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## GRASS ROOTS GROWTH

by Tracy Yott

An item in the December *Cribbage World* caught my eye. Page 35 listed 105 new members who joined the ACC during October, yet the ACC membership odometer on page 5 showed that total membership dropped by 2 during that month. How can this be?

Since 2007 CW has listed all new members each month so we can welcome them into our cribbage family when we meet them. Thanks to the archived issues of CW online (two issues did not list new members), I was able to plug four years' worth of new-member data (based on Grass Roots seasons) into a spreadsheet and look at it graphically (see table 1 on page 8).

The highest number of new members in the years 2007–10 appears every September. This shows that some clubs make an earnest effort at the start of each new season to attract new members. The September average for new members over four years is 134.8, *less than* one new player for every Grass Roots club in the program.

The average number of new members in October for these same years drops to 119.3, while the averages for November (95.3), December (89.0), and January (88.3) dip toward the four-year average of 81.5 (heavy solid line in table 2 on page 9), which is less than half a new member per club per month. I attribute the rise in February (110.3) to the JPW/ACC Open. The remainder of the season is a dismal slide.

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# My Deal

by David Aiken



“Member since 1998.” This phrase graces the front of a well-known credit card and announces to the world that the card bearer is on intimate terms with luxury, prestige, respect.

I don’t have one of those cards—probably because I lack the requisite high standing associated with this particular piece of plastic. But I have something far better.

I can’t buy anything with my card, but the annual fee is a paltry \$15 a year. It’s made of paper instead of plastic. And it allows me to associate with some of the coolest people in the country whenever I want to.

I’m talking, of course, about my ACC membership card.

I got my first one when I joined the ACC—and Club 91, the Grand Rapids Square Peggys—way back in September 1998. Nowadays I get a new card every three years since I generally pay my ACC dues in three-years chunks so that I can, what, save 44¢ twice every three years? (In the not-too-distant future, I’ll be able to pay a lump sum of \$120 and save postage for the rest of my life!)

Every time I look at my first membership card I think back to my early days in

the ACC, for my ACC and Grass Roots membership at first brought only disappointment—as I began to realize that I didn’t know nearly as much about cribbage as I thought I did.

During the 31 weekly tourneys I played in my first Grass Roots season, I earned 26 GRPs (this is unimpressive even under the old style of earning points), with a batting average of .487. Determined to do better, to learn more, I slogged through the next few years, picking up pointers wherever I could, and then I started playing weekend tournaments.

That was another eye-opener! In my very first tournament, the 2002 Potawatomi Peggys Powwow directed by **Jeff Shimp** (Grand Haven MI), I lost my very first two ACC games to **Sharon Schaefer** (Jackson WI)—both games by a single point!—and ended up with a 26-point scorecard. So now I had to start the learning process all over again with sanctioned tournaments.

All that to say this: if a plodder like me can have a modicum of success, so can you. And I suspect that my experience is not unique among ACC members. If you had a forgettable start to your cribbage ca-

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**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!**

***My monthly batting average***

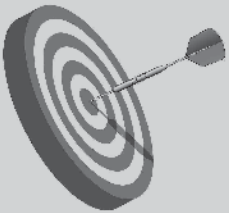
**December record:  
60-43 (58.3%)**

***My biggest win of the month***

**I beat Hal Rosenberg (MI) by 42 at club**

***My worst loss of the month***

**Eric Jensen (MI) beat me by 55 at club**



# Your Deal



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## A Special Thanks

Although it is already two weeks after Thanksgiving, I can still list some things that I am very thankful for. First of all, I was able to play cribbage at the Detroit Open on Thanksgiving weekend while visiting family in nearby Royal Oak. Two of my brothers, **Chris Jensen** and **Jon Jensen**, joined me on Friday afternoon for their first taste of ACC competitive cribbage. They are both good players, and both proceeded to beat me and keep me from winning money. Maybe I should not have invited them?! I'd like to thank tournament directors for running these successful tourneys that allow people like you and me to attend, earn points, win money, and enjoy great friendships. I don't think we appreciate the behind-the-scenes efforts by directors. And finally I am grateful for the opportunity to play cribbage with three gentlemen from Bay City MI. **Gene Secor**, **Tom Borkowski**, and **John Borkowski** came to Grand Rapids to play in the Michigan Tournament of Spades. All three made the playoffs (it was the first tournament for Gene and John) and certainly know their game well. Their club should be very proud, and I look forward to seeing them at future tournaments in Grand Rapids.

*Eric Jensen (Grand Rapids MI)*

## Gordie Brown

Gordie was a great friend. I first met him at the Auburn CA cribbage club about

five years ago. He had just lost his wife, Marilyn. He was always nice to me. He started the Roseville Club three years ago. He has done a great job with that club. It is always about the people first. He was always asking the club members for their opinion and advice. It was never about him—always the members and the club. The ACC needs more Gordie Browns.

*Rich Ekman (Dutch Flat CA)*

## Negative Comments

I remember just a few years ago we had over 7,300 members, and we are now down to under 6,800. If this trend continues, we won't be having many tournaments. We spend so much time bickering about All Stars and whether scorecards should be face up or face down. How about spending that time promoting new members to the ACC. It seems like we have so many negative comments, it really turns people off. Do you like to hear people complain about everything? I recently got an android phone and downloaded a cribbage app and was startled to see that the program had over 500,000 downloads. If we had just 10% of those players in the ACC, we would have over 50,000 players and the possibility of much larger tournaments

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**ACC membership odometer**

**6 7 3 2 ↓ 38**

*as of January 1*

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
<b>P&amp;G Open (Norwalk CA; Oct. 22)</b>	Gary Sumner & Pam Pomeroy	44 players HQ. Jim Crawford (45) 1. Artland Kaai (105) 2. Mel Ashley (70) 3. Beth Fleischer (42) 3. Leo Rutledge (42)	23 players HQ. Pamela Pomeroy (15) 1. Michael Namm (40) 2. Michael Duffy (24)	28-hands: Roland Hall*	
<b>North Pole Open (Marinette WI; Oct. 28-30)</b>	Jeanne & Roger Wauters	120 players HQ. Larry LaGassie (60) 1. Edward Markiewski (147) 2. Victoria Drinka (105) 3. Thomas Koncan (70) 3. Ginny Danielski (70)	88 players HQ. Alan Lindner (18) 1. Sharon Schaefer (84) 2. Jerome Tork (60) 3. Lana Newhouse (40) 3. Wayne Steinmetz (40)	28-hands: Margaret Strebe* Richard Horvath* Patrick Barrett* Mike Starnine*	Warmup: Danon Dedamos Friday: Doug Myers Saturday: Rick Kuehn All Events: Larry LaGassie
<b>Thanksgiving Classic (North Bend OR; Nov. 25-27)</b>	Larry Hassett	82 players HQ. Mike McDaniel (50) 1. Mike McDaniel (147) 2. Mills Brubaker (105) 3. Frank Ornle (70) 3. Dana Baird (70)	46 players HQ. Peggy Shea (18) 1. Paul Hatcher (60) 2. Peggy Shea (40) 3. Leslie Sumner (24) 3. Jack Moritzky (24)	28-hands: Jack Moritzky* Paul Hatcher	Early Bird: Mills Brubaker Doubles: Skip White & Frank Ornie High Rollers: Paul Hatcher Saturday: Frank Ornle All Events: Duane Toll
<b>Detroit Open (Romulus MI; Nov. 25-27)</b>	Jeff Gardner	50 players HQ. David Boyer (55) 1. Austin Adams (105) 2. Jerald Adams (70) 3. David Boyer (42) 3. Scott Hudson (42)	32 players HQ. Wayne Steinmetz (12) 1. Wayne Steinmetz (40) 2. Jeff Shimp (24)	28-hands: Bill Kraatz Marvin Lang	Early Bird: Patricia Pettit Friday: Bill Kraatz Saturday: Brenda Carson
<b>Greater Orlando Open (Altamonte Springs FL; Dec. 2-4)</b>	Dave Fournier	82 players HQ. Gaylor Matti (50) 1. Bill Medeiros (147) 2. Mark Mano (105) 3. Steven Campanale (70) 3. Joe Daesch (70)	58 players HQ. Ray Fischer (21) 1. Jerome Kelliner (60) 2. Jim Lunder (40) 3. Barri Gehrand (24) 3. John O'Keefe (24)	28-hands: Robert Johnson* Jeff Raynes*	Friday: Cathy Perkins Saturday: David Clemmey

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**First tournament win indicated by highlighting.**

Tournament	Director	Main (MRPs)	Consolation (MRPs)	Big Hands	Satellite Winners
Three Rivers Open (Florence OR; Dec. 2-4)	Winona McDaniel	60 players HQ. Erik Royland Locke (60) 1. Erik Royland Locke (105) 2. Roland Hall (70) 3. Richard Shea (42) 3. Margery Clark (42)	36 players HQ. Randy Braukmann (24) 1. Rick Baird (60) 2. Bob Bartosh (40) 3. Rickie Mack (24) 3. Paul Hatcher (24)		Time Passer: Duane Person Friday: Jeanne Hofbauer Saturday: Duane Toll
Michigan Tournament of Spades (Grand Rapids MI; Dec. 9-10)	Dave Aiken & John Hazlett	50 players HQ. David Aiken (45) 1. Keith Widener (105) 2. Eric Jensen (70) 3. David Aiken (42) 3. Gene Secor (42)	30 players HQ. John Borkowski (12) 1. Mark Van Dyke (40) 2. Austin Adams (24)	28-hand: Joy Shimp*	Friday: Beth Widener
Western Washington Open (Poulsbo WA; Dec. 10)	Robert Maupin	58 players HQ. Bradley Denend (45) 1. Mills Brubaker (105) 2. Jeanne Jelke (70) 3. Joyce Lamon (42) 3. George Mackie (42)	39 players HQ. Jim Hornbacher (15) 1. Michael Rowe (60) 2. Ira Deutsch (40) 3. Mike Pendas (24) 3. Michael Parlin (24)		
Portland Winter Won Day (Portland OR; Dec. 11)	Erik Locke	47 players HQ. Skip White (40) 1. Jack Moritzky (105) 2. Herschel Mack (70) 3. Skip White (42) 3. Jeanne Hofbauer (42)	17 players HQ. Paul Hirschmann (13 (15) 1. Ira Deutsch (40) 2. Paul Hatcher (24)		

\* = in a sanctioned event

## Tidbits

**Detroit Open** **Austin Adams** (Rives Junction MI) has a reserved seat in the main finals. In 2009 he took second to **Wayne Steinmetz** (Milwaukee WI), and last year **Lisa Brainard** (Rochester Hills MI) kept him from winning. But this year, Austin prevailed over a very familiar opponent—his dad, **Jerry Adams** (Rives Junction MI)—and took home the first-place hardware. All of Austin's opponents are looking forward to the next five years while he is in the U.S. Army and will be unable to attend the Detroit Open!

**Greater Orlando Open** It can happen to anyone—but this time it happened to BOD member, HOF inductee, VP-Policy, tournament head judge, and Life Master **Cathy Perkins** (Bear Creek NC). Cathy false-claimed a game on Friday night—gasp!—against **Barri Gehrand** (Marietta GA). After taking her penalty, and after Barri ended up with a tu-tu, Cathy came back to win the game on her way to a grand slam!

May, June, and July show the lowest numbers of new members. This can be attributed to over 40% of the clubs taking the summer off. But this is the best time to bring in new potential members: there is no two-week limit for guests, and new

A total of 3,985 new members joined from September 2007 to October 2011. Yet, as of November 1, 2011, the ACC membership odometer shows membership at 6,784. Why? What can we do to attract new members—and keep—them?

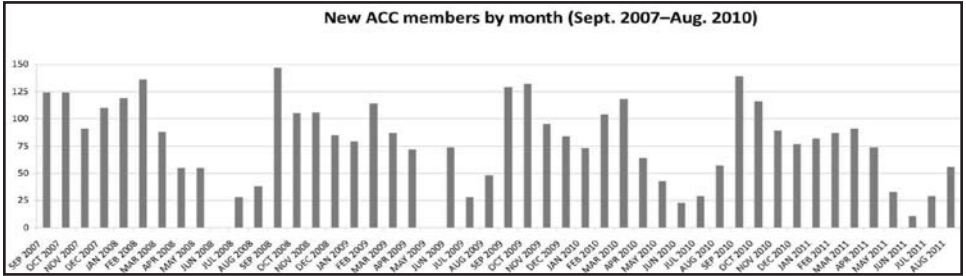


Table 1

players have up to twelve summer weeks to get up to tournament speed. If a couple of local clubs both take the summer off, they could consider combining forces over the summer in a mutual membership drive.

Attendance at ACC-sanctioned tournaments has dropped significantly over the same time period, usually blamed on the failing economy. That’s when Grass Roots cribbage makes the most sense. Grass Roots clubs are local, negating hotel and transportation costs. Where else can you get three hours of entertainment for the cost of a few gallons of gasoline?

During the 2007–8 Grass Roots season, an average of 88.0 new members joined the ACC each month. That average dropped to 85.9, 79.3, and 73.7 over the next three seasons. Another way to look at this is by the number of players who joined: 968 new member joined during the 2007–8 Grass Roots season, followed by 945 the next season (a 2.38% decrease), 951 the following season (a 0.63% increase), and only 884 new members during the 2010–11 season (a whopping 7.05% decrease).

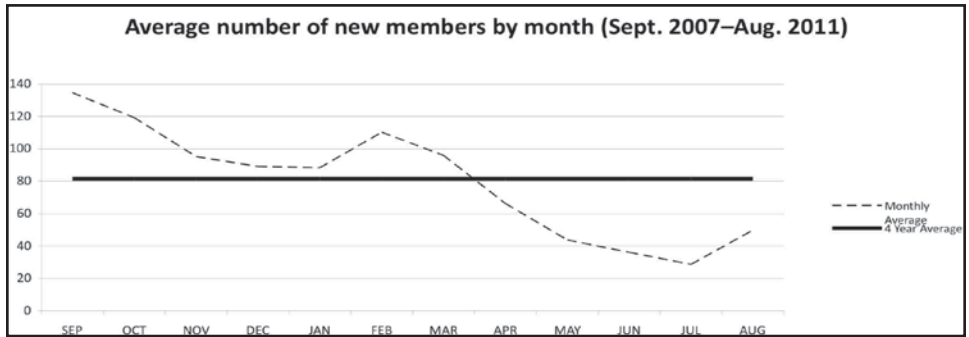
I’ve heard from a number of club directors that when guests play in their club, the guests don’t pay an entry fee, are not penalized for mistakes, and are personally welcomed by club members. I know of one club that has the current point leader wear a target during their weekly tournaments. Many clubs run optional side pots of all kinds—high hand, skunks, rare hands, largest combined hand and crib, best poker hand, and so on—to keep it fun. Don’t let your club get too serious, it’s a game, have fun with it.

The cover story of the May CW published my article about summer membership drives for Grass Roots clubs. My personal experience included a 300-word article in the local newspaper, two flea markets, and starting a beginners club on the night before our club regularly meets. The beginners club was an utter failure during June and July, but August provided enough interested players to extend the experiment to December. Within the first three months of this season, Club 43 gained seven new members. With a new



article in the local newspaper in January, I hope to repeat that success during the second half of the season.

coming back, even after earning a string of pearls. Last week I saw her smiling, talking, and having fun. This is what we are



**Table 2**

This requires a commitment of time and effort, but it's worth it. A recent new member in my club has told me how intimidated she felt at first, but she kept

here for. Not the prize money, not even the points, but the friends we make and the fun we have playing cribbage with them.

ACC membership is the responsibility of every Grass Roots member. There are currently 184 clubs in the Grass Roots program. I encourage each club to make a commitment to sign up at least one new member per month, every month. If every club meets that goal, we should start to show positive growth very soon.

The list of new members every month should extend to a second page of CW, and the ACC membership odometer should spin in only one direction—UP! But why wait for summer? By starting now, we can make an immediate change on those bottom-of-the-barrel months of May, June, and July. Don't forget that all Grass Roots fees paid during the month of May carry over to include the next season. **CW**

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*Tracy directs the Clendenning's Clan Cribbage Club 43 in Fremont CA.*



in the future. Let's take a step back and see if we can find what we are doing wrong or not doing at all!

*Dennis Misenar (Bremerton WA)*

### Cribbage in Literature

Has anyone else noticed how often cribbage comes up in literature? I read a lot and have noticed that author Stan Jones mentions characters playing cribbage in his Nathan Active detective series, set in Alaska. And the current New York Times #1 bestseller *11-22-63* by Steven King has a very important subplot where the main character is taught to play cribbage by the third-place finisher in the Androscoggin County (Maine) cribbage tournament. (Is there such a tournament?) The character goes on later to use the excuse "I was playing cribbage" to hide his true actions from his girlfriend. I'm sure others can come up with more examples.

*Ralph Burge (Auburn CA)*



**If you have seen cribbage referred to in popular culture—books, television, movies, songs—please send the reference to CW (address on page 5).**

"Mom, he's touching my cards!"

My question concerns a player reaching over the board during the pegging portion of the game and touching (pushing,

flicking, or rearranging) the other player's cards. There is no card game I know of in which one player is allowed to touch another player's cards. Al Miller (the ACC's judging examiner) pointed me to rule 7.1d, which states that "each played card shall be positioned so as to overlap that player's previously played cards while keeping the identity of all cards visible." Miller goes on to note: "If a player cannot visibly see his opponent's cards, he should request his opponent to relocate them. . . . That player should never reach over the board and never touch and/or rearrange the cards." I've shared Miller's comments with others, but this practice still occurs. I protest every time I see it, and I hear comments like, "I can do it if I want to," among other things said under one's breath. What can be done to halt this practice?

*Spike Lacombe (Pahrump NV)*

### Cribbage Etiquette

What are the rules about people standing behind a person playing cards? Sometimes I feel like getting up and handing them the cards and asking

them if they want to play for me. We play in a fairly small place, and sometimes they are talking too loud.

*(Name withheld by request)*

reer, I—and the rest of the cribbage world—would like to hear it. Drop me a line and let me know about your struggles in your early days in the ACC.

In the meantime, cherish your ACC membership card—don't leave home without it! **CW**

# Streaky Scorecards of the Month

Three players at the Detroit Open turned in scorecards with huge runs of wins (and losses). **Lyle De Moulpied** (Parma MI) won his first twelve games, then lost five in a row before qualifying #2. **Austin Adams** (Rives Junction MI) lost his first five games, then won fourteen in a row, and qualified #4. And **Wayne Steinmetz** (Milwaukee WI) was on the verge of elimination after losing eight in a row; but he then won his last twelve games to sneak into the playoffs. What made these streaks all the more exceptional is that the Detroit Open is a two-games-against-one-opponent tourney, which means that these streaks took place in an alternate-deal format. Another scorecard anomaly occurred in the two-game set between **Terry Weber** (Madison WI) and **Bill Poole** (Orchard Park NY): they skunked each other by 5!

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6	3	58			

Detroit Open						
NAME <u>LYLE DeMOULPIED</u>						
ACC # <u>418-L</u>		SEAT <u>33</u>				
Game	Game Points	Spread Plus	Spread Minus	Opponent Initials	Seat Number	
1	2	14				
2	2	27		OP	34	
3	2	18		JOK	36	
4	2	10		JOK	36	
5	2	15		OA	38	
6	3	48				
7	2	17				
8	2	04				
9	2	06		BE	42	
10	2	20				
11	2	27				
12	3	39				
13	0		29			
14	0		09			
15	0		35			
16	0		11			
17	0		15			
18	2	01				
19	2	01		OC	49	
20	0		07			
21	2	01				
22	2	18				
Game Points	34	PLUS	106			
Games Won	16	SPREAD (+/-)	+161			
SIGNATURE <u>Lyle De Moulpied</u>						

Detroit Open						
NAME <u>AUSTIN ADAMS</u>						
ACC #		SEAT <u>31</u>				
Game	Game Points	Spread Plus	Spread Minus	Opponent Initials	Seat Number	
1	0		38			
2	0		34			
3	0		12			
4	0		10			
5	0		78			
6	2	05				
7	2	21				
8	2	13				
9	2	13				
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11	3	31				
12	2	06				
13	2	21				
14	3	37				
15	3	40				
16	2	26				
17	2	26				
18	2	20				
19	2	01				
20	0		13			
21	0		26			
22	2	11				
Game Points	33	PLUS	161			
Games Won	15	SPREAD (+/-)	+139			
SIGNATURE <u>Austin Adams</u>						

Detroit Open						
NAME <u>WAYNE STEINMETZ</u>						
ACC #		SEAT <u>13</u>				
Game	Game Points	Spread Plus	Spread Minus	Opponent Initials	Seat Number	
1	2	05				
2	2	09				
3	0		25			
4	0		16			
5	0		31			
6	0		19			
7	0		29			
8	0		05			
9	0		15			
10	0		07			
11	2	01				
12	2	26				
13	2	15				
14	2	11				
15	2	16				
16	2	07				
17	2	15				
18	2	01				
19	2	26				
20	2	03				
21	2	20				
22	2	20				
Game Points	28	PLUS	147			
Games Won	14	SPREAD (+/-)	+28			
SIGNATURE <u>Wayne Steinmetz</u>						

## 2012 Batting Average Competition

The 2012 batting average contest runs until July 31, with a minimum of 150 games (the TOC counts in the total). For details, see October CW, page 9. It's not too late to sign up. Contact your regional statistician:

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# SUCCESSFUL GRASS ROOT CLUBS

It's time for the annual state-of-the-club report. The following data were compiled by **Norm Nikodym** (Ontario CA), with assistance from ACC Membership Secretary **Larry Hassett** and Grass Roots Commissioner **Joan Rein**. We hope that other Grass Roots clubs will be inspired by the phenomenal growth of the following clubs over the past three years.

<i>Biggest Clubs</i>				
club	city	membership	three-year pattern	director
#148: Sea-Tac Peggery	Federal Way WA	59	up 55%	Hal Lamon
#147: Port Charlotte	Port Charlotte FL	53	up 36%	Bea Cook
#11: Sierra Nevada	Reno NV	52	up 30%	Valerie Sumner

<i>Fastest Growing Clubs (up at least ten members and 50% in three years)</i>				
club	city	membership	three-year increase	director
#91: Grand Rapids Square Peggery	Grand Rapids MI	from 12 to 50	317%	David Aiken
#108: Sno-King Peggery	Seattle WA	from 9 to 27	200%	Patrick Ward
#272: Chesapeake Bay Area Club	Bowie MD	from 16 to 32	100%	Frank Ruff
#148: Sea-Tac Peggery	Federal Way WA	from 38 to 59	55%	Hal Lamon

<i>Clubs Growing from Zero to 20+ Members in One Year</i>				
club	city	membership	director	
#375: Casco Bay Club	Portland ME	35	Lance Brown	
#368: Hematite	Ishpeming MI	32	Patrick Healey	
#370: Omro Club	Omro WI	28	Bob Kiley	
#360: Pahrump Peggery	Pahrump NV	25	Denise Fortin	
#371: Box Car Peggery	Roseville CA	24	Gordon Brown	
#379: Apple Capital Peggery	Wenatchee WA	23	Rich Westerman	
#224: Two Rivers	Grand Junction CO	20	Dan Vogel	

On October 30—at the tender age of 90 years, 5 months, and 9 days—**John Kolby** (McHenry IL) earned his Master Award at the North Pole Open (Marinette WI). John is the third nonagenarian to earn Master in recent months



(see the October 2010 *Cribbage World*, page 4). John is also the record-holder for most 28-hands in one ACC-sanctioned tournament. On February 17, 2001, he scored two 28-hands at the St. Croix Classic in Turtle Lake WI!

### *New Cribbage Grand Master*

313. Rick Bryant (Jarrettsville MD)

### *New Cribbage Masters*

807. David Fournier (Casselberry FL)

808. Rich Ekman (Dutch Flat CA)

809. John Kolby (Mchenry IL)

810. Jim Waldvogel (Crescent City CA)

### **Better Than Joe!**

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

1729 Ronald D. Gustafson (WA)

<http://www.google.com>

## COOL STUFF WE FOUND ON THE WEB

[keizertimes.com](http://keizertimes.com) An absolutely fantastic story about recent HOF inductee Life Master (★) **Rollie Heath** (Keizer OR) appeared in the *Keizer Times* on January 17, written by Eric Howald. In it you'll read about Rollie's cribbage exploits, but far more important is his life story—his baseball noncareer, his teaching and coaching, his alcoholism, and his successful recovery from this destructive addiction with the help of cribbage. CW encourages every ACC member to read this story to see what a great person Rollie is and how cribbage changed his life. If you don't have access to the internet, CW will be happy to send a printed copy to anyone who asks.

[seattletimes.nwsourc.com](http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com) This is worth quoting in full: "Two women in the Aberdeen [WA] Jail tried to con their jailers into a trip to the hospital, when one inmate asked the other to hit her with a cribbage board. Police Capt. John Green told KBKW surveillance video revealed that when that didn't work Wednesday evening one inmate hit herself with the cribbage board and pretended to have convulsions in the shower. The other inmate told guards she had fallen. When responders found no real injuries, corrections officers went to video and discovered the scheme. The two cribbage players now face false-reporting charges."

# In Memoriam

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## **Gordon Brown**

Gordie Brown (Roseville CA) died of a heart attack on December 19. Following the death of his wife, Marilyn, five years ago, Gordie's activities centered around cribbage, bowling, and part-time work. The prominent figure in establishing Box Car Peggys Club 371, Gordie actively worked to improve membership by sitting for hours in front of Roseville stores playing cribbage with anyone willing to sit down and pass some time with him. He was always open to teaching the game to anyone who showed interest. His pleasant manner and affable personality attracted many members to club. A special cribbage trophy that Gordie won at Lake Tahoe in 1999 will be turned into the Gordie Brown Perpetual Trophy, to be given annually to the Box Car Peggys club champion. Gordie always dressed in a sleeveless t-shirt, shorts, sandals with socks, and straw hat—no matter the weather. Anyone who had the pleasure of knowing him will miss his wry sense of humor. The ACC has lost one of its great old-time members.

## **Robert L. Cook**

Bob Cook (Battle Creek MI), a charter member of the Cereal City Cribbage Club, passed away on Christmas Eve. On the Thursday before this, he had just found out from the doctor that he needed a heart valve replacement. When someone asked why he came to club that night, he said, "This is where I want to be!" As an engineer, he loved puzzles and treated cribbage as a puzzle with an opponent. In many nonsanctioned events, he brought out the "cube" to spice up the value of the games. A very skilled and analytical player (he had earned his Bronze Award) as well as a good friend to many in our club, he

will be missed by all. He also enjoyed his hobby of making stained glass.

## **Jeannine Dubois**

Jeannine Dubois (Norton MA) passed away on December 22 after a prolonged illness. She was a popular and consummate ACC player. She earned her Master and Bronze Awards, was PT 109 club champion in 2008, directed ACC tournaments, and was a certified ACC judge. Aside from those accolades, her biggest contribution to the ACC was being a tireless worker and contributor. Whenever volunteers were needed, the line always formed behind Jeannine. A huge void has been left with her passing, and she will be missed and remembered by all of us who knew her.

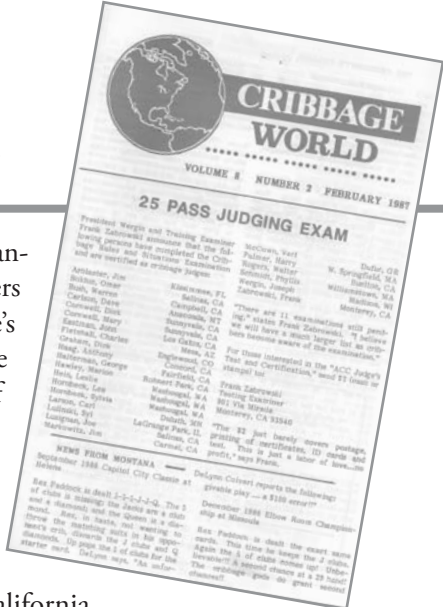
## **Jim Duresky (Richmond VA)**

Jim Duresky (Richmond VA) succumbed to a yearlong battle with cancer in October 2011. A native of Wisconsin, Jim was instrumental in founding the Richmond Cribbage Club and was a multiple Grass Roots club champion as well as winner of several tournaments. Well known throughout the ACC, Jim often played tournaments in the Central and Eastern Regions and was one of the first Grand Masters in Virginia. Jim's ready smile and his eagerness to pass along his cribbage knowledge to new players will be sincerely missed by his friends in Club 124.

## **Wilma Mary Lucille Janssen**

Billie Janssen (Eureka CA) passed away on November 26 at age 86. A lifelong resident of Humboldt County, she worked as secretary for the *Humboldt County Public Guardian* for over fifteen years. Billie enjoyed playing cribbage in the Humboldt Cribbage Club and meeting with old

# 25 Years Ago in the ACC



The cover of the February 1987 *Cribbage World* announced the names of twenty-five ACC members who had passed the judge's exam. Rulings by one's peers is still very much a part of the ACC, and the names of new judges are announced on page 3 of every *Cribbage World*.

Elsewhere in this issue we read that **DeLynn Colvert** (Missoula MT) won the Elbow Room Tournament in Missoula MT. Page 7 listed state membership numbers: Oregon had the largest membership with 507, followed by California (500), Wisconsin (408), Minnesota (236), and Rhode Island (228). Total membership was 3,809, with only four Canadian members. Today, California leads the pack with 1,168 members, followed by Washington (627), Oregon (525), Wisconsin (445), and Michigan (429). Rhode Island has shrunk to only 72 members, while Michigan grew from 77 in 1987 and Canada now stands at 185 members.

## Hard Copy

If you don't want a hard copy of *Cribbage World* mailed to you and would rather read it only online, let Larry Hassett know at [acc@cmspan.net](mailto:acc@cmspan.net). He'll remove you from the monthly mailing list to help save the ACC money and to save a tree or two. Don't worry—you'll still get the ballot issue in the spring of odd-numbered years.

classmates. Billie will be missed by her cribbage family and friends.

### Paul Kolesar

Paul Kolesar (Daytona Beach FL) passed away on January 4. Paul was a smiling, friendly face in Club 230. A great peger, usually near the top of the club (he had earned his Bronze Award), he was always friendly. He was host for the club for a long time and very appreciated and missed.

### Leon Korba

Leon Korba (Atascadero CA), a member of Club 27 in Santa Margarita CA, passed away peacefully on December 19 at age

88. Leon was always a good sport and known for his wit and humor. He will be missed by his many cribbage friends. A veteran of World War 2, Leon retired from the U.S. Air Force as a major.

### Vern Mierkey

Vern Mierkey (Auburn CA) died of natural causes on November 28 at age 86. A member of Placer Peggers Club 190, Vern was club champion in 2008 and received his Bronze Award in 2010. He enjoyed traveling to tournaments and playing at club on Tuesday nights. The Placer Peggers send heartfelt condolences to his wife, Lillian, and their children. Vern will be remembered and truly missed.

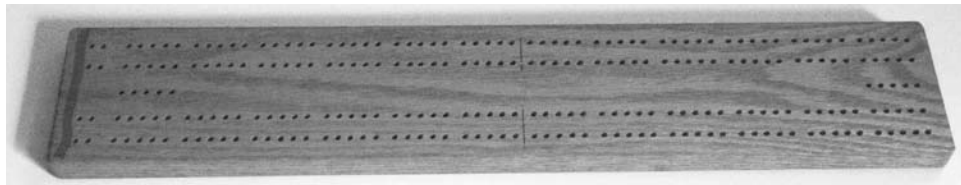
# Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

The cribbage board this month looks like a rather plain long board. However, it is far more special than it appears.

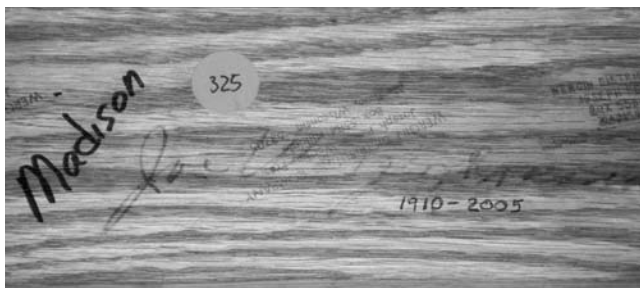
founded by Joe.

ACC member **Mike Blackburn** (Cambridge WI) emailed me about this board a few years ago. He was



This board was made by **Joseph Petrus Wergin** (1910–2005), the founder and first president of the American Cribbage Congress, and sold by the Wergin Distributing Company (Madison WI). The company address is stamped on the back three times. It is also signed by Joe. This board was used in the Madison Grass Roots Club—the first Grass Roots Club in the country—and also

looking for someone who would understand and honor the history of such a special board. I was able to



convince Mike that I would do that. This article is part of keeping that promise.

The JPW/ACC Open is held in Reno each February in honor of Joe. I hope to see many of you there.



**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.



# GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



## Youth Teaching Tip

It is important to keep student interest high in cribbage class. Doing the same routine each time you meet will get old very fast for many young players. Make it a habit to start each lesson by always teaching them something new about cribbage. It may be a brief history lesson about **Sir John Suckling** (the inventor of cribbage), or having the kids role-play good sportsmanship as a winner and loser after a game of cards. Another idea is—after your students have become proficient players—to start class with a pop quiz. You can find two readymade tests in my teacher's manual. If you don't have one yet, they are available upon request by emailing me at the address below.

## Youth News

Some great things are taking place in Saint Cloud MN in regard to youth cribbage. Not only is this home of the annual Granite City Junior Classic, directed by **Mike Burns**, but ACC member **Jerry Jansky** has put together a team of nine volunteers to teach 120 fourth- and fifth-graders in area schools. He's made arrangements to go in and teach during math periods. Look for the number of players at next year's Granite City Junior Classic to grow significantly.

A huge thank you to the members of Grass Roots Club 24 in Tempe AZ for donating eleven cribbage boards in memory of **Jerry Mittel**. All boards have since been put in the hands of youth players.

There's still time to sign up your youngster for the 19th annual Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament (Grass Valley CA) on February 25. Contact me at the address below for a flyer.

## Teaching Manuals

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

- **Andrew Wright** (International Falls MN)
- **Rebecca Thieme-Baeseman** (Green Bay WI)
- **Peter Gurney** (Greenville ME)

**Dan Zeisler** is founder of the Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament. Send info about youth cribbage to Dan at 530.274.3124; danthefan@yahoo.com; or 10300 Dawkins Ln, Grass Valley CA 95949-9601.

# The President's Column

by Jeanne Hofbauer



After hearing and reading stories about members enduring weather-related hardships in order to attend tournaments, I thought you might like to hear ours.

One of our favorite tournaments in the 1990s was the Kah-Nee-Ta tournament. We were good friends with the tournament directors, **Jim and Darla Waldorf**, and enjoyed their hospitality many times during tournaments in their area.

The tournament was held in a beautiful, remotely located resort at the end of a gravel road on the Warm Springs Reservation in central Oregon. It was held in winter, usually in December. The lodge itself was truly magnificent; it's décor included huge timbered ceilings, a giant central rock fireplace open on four sides, and a lot of Native American-themed art. Also, as befitting the season, huge red poinsettias were always displayed abundantly. The guestrooms were great, all having beautiful views of the high desert and surrounding a centrally located huge outdoor pool that held naturally warmed water from the hot springs, but only the bravest made the trek out to the pool in December!

Once you were there, you were pretty committed to staying there, as civilization was several miles of twisted gravel roads away. This was actually part of the beauty of the tournament—being “cocooned” in a beautiful place with the great fellowship of cribbage friends. We had some great times there, including one memorable evening in the bar when all the cribbage

players were dancing to a live band. (But that's another story!)

Roy often had to “get creative” to get the weekend off from work in order to attend this tournament, so we were not about to stay home just because of a bad weather report or because we had to travel a road that goes around Mount Hood at about the 4,000-foot level.

The night before leaving, Roy diligently checked to make sure he had a set of chains that fit our car. The next day we headed out, and as we approached 2,000 feet in elevation, the snow was flying and accumulating on the roads. Pretty soon, we saw the electronic sign requiring that vehicles be chained, so we pulled into the nearby chain-up area.

The snow there was pretty slushy because the chained tires of cars had churned it up, so Roy got out in this sea of mini-icebergs to chain-up the car. The rear tire on the passenger side was quickly dispatched, and he crossed around to the driver's side rear tire. Thinking that this was going to be a very quick stop, our son, Jason, and I were warmly ensconced in the car, enjoying watching the winter wonderland develop. The first hint of a problem came when we could hear Roy issuing an occasional expletive. In the meantime, as other drivers left the area, their chained tires threw up slush in a fanning arc that anointed Roy with a cold, wet mush. For some diabolic reason, Jason and I found this immensely funny, barely managing to

stifle our giggling when Roy stood up and could see us. Eventually he surrendered to the idea that the chain was not the correct size and gave up.

I had asked him the night before if he had a matched set of chains, which he assured me he had, and that he had even tried them on. But I didn't think this was the time to bring up *that* conversation. So we turned around and headed down the mountain, with Roy driving (and wet). Thinking that we were abandoning our trip to the tournament saddened me, but I had to think that our safety was certainly more important. After about twenty miles we reached the first town of any size when—to my surprise—Roy pulled into a tire store, bought a new set of chains, had them installed, and went to change into dry clothes. In a few minutes we were up and away to the tournament.

Of course, we were not the only ones with travel problems that weekend. **Jones Hom** (Fairfield CA) was hot on the MRP trail that year and had left home at eight o'clock Friday morning from the Bay Area in California for the nine-hour drive to Kah-Nee-Ta. His tale involves his car engine overheating, spin-outs on ice, going three hours in the wrong direction because it was snowing so hard he could not read the signs, and having to wait several hours because of an overturned semi. Thankfully, he arrived safely at the tournament at 3:15 on Saturday morning! Tired and hungry, but nothing being open where he could

## 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.

Roy Stoller (CO) turned 90 on December 24

Vonita Gill (WA) turned 80 on January 12

Lila Stoller (CO) turned 80 on January 19

Lavonne Cookman (CA) turned 50 on January 21

Marvin Bachman (OR) turned 90 on January 26

Julia Banister (MI) turned 90 on January 27

Dorene Carloni (FL) turned 90 on January 29

Richard Wardenburg (CA) turns 80 on February 1

Keith Sperry (CA) turns 70 on February 12

Debbie Dwelle (NV) turns 60 on February 12

James Stratton (MI) turns 80 on February 16

Wilbur Paul (NC) turns 70 on February 21

Robert Woller (WI) turns 80 (20?) on February 29

eat, he gratefully hit the bed. His trip took over nineteen hours. But he picked up some MRPs and finished #6 in the country that year!



## Suggestions for Old CWs

When you're done reading *Cribbage World*, instead of tossing it in the recycle bin, how about passing it on to a potential member? Leave back issues of *Cribbage World* at the doctor office, laundromat, RV park, senior center, service club, library, barbershop—anywhere that people have time to kill. Get creative and see what happens! Extra copies of *Cribbage World* are available free of charge. Contact CW (address on page 3) for more info.



# INTERNET Cribbage IRPs

BY ROBERT MILK

internet director // robert\_milk@alum.wpi.edu

## December Wrap-Up

Mike Fetchel (*mfetchCT425*) used three wins in December to leap into first place and knock Sam Sinram (*IA503*) into second place. On the basis of these three wins and reaching Life eMaster, Mike Fetchel is the December player of the month.

## New Life eMaster (6,000 IRPs)

Mike Fetchel (*mfetchCT425*)

### internet.tourney.schedule

day	time	format	URL
Sunday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	gamecolony.com/acc
Monday	7:30p	best 2 of 3	gamecolony.com/acc
Wednesday	8p or 11p	round robin	ecribbage.com
Thursday	10:30p	best 2 of 3	gamecolony.com/acc
Saturday	5:30p	best 2 of 3	gamecolony.com/acc

Anyone can play in ACC internet tournaments, but to earn IRPs you must be an ACC member with a screen name certified for internet tournaments by registering your ACC number and name at [cribbage.org/internet/reg.asp](http://cribbage.org/internet/reg.asp). Detailed information is available at [ecribbage.com/acc\\_9\\_game.php](http://ecribbage.com/acc_9_game.php). Sign in at least ten minutes before start time. All times Eastern.

Exceptions for February: none

### internet.tourney.winners

- 12/1 William MacMillan (WY00191L)
- 12/3 David Draper (drapes54)
- 12/4 Frank L. Parsons (hccbbfan1)
- 12/5 Robert Milk (RobertMilk)
- 12/7 Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
- 12/8 Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
- 12/10 Monica Newton (oreo2757)
- 12/11 Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
- 12/12 Elizabeth Miller (weezieboop)
- 12/14 Carl McCullum (absent)
- 12/15 Nancy Hawkins (ACC\_WA01194)
- 12/17 Peter Legendre (legend397)
- 12/18 Doug Whitlock (ddbub599)
- 12/19 Gary Overstreet (SAC\_CA\_1)
- 12/21 Mark Lee Jarvie (thepilgrim)
- 12/22 David D. Braach (papa349)
- 12/26 Nancy R. Roncetti (nunzia)
- 12/28 John Dellarsina (CA2281)
- 12/29 Tom Langford (yanknshank29)

### internet standings

IRPs	name (tournaments played)
1	525 Mike Fetchel (63)
2	510 Sam Sinram (74)
3	471 Mark Van Dyke (74)
4	453 Michael T. Burgess (61)
5	399 David Landreth (52)
6	387 William MacMillan (61)
7	363 Kevin Nolan (63)
8	354 Richard May (57)
9	348 Ronald E. Boulé (59)
10	321 John Dellarsina (73)

# Welcome to New Members

The ACC welcomed 64 new members during December. 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**

Kevin Bradley (Anchorage)  
DeeDee Dalen (Fairbanks)  
John Erickson (Fairbanks)  
John Moneymaker (Fairbanks)

## **Alberta**

Nina Lucki (Edmonton)  
Frank Matichuk (Edmonton)

## **Arizona**

Harriet Gardner (Yuma)  
Buzzy Peterson (Yuma)

## **Arkansas**

Tom Lawrenz (Hot Springs Village)

## **British Columbia**

Shirley Cox (Penticton)

## **California**

Allison Alsbury (Redding)  
Waylon Alsbury (Redding)  
Harry R. Cassayre (Napa)  
Matt Guyot (Napa)  
Ned Harris (Sunnyvale)  
Robert J. Luster (San Diego)  
Roy McGillivray (Chico)  
Bill Prather (Hercules)  
Shirley Pruyn (Napa)  
Ron Wilhite (Copperopolis)

## **Colorado**

Susan Hayward (Colorado Springs)  
Mark E. Namm (Aurora)  
Loren Rehder (Colorado

Springs)  
Caryl Weber (Denver)

## **Connecticut**

Keith Bartholomew (Stafford Springs)

## **Florida**

Art Irons (Rotonda West)

## **Idaho**

Jonnie M. Teal (Post Falls)  
Cindy Thiel (Nampa)

## **Iowa**

Matthew Cody (Decorah)  
John Shoemaker (West Des Moines)

## **Maine**

Dick Dauphinais (Kittery Point)  
Jeff Dauphinais (Kittery Point)

## **Massachusetts**

Joel Michan (Kingston)

## **Michigan**

Bob Bourdeau (Escanaba)  
Arthur S. Oikarinen (Lake Linden)  
Doug Reaume (Troy)

## **Minnesota**

Sheri Israel (Northfield)  
Butch Sufka (Saint Cloud)

## **New Jersey**

Wayne Leblond (Mendham)

## **New York**

Lynnette J. Bentley (Lyndonville)  
Christofer MacDonald (Buffalo)

## **Ohio**

William D. Stroup (Delaware)

## **Oregon**

Jerry B. Caldwell (Mapleton)  
Paul Fatooh (Portland)  
Dan Fischer (Dexter)  
Dave Hunsaker (Baker City)  
Scott Mason (Corvallis)

## **Texas**

Kurt Hanson (Little Elm)  
Heather Miller (Irving)  
James Shaker (Irving)

## **Washington**

Chris Creek (Wenatchee)  
Stacy Creek (Wenatchee)  
Brian Foster (Spokane)  
Amanda McBurney (Spokane)  
Larry Rumlley (Kennewick)  
Megan VandeWall (Spokane)

## **Wisconsin**

Carl Duesterhoeft (Larsen)  
Mike Fish (Kronenwetter)  
Joe Gibson (Verona)  
Karla Marvin (Kronenwetter)  
Duane Nelles (Wisconsin Rapids)  
Katherine Schmidt (Green Bay)  
Emily Wrase (Larsen)

## **Wyoming**

Jesse Henderson (Casper)

## **Junior Program Donations**—Thanks to the following members, who made recent donations to the Junior Program.

Fred Baker (Williamston MI)  
Edwin Bibby (Liverpool UK)  
Alaric Bingham (Sacramento CA)  
Carol L. Crowell (Salinas CA)  
Bruce D. DeSchepper (Sioux Falls SD)  
John Fiengo (Tampa FL)  
S. Hollis Fleischer (Ventnor City NJ)  
Jeff Gonzales (Dallas TX)  
Milana Isaacson (Pikesville MD)  
Harold S. Johnson (Coconut Creek FL)  
Guy M. Jordan (Niceville FL)  
Adrian Levy (Lafayette CA)

Joe Lillibridge (Clovis CA)  
Donald M. McCloskey (Zion IL)  
Tom Miller (Leominster MA)  
Richard Orff (Hopedale MA)  
Carl W. Rennell Jr. (Jackson MI)  
Clara Fraser San Soucie (Richmond VA)  
Cathy Segall (Waukesha WI)  
Ken Slack (Southern Pines NC)  
Willie Thull (Eltopia WA)  
Myron R. Wait (Dodge Center MN)  
Rick Westerman (Wenatchee WA)  
Keith Grant Wilson (Liscomb NS)

# GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

as of January 1

## Division 1

### Points ♦ Name (Club)

216 Joseph Cornelissen (147)  
163 James Flaherty Sr. (308)  
160 Dennis Ulberg (284)  
156 Dennis Misenar (600)  
154 Larry Phifer (58)  
154 Michael Rowe (600)  
150 Tony Pacheco (109)  
150 Ed Tasca (89)  
149 Scott Buhrow (106)  
147 Jerry Hardy (375)  
146 Carolyn Maston (600)  
144 Rex Paddock (347)  
143 Ray Kranz (271)  
142 Spike LaComb (360)  
139 Paul Hirschmann (285)  
138 Richard Jaspers (379)  
138 David Sniegowski (117)  
137 Tony Danihel (6)  
137 Donald Hannula (333)  
135 Ronald Gustafson (357)  
135 Al Oines (347)  
134 Dianne Gurney (199)  
134 Elmer Rasmussen (232)  
134 Ian Wilson (205)  
133 Ed Ciccone (109)  
133 Harold Sontag (162)  
132 Richard Harris (108)  
132 Donald Urban (213)  
131 Craig Jensen (46)  
131 Lee Norris (168)  
130 Stephen Fitchett (318)  
130 Joseph Wyllie (168)  
129 Paul Finazzo (600)  
129 Karyn Fischer (168)  
129 Dennis Gage (100)  
129 Mark Hauser (295)  
129 Mike Sudduth (339)  
128 David Gilkeson (62)  
127 Ed Bloom (48)  
127 Michelle Quakenbush (329)  
126 Max Condiotti (271)  
126 Gary Miller (374)  
125 Gary Rasmussen (232)  
124 Ike Burford (321)  
124 Al Doucet (288)  
124 Nick Kenny (108)  
124 Richard Turk (162)  
123 Roz Berman (79)  
123 Dave Carey (213)

123 Duane Sink (107)  
122 Thomas Derr (221)  
122 Don Kreutzer (120)  
122 Frank Ornie (62)  
122 Thomas Schroeder (357)  
122 Lee Tesch (61)  
121 David Gerke (300)  
121 Tad Pilecki (54)  
120 Mike Kashuba (62)  
120 William MacMillan (211)  
120 Joe Meske (295)  
119 Brad Collyer (156)  
119 Paul Hatcher (46)  
119 William O'Malley (46)  
119 John Syftestad (1)  
119 Bruce Webb (190)  
118 Robert Labossiere (147)  
117 Wilbur Paul (346)  
117 Jim Tanner (124)  
117 Rick Velasco (142)  
117 Donald Wanta (232)  
116 Brett Blanks (272)  
116 Edgar Blubaum (34)  
116 Jerry Gooden (58)  
116 Channing Holmes (379)  
116 Bob Somers (140)  
115 Paul Downing (232)  
115 Richard Flatto (55)  
115 Maurice Laplante (309)  
114 Dale Carey (62)  
114 Bob Chambers (229)  
114 Charles Dunn (43)  
114 Boyd Lundquist (388)  
114 Rick Nelson (284)

## Division 2

92 Russell Rice (97)  
91 Merry Coburn (5)  
87 T. L. Gandy Sr. (356)  
84 Patricia Davidsen (289)  
84 Herb Petty (38)  
82 Ron Glover (96)  
82 Dennis Jacobs (249)

## Division 3

51 Tony Santoro (102)  
50 Clark Faint (102)  
50 Chris Trent (102)  
36 John Wallen (24)

## Travelers

185 Dennis Misenar (600)  
167 Michael Rowe (600)



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

**Harold “Cookie” Cook** (Wareham MA) earned his Bronze award at the end of the 2009–10 Grass Roots season but he was overlooked during the rush to finalize the stats that year and his name was never sent to *Cribbage World*. *submitted by Joan Rein, Grass Roots Commissioner*

**GRNT and GRRT entry fees**—starting with the 2012 GRNT, the entry fee for all GRRTs and GRNTs will be \$15. This decision was made by the Grass Roots Board of Volunteers. This increase will help cover the cost of awards, which have continued to climb. We used to give out only Bronze Awards, but more members are reaching Silver and Gold, and we have added two more levels past these. The next GR BOV meeting will take place in Reno on Friday, February 10, at 8p (tentatively in Room 1676). All Grass Roots members are welcome to attend and help us make decisions regarding the Grass Roots program. *submitted by Joan Rein, Grass Roots Commissioner*

**Lincoln Club 127** (Newport OR) would like to welcome **Helen Morford** back to Grass Roots play after several years. *submitted by Monica Newton*

**Orange County Club 227** (Laguna Woods CA)—on a strange tourney night, eight players had 10+ points, and all the rest of

the players—eleven of them—had 8-point cards! This set a club record, with these eleven players vying for the last-place prize of five bucks! **Barry Mednick** started hot by winning three of four games with two skunks, but he lost all the rest and managed to win the booby prize! *submitted by Paul Yellon*

**Colebrook Cohorts Club 219** (Colebrook NH)—during our November 17 tourney, two set of opponents got 24-hands in the same game: **Stanley Mullins** playing **Betty Reno**, and **Nathan Donnell** playing **Mary Haynes**. *submitted by Annie Laughton*

**Oregon’s First Club 2** (Hermiston OR)—the tournament on December 14 started with great anticipation, even though it was cold and dreary outdoors. There were nine players, and at evening’s end, the standings looked like this:

11/5 +43	William Jones
11/5 -16	James Seufert
10/5 +63	Denny Edwards
10/5 +25	Ray Anderson
10/5 -11	JoAn Hill
10/5 -12	Iris Brood
9/4 -12	Thomas Wilson
8/4 0	Bill Hill
6/3 -48	Arlene Dixon

No one earned 12 points, no one could brag, and everyone left feeling like a loser. Could it have been the weather or the play-

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Lee's Aunt Pearl taught him to play cribbage when he was a five-year-old growing up in the tiny logging community of Allegany OR. He joined the ACC in 1985 and credits **Ford Jewer**, **George Edge**, and **Al Dinwoodie** for providing the level of competition that improved his game. Lee attends Grass Roots Club 168—the Pegging Polecats in West Warwick RI—and has been club champion several times. Lee says he hasn't beaten **Bill Shoemaker**, **J. J. Rooney**, and **Zeke Veradt** very often and that **Harry Gelson** is his biggest nemesis. Lee has earned his Life Master award in tournament play. Now retired after a twenty-two-year career in the U.S. Navy, Lee spends his time traveling, playing racquet sports and chess, and hacking away on the golf course with George.

**Lee Norris**  
(North Kingstown RI)  
Gold #15



Phillip learned the basics of cribbage from his brother-in-law in the late 1970s. He played the Portsmouth Open about ten years later, but did not know what muggins was and had trouble with the rules and large hands. He remembers complaining bitterly to **Stan Daniels** about how this intimidates new players, and Stan simply put his hand on Phillip's shoulder and said, "Son, keep playing muggins and it will make you a better player." "He was right," Phillip writes, "and years later I told him I appreciated his advice." Phillip has directed Club 89 (Cribbage Critters) since 1989, served on the BOD for five years in the early 1990s, and was the top player in Division 1 in 1989—but has never had a 29-hand. Phillip says, "I have met some wonderful people and have enjoyed this humbling game. Although I have honed my playing, I am still in the category of 'learner.'"

**Phillip Babcock**  
(Alexandria VA)  
Gold #16

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ers? Has any other club had such a terrible night of play? *submitted by JoAn Hill*

**Polish Open Club 90 (Menasha WI)**—while playing **Jerry Winters** on our usual Tuesday night fights, I was in the muck hole, with Jerry dealing from 18 holes away. Simple, right? Jerry dealt me A-3-7-9-J-K. I discarded 9-K and a King is cut. Jerry pairs my first card and ends up pegging 9, has 6 in his hand, 6 in his crib—and I, of course, am still in hole 120! *submitted by Paul Mauel*

**Kelowna Cribbage Club 309 (Kelowna BC)**—on December 14 **Maurice LaPlante** had a grand slam, and **Barb Charman** missed her grand slam by 2 points! What

made this tourney even more interesting was that one member asked if she could bring her twelve-year-old grandson, **Dillon**, to club. Since it is important to encourage young kids to play cribbage, we agreed. Dillon played all nine games, but the scores did not count for his opponent. These were considered practice games (that is, no one got or lost points when they played Dillon, and he received no GRPs and paid no entry fee). And it provided great experience for Dillon to play cribbage and learn about Grass Roots clubs. When Dillon played Maurice in game seven, Dillon won. But because this was an exhibition game, Maurice wasn't required to record the loss and



went onto win the rest of his games for a grand slam! *submitted by Wayne Goreski*

**Monterey Marauders Club 92 (Seaside CA)**—the new season started with a bang! The first two weeks saw two players with eight wins. **Mike Frantz (20/8)** and **Harvie Twisselman (16/8)** dominated in week 1. In week 2, **Jim Hartwell (17/8)** beat **Mel Ashley (16/8)** in game nine to capture first place. Harvie is leading the pack with a sparkling .663 winning percentage. The highlight of the season so far was **Del Meyer** hitting a 29-hand (and the club bonus of \$100!) on October 19! This is only the fifth 29-hand in Club 92's 25-year history. *submitted by Mel Ashley*

## TOC

The TOC counts in the batting average contest. Be sure to report your score to the regional statistician.

## GrassRoots Awards

### Silver Award

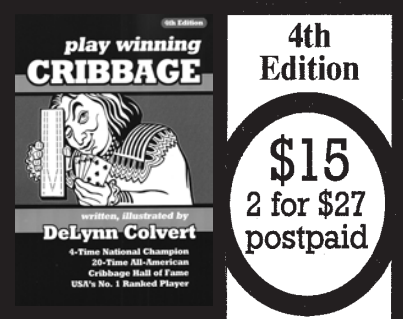
**Julie Hardardt (359), AR**  
**Richard C. Wardenburg (190), CA**  
**Gerald Hahn Jr. (62), OR**

### Bronze Award

**Albert A. Fizer (269), CA**  
**Donald A. Janelle (26), CT**  
**Roger Shalhoub (308), MA**  
**Richard J. Andrew (220), NH**  
**Kathleen Hahn (62), OR**  
**Stephen Fitchett (318), PA**  
**Janet Bremmer (120), WI**

### 29-Hands

**Darlene Althaus (10/12/11)**  
**Frank Corrado (11/21/11)**  
**Jerri Halicki (10/11/11)**  
**Eunice Kendal (11/7/11)**  
**Roy McKenzie Sr. (11/11/11)**  
**Del Meyer (10/19/11)**  
**Gerald Mohr (12/1/11)**  
**Dave Petras (11/16/11)**  
**Lynn Raymond (10/3/11)**  
**Elizabeth Streeter (12/15/11)**  
**Roger Wauters (9/21/11)**  
**Hazel Weichseldorfer (10/25/11)**  
**Joe Zimmitti (1/7/12)**

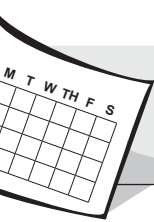


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# SANCTIONED Tournaments

MRPs

as of January 8

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MRPs	Name		MRPs	Name		MRPs	Name	
1	1196	Duane Toll, OR	1	643	Donald Flesch, WI	1	624	Charlie Finley, CT
2	890	Roland Hall, CA	2	525	Richard Frost, WI	2	535	Robert Medeiros, MA
3	800	DeLynn Colvert, MT	3	518	Beth Widener, WI	3	472	Donna LaFleur, CT
4	679	Jim Crawford, CA	4	501	Haley Hintze, IL	4	441	Howard Terry, FL
5	626	Todd Malmgren, OR	5	368	Doug Page, WI	5	380	Keith Miller, NC
6	586	Mel Ashley, CA	6	325	Roger Grandgeorge, IA	5	380	Phyllis Schmidt, MA
7	569	Mills Brubaker, WA	7	322	Bob Joslin, MN	7	373	Keith Widener, NC
8	565	Erik Royland Locke, OR	8	317	Jeff Shimp, MI	8	323	Chuck Yeomans, VA
9	482	Paul Hatcher, OR	9	301	Donald Patrin, MN	9	295	Lee Dillon, MA
10	479	Jack Moritzky, WA	10	278	Wayne Steinmetz, WI	10	291	Peter Legendre, ME
11	477	Ira Deutsch, OR	11	276	Marvin Lang, IL	11	290	Paul Batterson, CT
12	467	Frank Ornie, OR	12	262	David Aiken, MI	12	283	Janet Viands, VA
13	464	Leslie Sumner, NV	13	255	Austin Adams, MI	13	262	Robert Wahlgren, MA
14	451	Bruce Goff, WA	14	254	Lyle Lund, MN	14	238	Philip Beauregard, MA
15	427	James Langley, CA	15	252	Jerome Tork, WI	14	238	Dennis Caprigno, MA
16	411	Herschel Mack, OR	16	239	Tom Edwards, IL	14	238	John Rooney Sr., MA
17	407	Beth Fleischer, CA	17	233	Scott Hudson, IL	17	234	Holli Remington, MA
18	363	Cres Fernandez, CA	18	231	Ginny Danielski, WI	18	215	David Statz, MA
19	361	Fred White, HI	19	225	Emilio Perez, IL	18	215	Lee Norris, RI
20	352	Rich Ekman, CA	20	216	Tony Danihel, WI	20	214	Hal Mueller, ON
21	347	Peter Stemler, NV	21	204	Donald Urban, IL	21	209	Jack Howsare, VA
22	340	Michael Rowe, AK	22	202	Richard Horvath, WI	21	209	Roger Bouchard, CT
23	327	Jeanne Jelke, WA	23	197	Bart Jaeger, NE	23	200	David O'Neil, GA
24	321	Winona McDaniel, OR	23	197	Brett Brunner, MN	24	197	Carl Deyette, CT
25	308	Cy Madrone, CA	25	195	Jerald Adams, MI	25	193	Bill Medeiros, NC
26	307	Artland Kaai, CA	25	195	Gary Haelfrisch, WI	26	179	Mark Mano, FL
27	292	Tom Langford, CA	27	193	Sue Schenk, MI	27	177	Clyde Royce, VA
28	287	Raymond Gonzales, NV	28	192	Douglas Henderson, WI	28	176	Bruce Sattler, MD
29	285	Mike McDaniel, OR	29	184	Mike Burns, MN	28	176	Albert Miller, NH
30	282	Christy Lens, CA	30	183	James Huser, WI	30	173	Jerry Hardy, ME
31	275	Kerry O'Connell, CA	31	181	Patrick Barrett, WI	31	169	Mary Burlington, MA
32	271	David Braach, MT	32	180	Terry Weber, WI	32	166	Robert Milk, VA
33	270	Ronald Logan Sr., AZ	33	179	Larry LaGassie, WI	33	155	Mary Ann Kelliher, FL
34	261	Michael Duffy, CA	34	177	Sharon Schaefer, WI	34	152	Jerry Gooden, NC
34	261	Pamela Pomeroy, CA	34	177	Edward Markielewski, WI	35	151	Phil Martin, CT
36	258	James Fanning, CA	36	174	John Schafer, MI	36	150	Paul Barnes, FL
37	255	Donald Brown, CA	36	174	Patrick Healey, MI	37	147	Daniel Moore, FL
38	252	Karen Ferraro, WA	38	163	Todd Schaefer, MN	38	146	David Campbell, ME
39	248	Annett Eiffert, CA	39	158	Marlene Lazachek, WI	39	139	Doug Kelliher, FL
40	247	Richard Wardenburg, CA	39	158	Rhynold Shave, WI	40	137	Joy Barnes, FL
41	246	Rickie Mack, OR	41	156	Edward Balcer, MN	40	137	Jeff Gardner, OH
42	243	Diana Webster, WA	42	151	Don Kreutzer, WI	42	136	Harold Cook, MA
43	236	Bob Prochnow, CA	43	147	Alan Schaefer, WI	43	134	Richard West, MA
44	233	Tom Cookman, CA	44	145	Scott Field, TX	44	133	Catherine Perkins, NC
45	232	Bryant Gilkeson, NV	45	142	Earl Fox, MN	45	125	Steve Angier, GA
46	231	Michael McCammon, NV	46	141	Gaylord Matti, WI	46	120	Lance Browne, ME
47	228	Adrian Levy, CA	47	139	John Hazlett, MI	47	117	David Fournier, FL
48	227	James Clark, CA	48	136	Lana Newhouse, WI	48	115	William Cormier, MA
49	223	Jeanne Hofbauer, WA	49	133	Jerry Jaeger, NE	49	113	Ted Lee Southland, FL
50	221	Glenn Scott, CA	50	132	Dan Selke, IL	50	111	David Clemmey, MA
50	221	Paul Gregson, CA						

# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
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#### February 4, Going in the Army

Jerry's Garage, 3930 Rives Eaton Rd, Rives Junction MI 49277. Main \$60. Contact: Jerry Adams (517.569.2424), 3930 Rives Eaton Rd, Rives Junction MI 49277 or David Aiken ([cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net) or 616.401.8311)

#### February 4, Super-Saturday One Day

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$55. Contact: James Morrow (509.837.4224), 313 N 15th St, Sunnyside WA 98944

#### February 6-8, Susanville Winter Classic

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$62. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.310.0111), PO Box 813, Herlong CA 96113 or James Fanning

#### February 11-12, JPW/ACC Open

Sands Regency (866.386.7829), 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. Main \$60. Contact: Scott Kooistra (605.661.7081) or Roy & Jeanne Hofbauer (360.835.3623) or Rick & Peggy Shea (707.444.3161). *Entry form in January CW.*

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#### February 17-18, Michigan Tour. of Hearts

Holiday Inn Express (616.940.8100), 5401 28th St Court SE, Grand Rapids MI 49546. Main \$50. Contact: John Hazlett ([jouk@aol.com](mailto:jouk@aol.com) or 616.340.7009), 112 Gold Ave NW, Grand Rapids MI 49504 or David Aiken ([cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net) or 616.401.8311)

#### February 18, Valentine's Day Special

Antioch Senior Ctr, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$60. Contact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531

#### February 18, Valentine's Day Open

Sands Hotel, 12340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB T5B 4H5. Main \$40. Contact: Audrey Hatto (780.641.5166), 3246 - 10770 Winterburn Rd, Edmonton AB T5S 2R8 or Terry Hatto

#### February 19, South Sacramento Madness

Moose Lodge, 8156 Florin Rd, Sacramento CA 95828. Main \$60. Contact: Tom Cookman (707.599.6747), 1920 Freshwater Rd, Eureka CA 95503 or Bob Bartosh

#### February 24-26, Go Green Bay

Comfort Suites (920.499.7449), 1951 Bond St, Green Bay WI 54303. Main \$65. Contact: Al Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313

#### February 24-26, Florida Open

Heritage Park Inn, 2050 E Irlo Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 32744. Main \$55. Contact: Paul & Joy Barnes (386.671.6164), 2900 N Atlantic Ave #806, Daytona Beach FL 32118

#### February 24-26, Sharlene Medeiros Memorial

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

#### February 25, California Championships

Seven Flags Mobile Park, 1400 W Watmaugh Rd, Sonoma CA. Main \$65. Contact: Avon Ray (707.546.8967), 21 Estrella Dr, Santa Rosa CA 95403 or Mike Emerson (707.539.3391)

#### February 26, Sunday in Sonoma

Seven Flags Senior Center, 300 International Blvd, Sonoma CA 95476. Main \$50. Contact: Richard &

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**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Timber Capital Cribbage Classic**  
**JC Turner Memorial – North Bend, OR**  
**March 23-25, 2012 – The Mill Casino & Hotel**

\$1,000 Added by the Mill Casino; Entry Fees - 95% cash return - Plus trophies  
Must be 21 or over!

**Schedule of Events**

**Friday – 23<sup>rd</sup>**

- 3:00 PM Early Birds (\$20 EF, 7 games - no playoffs)
- 6:30 PM High Rollers (\$50 EF, 12 games, no playoff)
- 7:00 PM Doubles (\$40/team EF, 9 games - no playoffs)

**Saturday – 24<sup>th</sup>** (Main entry fees received by 03/19/2012 for chance in early bird drawing)

- 8:00 AM Registration begins
- 9:00 AM Main (22 games/22 opponents - 25% playoff)
- 7:00 PM Saturday night special 9 games - no playoffs)

**Sunday – 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:00 AM Begin main tournament playoffs (3/5, finals 4/7)
- 9:30 AM Consolation (9 games - 25% playoff)
- 1:00 PM Begin Consolation tournament playoffs (2/3, finals 3/5) – time approximate

**Mill Casino Hotel Reservations:** Special Cribbage Rates, Millionaire Club Members qualify for special discounts (contact Millionaire's club) call 800-953-4800 or ([www.TheMillCasino.com](http://www.TheMillCasino.com)). Be sure to mention Cribbage. The RV Park spaces are limited, so call early. Other hotels: Motel 6; 800-466-8356 (email: [m61244bo@motel6.com](mailto:m61244bo@motel6.com)), senior discounts; Red Lion Inn call 800-733-5466 ([rlcb@harborside.com](mailto:rlcb@harborside.com)).

**Registration Form - Please Print**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 All Events (Friday night, Main Qualifying, and Saturday night Special)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 Early Birds
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$40 Doubles (per team) Partner's ACC#: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 High Rollers
- \_\_\_\_\_ High Rollers Optional Q-Pools: #1 - \$25 (1/6); #2 - \$25 (1/8)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$45 Main\* (if payment received by 3/19/2012) – Current ACC members
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 Main\* if received after 3/19/12 (\*includes \$2 sanctioning fee; current ACC members)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Main Q-Pool (1/6 - optional)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 Saturday Night Special
- \_\_\_\_\_ ACC membership (\$15 individual; \$18 joint) \_\_\_\_\_ New/Renewal

\_\_\_\_\_ Total remitted: Mail entries to Donna Hassett, 729 W Union St, Roseburg OR 97470.  
Make checks payable to Timber Capital Cribbage Club (TCCC).

Pivot position: \_\_\_\_\_ (**R**equired/needed, **P**referred, **N**o, or leave blank if no preference)

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For additional information contact Larry or Donna Hassett (541) 672-1474 or [ACC@cmspan.net](mailto:ACC@cmspan.net)

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**February 26, Tsarkie Special**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera

**March 2-4, Illinois Open**

D'Andrea Banquet Hall, 4419 Northwest Hwy, Crystal Lake IL 60014. Main \$60. Contact: Marvin Lang (815.338.2425), 1035 Rose Ct, Woodstock IL 60098

**March 2-4, Three Rivers Open**

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

**March 2-4, Hampton Roads Shootout**

Surfside Oceanfront, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. Main \$60. Contact: Jack Howsare (757.696.2999), 248 Palace Green Blvd, Virginia Beach VA 23452

**March 2-4, Colorado Winter Open**

Elks, 2475 W 26th Ave, Denver CO 80211. Main \$65. Contact: Roger Wilson (303.254.4670), 11386 Grove St Unit B, Westminster CO 80031 or Katey Mayo

**March 9-11, 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 9-11, Carson City Open**

Gold Dust West, 2171 U.S. 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 9-11, Northwest Open (Sissel Mem.)**

Best Western, 1 Sunridge Ln (Campbell St), Baker OR 97814. Main \$50. Contact: Rob Palmer (541.519.7910), 42250 Washington Gulch Rd, Baker City OR 97814

**March 10, 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 11, Tri-Valley Tourney**

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

**March 16-18, Bruce Forbes Memorial**

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

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

**March 16-18, Capital City Tourney**

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

**March 16-18, March Madness**

Ramada Inn, 1520 Blue Ridge Rd, Raleigh NC 27607. Main \$60. Contact: Larry Phifer (919.389.0680), 703 Benchmark Dr, Raleigh NC 27615

**March 17, St. Patrick's Day Open**

Sands Hotel, 12340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB T5B 4H5. Main \$40. Contact: Lorne Tanton (780.478.8488), 7 Steele Crescent, Edmonton AB T5A 1G4 or Eric Drazek

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**March 23-25, Roadrunner Classic**

The Meadows, 2401 W Southern Dr, Tempe AZ 85282. Main \$60. **No Saturday walk-ins.** Contact: Ron & Laurie Logan (406.241.5006), 6832 S Kings Ranch Rd #24, Gold Canyon AZ 85118

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**March 23-25, 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 25, 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 Parlment Park, North Billerica MA 01862 or Jim Hatch (603.247.0060; check\_raze@yahoo.com)

**March 25, Ed Schweitzer Memorial**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera

**March 30-April 1, Mick Michaelis Classic**

Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$65. Contact: Al Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313

**March 30-April 1, Kissimmee Open**

Heritage Park Inn, 2050 Irlow Bronson Hwy, Kissimmee FL 34744. Main \$55. Contact: Raymond & Nancy Wanke (407.433.6791), 1983 Boggy Creek Rd #A4, Kissimmee FL 34744

**March 30-April 1, Montana Open**

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

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**April 13–15, 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 Laurie Crosslin

**April 13–15, Eau Claire Fest**  
Plaza Hotel (715.834.0498), 1202 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire WI 54701. Main \$60. Contact: Dennis & Maxine Ulberg (715.695.3588), N47999 Hamlin Rd, Eleva WI 54738 or Greg Ulberg

**April 13–15, Colonial Classic**  
Days Hotel, 201 Water Country Pkwy, Williamsburg VA 23185. Main \$60. Contact: Bill Whiting (757.564.8955), 109 Barlows Run, Williamsburg VA 23188

**April 14, New England Spring Fever**  
VFV, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Contact: Holli Remington (508.528.3288), 301 Union St #203, Franklin MA 02038 or Laurie Hardy

**April 14, G&P Open**  
Frantone's, 10808 Alondra Blvd, Cerritos CA. Main \$60. Contact: Gary Sumner (714.313.8863), 3224 Yorba Linda Rd #624, Fullerton CA 92831 or Pamela Pomeroy (562.929.2901)

**April 20–22, Martha & Warren Memorial**  
Ramada (414.764.1500), 6331 S 13th St, Milwaukee WI 53221. Main \$60. Contact: Marlene Lazachek (414.427.4595), 8102 Legend Dr, Franklin WI 53132

**April 20–22, Winnemucca Spring Classic**  
Winners Casino, 185 W Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca NV 89445. Main \$65. Contact: Jerold Montgomery (530.527.6402), 139 Casa Grande Dr, Red Bluff CA 96080 or James Langley (530.527.4606)

**April 20–22, Bobby Stuart Atlanta Classic**  
LaQuinta Inn, 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 21, Daffodil Express Open**  
Eagles, 202 5th St, Puyallup WA 98371. Main \$52. Contact: Don Zeuschel (253.845.4226), 10520 123rd Street Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374 or Dick Albedyll

**April 21, Spring Open**  
Sands Hotel, 12340 Fort Rd, Edmonton AB T5B 4H5. Main \$40. Contact: Audrey Hatto (780.641.5166), 3246 - 10770 Winterburn Rd, Edmonton AB T5S 2R8 or Herb Schaar

**April 24–26, Nevada Triangle #2**  
Gold Dust West, 2171 Hwy 50, Carson City NV 89701. Main \$62. Contact: Diane Leal

(775.825.1360), 2750 Plumas St #315, Reno NV 89509 or Bryant Gilkeson

**April 27–29, Michigan Open**  
Comfort Inn (269.965.3201), 2590 Capital Ave SW, Battle Creek MI 49015. Main \$65. Contact: David Boyer (269.788.1289), 110 Greentree Ln #14A, Battle Creek MI 49015 or David Gerke

**April 27–29, Maine Spring Fling**  
Best Western, 580 U.S. Hwy 1 Bypass, Portsmouth NH 03801. Main \$50. Contact: Susan Cousens (207.892.3724), 30 River Rd, Windham ME 04062

**April 27–29, Nevada Triangle #3**  
Biltmore Hotel, Hwy 28, Crystal Bay NV 89402. Main \$72. Contact: Mike McCammon (775.342.0249), 50 Cour De La Celedon, Sparks NV 89434 or Diane Leal

**April 27–29, Oregon Championship**  
Elks, 151 N Main, Prineville OR 97754. Main \$60. Contact: Patti & Graeme Gossett (541.416.0921), 15852 SE Yakima St, Prineville OR 97754

**April 28, Alaska State Championship**  
Moose Lodge, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99501. Main \$60. Contact: Arlene & Hank Carle (907.345.2137), 6600 Downey Finch Ln, Anchorage AK 99516

**May 4–5, River City Open**  
Elks, 11440 Elks Cir, Rancho Cordova CA 95742. Main \$47. Contact: Annett Eiffert (916.521.3208), PO Box 3243, Citrus Heights CA 95611

**May 4–6, Oregon Coast Classic**  
Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th, Lincoln City OR 97367. Main \$52. Contact: Jeanne Hofbauer (360.835.3623), 30937 NE 23rd St, Washougal WA 98671 or Bernie Nelson (503.440.0517)

**May 5–6, Black River Country Classic**  
Castle Hill Supper Club, N9581 U.S. Hwy 12, Merrifield WI 54754. Main \$65. Contact: Lewis & Diane Gurney (715.937.4104), W7178 Pine Creek Rd, Neillsville WI 54456

**May 18–20, Potawatomi Peggys Powwow**  
Super 8, 4290 Red Arrow Hwy, Stevensville MI 49127. Main \$60. Contact: Jeff & Joy Shimp (616.850.9229), 13723 Lincoln St, Grand Haven MI 49417

## Sunrise Youth Tourney

May 19—Sunrise Elementary School, Puyallup WA 98374. No entry fee; snacks and lunch included. Contact: Don Zeuschel (253.845.4226)

**May 18-20, Win River Spring Fling**

Win River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. Main \$65. Contact: Scott Milo (707.330.4218), 2928 Hammonton Smartville Rd #20, Marysville CA 95901 or Cecil & Julie Felkins

**May 18-20, Washington State Open**

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

**May 18-20, North Carolina Open**

Holiday Inn Airport, 6426 Burnt Popular Rd, Greensboro NC 27409. Main \$60. Contact: Henry Douglass (336.349.7581), 726 Russell Ave, Reidsville NC 27320 or Cathy Perkins

**May 20, Hawai'i Open**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera

**May 25-27, Greater 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)

**June 1-3, Mount St. Helens**

Legion Hall, 1250 12th, Longview WA 98632. Main \$55. Contact: Chris McComas (360.577.5922), 403 Barr Dr, Kelso WA 98626 or Duane Toll (541.580.3221)

**June 1-3, 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 Rolfson (530.872.3685)

**June 3, Western Mass Classic**

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

**June 8-10, Lake Superior Challenge**

Elks, 597 Lakeshore Dr, Ishpeming MI 49849. Main \$60. Contact: Don Hannula (906.296.9107), 911 Front St, Lake Linden MI 49945 or Pat Healey

**June 8-10, Capital City Classic**

Best Western (515.964.1717), 133 SE Delaware, *continued on page 32*

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VFW, 1170 River Rd, Charlottesville VA 22902. Main \$60. Contact: Robin Emery (434.971.7000), 125 Wood Duck Pl #201, Charlottesville VA 22902 or Scott Noble

**June 9, Western Washington Open**

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

**June 10, 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

**June 15–17, Medford Lions Tale**

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

**June 22–24, Schaefer/Steinmetz 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 24, Hawai'i Open**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera

**June 29–July 1, Cascade Classic**

VFW, 1836 Veterans Way, Redmond OR 97756. Main \$55. Contact: Bill Kaufman (541.480.8642), 2908 SW Windrow Ct, Redmond OR 97756 or Margery Clark

**July 4–6, Susanville Summer Classic**

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. Main \$62. Contact: Steve Hastie (530.310.0111), PO Box 813, Herlong CA 96113 or James Fanning

**July 6–8, Independence Day Classic**

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501. Main \$62. Contact: Valerie & Les Sumner (775.742.4241), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Peggy Shea

**July 9–11, Topaz Summer Open**

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395, Topaz NV 89410. Main \$50. Contact: Les Sumner (775.342.2532), 90 Cercle De La Cerese, Sparks NV 89434 or Val Sumner

**July 13–15, Walla Walla Midsummer Classic**

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

**July 14, Run for the Gold**

Fire Department, 33950 Alta Bonny Nook Rd, Alta CA 95701. Main \$60. Contact: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432), PO Box 1526, Truckee CA 96160 or Rich Ekman (530.401.3627)

**July 15, Cribbage Extra**

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

**July 20–22, Brat Stop Open**

Brat Stop (282.857.2011), 12304 75th St, Kenosha WI 53142. Main \$65. Contact: Don Urban (815.568.0494), 818 Whitetail Dr, Marengo IL 60152

**July 20–22, Devil Mountain Caper**

Senior Center, 415 W 2nd St, Antioch CA 94509. Main \$70. Contact: Thomas West (925.437.5491), 1028 Amberwood Ct, Antioch CA 94531

**July 25–26, Midweek Challenge**

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main \$55. Contact: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.643.5566), 1301 Lester Rd, Sunnyside WA 98944

**July 27–29, Pahrump Open**

Pahrump Nugget, 681 S Hwy 160, Pahrump NV. Main \$60. Contact: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444), 3581 Mallard Ave, Pahrump NV 89048 or Norm Nikodym

**July 27–29, 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 27–30, 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 28, Vacaville Summer Open**

Leisure Town 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 (707.447.7568)

**July 29, Hawai'i Open**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera



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7/30	Come Monday	Raleigh NC
8/4	Schaefer/Steinmetz Special	Slinger WI
8/5	Steinmetz/Schaefer Special	Slinger WI
8/5	Patriot Kickoff	West Springfield MA
8/10-12	Cereal City Classic	Battle Creek MI
8/17-19	Madison Masters	Madison WI
8/17-19	Peach State Classic	Atlanta GA
8/24-26	Mt. Rainier Open	Tacoma WA
8/24-26	Len Wahlig Memorial	Kenosha WI
8/26	Hawai'i Open	Honolulu HI
8/31-9/2	Labor Day Special	North Bend OR
8/31-9/2	Montana Capital Classic	Helena MT
9/20-23	GN 31	Appleton WI
9/30	Hawai'i Open	Honolulu HI
9/30	New Hampshire Open	Brookline NH
10/5-7	Columbus Day Tourney	Bend OR
10/6	Woodland Won-Day	TBA
10/12-14	Capital City Classic	Ankeny IA
10/14	October Occurrence Classic	West Springfield MA
10/19-21	Crescent City Open	Crescent City CA
10/19-21	Emerald Coast Open	Fort Walton Beach FL
10/20	Cribbage from the Crypt	Port Angeles WA
10/20	Daffodil Express Open	Puyallup WA
10/26-28	Abe Kealoha Extravaganza	Honolulu HI
10/26-28	Salem Classic	Salem OR
11/2-4	Sunshine State Classic	Kissimmee FL
11/2-4	Rosemary Hendricks Memorial	Long Beach WA
11/12-14	Topaz Winter Open	Topaz NV
11/17	Vacaville Fall Classic	Vacaville CA
11/23-25	Thanksgiving Classic	North Bend OR
11/30-12/2	Greater Orlando Open	Altamonte Springs FL
11/30-12/2	Jingle Bell Open	Marinette WI
12/2	Hawai'i Championship	Honolulu HI
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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING • SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

## SANDS REGENCY CASINO HOTEL • RENO NV

(presented in condensed form)

President Jeanne Hofbauer called the meeting to order at 9a. Directors present were Dave Aiken, Paul Barnes, Pat Barrett, Don Brown, Dave Campbell, Annett Eiffert, Charlie Finley, Roland Hall, Don Hannula, Jeanne Hofbauer, Roy Hofbauer, Ron Logan, Dave O'Neil, Catherine Perkins, Larry Phifer, Todd Schaefer, Phyllis Schmidt, Peggy Shea, Jeff Shimp, Wayne Steinmetz, Valerie Sumner, Fred White, Keith Widener. Approved absences for Sharon Hejtmanek and Bob Milk.

The amended agenda was approved with additions, and the minutes of the February 10 BOD meeting were approved as amended.

**Election of officers:** the first four officers ran unopposed and were elected by voice vote:

President: Jeanne Hofbauer

Executive Vice President: Todd Schaefer

Vice President of Policy: Cathy Perkins

Vice President of Operations: Dave Campbell

Member-at-Large: there were two candidates for this position—Jeff Shimp and Valerie Sumner—and Shimp was elected by written ballot.

**Grand National updates** were received from Annett Eiffert for GN 30, from Joan Rein for GN 31, and from Dave O'Neil for GN 32.

**Grand National 33** (Schaefer): there are three bids for the 2014 GN: Brion Neeley for Phoenix AZ, Arlene Carle for Anchorage AK, and Peggy Johnson for Las Vegas NV. By written ballot, Phoenix was awarded GN 33.

**Treasurer's report** (Marlene Lazachek). Discussion of income statement, comparative balance sheet, cash balance sheet, and Grass Roots expenses. The audit was completed. Funding for GN 2012 and GN 2013 has been sent to the TDs. We sold 180 rulebooks since the last report, and the cost of publishing them has been covered. Treasurer's report approved.

**Membership Secretary's Report and new MRP software** (Larry Hassett). Membership is down 139 members. Hassett will make progress reports throughout the process of updating the software for MRPs. The new program will help with tournament reports and information for *Cribbage World*.

**Policy Manual** (Perkins). Discussion of many policy items.

(1) TDs are not allowed to have a monetary gain from a tournament; this includes not playing in the tournament for free, but does allow complimentary rooms or food from the location where the tournament is held; motion approved to prohibit TDs from playing in their tournament for free. (2) Perkins asked for the BOD to accept the reorganized Policy and Procedures Manual so she can move ahead with the new version; motion approved. (3) BOD members moving to another region would still represent the region they were elected from even if this results in fewer or more BOD members in a region than allowed by the Policy Manual; motion approved. (4) What if less than six people run for the BOD from one region? Options include the Executive Committee appointing someone to the board from that region or soliciting nominations from that region; further discussion is needed. (5) How many main playoffs rounds

should be allowed before the consolation starts? Perkins asked the BOD to set a policy on this, while J. Hofbauer said it should be at the discretion of the tournament director. (6) Should tournament commissioners notify TDs prior to the notice in *Cribbage World* that someone has been suspended or expelled from the ACC? Larry Hassett asked that this information also go to the national statistician. Motion approved to add this to the list of duties of the tournament commissioners. (7) Weekday tournament rules were amended to strike the phrase "not interfere with Grass Roots." (8) Motion approved to clarify the meaning of "bye" when not all slots on the playoff board are filled. (9) Motion approved to delete the requirement that the Member-at-Large maintain an inventory of ACC equipment. (10) Motion approved to note deceased Hall of Fame members in the Policy Manual appendix. (11) Motion approved to add the list of judges to the ACC website. (12) Motion approved to eliminate the Nick Pond Award (for the greatest percentage increase of attendance at a specific tournament), which has not been awarded for over five years. (13) The Executive Committee will review and make any necessary changes to the Membership Secretary contract. (14) Discussion about the legal age for players to receive prize money (perhaps give a scholarship or pay prize money to guardians) resulted in an approved motion to add "facility" as the site of the tournament. (15) The term of Executive Committee members expire when the successor is elected, but what happens when a successor has not yet been elected? There is a two-to-three-week period when there wouldn't be an executive committee member in office; should we appoint someone for that time period? Shimp pointed out that the Executive Committee is already allowed to appoint someone to the committee and that an order of succession is already in place. (16) MRPs earned at a tournament are posted on the last day of the tournament even if the tournament extends over two playing season (e.g., July 31–August 1). (17) Brown pointed out that the current section on cross-checking is too informal; motion approved to remove this section from the Policy Manual, move it to the TD handbook, and leave the method of cross-checking to the TDs. Shimp pointed out the instruction also needs to include using a cross-checking committee. Shea suggested having TD mentors—a group of directors who would be willing to assist new directors; Barrett says that the three tournament commissioners already do that. (18) Discussion of whether every event or just the sanctioned portions of a tournament be cross-checked; since the Policy Manual currently states all should be cross-checked, should the word "sanctioned" be added to this section? Shea asked whether the TOC should be included in this cross-checking policy.

**Promotional materials** (Finley). Promotional items (business cards, flyers, etc.) are available from Charlie at no cost.

**BOD voting procedures** (J. Hofbauer). Julie Mack-Felkins doesn't feel the BOD voting process is valid, for several reasons: (1) submitting objections about the voting results to the Executive Committee could be considered a conflict of interest; (2) she heard of members stuffing the ballot box; (3) a postage increase during the voting time frame

caused delays or nondelivery; (4) ballots should be put in an envelope instead of written on a postcard; (5) candidate names should be listed on the ballot in random order instead of alphabetic order; and (6) information about voting and objections to the results should not be made available to the ACC membership. Herschel Mack added two other objections: (7) ballots should not be counted by only one person; and (8) if someone added votes to a postcard then the ballot becomes invalid. Larry Hassett and Cathy Perkins (who have been in charge of the last several elections assured the BOD that all ballots were counted fairly and then reconfirmed. In 2011 the counting was done by computer. Perkins reviewed the invalid ballots and even if they had been included in the count, there would have been no changes to the order of finishers. Barnes discussed various methods of online voting. Perkins will set up a committee to review the BOD voting procedures.

**Promotion** (Barnes). Cribbage boards or CW overruns could be placed in RV parks, doctor offices, etc.

**All American Team** (Widener and Campbell). This year all ten members of the All American team were from the Western Region. [Note: since this topic has already been discussed extensively online and in the pages of *Cribbage World*, arguments pro and con that were raised in the BOD meeting are not reshaped here.] Logan made a motion to eliminate the All American Award and set up All Star Awards for each region, to be awarded to the top eight players in each region, retroactive to August 1, 2011; motion seconded by R. Hofbauer. Motion approved 14-9.

**Tournament regulation changes** (R. Hofbauer). (1) Motion approved to change the minimum number of games for a two-day tournament from 20 to 18. (2) Roy asked that playoffs for a one-day main tournament be three of five games instead of two of three so that MRPs earned would be more equitable to two-day tournaments; TDs could (with the permission of the tournament commissioner) make an exception and use two of three. After two indecisive votes, the motion was approved 13-8. (3) Roy asked that all weekend tournaments be two days. The Monday tournament following the National Open in Raleigh was granted a waiver by George Bickford, the previous national tournament commissioner. Widener stated that the NOCT is a legacy event and is therefore grandfathered in as being approved; Roy said that the exception should not have been made and so a vote is needed to confirm this allowance. Motion approved.

**Fourth region** (Brown). Don asked for a straw poll to see if there is any interest in pursuing the idea of creating a fourth region out of the Western Region, which has twice as many players and twice as many tournaments as the other regions. Interested: 7; not interested: 13.

**TOC** (Joan Rein). (1) The upcoming TOC will be the 25th and final year that Rein is directing the TOC; she appointed Don Hannula to take over after 2012. (2) Rein proposed that the TOC director receive free entry into the TOC. Motion made by Finley, seconded by Steinmetz. R. Hofbauer objected on the basis of the motion passed earlier (see #1 under "Policy Manual" above) that TDs not be allowed to play in their tournament for free. Hannula said he would decline this offer if the motion passes. Motion denied. (3) Rein checked out five places—Atlantis, Circus Circus, Grand Sierra, Peppermill, and Sands—as potential locations for the TOC and believes the Sands is the best choice, based on the pros and cons of each facility and the perks they offered. Shimp made a motion to sign a con-

tract with Sands for three years, seconded by Steinmetz. Motion approved.

**Executive Committee Report** (J. Hofbauer). Actions taken: declared the BOD election valid; authorized payment to Paul Gregson for working on the Grass Roots website.

**Ethics Committee Report** (R. Hofbauer and Logan). Actions taken: an ACC member was turned over to Executive Committee for expulsion proceedings; a Grass Roots Club was notified that it must follow the Grass Roots Manual guidelines; a complaint sent in on a player resulted in no action.

**Publicity Report** (Norm Nikodym). A handout was given to BOD members listing recent promotions; discussion of placing an ad in USA Today's Senior 50 plus magazine.

**Youth Program Report** (Dan Zeisler). Program doing extremely well; many contacts from teachers to request startup kits; the budget continues to grow. Brown asked if there was some way to track if youth program members are moving on to ACC membership.

**Judges Report** –(Shimp). Wants to allow for more visibility of senior judges and so replaced five senior judges who don't travel much; new senior judges include Dave Clemmey (Eastern Region); Richard Frost and Bob Joslin (Central); James Morrow and Jerry Hahn (Western).

**Grass Roots Program Report** (Joan Rein). A new programmer, Paul Gregson, is cleaning up a lot of issues with the website. There are approx 190 active clubs. Travelers' Club members can log in to "Members Only" now and see their points; there are approx 77 in the Travelers' Club now (up from 50 last year).

**Internet Program Report** (Milk). Unavailable.

**Website Report** (Aiken). Various TD resources are available on the website.

**Tournament Rules & Guidelines Report** (R. Hofbauer). Purchased 40 bracket boards (\$25 each) for TDs; plan to print more scorecards; we had 100 more tournament players this year than last year.

**President's Report** (J. Hofbauer). Actions taken: approved \$50 for licensing of the reprint of a cartoon in CW; awarded \$500 to the Puyallup fair; paid \$250 to DeLynn Colvert to bring the awards to Grand National; named Barbara Woodward to receive the President's Award; noted that copyright on the ACC Logo is not currently valid as no one renewed it (Eiffert will work on renewing copyright).

**Executive VP Report** (Schaeffer). Welcomed Don Hannula as the TOC director and Peggy and Rick Shea as directors of the JPW/ACC Open and thanked Joan Rein and her crew for all their hard work.

**VP of Policy Report** (Perkins). Requested permission to post the new Policy Manual on the ACC website. Shimp made a motion to post it to website, second by Hannula. Motion approved.

**VP of Operations Report**. Open position, so no report at this time.

**Member at Large Report** (Campbell). A limited audit must be completed in 2013 for 2012 (these audit must be completed every two years).

**Meeting adjourned** at 5:12p—after eight hours and twelve minutes.

**Next BOD meeting:** Thursday, February 9, at 9a at the Sands in Reno NV.



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