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Main



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TOC



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Consy





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President's Column

by James Morrow



5,000 & 20% The Board of Directors has been looking at ways to boost attendance at the ACC's three legacy tournaments. Legacy tournaments are the three large events sponsored by the ACC each year.

Grand National moves around the country each year so that local players have a chance to play a large tournament without having to fly clear across the country. They are frequently held in picturesque or historic locations; the next three GNs will be played in Deadwood SD (2025), Niagara Falls NY (2026), and Spokane WA (2027). The **ACC Open/Tournament of Champions** is held at the J Resort in Reno NV every March. And the **National Open** is held in Durham NC (formerly Raleigh) in July.

To boost attendance, the BOD recently voted to award 20% more MRPs for players who qualify in the sanctioned events (main and consy) at all legacy tourneys.

If that isn't enough of a reason to hit the Tournament Trail—to say nothing of having a great time at these tournaments—here are 5,000 more reasons. The BOD also voted to give each of these tournaments a \$5,000 grant to cover expenses. With expenses being covered by these grants, the prize money will see a significant boost.

What makes you want (or not want) to attend these legacy tournaments: location, cost of travel, cost of guest rooms, something else? When you see a BOD member, give them your thoughts.

Speaking of the Board of Directors: we are holding a BOD election this year, so now is the time to get your bio written up so you can run for the board.

If you don't want to run for the BOD, you will have a chance to elect the members of the next BOD. Full voting instructions will be printed in the May *Cribbage World*, but for now, remember that you can vote online or via mail. We encourage all members to vote and have a say in your representation.

| Tale of the Tape | Rick Baird | Bob Chase | Rob Medeiros |
|------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| average | 32–23 (58.2%) | 49–40 (55.1%) | ✓ 60–32 (65.2%) |
| biggest win | +48 vs. Nicole Gordon (OR) @ Club 12 | ✓ +58 vs. Rod Mandler (MN) @ Club 215 | +56 vs. “Bogey” Sr. (MA) @ Wolfeboro NH |
| worst loss | ✓ –46 vs. Bernie Nelson (OR) @ Salem OR | ✓ –46 vs. Ron Zuehl (MN) @ Club 215 | –54 vs. Marty Duchow (CT) @ Wolfeboro NH |

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Tribute

Just a note to say that your tribute to **Robert Stritzinger** [March *Cribbage World*, pages 8–9] was one of the best I’ve ever read and perfectly sums up what the organization is about. Thanks for the reminder.

Tammy Gibbons (Vancouver WA)

Average Bob

I’ve been meaning to tell you how wonderful I thought your encomium for **Robert Stritzinger** was [March *Cribbage World*, pages 8–9]. You are right that the Grass Roots organization is populated by the “averages,” and I’m thankful for them! They keep our clubs chugging along, while some superstars or point-seekers get more of the glory. Give me ten players of average, dependable gamesmanship, with a sense of humor, for each rocket scientist, please! While we strive to play well against everyone, and it feels good to beat the club champs, it’s even better to just have a fun night of cards with a Robert, in my opinion. Thanks for reminding me of that. He sounds like a special friend, and I’m glad his name will keep being remembered on his cribbage board memorial.

Lisa Desnoyers (Martinsville NJ)

director of NJ Nibs and Nobs Club 175

ACGAS Cribbage

In the March 2025 *Cribbage World*, Ron Mundt (Vancouver, WA) mentioned Tristan and Carmody playing cribbage

Cribology

*submitted by Jim Wilder
(Santa Rosa CA)*

MISACLE — a portmanteau made up of *misery* + *miracle*; in other words, what is misery for one player is a miracle for the player across the board

on an episode of *All Creatures Great and Small*. In a subsequent episode (“Pair Bond”), when Siegfried and Tristan are drunk and walking home through the woods, Siegfried mentions finally getting home, and Tristan replies: “But I’m not playing cribbage with you!”

Yvonne Bowers (Sonoma CA)

Homemade Board

I made this cribbage board ▼ of Hawaiian Koa wood, with ebony inlays and trim, and curly maple box.

Kelly Holt (Manitowoc WI)



Deal

David Aiken



Play **smart**, play **fair**, play **fast**—but mostly play **nice**

Reno. The name conjures up images of nonstop cribbage for four days. It starts with Canadian Doubles on Thursday and on subsequent days morphs into the Tournament of Champions, the ACC Open main, and the ACC Open consolation.

My Reno success began and ended with the TOC. After a first-round bye, I got lucky against **Bill Schlabs** (West Sacramento CA) and against former clubmate **Michelle Gryka** (Lakeland FL), but lost in three games straight in the round of sixteen to **Matt Padrow** (Scappoose OR). If **Kat Hartsell** can claim that she finished fifth in this event (see page 30), then I claim that I came in ninth! To paraphrase Kat: “Sorry to the others in the Sweet Sixteen, I claim it!”

I apologize for not always writing the full names of these tournaments: Joseph Petrus Wergin ACC Open and Syl Lulinski Tournament of Champions. But I do want to acknowledge the wonderful work these two early ACC leaders—**Joseph Wergin** and **Syl Lulinski**—did in promoting cribbage and building the ACC.

In addition, Syl’s widow **Phyllis Lulinski** and daughter **Darice Grzybowski** continue to support the ACC by providing a \$100 prize for the TOC “bridesmaid.” The first player out of the playoffs this year was **James Seufert** (Hermiston OR), so he claimed the C-Note. No one wants to not qualify, but this act of generosity by Phyllis and Darice takes away a little bit of the sting.

What else happened to me in Reno? Well, I beat **Kat Hartsell** → (Spokane WA) by seventeen points in the TOC and made her cry! **Zelma Strandell** ← (Mesa AZ) beat me by twenty points in the consolation—and smiled about it! I think Kat put her up to it. (Hmm, but now I’m starting to wonder if my wife prompted Zelma to do this, because when I told **Katie**

VanHuis what Zelma did to me, she laughed!)



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I got my first-ever Royal Ann. It's not often you see a Raggedy Ann with a flush! ➡ (But see page 17 for two of them at Club 109!)

And apparently I don't know how to win my last game, taking a loss in the last game of all three tourneys. ⬇️ A win in game 16 of the TOC would have moved me up from #26 qualifier to #17. And a win in the last game of both the main and the consy would have qualified me in those events. If anyone has any tips that would help me win my last game, please contact me before Reno 2026!



ACC AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS
Sands Regency
14 GAME SCORECARD
 Aiken, David
 Coopersville, MI MI 855
 ALB

| Game # | Game Points | Spread Points (+) (-) | Opponent | ID Number |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 2 | 25 | DL | 61 |
| 2 | 2 | 13 | DL | 9-37 |
| 3 | 2 | 44 | DL | A53 |
| 4 | 2 | 17 | DL | A49 |
| 5 | 0 | 04 | DL | 445 |
| 6 | 0 | 14 | DL | 47 |
| 7 | 2 | 10 | DL | A32 |
| 8 | 0 | 11 | DL | 30 |
| 9 | 2 | 17 | DL | 29 |
| 10 | 2 | 11 | DL | 25 |
| 11 | 2 | 02 | DL | 21 |
| 12 | 0 | 26 | DL | A17 |
| 13 | 2 | 07 | DL | 13 |
| 14 | 2 | 18 | DL | 9 |
| 15 | 2 | 06 | DL | A5 |
| 16 | 0 | 04 | DL | A75 |
| Total | 23 | 170 | 74 | |
| Games Won | 11 | +96 | | |

Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting above figures as correct.
 Signature: *David Aiken* 3-7-25

d-14
 Aiken, David
 Coopersville, MI MI 855
 ARD

Name: _____ Seat#: _____

| Game | Game Points | Spread Points (+) (-) | Opponents Initials | Verification I.D. Number |
|------------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | 0 | 01 | PK | 13 |
| 2 | 2 | 19 | M2 | 9 |
| 3 | 0 | 15 | MR | 5 |
| 4 | 2 | 10 | DN | 2 |
| 5 | 0 | 25 | DL | D6 |
| 6 | 2 | 01 | DL | D-10 |
| 7 | 2 | 16 | ME | 1 |
| 8 | 2 | 08 | DL | 20 |
| 9 | 2 | 20 | DL | 24 |
| 10 | 0 | 12 | DL | D28 |
| 11 | 2 | 12 | DL | D29 |
| 12 | 0 | 16 | DL | D25 |
| 13 | 3 | 45 | DL | D21 |
| 14 | 0 | 10 | DL | D17 |
| 15 | 2 | 12 | DL | D11 |
| 16 | 0 | 04 | DL | D7 |
| 17 | 0 | 07 | DL | 3 |
| 18 | 0 | 16 | DL | 4 |
| 19 | 2 | 15 | DL | D8 |
| 20 | 2 | 04 | DL | D12 |
| 21 | 2 | 11 | DL | D18 |
| 22 | 0 | 32 | DL | D22 |
| Total | 12 | 14 | 11 | |
| Games Won | 25 | NET POINTS (+/-) | | |

Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.
 Signature: *David Aiken*

OFI Aiken, David
 Coopersville, MI MI 855

Name: _____ ACC#: _____

| Game | Game Points | Spread Points (+) (-) | Opponents Initials | Verification I.D. Number |
|------------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 11 | DL | G8 |
| 2 | 2 | 19 | DL | G10 |
| 3 | 2 | 08 | DL | G16 |
| 4 | 0 | 20 | DL | G20 |
| 5 | 0 | 06 | DL | G24 |
| 6 | 2 | 12 | DL | G28 |
| 7 | 0 | 28 | DL | G35 |
| 8 | 2 | 17 | DL | G41 |
| 9 | 0 | 06 | DL | G17 |
| 10 | | | | |
| 11 | | | | |
| 12 | | | | |
| Total | 10 | 14 | 11 | |
| Games Won | 5 | NET POINTS (+/-) | | |

Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.
 Signature: *G-7*

At the upcoming Grand National in Deadwood SD in October, the BOD will award the Central Region's next Grand National, scheduled for 2028. ACC members interested in hosting this event must inform Executive VP Rick Shea (31for14@gmail.com) of their interest by August 31. Detailed information is not necessary at this time; a general plan is sufficient to consider the bid.

ACC Open Main Sweet Sixteen

- 1—**Brian Bell-Irving** (Glide OR)
- 2—**Constance Bennett** (Buriem WA)
- 3/4—**Bernie Nelson** (Dallas OR)
Kevin Harris (Louisville KY)
- 5/8—**Rick Baird** (Bend OR)*
- Winona McDaniel (Springfield OR)
- Michael Wertz (Albany OR)*
- Carol Williams (Oceanside CA)
- 9/16—**David Aiello** (Kenosha WI)*
- James Bishop (Brownsville OR)
- Laurie Kenny (Shoreline WA)
- Lonardo Resendez (Eureka CA)
- Marsha Mahan (Appleton WI)*
- Peggy Shea (Eureka CA)
- Peter Setian (Ludlow MA)
- Wendy Yafuso (Friendswood TX)

* = qualified in top 16



David Aiello (Kenosha WI)
— Main high qualifier —

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| GAME POINTS | | GAMES WON | | NET SPREAD | |
|--|-------------|------------------|--------|---|--------------------------|
| Aiello, David Kenosha, WI WI 3453 | | | | | |
| | | | | | RD |
| Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ | | | | | |
| Game | Game Points | Spread Points | | Opponents Initials | Verification I.D. Number |
| | | (+) | (-) | | |
| 1 | 0 | | 04 | RCB | A 20 |
| 2 | 2 | 11 | | RSB | M 254 |
| 3 | 2 | 12 | | LB | 28 |
| 4 | 2 | 04 | | MD | 2T |
| 5 | 2 | 19 | | AV | #25 |
| 6 | 3 | 37 | | SW | m-21 |
| 7 | 2 | 22 | | KC | M 17 |
| 8 | 0 | | 05 | KC | M 13 |
| 9 | 2 | 23 | | B6 | 9 |
| 10 | 2 | 17 | | TB | 2 |
| 11 | 2 | 08 | | ZW | 6 |
| 12 | 3 | 32 | | JKK | 10 |
| 13 | 0 | | 09 | CB | 14 |
| 14 | 3 | 32 | | RCR | 16 |
| 15 | 2 | 30 | | BH | 22 |
| 16 | 3 | 47 | | CH | M 26 |
| 17 | 2 | 09 | | FS | 30 |
| 18 | 2 | 10 | | MS | 27 |
| 19 | 3 | 35 | | MAA | B5 |
| 20 | 2 | 15 | | VC | M 3 |
| 21 | 0 | | 11 | ma | 1 |
| 22 | 2 | 27 | | MA | 11 |
| Total Game Points | 41 | (+) 340 | (-) 30 | Win = 2 | Skunk = 3 |
| Games Won | 18 | NET POINTS (+/-) | | Loss = 0 | |
| | | +361 | | Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. | |
| Signature <i>David Aiello</i> | | | | | |

Last year, **David Aiello** was high qualifier in the ACC Open consy with 19/8 +199. This year he upped his game and was HQ in the main with 41/18 +361. ↑



Kevin Harris (Louisville KY)
Bernie Nelson (Dallas OR)
— *Main semifinalists* —



Constance Bennett (Burien WA)
— *Main runner-up* —

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If **Constance Bennett** gets this excited → about a non-sanctioned 29-hand at Jay Fulwider's cribbage club at the Seattle Senior Center on February 25, just think how geeked she was one month later when she took second place in the ACC Open in Reno! ↑ Jay wrote a column about Connie and her dad, John, after they attended the ACC Open as their first ACC tournament ever (see the April 2024 *Cribbage World*, page 32). The lady in the background? That is Lois Fulwider, whose photo appeared in the March *Cribbage World*, page 5, when she held a 29-hand at the same club.



Reno Tidbits

¶ **Larry Leidenheimer** had great cards and very few blank hands in his run to the TOC championship. This editor was watching while he won his semifinal match 3–0 and his final match 4–0, and in these seven games, he had exactly one 19-hand! In all, Larry lost only three games in his six playoff matches.

¶ Last year, **David Aiello** was high qualifier in the ACC Open consolation with 19/8 +199. This year he upped his game and was HQ in the main with 41/18 +361. ←

¶ As of eight o'clock a.m. on March 8, 2025, **Constance Bennett** ↓ had exactly zero MRPs. She had played only two tournaments to date: the 2023 and 2024 ACC Opens in Reno. After qualifying #31 in the ACC Open main and going all the way to the finals in her first playoffs ever, she now has 265 MRPs!

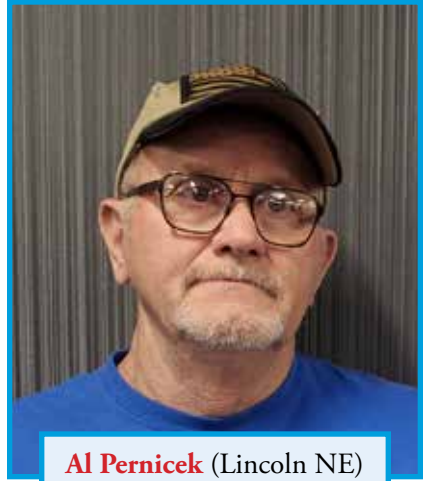
ACC Open Consy Sweet Sixteen

- 1—**Scott Sand** (Brainerd MN)
- 2—**Al Pernicek** (Lincoln NE)
- 3/4—**Chris Kim** (Anchorage AK)*
- Artland Ka'ai** (Costa Mesa CA)*
- 5/8—**Arne Gallagher** (Seattle WA)
- Julia Schewanick** (Springfield OR)
- Ted Lee Southland** (Casselberry FL)*
- Terrance Cushman** (Conway SC)*
- 9/16—**Jason Matheny** (Houston TX)
- Kai Lemrise** (Crescent City CA)
- Leaf Kaboli** (Reno NV)
- Michael Hagan** (Oakland CA)
- Michelle Gryka** (Lakeland FL)*
- Peter Jackson** (Chico CA)*
- Sandy Sands** (Helena MT)*
- Steven Macomber** (Vancouver WA)*

* = qualified in top 16

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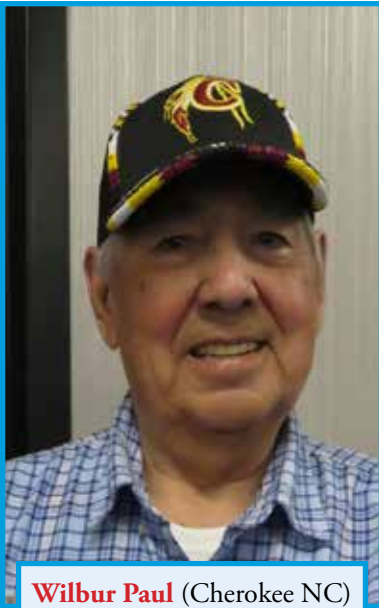


Al Pernicek (Lincoln NE)
— Consy runner-up —

| GAME POINTS | | GAMES WON | | NET SPREAD | |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------|
| O | | Chase, Robert P. | | ID | |
| Nar | | Minneapolis, MN | | — | |
| ACI | | MN 799 | | — | |
| Game | Game Points | oppress runs (+) | (-) | Opponents Initials | verification I.D. Number |
| 1 | 2 | 16 | | MP | 22 |
| 2 | 2 | 08 | | Ray | 26 |
| 3 | 2 | 01 | | MO | C-3 |
| 4 | 2 | 06 | | 61 | C27 |
| 5 | 3 | 35 | | DS | 23 |
| 6 | 2 | 23 | | 88 | C19 |
| 7 | 3 | 49 | | ALT | C15 |
| 8 | 2 | 16 | | MC | 11 |
| 9 | 0 | | 08 | MR | C-7 |
| Total Game Points | 18 ^v | 154 ^v | 08 ^v | Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0 | |
| Games Won | 8 ^v | NET POINTS (+/-) | | Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. | |
| Signature | | R.P. Chase | | C21 | |



Robert Chase (Minneapolis MN)
— Consy high qualifier —



Wilbur Paul (Cherokee NC)
 — TOC runner-up —

TOC
 Sweet Sixteen

- 1—**Larry Leidenheimer** (Duluth MN)
- 2—**Wilbur Paul** (Cherokee NC)
- 3/4—**Matt Padrow** (Scappoose OR)
- Richard Scott Corbin** (McKinney TX)
- 5/8—**Kat Hartsell** (Spokane WA)
- Kevin Pierce** (Erie CO)
- Tom Bair** (Eagle Point OR)*
- Robert Chase** (Minneapolis MN)*
- 9/16—**David Aiken** (Coopersville MI)
- Bob Byrd** (Philipsburg MT)
- Casey Scott** (Hermiston OR)
- Danny Mitchell** (Crescent City CA)
- Denny Spero** (Rohnert Park CA)
- Donna Aird** (Gladstone MI)
- Mike McCammon** (Roseburg OR)
- Sue Edwards** (Denver CO)*

* = qualified in top 16

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ACC AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS Sands Regency
 16 GAME SCORECARD

Name: Stier, Darlene
 City: Sun City, AZ AK 84 D63

| Game # | Game Points | Spread Points (+) (-) | Opponent |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---|
| 1 | 2 | 23 | Patricia D69 |
| 2 | 2 | 23 | Rita 14 |
| 3 | 3 | 59 | Kari 18 |
| 4 | 0 | 28 | JN 22 |
| 5 | 2 | 24 | RS 26 |
| 6 | 2 | 18 | TH D20 |
| 7 | 0 | 13 | LD 34 |
| 8 | 2 | 18 | JJS D58 |
| 9 | 2 | 06 | BA D42 |
| 10 | 2 | 15 | GW 46 |
| 11 | 2 | 03 | DW 50 |
| 12 | 2 | 18 | DB 54 |
| 13 | 2 | 24 | FB 58 |
| 14 | 2 | 09 | AB D31 |
| 15 | 2 | 26 | GR D-4 |
| 16 | 3 | 38 | M D54 |
| Total Game Points | 30 | 243 41 | GAME POINTS Win = 2 Loss = 0 Skunk = 3 |
| Games Won | 14 | +272 | Time Control = 15 Min. per Game |

Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting above figures as correct.

Signature: *Darlene Stier*



Darlene Stier (Sun City AZ)
 — TOC high qualifier —

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No one wants to qualify in all three playoff events in Reno—the TOC, the ACC Open main, and the ACC Open consolation—because this means they didn't advance very far in the main playoffs. But every year a few people manage to finish in the top 25% of the field three times, and *Cribbage World* acknowledges their achievement. Here are this year's Reno triple-dippers, listed in order of best overall qualifying rank.

| player | rank | TOC | | ACC Open main | | ACC Open consy | |
|-----------------------|------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--|
| | | rank & score | rank & score | rank & score | rank & score | | |
| Terrance Cushman (SC) | 49 | 4 29/13 +194 | 32 31/15 +87 | 13 15/7 +133 | | | |
| Chris Kim (AK) | 86 | 14 25/12 +159 | 70 28/13 +159 | 2 18/7 +161 | | | |
| Bob Kiley (WI) | 113 | 56 21/10 +66 | 3 37/18 +252 | 54 13/6 +51 | | | |
| Greg Schleusner (OR) | 120 | 65 20/10 +25 | 34 31/14 +176 | 21 15/7 +54 | | | |
| Michael Stevens (UT) | 126 | 57 21/10 +64 | 46 30/14 +46 | 23 15/6 +96 | | | |
| Gerald Hahn (OR) | 156 | 25 23/11 +98 | 72 28/13 +97 | 59 13/6 +38 | | | |
| Larry Phifer (NC) | 180 | 53 21/10 +87 | 67 28/14 +141 | 60 13/6 +34 | | | |

Congratulations also to **Paul Hirschmann** (Milwaukie OR) and **Robert Chase** (Minneapolis MN), who qualified in the Top 10 twice in Reno, even if they didn't triple-dip. Paul was #9 in the TOC and #5 in the consy; Bob was #2 in the TOC and #1 in the consy!

TOP TEN RENO SCORECARDS x FIVE

| | TOC | ACC Open main | ACC Open consy |
|----|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Darlene Stier (30/14 +242) | David Aiello (41/18 +361) | Robert Chase (18/7 +161) |
| 2 | Robert Chase (30/13 +273) | Jim Crawford (39/18 +186) | Chris Kim (18/7 +161) |
| 3 | Sue Edwards (29/14 +245) | Bob Kiley (37/18 +252) | Steven Macomber (18/7 +161) |
| 4 | Terrance Cushman (29/13 +194) | Richard Pierce (36/17 +185) | Peter Jackson (17/6 +127) |
| 5 | Kris Bailey (28/12 +167) | Scott Sand (36/17 +180) | Paul Hirschmann (16/6 +120) |
| 6 | Robert West (27/13 +178) | Mike Montalbano (36/16 +174) | Ted Lee Southland (16/6 +120) |
| 7 | Allan Stanek (27/12 +167) | Mark Soule (35/17 +207) | Michelle Gryka (16/6 +120) |
| 8 | Tom Bair (27/12 +152) | Michael Wertz (35/16 +246) | Sandy Sands (16/6 +120) |
| 9 | Paul Hirschmann (26/12 +149) | Bob Joslin (35/16 +232) | Dan Taylor (16/7 +113) |
| 10 | Scott Harker (26/12 +139) | Mike McCammon (34/16 +263) | Bryant Gilkeson (16/6 +120) |

| GAME POINTS | GAMES WON | NET SPREAD | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|
| 17 | 8 | +104 | | |
| OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD | | | | |
| Name <i>McMahon Bid / Suda Steve</i> | | | | |
| ACC# | Seats <i>C 16</i> | | | |
| Game | Game Points | Spread Points (x) (y) | Opponents Initials | Verification I.D. Number |
| 1✓ | 2 | 05 | g | C15 |
| 2✓ | 2 | 06 | TAL | C13 |
| 3✓ | 2 | 03 | Rob | C11 |
| 4✓ | 2 | 05 | KC | C7 |
| 5✓ | 0 | | c9 | CA C6 |
| 6✓ | 3 | 31 | FG | C3 |
| 7✓ | 2 | 14 | JE | C1 |
| 8✓ | 2 | 26 | W | C33 |
| 9✓ | 2 | 23 | RB | 32 |
| Total Game Points | 17✓ | 113 09 | Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0 Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. | |
| Games Won | 8 | NET POINTS (+/-) | +104 | |
| Signature <i>Bob McMahon Steve Suda</i> | | | | |

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| GAME POINTS | GAMES WON | NET SPREAD | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|
| | | | | |
| OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD | | | | |
| Name <i>Noel LaSharr</i> | | | | |
| ACC# | Seats <i>WA 23/11</i> | | | |
| Game | Game Points | Spread Points (x) (y) | Opponents Initials | Verification I.D. Number |
| 1 | 2 | 02 | dyd | H39 |
| 2 | 2 | 10 | JK | 25 |
| 3 | 2 | 20 | AK | 21 |
| 4 | 2 | 10 | JH | H19 |
| 5 | 2 | 10 | Whe | H13 |
| 6 | 2 | 13 | Boe | H9 |
| 7 | 2 | 05 | VC | 5 |
| 8 | 2 | 03 | DH | 2 |
| 9 | 2 | 09 | Kai | 6 |
| 10 | 2 | 05 | ed | 10 |
| 11 | 2 | 18 | AH | 14 |
| 12 | - | - | 21 | 13 |
| Total Game Points | 22 | 123 21 | Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0 Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct. | |
| Games Won | 11 | NET POINTS (+/-) | +102 | |
| Signature <i>LaSharr Noel</i> | | | | |



Bob McMahon (Reno NV) & **Steve Suda** (Reno NV)
— *Canadian Doubles winners* —

LaSharr Noel (Rochester WA)
— *Cribbage Bowl winner* —

| Rank | Cribbage Bowl | Canadian Doubles |
|------|-----------------------------|---|
| 1 | LaSharr Noel (22/11 +102) | Bob McMahon & Steve Suda (17/8 +104) |
| 2 | Daniel Pluff (21/9 +155) | Betty & Bob Brumley (16/7 +148) |
| 3 | Haley Hintze (21/9 +140) | Alan Peterson & Roger Widdowson (15/7 +103) |
| 4 | Pamela Pomeroy (20/10 +120) | Kat Hartsel & James Morrow (15/7 +84) |
| 5 | Ronald Logan (20/9 +145) | Terry Higgins & Dennis Morin (15/6 +67) |
| 6 | William Eilers (20/9 +130) | Mary Roberge & Barbara Barbour (14/7 +82) |
| 7 | Bernard Kitheka (20/9 +129) | Leaf Kaboli & Christopher Gilles (14/7 +10) |
| 8 | Virginia Grogan (20/9 +116) | Jacob French & Wilbur Paul (14/7 +9) |
| 9 | James Edgar (19/9 +129) | Wendy Yafuso & Vicki Soule (14/6 +125) |
| 10 | Lee Brohel (19/9 +90) | Jason Eck & Lee Brohel (14/6 +109) |



GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

official GRPs only, as of 3/28

Division 1 = 3,011 players ♦ Division 4 = 663 players

| Division 1 → | rank | GRPs name (club) |
|--------------|------|--|
| | 1 | 355 Thomas Beucler (388) |
| | 2 | 302 Scott Bartosh (600) |
| | 3 | 275 Dwight Christiansen (382) |
| | 4 | 267 Duane Toll (62) |
| | 5 | 264 Terry Greenawald (127) |
| | 6 | 262 David Fournier (22) |
| | 7 | 259 Terry Hatto (261) |
| | 8 | 253 Paul Dysart (251) |
| | 9 | 252 Frank Corrado (26) |
| | 10 | 251 Bernard Brentar (390) |
| | 11 | 250 Jack Puleo (308) |
| | 12 | 248 Nancy Rojas (162) |
| | 13 | 244 Bryan Gurden (400) |
| | 14 | 242 Timothy Julkowski (377) |
| | 15 | 238 Alan Lindner (215) |
| | 15 | 238 Peter Setian (72) |
| | 17 | 233 Scott Sand (94) |
| | 18 | 230 Wayne Steinmetz (6) |
| | 19 | 229 Bradley Gronli (430) |
| | 20 | 228 Dave Elliott (284) |
| | 21 | 227 Eric Lemay (375) |
| | 22 | 226 James Ravenscroft (175) |
| | 23 | 224 Daulph Plummer (354) |
| | 24 | 223 Scott Milo (440) |
| | 24 | 223 Andy Wagner (58) |
| | 26 | 222 David Aiello (197) |
| | 26 | 222 Chris McComas (426) |
| | 26 | 222 Shaun Wilford (190) |
| | 29 | 220 Robert Lenz (445) |
| | 29 | 220 Valerie Sumner (11) |
| | 31 | 219 Robert Donovan (219) |
| | 31 | 219 Allen Karr (61) |
| | 31 | 219 Daniel Pluff (240) |
| | 31 | 219 George Wangen (108) |
| | 35 | 217 John Healey (368) |
| | 36 | 216 Denny Denend (243) |
| | 36 | 216 Duane Schubauer (96) |
| | 38 | 215 Ken Varner (419) |
| | 38 | 215 Phillip Whitehouse (295) |
| | 40 | 213 Jeremy Krieger (46) |
| | 41 | 211 Walter Howell (127) |
| | 41 | 211 Robert Medeiros (104) |
| | 43 | 210 Steven Braley (361) |
| | 44 | 209 Margaret Christensen-Deutsch (600) |
| | 44 | 209 Kirk Hobbs (314) |
| | 46 | 208 Jim Maffa (104) |
| | 46 | 208 Kevin Mansfield (198) |
| | 48 | 207 Mike Shermeta (229) |
| | 48 | 207 Dennis Ulberg (284) |

| | rank | GRPs name (club) |
|--------------|------|------------------------------|
| | 50 | 206 Lono Kaai (12) |
| | 50 | 206 Dave Otte (393) |
| | 52 | 205 Verdell Brand (96) |
| | 52 | 205 William Cormier (104) |
| | 54 | 204 Hans Anderson (382) |
| | 54 | 204 Mark Cochran (34) |
| | 56 | 203 Dennis Crooks (408) |
| | 56 | 203 Patricia Felcyn (277) |
| | 56 | 203 Mike Fetchel (26) |
| | 59 | 202 William O'Malley (46) |
| | 59 | 202 Reuben Sufka (94) |
| | 61 | 201 Mary Bearss (71) |
| | 61 | 201 Douglas Myers (329) |
| | 63 | 200 Barri Gehrand (119) |
| | 63 | 200 Jerry Miller (3) |
| | 63 | 200 Timothy Shaw (388) |
| | 66 | 199 Brett Brunner (240) |
| | 66 | 199 K.C. Dors (198) |
| | 66 | 199 Olivia Kelley (6) |
| | 66 | 199 Veronica Klaas (399) |
| | 66 | 199 Kurt Rosenberg (295) |
| | 66 | 199 Jeff Shimp (229) |
| | 72 | 198 Richard Crosby (361) |
| | 72 | 198 Lou Tousignant (368) |
| | 74 | 197 Scott Haley (72) |
| | 74 | 197 Monica Newton (127) |
| | 74 | 197 Joe Peterson (410) |
| | 77 | 196 Jean Bidegare (22) |
| | 77 | 196 Pierre Olivier (257) |
| | 79 | 195 Donald Gabrielson (408) |
| | 79 | 195 Brad Henderson (400) |
| | 79 | 195 Doug Holden (354) |
| Division 4 → | 1 | 191 Rhonda Perry (336) |
| | 2 | 189 David Bute (433) |
| | 3 | 185 Paul Gregson (54) |
| | 4 | 180 Rich Ekman (395) |
| | 5 | 177 Steve Colgan (467) |
| | 6 | 168 Brad Seger (39) |
| | 7 | 166 Rob Palmer (38) |
| | 8 | 164 Linda Johnson (156) |
| | 9 | 161 Richard Shea (194) |
| | 10 | 160 Steve Sundet (433) |
| | 11 | 157 John Mealy (118) |
| | 11 | 157 Mary Alice Russell (439) |
| | 13 | 154 Willie Evans (39) |
| | 14 | 153 Ed Lawrence (452) |
| | 15 | 152 Paul Moreno (395) |
| | 16 | 151 Ken Nelson (211) |
| | 17 | 148 Erik Locke (28) |
| | 17 | 148 Bill Wallace (455) |



edited by **Michael Barrett**



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Track Town 29ers Club 450 (Eugene OR)—on February 23, **Jeff Crabill** ↑ (visiting from Oregon Capital Club 46 in Salem OR) got a grand slam 18/9 +150. This was Jeff's first-ever grand slam and Club 450's third slam in the three years of its existence. On March 9, **Pete Knapp** held 3-3-3-4 and got a 21-hand when a 5 was cut. Cool! Oops, not so fast. The 5-cut gave his opponent, **Greg Preston**, a 28-hand! They scored 49 points between the two hands!

GrassRoots *Awards*

GOLD

- #230—Rex Paddock (MT), 347
- #233—Kathy Maresch (WI), 284

SILVER

- Yvonne Bowers (CA), 100
- Lee Foglesong (NV), 360
- Robert Medeiros (MA), 104
- William Stacey (MI), 71
- Jason Thornton (OR), 12

BRONZE

- Shelby Gleason (CA), 448
- Fred Howe (OR), 600
- Joe Keller (MN), 94
- Jim Merritt (ME), 431
- Tom D. Palmer (MT), 427
- Jon Podevels (WI), 445
- Dennis Tracey (WA), 246

Grand Slams (pictured)

Shaun Wilford (Club 190 in Auburn CA)
Steve Painter (Club 251 in Sioux Falls IA)
Bryan McGill (Club 463 in Louisville KY)



Other Grand Slams

Diane Stanisich (Club 410 in Butte MT)



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29-Hand

Denis Walker
(Club 440 in Bandon OR)



28-Hands

Katy Mayo (Club 34 in Denver CO)
Tom Kay (Club 89 in Springfield VA)
Scott Levad (Club 177 in Anchorage AK)
Ken Hunt (Club 177 in Anchorage AK)
~ scored a 28 in both GRRT and GRNT ~
Annie Laughton (Club 219 in Columbia NH) |
~ her first ever 28-hand! ~
Byron Haraski (Club 368 in Ishpeming MI)
Wayne Kudera (Club 397 in Yankton SD)
Russell Utley (Club 451 in West Valley City UT)

Newport Club 127 (Newport OR)—club member **Monica Gum-Newton** is always on the lookout for cool cribbage gifts. A couple of years ago she made a wooden plaque with a large safety pin attached and the words “Crybaby Award.” It has been hidden away, waiting for the day the club’s self-labeled biggest whiner, **Linda Briggs**, got a string of pearls. Recently she won only one game, so Monica decided that was close enough. On February 25, before play started, Monica presented the award. Linda was a good sport, and everyone had a good laugh. Guess what? That night Linda actually scored a string of pearls (0/0 –179). Hmm, was this Monica’s fault?!



John learned cribbage from his sister, Genevieve, when he was nineteen. He joined the ACC in 1996 and is a member of Club 229 in Muskegon. He has been club champion three times (1997, 2006, 2017), and his cribbage mentor is Jeff Shimp, who is also his toughest opponent. John has scored two 29-hands and two grand slams at club.

John Ruffilo
(Muskegon MI)
Gold #237



When she was twenty-five years old, Bonnie saw a newspaper ad selling cribbage boards for 75¢, so she bought one, along with a Hoyle book, and taught herself how to play cribbage solitaire. She joined the ACC in 1995, and the late, great Joe Aird was her cribbage mentor. She has been club champion once, and her one-and-only tournament win was the 2019 Steinmetz Frosty consolation. Bonnie and her husband spend about half of their time at their log cabin on the Escanaba River in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula.

Bonnie Anderson
(Gladstone MI)
Gold #234



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PT Club 109 (Abington MA)—on March 13, we had two Raggedy Ann flushes (aka Royal Ann), and both were in the same seat two games apart. The first was by **Rick Nurse** and the second by **Justin Lovell**.



Milestones!

Two months in advance, send info about member birthdays ending in a zero—and all birthdays over 100!—to cwed152@gmail.com or 334 Pine St, Coopersville MI 49404.

Happy Birthday in April!

- 90—**Bernard Whitfield** (NC)
- 80—**James Johnson** (IL)
- 80—**Ann Herget** (NV)
- 70—**Karen Misluk** (AZ)
- 70—**Mike Comer** (SD)
- 70—**Larry Holtan** (MN)
- 70—**Sue Schenk** (MI)

☞ Colebrook Cribbage Cohorts Club 219 (Columbia NH)—on March 7 **Mary Tichy** scored five 24-hands in five games. Unfortunately, she lost the first four games. In addition, ten 24-hands were scored that day, and she even lost the 24 prize! Mary won only three games, one of them by four points, which prevented **Wendell Woodard** from scoring a grand slam. That win made her day.

☞ Club 6 (Milwaukee WI)—our newest player, **Joyce Carroll Deer**, was having difficulty counting a Raggedy Ann. After she counted it correctly, **Wayne Steinmetz** told her the Raggedy Ann is always 13. Wayne decided to name a hand after her so she wouldn't have to count it. He calls it the "Raggedy Joyce": 2-4-6-8-10!

☞ Club 6 (Milwaukee WI) also reports that **Wayne Owen** lost his battle to cancer, leaving his brother **Roger** to continue playing cribbage and complaining about the cut for him. They worked side by side installing carpet until they retired.

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The Platinum Brothers

Who are the only brothers to earn Platinum in Grass Roots play?

The answer is **Elmer Rasmussen** and **Gary Rasmussen** of Club 232 in Chehalis WA. With only twenty-one Grass Root players at the Platinum level, this accomplishment may not be duplicated by siblings for decades.

Both Gary and Elmer (known to all as “Ras”) started playing at home against family members at the incredible age of four years. They were quick learners, as both had a natural aptitude in math and a desire to win.

Gary eventually taught math as a career and joined the ACC in 1998. In November 2024, he became Platinum #21 at seventy-nine years of age.

Ras founded Club 232 in 1996. He developed cribbage lessons to improve the level of play, and for years he taught classes free of charge. (Check out his classes on **youtube.com** by searching for “Ras cribbage class.”) In 2010 he was inducted into the ACC’s Hall of fame because of his many contributions to cribbage. Ras has averaged 269 points per season for over three decades and earned Platinum #2 in 2016. He is eighty-seven years old.

Ras has been Club 232 champion thirteen times, and Gary eight times. With five Silvers and seven Bronzes, Club 232 invites all players to run their gauntlet every Tuesday night at the Chehalis Eagles Club.



GRASS ROOTS DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

Does your club director make club fun, friendly, and inclusive?

Do they keep everyone organized and statistics up to date?

Does your director deserve to be named **Grass Roots Club Director of the Year**?

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Scroll down to the bottom of the page to “Site Links”

Click on “GR Director of the Year,” which will take you to the nomination form.

Fill out the form and click “submit.”

Entries will be accepted until July 31, 2025.



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SOUTH DAKOTA CRIBBAGE

The South Dakota State Championship was held in Chamberlain SD on March 7. In Canadian Doubles, **Rennae Tietgen** and **Terry Swanson** took first place, with **JoEllen Froseth** and **Tim Connors** in second.

On March 8, Yankton, Sioux Falls, Kimball, and Rapid City battled to take home the traveling championship trophy. In this four-person team event, the final round featured two Sioux Falls teams battling for the trophy! **Darell Brosdahl**, **Jon Madland**, **Pete Peterson**, and **Bill Meinen** took home the championship trophy.

In the eight-game consolation, **Tony Bifuko** from Rapid City took first, and **Eddie Taylor** from Rapid City took second.

Thanks to Don Tietgen for organizing this event.

Paul Barnes (Ormond Beach FL) has several hundred decks of casino cards in great shape—and the price is right: free! If your club needs cards, contact Paul at cribbage29@gmail.com and he will bring them to the National Open in July.



| tournament | director | main (MRPs) | consolation (MRPs) | very big hands | satellite winners |
|---|--------------|---|---|--|--|
| Snowbowl 25 (Bangor ME; 1/26) | Joseph Bowen | 26 players HQ. Robert Baker (30) 1. Jerry Hardy (70) 2. Robert Medeiros (42) 3. Robert Baker (21) 3. Jack Chandler (21) | 12 players HQ. Peter Legendre (9) 1. Peter Legendre (24) 2. Stephanie George (12) 3. Joseph Bowen (4) | 28-hand: Debra Cotter* | Canadian Doubles: Stephanie George & Darlene Young |
| Cactus Cribbage Classic (Sun Lakes AZ; 1/31) | Robert Milk | 83 players HQ. Pamela Pomeroy (35) 1. Obie Weeks (147) 2. Bob Bartosh (105) 3. Carol Perko (70) 3. Steve Scadden (70) | 53 players HQ. Bryan Gurden (18) 1. James Bernshausen (60) 2. Bryan Gurden (40) 3. Jerry Blackman (24) 3. William Eilers (24) | | |
| Winter in Wolfeboro One Day (Wolfeboro NH; 1/31) | Vicki Soule | 49 players HQ. Frank Reddy (40) 1. Dan Routhier (105) 2. Carlyle Foss (70) 3. Robert Medeiros (42) 3. Mark Soule (42) | 35 players HQ. Bruce Page (21) 1. Jerry Hardy (60) 2. Paige Thomas (40) 3. Donna LaFleur (24) 3. Bruce Page (24) | | |
| Medeiros Memorial (Wolfeboro NH; 2/1) | Vicki Soule | 69 players HQ. Barry Spadea (80) 1. Richard Crosby (147) 2. Peter Legendre (105) 3. Harvey Bourdeau (70) 3. John McKenna (70) | 49 players HQ. Robert Medeiros (24) 1. Robert Medeiros (60) 2. Vicki Soule (40) 3. Rick Montague (24) 3. Robert Whynott (24) | 28-hands: Kevin Decoteau (x2)* Michael D'Elena | Friday: Stephen Dugas Canadian Doubles: Susan & Robert Baker |
| Roadrunner Classic (Sun Lakes AZ; 2/1) | Robert Milk | 85 players HQ. Bill Schlabes (65) 1. Bryan Gurden (147) 2. Art Collins (105) 3. David Aiello (70) 3. Jim Mahan (70) | 42 players HQ. Eric Boysen (18) 1. Robert Milk (60) 2. Jason Matheny (40) 3. Bob Brumley (24) 3. Donald Gabrielson (24) | 28-hands: James Bernshausen* Art Collins* Gary Galetti* | Canadian Doubles: Richard & Robert Meyer |

LEGEND

HQ = high qualifier

* = in sanctioned event

green = grand slam

red = first win

| tournament | director | main (MRPs) | consolation (MRPs) | very big hands | satellite winners |
|--|-----------------|--|---|--|---|
| Minnesota Snowball One-Day (Chaska MN; 1/31) | Adam Switzer | 80 players HQ. Derrick Jacobsen (50) 1. Reuben Sufka (147) 2. Haley Hintze (105) 3. Alan Lindner (70) 3. Steven Steinmetz (70) | 44 players HQ. David Carlson (12) 1. David Carlson (60) 2. Clay Collier (40) 3. Lewis Gurney (24) 3. Craig Lamb (24) | 28-hand: Paul Harris* | |
| Switzer's Birthday Bash (Chaska MN; 2/1) | Adam Switzer | 92 players HQ. Jeff McKinney (55) 1. Mark Fries (147) 2. Clay Collier (105) 3. Al Pernicek (70) 3. Steven Steinmetz (70) | 48 players HQ. Wendy Schmidt (24) 1. Brad Mechelke (60) 2. David Thomas Carlson (40) 3. Haley Hintze (24) 3. Chris Melheim (24) | 29-hand: Michael Menssen 28-hands: Emilio Perez* Michael Menssen | Canadian Doubles: Bob Welsh & Tim Kunst |
| Rod Hovey Memorial (Portage MI; 2/8) | Roger Brown | 59 players HQ. Jo Moore (45) 1. David Aiken (105) 2. William Stacey (70) 3. Tom Fraser (42) 3. Jo Moore (42) | 39 players HQ. Rick Wallenstein (18) 1. Cynthia Wark (60) 2. John Schafer (40) 3. Joyce Betz (24) 3. Rick Wallenstein (24) | | |
| Willamette Valley Open (Salem OR; 2/8) | Greg Schleusner | 55 players HQ. Gary Nerton (45) 1. Jack Lien (105) 2. Erik Royland Locke (70) 3. William O'Malley (42) 3. Robb Witters (42) | 38 players HQ. Lee Diffendaffer (15) 1. Robert Simpson (60) 2. Betty Brumley (40) 3. Lee Diffendaffer (24) 3. Craig Smith (24) | | |
| Super Saturday One-Day (Pasco WA; 2/8) | James Morrow | 39 players HQ. Lee Frostad (45) 1. Jeffrey Smith (105) 2. Thomas Wilson (70) 3. James Morrow (42) 3. Gary Pinkley (42) | 24 players HQ. Kyle Burley (18) 1. Curtis Beckham (40) 2. Kim Strieck (24) 3. Kyle Burley (12) 3. Willie Evans (12) | | |



Reuben Sufka (Saint Cloud MN) after winning his first tournament—the Minnesota Snowball main in Chaska MN on January 31; flanked here by tournament directors Steve Schneider (left) and Adam Switzer (right).

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| tournament | director | main (MRPs) | consolation (MRPs) | very big hands | satellite winners |
|--|--------------|--|--|--|---|
| Pegging for Vets (Sacramento CA; 2/8) | Alice Souza | 38 players HQ. Farokh Ziari (35) 1. Lori Boyer (105) 2. Bethany Rolison (70) 3. Tristan Bacoch (42) 3. Scott Bartosh (42) | 21 players HQ. James Langley (9) 1. James Langley (40) 2. Donald Spurgeon (24) 3. Steve Hastie (12) 3. Don Grumpy Howard (12) | | |
| Go Green Bay (Green Bay WI; 2/14) | Al Karr | 84 players HQ. David Aiello (50) 1. Marsha Mahan (147) 2. Steven Steinmetz (105) 3. Todd Bullock (70) 3. Janice Swiekowski (70) | 48 players HQ. Jeremy Wusow (15) 1. Robert Lenz (60) 2. Emilio Perez (40) 3. Richard Horvath (24) 3. Jim Mahan (24) | 29-hand: Connie Paluda* 28-hand: James McCarty* | |
| Pacific Coast Championship (Monterey CA; 2/14) | Dick Lind | 29 players HQ. Wayne Morris (35) 1. Wayne Morris (70) 2. John Hoeffel (42) 3. Fred De Young (21) 3. Peter Jackson (21) | 25 players HQ. Chris Branson (15) 1. Paul Gregson (40) 2. Jones Hom (24) 3. Chris Branson (12) 3. Dennis Morin (12) | | Dealer's Choice Doubles: Sue Dalton & Anne Zhang Saturday: Debra Wrightman |
| Come Sea Bandon (Bandon OR; 2/15) | Scott Milo | 35 players HQ. Rhonda Sollars (45) 1. Mike McCammon (105) 2. Tom Jackson (70) 3. Peggy Shea (42) 3. Rhonda Sollars (42) | 22 players HQ. Jack Shumate (12) 1. Tracy Meyer (40) 2. Gordy Wise (24) 3. Marcia Glenn (12) 3. Jack Shumate (12) | 28-hand: Chris McComas* | Doubles: Monica Newton & Scott Milo |
| Capital City Classic (Augusta ME; 2/15) | Joseph Bowen | 33 players HQ. Linda Kennedy (25) 1. Vicki Soule (105) 2. Arnold Ward (70) 3. Laurie Hardy (42) 3. Robert Medeiros (42) | 16 players HQ. Robert Donovan (15) 1. Steven Braley (24) 2. Peter Legendre (12) 3. Robert Donovan (4) 3. Ethan Guyaz (4) | | |

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|--|-----------------|--|--|------------------------------|---|
| Presidents Day One-Day (Marina CA; 2/17) | Randy Borchardt | 32 players HQ. Bill Schlabes (45) 1. Ross Njaa (70) 2. Randy Azelton (42) 3. Randy Borchardt (21) 3. James Clark (21) | 14 players HQ. Debra Wrightman (3) 1. Lori Boyer (24) 2. Richard Hammock (12) 3. Loren Lookabill (4) 3. Debra Wrightman (4) | | |
| Virginia Beach Cluster #1 (Virginia Beach VA; 2/20) | Laurie Schmitz | 36 players HQ. David Statz (45) 1. Bruce Sattler (105) 2. David Statz (70) 3. Megan Player (42) 3. Cynthia Wark (42) | 33 players HQ. Scott Earley (15) 1. Stephen Dugas (60) 2. Scott Earley (40) 3. James Ravenscroft (24) 3. Laurie Schmitz (24) | 28-hand: Laurie Schmitz* | Friday: Jacob French |
| Virginia Beach Cluster #2 (Virginia Beach VA; 2/22) | Laurie Schmitz | 49 players HQ. Bill Whiting (55) 1. James Ravenscroft (105) 2. Frank Abernathy (70) 3. Megan Player (42) 3. David Statz (42) | 30 players HQ. Bernard Whitfield (18) 1. Michael O'Brien (40) 2. Steven Sattler (24) 3. Thomas Brent (12) 3. Bernard Whitfield (12) | 28-hand: Michael O'Brien* | Canadian Doubles: Terrance Cushman & Megan Player |
| February Frenzy (South Windsor CT; 2/22) | Donald Janelle | 54 players HQ. Barry Spadea (65) 1. Mark Soule (105) 2. Robert Medeiros (70) 3. Donna LaFleur (42) 3. Rick Montague (42) | 35 players HQ. Michael D'Elena (15) 1. George Bryer (60) 2. Michael D'Elena (40) 3. Jerry Hardy (24) 3. John Pappas (24) | | |

Richard Scott Corbin
(McKinney TX)
Matt Padrow
(Scappoose OR)
– TOC semifinalists –



Chris Kim
(Anchorage AK)
Artland Ka'ai
(Costa Mesa CA)
– Consy semifinalists –

ACC Awards



Two friends, Lloyd Lubbert and Lewis Kamps, taught Frosty how to play cribbage. He joined the ACC in 1990, and his cribbage mentor is Wayne Steinmetz. Currently a member of Club 370 in Waukau WI, he has been club champion there four times, plus once in Club 196 (Berlin) and Club 90 (Appleton). His first tournament win was the 1991 Polish Open in Appleton WI against DeLynn Colvert! He has now won twenty-eight sanctioned tourneys. Frosty earned his Three Star ranking at the Wisconsin Dells Deal, where he had to skunk Jim McCarty in the last game to qualify with 29/12! Frosty's toughest opponent is James "Little Moose" Huser. Non-cribbage interests include collecting coins and watching baseball and football.

Richard Frost
(Berlin WI)
Life Master (3★)

Terry was taught cribbage by his dad at the age of fourteen. He joined the ACC in 2007 but didn't become active until the 2010–11 season. That is also the year he won his first tournament: the Schaefer Shuffle. He earned his Two Star at another tournament directed by the Schaefer's: the Lake Mead Classic. Terry has won thirty-one tournaments, including three in three weeks at the end of 2024. He won the National Open in 2017. He has been a member of the Central Region All Star Team eleven times and an All American four times. Terry has directed over forty tournaments, including Grand National 38 in Milwaukee. His willingness to run tournaments was acknowledged when he and Dan Selke received the 2015–16 Central Region Volunteer of the Year Award. Terry has served on the Board of Directors for a



Terry Weber
(Madison WI)
Life Master (2★)

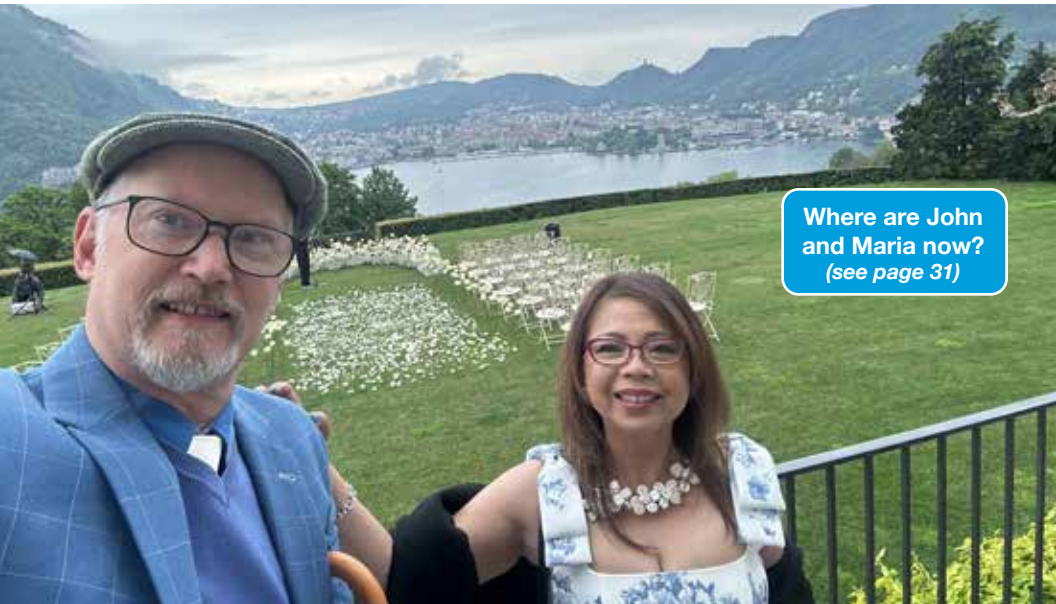
decade and on the Executive Committee for eight years and is also a senior judge. Terry recognizes John Syftestad as his primary mentor and Emilio Perez as his toughest opponent. Terry is an avid follower of the Green Bay Packers and is restoring a 1956 Chevrolet pickup truck.

New Cribbage Masters

Megan A. Player (Cary NC)

Steven P. Sattler (Havre De Grace MD)

Craig Smith (Gresham OR)



Where are John
and Maria now?
(see page 31)

The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



One of the earmarks of a successful pegger is the feeling of uncomfortableness they imbue in their opponents. The successful player will mix up his leads from pairs and nonpairs, lead high from some hands like 3-4-5-8 and 2-3-4-9, and occasionally lead a 5 from a double 5 (I don't recommend making that play a habit though). We want to keep our opponents guessing and not let them get into a rhythm or get a read on our style of play.

The play that I find works the most is leading from the nonpair, such as 2-2-3. If you lead the 3 and score a 15 with the 2, dealer will often relax, thinking you led from a pair of 3s not 2s, and match your 2 with a degree of certainty. You then take 6 points for a trip and often hear some frustrated muttering!

Remember this concept: always be the player forcing the tough decisions—not the player forced to make the tough decisions.

Rob pegs at Club 104 in Malden MA. Email questions to him at mrob2199@aol.com.

Alabama Cribbage ♦ by Dan Zeisler (Grass Valley CA)

One of the many functions of the ACC Youth Program is to approve grants for teachers and activity club leaders for up to ten cribbage boards.

For the past several years, ACC member **Rick Pierce** (Springfield OR) has hand-crafted beautiful long boards and sent them out to help get new programs underway.

A recent request came from **Sam Bachrach**, a student at the University of Alabama who is starting a cribbage club on campus. Sam was quite surprised when he received the boards that Rick skillfully customized. Sam's response:

“We got the cribbage boards! Thank you so much for all of your help. They are absolutely beautiful! I truly appreciate the time and effort that went into making them, and I cannot wait to break them in with the club! Your support means a lot to us, and these boards will definitely bring plenty of great games and good memories. Thanks again for everything!”



Scott's Peek at the Past

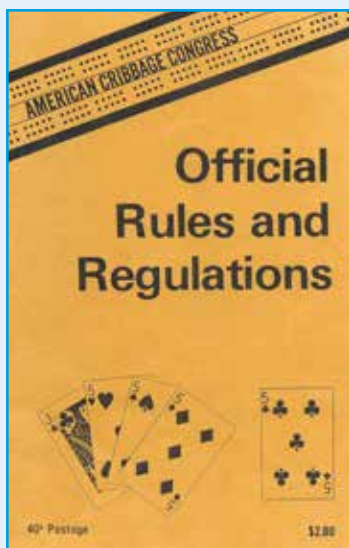
by Scott Kooistra (Spencer NE)

Since the American Cribbage Congress was established in 1979 with a two-dollar annual membership fee, the longest span of time without a dues increase was from 1995 to 2007. In September 2007 at the Board Of Directors meeting in Portland ME, it was reported that the ACC coffers were down over \$60,000 in the past seven years. Along with increased printing costs, the price of a first class stamp had risen from 32¢ to 41¢ since the last ACC dues increase. (Fun fact: 2007 was also the year the Forever Stamp was introduced by the Postal Service.) The BOD increased membership fees as follows: individual dues went up five bucks to \$15 with an added partner now \$3 more; life membership rose from \$80 to \$120 and the life member spouse was an extra \$60, with the life membership eligible age going from 60 to 62 years old; junior dues stayed at \$3 per year.

At the September 2015 Board meeting in Yankton SD, the directors voted to increase individual dues by five dollars again up to \$20 and joint membership would be \$25. The life member category was discontinued with the start of the 2016 calendar year, although it was brought back at a later date at the current price of \$300 for anyone 65 and over. At the start of 2016, a first class stamp was 49¢ and, of course, now it's 73¢!

But with all this inflation news impacting just about every item of everyday life, and six membership increases in the ACC since 1979, how about this? The cost of the first ACC rulebook in 1981 was \$2, and the price of an ACC rulebook in 2025 is still just \$2!

Here are the first three official rulebooks, ↓ each of which was priced at \$2. The 1981 gold rulebook and the 1984 white rulebook were each 5½ x 8½ in size, while the 1989 white rulebook was 4 x 8—and much easier to carry around or put in your pocket.





Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

PEGGING BACKWARD

From our email archives comes a question from **Joyce Keay** of East Falmouth MA. She wants to know what happens when a player pegs backward. After we tell them they pegged backward, do they get to correct it?

Rule 8.5a(2) states: **If the player completes recording the score in the wrong direction and releases the peg, both pegs shall remain where they are and that score and the previous score are forfeited.** Even though the ACC Code of Ethics states that **allowing an opponent to continue pegging backward after the initial occurrence(s)** is an unacceptable practice and grounds for suspension, that does not mean that when you tell them about pegging backward that they get to correct the error. The pegs stay where they are. And the reason there is a potential “s” on the word “oc-

currence,” they may peg backward more than once very quickly before you can get any words out of your mouth, or they may continue to peg backward even after you keep warning them. The key here is that you are trying to play a fair and honest game by warning them. Hopefully they will correct their pegging.

So why do we need to warn our opponents about this anyway? Well believe it or not, there have been some unscrupulous players that have allowed their opponent to peg all the way around backward then claim a victory by a huge margin—in essence a triple skunk. This is not playing the game properly and not the way we want things being done in the ACC, so we had to put it in writing in the ACC Code of Ethics.

Remember folks: be kind to your opponents—and always have fun.

Keith Widener is head of the ACC’s judge program. Send questions about rules and the rulebook to Keith at kwidener@triad.rr.com.

Oops! That was a 29-hand (not a 28-hand) that **Jason Masciola** (Bridgeport CT) held at the Boston Regional in Malden MA on November 3. *Cribbage World* apologizes for this error and has added Jason’s name to the list below.

CLUB 29

1. Donald Curry (IA): Americas Dairyland Open (9/20)
2. Michael Wertz (OR): Salem Classic 2024 (10/11)
3. Jason Masciola (CT): Boston Regional (11/3)
4. Howard Terry (FL): Grand National 42 (11/15)
5. Connie Paluda (WI): Go Green Bay (2/14)

Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ soule1994@comcast.net ◆

April Showers bring May flowers? Maine usually has a leftover snowstorm in April, but the good news is, it does not last long. April Fools is always a great day, and this year Easter is in April. April 3 is National Burrito Day! What's better than a burrito? April 16 is National Pajama Day. A fun idea to have a pajama party tournament! April 22 is National Jellybean Day. What is your favorite jellybean? No yellow or black for me! Wherever you are, I hope you enjoy the spring!

If you wanted to go somewhere warm in late February and thought Virginia Beach VA would be the ticket, you would have been wrong, as Virginia Beach got plowable snow for the first time in years. That did not stop directors **Laurie Schmitz** and **Megan Player**. The tournament must go on! The one-day Virginia Beach Classic saw a couple of OGs in the final: **Bruce Sattler** won over **Just David** (Statz). The consolation saw another New Englander, GR9 innovator **Stephen Dugas**, win over **Scott Early**. VBC part 2 saw **James Ravenscroft**, who finished 3-4 in the Friday consolation take the win—his first!—over the Biscoe Kid, **Frank Abernathy**. The consolation was an all-Maryland final, with our favorite Doc, **Michael O'Brien** over **Steve Sattler** (is he the better Sattler?!). My reporter on the scene, **Jennifer Johnson**, reported that her partner-in-crime, **Megan Player** received her Master, as did **Steve Sattler**. And podcast-host-with-the-most **Terry Cushman** received his Life Master! Congrats to all!



Maine was the place to be on February 15 for the Capital City Open in Augusta. Especially since it was thirty minutes from the Soule household. After the pegging, qualifying round was done, Yours Truly and bottom qualifier **Vicki Soule** ↑ took the win over **Arnold Ward**. ➔ The road was hard as I had to go through both **Jerry and Laurie Hardy**. (I put that day on my calendar!) In the consolation, **Steve Braley** won over one of the Maine Bald Guys, **Pete Legendre**. Always a great time at this venue and tournament.

On February 22, we all descended to South Windsor CT for the February Frenzy! After the battle to qualify, two familiar names ended up in the final match: **The Other Soule** (some people call him Mark)



vs. **Just Rob** (Medeiros) The last time these two met was in a consolation with **Just Me** in the audience. There were more fans this time, and both players had coaches: **Stan Filipiak** for Mark and **Mike Fetchel** for Rob. ➔ Mark came out victorious this time, ⚡ so who had the better coach? In the conso-



lation, a familiar New England name who just came back to roost, **George Bryer** beats **Mike D'Elena**. Thanks to **Barbara Barbour** and **Don Janelle** for hosting us!

A quick story from Connecticut: **Phil Martin** was talking to a couple who found out there was tournament at the location by

finding the ACC on the internet. They walked in to learn what the ACC was all about. Thanks to Phil for taking time talking to them and encouraging them. He also spoke about his Grass Roots club. I hope he did not mention the word *piranha*, as it may scare them!

Enjoy the month! Get outside! Get some fresh air! Play smart! Play nice!

Vicki's March Funnies

Q. Why is everyone tired on April 1?

A. They just finished a thirty-one-day March.

Q. Why can April jump so high?

A. It's Spring!

Q. What kind of music does the Easter Bunny dance to?

A. Hip Hop!

Q. Why do eggs like April first?

A. They like funny yolks!



The
Kat Hartsell
 EXPERIENCE

Can you believe the ACC Open and TOC have happened again?

We all look forward to these adventures and awesome tournaments, plan for them, save up for them—and then they are over in the blink of an eye. But this is a year I won't forget.

This year was extra special as our good friends **Casey and Sammi Scott** ↓ from Hermiston OR got married in Reno. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

I took part in the ACC fantasy draft, where you pick a four-player team; how far your players advance in the playoffs determines your score. My team did excellent, I had one problem though: one of my players was there and didn't play in the TOC! Dang it! But what a fun time sitting around a few tables with some incredible people, rooting for our friends, mentors, and cribbage heroes!

What else happened at the Tournament of Champions? Well, *someone* brought home a new trophy. Playing in my first, officially invited TOC, qualifying, and then advancing to the top eight of this tournament was mind-boggling for me. Last year I was asked to be an alternate to make the field even, and for the entire tournament I was shaking like a leaf. This year I tell people that I came in fifth; sorry to the others in the Elite Eight, I claim it! ↓

I know these tournaments don't just happen; they take a lot of effort from so many people. Thank you to the setup crew, clerical staff, playoff board monitors, judges, those who run side pools, tabulating committee, and especially the directors: **Rick and Peggy Shea** of the ACC Open, **Todd Schaefer** and **Linda and Pat Barrett** of the TOC, **James Morrow** of the Cribbage Bowl, and **David Aiken** of Canadian Doubles. Thank you to the players who attend and make all the memories.

I know I always write about how much I love Reno, and this time wasn't any different. It feels like a big reunion with so many that I love and look forward to seeing every time I head to a tournament. If you haven't been to Reno, it is definitely a bucket list tournament. The J Resort treats us so well, and can you believe the extra MRPs and the boost in prizes that our BOD approved? Absolutely one of the top tournaments every year for all cribbage players!



CRIBBAGE AROUND THE WORLD *Continued*

by John Quist
~ with lots of help from Maria ~

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dateline: April 1

Sometimes Maria and I travel to visit family. Other times our travel is for cribbage tournaments. And every now and then we travel for a wedding.

Two of our dear friends, Rose and Jimmy, invited us to their wedding in Lake Como, Italy. Rose and Jimmy live in Beverly Hills CA, since Rose has worked as a model and actress there for years. Lake Como is known as a destination wedding location because of its amazing natural beauty and historic villas. Many of the villas are owned by the richest people in the world, some of whom are Hollywood superstars.

Maria and I had never been to Lake Como, so we were excited to have a reason to visit. The wedding venue was a 300-year-old villa overlooking the lake. Incredibly beautiful mountains, waterfalls, and picturesque towns added to the view.

When it came time for the wedding to start, Maria and I were seated in the back row. Just before the ceremony began, a gentleman sat down next to us. It was **George Clooney!** He lives just a few villas down the lake. We had some small talk during the ceremony, nothing too serious since his wife Amal was traveling for business. I asked him if he plays cribbage. **He said yes!** He used to play between shoots during his first “real” job, when he played a doctor on the TV show *ER*.

Being the cribbage nerd that I am, I told him I had my travel board with me. Being the adult, George said we shouldn't play during our friend's wedding or reception. Reluctantly I agreed. However, he offered to play at his house. The next day, many of us from the wedding party took a private boat over to his villa. ↓ An amazing thing happened, George knew how to play. Maria was too mesmerized to play him, so the second-string player from our family took him on.

Here is where the story takes a turn. For us to visit George's house, we had to sign an NDA (nondisclosure agreement). We are not allowed to talk about anything that happened inside his house. We were not allowed to take photos either. We can only tell you that an even more amazing thing happened on this trip: I managed to win two of three games from Maria!

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A couple weeks ago at club after losing my first game, I won eight in a row with two skunks. Meanwhile, **Lorraine Ghazarian** was working on a grand slam. In her ninth game against **Tony DePinto**, she was dealing from more than 20 out while Tony needed 10. He made only 8, while Lorraine cut into a 24-hand, won the game, and turned in a richly deserved grand slam. She won the night with 18/9, beating my 18/8. Later I got to thinking: “Wow, that was a bad beat; I had an 18 card and she caught a 24 on fourth street to beat me.” “Bad Beat” is a poker term used to identify great hands that are beaten; for example, four of a kind that is beaten by a straight flush. Most cardrooms have a Bad Beat pot, and every couple weeks the player with the highest Bad Beat hand wins the pot. ESPN has a Bad Beats show that features clips of games where, for example, a last second play either beats the point spread or makes/misses the over/under. A Bad Beat is a situation where, seemingly, defeat is snatched from the jaws of victory (to misquote the late Jim McKay).

We should establish something similar in cribbage. Let me give a few examples of Bad Beats I’ve experienced. I wrote previously about dealing from 26 out with the pone needing 4 holes; I won and I’m sure my opponent would call that a Bad Beat. My personal all time Bad Beat happened a few years ago. I was counting first from 12 holes out and was dealt A-2-2-3-5-5. My opponent was about 35 out. In that position, I decided to try for the skunk because I had so many out cards (only two cards, 5 or 6, would not improve my hand). I tossed the pair of nickels and, sure enough, a 5 was cut. I did not get out. My opponent held 4-4-6-7 so the cut gave him a 16-hand and a 20-crib with his 10-K toss. Upshot? Instead of marking my card with a 3, I had to put down a big L. That, my friends, was a Bad Beat.

I’ve also written about a high roller event at Roadrunner Classic in Phoenix. Another player and I went into the final game with 12/6 while the late **DeLynn Colvert** had 12/5. The other player and I won our final games to turn in 14/7. DeLynn was dealing from less than 10 out while his opponent was about 50 out. If DeLynn gets the skunk he has 15/6 and takes first. Not so fast. His opponent holds 4-4-6-6 and, you guessed it, cuts the nickel, thereby getting over the skunk line. DeLynn won the game but had only 14/6. Only the first two places paid, leaving DeLynn on the outside looking in. Bad Beat? You betcha, Red Ryder. DeLynn, who, shall we say, was rather prudent with a buck, took that loss to his grave.

All cribbage players have similar stories. If you send me yours I’ll include it in a future column. If we get enough good ones we’ll start a Bad Beats Hall of Fame.

A postscript to last month’s column where I described finally earning my second star. Fifteen years ago when I received the first star I was #60. After making the second star I was #59, so in fifteen years and 5,000 points I gained one position on the All Time MRP list. That will be short lived though, as **Terry Weber** will pass me soon.

Over and out.

13 Years, 2 Trophy Boards ♦ by Wayne Morris (Fremont CA)

Thirteen years ago I won my first cribbage board.

During the 2012 Pacific Coast Championship main in Salinas CA, there was an error in the rotation, and I ended up playing **DeLynn Colvert** and **Roland Hall** twice each. I had DeLynn's book but didn't know who he was. People watching us play gasped when I asked him what he did for fun. He turned his card over, and it was my turn to laugh. I lost all four games against DeLynn and Rowland that day and ended up as high nonqualifier. They announced me and gave me the toilet seat Trainer Cribbage Board. This made my day: I had my first cribbage board award!

Fast forward to February 2025, and I looked with envy at the Pacific Coast Championship board with all the names engraved on it. I thought of my first board and wanted to add to it. I ended up as high qualifier, but remembered how many times the high qualifier doesn't go all the way. The cards were kind, and I was able to outlast my opponents and win the tournament. These two boards have a special place in my office.



Cribbage Quiz

Since John and Maria Quist's "Cribbage Around the World" story on page 31 was published on April first, it just might contain some fictitious statements. Can you tell which of the following elements are true?

true false

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| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | John and Maria's California friends got married in Italy. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | George Clooney lives in a villa near the wedding venue. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | John and Maria took a private boat to George's villa. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | John played cribbage with George. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | John won two of three games against Maria while in Italy. |

answer on page 39

Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson
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Kudos to BOD member and super nice guy **Rick Baird** (*rickytick2201*) for becoming the first member of the 6K Club! Rick has earned over 6,000 points in **all three ACC divisions**: 6,035 IRPs and Life eMaster; 16,426 MRPs and Life Master; and 6,101 GRPs and Gold Level! When I posted on the ACC Facebook page about Rick earning his Life eMaster, **Paul Gregson** (*a2zcribbage*) congratulated Rick for this feat. Paul keeps a lot of interesting stats, and I thank him for keeping track of this combo. (Paul is not far behind himself, with 5K+ in all three divisions, as was the late **Mel Ashley**.) Congrats to Rick for being a champion in all types of ACC play and for supporting the internet division, especially as a BOD member!

Important note: starting new games on your own has become a sore spot for TDs as it causes unnecessary work and slows down the entire tourney. If your table is stuck, for whatever reason, go to the saved game; **do not start a new game**. TDs usually post something along the lines of: “Please return to your SAVED game. If you don’t see it, go to SAVED GAMES TAB.” Once we notice this has happened (in a very crowded lobby!), we have to delete the new game that you started, as it is

Point Leader of the Month
Sue Edwards (*CO434Sue*) @ 159 IRPs

New Life eMasters (6,000 IRPs)

Rick Baird (*rickytick2201*)

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)

Jeff Machovsky (*ia527*)

Internet 28-Hands

Phil Cammack (*bigbutte*)

Dan McAlary (*imsecond*)

James Morrow (*29seeker*)

Sam Sinram (*ia503*)

Internet Grand Slams

Dick May (*rcmay5*)

internet . leaders

| rank | IRPs | name |
|------|------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | 897 | Ron Shelton (<i>red29rws</i>) |
| 2 | 828 | Sue Edwards (<i>co434sue</i>) |
| 3 | 763 | Bernard Kitheka (<i>wanzelu</i>) |
| 4 | 712 | James Morrow (<i>29seeker</i>) |
| 5 | 677 | Nancy Rojas (<i>nancridbr</i>) |
| 6 | 620 | Nick Severson (<i>ogshmo0</i>) |
| 7 | 604 | Basil Rudnick (<i>basil22</i>) |
| 8 | 598 | Brad Henderson (<i>ousooner</i>) |
| 9 | 595 | William MacMillan (<i>wy001911</i>) |
| 10 | 583 | Nancy Roncetti (<i>nunzia</i>) |

not official. You may think that starting a new game is how to quickly solve an issue, but it actually causes problems. The stuck player needs to leave and go to the lobby and try to go back into the same game. If not, go out of the lounge and try that. **The other player should stay put and wait at the saved game table.** Listen to what your TD is telling you to do or not do. Also, bear in mind that if you won the deal, a new game has a 50% chance of you losing that edge. So please, always return to the saved game—it is auto-saved when one player has clicked their cards. Thanks!

New Members

128 last month

Alaska

Matt Delles (Wasilla)
Matt Des Forge (Eagle River)
Mike Ripke (Palmer)
Jo Small (North Pole)

Alberta

Marcus Macolor (Edmonton)

Arizona

Matti Whisnant (Maricopa)

British Columbia

Charles Pym (Victoria)

California

Scott Bedolla (Martinez)
Liam Brightling (Chico)
Debbie Brown (Cottonwood)
Eliza Carroll (Meadow Vista)
Bruce Condon (Truckee)
Janet Ghiorso (Brentwood)
Michael Ghiorso (Brentwood)
Nancy Leone (Rocklin)
Andrew Lovato (Grass Valley)
Jim Meskimen (Truckee)
Beth Peterson (Chico)
Vicki Plaisted (Benicia)
Kayla Ramage (Fairfield)
Richard Rivera (Arroyo Grande)
Patrick Schiller (Santa Rosa)
Tammy Walker (Santa Maria)

Colorado

Barbara Endres (Palisade)
Penelope Keefe (Aurora)
Dan Westhoff (Berthoud)
Karen Westhoff (Berthoud)

Connecticut

Robert Peach (Pawcatuck)

Florida

Emily Bell (McDavid)
Jeffrey Jablonowski (Nokomis)
Deb Kelley (Rockledge)
Lisa Mulone (Cocoa Beach)
Jason Sundook (Wellington)

Idaho

Margaret Van Orden (Mackay)

Illinois

Amy Hopkins (Belleville)
James Hopkins (Belleville)
Charlee Thompson (Lanark)

Indiana

Benjamin Robbins (Avon)

Iowa

Robert Card (DuMont)

Bernard (Koz) Kozosky (Clive)
Sue Kozosky (Clive)

Maine

Duane Albert (Madawaska)
Luke Bouget (Brunswick)

Massachusetts

Mason Andruskiewicz (Somerville)
Brian Brown (Holliston)
Shellie Cohen (Somerville)
Chris Larson (Spencer)
Paul Mooney (Saugus)
Jenna Sheldon (Boston)

Michigan

Chris Bierenga (Kalamazoo)
Melissa Bierenga (Kalamazoo)
Pete Eardley (East Grand Rapids)
Carol Seelen (Ishpeming)
Gabe Seelen (Ishpeming)

Minnesota

Craig Birdseye (Duluth)
Gayle Grant (Wrenshall)

Mississippi

Clinton Thomas (Ocean Springs)

Missouri

John Carnahan (Pacific)

Montana

Daniel Cox (Polson)
Greg Parks (Livingston)
Ron Stirling (Missoula)
Sheila Welke-Cox (Polson)

Nevada

Gary Geschke Sr (North Las Vegas)
Kim Johnson (Reno)
Garth Rose (Las Vegas)

New Hampshire

Kevin Shevelin (Durham)

New Jersey

Matthew Liguori (Mahwah)

North Carolina

Dan Edwards (Raleigh)
Walter Harris (Winston-Salem)
Mark Killmeyer (Cary)

Oklahoma

Jane Anderson (Grove)
Randy Shepard (Tulsa)
Melissa Taylor (Tulsa)

Ontario

David Mandel (Toronto)
Kurt Pammer (Toronto)

Oregon

George Abaunza (Wilsonville)
Justine Abaunza (Wilsonville)
Tom Brackett (Eugene)
Matt Constantino (Scappoose)

Celeste Ehrhardt (Waldport)
Daniel Ernster (Yamhill)
Stephen Hendricks (Hillsboro)
Jen Henry (Depoe Bay)
Joan Isaacs (Central Point)
Katrin Litsjo (Yamhill)
Carl Luckenbill (Dallas)
Michael Mansfield (Talent)
Martin McMahon (Lowell)
Joshua Money (Seaside)
Adam Sather (Prineville)
Tana Sather (Prineville)
David Saylor (Medford)
Peter Speerstra (Florence)
Daniel Stobbe (Jacksonville)
Maria Stobbe (Jacksonville)

Pennsylvania

John Bobber (Media)

South Dakota

Michelle Schneider (Sioux Falls)
Todd Schneider (Sioux Falls)

Texas

Jacob Brown (McKinney)
Owen Comer (Colleyville)
Bo Harmon (Euless)
Aaron Pino (Fort Worth)

Utah

Whitney Steele (Salt Lake City)

Vermont

Sharon Downs (Essex Junction)
Tom Downs (Essex Junction)

Washington

Michael Bell (Nine Mile Falls)
Al Brust (Pacific)
Kelsie De Rusha (Spokane)
Tola Denny (Spokane)
Derek Dwyer (Poulsbo)
Jen Dwyer (Poulsbo)
Tim Hess (Tacoma)
Andrea Humbert (Pacific)
Mark Jameyson (Milton)
Tom Klotz (Bonney Lake)
Wayne Kostelecky (Bothell)
Jonathon Lack (Seattle)
Janice Sisley (Winlock)
Patrick Smith (Mill Creek)
Kaye Tahwakeena (Winlock)
Sumner Thomas (Kingston)
Erik Walum (Seattle)

Wisconsin

Jim Brass (Little Chute)
Brian Flaskrud (Eau Claire)
Allison Hudack (McFarland)
Zayne Johnson (Stanley)

Wyoming

Derrick Holzhausen (Cheyenne)
Michelle Roberts (Guernsey)



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Tournaments **MRPs**

as of March 11

| WESTERN REGION | | | CENTRAL REGION | | | EASTERN REGION | | |
|----------------|------|-------------------|----------------|------|--------------------|----------------|------|-------------------|
| 1 | 1727 | Erik Locke | 1 | 1566 | Jim Mahan | 1 | 1052 | Robert Medeiros |
| 2 | 1128 | Bob Brumley | 2 | 1097 | Terry Weber | 2 | 958 | David Statz |
| 3 | 832 | Bob Bartosh | 3 | 969 | Steven Steinmetz | 3 | 774 | Phil Martin |
| 4 | 770 | Paul Gregson | 4 | 825 | Scott Sand | 4 | 755 | Peter Legendre |
| 5 | 731 | Peggy Shea | 5 | 698 | David Aiello | 5 | 654 | Frank Abernathy |
| 6 | 682 | Bill Schlabas | 6 | 665 | Cynthia Wark | 6 | 653 | Mark Soule |
| 7 | 681 | Sara Sanner | 7 | 556 | Jeff Shimp | 7 | 608 | Jerry Hardy |
| 8 | 608 | Duane Toll | 8 | 518 | Allen Karr | 8 | 578 | Stephen Dugas |
| 9 | 602 | James Morrow | 9 | 512 | Emilio Perez | 9 | 557 | Terrance Cushman |
| 10 | 601 | Dave Yaeger | 10 | 489 | Haley Hintze | 10 | 552 | Donna LaFleur |
| 11 | 587 | Jason Shumate | 11 | 483 | Al Pernicek | 11 | 522 | Barry Spadea |
| 12 | 547 | Don Thienel | 12 | 470 | James McCarty | 12 | 516 | Mary Burlington |
| 13 | 543 | Richard Shea | 13 | 467 | Dan Sand | 13 | 450 | Kendra Munkacsy |
| 14 | 526 | James Clark | 14 | 465 | Marsha Mahan | 14 | 420 | Bruce Sattler |
| 15 | 509 | Peter Jackson | 15 | 410 | Dan Taylor | 15 | 418 | Robert Baker |
| 16 | 469 | Chris McComas | 16 | 406 | Larry Leidenheimer | 16 | 402 | Debra Cotter |
| 17 | 468 | Darlene Stier | 17 | 401 | James Huser | 17 | 365 | Jack Howsare |
| 18 | 438 | Michael Crume | 18 | 385 | Wendy Yafuso | 18 | 347 | Laurie Hardy |
| 19 | 431 | David Bute | 19 | 384 | Clay Collier | 19 | 339 | Larry Phifer |
| 20 | 423 | Carol Ag Williams | 20 | 380 | Bob Kiley | 20 | 335 | Frank Reddy |
| 21 | 410 | Wayne Morris | 21 | 379 | Peter Christensen | 20 | 335 | Jack Silvia |
| 22 | 408 | Bryan Gurden | 22 | 373 | Jason Matheny | 22 | 333 | Vicki Soule |
| 23 | 402 | Scott Bartosh | 23 | 369 | Rick Kuehn | 23 | 329 | Barbara Barbour |
| 24 | 399 | Craig Smith | 24 | 368 | Steve Scadden | 24 | 320 | Marty Duchow |
| 25 | 395 | Ray Klocko | 25 | 300 | Marlene Lazachek | 25 | 318 | Paige Thomas |
| 26 | 391 | Rick Baird | 25 | 300 | Reuben Sufka | 26 | 316 | Megan Player |
| 27 | 387 | Bernie Nelson | 27 | 299 | Lewis Gurney | 27 | 315 | Steven Braley |
| 28 | 378 | Jones Hom | 28 | 298 | Jeff Machovsky | 28 | 305 | Rick Montague |
| 29 | 362 | Bobby Ramelow | 29 | 292 | Donald Curry | 29 | 302 | Mike Fetchel |
| 30 | 360 | William O'Malley | 30 | 278 | Edward Balcer | 30 | 296 | William Shoemaker |
| 31 | 353 | Pete Larsen | 31 | 272 | Gene Biegler | 31 | 282 | Keith Widener |
| 32 | 347 | Lori Boyer | 31 | 272 | Ed May | 32 | 281 | Eric Davis |
| 32 | 347 | Eric Boysen | 33 | 271 | Henry Brandner | 33 | 279 | Barri Gehrand |
| 34 | 344 | Terry Hatto | 33 | 271 | Daniel Pluff | 34 | 276 | Deborah Taylor |
| 35 | 340 | Kat Hartsell | 35 | 270 | Arthur Loveland | 35 | 266 | Dan Routhier |
| 36 | 336 | Ivan Wells | 36 | 262 | Don Pohlman | 36 | 264 | Donald Janelle |
| 37 | 324 | Marcia Glenn | 37 | 261 | John Hazlett | 37 | 263 | Joe Zimmitti |
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GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE

| <i>date</i> | <i>location</i> | <i>Tournament Directors</i> |
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| Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025 | The Lodge in Deadwood SD | David Aiken, Patrick Barrett, Dan Selke, John Hazlett |
| Oct. 13–18, 2026 | Sheraton in Niagara Falls NY | David Aiken, Mark Soule, Vlcki Soule |
| Nov. 1–7, 2027 | Doubletree in Spokane WA | James Morrow, Rick Baird, Kat Hartsell |

TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE

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| Mar. 6–8, 2026 | J Resort in Reno NV | Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra |
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MN ♦ Apr. 4–6, April Fools Challenge
 Moose, 415 3rd Ave, Proctor MN 55810. TD: Gordy Jurek (218.213.1946) & Ed Balcer

| OR ♦ Oregon Coast Cluster |
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| American Legion, 424 W Olive, Newport OR 98374 |
| Apr. 5–6, Jeanne Hofbauer Memorial TD: Pete & Junko Larsen (503.724.0605) |
| Apr. 7–8, Spring Fling TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Pete Larsen |
| Apr. 10–11, Alsea River Open TD: Carole Herron (406.459.5550) & Wayne Momsen |
| Apr. 11–13, Dean Bauman Memorial TD: Monica Newton (541.819.1034) & Dana McClain |

NH ♦ Apr. 6, Granite State Classic
 American Legion, 11 Court St, Nashua NH 03061. TD: David Statz (603.247.4335) & Mary Burlington

| NC ♦ Fling Doubleheader |
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| DoubleTree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703. TD: Jennifer Johnson (617.515.2232) & Megan Player |
| Apr. 11, Friday Pre-Fling |

Apr. 12–13, Raleigh Spring Fling

IL ♦ Apr. 11–13, Marv Lang Memorial
 Cliffbreakers, 700 W Riverside Blvd, Rockford IL 60004. TD: Dan Selke (847.877.3875) & Jerry Griffin

WY ♦ Cheyenne Doubleheader

American Legion, 2001 E Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001. TD: Jim & Margaret Rosso (307.631.2741)

Apr. 12, Cheyenne Open One-Day Challenge

Apr. 13, Wyoming Spring Roundup

WI ♦ Apr. 18–20, Dianne Gurney Memorial
 Comfort Inn, W 10170 Hwy 54 E, Black River Falls WI 54615. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

CA ♦ Apr. 19, Pegging for Vets
 VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

MT ♦ Magic City Doubleheader

Hampton Inn, 3550 Ember Ln, Billings MT 59102. TD: Richard Rudio (406.534.1293) & Greg Dibble

Apr. 19–20, Magic City

Apr. 21–22, Montana Trailhead

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SD ♦ Deadwood Tripleheader

The Lodge at Deadwood, 100 Pine Crest Ln, Deadwood SD 57732. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311), Patrick & Linda Barrett, John Hazlett, Dan Selke

Apr. 24–25, Deadwood Open

Apr. 26, Aces & Eights

Apr. 27, Calamity Jane Open

NY ♦ Apr. 25–27, Western New York Open
Moose, 45 Church St, Hamburg NY 14075. TD: Robyn Boldt (716.648.1830) & Russell Bentley

CA ♦ Humboldt Doubleheader

Moose, 4328 Campton Rd, Eureka CA 95503. TD: Tom Cookman (707.599.6747) & Sheryl Brekke

May 2, Humboldt Bay One Day

May 2–4, Humboldt Bay Classic

WI ♦ May 2–4, Peg for Pink
Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546)

NC ♦ Winston-Salem Doubleheader

Courtyard by Marriott, 1600 Westbrook Plaza Dr, Winston-Salem NC 27103. TD: Keith Widener (336.971.8504) & Jennifer Johnson

May 2, Winston-Salem Open

May 3–4, North Carolina Open

MA ♦ May 4, South Shore Open
Knights of Columbus, 254 Hancock St, Abington MA 02351. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Debbie Cotter

WI ♦ May 9–11, Cribbage Weekend In America
Mad Apple, 3025 College Ave, Appleton WI 54914. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Bob Kiley

OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader

Eagles, 116 E 2nd Ave, Sutherlin OR 97497. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136)

May 9, Super-Sutherlin One-Day

May 10–11, Oregon State Open

ME ♦ May 10, Old Orchard Beach Tournament
American Legion, 14 Imperial St, Old Orchard Beach ME 04064. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Carlyle Foss

CA ♦ May 10, Pegging for Vets
VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

CA ♦ May 16–18, Jerry Montgomery Memorial
Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Dr, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

CO ♦ MVP Doubleheader

VFW, 305 Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80536. TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Wanda Berry

May 17, MVP Spring Fling Saturday

May 18, MVP Spring Fling Sunday

WA ♦ Spokane Doubleheader

Trailhead Golf Course, 22302 E Country Vista Dr, Liberty Lake WA 99019. TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318) & Kat Hartsell

May 23, Washington State Open

May 24–25, Spokane Memorial Day

CA ♦ Barnyard Doubleheader

May 24, EEC Barnyard Bonanza
Escondido Equestrian Center, 26002 Bear Valley Heights Rd, Escondido CA 92027. TD: Joan Layte (760.751.2073)

May 25, After the Barnyard
Obie Weeks's home, 81 Via Larga Vista, Bonsall CA 92003. TD: Obie Weeks (760.695.2977) & Pam Pomeroy

ME ♦ May 24, Seaside in Wells
Ogunquit Senior Ctr, 300 Post Rd, Wells ME 04090. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Carlyle Foss

MT ♦ Montana Spring Roundup

May 27–29, Rex Paddock Memorial
Westside Lanes, 1615 Wyoming St, Missoula MT 59801. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Karl Paddock

May 30–June 1, Capital City Roundup
Moose, 4750 N Montana Ave, Helena MT 59602. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Roger McGlenn

June 3–5, Copper City Classic Roundup
East Side Athletic Club, 3075 Dexter, Butte MT 59701. TD: Gary Galetti (406.491.5892) & Sandy Sands

June 6–8, Territorial Prison Classic
Elks, 230 Main St, Deer Lodge MT 59722. TD: Bob Stone (406.560.1386) & Dave Hayden

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CT ♦ May 31, Cribbage in May

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: Charles Booker (860.726.6921) & Barbara Barbour

WA ♦ May 31–June 1, Mount Rainier Open

Dumas Bay Center, 3200 SW Dash Point Rd, Federal Way WA 98023. TD: Dave Liesse (253.343.3445) & Kyle Schumacher

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| WI ♦ Madison Masters Doubleheader |
| AmericInn, 626 W Pine St, Baraboo WI 53913. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke |
| June 6, Madison Masters 1 |
| June 7–8, Madison Masters 2 |

CA ♦ June 7, Pegging for Vets

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

AK ♦ June 7, Midnight Sun Open

Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99503. TD: C. J. KIM (907.748.2684) & Arlene Carle

OR ♦ June 7, Oregon Trail Open

Pioneer Villa Truck Plaza, 33180 OR-228 (exit 216), Halsey OR 97348. TD: Jack Lien (609.658.5168) & Julia Schewanick

MI ♦ June 13–15, Lake Superior Challenge

Rock River Lanes, 1011 N Rd, Ishpeming MI 49849. TD: Pat Healey (906.458.2065) & Tom Butcher

CT ♦ June 14, Stars & Stripes Showdown

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: Barbara Barbour (860.543.2244) & Don Janelle

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| SC ♦ Columbia Doubleheader |
| Hilton Garden Inn, 8910 Farrow Rd, Columbia SC 29203. TD: Jennifer Curnow (803.240.2198) & June Fordham |
| June 20, Palmetto State Open |
| June 21–22, Soda City Classic |

WI ♦ Eau Claire Doubleheader

VFW, 1300 Starr Ave, Eau Claire WI 54703. TD: Chad Frischmann (715.492.5337) & Louie Gurney

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| June 27, Eau Claire Classic Midweek |
| June 28–29, Eau Claire Classic |

NV ♦ June 27–29, Independence Day Classic

J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. TD: Peggy Shea (707.599.4605) & Rick Baird

MA ♦ June 29, Boston Summa Special

Irish American Club, 177 West St, Malden MA 02148. TD: Frank Reddy (617.974.7562) & Bill Cormier

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| OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader |
| Eagles, 116 E 2nd Ave, Sutherlin OR 97497. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136) |
| July 4, Super-Sutherlin One-Day |
| July 5–6, July Special |

MA ♦ July 12–13, New England Summer Slam
American Legion, 9 Houghton St, Webster MA 01570. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steven Dugas

WI ♦ July 11–13, Brat Stop Open

Brat Stop, 12304 75th St, Kenosha WI 53142. TD: Dan Selke (847.977.3875) & Emilio Perez

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| OR ♦ Depoe Bay Doubleheader |
| Community Hall, 220 SE Bay St, Depoe Bay OR 97341. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Pete Maas & Greg Schleusner |
| July 11, Depoe Bay Shuffle |
| July 12–13, Shut Up and Deal |

CO ♦ MVP Doubleheader

VFW, 305 Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80536. TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Wanda Berry

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| July 12, MVP Summer Sizzler #1 |
| July 13, MVP Summer Sizzler #2 |

Cribbage Quiz Answer

(see page 33)

The most improbable part of this month's "Cribbage Around the World" story on page 31 is the statement that John won two games against Maria. While *Cribbage World* continues to seek verification of this claim, here's the scoop on the rest of their story. Unfortunately, John and Maria did not meet George Clooney, which means they do not know if he plays cribbage. Nor did they go inside his villa and play cribbage.

Hmm, with this revelation, now *Cribbage World* is starting to doubt if John and Maria are actually traveling around the world playing cribbage, or if in fact they even exist. Maybe Kat Hatsell has been writing this column all along!

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NC ♦ National Open Tripleheader

DoubleTree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703

July 17–18, Open Opener
TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & Mark Soule & John Hazlett

July 18–21, National Open
TD: Megan Player (919.518.3626) & Jennifer Johnson

July 21, Come Monday
TD: Jennifer Johnson (617.515.2232) & Megan Player

WI ♦ Stetsonville Doubleheader

Community Center, 412 Centennial Ave, Stetsonville WI 54480. TD: Henry Brandner (715.748.3982) & Tom Briski

July 24–25, Heart of Wisconsin Classic

July 26–27, Stetsonville Midsummer Classic

WA ♦ Pasco Tripleheader

Eagles, 2829 W Sylvester St, Pasco WA 99301. TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318) & Kat Hartsell

July 24–25, Weekday Challenge

July 26, Summer Classic

July 27, Western Region Championships

CA ♦ July 26, Pegging for Vets

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Alice Souza (209.365.3232) & Marsha Finley

CA ♦ River City Doubleheader

Stadium Club Estates, 4200 El Centro Rd, Sacramento CA 95834. TD: Jennifer Bolles (916.203.6636) & Nancy Rojas

Aug. 1, River City Shake It Up Friday

Aug. 2–3, River City Shake It Up Saturday

CA ♦ Aug. 4–5, Natomas Open

Stadium Club Estates, 4200 El Centro Rd, Sacramento CA 95834. TD: Bill Schlabes (530.219.4729) & Jennifer Bolles

CA ♦ Sacramento Tripleheader

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Bill Schlabes (530.219.4729) & Scott Bartosh

Aug. 7–8, Sacramento 2025 #4

Aug. 9, Sacramento 2025 #5

Aug. 10, Sacramento 2025 #6

MN ♦ Midwest Doubleheader

Community Center, 102 Dunn Ave N, Hinckley MN 55037. TD: Steve Schneider (612.968.7280) & Adam Switzer

Aug. 8, Midwest Kickoff

Aug. 9–10, Midwest Great Hinckley Fireball

CT ♦ Midwest Doubleheader

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: (1) Martin Duchow (860.324.8019) & Deb Taylor and (2) Donald Janelle (860.490.0712) & Barbara Barbour

CT ♦ Aug. 9, Patriot Kickoff Classic

Aug. 10, Northeast Peer Tournament

WI ♦ Aug. 22–24, Steinmetz Frosty Shuffle

Best Western, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

CA ♦ Sep. 5–6, Jimmy Yee Memorial

Stadium Club Estates, 4200 El Centro Rd, Sacramento CA 95834. TD: Annett Eiffert (916.521.3208) & Nancy Rojas

CT ♦ Sep. 6, September Sizzler

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: Barbara Barbour (860.543.2244) & Matt Binkowski

OR/ID ♦ ORE-IDA or Bust!

Sep. 5–7, Gem State Classic

Eagles, 7025 Overland Rd, Boise ID 83709. TD: Laurie & Ron Logan (406.241.5006)

Sep. 9–11, Oregon Trail Tournament

Elks, 1896 2nd St, Baker City OR 97814. TD: Pat Reynolds (541.403.0172) & Rob Palmer

Sep. 12–14, Blue Mountain Open

American Legion, 301 Fir St, La Grande OR 97850. TD: Charlette Springer (541.975.3176) & Sue Anderson

IA ♦ Iowa Classic Doubleheader

Rock Island Inn, 3303 S Center St, Marshalltown IA 50158. TD: Mike Henze (641.485.2604) & Bob Joslin

Sep. 19, Iowa Classic 1

Sep. 20–21, Iowa Classic 2

MT ♦ Montana Fall Roundup

Hampton Inn, 3550 Ember Ln, Billings MT 59102. TD: Richard Rudio (406.534.1293) & Gregory Dibble

Sep. 26–27, Montana Memorial

Sep. 28–29, Big Sky Open

more tournament details at cribbage.org

MN ♦ Chaska Tripleheader

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. TD: Adam Switzer (952.687.1642), Steven Schneider, Bob Joslin, and Chad Frischmann

Sep. 26, Minnesota Open One-Day

Sep. 27–28, Jerry Gruber Memorial

Sep. 29, Westward Ho!

SD ♦ Grand National 43

The Lodge, 100 Pine Crest Ln, Deadwood SD 57732. TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311), Patrick & Linda Barrett, Dan Selke, & John Hazlett

Sep. 30–Oct. 2, GN43 Midweek

Oct. 2–4, Grand National 43

entry form online

MA ♦ New England Classic Doubleheader

Knights of Columbus, 254 Hancock St, Abington MA 02351. TD: Debra Cotter (781.801.3858) & Susan Baker

Oct. 10, New England Classic Warmup

Oct. 11–12, New England Classic

WI ♦ Oct. 17–19, Wisconsin Championship
Lake of the Torches, 510 Old Abe Rd, Lac Du

Flambeau WI 54538. TD: Patrick & Linda Barrett (715.323.5027)

OR ♦ Oct. 17–19, Oregon Championship
Elks, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701. TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Jason Thornton

WA ♦ Chautauqua Doubleheader

Chautauqua Lodge, 304 NW 14th St, Long Beach WA 98631. TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318) & Jason Hofbauer & Kat Hartsell

Oct. 24–25, ACC World Championships

Oct. 24, One Day at the Beach

WI ♦ Oct. 24–26, Octoberfest

Best Western, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

WI ♦ Oct. 31–Nov. 2, Northeast Wisconsin Open
Best Western, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

OR ♦ Oct. 31–Nov. 2, Spooktacular Special
Pioneer Villa Truck Plaza, 33180 OR-228 (exit 216), Halsey OR 97348. TD: Julia Schewanick (541.514.1131) & Bob Simpson

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40 Years Ago

The front cover announced the upcoming BOD elections. Elsewhere we read that the late, great **Syl Lulinski** (IL) took second at the 204-player Capital City tournament in Saint Paul MN, codirected by **Scott Kooistra**; and that **Bill Hill** (OR) took first in the North-



west Open consolation, directed by **Rob Palmer**.

25 Years Ago

The cover announced that **Robert Chase** (MN) won the 178-player St. Croix Classic. Elsewhere we read that **Jeff and Joy Shimp** (then living in Indiana) won both halves of the Roadrunner Classic: Jeff won the 84-player main, and Joy won the 44-player consy; Joy also won the Friday night satellite! Given the attention that a certain serial killer who was a former ACC member is getting nowadays because of a new streaming series on Paramount+, here is a paragraph that appeared in the April 2025 *Cribbage World*, along with a note from editor **DeLynn Colvert**: ➔

11620304 Writes Cribbage World
 Keith Jesperson is the ACC's most infamous pegger. Jesperson is in the Oregon State Penitentiary for a life sentence. This ex-long haul truck driver was convicted of multiple murders of young women committed during his travels throughout the USA.

He recently wrote CW. A few quotes: "Prison is...well, it's prison. I get to play a lot of cribbage and pinochle in here. Never too much cribbage... I miss the tournaments and the quality people associated with the sport...I am sorry for any problems I may have caused your organization with me being one of your members...At no time was anyone associated with your organization in harms way to me. My problem had to do with another problem. Please say hello to everyone for me. I do miss the company."

No comment...except I did mail Jesperson a Cribbage World. Perhaps he will re-join the ACC to keep up with his old pals. Ed.

Youth News from Don "Grumpy" Howard

Youth Tournament Trail
 April 19 ♦ VFW Youth Tourney(Sacramento CA)
 June 28 ♦ Youth Grand National 6 (Reno NV)
 July 24 ♦ New England Youth Tourney (Bangor ME)

IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Rex Warner Paddock

Editor's note: Rex earned his Gold Award shortly before passing away in late 2024, so this is a combo obituary/Gold Award story.

Rex Paddock passed away on December 30. Born in 1933 in Terry MT, he enlisted in the United State Air Force after graduating high school. Following his honorable discharge, he worked as a sawyer for decades and could skillfully fall a tree in any situation. (See CW editor DeLynn Colvert's humorous take on this below.) Rex concluded his working career by retiring from the US Forest Service at the ripe age of 84. In his younger years, he greatly enjoyed the Montana outdoors—camping, hunting, and fishing in his free time. He enjoyed having family and friends over for a BBQ and a swim in his pool. Rex joined the ACC in 1980. He attended and later directed Club 347 in Missoula, where he was club champion

seven times. His first tournament win was the 1997 Montana Cham-

pionship. He played tournaments in all four corners of the country and a lot of states in between; while his tournament participation declined in recent years, he enjoyed hosting and supporting the Montana Spring and Fall Roundups for the past half a decade. Rex earned MRPs in 152 tournaments between 1997 to 2024, reaching the Life Master level and winning eleven tournaments in Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington. Rex was active and independent up until the week of his passing. He will be missed by the cribbage community.



Quiz

What ACC pegger has cut down 750,000 trees?

Answer: Master pegger Rex Paddock, Missoula, MT, is winding down a long career as a logger. He estimates that he was cut approximately 750,000 trees in his lifetime (you environmentalists...not to worry, these trees have been re-seeded!)

CW asked Rex where he did his logging. He replied, "The Great Sahara Forest!"

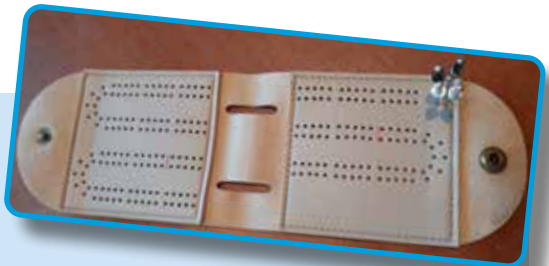
CW responded, "Hey, isn't that a desert?"

"It is now!," replied Rex.

Travel Tidbit

Dale Magedanz (Sun Prairie WI) reports that on his and **Jane Vander Loop's** cruise across the Atlantic,

they came across this leather folding cribbage board being used onboard. It comes with a deck of cards and a tube to hold the pegs. Place the cards on the board, insert the peg case into the slot in the middle of the board, and then it closes with the snap. Very compact for traveling.



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