Sissel Memorial**

Veterans Memorial Club, 2005 Valley Ave, Baker City OR 97814. Main \$50. Contact: Rob Palmer (541.519.7910), PO Box 102, Baker City OR 97814

**March 29-31, Timber Capital Classic**

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR 97459. Main \$45. Contact: Larry & Donna Hassett (541.672.1474; acc@cmspan.net), 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97471

**March 30, Alaska State Championship**

Moose Lodge, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99516. Main \$50. Contact: Arlene & Hank Carle (907.345.2137), 6600 Downey Finch Ln, Anchorage AK 99516

**March 31, Ed Schweitzer Memorial**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5150 Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706

**April 5-7, Eau Claire Fest**

Plaza Hotel (715.834.6498), 1202 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire WI 54701. Main \$60. Contact: Dennis, Greg, & Maxine Ulberg (715.695.3588), N47999 Hamlin Rd, Eleva WI 54738

**April 5-7, Montana Open**

Jokers Wild Casino, Exit 101 on I-90, Missoula MT 59801. Main \$60. Contact: DeLynn Colvert (406.543.6855), PO Box 5604, Missoula MT 59806

**April 5-7, Kissimmee Open**

Heritage Park Inn, 2050 E Rte 192, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Contact: Ray & Nancy Wanke

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(407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd #A4, Kissimmee FL 34744

**April 7, Granite State Classic**

Brookline Event Center, 32 Proctor Hill Rd (Rte 130), Brookline NH 03033. Main \$55. Contact: David Statz (603.247.4335; davidstatz@hotmail.com), 108 Parlmont Park, North Billerica MA 01862 or Jim Hatch (603.247.0060; check\_raze@yahoo.com)

**April 12–14, Washington State Championship**

Moose Lodge, 1400 Grand Ave, Centralia WA 98531. Main \$62. Contact: Chris McComas (360.577.5922), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626 or Mary Herring (360.740.1003)

**April 13, G&P Open**

Frantone's, 10808 Alondra, Cerritos CA. Main \$60. Contact: Gary Sumner (714.313.8863), 3224 Yorba Linda Blvd #624, Fullerton CA 92831 or Pamela Pomeroy

**April 19–21, Milwaukee Challenge**

Ramada (414.764.1500), 6331 S 13th St, Milwaukee WI 53132. Main \$60. Contact: Marlene Lazachek (414.427.4595), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132

**April 19–21, Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic**

La Quinta, 6260 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd NE, Atlanta GA 30328. Main \$60. Contact: Barri Gehrand (770.402.1975), 111 Wynnes Ridge Cir SE, Marietta GA 30067 or David O'Neil (404.296.4689)

**April 20, Daffodil Express Open**

Eagles, 202 5th Ave NW, Puyallup WA 98371. Main \$50. Contact: Don Zeuschel (253.845.4226), 10520 123rd Street Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374 or Dick Albedyll

**April 26–28, Michigan Open**

Comfort Inn (269.965.3201), 2590 Capital Ave, Battle Creek MI 49015. Main \$65. Contact: David Boyer (269.788.1289), 110 Greentree Ln #14A, Battle Creek MI 49015

**April 26–27, Capital City Tourney**

Country Inn (651.739.7300), 6003 Hudson Rd, Woodbury MN 55125. Main \$60. Contact: Todd Schaefer (651.338.8116), 6651 Lower 12th St N, Oakdale MN 55128

**April 26–28, Maine Spring Fling**

Best Western, 560 U.S. Hwy 1 Bypass, Portsmouth NH 03801. Main \$50. Contact: Susan Cousins (207.892.3724), 30 River Rd, Windham ME 04062

**May 3–5, Black River Country Classic**

Comfort Inn (715.284.0888), W10170 Hwy 54 E, Black River Falls WI 54615. Main \$60. Contact: Lewis & Dianne Gurney (715.937.4104), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456

**May 3–5, Oregon Coast Classic**

Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City OR 97367. Main \$52. Contact: Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer (360.835.3623), 30937 NE 23rd St, Washougal WA 98671 or Bernie Nelson (503.440.0517)

**May 3–5, Colonial Cribbage Classic**

Days Hotel, 201 Water Country Pkwy, Williamsburg VA 23185. Main \$62. Contact: Bill Whiting (757.564.8955), 109 Barlows Run, Williamsburg VA 23188

**May 17–19, Potawatomi Peggys Powwow**

Super 8 (269.429.3218), 4290 Red Arrow Hwy, Stevensville MI 49127. Main \$70. Contact: Jeff & Joy Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417

**May 17–19, Moritzky Memorial**

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$65. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

**May 17–19, NC Open**

Holiday Inn, 6426 Burnt Poplar Rd, Greensboro NC 27370. Main \$60. Contact: Robert Reister (336.831.3591), 2670 Belwick Dr, Winston Salem NC 27106 or Henry Douglass (336.349.7581)

**May 19, Connecticut Championship**

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Dr, West Springfield MA. Main \$55. Contact: Bill Shoemaker (860.243.9505), 175 Thistle Pond Dr, Bloomfield CT 06002 or Bob Fitzgerald

**May 24–26, Spokane Valley Open**

Eagles, 16801 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99037. Main \$50. Contact: Lynn Raymond (509.928.4983), 4105 N McDonald Rd #20, Spokane Valley WA 99216 or Dave Schwartz (509.328.4022)

**May 31–June 2, Madison Tourney**

Howard Johnson (608.244.2481), 3841 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53713. Main \$65. Contact: Terry Weber (608.225.8138), 2613 Golden Gate Way, Madison WI 53713 or Keith Widener

**May 31–June 2, Mount St. Helens Classic**

American Legion, 1250 12th Ave, Longview WA 98632. Main \$57. Contact: Chris McComas (360.577.5922), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626 or Duane Toll (541.580.3221)

**May 31–June 2, Nugget Classic**

Senior Center, 877 Nunneley Rd, Paradise CA 95969. Main \$70. Contact: Dennis Phillips (530.873.2088), PO Box 1306, Magalia CA 95954 or Bethany Rolfsen (530.872.3685)

**June 7–9, Capital City Classic**

Best Western North (515.964.1717), 133 SE Delaware, Ankeny IA 50021. Main \$65. Contact: Dick

Ogden (515.285.6106), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315

**June 8, Western Washington Classic**

Crystal Grange, 2106 Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA 98370. Main \$50. Contact: Bob Maupin (360.876.6318), 4920 Sherlyn Ave SE, Port Orchard WA 98367 or Larry West

**June 9, Daffodil Express Open**

Eagles, 202 5th Ave NW, Puyallup WA 98371. Main \$50. Contact: Don Zeuschel (253.845.4226), 10520 123rd Street Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374 or Dick Albedyll

**June 15–16, Father's Day Special**

Seven Flags Senior Ctr, 300 International Blvd, Sonora CA 95476. Main \$60. Contact: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605), 6282 Humboldt Hill Rd, Eureka CA 95503 or George Shea

**June 21–23, Schaefer Shuffle**

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 E Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$55. Contact: Al & Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766), N162W20333 Butternut Ln, Jackson WI 53037 or Wayne Steinmetz

**June 21–23, Medford Lions' Tale**

South Oregon Sight & Hearing Center, 228 N Holly, Medford OR 97501. Main \$52. Contact: Herschel & Rickie Mack (541.855.1103), 5529 Sams Valley Rd, Gold Hill OR 97525 or Cecil & Julie Felkins

**June 23, Live Free or Die**

Elks Lodge, 120 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua NH 03060. Main \$53. Contact: Henry & Paula Bergeron (603.648.6633), 1466 Battle St, Webster NH 03303

**June 28–30, Cascade Classic**

VFW, 1836 SW Veterans Hwy, Redmond OR 97756. Main \$55. Contact: Debra Lucas (541.678.2402), 2879 SE James Dr, Madras OR 97741 or Tammy Gibbons (503.477.8049)

**July 3–5, Susanville Summer Classic**

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Dr, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$62. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.251.5397), PO Box 813, Herlong CA 96113 or Pam Pomeroy

**July 12–14, Midsummer Classic**

Eagles, 350 S 2nd Ave, Walla Walla WA 99362. Main \$65. Contact: John Reed (541.938.7048), 85548 Highway 339, Milton Freewater OR 97862 or Ron Blocklinger (509.525.2605)

**July 12–14, Brat Stop Open**

Brat Stop, 12304 75th Ave, Kenosha WI. Main \$65. Contact: Donald Urban (815.568.0494), 818 White-tail Dr, Marengo IL 60152

**July 19–21, Devil Mountain Caper**

Antioch Senior Ctr, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509.

Main \$70. Contact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531

**July 19–21, Portland Summer Open**

Moose Lodge, 16411 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97230. Main \$65. Contact: Stephanie Akin (503.257.1141), 727 NE 128th Ave, Portland OR 97230 or Jeanne Hofbauer

**July 24–25, Midweek Challenge**

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$55. Contact: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136), 1301 Lester Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944

**July 25–26, The Open Opener**

Hilton North Raleigh, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Main \$60. Contact: David Aiken (616.401.8311), P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301 or Keith Widener or David Campbell

**July 26–29, National Open**

Hilton North Raleigh, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Main \$70. Contact: Catherine & Russ Perkins (919.837.5790), 1030 Barker Rd, Bear Creek NC 27207 or Jerry Gooden

**July 26–28, Summer Classic**

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$65. Contact: James & Cher Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

**July 27, Summer Open**

Leisuretown Center, 100 Sequoia Dr, Vacaville CA 95687. Main \$62. Contact: Stan Katzman (408.472.2020), 311 Spyglass Dr, Rio Vista CA 94571 or Jackie Doppelt

**July 29, Come Monday**

Hilton North Raleigh, 3415 Wake Forest Rd, Raleigh NC 27609. Main \$60. **No consolation.** Contact: John Morch (919.906.6555), 7417 Fontana Ridge Ln, Raleigh NC 27613

**August 2–3, Schaefer/Steinmetz Shuffle**

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 E Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$50. Contact: Al & Sharon Schaefer (262.677.9766), N162W20333 Butternut Ln, Jackson WI 53037 or Wayne Steinmetz

**August 3–4, Steinmetz/Schaefer Shuffle**

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 E Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$50. Contact: Wayne Steinmetz (414.353.9301), 6604 N 58th St, Milwaukee WI 53223-5934

**August 9–11, Cereal City Classic**

Comfort Inn (269.965.3201), 2590 Capital Ave, Battle Creek MI 49015. Main \$65. Contact: David Boyer (269.788.1289), 110 Greentree Ln #14A, Battle Creek MI 49015

**August 9–11, Cribbage Tournament**

Elks Lodge, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701.

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Main \$60. Contact: Margery Clark (541.385.0330), 60945 Granite Dr, Bend OR 97702 or Rick Baird

**August 15–16, Humboldt Midweek**

Moose Lodge, 4328 Campton Rd, Eureka CA 95503. Main \$60. Contact: Tom & Lavonne Cookman (707.599.6747), 1920 Freshwater Rd, Eureka CA 95503

**August 16–18, Madison Masters**

Howard Johnson (608.244.2481), 3841 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 54704. Main \$60. Contact: Mike Blackburn (608.577.3940), W9595 County Rd C, Cambridge WI 53523

**August 16–18, Pahrump Nevada Open**

Nugget, 681 S Hwy 110, Pahrump NV 89048. Main \$60. Contact: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444), PO Box 3601, Pahrump NV 89041 or Norm Nikodym

**August 16–18, Peach State Classic**

La Quinta, 6260 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd NE, Atlanta GA 30328. Main \$60. Contact: David O'Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021 or Carl Squire (404.983.5058)

**August 16–18, Humboldt Bay Classic**

Blue Lake Casino, 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake CA 95525. Main \$60. Contact: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605), 6282 Humboldt Hill Rd, Eureka CA 95503 or Tom Cookman

**August 24–25, Mount Rainier Open**

AmVets, 5717 S Tyler St, Tacoma WA 98409. Main \$65. Contact: Hal Lamont (253.839.1940), 29228 62nd Pl S, Auburn WA 98001 or Ed Johnson

**August 30–Sept. 1, Montana Capital Classic**

Eagles, 715 N Fee, Helena MT 59601. Main \$60. Contact: Tom Gannon (406.442.1907), PMB 2106, 1 Jackson Creek Rd, Clancy MT 59634 or Carole Herron

**September 6–8, Minnesota Open**

Moose Lodge, 1946 English St, Maplewood MN 55109. Main \$65. Contact: Jerry Gruber (612.722.1292), 5121 Nokomis Ave, Minneapolis MN 55417 or Al Booth (765.783.7042)

**September 6–8, Gem State Challenge**

Eagles, 7025 W Overland Rd, Boise ID 83709. Main \$60. Contact: Ron & Laurie Logan (406.241.5006), 4410 W Nine Iron Ln, Meridian ID 83646

**September 6–8, Dick Hastie Memorial**

Boys & Girls Clubs, 793 W Lowell Ave, Tracy CA 95276. Main \$62. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.291.5399), PO Box 813, Herlong CA 96113 or James Fanning

**September 8, Daniel Webster Open**

Elks Lodge, 120 Daniel Webster Hwy, Nashua NH 03060. Main \$53. Contact: Henry & Paula

Bergeron (603.648.6633), 1466 Battle St, Webster NH 03303

**September 14, Western Washington Open**

Crystal Grange, 2160 Paulson Rd, Poulsbo WA 98370. Main \$50. Contact: Robert Maupin (360.876.6318), 4920 Sherlyn Ave SE, Port Orchard WA 98367 or Larry West

**September 20–22, Grand National 32**

Westin Hotel Perimeter North, 7 Concourse Pkwy, Sandy Springs GA 30328. Main \$80. Contact: Dave O'Neil (404.296.4689), 1069 Texel Ln, Clarkston GA 30021 or Michael Burnham or Barri Gehrand or Carl Squire

**October 6, New Hampshire Open**

Brookline Event Center, 32 Proctor Hill Rd (Rte 130), Brookline NH 03033. Main \$55. Contact: David Stutz (davidstutz@hotmail.com; 603.247.4335), 108 Parlmont Park, North Billerica MA 01862

**October 13, Daffodil Express Open**

Eagles, 202 W 5th St NW, Puyallup WA 98317. Main \$50. Contact: Don Zeuschel (253.845.4226), 10520 123rd Street Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374 or Dick Albedyll

**October 13, West Bend Classic**

Columbia Hall, 1662 Harrison St, West Bend WI 53090. Main \$70. Contact: Gene Biegler (262.334.2980), 1602 Harrison St, West Bend WI 53090

**October 18–20, Crescent City Open**

Del Norte County Fairgrounds, 421 Hwy 101 N, Crescent City CA 95531. Main \$60. Contact: Jim Waldvogel (707.464.9168), 160 Hinky Rd, Crescent City CA 95531 or Jerry Cutsforth (707.464.2808)

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**October 19–26, Caribbean Cruise**

Two tours aboard Carnival *Dream Ship*—roundtrip from Port Canaveral FL. Contact: Mark Mano (813.523.7052), 1025 Crystal Carbon Way, Valrico FL 33594

- Virgin Islands Open (October 20; main \$40)
- High Seas Open (October 24–25; main \$60)

**October 25–27, North Pole Open**

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$60. Contact: Jeanne & Roger Wauters (920.863.3703), 4753 Denmark Rd, Denmark WI 54208

***Requests to hold a sanctioned tournament should be directed to the appropriate regional commissioner.***

***See contact info on page 29.***

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## My Three Favorite Wins!

BY PAUL GREGSON

Cribbage Stories from around the ACC

Cribbage players have memories like elephants when it comes to losses. Some players can tell you when you beat them, by how much, the pegging sequence, and what shirt you were wearing. I might be a little like that too, to tell the truth. But remembering wins, now that's much sweeter.

I joined the ACC in 2000. Players like **Chris Christensen**, **Roy Kaufmann**, **Ben Holder**, and **Charlie Dunn** welcomed me as a young twenty-three-year-old who walked into a pizza parlor in Fremont CA one night, and I was soon hooked. I won seven games that first night in the ACC. But those wins aren't my favorite.

Cribbage can bring us together too. I went to the 2009 Grand National in Michigan. My younger sister lives in Lansing, and I hadn't seen her for a bit, so I decided to take a trip out there. I cleaned up—winning GRTOC, the Saturday night special, and going deep into the GN consolation. But those wins aren't my favorite.

I earned my Master Award in Reno at the 2011 Grand National. I got it besting **Ken Cochlin** in a match he may still be scratching his head over and then by beating **Ron Logan**, a most gracious loser. But those wins aren't my favorite.

At the time I earned my Master I'd never won a main. Now, just about a year later, I've won the main in Rancho Cordova (May), Winnemucca (September), and Reno (November). Isn't it funny

how the cards come and go? Eleven years with nothing, and then three wins in six months. But, once again, those wins aren't my favorite.

In May, the week after winning Rancho Cordova, I took my son, **Austin**, who had just turned eight, to the youth tourney run by **Grumpy Howard**. Austin was the youngest player, and I was really nervous for him. We hadn't been playing too long, but he had most of the mechanics down and really wanted to do it. There were ten kids in the eleven-and-under tournament, and Austin finished fifth, experiencing the feeling of being high nonqualifier in his very first tournament! It's great, because now every time I'm high nonqualifier he tells me: "Just like me, Daddy." Still, not bad, 3-2 in his first-ever tournament. Those are my three favorite wins! **CW**



*When not teaching his son how to play cribbage in Antioch CA, Paul is responsible for all the improvements to the Grass Roots website over the past couple years.*



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