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START THE YEAR 1988 WITH PANACHE

1. If you're going to complain, do it with style. The volunteer who hears your complaint has heard it all, so before you gripe, develop a little flair and originality.
2. If something, in your opinion, goes wrong in the tournament you attend, stand up on the table and announce it to everyone.
3. Send your entry in at the very last moment or call the night before; even better, be a walk-in after all the seating and table assignments have been arranged. People will really get to know you better.
4. When you don't show up at a tournament or don't call beforehand, demand your entry fee back. Your lunch has been paid for, and the prize money is posted on the morning of the tournament; but that's okay, the tournament director doesn't mind taking a loss.
5. Whenever you have a chance, spill your beverage all over the table, cards and boards. Every tournament worker loves to run around looking for a fresh table cover to make your stay more enjoyable.
6. When you use your own pegs, try to lose the pegs that are supplied with the board; above all, never return the board pegs to the proper holes after the completion of your game.
7. Bend the deck of cards as soon as you can so that they look like the letter U; and while you're at it, chip a few corners. That way you'll insure that there are no fresh decks left over; the tournament director would just have to carry new decks home and save them for the next tournament.
8. Be deliberate and play slowly; if you have a little time on your hands, go visit with friends and keep the next player waiting. You'll be surprised how this will psych your next opponent.
9. When you cut to determine the deal, go deep and leave your opponent only 8-10 cards to choose from.
10. Be a loudmouth and let everyone know how (pick one) good, unlucky, jinxed or snake bitten you are; how your opponent made 10 mistakes but beat you anyway because you didn't get any hand over 4. It's not important that everyone has at one time or another been down this road before.
11. Berate the new tournament player so that person is so discouraged as to never attend a tournament again.
12. Complain about the lunch, the cold, the light, the heat, the smoke, how crowded it is, etc., etc., etc. (Go back to #1)

THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Joseph P. Wergin

THE STATE OF THE CONGRESS

The Tournament of Champions and Congress Open: Will set records in February at Reno. Last year 176 in Tournament of Champions and 454 in Congress Open. Latter event may have 600 entries this year.

Membership: Should be 10,000 considering that we have been in business nine years. By September 1, there may be 7,000 on rolls. May exceed that figure with planned promotions.

President's Sponsorship Drive: Direct mailing results of a preferred list is encouraging. Second list of 600 to 800 names will bring more members. "Takes money to make money." National advertising is planned. Congress needs help to pay for the possible computer time of membership maintenance. Many changes of address and new members require time. Few Congress people in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Iowa and Texas. We need advertising and promotion in these populated states. President's goal is \$10,000 in this drive. It can be reached! Let's be a first class organization all the way!

Annual Convention and Grand National: Milwaukee hosted the first such event in 1982 and will make the 1988 gathering record-breaking. Live-wire committee has been working overtime. Plan to be there.

Official Rule Book: Up-to-date issue planned for distribution after Raleigh meeting. No luck in getting a corporate sponsor to pick up the tab. Just another reason to help the Sponsorship Drive to pay the costs.

National Rating System: Present system considered by many to be unfair and inadequate. Butch Reynolds is chairman of study committee and wants extensive input on his questionnaire (elsewhere in this issue).

Grass Roots: This program for the hometown cribbage clubs is still in its infancy. It has great potential for the Congress to serve more members. Has been the best source for recruiting members in the past three years. Six divisions are competing, according to the potential earning of Grass Roots Rating Points. The number of clubs is now in the middle 50s. Grass Rooters will have their first convention in Madison, Wisconsin, on Friday, April 22, 1988.

Certification of Judges: Frank Zabrowski has devised an excellent examination on the playing rules. Everyone who judges a tournament should be certified. This program is gaining clout.

Hall of Fame: Two new members were added in 1987, and there are several outstanding leaders to be considered in 1988.

Awards Program: Suggestions have been made to award items that can be worn, such as rings and pendants. DeLynn Colvert is doing a fine job as Awards Chairman.

Cribadier Generals: Program needs new ideas, and Jim Arblaster wants volunteers to help.

Youth Program: Primary purpose of this program should be to teach cribbage to our children and grandchildren before they go to college; they in turn can teach other college students. Staging tournaments for youth at this time should be secondary. Send a cribbage board to college with your son and/or daughter.

Summary: The Congress has been functioning efficiently with volunteers. As programs grow, more help is needed. There will be a trend to regionalize several programs. Grass Rooters have been working on a plan. Finally, members appreciate all the help dedicated people have been giving to the American Cribbage Congress.

The Board of Directors at the BOD meeting in Hartford in September voted to approve three exceptions annually to the standard tournament format requirements and recommendations. The format currently in force requires certain uniformity in qualifying and playoffs, among other things, with variations depending upon whether a tournament is a one- or two-day event (see Rule Book Changes and Tournament Requirements appearing elsewhere in this issue). The sanctioning request form clearly spells out what is expected from each tournament and each tournament director. The reasons for uniformity are many and well founded.

Many directors on the BOD favor experimentation but not so much that standard formats get out of control. It is theorized that without some experimentation it's possible to become bogged down and a probable "better way" will never be discovered. It is recognized that there isn't necessarily any one right way.

One exception was granted to the Connecticut Yankee Tournament held in December, where a round robin playoff was conducted from beginning to end, and the head-to-head playoffs (2/3, 3/5, 4/7) were eliminated.

There are two more exceptions available for the current year. Exceptions make Syl Lulinski's job as Tournament Commissioner just a little bit tougher, but if you feel you have a format you'd like to try, please run your idea by Syl and see how it works out.

There is a continuous effort to try to improve formats, rules, regulations and recommendations without increasing confusion and creating chaos.

To discourage something new is to discourage change; unless something is perfect, change is the only way to find out if perhaps there isn't a better approach.

DBM

CRIBBAGE LICENSE PLATE

Lea Hornbeck Washougal, WA

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In February of 1987 my home was totally destroyed by fire, and at this time I'd like to thank all the fine and wonderful people of the American Cribbage Congress for their understanding and support. This stressful time in my life has been greatly alleviated by the members' friendship and concern, and I appreciate it greatly.

I am in my new home now, and I can reflect upon the "good fellowship" that is the #1 tangible benefit of being a member of the ACC.

Shirley Fitzpatrick
1240 North Hawley Road
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
414-771-6539

DICK CLUKEY TOPS THE FIELD AT THE CONNECTICUT YANKEE

Dick Clukey of Thomaston, Connecticut, played his usual strong game of cribbage and won top honors at the Connecticut Yankee Tournament held in Hartford, Connecticut, on December 6. Second place went to Phyllis Schmidt of Williamstown, Massachusetts.

This year's playing format was experimental and was a round robin event from start to finish. It was patterned, in part, after Tournament Director Howard Baum's North Carolina Open. The top 25% of a field of 124 players qualified for the Championship Playoffs and then went into a series of "round robins" until the eventual winner was determined.

The 1988 event is scheduled for December 4.

A REMINDER TO TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

If you want to give your tournament a little publicity, either before or after or both, we're always pleased to insert an article in CRIBBAGE WORLD. You write a little release, and we'll publish it.

DBM - RLP

THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

January 23-24, Rocky Mountain Championship

Littleton Elks, 5749 South Curtice, Littleton, Colorado. Entry fee: \$31. Coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pool, Consolation, Sunday Pairs Tournament.
Contact: Dick Graham, 300 East Hampden, Englewood, CO 80110, 303-781-7854.

January 23-24, Georgia Open

VFW Post 3200, 1 Gun Club Road, Augusta, Georgia. Entry fee: \$38. Friday Early Bird, coffee, doughnuts, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Luis Lizzaribar, 262 Greystone Drive, Martinez, GA 30907, 404-860-2686

January 23-24, Belle City Classic

Apple Valley Lodge, 5005 Washington Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Bill Harvey, 3223 Kensington Square Road, Sturtevant, WI 53177, 414-886-4236.

January 30, Clackamus Classic

Cypress Inn, 9040 S.E. Adams, Clackamus, Oregon. Entry fee: \$30. Friday Night Doubles, coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Pat Crozier, 14491 SE 172, Clackamus, OR 97015, 503-658-5595.

February 5, The Tournament of Champions

(by invitation only - no Master Points awarded)
Sands Regent Hotel, 345 North Arlington Avenue, Reno, Nevada. Entry fee: \$100. Invitations will be mailed to those qualified to enter. See criteria in December CRIBBAGE WORLD.
Contact: Joan Rein, Box 306, Carver, MN 55315, 612-448-2459 (home), 612-448-2801 (work).

February 6-7, American Cribbage Congress Open

Sands Regent Hotel, 345 North Arlington Avenue, Reno, Nevada. Entry fee: \$46. Coffee, danish, Q-Pools, Consolation.
Contact: Syl Lulinski, 1429 Scotdale, LaGrange Park, IL 60525, 312-352-4759.

February 7, Great Plains Classic

Airport Inn, I-80 and Cornhusker Highway, Lincoln, Nebraska. Entry fee: \$14.
Contact: Jack Wunderlich, 2821 P Street, Lincoln, NE 68503, 402-477-2900.

February 12-14, Florida Classic

Quality Inn, Florida Turnpike at Exit 65, Kissimmee, Florida. Entry fee: \$36. Friday Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation.
Contact: Jim Arblaster, Box 565, Kissimmee, FL 32742, 305-396-8615.

February 19-21, Arizona State Tournament

Elks Club, 243 South Mesa Drive, Mesa, Arizona. Entry fee: \$41. (\$46 non-ACC member). Early Bird, Saturday lunch, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.
Contact: Charlie Fletchall, 2248 Floyd Drive, Mesa, AZ 85205, 602-985-8705.

February 20, Willows Tournament

Willows Elks Lodge, 150 South Shasta Street, Willows, California. Entry fee: \$35. Coffee, doughnuts, lunch, door gift.
Contact: Carl Martens, P.O. Box 666, Willows, CA 95988, 916-934-7961.

THE TOURNAMENT TRAIL

February 20-21, Oregon State Championship

Carey Foster Hall, Crook County Fairgrounds, Prineville, Oregon. Entry fee: \$30. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Joe Nelson, P.O. Box 706, Prineville, OR 97754, 503-447-1548.

February 28, Central New England Open

Moose Lodge #1129, Fitchburg Street, Marlboro, Massachusetts. Entry fee: \$33. Coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: Paul Cormier, Sr., 28 Washington Street, Marlboro, MA 01752, 617-485-4252.

March 4-6, Capital City Tournament

Days Inn, 1780 County Road, D East, Maplewood, Minnesota. Entry fee: \$45. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday lunch, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Ron Hamilton, 1685 Pioneer Lane, White Bear Lake, MN 55110, 612-429-3639. (See entry form in this issue)

March 11-12, Fairfield Tournament

Fairfield Senior Center, 1200 Civic Drive, Fairfield, California. Entry fee: \$42. Early Bird Doubles, breakfast, lunch.

Contact: George Halterman, 3410 Astoria Circle, Fairfield, CA 94533, 707-428-4343.

March 18-20, Warren L. Swett Memorial

American Legion Post 171, 406 Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, Illinois. Entry fee: \$35. Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: John Swett, P.O. Box 214, Crystal Lake, IL 60014, 815-459-4276.

March 18-20, Western New York Open

Regency Best Western, 4408 Milestrip Road, Buffalo, New York. Entry fee: \$35. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: E. Hargesheimer, 3536 South Creek Road, Hamburg, NY 14075, 716-649-1622.

March 18-20, The Boston Classic Tournament

Quality Inn Downtown, 275 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts. Entry fee: \$40. Early Bird, coffee, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Pairs or High Rollers, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Harry Molloy, 32 Janock Road, Milford, MA 01757, 617-478-0102.

March 26-27, Super Bowl III

Elks Lodge #1538, 1309 North Bradley Road, Santa Maria, California. Entry fee: \$85. Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, Q-Pools, Sunday breakfast, Consolation.

Contact: Butch Reynolds, 884 Blake Street, Santa Maria, CA 93456, 805-937-1911.

March 27, South Shore Tournament

Elks Club, School Street, Randolph, Massachusetts. Entry fee: \$33. Coffee, doughnuts, lunch, Q-Pools, Consolation.

Contact: George Webb, 92 Robbins Street, Avon, MA 02322, 617-588-4526.

April 8-10, Tri-Cities Open

The Dome - Water's Edge Motel, Marinette, Wisconsin. Entry fee: \$37. Friday Night Classic (pre-registration by 4/7/88 - \$50), Early Bird, Q-Pools, Saturday Night Special, Consolation, Last Chance.

Contact: Robert "Mick" Michaelis, 1120 Pierce Avenue, Marinette, WI 54143, 715-735-6704.

Entries for this tournament must be received by the Sands Regent no later than 6 p.m. on Friday, February 5, 1988. The December edition of CRIBBAGE WORLD contained a combination entry form and hotel reservation form for this event. The Open will be held on February 6 and 7, 1988, the day after the Tournament of Champions Invitational. If you need additional entry forms for the ACC Open, contact either:

Syl Lulinski 312-352-4759
1429 Scottdale Road
LaGrange Park, IL 60525

or

Barbara Woodward 702-348-2200
Sands Regent Hotel/Casino
345 North Arlington Avenue
Reno, NV 89501

Note! The Sands Regent is expecting a capacity turnout for these events. Send your reservations in early.

Syl Lulinski

NATIONAL GRASS ROOTS CONVENTION

April will be here before any of us realizes it, and interest in the National Convention to be held in Madison, Wisconsin, on April 22 is growing. Most of those who attend the Convention on Friday the 22nd will remain for the weekend of April 23-24 to play in the prestigious 1988 World Masters Classic X.

Anyone who's been married for any length of time can see the signs and knows the inevitable result despite all protests to the contrary. Less than a year ago John Furler walked into work one day wearing a mismatched pair of shoes and carrying the wrong briefcase (we won't go into detail as to whose briefcase it was).

John has been a consistent winner in cribbage tournaments throughout the West, and he met Kate Desilets at Grass Roots and soon neither of them could wait for Wednesday nights to roll around. John and Kate were married on November 7 and are residing in Portland, Oregon. They'll both be in Reno in early February, so say hello to both of them.

Congratulations to the Furlers, and may you have a long, happy life together.

1988 ACC TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS INVITATIONAL

If you are planning to participate in the 1988 Tournament of Champions Invitational, your entry form must be received by Joan Rein no later than January 20, 1988. If you have sent in your entry to her and you have not received an acknowledgment prior to January 27, it is your responsibility to call Joan. Her telephone numbers are: Work (612) 448-2801 and Home (612) 448-2459.

Syl Lulinski

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NEVER LEAD A 5!!!

Never having authored a book on cribbage (or any other subject for that matter), I won't claim to be an expert. So you may wish to take the following subject with a grain of salt or even debate it with me.

Most books on cribbage, at least the ones I have read, all advocate that you should never start the play of a hand by leading a 5. There are no exceptions. But why? Surely there must be an exception. Ponder the following: as pone, you elect to keep 5-J-Q-K. The experts say lead the King.

One thing experience has taught me is that it is difficult to peg any appreciable number of points with this hand. Usually a go. Occasionally a fifteen 2 at the end with one of your face cards and a 5. Three points is about all you can hope for. If you're really lucky, opponent is holding 9-9-9-6 and gets 2 points while you don't peg. But what happens when the opponent is holding combinations of 3-3-4-5, 4-5-5-6, 4-5-6-6, 5-5-5-Q?

Get a deck of cards and play the hands out. Invariably the opponent will fifteen your lead for two points. Try to peg more than 3. Try to hold opponent to less than 6. Make the fatal mistake of pairing opponent's 5. That play will cost you 21 points if opponent has 5-5-5-Q and with a bad guess, 23 points. As you can see, leading a face card in this

situation has the potential to give up a lot of points. You'll have to be very alert to keep the opponent's pegging to less than 7 or 8.

Now lead the 5 instead of the King and work out the same hands. The pegging should work out as follows:

Opp.'s Hand	Your Lead	Pegging Opp/You
3-3-4-5	K	6/1
	5	4/1 (5/1 if your 5 is paired)
4-5-5-6	K	7/2
	5	5/1
4-5-6-6	K	8/0
	5	3/1 (4/1 if your 5 is paired)
5-5-5-Q	K	6/2 (unless you pair a 5, then Katy bar the door)
	5	6/0

Still believe the 5 is a bad lead?

I believe there are 3 good reasons for leading a 5 in such a situation.

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KOZLOWSKI WINS VETERANS DAY CLASSIC IN RENO

Toni Kozlowski of Reno bested a field of 262 players from as far away as Alaska and Hawaii to capture the first prize and a sterling silver belt buckle at the Sands Regent Hotel/Casino's second annual Veteran's Day Cribbage Classic on November 14.

Toni defeated Pete Paradis of Santa Maria, California, in the best three-of-five final. In an exciting come-from-behind victory, Toni came back to win the final three games after losing the first two. A total of more than \$20,000 in prize money was awarded, with \$1,000 added by the Sands Regent. Toni's husband Scott scored a perfect hand of 29 in Sunday's consolation tournament, for which he will receive \$100 in bonus money from the American Cribbage Congress.

15% of all entries received, just over \$2,500, was donated to the Veterans Family Relief Fund, a non-profit organization founded by tournament organizers Bill and Dorthalee Irons of Sparks, Nevada. The money will be used to assist veterans and their families on visits to Reno's VA hospital.

The Irons also host a Grass Roots cribbage club, which meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Sands Regent.

LUNCHTIME CRIBBAGE IN MASSACHUSETTS

When Sue Urbani of Plymouth, Massachusetts applied for a Grass Roots Charter, she didn't know that she was going to pioneer an innovative 9-game playing format that allows members of the Federal Cooperative Cribbage Club (FCA) #51 to play their nine games at any time during the tournament period, which is scheduled by the director over a given number of days. At the beginning of a tournament period, nine different opponents for each player are selected by blind draw; and it is the responsibility of each player to play those designated opponents sometime during the period of the tournament, normally during lunchtime. When play is completed and all scorecards are turned in, the Club statistician Linda Curreri prepares the Tournament report the same as if the tournament had been conducted in a single sitting. The club sponsor, John Hancock, is supporting the club by paying for its cribbage boards, cards, etc., prizes for each tournament and a year-end trophy. FCA Cribbage Club #51 has scheduled ten tournaments during the 1987-88 season, and another group within the John Hancock organization is planning to apply for a Grass Roots Charter.

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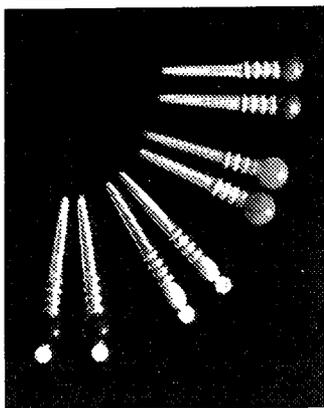
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March 19 Main Tournament
• Registration 8:00 A.M.
• Orientation 8:30 A.M.
• Play Begins 9:00 A.M.
Saturday evening pairs and high roller specials
March 20 Consolation
• Registration 9:00 A.M.
• Play Begins 10:00 A.M.
Main Tournament Playoffs

Entry Fee \$40.00, Includes coffee

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Hotel The Quality Inn - Downtown has reserved rooms until February 26 at a special rate of \$65.00 for single or double occupancy. Please make your reservations directly with the hotel by calling (617) 426 - 1400 and ask for the Boston Cribbage Classic special rates.

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**SYNOPSIS OF ACC
BOARD MEETING
September 25, 1987
Hartford, Connecticut**

24 Directors present, 6 absent. Minutes of previous meeting approved; Treasurer's report (\$124.04 loss for 1986-87) and 1987-88 budget \$37,200.00 approved.

New dues schedule adopted effective January 1, 1988, as follows:

Individual member (per year)	\$7
Married couple (per year)	\$10
Junior member (per year)	\$3
Life membership, over 60	\$40
All other dues categories unchanged.	

To complete the reorganization plan, clean-up amendments were adopted as follows (effective September 25, 1987):

BY-LAWS

Article II, Membership Fees

"The annual fee for membership in the Congress shall be as determined from time-to-time by the Board of Directors."

Article III-e, Responsibilities

Add to VP-Operations appointments "and an Assistant Secretary-Statistics." (Deleted from Article III-d-3--the VP-Policy appointments.)

Article III-e-1

Add "The Tournament Commissioner should work closely with the Assistant Secretary-Statistics to maintain, update and computerize the Master Point compilation."

Article V-b, Meetings

"Special meetings may be called by the President or Executive Vice President..." (Changes obsolete referral of Chairman of the Board to Executive Vice President.)

Article V-c, Meetings

Changes wording to add "Executive Vice President" to provision allowing President to submit an issue to mail vote of Board when necessary.

CONSTITUTION

Article I-b, Registered Location

Changes ACC principal business

office to "be in the city in which the Secretary General in office at the time resides."

Article V-3, Board of Directors

"Twenty-five (25) Board members shall be elected each odd-numbered year." (Eliminates annual elections when 12 and 13 Directors were elected in alternate years. 12 Directors will be elected in 1988 for one-year terms to complement the change.)

Article VI-b, Officers

Calls for Board election of officers "at the meeting held in conjunction with the ACC Grand National Tournament." (Formerly at Annual Meeting; new date allows newly seated Board to elect its own officers.)

Also, in both By-Laws and Constitution, substituted "he/she" and "his/her" for "he" and "his," where applicable.

The Board adopted the Tournament Commissioner's suggestion to realign the 3 regions, effective September 1, 1987, for Master Points awarding only. This more fairly equalizes numbers of members between West (previously heaviest), Midwest and East.

The Board also gave the Tournament Commissioner the option to approve up to 3 irregular tournament formats per year at his/her discretion; and directed that previously approved tournament formats be published in CRIBBAGE WORLD.

Jim Arblaster presented the financial report of the Cribadier Generals.

Rules and regulations were briefly discussed, although no report was submitted by Chairman Dick Cornwell.

Cheating implications and possible suspension of accused members were deferred until Chairman Frank Werman's report is presented at the next Board meeting.

**SYNOPSIS OF ACC
BOARD MEETING**
September 25, 1987
Hartford, Connecticut

The Board approved elimination of tournament advertising inserts from CRIBBAGE WORLD to provide more space for advertising and news and to conform with mailing weight limitations.

A report on 1986-87 tournament data was submitted by Tournament Commissioner Syl Lulinski.

The Board agreed to hold down costs by sending blank "28" certificates to tournament directors, Grass Roots clubs and Leagues for self-distribution, as earned.

Publicity Chairman Bob Julian was directed to send news releases to hometown newspapers of each Grand National award recipient.

Grass Roots Chairman Jerry Dickinson deferred his report until the new season is underway, passing out copies of a club directory, the Grass Roots procedures and a policy manual.

No decision was reached on President Joe Wergin's discussion about a possible problem concerning inequities between tournament payoffs and Q-Pool paybacks.

Vice President-Operations Harry Palmer asked for volunteers to fill positions on committees.

The subjects of "minimum tournament requirements" and "limiting one director's tournament frequency" were referred to the Rules & Regulations Committee for a report at the next Board meeting. The discussion was prompted by Lulinski posing the problem of one tournament director requesting sanctioning for two tournaments in close

succession.

The Board voted to sell the ACC mailing list to individuals in cribbage-related business at 5¢ per label, rejecting a previous motion to sell them only to regional tournament directors.

The tournament sanction fee was raised to \$1.50 for each person registered in the Main Event; there will still be no additional charge for the Consolation Tournament (except new entries), a proposed \$1 fee being defeated.

Gene "Moose" Biegler spoke about the progress of plans for the 1988 Grand National in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

In light of Dale Munroe's pending resignation as Editor of CRIBBAGE WORLD, Wergin said he would be very difficult to replace and solicited help to make the job more physically manageable.

The Board approved a plan to pursue a proposal of a private company selling a novelty cribbage board, enclosing ACC membership information, for a 10% royalty to be paid to the ACC.

Executive Vice President Syl Lulinski announced the following appointments:

Parliamentarian	Dick Graham
Director 1988 Tournament of Champions	Joan Rein
Director 1988 ACC Open (Main)	Syl Lulinski
Director 1988 ACC Open (Consolation)	Bob Madsen

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Reno, Nevada, on Thursday, February 4, 1988, at 2 p.m.

DANTE'S DOUBLES TOURNAMENT
Dante Club
West Springfield, Massachusetts
February 14, 1988

Contact:
George Bickford
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Registration for Main Tournament will begin at 7:00 A.M., Play at 8:30. Entry fee is \$45.00 with optional Q-Pool \$15.00. Consolation will begin registration at 9:00 A. M. Sunday with play beginning at 10:00 A.M.

The DAYS INN has blocked off rooms at a rate of \$39.00 for players reserving rooms by March 1st. Their number is: 612-770-2811.

You may contact Ron Hamilton days at:612-298-3221 and evenings at:612-429-3639.

NAME _____ PHONE _____ MAIN EVENT \$45
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Minnesota State law prohibits gambling and I agree to abide by the rules of the Capital City Cribbage Tournament and the American Cribbage Congress.

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Send your entry to: Ron Hamilton, 1685 Pioneer Lane, White Bear Lake, MN 55110

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By John E. Chambers

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LETTERS TO CRIBBAGE WORLD

On page 2 of the December 1986 issue of CRIBBAGE WORLD, the odds of having a 29 hand with five cards dealt was 649,740/1. That's what I had at the Westwood Retirement Cribbage Club. I was dealt a Jack of Diamonds, an eight, which I put in the crib, and the other three fives. I pointed to the deck and demanded the five of diamonds appear, WHICH IT DID! There were about a dozen players present, and they all came over to see it. This is the second time in my life I have had it, and both times there was no reward (the first time was before work with a friend) because I wasn't in a sanctioned tournament.

Bart Sargent
Westwood, MA

JUDGING QUIZ

Situation:

Player A makes the count 24 and Player B, who is listening to bystanders, says "Go!" Player A takes the point and B exclaims, "I have a couple of cards that could have been played."

You, the judge, are called, and you find that Player B is holding a five and a six.

How do you proceed, and what decision would you make?

Solution:

Player A is awarded two penalty points. Only one card may be declared dead as both cannot come in together. The card to be declared dead is the six, as that brings the count as close to 31 as possible.

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

BAY AREA CHAMPIONSHIP

Fremont, California
November 7, 1987
Director: Robert Atkinson
Number of Entries: 82/-

FLORIDA OPEN

Kissimmee, Florida
November 21-22, 1987
Director: James Arblaster
Number of Entries: 82/44

Main Tournament

1. Jesse Jarrell	Pittsburg, CA	MP	122
2. Mary Gladish	Concord, CA	94	
3. F. Hanbery	San Anselmo, CA	76	
4. Hal Knowlton	Palo Alto, CA	63	

Main Tournament

1. Robert Read	Winter Gdn., FL	MP	122
2. Al Odom	Cayce, SC	94	
3. T. Denninger	Altamonte Sp., FL	76	
4. Ray Poirier	Hialeah, FL	63	

THE POLISH OPEN

Appleton, Wisconsin
November 13-14, 1987
Director: Ginny Danielski
Number of Entries: 124/70

Consolation

1. Maureen White	Medford, MA	MP	42
2. Don Pulver	Hialeah, FL	28	
3. Jim Arblaster	Kissimmee, FL	19	
4. Howard Burman	Hollywood, FL	13	

Main Tournament

1. Jeff Shimp	Allegan, MI	MP	164
2. Ron Hamilton	White Bear, MN	136	
3. Bob McCabe	Brown Deer, WI	118	
4. F. Danielski	Appletown, WI	105	

JESSE JAMES OPEN

Northfield, Minnesota
November 21, 1987
Director: Jack Miller
Number of Entries: 96/62

Consolation

1. Jim Dahl	Blair, WI	MP	55
2. Al Booth	Col. Hgts., MN	41	
3. Jerry Gruber	Minneapolis, MN	32	
4. Ed St. John	Superior, WI	26	

Main Tournament

1. D. Neunsinger	Oelwein, IA	MP	136
2. Ken Grisim	Northfield, MN	108	
3. Robert Sommer	Excelsior, MN	90	
4. Norbert Upton	Eagan, MN	77	

VETERAN'S DAY CLASSIC

Reno, Nevada
November 13-15, 1987
Directors: Bill & Dorthalee Irons
Number of Entries: 262/140

Consolation

1. Larry Loupee	Newton, IA	MP	51
2. Bob Young	Fort Dodge, IA	37	
3. Alice Sather	Northfield, MN	28	
4. Jim Rein	Carver, MN	22	

Main Tournament

1. Toni Kozlowski	Reno, NV	MP	302
2. Pete Paradis	Santa Maria, CA	274	
3. Bill Jensen	Los Altos, CA	256	
4. Jim Morelan	Little Canada, MN	243	

CONNECTICUT YANKEE

Hartford, Connecticut
December 6, 1987
Director: Dale Munroe
Number of Entries: 124/82

Consolation

1. Fred Dettling	Aurora, CO	MP	90
2. Don Nadeau	Little Canada, MN	76	
3. Tats Tsurudo	Lihue, HI	67	
4. Bernie Nelson	Pacific City, OR	61	

Main Tournament

1. Dick Clukey	Thomaston, CT	MP	164
2. Phyllis Schmidt	Williamstown, MA	136	
3. Bill Gudauskas	Vernon, CT	118	
4. Medford Smith	Brookline, MA	105	

The Master Points listed in the Tournament Results are correct to the best of our knowledge. The final authority for accuracy of both the names and points rests with Statistician Bob McCabe and Tournament Commissioner Syl Lulinski.

Consolation

1. L. Devereaux	Somerville, MA	MP	61
2. Bill Shoemaker	W. Hartford, CT	47	
3. Charles LePage	New Milford, CT	38	
4. Al L'Italien	Peabody, MA	32	

DO YOU LIKE A CHALLENGE?

Reflections on 1987

I should have eaten less ...
I should have driven less ...
I should have slept less ...
I should have attended more cribbage tournaments ...
I should have done more for the ACC ...

Now to 1988 -- Wouldn't it be a nice gesture if all members of the ACC gave a gift subscription to CRIBBAGE WORLD? Of course, a membership in the ACC would go along with it. Do you like a challenge?

If you will send me the name and address of a gift recipient, I will send the recipient a letter welcoming him or her to our organization. This type of action may get the attention of someone you have been trying to interest; I believe it would.

THE HAWKEYE CLASSIC

Larry Loupee has announced that the 2nd Annual Hawkeye Tournament will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, on April 29-30 and May 1, 1988, at the Sheraton Inn. The 1987 event was a success due to the efforts of all the committee members and tournament workers. Bob Gilbert, last year's tournament director, worked many long and hard hours to get this Midwest tournament off the ground, and he reported he was pleased with the response and turnout.

The committee promises that with the experience gained from last year, the Hawkeye in '88 will be even better.

I am not in any contest to recruit new members; you will be the recruiter. When you send your gift membership check for \$7 to Membership Secretary Jim Law--(442 Westfield Street, West Springfield, MA 01089), I will go into action.

Surely you must have a son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, brother, sister, friend or neighbor who plays cribbage, would like to learn, should learn, who is too dumb to learn but can still read, upon whom you'd like to shower a gift subscription to the best little game publication in the entire world -- only \$7 for 12 full months. C'mon!! Jim and I want to hear from you, and I'll foot the tab for all the stationery and postage.

George E. Webb
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GIVE A LITTLE

In the December issue of CRIBBAGE WORLD, Joe Wergin solicited donations from ACC members to carry us over a very real financial crisis. Dale Munroe supported Joe's efforts in his editorial. I would like to submit the following suggestion:

The next time you're completing a tournament application and you have check-book in hand to write out the entry fee, fill out the next check for a few dollars and send it to Joe. Consider it an increase in the cost of the entry fee. It won't hurt much, but it will sure help the ACC. Thanks.
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Main Tournament: Top 1/8 earns full points, i.e., 100 players, champion earns 100 points, 2nd earns 92, 3rd earns 84, etc. If 40 or more players, BONUS POINTS are earned: 1st earns 40 bonus points, 2nd earns 20, 3rd earns 10 and 4th earns 5. In this example, No. 1 earns 140 points (100 + 40).

Consolation Tournament: Top 1/8 earns one-half points, i.e., 64 players, 1st earns 32 points, 2nd earns 28 points, 3rd earns 24 points, etc. BONUS POINTS are earned: 1st earns 20 bonus points, 2nd earns 10 points, 3rd earns 5 points and 4th earns 3 points. In this example, No. 1 earns 52 points (32 + 20).

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DEC. 15, 1987

	NAME	CITY	ST	POINTS YEAR
1	PALMER, HARRY	W. SPRINGFIELD	MA	505
2	CHAMBERS, JOHN	ESMOND	RI	466
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4	NEWSOM, TONY	SHIRLEY	MA	331
5	SEYMOUR, WILLIAM	WARWICK	RI	280
6	TAYLOR, BERNICE	PROVIDENCE	RI	264
7	PETIT, PAUL	PAWTUCKET	RI	257
8	LUND, KATHLEEN	GORHAM	ME	250
9	MILLER, ALBERT	NASHUA	NH	236
10	DEKENIPP, BOB	SHIRLEY	MA	232
11	RAMOS, JOE	W. WARWICK	RI	225
12	SHEEHAN, FRANK	CANTON	MA	218
13	STROMBERG, CARL	W. SPRINGFIELD	MA	210
14	PALMER, CHARLES	BELCHERTOWN	MA	209
15	STROMBERG, STUART	W. SPRINGFIELD	MA	202
16	MCGIBNEY, JOHN	BURLINGTON	VT	195
17	CLUKEY SR., RICHARD	THOMASTON	CT	192
18	O'CONNOR, PATRICIA	DEDHAM	MA	189
19	FRIETS, NEAL	KEENE	NH	188
20	PLOURDE, BOB	UNIONVILLE	CT	178
21	O'CONNOR, FRANK	DEDHAM	MA	170
22	COOK, KENNETH	AGAWAM	MA	168
23	CYR, RHONDA	BRISTOL	CT	166
	SMITH, MEDFORD	BROOKLINE	MA	166
25	SETIAN, PETER	WILBRAHAM	MA	165

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CENTRAL REGION
DEC. 15, 1987

	NAME	CITY	ST	POINTS YEAR
1	MORELAN, JIM	LITTLE CANADA	MN	293
2	SHIMP, JEFF	ALLEGAN	MI	286
3	BERNARD, JOE	LIBERTYVILLE	IL	262
4	MCCABE, BOB	BROWN DEER	WI	234
5	KOOISTRA, SCOTT	YANKTON	SD	227
6	DANIELSKI, FRANK	APPLETON	WI	220
7	ROWLEY, LARRY	MADISON	WI	211
8	ST. JOHN, ED	SUPERIOR	WI	204
9	DAHL, JAMES	BLAIR	WI	201
10	MADSEN, BOB	CHICAGO	IL	196
11	JENSEN, LORRAINE	SHELBY	IA	181
12	LAWRENCE, LEO	WEST ALLIS	WI	176
13	UPTON, NORBERT	EAGEN	MN	174
14	TOLL, DUANE	MILWAUKEE	WI	168
15	JULIAN, BOB	MILWAUKEE	WI	153
16	AIRD, DONNA	GLADSTONE	MI	146
17	ZIMMER, ALOHA	FRIEND	NE	141
18	GRIFFIN, MICKEY	LINCOLN	NE	138
19	HAMILTON, RON	WHITE BEAR LAKE	MN	136
20	CROUCH, JOHN	INDIANOLA	IA	131
21	GOEDERT, JERRY	PALMYRA	WI	128
22	JACOBS, HERMAN	OMAHA	NE	121
23	DOCKTER, JACK	CANNON FALLS	MN	119
24	FOILES, JIM	MUNDELEIN	IL	118
25	MACK, WALTER	OMAHA	NE	115

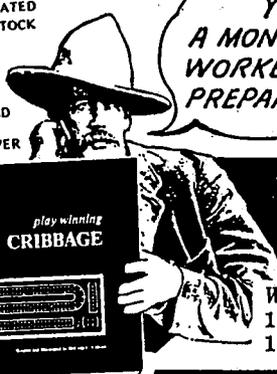
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DEC. 15, 1987

	NAME	CITY	ST	POINTS YEAR
1	KOZLOWSKI, TONI	RENO	NV	360
2	JENSEN, BILL	LOS ALTOS	CA	350
3	REYNOLDS, BUTCH	SANTA MARIA	CA	344
4	BRANDON, LIZ	BEND	OR	319
5	COLVERT, DELYNN	MISSOULA	MT	315
6	PARADIS, PETER	SANTA MARIA	CA	308
7	JARRELL, JESSE	PITTSBURG	CA	268
8	BOLDUC, OMER	SALINAS	CA	263
9	INGELS, FRANK	DUFUR	OR	245
10	LANGLEY, JAMES	RED BLUFF	CA	226
11	CATALANO, VINCE	SANTA CRUZ	CA	224
	HANES, RAY	SOLDOTNA	AK	224
13	STEVENS, TOM	OROVILLE	CA	214
14	MONROE, JEFF	CONCORD	CA	210
15	GEARIN, JOYCE	DUFUR	OR	197
	SISSEL, GENE	BAKER	OR	197
17	GOOD, LARRY	SEASIDE	CA	192
18	HERR, TED	AUBURN	CA	190
19	HELGESON, BARBARA	FOREST GROVE	OR	182
20	KUVAAS, MIKE	STAYTON	OR	178
21	SCHILL, ARNIE	HELENA	MT	176
22	MACKIE, GEORGE	SMITH RIVER	CA	169
23	HALLER, ANNE	BEND	OR	168
24	YORKE, HARVEY	NOVATA	CA	167
25	SISSEL, LES	BAKER	OR	163

ACC MEMBERSHIP MASTER POINT

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| 1. Do you participate in 3 or more sanctioned tournaments per year? | Yes | No |
| 2. Do you look at the Master Point National Ratings when they are published in CRIBBAGE WORLD? | Yes | No |
| 3. Have you ever received an invitation to the Tournament of Champions by acquiring Master Points? | Yes | No |
| 4. Do you feel the current system for awarding Master Points is as equitable as possible? | Yes | No |
| 5. Do you feel the top 1/8 earning one quarter points (Master Point System) for the qualifying round is equitable? | Yes | No |
| 6. If you answered "No" to Question 5, do you think the Master Points given for the qualifying round should be more or less? | More | Less |
| 7. Do you think the number of Master Points given for the main tournament, in relation to the qualifying round, is equitable? | Yes | No |
| 8. If your answer to Question 7 is "No," do you feel more or less points should be given? | More | Less |
| 9. Do you feel that the bonus points given to the top 4 finishers in tournaments with more than 40 players is equitable? | Yes | No |
| 10. If you answered "No" to Question 9, do you feel the bonus should be more or less? | More | Less |
| 11. If you answered "Less" to Question 10, do you | | |

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| feel the bonus should be eliminated? | Yes | No |
| 12. Do you feel the top 1/8 earning half points (Master Point System) for consolation tournaments is equitable? | Yes | No |
| 13. If you answered "No" to Question 12, do you feel there should be more or less? | More | Less |
| 14. By qualifying 25% of the field, it is mathematically no more difficult to qualify in a large tournament than a small one (based on 40 or more players). Because of this, should Master Points awarded in the qualifying round be changed to disregard the number of participants in the tournament? | Yes | No |
| 15. In larger tournaments, it would be more difficult to qualify in the top few places. Should a bonus point system be instigated to account for this? | Yes | No |
| 16. The only difference in winning a tournament with 256 players and one with 128 players is winning one more match in the playoffs. Currently the Master Points awarded are double. With this in mind, do you feel it would be more equitable to give Master Points for the qualifying round and then award a set number of points for each match won in the playoffs? | Yes | No |

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