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## GIVING

**C**ribbage players are generous. Oh sure, when we're sitting on opposite sides of a cribbage board we can be very stingy with our opponent's crib, but when we step away from the table, we become one of the more generous organizations around.

CW frequently hears of clubs helping members in need. And many tournaments include a charitable donation in their entry fee—whether for medical research, youth cribbage, or some other worthy cause.

One of the biggest donors each year is the **Sands Regency Casino Hotel** in Reno NV. Not only does the Sands generously support the ACC's Youth Program (see page 25), but it also donates \$10 to the Veterans Guest House for every player who attends the Independence Day and Veterans Day tournaments in July and November. This money comes directly from the Sands, not from entry fees, and over the years, the Sands has donated more than \$20,000 to VGH.

Longtime ACC members **Bill and Dorthalee Irons** were instrumental in establishing the Veterans Guest House as an overnight facil-



## Schedule of Events

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

Thursday 9a—Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday 6:30p—All Star Tourney

\* Friday 8a—Tournament of Champions

\* Friday 3:30p—Cribbage Bowl

Friday 8p—Grass Roots Volunteers Meeting

\* Saturday 8:30a—JPW/ACC Open

\* Sunday 9:15a—Consolation Tournament

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# My Deal

by David Aiken



Jeanne Hofbauer frequently mentions in her column how valuable the friendships are that she has made while playing—or because of—cribbage. My November travels are a prime example of this.

I had an opportunity this year to attend the Veterans Day Tournament for the first time ever, and so my exposure to Western Region hospitality started on 11/11/11. **Barbara Woodward** picked up me and a friend at the Reno airport, treated us to lunch, and then—the coup de grace—took us to a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Veterans Guest House. (See cover story for more about VGH.)

On Monday, I hitched a ride with **Cy Madrone** (Santa Barbara CA) to the Topaz Winter Open. For those of you who don't know Cy, you need know only this: he travels like he talks, flitting first down one rabbit hole and then diverting to the next before he's remotely close to the end of the first one.

I met up with Cy at twelve noon sharp at the Sands, and we pulled into the Topaz Lodge at 8:49p. According to mapquest.com, the door-to-door distance between these hotels is 71.56 miles, which means that we averaged 8.1 miles per hour.

The intervening eight plus hours were filled with visits to four thrift shops and a micro-brewery. We bought lunch at Trader Joe's and ate it in a park alongside the Truckee River; took a field trip to another restaurant on the promise that we'd eat there in February; scoped out several properties that Cy is thinking about buying; admired the art deco lobby of the Reno post office for a lesson in art criticism; and watched half of Monday Night Football at yet another micro-brewery.

While I generally don't have enough leisure time to travel at eight mph, I would not have traded this trip for anything. An excursion in the Cy-mobile is a trip that everyone should experience at least once.

Following the Topaz tourney, **James Clark** (Livermore CA) and **Ross Njaa** (Salinas CA) were kind enough to transport me to California and drop me off at Club 43, ably directed by **Tracy Yott** (Newark CA). I also played in Tracy's GRRT on Saturday and met many wonderful club players from this part of the country.

**Bill Wakeman** (San Lorenzo CA) opened his house to me and was a gracious host for four nights. And the ever-gentlemanly **Boyd McDonald** (Mountain

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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**

**November record:  
88-72 (51.8%)**

**My biggest win of the month**

**I beat Hal Rosenberg (MI) by 53 at club**

**My worst loss of the month**

**Eric Jensen (MI) beat me by 53 at club**

# Your Deal



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## Pegging Like Hell

Thirty years ago I used to play cribbage with my best buddy. We would drink wine and peg like hell. It was all in a day's fun, and the biggest challenge was staying sober while the wives were shopping. Ten years ago I joined the ACC. I was always competitive, so I got sucked in—by the points, the money, and the strategies of **DeLynn Colvert**. It can be frustrating at times, providing many tense moments, far from the relaxed game of days gone by. As a reward for sticking with it, I have gained a second family whose reunion I can attend about ten times a year, and a real close family that I visit weekly. As the commercial says, "Priceless." Whether I win or lose, it is the great game of cribbage that I keep looking forward to. I've learned to appreciate every win and qualification because the results can change with the turn of a card or a miscue in playing the hand. Most of all it is the wonderful people I get to see and share life experiences with.

*Stan Katzman (Rio Vista CA)*

## Face down

I am amazed that someone would suggest that people play with their scorecards face up. The last thing I want to see is my wife's card face up, and can you imagine the screams if we played face up and Joy needed a skunk to qualify and somehow—no matter how—it happened; someone is going to say the fix was in. The first time I saw this practice was in New England, and

I asked the TD why he allowed it. He told me there was no rule and that was how they played, thank you very much. To me it leads to much suspicion.

*Paul Barnes (Daytona Beach FL)*

## Beginner's Night

My wife, Winnie, first read about a cribbage club in Fremont CA several years ago. Unfortunately, my evening schedule did not allow me the time to join. Last summer, she again noticed an ad in the local paper, but this time for beginners. While I had already taught my wife and daughter how to play, we thought it would be fun to check out together. I even invited my mother from Foster City to join us. We all had such a good time and decided to join. We continue to enjoy playing on beginner's night but will be moving to the official club meetings in 2012. I am extremely thankful to **Tracy Yott** and **Reginald Lennie** for taking time to teach cribbage to beginners. Tracy is extremely supportive and even encouraged me to become a judge. I took the test and passed. My wife and I even participated in the Fremont GRRT. My wife did much better than I did, but we had fun. Thank you, Tracy and Lennie.

*Marty Froomin (Fremont CA)*

**ACC membership odometer**

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*as of December 1*

| Tournament   | Director                 | Main (MRPs)  | Consolation (MRPs)  | Big Hands   | Satellite Winners                                |
|--|--------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| Wonderful Woodland Won-Day (Woodland CA; Oct. 8)       | Julie & Cecil Felkins    | 110 players<br>HQ. Annett Eiffert (50)<br>1. Jay Sorensen (147)<br>2. Annett Eiffert (105)<br>3. Denny Spero (70)<br>3. Jerry Kniffen (70)           | 68 players<br>HQ. Peter Wiesick (15)<br>1. James Aleschus Sr. 84)<br>2. Tony Montooth (60)<br>3. Gordon Work (40)<br>3. Jean Wagoner (40) |   |  |
| West Sac: Day After (West Sacramento CA; Oct. 9)       | Michael Green            | 66 players<br>HQ. Bob Prochnow (30)<br>1. Roland Hall (147)<br>2. Tracy Yott (105)<br>3. Bob Prochnow (70)<br>3. James Fanning (70)                  | 38 players<br>HQ. Tad Pilecki (15)<br>1. Duane Toll (60)<br>2. Angelo Torrise (40)<br>3. Thomas Nohrden (24)<br>3. Tad Pilecki (24)       |   |  |
| South Florida Open (Palm Beach Gardens FL; Oct. 14-16) | Ken Johnson & Joe Daesch | 59 players<br>HQ. Mary Ann Kelliher (50)<br>1. <b>Mary Ann Kelliher</b> (105)<br>2. Doug Kelliher (70)<br>3. Joy Barnes (42)<br>3. John Blowers (42) | 36 players<br>HQ. Andy Laventure (24)<br>1. David O'Neil (60)<br>2. Nancy Wanke (40)<br>3. Andy Laventure (24)<br>3. Kristy Haught (24)   | 28-hand:<br>Howard Terry*   | Friday: Mike Elkins<br>Saturday: Joan Ledbetter  |
| Daffodil Express Open (Puyallup WA; Oct. 15)           | Don Zeutschel            | 64 players<br>HQ. Ken Olson (45)<br>1. Mills Brubaker (105)<br>2. John Heryla (70)<br>3. Elmer Rasmussen (42)<br>3. Tony Canzler (42)                | 40 players<br>HQ. John Goe (3)<br>1. George Mackie (60)<br>2. Dennis Misener (40)<br>3. Valerie Nozick (24)<br>3. Richard Anderson (24)   | 28-hand:<br>Terry Goetz*  |  |
| Colorado Fall Classic (Denver CO; Oct. 21-23)          | Roger Wilson             | 60 players<br>HQ. Katy Mayo (50)<br>1. <b>Andy Reddishi</b> (105)<br>2. Carolyn Davis (70)<br>3. Steve Sundet (42)<br>3. Sue Edwards (42)            | 28 players<br>HQ. Mike Poole (18)<br>1. Betty Davis (40)<br>2. Jerry Jaeger (24)  | 29-hand:<br>Sheila Linwood<br>28-hands:<br>Carol Grimes*<br>Jerry Jaeger* | Friday: Bart Jaeger<br>Saturday: Bill Hutchinson |

**GRAND SLAM!**

**New this month: a player's first tournament win is indicated by highlighting.**

| Tournament   | Director             | Main (MRPs)   | Consolation (MRPs)  | Big Hands   | Satellite Winners  |
|--|----------------------|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Emerald Coast Open (Fort Walton Beach FL; Oct. 21-23)</b> | Scott & Jenny Bailey | 46 players<br>HQ. Scott Field (40)<br>1. Scott Field (105)<br>2. Howard Terry (70)<br>3. Joy Barnes (42)<br>3. Pete Seda (42)                   | 32 players<br>HQ. Janet Viands (15)<br>1. Raymond Wanke (40)<br>2. Louis Fussell (24)   | 29-hand:<br>Michael Lunn<br>28-hands:<br>Jason Matheny*<br>John Blowers | Friday: Louis Fussell<br>Saturday: Kevin Harris  |
| <b>Black Butte Bonanza (Sisters OR; Oct. 22)</b>             | Winona McDaniel      | 41 players<br>HQ. Erik Royland Locke (40)<br>1. Paul Hatcher (105)<br>2. Roy Hofbauer (70)<br>3. Philip Murphy (42)<br>3. Carolyn Blackman (42) | 28 players<br>HQ. Bruce Gentry (21)<br>1. Todd Malmgren (40)<br>2. Bruce Gentry (24)  | 28-hands:<br>Todd Malmgren*<br>Phil Murphy*                             |  |
| <b>Cribbage from the Crypt (Port Angeles WA; Oct. 22)</b>    | Lisa Duff            | 24 players<br>HQ. Thomas Schroeder (20)<br>1. Margie McNeece (70)<br>2. Steven Yale (42)  | 22 players<br>HQ. Robert Brown (9)<br>1. Michael Rowe (40)<br>2. Robert Brown (24)  |   |  |
| <b>Fall US Open (West Covina CA; Oct. 23)</b>                | Norm Nikodym         | 45 players<br>HQ. Ronald Hoglund (60)<br>1. Ronald Hoglund (105)<br>2. Leo Rutledge (70)<br>3. Ariland Kaati (42)<br>3. Gail Simonz (42)        | 32 players<br>HQ. Beth Fleischer (9)<br>1. Steve Hastie (40)<br>2. Arlene Shaw (24)   |   |  |
| <b>Salem Classic (Salem OR; Oct. 28-30)</b>                  | Kim & Rick Simmons   | 117 players<br>HQ. Paul Hatcher (55)<br>1. John Blake (147)<br>2. Craig Jensen (105)<br>3. Richard Shea (70)<br>3. Tom Langford (70)            | 58 players<br>HQ. Gordy Wise (18)<br>1. Joanne Hampton (60)<br>2. Gordy Wise (40)<br>3. Ira Deutsch (24)<br>3. Dana Baird (24)          | 28-hand:<br>John Blake*<br><b>GRAND SLAMI!</b>                          | Early Bird: Bruce Goff<br>Doubles: Walter Howell & Nellie Tapp<br>Saturday: Jeanne Jelke |
| <b>Carson Halloween Bash (Carson City NV; Oct. 28-30)</b>    | Diane Leal           | 54 players<br>HQ. Bill Bushnell (60)<br>1. Christy Lens (105)<br>2. Michael Hurley (70)<br>3. Peter Stemler (42)<br>3. Valerie Sumner (42)      | 34 players<br>HQ. Leslie Sumner (15)<br>1. Leslie Sumner (60)<br>2. Roland Hall (40)<br>3. Heidi Glashan (24)<br>3. Pamela Pomeroy (24) |   | Early Bird: Fred Padden<br>Doubles: Brad Archer & Clay Lindgren                          |

\* = in a sanctioned event

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| Tournament   | Director                      | Main (MRPs)   | Consolation (MRPs)  | Big Hands                                    | Satellite Winners  |
|--|-------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| <b>Abe Kealoha Extravaganza (Honolulu HI; Oct. 28-30)</b>    | Tsarkie                       | 26 players<br>HQ. Roy Wong (55)<br>1. Roy Wong (70)<br>2. Robert Wright (42)  | 28 players<br>HQ. Mel Vios (15)<br>1. Alice Souza (40)<br>2. Mel Vios (24)  | 28-hands:<br>Rodney Kanno*                   | <i>Crybaby</i> : Joe Horn<br><i>Last Chance</i> : Ken Ching  |
| <b>Rosemary Hendricks Memorial (Long Beach WA; Nov. 4-6)</b> | Peggy Scalley                 | 102 players<br>HQ. Sue Pisha (70)<br>1. Jeanne Jelke (147)<br>2. Clair Morse (105)<br>3. David Rice (70)<br>3. Erik Royland Locke (70)        | 58 players<br>HQ. Pam Parker (15)<br>1. Ronald Boulé (60)<br>2. Pam Parker (40)<br>3. Jason Hofbauer (24)<br>3. Mike Pendras (24)         | 28-hands:<br>George Mackie*<br>Karen Dupea*  | <i>Early Bird</i> : Glen Humbert<br><i>Doubles</i> : Dot Mickow & Mike Pendras<br><i>Saturday</i> : Bob Brumley    |
| <b>Sunshine State Classic (Kissimmee FL; Nov. 4-6)</b>       | Ray Wanke                     | 74 players<br>HQ. Paul Richardson (65)<br>1. Daniel Moore (147)<br>2. Jim Gavegan (105)<br>3. Martha Bryant (70)<br>3. Sandra Lewis (70)      | 48 players<br>HQ. Russ Perkins (21)<br>1. Doug Kelliher (60)<br>2. Sara Sanner (40)<br>3. Barri Gehrand (24)<br>3. Carl Squire (24)       | 28-hands:<br>Marc Leichtling*<br>Rick Allen* | <i>Doubles</i> : James Wysocki & Mike Elkins<br><i>Friday</i> : James Wysocki<br><i>Saturday</i> : Michael Burnham |
| <b>Summer's End (Vacaville CA; Nov. 5)</b>                   | Stan Katzman & Jackie Doppelt | 74 players<br>HQ. Rich Ekman (55)<br>1. Rich Ekman (147)<br>2. Roger King (105)<br>3. Tony Montooth (70)<br>3. Ira Deutsch (70)               | 50 players<br>HQ. Richard Shea (15)<br>1. Grumpy Howard (60)<br>2. Richard Shea (40)<br>3. Cecil Felkins (24)<br>3. Angelo Torrise (24)   |  |  |
| <b>Dante Club Open (Springfield MA; Nov. 6)</b>              | Charlie Finley                | 88 players<br>HQ. Armand Hamel (50)<br>1. Charlie Finley (147)<br>2. David Campbell (105)<br>3. Albert Miller (70)<br>3. Robert Medeiros (70) | 48 players<br>HQ. Peter Setian (15)<br>1. Peter Setian (60)<br>2. Paul Batterson (40)<br>3. John Wichland (24)<br>3. Granville Brown (24) |  |  |
| <b>Charm City Classic (Baltimore MD; Nov. 6)</b>             | Bruce Sattler                 | 46 players<br>HQ. Mitch Blanks (30)<br>1. Janet Vlands (105)<br>2. Mitch Blanks (70)<br>3. Thomas Brent (42)<br>3. Michael O'Brien (42)       | 24 players<br>HQ. Debra Fox (6)<br>1. James Tanner (40)<br>2. Debra Fox (24)  | 28-hands:<br>Chuck Yeomans*<br>Ron Musolf*   |  |



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|---|--------------|--|--|--|---|
| <b>South Sacramento Moose Madness (Sacramento CA; Nov. 6)</b> | Tom Cookman  | 46 players<br>HQ. Clay Lindgren (35)<br>1. Tom Cookman (105)<br>2. Tom Langford (70)<br>3. Julie Felkins (42)<br>3. Herschel Mack (42)   | 26 players<br>HQ. James Aleschus Sr. (12)<br>1. Michael Duffy (40)<br>2. James Fanning (24)  |  |   |
| <b>Susanville Fall Classic (Susanville CA; Nov. 9–11)</b>     | Steve Hastie | 53 players<br>HQ. Jim Crawford (50)<br>1. Delynn Colvert (105)<br>2. Jim Crawford (70)<br>3. Ronald Morgan (42)<br>3. Patricia Echard (42)   | 46 players<br>HQ. James Langley (18)<br>1. Ross Njaa (60)<br>2. Cy Madrone (40)<br>3. Roland Hall (24)<br>3. Mel Ashley (24)         | 28-hand:<br>Bruce Webb*                                      | Early Bird: Patti Echard<br>Doubles: Clay Lindgren & Nora Maloy<br>Thursday: Boyd Home<br>All Events: Clay Lindgren |
| <b>Veterans Day Classic (Reno NV; Nov. 11–13)</b>             | Les Sumner   | 158 players<br>HQ. Greg Schleusner (55)<br>1. Glenn Scott (196)<br>2. Roger Grandgeorge (147)<br>3. Cy Madrone (105)<br>3. Mary Gladish (105)<br>5. Duane Toll (70)<br>5. Greg Schleusner (70)<br>5. Stephen Gawryluk (70)<br>5. Jeff Gardner (70) | 100 players<br>HQ. Mel Ashley (15)<br>1. Larry McKinney (84)<br>2. Peter Stemler (60)<br>3. Herschel Mack (40)<br>3. John Prehn (40) | 28-hands:<br>Bill Schlabes*<br>Katey Mayo*<br>Mike McCammon* | Doubles: Boyd & Sara Home<br>Saturday: Rich Scott<br>Sunday: Duane Person   |
| <b>Minnesota Open (Maplewood MN; Nov. 11–13)</b>              | Jerry Gruber | 104 players<br>HQ. Donald Flesch (50)<br>1. Brett Brunner (147)<br>2. Donald Flesch (105)<br>3. Jerome Tork (70)<br>3. Robert Chase (70)   | 54 players<br>HQ. Douglas Henderson (21)<br>1. Ray Hansen (60)<br>2. Kevin Post (40)<br>3. Mike Burns (24)<br>3. James Huser (24)    | 28-hand:<br>Don Tofte*                                       | Friday: Richard Frost<br>Saturday: Dan Taylor<br>All Events: Donald Flesch  |
| <b>Shreveport Showdown (Shreveport LA; Nov. 11–13)</b>        | Kevin Harris | 28 players<br>HQ. Earl Baum (30)<br>1. Barbara Chaplik (70)<br>2. Russell McKinney (42)  | 18 players<br>HQ. Paul Poropatic (18)<br>1. Wendy Yafuso (40)<br>2. Gary McCuskey (24)   | 28-hand:<br>Jennifer Matheny*                                | Friday: Michael Morgan<br>Saturday: Vince Conley  |

\* = in a sanctioned event

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| Tournament  | Director       | Main (MRPs)   | Consolation (MRPs)  | Big Hands  | Satellite Winners   |
|---|----------------|---|---|--|---|
| Topaz Winter Open (Topaz NV; Nov. 14-16)            | Valerie Sumner | 32 players<br>HQ. Judith Beay (35)<br>1. DeLynn Colvert (70)<br>2. Todd Malmgren (42)   | 26 players<br>HQ. Leslie Summer (12)<br>1. Leslie Summer (40)<br>2. John Prehn (24)   | 28-hand:<br>Roland Hall*                         | Early Bird: Duane Toll<br>Doubles: Don Brown & Jim Clark<br>Tuesday: DeLynn Colvert |
| Pre-Turkey Shootout (Virginia Beach VA; Nov. 18-20) | Jack Howsare   | 65 players<br>HQ. Robert Yeoman (60)<br>1. Beth Widener (147)<br>2. Clyde Royce (105)<br>3. Howard Terry (70)<br>3. John Morch II (70)  | 44 players<br>HQ. Henry Douglass (16 (15<br>1. Bruce Sattler (60)<br>2. Keith Miller (40)<br>3. James Tanner (24)<br>3. Henry Douglass (24) | 28-hands:<br>Robert Reister*<br>Michael O'Brien* | Friday: Howard Terry<br>Saturday: Bill Medeiros                                     |
| Yankee Classic (Rockville CT; Nov. 20)              | Phil Martin    | 90 players<br>HQ. Ann Somers (50)<br>1. Lee Norris (147)<br>2. Robert Drukman (105)<br>3. Hollie Remington (70)<br>3. Lance Browne (70) | 46 players<br>HQ. Karl Russo (12)<br>1. Albert Miller (60)<br>2. Fred White (40)<br>3. Karl Russo (24)<br>3. Lee Dillon (24)                |  |   |

\* = in a sanctioned event



The Gold Dust West hosted a champagne party at the Carson Halloween Bash, and fourteen players showed up in costume. Lee Padden (Redding CA) took first place in the costume contest.

## STUPID ^ Cribbage Board of the Month



## Tournament Tidbits

**Extreme Volunteerism** **James Fanning** (Garden Valley CA) and **Rod MacDermott** (El Dorado CA) like to help out. So on the day of the West Sac: Day After tourney, they went to the Moose Lodge in South Sacramento, woke up the watchman, and convinced him to let them in so they could set up tables and chairs for the tournament. About thirty minutes before the start time—when no one else had showed up yet—James and Rod realized they were supposed to be in *West Sacramento!* They left the Moose Lodge set up for a tournament that wasn't supposed to happen and hightailed it to the legit location just in time to start playing. So, if you ever need a tournament set up in a place you weren't planning to play, give James and Rod a call!

**South Florida Open** **Mary Ann Kelliher** (The Villages FL) was high qualifier in the main, and husband **Doug Kelliher**



was low qualifier. They both went all the way to the finals and ended up playing each other for the championship. It went down to the final game, which Mary Ann won by a whisker!

**Emerald Coast Open** **Bill Campbell** (Fort Walton Beach FL) met an excellent—and fast—player at a local pub and talked **Mike Lunn** (Niceville FL) into playing the tournament. Bill suggested that he play Friday evening to get relaxed and used to cutting. So all Mike did in his very first tournament was draw a 29-hand on the first deal of the first game in the first event of the weekend! Ain't this game easy?

**Rosemary Hendricks Memorial** **Tammy Gibbons** (Portland OR) got her first-ever 29-hand. Unfortunately, it was in a pick-up game against **Rick Pierce** (Springfield OR) before the Saturday night tourney, so Tammy doesn't even get her name in *Cribbage World* for this once-in-a-lifetime achievement!

**Charm City Classic** Tournament director and Life Master **Bruce Sattler** (Nottingham MD) lost the last nine games in the main and the first three in the consy, to give him his longest losing streak in more than seventeen years of sanctioned play.

## 2012 Batting Average Competition

The 2012 batting average contest runs from January 1 to July 31, with a minimum of 150 games. For other details, see October CW, page 9.

Sign up with your regional statistician:

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1. Gerald Oxford (CA): Humboldt Bay Classic Midweek (Eureka CA; Aug. 4)
2. Joy Barnes (FL): Silver Dollar Open (Reno NV; Sept. 28)
3. Frank Ornie (OR): Grand National 30 (Reno NV; Oct. 1)
4. Rickie Mack (OR): Crescent City Open (Crescent City CA; Oct. 16)



Kerry O'Connell (Ventura CA) and Rick Westerman (Wenatchee WA) have posted online the photos they took at Grand National 30 in Reno. To see what you look like when you're playing cribbage, check out these websites:  
<https://picasaweb.google.com/104730361365125260533/Reno201130thGrandNational02#>  
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# Welcome to New Members

The ACC welcomed 109 new members during November. When you see these folks down the tournament trail or at your cribbage club, welcome them with a hearty handshake, answer their questions, and then sit down with them and enjoy the best two-handed card game ever invented.

## **Alaska**

Edward V. Petipas (Wasilla)  
Robert H. Witz (Palmer)

## **Arizona**

Steven Goozdich (Chandler)  
Robert Hudson (Mesa)  
Linda Ross (Scottsdale)  
Chris Schinker (Chandler)  
Sarah Tomczak (Chandler)

## **British Columbia**

Leon Briggs (Prince George)  
Lavonna Eschuk (Penticton)  
Betty-Ann Godfrey (Penticton)  
Sharon Smith (Prince)

## **California**

Curtis Adorni (McKinleyville)  
Robert L. Cox Jr. (Santa Rosa)  
Edward Dalbol (Floriston)  
Arthur L. Eichele (Truckee)  
Kin Gere (Ventura)  
Jackie Headley (Fremont)  
Philip Headley (Fremont)  
Marv Houghton (Ventura)  
Keith Johnson (West Sacramento)  
Marvin J. Lampert (Laguna Woods)  
Rosi McGillivray (Chico)  
Alan Peterson (Citrus Heights)  
Wendy Syniski (Santee)  
Jasmine Uyeda (Fair Oaks)  
Jude Zyskowski (Eureka)

## **Colorado**

Doris E. Anderson (Grand Junction)  
Marla Monday (Grand Junction)  
Steve Sundet (Fort Morgan)  
Thomas C. Talbot (Fruita)

## **Connecticut**

Jill Baker (Waterford)

## **Florida**

James Adams (Port Charlotte)  
David Clapsaddle (Deltona)  
John Fiengo (Tampa)  
Gregory Glenn Givens (Shalimar)  
Priscilla J. Marquis (Saint Cloud)

Robert P. Marquis (Saint Cloud)  
George Rauscher (Daytona Beach)

Voni Rauscher (Daytona Beach)  
Diane Rotella (Tampa)  
Eileen Sanders (Port Charlotte)

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Yvonne Bright (Collinsville)  
Patrick Brown (Oak Park)  
Dwight Christiansen (Chicago)  
John Harris (Edwardsville)  
James I. Johnson (Edwardsville)  
Susan E. Johnson (Edwardsville)  
Dave Smith (Crystal Lake)

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## **Manitoba**

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Milana Isaacson (Pikesville)

## **Massachusetts**

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Jake Blake (Birchdale)  
Richard Golden (Minneapolis)  
Adam Norris (Saint Cloud)  
Kelsey Shanesy (Saint Paul)  
Wade Skaja (Saint Cloud)  
Dale Turchi (Eveleth)

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Larry Lanoue (Missoula)

## **Nebraska**

Bruce Peterson (Chadron)

## **Nevada**

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Karen Andersen (Sparks)  
Thomas Berndt (Reno)  
June Bottesi (Pahrump)  
Barry Craig (Pahrump)  
Sierra Lacey-Millard (Reno)  
Nick Pearson (Sparks)  
Michael J. Radwick (Henderson)  
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Scooter Harter (Wenatchee)  
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Jean Henderson (Sequim)  
Faye Long (Poulsbo)  
Bruce R. MacDonald (Lake Forest Park)  
Carol Rodgers (Sequim)  
Richard Swanson (Marysville)  
Mary J. Wingren (Belfair)  
Jeannine Zieroth (Centralia)

## **Wisconsin**

Joe Burger (Eau Claire)

## **Wyoming**

Amy Gladson (Casper)  
Trevor Tessman (Riverton)

## ALL ★ AMERICAN ★ CONTROVERSY

*Last month's issue included several letters from ACC members about the BOD's All American decision (a few more member letters appear on page 18). This month, CW asked BOD members to contribute their thoughts to the discussion.*

Very few issues have caused the emails and calls about changes made by the BOD during any of our meetings since I became a member some eleven years ago. This topic has caused by far the most interest of any I have been a part of, albeit the same two or three people are doing most of the emailing.

The All American team has been an issue for some time now. I originally brought it up about seven years ago and asked that we switch the top ten to represent the entire country by taking three from each region and the fourth-place person with the most points would be #10. After discussing it for nearly an hour and a half, we moved on without a vote. After this I was told to bring it up when the Western Region got all ten spots. Well, each year for the next six years one or two people from the Central or Eastern Region snuck into the top ten and made me wait another year.

As a member of the BOD I feel it is my duty to do what is best for the entire ACC, not what is best for the region I happen to live in. And from the 15-8 vote on this issue it appears that the majority of BOD members from all across the country also felt it was the best thing for the ACC. Here are the simple facts about this issue. If you happen to live in Boston MA, there are around 25 tournaments within

400 miles of you. It sounds like a nice amount, but most of the people complaining about the change either do not realize or quite frankly care that about 20 of those tournaments are one-day tournaments. And the problem with our one-day tournaments are if you qualify in the main tournament and lose in the first round, you do not get a chance to play in the consolation tournament. This alone probably costs our top players 400 or 500 MRPs per year.

If next year the American League decided that its All Star team should be the highest paid players and the most watched AL teams and then the All Star team had only Yankees and Red Sox players on it, it would disappoint the rest of the country. There is a reason why every major league sport in the United States takes players from all of the teams throughout the country—so that it represents all players and markets.

The top ten players throughout the country are very comparable year after year, as shown by the 8-7-6 score of the All Star tournament held in Reno each year (with the East leading, by the way). Why not find a way to represent the entire ACC when we decide on the All American team each year?

Also, 95% of the people reading this do not care in the least because they do not have the time or money to ever attain this award. But the other 5% care, and half of them think it is a great idea and half disagree.

Also, just because my thoughts are different than anyone else, it does not make either of us right or wrong; it just means

we have a difference of opinion. The last few months *Cribbage World* has printed points of view from both David Aiken and Jeanne Hofbauer. I happen to agree with David's point of view on this issue, but would never ask that Jeanne not be allowed to express her opinions in her monthly column. Every CW editor has expressed his opinion and probably represented their region more so than other regions because they had more knowledge and info of things going on around them. I am positive that if you email David with articles or comments he will always answer, and most will appear in an future CW.

With all of this said, I am proud to be an ACC member and have met many lifelong friends throughout the country. Because we may happen to disagree on this issue, it will not change how I feel about them. I have a feeling it will just make for a very long BOD meeting come February 2012.

*David Campbell (Parsonsfield ME)*

I am very disheartened about the current disagreement regarding the All American award. The last thing that I, as ACC President and as an ACC member, want to see is disharmony and strife among our membership.

There are so many opinions on this issue, but we know that no perfect solution will make everyone completely satisfied. There are many opinions on what is fair; and what is fair is very subjective and usually based on an individual's own experiences.

A common view of fairness is providing equal opportunity for individuals to use in what way they will. Everyone gets

the same starting point, and a difference in performance is assumed to be due to individual initiative and ability. However, another way of thinking is that limitations or hardships can influence results and therefore decrease the ideal of fairness.

With the All American team, everyone gets the same opportunity from the ACC. We do not limit the amount of tournaments that individuals can attend. But some factors are self-limiting; financial resources, health, ability to travel because of weather, time, or costs.

So to be fair, what should we do? I really thought that we had addressed this issue last year when we established the Regional All Star award, for the top eight MRP earners in each region. The thinking was that this would eliminate the bias of any imbalance of factors such as winter travel and amount of available tournaments. The All American award would then continue on, based solely upon individual performance, as it had since its inception 31 years ago.

These are both prestigious awards, and both get recognition from the ACC. Both get honors at the Grand National awards banquet. Both get attention in *Cribbage World*. Both get certificates of achievement. And the All Stars even get their own tournament in Reno during the JPW/ACC Open in February. To be sure, all of these award winners have sacrificed for the privilege of winning, and they have reached a pinnacle of achievement through their own motivation and initiative. They have supported the ACC by their participation.

Why is there need for further change?  
*Jeanne Hofbauer (Washougal WA)*

*continued on page 16*

Since I made the motion to do away with the All American award I will attempt to explain my action. I suppose I became a bit impatient with the BOD's decision-making process and wanted to move things along. That being said, I am a firm believer in recognizing and awarding achievement. My intent was to try and eliminate contention and divisiveness among ACC members. In my opinion, this feeling has been growing among some of our ACC family. There has been a great deal of discussion about the fairness of the award. Let me be clear: *it is fair*. It is normal human behavior to try and be the best you can be. If you become one of the best you should be recognized and rewarded in some way. I applaud the top ten MRP achievers. This subject will be discussed at the BOD meeting in February. Remember, we are the American Cribbage Congress—a family of caring, passionate, competitive people. Let's keep it that way.

*Ronald Logan Sr. (Meridian ID)*

Arguments about the All American team have been presented and discussed at BOD meetings for several years. The notion that the BOD acted without prior knowledge or discussion is erroneous. (The only individuals to which that *may* apply are the four new members of the BOD). I personally prefer that the All American designation be expanded to encourage competition in all regions and replace the All Star award. The reason this has been on the BOD agenda was to address what appeared to be a current trend, varying from the initial twenty years of the ACC. By my quick estimate, since the year 2000 there have been ten All American awards presented each year for a total of 120. Of

these 120, approximately 77% were from the Western Region, 11% from the Central Region, and 11% from the Eastern Region. The questions at hand was: Did the term "All American" represent the entire ACC membership?

*Catherine Perkins (Bear Creek NC)*

One of the top priorities of the BOD is to promote cribbage. Last season four players earned All American honors for the first time but they weren't the only players to attend more tournaments than they normally would try to attain All American honors. The All American award provides incentive for players to play cribbage. Last season six Eastern or Central players would have earned All American honors but fell just a few MRPs short. To earn All American honors, a player needs to average 30+ MRPs per tournament. If these players had played in just six more tournaments, they all would have had a legitimate chance to earn All American honors. Looking at last season's schedule, there were more than enough open dates in the Eastern and Central Regions to hold a minimum of six additional tournaments to accomplish this. Let's not overreact and abolish this historic award. Let's promote cribbage by keeping the incentive of the All American award.

*Roland Hall (Napa CA)*

The All American award is gone, and now we are being hit with objections that, in my opinion, should have been brought up at the September meeting before we voted. Since this is not the first time the proposal was presented, and it was no secret this would be on the agenda and since the majority ruled, the protests after the fact—good, bad, or indifferent—will



not change things until the subject is reopened, if it is reopened. Members who have achieved this award over the years will have the honor of being the only ones who will ever be able to claim this accomplishment if no change is made, and whatever is done to replace the award, if anything, will in no way detract from the All American achievements.

*Charlie Finley (Enfield CT)*

The All American award has been a goal of mine since 2002. This award is a testament to those with luck, skill, and willingness to go the extra miles to be one of the top ten MRP earners each year. It is natural that with twice the number of members, the Western Region has twice the number of tournaments. Many feel that this number of tournaments is not fair to members of the other two regions. When looked at from a reasonable driving distance (325 miles), Madison WI had the largest number of tournaments—40—during the 2010–2011 season. Yet no member from this area attained All American. Let those who have the drive/effort, skill and/or luck, and time to chase MRPs reach All American. If the problem is lack of tour-

naments within a region, then hold more tournaments within the region.

*Robert Milk (Glen Allen VA)*

Bob has created a light-hearted look at this debate entitled “Gandhi and Churchill discuss the All American Award.” You can view it at [xtranormal.com/watch/12671754/all-american-debate](http://xtranormal.com/watch/12671754/all-american-debate)

## Stat of the Month

*Eleven players have earned at least the first award level in all three branches of the ACC: sanctioned tournaments, Grass Roots clubs, and internet play.*

**Rick Allen** (Richmond VA)

**Ed Bloom** (Cupertino CA)

**Tom Cookman** (Eureka CA)

**Patricia Gossett** (Prineville OR)

**Douglas Henderson** (Racine WI)

**Timothy Julkowski** (Portland OR)

**Tom Langford** (McKinleyville CA)

**Pat Llewellyn** (Bellingham MA)

**Gerald Oxford** (Crescent City CA)

**John Schafer** (Battle Creek MI)

**Richard Shea** (Eureka CA)

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[twincities.com](http://twincities.com) Since 2003 senior citizens from Bayport Senior Center in Stillwater MN have been teaching fourth-graders in Afton-Lakeland Elementary how to play cribbage—and not only hone their math skills but at the same time also learn how to interact with older generations.

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[startribune.com](http://startribune.com) The November 26 St. Paul *Star Tribune* included a story about CW columnist **Jordan Wiklund**, who pens the “Notes from Cribbage-land” column each month (see page 29).



## More All American Letters from Members

Reading the most recent CW was akin to reading a suspense thriller with so many passionate letters about the changes to the All American award. It was most interesting to read the letters from so many ACC members who have such strong feelings on the matter. I think CW did an effective job of wrangling the spectrum of opinion on this topic and giving it the amount of attention it deserves.

*Brion Neeley (Scottsdale AZ)*

This entire All American discussion is getting out of hand. The BOD will have fun in February. . . . The solution to this entire fiasco is for ACC members to spend the time they are now using to complain about the unfairness of everything and use that time to make phone calls and find venues that are happy and willing to hold cribbage tournaments free of charge. This is how we can grow ACC membership. What is happening now is divisive and damaging to our organization.

*Tom Cookman (Eureka CA)*

I'm shocked! The BOD thinks it's unfair that the Western Region, with half the membership of the ACC, is dominating the All American team; therefore, "let's eliminate that award" and incentive to play in more tournaments. Unbelievable petty thinking—to punish the most active and productive people in your organization! Also, the BOD does not think it's fair to redistrict the West to make four regions equal in population and representation! Is it fair that the West can have only eight members on the All Star team while the other half of the membership has 16? Is it fair that the West is not en-

titled to half of the representatives on the BOD? I'm amazed that a group of leaders who have done such a great job building the organization have gone off on this tangent. It seems to me that the BOD should hold the Western Region up as a model of growth for the rest of the ACC. The leadership should be helping other areas to form Grass Roots clubs and ACC tournaments. Dave Aiken's efforts in Michigan are a great example! Please don't follow through with this vendetta against members who are doing exactly what the ACC wants—growing, participating, contributing.

*Mel Ashley (Marina CA)*

For me, the BOD's decision to eliminate the All American award came a year late. If they had done it a year earlier, it would have saved me the \$10,000+ I incurred traveling all over the country chasing the prize. My serious point is this: any decision by the BOD that is likely to decrease tournament attendance is a bad one, and abolishing the All American award will do just that. For love of the game, I certainly would have played a lot of tournaments last year, but I took it to the next level because I had a hot start. I even traveled all the way to North Carolina so I could play in the National Open followed by the one-day tournament on Monday. The only change I can endorse is the proposal to expand the All American team—in its current form without regional discrimination—to allow for more winners. This would address the fairness issue while increasing (rather than decreasing) attendance.

*Willie Evans (Richland WA)*

# All Stars in Reno

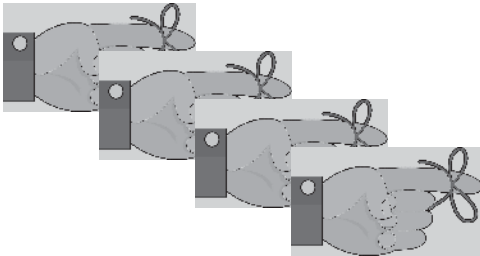
Each year the top eight players from each region gather for one of the ACC's most prestigious matches. The 22nd All Star Tournament will be held at 6:30p on Thursday, February 9, at the Sands Regency in Reno. Defending champion Eastern Region currently has an 8-7-6 lead over the Central and Western Regions.

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

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

| Western                             | Central                                  | Eastern                                 |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|
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| Roland Hall                         | Doug Page                                | Keith Widener                           |
| DeLynn Colvert                      | Richard Frost                            | David Statz                             |
| Ira Deutsch                         | Allen Karr                               | Donna LaFleur                           |
| Erik Locke                          | Don Flesch                               | Dave Clemmey                            |
| Willie Evans                        | David Aiken                              | Richard West                            |
| Bob Bartosh                         | Beth Widener                             | Phyllis Schmidt                         |
| Herschel Mack                       | Mike Burns                               | William Shoemaker                       |
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| Michael Rowe                        | Alan Schaefer                            | Robert Milk                             |

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Reno registration deadline

**January 27**

*"My Deal"—continued from page 4*

View CA) gave me the deluxe tour of the fabulous Monterrey Bay Aquarium.

As much as I appreciated all that these folks and others did for me on this trip, I know that my experience was not unique. Every week, ACC members open their homes and hearts to players from around the country. Ain't this a great organization! **CW**

## Vendors

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Richard L, Cook, Commander  
War Veterans Memorial Association

## ACC Awards



Bill learned to play cribbage at age eight from his uncle, **Warren Wilkinson**. Bill joined the ACC in 1981 and looks to his sister, **Shirley Ann**, as his mentor, for she encouraged him to play at the first tournament held in Hermiston. A member of Oregon's First Grass Roots Cribbage Club, Bill has been club champion twice and is a Silver Award winner.

**Bill Hill**  
(Hermiston OR)  
Life Master (★) #71

He has won fifteen sanctioned tourneys, with his favorite event being the Northwest Open in Baker City OR. His toughest opponent is **Bill Jones** of the Hermiston Club, who gets more 5s than people should! His favorite cribbage moment this year? Beating **David Aiken** in Reno last February! Now retired from the Union Pacific Railroad, Bill enjoys playing poker, mowing the lawn, going

to grandsons' sporting events, and visiting the Alaska grandchildren. In 1982 Bill attended Grand National in Las Vegas, where he met **Joe Wergin**, who encouraged him to start a Grass Roots club in Hermiston. The club was chartered in January 1982 with eight members and is the second Grass Roots club ever started!

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# The President's Column

by Jeanne Hofbauer



I love definitions and the dictionary. These tools help me to say things that I can't quite explain in my own words. I usually use the dictionary at least once while writing my column each month. Here are some examples I looked up for this column:

- **tournament:** a trial of skill in some game, in which competitors play a series of contests
- **competition:** a contest for a prize, honor, or advantage
- **compete:** to strive to outdo another for acknowledgment, a prize, supremacy, profit, etc.
- **contest:** a struggle for victory or superiority

I can really identify with the “struggle for victory.” Not so much the victory, but definitely the *struggle* for it!

Competition among humans for entertainment is nothing new. The Chinese are thought to be the inventors of playing cards and many gambling games. Jousting and archery tournaments were held in medieval Europe. Ancient Greeks and Romans are famous for their competitive sports. And Aztec and Incan games were

said to be fought to the extreme detriment of the losers—death! Aren't you glad that we live in more modern times, where competition is much safer!

Cribbage is a great game for tournament competition. It is one of the best two-handed games I know, making it easy to play multiple opponents in a scheduled time frame. It has enough of a luck factor to make the playing field somewhat level, although the more you learn about the game, the better you will do.

And the toughest competitors in the ACC are willing to teach you how to play better! Our highest ranking player, **DeLynn Colvert**, even wrote a book to teach us how to play better, and most of the others will share their “secrets to success,” if you ask them.

We are fortunate to have the ACC available to us. I really hope that we will nurture and take care of this organization so that it endures. I appreciate the efforts of those who teach others the game and encourage others to compete.

Happy New Year to you all.

*Jeanne*

## Milestones!

- James Morrow (WA) turns 40 on January 3  
Harvey Honeycutt (OR) turns 90 on January 19  
Robert Fitzgibbons (NY) turns 80 on January 30



CW acknowledges birthdays of members who hit an even decade. Send information two months in advance to [cribbage@iserv.net](mailto:cribbage@iserv.net) or P.O. Box 313, Ada MI 49301-0313.



# GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



## Youth Teaching Tip

From now on, I am dedicating my column each January to an individual or organization that has made a positive impact on youth cribbage during the previous year (or beyond). I am very pleased to announce that the 2011 Youth Cribbage Recognition Award goes to **Barbara Woodward and the Sands Regency Hotel** in Reno. For the past twelve years, Barbara has been responsible for securing a total of \$6,000 in donations for the annual Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament in northern California. These dollars have been used to purchase cribbage boards, custom pegs, t-shirts, and cribbage ball caps for each young player who attended an event. Plans have already been made to provide up to 80 players custom pegs for the upcoming 2012 event taking place in February. A special presentation will be made to Barbara at the reception directly following the Board of Directors meeting at the Sands in February. If you miss the presentation, when you see Barbara, please acknowledge her for the honorable work she does in supporting youth cribbage.

## Youth News

The 19th annual Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament will be held at Chicago Park School in Grass Valley CA on February 25. Come be a part of the longest running and best attended youth cribbage tournament in the United States and possibly the world! Last year, 68 youngsters from as far away as Maryland came to play. If you would like a flyer with details about the event emailed or mailed to you, contact Dan Zeisler at [danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com) or 530.263.7468.

## Teaching Manuals

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

- **Kevin Nolan** (Hot Springs AR)
- **Ed Bloom** (Cupertino CA)
- **Peter Thorsen Jr.** (Charlottesville VA)
- **Angela Custer** (Brentwood TN)
- **Tim Havighurst** (Hampstead MD)

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



# INTERNET Cribbage IRPs

BY ROBERT MILK

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

## November Wrap-Up

For the second month, **Sam Sinram (IA503)** held on to first place, with **Mark Van Dyke (loosespokes)** in second. By virtue of becoming the first Life eMaster, with 6,000 IRPs, Mark Van Dyke is the November player of the month.

## New Life eMaster (6,000 IRPs)

**Mark Van Dyke (loosespokes)**

### internet.tourney.schedule

| day       | time      | format      | URL                |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|
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| 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 January: no tourney on January 1*

### internet.tourney.winners

- 11/2 Richard E. Wilken (fishinggone)
- 11/3 Doug Whitlock (ddb599)
- 11/5 Kelly Ann Burgar (lil\_thummp)
- 11/6 George R. Shea (ksanka)
- 11/7 Howard Garvin (salthawk622)
- 11/9 Steven E. Quinnell (qqq55894)
- 11/10 Robert Meyer Jr. (cruiserbob)
- 11/12 Mark Lee Jarvie (thepilgrim\_MI)
- 11/13 Rick Baird (Rickyticky2201)
- 11/14 Peter Legendre (legend397)
- 11/16 Susan J. Scott (shesawinner2)
- 11/17 Adrian Levy (rohrerboy)
- 11/19 Robert M. Maupin (Fred451)
- 11/20 Timothy M. Julkowski (Tim\_Oregon2854)
- 11/21 Nancy R. Roncetti (nunzia)
- 11/23 Virginia Grant (retrn)
- 11/26 Richard May (rcmay5)
- 11/27 Elizabeth Miller (weezieboop)
- 11/30 John Schafer (netview85)

### internet standings

#### IRPs name (tournaments played)

- 1 471 Sam Sinram (60)
- 2 468 Mark Van Dyke (61)
- 3 399 Michael T. Burgess (50)
- 4 378 David Landreth (39)
- 5 330 Mike Fetchel (50)
- 6 312 Richard May (57)
- 7 309 William MacMillan (49)
- 8 279 Virginia Grant (47)
- 9 261 Kevin Nolan (46)
- 10 258 Richard Shea(41)

# 25 Years Ago in the ACC

The cover of the January 1987 *Cribbage World* announced that **Fred McGibney** (South Burlington VT) and **Jim Law** (Longmeadow MA) were appointed as ACC treasurer and membership secretary, respectively. Fred has since passed away, but Jim is still an ACC member.

Elsewhere in this issue we read that **Bill Hill** (Hermiston OR) won the Parkade Tournament in Kennewick WA and that **Bob Hanes** (Ankeny IA) won the Jesse James Open in Northfield MN, with **Syl Lulinski** (La Grange Park IL) winning the consolation.



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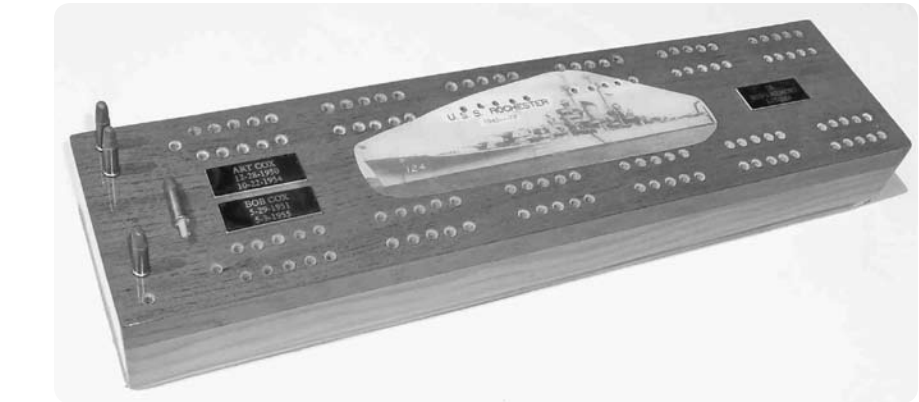
- Ralph Barnstien (Trumbull CT)
- Phillip Bauer (Arlington MA)
- Leroy Bevonden (Billings MT)
- Mitch Blanks (Gambrells MD)
- Kevin Bunker (Boise ID)
- Derrick Costa (West Wareham MA)
- Vincent Emilianowicz (Boyetown PA)
- Luke Hatfield (Chicago IL)
- Beatrice Keaney (Bedford MA)
- Jessica Kinnunen (Casper WY)
- Roger A. Lemer (Lolo MT)
- Susan Rumill (Hartford CT)
- Doris Sexsmith (Vernon BC)
- Sally Sloan (Palm Springs CA)
- Joann Trump (Stockton CA)
- Samantha Tugman (Baker City OR)
- Mike Workman (Mansfield TX)

# Cribbage Board of the Month

BY JAY FULWIDER

Last month I featured a commemorative board celebrating two best friends. This month is also a commemorative board that celebrates a special friendship between two brothers. **Art and Bob Cox** served together in the Navy during the Ko-

rean War. In the early 1950s, both were assigned to the heavy cruiser USS *Rochester*. We can only imagine how many games of cribbage were played on that ship before it was decommissioned in 1973.



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While attending a reunion of *Rochester* veterans, Art was given a piece of the ship's teak decking. When his brother Bob died several years ago, Art made his piece of decking into this cribbage board in memory of

both Bob and the *Rochester*. Art has been an ACC member for twelve years. He lives in Ventura CA and plays in Grass Roots Club 193. In addition to making this month's board, Art also collects cribbage boards.

I want to thank all my fellow ACC members for your interest in this column. I have received a great number of photos and stories and will do my best to use them. I am writing this January 2012 column in October 2011. Right now I have boards and stories ready through May 2012, so don't be disappointed if I tell you that your board will not be used right away.



**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.

# NOTES FROM CRIBBAGELAND

by JORDAN WIKLUND

Cribbage is linked to one of the most divisive moments in American history.

On Friday, April 14, 1865, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth. After shooting the President, Booth jumped from the box of Ford's Theater, shouting "Sic Semper Tyrannis!" (Thus Always to Tyrants) as he fell to the stage. He made his way to the alley, mounted a horse, and galloped up F Street, away from the bloodied theater in Washington DC to the southern countryside of Maryland. According to one of the theater attendants, a full moon rose that night, illuminating the path of the assailant. Lincoln did not last the night.

Booth rode to the farm of Dr. Samuel Mudd, accompanied by another conspirator named David Herold. Mudd mended his fractured leg, unaware of the previous night's events. Once the leg was mended, Mudd rode to nearby Bryantown in search of a carriage for his wounded patient. In town, he learned of the assassination and of the unknown whereabouts of the assailant. Shortly after his return, Booth and Herold left the farm. They were caught within one week; Herold was taken into the custody of the federal government. Booth was shot and killed.

The trial did not take long. Three conspirators were hung, including Mary Surratt, the first woman executed by the federal government. Three more received life sentences. Samuel Mudd was one of these three.

Imprisoned in Fort Jefferson, seventy miles west of Key West FL, he sent letters to his wife and also to the government. He busied himself by tending to inmates—yellow fever swept through the prison, and many died. He also busied himself in the carpenter's shop making cribbage boards. In a letter to his wife from 1867, he writes, "I sent you a cribbage board, the only thing I had on hand at the time. It was quite an extemporaneous getting up; Colonel Hamilton having kindly offered to take any articles we desired to send North. . . . The board I sent was not completed—there was a drawer intended for cards and little pegs." He sent several boards while imprisoned.

To this day, Mudd's culpability is questioned. During the trial, Mudd admitted to having met Booth a few months before the murder about a sale of a horse and possibly some land. No matter the case, cribbage—a pastime, a tradition, a game—has strong ties to our American history.

It's quite a remarkable story. If anyone out there has any idea who owns the cribbage boards of Samuel Mudd, or of their history, please contact me. Any information is greatly appreciated. **CW**



A writer living in St. Paul MN, Jordan is working on a book, *CribbageLand: The People, Craft, and Culture of a Curious Game*. Read more about it at [cribbageland.com](http://cribbageland.com) or on Facebook and Twitter @JordanWiklund.

# GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

as of November 29

## Division 1

### Points ♦ Name (Club)

- 133 Joseph Cornelissen (147)
- 129 Dennis Ulberg (284)
- 126 Dennis Misenar (600)
- 123 Tony Pacheco (109)
- 121 David Gerke (300)
- 121 Jerry Hardy (375)
- 118 Richard A. Harris (108)
- 117 Paul Finazzo (600)
- 112 Ray Kranz (271)
- 108 Ed Ciccone (109)
- 108 Frank Ornie (62)
- 105 James Flaherty Sr. (308)
- 104 Mark Hauser (295)
- 103 Karyn Fischer (168)
- 102 David Gilkeson (62)
- 102 Michelle Quakenbush (329)
- 102 Majyk Stella (600)
- 101 Richard Jaspers (379)
- 100 Ike Burford (321)
- 100 Stephen Fitchett (318)
- 100 David Fournier (22)
- 100 Lee Norris (168)
- 99 Daniel Crete (314)
- 99 Paul Downing (232)
- 99 Wilbur Paul (346)
- 99 Mike Sudduth (339)
- 99 Joseph G. Wyllie (168)
- 98 Cathy Carter (243)
- 98 Rex Paddock (347)
- 98 Tom Varnell (274)
- 97 Jack Nelson (314)
- 97 Larry Phifer (58)
- 97 Don Russell (274)
- 96 Nolan A. Johnson (1)
- 95 Frank E. Hanson (198)
- 95 Jerry D. Hedden (318)
- 95 Gary Rasmussen (232)
- 95 Ed Tasca (89)
- 94 Ernest Rancourt (221)
- 93 Michael Burnham (119)
- 93 Craig E. Jensen (46)
- 92 Hazel Carlson (276)
- 92 Nick Kenny (108)
- 91 Darlene Althaus (240)
- 91 Paul Hatcher (46)
- 91 Doug Holden (354)
- 91 Thomas Schroeder (357)
- 91 Richard Sutherland (148)
- 90 Dale Carey (62)
- 89 Gary Reichel (300)

## Division 2

- 70 Patricia Davidsen (289)
- 68 Wendell Woodard (219)
- 63 Merry Coburn (5)
- 61 Louis Vienneau (130)
- 60 Herb Petty (38)
- 59 T. L. Gandy Sr. (356)

## Division 3

- 39 Tony Santoro (102)
- 38 Chris Trent (102)
- 36 John Wallen (24)
- 32 Sydney Balows (383)

## Travelers

- 155 Dennis Misenar
- 117 Paul Finazzo

# GrassRoots Awards

### Silver Award

- Al Doucet (288), MO
- Elliott Havitz (120), WI
- Albert Podevels (199), WI
- Norman Nikodym (68), CA
- David R. O'Neil (119), GA
- Donald A. Diehl (328), FL
- Tom Lewis (271), NM

### Bronze Award

- Walter Wasielewski (332), MI
- Bruce P. Gentry (39), WA
- Frank Spitulski (118), WA
- Rich Ekman (190), CA
- Glenn Scott (98), CA
- Betty J. Davis (34), CO
- Robert M. Barron (23), CO
- Linda M. Brent (272), MD
- Jerry Hardy (375), ME
- Jerome M. Jansky (94), MN
- Rex Paddock (347), MT



WRITTEN AND EDITED BY DAVE GERKE



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

Club directors and statisticians: do you have questions about how to enter your club results on the Grass Roots website or how to manage your club roster? Grass Roots webmaster **Paul Gregson** has posted some tutorials on youtube.com that provide help on these and other topics.

- “Creating a Tournament Schedule”: [youtube.com/watch?v=xR8fOscEgJ8](http://youtube.com/watch?v=xR8fOscEgJ8)
- “Managing Your Club Roster”: [youtube.com/watch?v=2Y\\_1zJBH5Vg](http://youtube.com/watch?v=2Y_1zJBH5Vg)
- “Entering Tournament Results”: [youtube.com/watch?v=Nvz7oNDbmro](http://youtube.com/watch?v=Nvz7oNDbmro)
- “Other Features”: [youtube.com/watch?v=CneARM9O82w](http://youtube.com/watch?v=CneARM9O82w)

**Para-Pines Peggers Club 142 (Paradise CA)**—**Dennis Jacob** visited from Chico on November 17 and won only five of nine games. But all five wins were skunks, for 15 game points and a first-place finish for the night. *submitted by Dennis Phillips*

**Edmonton Club 261 (Edmonton AB)**—at a recent tourney five 15-point cards took the top five places. The following week, a 14-point card was first place and an 11-point card took the last place money! **Doris Sanders** had a 28-hand on November 16. We bid farewell and all the best to **Pamela Philip** and **Evelyn Osaka**, who both recently moved to British Columbia. On the flip side, we welcome back **Marvin Blomquist**,

**John Zawaduk**, and **Herb Lee**, who all joined the club this season after an absence. **Michael Milobar** has been in the hospital, and our club’s thoughts are with him and his family. We would like to extend a warm welcome to **Frank Matichuk** and **Nina Lucki**, who recently joined the ACC and our club. **Lewis Skidmore** continues to lead the club, topping 100 GRPs this season. *submitted by Gary Wirth*

**Bell Bar Club 97 (Bay City MI)**—no one likes to get the infamous two-two, but if you get a 2-hand and 2-crib at Club 97, you’ll have to wear a tutu for the rest of the



night—or until someone else gets a 2-2. That’s club director **Tom Borkowski** all decked out in the frilly skirt! *submitted by Margaret Borkowski*

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Everyone knows that Paul is a formidable force on the tournament trail—#8 on the lifetime leader board with 20,380 MRPs to his credit, twenty-five tournament wins under his belt, and Three Stars in his back pocket—but now he's added another rare credential to his already impressive cribbage résumé: he has become only the fourteenth Gold Award winner in Grass Roots play. His other Grass Roots achievements include being club champion several times, serving as Grass Roots Region II commissioner, and directing Grass Roots Club 46 for thirteen years. More of Paul's accomplishments are listed in the September Cribbage World, page 16, or online in his Hall of Fame biography.

**Paul Hatcher**  
(Salem OR)  
Gold #14



*Grass Rooks Corner—continued from page 31*

**Capital Club 46 (Salem OR)**—hot cards for **Paul Hatcher**, who had a grand slam 21/9 +189 card, which brought him to within three GRPs of his Gold Award in Grass roots play. The very next week, Paul had 12/6 +53 to become the ACC's fourteenth Gold Award winner! (See above.) Ever the optimist, Paul says he can't wait to get to Platinum! Great job, Paul, and congrats from the entire club! Through ten weeks **Rollie Heath** is in first place with 84 points, followed closely by **Craig Jensen** with 81 and **Paul Hatcher** with 79. *submitted by Craig Jensen*

**Casco Bay Club 375 (Portland ME)**—we're off to a good start for our second year. So far twenty-four people have signed up. **Jerry Hardy** got his Bronze Award in week eight, giving our club two Bronzes and two Masters. The competition is getting tough. New member **Bob Tevanian** got a grand slam 18/9 +152 in week nine, on his first night of play! *submitted by Lance Browne*

**Mount Taylor Club 245 (Grants NM)**—**Roger Madsen**, 88 years young, has been a member of club 245 almost since its inception in 1997. When he wanted a fancy set of pegs for cribbage, he turned to his friend **Harry Weaver**, who in his retirement spends time woodworking and metalworking. He

made these beautiful pegs according to Roger's design. *submitted by Tom Bombaci*



**Bay De Noc Peggers Club 218 (Gladstone MI)**—on October 31 **Richard Kirchofer** had a grand slam 21/9 + 203! Needless to say, he was the winner for the evening, won the skunk jar, and was a happy cribbage player. *submitted by Donna Aird*

**Mount Pleasant Peggers Club 329 (Mount Pleasant MI)**—on October 11 **Alphonse Scarantino** had a grand slam, and on November 8 **Douglas Myers** scored a 28-hand. *submitted by Michelle Quakenbush*

**River City Peggers Club 162 (Carmichael CA)**—on November 19 we sponsored a club challenge at Sam's Hof Brau. Thirty-three players from three clubs attended the fun-filled event. River City Peggers won, followed by Gold Country Cribbers (El Dorado Hills) and Box Car Peggers (Roseville). Top scores of the day went to **Nancy Rojas**, **Richard Monroe**, and **Don Howard**. Next spring, the Gold Country Cribbers would like to host the event. *submitted by Kim Fairless*



Clendenning's Clan Club 43 (Fremont CA)—what're cribbage players to do when their fifteenth wedding anniversary falls on



club night? Show up at club with an anniversary cake that reads “Happy Anniversary: 15 for 2”! Congratulations to Rookie of the Year **Terry Higgins** and **Angela Higgins** (Hayward CA), who celebrated fifteen years together.

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## In Memoriam

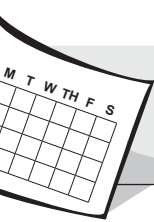
### Kit Botkins

Kit Botkins (Cheyenne WY) passed away on November 28 at age 58. He was a member of Club 211, the Stink Hole in the Wall Gang in Cheyenne WY. He had retired from the Postal Service and also served in the Wyoming Air Guard as an avionics technician. He was a soccer referee, sports enthusiast, bowler, golfer, and very active in his church. Kit was a very skillful cribbage player who attended Grass Roots regularly until he became ill. He was very excited to have been able to play in Reno in 2011 for the very first time. He loved the game and will be greatly missed.

### Jean Seeman

Dorothy Jean Seeman (Winston Salem

NC) joined the Twin City Cribbage Club in the fall of 2001. Ten years later, she lost her last game. An amazing woman, Jean was one of the most dependable players at club, having played more than 3,100 games of cribbage over ten Grass Roots seasons, while attending 96% of our events. The only time she ever missed was when she was in the hospital. She was co-director of the first North Carolina Open and club treasurer for several years. She kept up with members' birthdays and brought cakes to celebrate. Her perspective on life was amazing, being that she admired the simple things in life. She took most things in stride and tried to find the best that everything had to offer. She will be missed greatly.



# SANCTIONED Tournaments

MRPs

as of December 5

## National Standings

| MRPs | Name                       | MRPs | Name                       | MRPs | Name                       |
|------|----------------------------|------|----------------------------|------|----------------------------|
| 1    | 1130 Duane Toll, OR        | 51   | 262 Robert Wahlgren, MA    | 101  | 190 Martha O'Donnell, WA   |
| 2    | 800 DeLynn Colvert, MT     | 52   | 258 James Fanning, CA      | 102  | 190 Jones Hom, CA          |
| 3    | 741 Roland Hall, CA        | 53   | 255 Donald Brown, CA       | 103  | 190 Luther Lord, CA        |
| 4    | 639 Donald Fleisch, WI     | 54   | 254 Lyle Lund, MN          | 104  | 185 James Aleschus Sr., CA |
| 5    | 624 Charlie Finley, CT     | 55   | 252 Karen Ferraro, WA      | 105  | 184 Mike Burns, MN         |
| 6    | 605 Todd Malmgren, OR      | 56   | 252 Cy Madrone, CA         | 106  | 183 James Huser, WI        |
| 7    | 571 Jim Crawford, CA       | 57   | 248 Annett Eiffert, CA     | 107  | 183 Brittany Pierce, OR    |
| 8    | 535 Robert Medeiros, MA    | 58   | 241 Keith Widener, NC      | 108  | 182 Jay Sorensen, CA       |
| 9    | 525 Richard Frost, WI      | 59   | 239 Tom Edwards, IL        | 109  | 181 Jeanne Hofbauer, WA    |
| 10   | 486 Beth Widener, WI       | 60   | 238 Philip Beauregard, MA  | 110  | 180 Tony Montooth, CA      |
| 11   | 481 Mel Ashley, CA         | 61   | 238 John Rooney Sr., MA    | 111  | 180 John Prehn, CA         |
| 12   | 441 Howard Terry, FL       | 62   | 238 Dennis Caprigno, MA    | 112  | 177 Clyde Royce, VA        |
| 13   | 440 Leslie Sumner, NV      | 63   | 236 Diana Webster, WA      | 113  | 177 Sue Schenk, MI         |
| 14   | 430 Donna LaFleur, CT      | 64   | 234 Holli Remington, MA    | 114  | 177 Patrick Barrett, WI    |
| 15   | 427 Haley Hintze, IL       | 65   | 234 Pamela Pomeroy, CA     | 115  | 176 Bruce Sattler, MD      |
| 16   | 427 James Langley, CA      | 66   | 233 Tom Cookman, CA        | 116  | 176 Albert Miller, NH      |
| 17   | 380 Keith Miller, NC       | 67   | 232 Bryant Gilkeson, NV    | 117  | 175 David Aiken, MI        |
| 18   | 379 Erik Royland Locke, OR | 68   | 232 Richard Wardenburg, CA | 118  | 175 Jim Gavegan, CO        |
| 19   | 373 Ira Deutsch, OR        | 69   | 231 Michael Duffy, CA      | 119  | 174 Patrick Healey, MI     |
| 20   | 365 Beth Fleischer, CA     | 70   | 228 Adrian Levy, CA        | 120  | 174 John Schafer, MI       |
| 21   | 363 Cres Fernandez, CA     | 71   | 227 James Clark, CA        | 121  | 174 Carole Herron, MT      |
| 22   | 361 Fred White, HI         | 72   | 222 Jeanne Jelke, WA       | 122  | 173 Jerry Hardy, ME        |
| 23   | 360 Phyllis Schmidt, MA    | 73   | 222 Rickie Mack, OR        | 123  | 172 Jeanette Nielsen, OR   |
| 24   | 347 Peter Stemler, NV      | 74   | 221 Glenn Scott, CA        | 124  | 171 Clay Lindgren, NV      |
| 25   | 346 Frank Ornie, OR        | 75   | 221 Paul Gregson, CA       | 125  | 169 Mary Burlington, MA    |
| 26   | 344 Paul Hatcher, OR       | 76   | 221 Bob Prochnow, CA       | 126  | 168 Gordy Wise, WA         |
| 27   | 337 Mills Brubaker, WA     | 77   | 219 Ronald Hoglund, CA     | 127  | 167 Richard Shea, CA       |
| 28   | 329 Bruce Goff, WA         | 78   | 216 Michael McCammon, NV   | 128  | 167 Suzanne Lamoureux, AB  |
| 29   | 325 Roger Grandgeorge, IA  | 79   | 215 Lee Norris, RI         | 129  | 167 Artland Kaai, CA       |
| 30   | 323 Chuck Yeomans, VA      | 80   | 215 David Statz, MA        | 130  | 166 Timothy Julkowski, OR  |
| 31   | 322 Bob Joslin, MN         | 81   | 214 Hal Mueller, ON        | 131  | 163 Todd Schaefer, MN      |
| 32   | 301 Jack Moritzky, WA      | 82   | 212 Greg Schleusner, CA    | 132  | 161 Scott Hudson, IL       |
| 33   | 299 Herschel Mack, OR      | 83   | 209 Roger Bouchard, CT     | 133  | 161 Bernie Nelson, OR      |
| 34   | 291 Peter Legendre, ME     | 84   | 208 Patricia Echard, NV    | 134  | 161 Sue Pisha, OR          |
| 35   | 290 Paul Batterson, CT     | 85   | 202 Carl Deyette, CT       | 135  | 161 Bill Hutchinson, CO    |
| 36   | 290 Rich Ekman, CA         | 86   | 202 Richard Horvath, WI    | 136  | 160 Katey Mayo, CO         |
| 37   | 289 Donald Patrin, MN      | 87   | 200 David O'Neil, GA       | 137  | 159 Emilio Perez, IL       |
| 38   | 287 Raymond Gonzales, NV   | 88   | 200 Tom Gannon, MT         | 138  | 159 Terry Weber, WI        |
| 39   | 284 Lee Dillon, MA         | 89   | 197 Brett Brunner, MN      | 139  | 158 Rhynold Shave, WI      |
| 40   | 283 Janet Viands, VA       | 90   | 197 Bart Jaeger, NE        | 140  | 157 Rodger Bender, MT      |
| 41   | 282 Christy Lens, CA       | 91   | 197 Donald Urban, IL       | 141  | 156 Wayne Steinmetz, WI    |
| 42   | 281 Jeff Shimp, MI         | 92   | 194 Lorne Tanton, AB       | 142  | 155 Mary Ann Kelliher, FL  |
| 43   | 280 Tom Langford, CA       | 93   | 194 Roy Wong, HI           | 143  | 153 Gordon Brown, CA       |
| 44   | 279 Winona McDaniel, OR    | 94   | 192 Tony Danihel, WI       | 144  | 152 Jerry Gooden, NC       |
| 45   | 275 Kerry O'Connell, CA    | 95   | 192 Douglas Henderson, WI  | 145  | 152 Jack Howsare, VA       |
| 46   | 273 Doug Page, WI          | 96   | 192 Jerome Tork, WI        | 146  | 151 Phil Martin, CT        |
| 47   | 273 Michael Rowe, AK       | 97   | 191 Gary Haelfrisch, WI    | 147  | 151 Jackie Doppelt, CA     |
| 48   | 271 David Braach, MT       | 98   | 191 John Goe, WA           | 148  | 150 Paul Barnes, FL        |
| 49   | 270 Ronald Logan Sr., ID   | 99   | 190 David Bonnar, NV       | 149  | 150 Mary Gladish, CA       |
| 50   | 269 Marvin Lang, IL        | 100  | 190 Ross Njaa, CA          | 150  | 149 Lorna Klein, BC        |

# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

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| Western Region   | Central Region   | Eastern Region   |
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Unless otherwise indicated, tournaments (a) are round-robin format, (b) include a consolation, and (c) are singles competition. Most generally have satellite events. Details are accurate at time of publication, but check with the tournament director before making travel plans. For more information, visit [cribbage.org](http://cribbage.org).

#### January 6–8, Peg for the Border

Masonic Lodge, 4731 Date Ave, La Mesa CA 91942. Main \$55. Contact: Shelley & Roz Berman (619.444.7655), 1145 Naranca Ave, El Cajon CA 92021

#### January 13–14, Minnesota Snowball

Moose Lodge, 1946 English St, Maplewood MN 55107. Main \$50. Contact: Jerry Gruber (612.722.1292), 5121 Nokomis Ave, Minneapolis MN 55417 or Al Booth (763.783.7042)

#### January 13–15, Virginia Championships

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

#### January 13–15, Topaz Spring Open

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

#### January 14, Daffodil Express Open

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

#### January 15, Tom Winter Memorial

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

#### January 20–22, Pacific Coast Championship

Masonic Lodge, 48 E San Joaquin, Salinas CA 93901. Main \$72. Contact: David Shifflett

(831.373.1040), 1319 Lawton Ave, Pacific Grove CA 93950 or Ross Njaa

#### January 20–22, Portland Open

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

#### January 20–22, Georgia Open

Quality Inn, 1052 Claussen Rd, Augusta GA 30907. Main \$60. Contact: Carl Squire (404.983.5058; carl\_squire@yahoo.com), 3292 Bells Ferry Rd, Marietta GA 30066 or Dave O'Neil

#### January 21, Yuma Snowbird Tournament

American Legion, 2575 S Virginia Dr, Yuma AR 85364. Main \$40. Contact: Walter Conell (928.782.0468), 500 W 28th St, Yuma AZ 85364 or Jerry Blackman (541.788.3310)

#### January 21, Edmonton New Years 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 Terry Hatto

#### January 22, Finley Family Winter Classic

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Peter & Patti Vangness (413.525.7787), 235 Canterbury Cir, East Longmeadow MA 01028

#### January 22, 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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**January 27–29, Michigan Cribbage Cup**

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

**January 27–29, Northern California Open**

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

**January 27–29, Space Coast Beach Blast**

Comfort Inn, 3901 N Atlantic Ave, Cocoa Beach FL 32931. Main \$60. Contact: Marc Leichtling (321.266.3551), 8752 Palm Way, Cape Canaveral FL 32920 or Pam Black

**January 28, Fallbrook Avocado**

Senior Center, 399 Heald Ln, Fallbrook CA 92028. Main \$50. Contact: Obie Weeks (760.695.2977; nccribbage@aol.com), 3354 Hillside Ln, Fallbrook CA 92028

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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 or 616.401.8311)

## Tournament of Champions

The invitation-only TOC will be held on Friday, **February 10**, in Reno NV.

The list of invitees is posted at **cribbage.org/TOC/toc2012.asp**. Entry forms may be mailed in or submitted online via the Sands website (sandsregency.com).

If you do not see your name on the list or did not receive your invitation, please contact Grass Root Commissioner Joan Rein:

- phone: 952.448.2459
- email: accgrassroots@earthlink.net
- mail: PO Box 306, Carver MN 55315

If you earned an invitation this year but will not be 21 years of age by February 10, please advise Joan so you can use your invitation another year.

**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 on centerfold.**

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**February 17–18, Michigan Tourn. 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 or 616.340.7009), 112 Gold Ave NW, Grand Rapids MI 49504 or David Aiken (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 & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605), 6282 Humboldt Hill Rd, Eureka CA 95503

### 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, Illinoi 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 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

### 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

### 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 Parlmont 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 Irlo 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

### April 6-8, Washington State Open

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. Main

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

**April 12, New England Spring Fever**

VFW, 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 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**

VFW, 123 Holliston St, Medway MA 02053. Main \$55. Contact: Earle & Holli Remington (508.528.3288), 301 Union St #203, Franklin MA 02038

**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**

Winnex 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 Couzens (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 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 4–6, 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, Merrilan 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

**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 20, Hawai'i Open**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$40. Contact: Alice Souza

**Sunrise Youth Tourney**

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

(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, Ankeny IA 50021. Main \$65. Contact: Dick Ogden (515.419.6818), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315

**June 8-10, Charlottesville Summer Kickoff**

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 Sherlyn 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

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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

**August 4, Schaefer/Steinmetz Shuffle Special**

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

**August 5, Steinmetz/Schaefer Shuffle Special**

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 E Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. Main \$50. Contact: Wayne Steinmetz (414.353.9301), 6604 N 58th St, Milwaukee WI 53223 or Al Schaefer (262.677.9766)

**August 5, Patriot Kickoff**

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Carl Deyette (860.568.7418), 55 Legion Dr, East Hartford CT 06118 or Walter Brideaux

**August 10–12, Cereal City Classic**

Comfort Inn, 2590 Capital Ave, Battle Creek MI 49105. Main \$60. Contact: David Boyer



(269.788.1289), 110 Greentree Ln #14A, Battle Creek MI 49015 or Dave Gerke

**August 17–19, Peach State Classic**

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

**August 24–26, Mt. Rainier Open**

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

**August 24–26, Len Wahlig Memorial**

Brat Stop (282.857.2011), 12304 75th St, Kenosha WI 53142. Main \$70. Contact: Dave Carey (217.563.7190), 13592 Delaney Rd, Huntley IL 60142

**August 26, 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

**August 31–September 2, Labor Day Special**

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

**August 31–Sept. 2, Montana Capital Classic**

Eagles Manor, 715 Fee St, Helena MT 59601. Main \$60. Contact: Tom Gannon (406.442.1907), PMB 2106, 1 Jackson Creek Rd, Clancy MT 59634 or Carole Herron (406.495.9478)

**September 20–23, GN 31**

Radisson Paper Valley Hotel, 333 W College Ave, Appleton WI 54911. Main \$80. Contact: Joan Rein (952.448.2459), PO Box 306, Carver MN 55315 or Richard Frost or Bob Kiley

**September 30, 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

**October 5–7, Columbus Day Tourney**

Elks, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701. Main \$65. Contact: Margery Clark (541.385.0330), 60945 Granite Dr, Bend OR 97702 or Rick Baird

**October 6, Wonderful Woodland Won-Day**

TBA. Main \$62. Contact: Cecil & Julie Felkins (707.372.4184), 247 Porter Ct, Woodland CA 95695

**October 12–14, Capital City Classic**

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

den (515.419.6818), PO Box 35211, Des Moines IA 50315

**October 14, October Occurrence Classic**

Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave, West Springfield MA 01089. Main \$55. Contact: Phyllis Schmidt (413.664.8125), 227 Franklin St #5A, North Adams MA 01247 or Isabel Hyndman

**October 19–21, Crescent City Open**

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

**October 19–21, Emerald Coast Open**

Elks, 1335 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. Main \$60. Contact: Scott & Jenny Bailey (850.582.5945), 1951 Waterford Ridge Rd, Fort Walton Beach FL 32547

**October 20, Cribbage from the Crypt**

Eagles, 112 E 8th St, Port Angeles WA 98362. Main \$50. Contact: Lisa Duff (360.808.7128), PO Box 2008, Port Angeles WA 98362

**October 20, 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 Dave McDonald

**October 26–28, Abe Kealoha Extravaganza**

Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$50. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera

**October 26–28, Salem Classic**

Elks, 2336 Turner Rd SE, Salem OR 97302. Main \$70. Contact: Rick & Kim Simmons (503.364.1510), 7525 Spelbrink Ln SE, Salem OR 97317 or Craig Jensen (503.409.3749)

**November 2–4, Sunshine State Classic**

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

**November 12–14, Topaz Winter Open**

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

**November 17, Vacaville Fall Classic**

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)

**November 30–Dec. 2, Greater Orlando Open**

Hampton Inn, 151 N Douglas Ave, Altamonte

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Springs FL 32714. Main \$60. Contact: David & Nicole Fournier (407.695.1902), 808 Osceola Trl, Casselberry FL 32707

**November 30–December 2, Jingle Bell Open**  
Riverfront Inn (800.338.3305), 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. Main \$55. Contact: Al Karr (920.434.3402), 2866 Shade Tree Ct, Green Bay WI 54313 or Lee Tesch

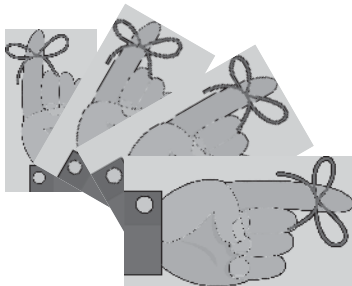
**December 2, Hawai'i Cribbage Championship**  
Fleet Reserve, 891 Valkenburgh St, Honolulu HI 96818. Main \$50. Contact: Alice Souza (808.343.3023), 5067A Iroquois Ave, Ewa Beach HI 96706 or Mary Jane Esera

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**January 19–February 2, Hawai'iian Cruise**  
Four tourneys aboard *Carnival Splendor* (ncl.com) —roundtrip from Los Angeles. Main \$60 each. Tourney contact: Winona & Mike McDaniel (541.736.1363) or Brittany & Rick Pierce (541.514.0274). Cruise contact: Roger Wilson (303.254.4670; cruisesbyroger@aol.com), 11386 Grove St Unit B, Westminster CO 80031

- Coconut Shuffle (January 20–21)
- Tropical Madness (January 22–23)
- Hawai'iian Blowout (January 29–30)
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**January 27**

heard about the State of Tennessee were indeed true, I said, “Volls! Why would they choose rodents for a mascot?”

Needless to say, it took awhile for Jack to stop laughing long enough to explain about Tennessee’s “volls” and, of course, to *loudly* share my ignorance with *everyone* at the table so that my status as Ignorant-College-Football-Female-From-California is secure. It’s okay. I can live with that because I am just so glad that Tennessee’s

mascot is the Volunteers and *not* a rodent. Besides, Auburn beat Tennessee that day and then went on to win the 2009 Bobby Stuart Classic.

Now that I’m moving back to California, I know that I will always remember that Eastern Region tournament win and especially the “good ol’ southern hospitality” of all the ACC members I had the good fortune to meet, compete against, and become friends with while in Georgia. **CW**

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## Tennessee's Mascot is a Rodent?

BY JOAN LAYTE

Cribbage Stories from around the ACC

I wasn't able to go to Grand National this year, as I was busy packing and getting ready to move my bird, horse, and self back to California. I really enjoyed all the East Coast and southern cribbage players I met during my three years in Georgia, although it did take me awhile to attune my ear to some of their accents. Kind of like when I talk to **Kerry O'Connell** (Ventura CA). I love her Australian accent but it takes awhile for me to translate it.

The first tournament I played was the 2009 Bobby Stuart Classic. With **Henry Douglass** (Reidsville NC) sitting on my right, I was getting an earful of southern drawl. To my delight, I qualified! But to my dismay, I learned that my first play-off opponent was **Jack Howsare** (Virginia Beach VA). I didn't know Jack before I moved to Georgia, but he was easy to recognize in his orange shirt and ball cap with a big "T." During a qualifying game against Jack, I figured the "T" was for Tough but he assured me it meant Tennessee.

Now, I must digress a moment to tell you that college football is as foreign to me as the constellations in an evening sky. I know they exist and can even name a few but that's about it. Heck, after three years, I can't even keep it straight whether my cousin goes to UA or AU; the letters are stacked on his ball cap and apparently there is a *big* difference!

I needed to do something to counteract my trepidation about playing Jack and

hopefully get an edge against this Tough cribbage opponent and Tennessee fan. So I showed up on Sunday morning wearing my cousin's blue and orange Auburn shirt and ball cap, and I told Jack we were having an Auburn Tigers vs. Tennessee Titans match. Oops, wrong! That's when Jack and everyone else sitting nearby set this Ignorant-College-Football-Female-From-California straight that the "T" is for Tennessee, but not Titans. "Oh," I apologized; "I didn't even know there was more than one football team in Tennessee!"

Wanting to further educate myself about college football and make light conversation as we settled into our match, I asked Jack, "What is Tennessee's mascot?" "Volls," he casually replied as he set his cribbage hand. You can imagine how put off I was by a team that picked rodents for a mascot. I think I even picked my feet off the floor as I imagined them scurrying about. Surely I had misunderstand his southern accent or flat-out heard him wrong. So I asked again. Same answer: "Volls."

Sure now that all the rumors I had ever  
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*Joan, along with her 1,200-pound horse and bird, recently completed her cross-country move from Georgia to California.*





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