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President's Column

by James Morrow



The End Is Near! The end of the 2024–25 season is nigh. It will come upon us quickly—and the new season will begin just as fast.

Each season we crown Grass Roots club and division champions, an internet champion, the batting average champion, and the MRP champion. Then we wipe the brackets clean and start the next season at zero.

Let's look at a few of the season's highlights before we get into 2025–26.

This season, on August 2 **Kathie Norlund** (Spooner WI) won in Hinckley MN and **Larry McKinney** (Lakewood CO) won in Cheyenne WY to hold the honor of being the first champions of the season—just two days into the season! The season never seems to slow down, and if you have the means to travel you could find yourself at a tournament every weekend.

Here's what happened in the legacy tournaments in 2024–25.

Grand National (Las Vegas NV)—**Rick Shea** (Eureka CA), champion, 410 players; and **Paula Abele** (Tampa FL), consolation champion, 173 players.

JPW/ACC Open (Reno NV)—**Brian Bell-Irving** (Glide OR), champion, 388 players; **Scott Sand** (Brainerd MN), consolation championship, 173 players; and **Todd Schaefer** (Oakdale MN), newest Hall of Fame member.

We are waiting to see who becomes the third legacy champion for 2024–25 at the National Open, which anticipates a huge attendance for its fiftieth year. I wish good luck to those playing, including these two players from last season—**Robert Medeiros** (Dorchester MA), champion, 188 players; and **Carlyle Foss** (Plymouth ME), consolation champion, 138 players.

With over 130 tournaments played, the ACC saw close to 260 champions crowned in the mains and consolations. Thank you to the tournament directors and all their helpers, for without them these tournaments would not happen.

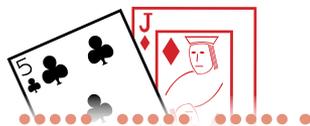
I predict tournament attendance will be bigger and better than ever as we continue to work together and enjoy the game we all love to play, even when we lose. I hope to see your name on the top of the rankings. With over 260 chances, will 2025–26 be your season to be crowned champion?

Let's find out, as on August 1 the stats reset to zero and the brackets are blank.

At Grand National in Deadwood SD in October, the BOD will award the Central Region's next Grand National, scheduled for 2028. If you are interested in hosting this event, inform Executive VP Rick Shea (31for14@gmail.com) of your interest by August 31.

My Deal

by David Aiken



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

Here's why you don't give up.

J. J. Spaun won the US Open golf tournament on June 15 in dramatic fashion, in the most unlikely way. In the final round, Spaun bogeyed five of his first six holes for a front-nine 40 (see box score below). He didn't make a birdie until the twelfth hole. He missed half of his fairways. He was seemingly out of contention, so NBC stopped showing his shots.

But as the leaders imploded (and more than one of them exploded after bad shots or unfavorable rulings), Spaun earned birdies in four of the last seven holes, including—get this—a 64-foot birdie on the 72nd hole to clinch the championship.

Duffers can take comfort in Spaun's history. He has played the four major championships eight times previously. He missed the cut three times, and his best finish was tied for 23rd in the 2022 Masters. His only previous PGA win came more than three years ago in April 2022.

But on June 15, instead of remembering Spaun as a journeyman, a grinder, a 34-year-old golfer who nearly lost his PGA Tour card a year ago, now we remember Spaun as champion—*the* US Open champion!

So next time you start a tournament by getting skunked, remember this: many championship rounds of golf start with a bogey. The only question is: will you collapse or be resilient?

hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
par	4	4	4	5	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	4
round 4	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	3	5	3	3	3

Tale of the Tape	Rick Baird	Bob Chase	Rob Medeiros
average	√ 89–62 (58.9%)	60–57 (51.3%)	43–31 (58.1%)
biggest win	√ +49 vs. Bernie Nelson (OR) @ Topaz Lake	+45 vs. Steve Grage (IL) @ Baraboo	+45 vs. Pete Legendre (ME) @ Stars and Stripes
worst loss	–42 vs. Jason Thornton (OR) @ Club 12	–36 vs. Jared Dawes (IN) @ Baraboo	√ –35 vs. Carlyle Elliott (FL) @ City Classic

NORTHWEST REGIONAL STATISTICIAN

Grass Roots Commissioner **Ivan Wells** announced the appointment of **Monica Newton** (Waldport OR) as statistician for the Northwest Region. She replaces the long-serving **Dave Schwartz** (Spokane WA), who retired after serving twenty-five years. During this time, he provided consistent and high-quality support to clubs in the Northwest Region and to the Grass Roots commissioners. As a volunteer, Dave's main job satisfaction came from working with great people.

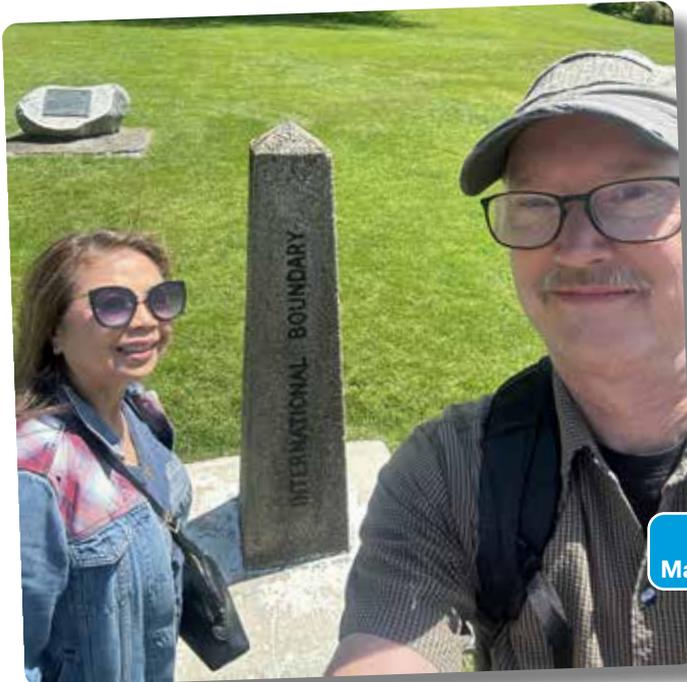


Monica joined the ACC and Club 127 (Newport OR) in 1999. She has been club statistician for fifteen years and is well suited to take another step up in Grass Roots administration. When the regional statistician position became a possibility, she welcomed the opportunity to give back to this organization that has enriched her life with competition and players who feel like family.

The Grass Roots program benefits from the dedicated work of four regional statisticians:

- East Region: **Catherine Perkins** (Club 58, Raleigh NC)
- Central Region: **Doug Weier** (Club 436, Guthrie OK)
- Southwest Region: **Randy Nyberg** (Club 271, Albuquerque NM)
- Northwest Region: **Monica Newton** (Club 127, Newport OR)

Club 426 (Battle Ground WA)—**Mary Lund** got her first ever grand slam on March 26.



Where are John and Maria now? (see page 25)



edited by **Michael Barrett**



GRASS ROOTS CORNER

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Steve DePouw (Muskegon MI), 229
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Kudos to **David Aiken**, **Scott Harker**, and **Ivan Wells** for compiling the year-end stats that appeared in the July *Cribbage World*. It was very entertaining to see how all the clubs and players compared.

With some leagues continuing to play in the summer, the months are going by quickly. In just a few weeks, we start the new season. Last season's lucky champs will return to defend their titles, and the rest of us will come back with high hopes. Good luck to all!

Thank you for emailing stories to the Grass Roots Corner. Information will be included in the next *Cribbage World*, space permitting.



Rodney Rideau
(Las Vegas NV)
Gold #247

Lou Messner, my boss at California State University, taught me how to play cribbage on a plane ride to Sacramento for a legislative committee meeting. I joined the ACC in 1991 or thereabouts. I'm not sure I have a cribbage mentor. Don Brown keeps me interested in tournament play; Brian

Gurden forces me to think strategy; and I have the most fun playing Carol Perko—who giggles through every game as she's beating me! I've never been club champion at Sin City Peggers Club 400 in Las Vegas, but I am a three-peat champ at my old club in Huntington Beach CA. I earned my Gold Award on May 13—but didn't know it. I thought I needed 27 GRPs to reach Gold with two weeks left, and didn't score either of those weeks; only later did I learn that the point count was inaccurate! I won my first weekend tournament at the 2006 US Open in West Covina CA, where I was also high qualifier. My cribbage buddies talked me out of entering any of the side pools! My toughest opponent at club is Bryan Gurden. I enjoyed winning the Barnyard consolation this year, with so many of my old club members from Huntington Beach there. What else do I like? Piano lessons, new recipes to cook, and playing table games with my Red Rock Casino buddies on Wednesdays and Sundays.

more Grass Roots stories next month

Club 390 (Bergland MI)—at the first week of summer league, three players got 28-hands: **Paula Saubert**, **Alan Sanborn**, and **John Piasecki**.



Denver Club 34—**Larry McKinney** was gifted a 28-crib by **Roger Wilson**. Needing only four points to win, Roger tossed 5-5.

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
MVP 2.0 Spring Fling—Sunday (Loveland CO; 5/18)	Vickie Humphrey	36 players HQ. Al Pernicek (40) 1. Donald Curry (105) 2. Arun Sautter (70) 3. Jeff Machovsky (42) 3. Shirley Phelps (42)	14 players HQ. Steve Sundet (12) 1. Clay Collier (24) 2. Mike Poole (12) 3. Charles Kimsal (4) 3. Steve Sundet (4)		
Washington State Open (Liberty Lake WA; 5/23)	James Morrow	68 players HQ. Bob Brumley (45) 1. Carole Herron (147) 2. Duane Toll (105) 3. Nikki Anderson (70) 3. Ray Klocko (70)	40 players HQ. Carl Vennes (18) 1. Dale Weilep (60) 2. Carl Vennes (40) 3. James Morrow (24) 3. Tracie Swanson (24)	28-hand: Todd Malmgren*	Canadian Doubles: Kat Hartsell & James Morrow
EEC Barnyard Bonanza (Escondido CA; 5/24)	Joan Layte	41 players HQ. Michael Duffy (30) 1. Gabriel Laforge (105) 2. Robert Meyer (70) 3. Kris Bailey (42) 3. Lyford Smith (42)	24 players HQ. John Gray (9) 1. Rodney Rideau (40) 2. John Gray (24) 3. David Ciechanowski (12) 3. Artland Kaai (12)		
Spokane Memorial Weekend Tournament (Liberty Lake WA; 5/24)	Kat Hartsell	80 players HQ. Wayne Momsen (45) 1. Sandy Sands (147) 2. David Hogle (105) 3. Tom Brown (70) 3. Bob Byrd (70)	40 players HQ. Kevin Mansfield (12) 1. Edward Cuersh (60) 2. Todd Malmgren (40) 3. Timothy Julkowski (24) 3. Kevin Mansfield (24)		
Rex Paddock Memorial (Missoula MT; 5/27)	Sandy Sands	54 players HQ. Shea Kumaewa (35) 1. Shea Kumaewa (105) 2. Wayne Wymann (70) 3. Jim Mahan (42) 3. Todd Malmgren (42)	39 players HQ. Wayne Koski (12) 1. Karl Paddock (60) 2. Gary Louderback (40) 3. Ray Klocko (24) 3. Wayne Momsen (24)	29-hand: Brian Bell-Irving*	Tuesday Canadian Doubles: Darlene Stier & Kevin Mansfield Wednesday Canadian Doubles: Karl Paddock & Cory Dailey

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Montana Capital City Spring Roundup (Helena MT; 5/30)	Sandy Sands	48 players HQ. Bryan Gurden (35) 1. Darlene Slier (105) 2. Terry Hatto (70) 3. Bryan Gurden (42) 3. Audrey Hatto (42)	30 players HQ. Todd Malmgren (18) 1. Joe Peterson (40) 2. Todd Malmgren (24) 3. Brian Bell-Irving (12) 3. Bill Schlabes (12)		Early Bird: Ray Klocko Friday Canadian Doubles: Audrey Hatto & Terry Hatto Saturday Canadian Doubles: Audrey Hatto & Terry Hatto
Copper City Classic Spring Roundup (Butte MT; 6/3)	Gary Galetti	40 players HQ. Bryan Gurden (40) 1. David Hayden (105) 2. Bob Stone (70) 3. Ray Klocko (42) 3. Ronnie Murakami (42)	30 players HQ. Sandy Sands (15) 1. Todd Malmgren (40) 2. Charlette Springer (24) 3. Bryan Gurden (12) 3. Sandy Sands (12)	28-hands: Brian Bell-Irving* Carole Herron* Charlette Springer* Darlene Slier*	Tuesday Canadian Doubles: Deborah Colbert & Kathy Puccinelli Wednesday Canadian Doubles: Sara Sanner & Richard Rudio
Madison Masters I (Baraboo WI; 6/6)	Terry Weber	59 players HQ. Michael Grage (50) 1. Michael Grage (105) 2. Chad Frischmann (70) 3. Daniel Pluff (42) 3. Keith Widener (42)	{no consy}		
Territorial Prison Spring Classic (Deer Lodge MT; 6/6)	Bob Stone	43 players HQ. Ed Scharf (35) 1. David Hayden (105) 2. Michael Crume (70) 3. Cy Madrone (42) 3. Robert Snow (42)	25 players HQ. Margery Clark (15) 1. Tamara Bonato (40) 2. Margery Clark (24) 3. Tiffany Hague (12) 3. Dick Pedersen (12)	28-hands: Deborah Colbert* David Hayden*	Early Bird: Dave Yaeger Friday Canadian Doubles: Wayne Koski & Kathy Puccinelli Saturday Canadian Doubles: Deborah Colbert & Robert Brown
Pegging for Vets (Sacramento CA; 6/7)	Alice Souza	30 players HQ. Van Ray (30) 1. Jennifer Bolles (70) 2. Sue Dalton (42) 3. Dick Lind (21) 3. Van Ray (21)	11 players HQ. Jason Shumate (6) 1. Jason Shumate (24) 2. Tristan Bacooh (12) 3. Paul Gregson (4)	28-hand: Paul Gregson*	

LEGEND

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Midnight Sun (Anchorage AK; 6/7)	C. J. Kim	23 players HQ. Jerry Enslinger (30) 1. Allen Kim (70) 2. Jerry Enslinger (42) 3. Arlene Carle (21) 3. Chris Kim (21)	{no consy}		
Oregon Trail Open (Halsey OR; 6/7)	Jack Lien	42 players HQ. Scott Bedolla (55) 1. Erik Locke (105) 2. Trevor Poole (70) 3. Scott Bedolla (42) 3. Diane Harvey (42)	26 players HQ. Diana Webster (18) 1. Diana Webster (40) 2. Chris McComas (24) 3. Jack Lien (12) 3. Jack Shumate (12)	28-hands: Jack Lien* Trevor Poole*	
Madison Masters II (Baraboo WI; 6/7)	Terry Weber	76 players HQ. Jim Mahan (60) 1. David Aiello (147) 2. Allen Karr (105) 3. Tom Briski (70) 3. Keith Widener (70)	46 players HQ. Dennis Koehler (27) 1. Scott Sand (60) 2. Steve Grage (40) 3. Emilio Perez (24) 3. Wayne Steinmetz (24)		Friday: Les Kvien Saturday: Donald Curry
Capital City Classic (Augusta ME; 6/8)	Joseph Bowen	32 players HQ. Steven Braley (80) 1. David Statz (70) 2. Steven Braley (42) 3. Jamie R Clark (21) 3. Vicki Soule (21)	21 players HQ. Stephanie George (12) 1. Stephanie George (40) 2. Phil Martin (24) 3. Joshua Parker (12) 3. Wendi Smith (12)		
Stars & Stripes Showdown (South Windsor CT; 6/14)	Barbara Barbour	54 players HQ. Mary Burlington (55) 1. Peter Legendre (105) 2. Harvey Bourdeau (70) 3. Barry Spadea (42) 3. James Sullivan (42)	32 players HQ. Susan Baker (21) 1. Bill Peters (40) 2. Michael D'Elena (24) 3. Susan Baker (12) 3. Mark Soule (12)		

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Palmetto State Open (Columbia SC; 6/20)	Jennifer Curnow, June Fordham, & Sally Henderson	90 players HQ. Sally Henderson (50) 1. Robert Baker (147) 2. Keith Miller (105) 3. Barri Gehrand (70) 3. Christopher Stark (70)	64 players HQ. Mike Due (15) 1. Jim Mahan (60) 2. Bernard Kitheka (40) 3. Mike Due (24) 3. Donna LaFleur (24)	28-hands: Ronn Marcelais* Scott Sand	Night Owl: June Fordham
Soda City Classic (Columbia SC; 6/21)	Jennifer Curnow, June Fordham, & Sally Henderson	98 players HQ. Curtis Barbour (75) 1. Larry Phifer (147) 2. Robert Medeiros (105) 3. Christopher Killmeyer (70) 3. Bill Pisantiello (70)	68 players HQ. Robert Baker (15) 1. Jennifer Johnson (84) 2. Keith Widener (60) 3. Bernard Kitheka (40) 3. John Schafer (40)		Canadian Doubles: Mary Burlington & David Statz
Topaz Summer Bash 1 (Gardnerville CA; 6/21)	Beverly Castillo	41 players HQ. Rick Baird (45) 1. Duane Toll (105) 2. Todd Malmgren (70) 3. Bob Brumley (42) 3. Ronnie Murakami (42)	30 players HQ. William O'Malley (15) 1. William MacMillan (40) 2. Dave Yaeger (24) 3. Sara Sanner (12) 3. Bill Schlabes (12)		Canadian Doubles: Barbara & Donald Stockham Mid-Rollers: Carol Williams
Topaz Summer Bash 2 (Gardnerville CA; 6/23)	Beverly Castillo	37 players HQ. Dave Yaeger (40) 1. Jeanne Jelke (105) 2. Sylvia Bergquist (70) 3. James Langley (42) 3. Van Ray (42)	29 players HQ. Paul Gregson (12) 1. Cy Madrone (40) 2. Paul Gregson (24) 3. Rick Baird (12) 3. Barbara Stockham (12)		Early Bird: Ryan Huffman Canadian Doubles: Bob & Scott Bartosh Mid-Rollers: Carol Williams
Eau Claire Classic (Eau Claire WI; 6/27)	Chad Frischmann	58 players HQ. Allen Karr (65) 1. Allen Karr (105) 2. Betsy Miller (70) 3. Bob Kiley (42) 3. Wendy Schmidt (42)	50 players HQ. Scott Sand (30) 1. Linda Schultz (60) 2. Robert Lenz (40) 3. Dennis Koehler (24) 3. Scott Sand (24)	28-hands: Hayley Hintze* Mark O'Hanlon*	Friday: Tyler Hoemke Canadian Doubles: Teak Wood & Lana Newhouse

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Eau Claire Classic Midweek (Eau Claire WI; 6/27)	Chad Frischmann	62 players HQ. Scott Sand (40) 1. Scott Sand (105) 2. Larry Leidenheimer (70) 3. David Aiello (42) 3. Darlene Anderst (42)	{no consy}		
Independence Day Classic (Reno NV; 6/27)	Peggy & Rick Shea	125 players HQ. John Bernshausen (50) 1. Tristan Bacoch (147) 2. Michael Stevens (105) 3. Charlene Cohen (70) 3. Jason Shumate (70)	86 players HQ. Sara Sanner (21) 1. Sheri Howard (84) 2. Jon Lyle (60) 3. Kai Lemrise (40) 3. Jeff Machovsky (40)	28-hands: Van Ray* Hולי Remington* Daron Stevens* Duane Toll*	Early Bird: Bill O'Malley Canadian Doubles: Patty Dominguez & Nancy Rojas
Boston Regional Summa Special (Malden MA; 6/29)	Frank Reddy	110 players HQ. Mike Fetchel (65) 1. Jack Chandler (147) 2. Fred White (105) 3. Mike Fetchel (70) 3. Peter Grant (70)	62 players HQ. Tom McGonagle (21) 1. Bob Broxton (60) 2. Penny Cole (40) 3. Stephen Dugas (24) 3. Phil Martin (24)	28-hand: Peter Legendre*	
Super Sutherlandin One-Day (Sutherlandin OR; 7/4)	Bob Brumley	35 players HQ. Edgar Tuttle (35) 1. Duane Toll (105) 2. Monica Newton (70) 3. Don Dolezal (42) 3. Mike McCammon (42)	24 players HQ. Dennis Misenar (15) 1. Julia Schewanick (40) 2. Dennis Misenar (24) 3. James Langley (12) 3. Erik Locke (12)		
4th of July Special (Sutherlandin OR; 7/5)	Bob Brumley	48 players HQ. Jeanne Jelke (35) 1. Monica Newton (105) 2. Skip White (70) 3. Scott Milo (42) 3. Duane Toll (42)	24 players HQ. Bob Brumley (12) 1. Bob Brumley (40) 2. Peggy Shea (24) 3. Jorge Escobar (12) 3. Jason Shumate (12)	28-hand: Tom Blair*	

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Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

Show the Cards!

Most of you know that I play a lot of tournaments around the country and talk to a lot of cribbage players. One recurring comment I hear relates to their opponent not showing their cards at times when they should.

Examples are when cutting for deal and you show your card to them but they don't show you theirs; they just put the cards back on the deck and say "you deal." Another example is when they count their crib and have no points so they just muck the cards into the deck without showing them. At other times they count their hand quickly without really revealing all the cards, then toss them over. And one that gets to me sometimes is when we are near the end of pegging and the dealer just takes a "go" without revealing the remaining cards held in their hand. I have to crane my neck and not make a cribbage move until I am certain that they did not renege and are hiding it.

Some rules pertain to most of this. Rule 9.1 states: **While counting a hand or crib, the cards shall remain on the table, plainly visible to the opponent**

(there is more detail in rule 9.2). Rule 7.1d states: **Each played card shall be positioned so as to overlap that player's previously played cards while keeping the identity of all cards visible.** Rule 3.2a states: **The player cutting the lower-rank card deals the first hand of the game.** And rule 1.5a says: **The pack is cut to determine which player deals first in the game; the low card wins.**

Whether or not the rule specifically says that you must show your card(s) or just implies it, showing your cards at the proper time is part of the game. Why would you purposely try to hide your cards? This is not the World Poker Tour! This is ACC cribbage. Play the game!

Note: while rule violations like these do not specify a penalty, the new rulebook—which is already printed and mailed and effective on August 1—will allow senior judges to impose a penalty for repeated violations, so if you have some of these bad habits it would be smart to stop doing them now.

Play the game for what it is. And most of all, let's have fun.

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

Don't throw away your old *Cribbage World*

When you are done reading *Cribbage World*, take it with you on your next trip to the doctor, auto repair shop, community center, or lodge, so it can be enjoyed by others.

NEW RULEBOOK

The ACC has a new rulebook, which will go into effect on August 1. The Rules Committee, chaired by **Jeanne Jelke**, logged dozens of long hours bringing the 2025 edition into final form. This edition—like the previous rulebook—is also typeset in landscape format, but with a green cover to make it easily distinguishable from its older sibling. It was edited and typeset by **David Aiken** (who has now produced five editions of the ACC rulebook, going back to 2004) and printed by **Wallace Carlson Printing**—the longtime printer of *Cribbage World*.

The biggest change in this rulebook is the reworking of cross-checking guidelines (Appendix A), and the biggest addition is the new Appendix B on doubles. A summary of others changes in the 2025 rulebook appears in the nearby box.

Two copies of the rulebook were mailed to every Grass Roots club, and one copy was mailed to every ACC-certified judge.

In addition, the rulebook is posted on the ACC website in both PDF and flip-book. Go to **cribbage.org/NewSite/rules** to view it.

Extra copies of the rulebook are available for \$2 from the ACC membership secretary (**membership@cribbage.org**) or online at **cribbage.org** (click the big red button).

Go forth and judge!



What to look for in the 2025 rulebook

Most of the changes in the 2025 rulebook involve minor tweaks and rewording to achieve greater clarity. Here is a summary of the substantive changes.

- page 8—disability was added to the list of detrimental/discriminatory actions
- page 9—judges are not allowed to correct their own scorecard
- page 12—“go” should be called verbally, not gestured
- page 19—both players in a playoff match are allowed to inspect the deck and accept it or swap it out prior to the start of the first game
- page 22—correct/too many/too many/column B—action 4 changed to action 9
- page 27—old rule 5.1.b (which was eliminated by the BOD after the 2020 rulebook was printed) is now officially deleted
- page 33—the nonoffending player has the right to see the first reneged card
- page 44—when muggins is in effect, it cannot be optional between two players
- page 47—rule 11.4 specifies how to deal with a player returning late from lunch
- page 52—the head judge may impose a penalty for persistent infringement of rules
- Appendix A—full reworking of cross-checking guidelines
- Appendix B—new section on doubles events

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ACC Awards



Marsha Mahan
(Appleton WI)
Life Master

I am a member of Club 92 in Appleton WI. If this photo looks familiar, it was used in the July 2022 *Cribbage World*, just two short years ago when I was recognized for achieving the Grand Master level. So, I guess I've had a pretty good 2025, with winning my first main tournament (Go Green Bay) in February and garnering enough points in the JPW/ACC Open in March to earn my Life Master award. My non-cribbage interests include golfing, playing sheepshead, and volunteering for my church, a local Lutheran Counseling & Family Services thrift store, and my niece's bar and grill (where I actually work for lunch, drinks, and tips). If you look for my standing on the ACC website, I'm not the #1 player in the country; I'm the fun one and am located a little further down in the listing!

Irvin Livingston (Barnstable MA) taught me how to play cribbage in the spring of 1963. I joined the ACC in March 1980 and am the 55th member of the ACC. With no question, my cribbage mentor is Bernard Whitfield. My first tournament win was the Virginia State Championship in Richmond. How many tournaments have I won? I'm not sure; I just enjoy each game to the fullest, win or lose. Sportsmanship is the thing to remember. [editor's note: Frank has won eight tourneys.] I earned my Life Master ranking at the North Carolina Open in Winston-Salem on May 4. I was playing Eric Davis for the championship and thinking about his mother, Dot Davis, the entire match. [editor's note: Frank won the tourney.] My favorite tournament is the National Open in Raleigh. My toughest opponent is Rob Medeiros. I enjoy traveling all over the nation, from Alaska to New York City, Florida, Texas, and Washington State. I am very involved with Relay for Life and St. Jude Hospital in Memphis TN. In 1972, before the ACC was born, I flew to Halifax, Nova Scotia, with Nick Pond to visit Douglas Anderson, who wrote *All about Cribbage* in 1971. We spent four days at his home, and I'll never forget the hospitality we received from Dr. Anderson and his wonderful wife.

Frank Abernathy
(Garner NC)
Life Master



New Cribbage Life Master (★)

Bob Hanes (Ankeny IA)

New Cribbage Master

Steven Braley (Princeton ME)

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60—**Julie Pierce** (Springfield OR)

Happy Birthday in July!

90—**Janet Viands** (VA)

70—**Jerri Halicki** (MI)

70—**Carl Wolinsky** (CA)

60—**William Stacey** (MI)

60—**Andrew Laurence** (CA)

2025 GN SCHEDULE

Check as a reminder of what you signed up for

GRAND NATIONAL 43 DETAILS

*Events and times are subject to change.
Check the onsite schedule for the latest info.*

- ♦ postmark deadline: **September 12** (meals included with main entry fees are not guaranteed after this date)
- ♦ registration for all events starts 90 minutes before announced playing times
- ♦ all seats randomly assigned
- ♦ mandatory Q-pool on all MRP tourneys
- ♦ both mains are 22 games; Friday singles are 7 games; all other events are 9 games
- ♦ the final match of the GN main is best-of-7 games
- ♦ all tournaments are cut-for-first-deal
- ♦ no muggins
- ♦ cash only at the door
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7p Early Bird (\$20)

WEDNESDAY (Oct. 1)

7a main registration opens

8:30a midweek main (\$100)

7p Canadian Doubles (\$40/team)

THURSDAY (Oct. 2)

7a main playoffs

8a consy registration opens

9:30a midweek consy (\$50)

2p consy playoffs

7p Thursday singles (\$20)

7p GRTTOCC*

FRIDAY (Oct. 3)

8a BOD meeting

9a Friday singles #1 (\$20)

1p All Star Tourney*

1:30p Friday singles #2 (\$20)

7p Canadian Doubles (\$40/team)

SATURDAY (Oct. 4)

7a main registration opens

8:30a GN 43 main (\$100)

6:30p awards banquet (\$50)

7p Saturday singles (\$20)

SUNDAY (Oct. 5)

7a main playoffs

8a consy registration opens

9:30a GN 43 consy (\$50)

2p consy playoffs

*invitation only

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GRAND NATIONAL 43



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GN MIDWEEK

main ♦ 22 games

Wednesday morning
register 7a ♦ play 8:30a
\$100 (includes \$20 Q)
lunch included
playoffs 7a Thursday

consy ♦ 9 games

SATELLITES

- ♦ Tuesday 7p, singles
- ♦ Wednesday 7p, Canadian Doubles
- ♦ Thursday 7p, singles
- ♦ Thursday 7p, GRTOCC*
- ♦ Friday 9a, singles
- ♦ Friday 1p, DCAST*
- ♦ Friday 1:30p, singles
- ♦ Friday 7p, Canadian Doubles

GRAND NATIONAL 43

main ♦ 22 games

Saturday morning
register 7a ♦ play 8:30a
\$100 (includes \$20 Q)
lunch included
playoffs 7a Sunday

consy ♦ 9 games

Thursday morning
 register 8a ♦ play 9:30a
 \$50 (includes \$10 Q)
 playoffs 2p

♦ **Saturday 7p, singles**
**two events are by invitation only:*
 GRTOCC – directed by Rick Baird
 DCAST – directed by Roland Hall

Sunday morning
 register 8a ♦ play 9:30a
 \$50 (includes \$10 Q)
 playoffs 2p



GN 43 REGISTRATION

name	ACC no.
address	<input type="checkbox"/> anchor seat?
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phone	

I agree to abide by the rules of the ACC and this tournament. I will not hold the ACC, the tournament directors, or The Lodge liable should my health be compromised by attending this tournament.

signature: _____

Wednesday doubles partner: _____

Friday doubles partner: _____

midweek main	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100
GN 43 main	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100
Tuesday singles	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Weds. Canadian	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40/team
Thursday singles	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Friday 9a singles	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Friday 1:30p singles	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Friday Canadian	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40/team
Saturday singles	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Awards Banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50
total	

Scott's Peek at the Past

by Scott Kooistra (Spencer NE)

I enjoyed the May 2025 cover of *Cribbage World*, reading the names of the “almost famous” people who are members of the American Cribbage Congress. It was nice work by ACC membership secretary **Brenda Nason** and CW editor **David Aiken** in putting that cover together. It got me thinking about and remembering celebrities who played in early ACC tournaments, and a couple of them joined the congress for a year or more.

Being a sports fan my whole life, I recall briefly meeting former Cleveland Indians third baseman **Ken Keltner**. Ken played in the Major Leagues from 1937 to 1950, was a seven-time MLB All Star, and famously made two excellent infield plays on July 17, 1941, to stop Joe DiMaggio's fifty-six-game hitting streak. (In my opinion, DiMaggio's streak will *never* be broken!) Keltner was a native of Milwaukee and played in the Wisconsin State Cribbage Classic on November 1, 1980. I recall shaking his hand after ACC president **Joseph Wergin** introduced him and signed him up for a two-dollar ACC membership. Keltner told Wergin that many baseball players in his era played cribbage in hotels and locker rooms. Along the lines of baseball, I thought it was pretty cool this spring when the Milwaukee Brewers gave away thousands of cribbage boards for a promotion.

Another early cribbage celebrity was from the political world. **Thomas P. O'Neill Jr.** was a US Representative from Massachusetts who served in Congress for thirty-four years and was the Speaker of the House from 1977 to 1987. “Tip” O'Neill was an avid cribbage player, and his son Thomas P. O'Neill III followed in his footsteps. Thomas the III was himself a former lieutenant governor of Massachusetts, and he competed in the National Open in Raleigh NC in 1983, winning \$100 in prize money. Both Thomas III and his father Tip paid their three dollars and joined the ACC that year. By the way, 1983 was quite a year at the National Open as two future ACC Hall of Famers won titles: **Catherine Perkins** (NC) won the main and **Syl Lulinski** (IL) won the consolation.

Also in 1983, future ACC Hall of Famer **Bob Julian** of Milwaukee attended the Vince Lombardi Memorial golf tournament in Wisconsin, and while there he signed up legendary actor **Leslie Nielsen** as an ACC member! Nielsen appeared in over one hundred movies and over a thousand television episodes during his sixty-year acting career. Nielsen was born and raised in Canada, where he learned two of his favorite hobbies, cribbage and golf.

Speaking of golf, the May 1983 *Cribbage World* printed a letter from the great **Jack Nicklaus**. Jack had received a handmade wooden cribbage board that spring at the Bing Crosby Tournament from **Frank Rose** (CA). The cribbage board featured the 1972 US Open Golf Tournament at Pebble Beach, which Nicklaus won. The letter published in CW was a thank you note written by Nicklaus to Rose. FYI: I had to include this because “The Golden Bear” was by far my favorite golfer of all time!

Along with reading *Cribbage World* every month from cover to cover, I also like

The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



Successful pegging involves thinking at least one and usually two steps ahead. Let's look at an example.

You are dealer early in the game and have a pedestrian A-6-6-J-Q-K so you discard the 6s and hope for a cut somewhere to help. The cut is an 8, and the pone leads a 3. What's your play? Many players would likely say the K, but I prefer the A. Why? Well if pone does have a 2 (which is somewhat likely with a 3 lead), he might be hesitant to take the three-card run in the fear you have a 4 for the four-card run. So he could easily just play off with a picture, which you have a 75% chance of matching for two points.

Okay, Rob, that is the perfect scenario, but what is so bad about the K play? Well let's say the pone plays a 2 for 15, now you can't play the A for 16, so you have to make the count 25, leaving your lone A exposed to a hand showing 2-3, and we all know that usually spells trouble.

So always look at least one step ahead before you play that first pegging card.

Rob always goes for the perfect scenario. Email questions to him at mrob2199@aol.com.

Youth News

from Don "Grumpy" Howard

Results of Youth Grand National 6 (Reno NV), June 28, 2025

	name (age)	city state
YGN Main		
champ	Mary Fincher (17)	LaGrange GA
2	Marly Souza (12)	lone CA
YGN Consolation		
champ	Charlie Hanks (12)	Placerville CA
2	Angelina Villalobos (16)	Oroville CA



checking the American Cribbage Congress Community Facebook page every day. I always enjoy reading stories about when cribbage is mentioned in movies, television, books, or magazines. Keep up the positive information ACC members in promoting this great game!

Scott knows so much ACC history because he has lived through most of it—and has done just about everything in the ACC: BOD member, VP, president, national MRP champ x2, All American x7, tournament director, and youngest person elected to the ACC's Hall of Fame.

Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ soule1994@comcast.net ◆

The dog days of summer are here! It's August! Here in the great state of Maine, Mother Nature has been off her meds for sure. Thirteen Saturdays of rain in a row, 100-degree days . . . phew! The tournaments on the East Coast have been just as hot! Before we get into the action, here are few more August days to celebrate! August 1 is National Girlfriends Day. Shout out to mine! Would you believe that August 17 is National Massachusetts Day? Who knew? National Potato is August 19. Sorry, my Midwest friends. I say the best taters are from northern Maine. Finally, August 30 is National Beach! Come visit, and I will take you to one of the most amazing Maine beaches!

Our love from New England goes out to **Jan Blanc**. Her husband, **Fred**, passed away in July. He will be sorely missed, even if I could never beat him. RIP, Fred.

South Windsor Ct was the place to be on May 31 for cribbage in May. Shout outs to **Frank Bogus Sr.**, who got his first win! Hometown hero **Don Janelle** came in second. The consolation saw **Rick Nourse** take the win over **Steve Braley**. Great job all!

On June 8 we gathered in the Maine capital, Augusta, for the Capital City Classic. **Steve Braley** ➡ had a record-breaking grand slam in a 12-game tournament, with 29/12 +299! But **Just David Statz** was there and after he cut a 16-hand in game five to beat me, he went on and won the tournament, beating the record-breaking Steve. The consolation saw Maine's own **Steph George** ◀ take the win over the longest traveler, Connecticut's own **Phil Martin**.



The Stars and Stripes Showdown was held in South Windsor CT on June 14. The winner was the legend himself, **Pete Legendre**, over **Harvey Boudreau**. They make a twosome for sure! High qualifier in the consolation was **Susan Baker**, ➡ with her first grand slam (17/8 +147). When the playoffs finished, **Bill Peters** took the win over **Mike D'Elena**.

Next, we move to South Carolina, where a director from every region—**Jennifer Curnow**, **Sally Henderson**, and **June Fordham**—ran the first tournaments in twenty-five years in South Carolina—Palmetto State Open and Soda City Classic. They had 109 peggers from eighteen states, including 14 people who played in South Carolina twenty-five years ago! New England's own **Bob Baker** (one of my nemeses) won the PSO over another nemesis, **Keith Miller**. (Side note: I finished 3-4 in Reno in 2020, when Keith

Game	Game Points	Net Points
1	2	14
2	3	38
3	3	41
4	2	08
5	2	11
6	2	27
7	3	32
8	3	39
9	3	38
10	2	08
11	2	14
12	2	29
Total Game Points	29	299
Opponent	12	+2



Game	Game Points	Net Points
1	2	13
2	2	15
3	2	25
4	2	01
5	3	48
6	2	17
7	2	03
8	2	25
9		
10		
11		
12		
Total Game Points	17	147
Opponent	8	+14

was my demise; he's since been a nemesis!) The consolation saw the Man of Many Points, **Jim Mahan**, over **Bernard Kitheka**. The two-day SCC saw **Larry Phifer** over **Just Rob Medeiros**. Two other North Carolinians, the "Fer" part of Megafer, **Jennifer Johnson**, took

Vicki's August Funnies

I cannot find my umbrella anywhere. August of wind must have taken it!

- Q.** Why do bananas use sunscreen?
A. Because they peel.
- Q.** What do you call a confused snowman in August?
A. Lost.

top honors over the Hall of Famer with many hats over the years, **Keith Widener**. The ladies had so much fun that they are going to direct another tourney again in the fall!

On June 29 we went back to Malden MA for the Boston Summa Special (pronounced the way **Frank Reddy**, **Bill Cormier**, and all those crazy Malden club people talk without the R's). Amazingly, the main and the consolation saw the high qualifiers have grand slams. Mr. Nice Guy **Mike Fetchel** had 26/12 +222 in the main, and recent winner **Tom McGonagle** had 17/8 +123 in the consolation. Great cards, but when all the dust settled, **Jack Chandler** got his first main win over the Great White on land, **Fred White**, who was "home" visiting, and the consolation saw **Bob Broxton** over Malden club player and hometown girl, **Penny Cole**. It was a great day, thanks to Frank and Billy.



Just a quick throw out here: in August the GN44 directors will be heading to Niagara Falls NY to check out the venue for Grand National 2026. More details after all the fun in Deadwood! I am a country girl at heart and cannot wait to go to Deadwood! Be nice. Play fair!



GAME POINTS	GAME WIN	NET POINTS
26	12	+222

OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD
 Name: **MIKE FETCHEL**
 ACC# **CT 425** Seat# **C8**

Game	Game Points	Opponents	Verification
1	2 24	WB C7	
2	2 02	FB C5	
3	2 08	ST C3	
4	2 15	ST C1	
5	2 11	ST C11	
6	2 24	AS C-20	
7	2 25	JH C01	
8	3 33	MD C26	
9	2 10	TB C25	
10	2 07	MB C21	
11	3 47	ST C17	
12	2 16	RM C13	

Total Game Points: **26** / **12** / **0**
 Game Win: **12** / **+222**

Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0
 Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.

Signature: *Mike Fetchel*

GAME POINTS	GAME WIN	NET POINTS
17	8	+123

OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD
 Name: **TOM MCGONAGLE**
 ACC# **ME365** Seat# **C82**

Game	Game Points	Opponents	Verification
1	2 23	WB C1	
2	2 06	WB C10	
3	2 08	ST C14	
4	3 32	ANP C18	
5	2 11	TB C24	
6	2 10	ST C-21	
7	2 13	OG C-15	
8	2 20	DAS C11	

Total Game Points: **17** / **8** / **0**
 Game Win: **8** / **+123**

Win = 2 Skunk = 3 Loss = 0
 Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.

Signature: *Tom McGonagle*

New Members

46 last month

Arizona

Brad Nelson (Sun City)

California

Scott Merner (San Leandro)

Connecticut

Janice Carlow (Coventry)

Bob Weiner (Bozrah)

Linda Weiner (Bozrah)

Hawaii

Harry Rush (Kapolei)

Idaho

Lincoln Cowan (Boise)

Tiffany Routh (Boise)

Kentucky

Christopher Sexton (Louisville)

Madeleine Sexton (Louisville)

Maine

Carol Henscom (Wells)

Georg Henscom (Wells)

Aleeah Reynolds (Lincoln)

Eric Reynolds (Lincoln)

Kiley Reynolds (Lincoln)

Niki Reynolds (Lincoln)

Maryland

Antony Tomasello (Sabillasville)

Massachusetts

Michael Cayer (Arlington)

Michigan

Joshua Voorhees (Kalamazoo)

Minnesota

Michael Thomas (Sauk Centre)

Montana

Tiesha Steininger (Helena)

North Carolina

Jeffrey Boes (Durham)

Charlane Gross (Hurdle Mills)

Oregon

Bridgett Boettcher (Bend)

Paul Boettcher (Bend)

Janné Jones (Sunriver)

Maddie Jones (Sunriver)

Max Jones (Sunriver)

Josh Luttrell (Bend)

Lindsay Luttrell (Bend)

Melissa Lyman (Bend)

Nick Lyman (Bend)

Clinton McRay (Portland)

Ryan Spates (Bend)

Mark Stone (Gladstone)

Unknown Stone (Gladstone)

Danielle White (Bend)

Josh White (Bend)

Eric Yates (Sunriver)

Jane Yates (Sunriver)

Pennsylvania

Sam Apicelli (Bryn Mawr)

South Carolina

Barbara Goodridge Calvert

(Easley)

South Dakota

Matt Cieslewicz (Sioux Falls)

Washington

Jesse Atwood (Vancouver)

Amy Harding (Belfair)

Wisconsin

Charlie Dahms (Waukesha)

The personal cribbage board of Admiral Chester Nimitz, now housed at the National Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg TX. This travel-size board was custom-made for Nimitz by the 16th US Naval Construction Battalion at Pearl Harbor in 1943.

Thanks to
Lawrence
Jones
(Rochester
NY) for the
photo.



MIA The USPS has returned mail for the following members. If you know where they are, please contact the membership secretary at membership@cribbage.org.

- Steven Blake (Bend OR)
- Clifford Bradley (Stanfield OR)
- Dan Durawa (Edgartown MA)
- Daniel L. Gilmore (Muskegon MI)
- Sarah Hultgren (Hudson WI)
- Ben Jacob (Bayside CA)
- Daniel R. Krause (Green Lake WI)
- Daniel Legendre (Ellsworth ME)
- Barb Manninen (Marenisco MI)
- Paul Moyer (Truckee CA)
- Robert J. Orsino (Saint Augustine FL)
- Paul Reid (Glendale CA)
- Beth Tessmer (Edgartown MA)
- Sandra Urban (Kissimmee FL)
- Walter Willey (Oregon WI)
- Skip Williamson (Ludlow MA)

CRIBBAGE AROUND THE WORLD *Continued*



by John Quist
~ with lots of help from Maria ~

John	Maria
21	27

After a twenty-two-game ACC-sanctioned event, some competitors end their evening with one bourbon, one scotch, or one beer. This makes me wonder if George Thoroughgood plays cribbage.

While I do partake in all the previously mentioned adult beverages, Maria and I generally have a glass of wine after our tournaments. This was true after we played in the Washington State Open in Spokane. We traveled across an international border to visit the Canadian Okanagan Valley.

Wines have been made in the Okanagan since the 1850s. The region has many varieties of reds and whites, including ice wines. Several Okanagan wines have won blind tasting competitions on world stages against the best French wines, confirming their quality.

Our favorite winery in the Okanagan is Checkmate Artisanal Winery, ↓ which is a fun name for anyone who plays competitive games like cribbage. Checkmate white wines have amazing subtleties related to the specific terroir of the region. Maria and I had a wonderful tasting of eight of their wines.

After the wine tasting, we played our three-game competition. I was hoping Maria was a little tipsy, but she didn't make any boozy mistakes. She won two out of three games. It seems Maria plays better with wine, when compared to the coffee story last month.



Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson
(Internet Commish)
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It was great seeing so many online players in South Carolina, and we (Jen, June, and I) hope to see you again in October. I got to play some interesting people, including a DEA Federal Marshall, a storm chaser, a pilot for Delta, and a man who holds many patents that help save the lives of those with leukemia! One of our newest online players is *deheartland15* aka **Michael DeHart**. → His claim to fame is inventing Narcan! I'm going to do human interest stories now and then about online players, so here is Michael's story, in his words.

I am originally from Kentucky but live in eastern North Carolina now. I've been married to my high school sweetheart for eighteen years, and we have a son (aged 15) and daughter (12). I work for a small pharmaceutical company as a director of product development (i.e., I make new medicines).

Point Leader of the Month
Ryan Huffman (*meow80*) @ 177 IRPs

New Life eMasters (★) (10,000 IRPs)

Richard May (*rcmay5*)

New Life eMasters (6,000 IRPs)

Gregory Gougian (*gougie00*)

Internet 28-Hands

Jennifer Curnow (*jjx7fan*)

Grumpy Howard (*grumpydopey3*)

Michael Kopp (*cueban933*)

Nancy Rojas (*nancribdr*)

David Smith (*thecuse5*)

Internet Grand Slams

Paul Gregson (*a2zcribbage*)

Rick Shea (*thirtyonefor14*)

internet . leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	1080	Nick Severson (ogshmoo)
2	1065	Sue Edwards (co434sue)
3	1045	Pat Liegl (patco1950)
4	988	Ron Shelton (red29rws)
5	977	James Morrow (29seeker)
6	975	Brad Henderson (ousooner)
7	968	Gregory Gougian (gougie00)
8	922	Nancy Roncetti (nunzia)
9	910	Basil Rudnick (basil22)
10	903	Daniel Crete (dec)



When I was in college I had no idea what I was going to do in life. I was just playing baseball at Asbury University and got a double major in chemistry and biology that I didn't know what to do with. A friend called me up and asked if I wanted to work as a quality control chemist for a pharmaceutical company. After realizing quality control isn't for me, I went on to get my PhD in pharmaceutical sciences from the University of Kentucky to do research on new drug products.

Narcan (chemical name Naloxone)

Well this girl has been busy busy busy, and the summer is flying by. Not with cribbage travels, but with three energetic kids who are on summer break. I believe the term “summer break” means “let’s break mom”! Okay, not really, but it has been nonstop summer camps and finding activities that keep the kids busy, and that keeps me busy.

Normally I would play Grass Roots during the summer months, but I have been enjoying the one day of my week to garden and relax a little.

I know you are saying, “Kat tell us about cribbage.” Well, most of the cribbage I have been playing is either internet cribbage or the Spokane Long match. My first opponent was John Bennett. The long match format is a twenty-game match, 2 points for a win, 3 for a skunk, and 1 if you lose by less than 5. John and I had a back-and-forth match. I was lucky enough to advance in the tournament to face my next opponent, Jason Ramelow. If I can beat him, I will take his picture off my mirror, because yes, he beat me last year in the long match. I have been waiting a year to avenge that loss! We all know I have written about revenge games, and if you saw my mirror it has well over two hundred pictures taped to it. I have had a few bad beats, but I am taking down pictures faster than you might think.

In all seriousness, it hasn’t been bad to slow down and just work on my non-cribbage projects.

The break will be short, but it has been nice to recharge and prepare for my new role in the ACC. Thank you again to all who voted in the BOD election. I hope to represent you well.

reverses an opioid overdose. It attaches to opioid receptors and reverses, and blocks, the effects of other opioids. We made the nasal spray because anyone (e.g., family members) can administer it to someone who has overdosed.

I am a self-taught cribbage player. My wife and I learned by reading a book and playing (before kids!). We think that cribbage is a great game for couples! I found the ACC via the internet. I just googled cribbage tournaments and found out that North Carolina has a lot of tournaments including the National Open. I got involved online as practice before playing in a real person tournament. It was good practice to play against real people and to learn how to interpret a scorecard. I started playing competitive cribbage in December 2024.



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Tournaments **MRPs**

as of July 10

WESTERN REGION			CENTRAL REGION			EASTERN REGION		
1	2065	Erik Locke	1	2665	Jim Mahan	1	1901	David Statz
2	1824	Bob Brumley	2	1639	Terry Weber	2	1505	Robert Medeiros
3	1688	Duane Toll	3	1597	Scott Sand	3	1139	Mary Burlington
4	1577	Bob Bartosh	4	1530	David Aiello	4	1128	Jerry Hardy
5	1270	Bill Schlabas	5	1086	Allen Karr	4	1128	Peter Legendre
6	1232	Paul Gregson	6	996	Steven Steinmetz	6	1006	Phil Martin
7	1146	Dave Yaeger	7	968	Cynthia Wark	7	995	Donna LaFleur
8	1052	Bernie Nelson	8	941	Al Pernicke	8	976	Mark Soule
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17	801	Jason Shumate	17	648	James McCarty	17	663	Steven Braley
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Tournament Trail

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SCHEDULE OF ACC LEGACY TOURNAMENTS

GRAND NATIONAL		
<i>date</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>tournament directors</i>
Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025	The Lodge 100 Pine Crest Ln Deadwood SD 57732 <i>phone: 877.393.5634</i>	David Aiken Patrick & Linda Barrett Dan Selke, John Hazlett
Oct. 13–18, 2026	Sheraton 300 3rd St Niagara Falls NY 14303 <i>phone: 716.285.3361</i>	David Aiken Mark Soule Vicki Soule
Nov. 1–7, 2027	Doubletree by Hilton 322 N Spokane Falls Ct Spokane WA 99201 <i>phone: 509.455.9600</i>	James Morrow Rick Baird Kat Hartsell
TOC & ACC OPEN		
March 6–8, 2026 March 4–7, 2027 March 2–5, 2028 March 1–4, 2029	J Resort 345 N Arlington Ave Reno NV 89501 <i>phone: 866.386.7829</i>	Peggy & Rick Shea Patrick Barrett Todd Schaefer
NATIONAL OPEN		
July 17–21, 2025 July 16–20, 2026	Double Tree (RDU) 4810 Page Creek Ln Durham NC 27703 <i>phone: 919.941.6000</i>	Megan Player Jennifer Johnson David Aiken

JOB OPENING

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CA ♦ River City Doubleheader

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

Aug. 1, River City Shake It Up Friday

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

CA ♦ Aug. 4-5, Natomas Open

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

CA ♦ Sacramento Tripleheader

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

Aug. 7-8, Sacramento 2025 #4

Aug. 9, Sacramento 2025 #5

Aug. 10, Sacramento 2025 #6

MN ♦ Midwest Doubleheader

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

Aug. 8, Midwest Kickoff

Aug. 9-10, Midwest Great Hinckley Fireball

CT ♦ Midwest Doubleheader

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

CT ♦ Aug. 9, Patriot Kickoff Classic

Aug. 10, Northeast Peer Tournament

CA ♦ Aug. 9, Laguna Woods Tournament

Laguna Woods, 23822 Avenida Sevilla, Laguna Woods CA 92637. TD: Paul Dockstader (562.234.0839) & Ken Varner

CA ♦ Aug. 10, Social in August

Weeks house, 81 Via Larga Vis, Bonsall CA 92003. TD: Obie Weeks (760.695.2977) & Pam Pomeroy

WI ♦ Aug. 22-24, Steinmetz Frosty Shuffle

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

NC ♦ Aug. 22-24, John Medeiros Memorial

DoubleTree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703. TD: Jennifer Johnson (617.515.2232) & Megan Player

WA ♦ Aug. 23-24, Taking the LONG-VIEW

American Legion, 1250 12th Ave, Longview WA 98632. TD: Chris McComas (360.590.8276) & Erik Locke

MT ♦ Montana Fall Roundup

Aug. 22-24, Garden City Classic

Westside Lanes, 1615 Wyoming St, Missoula MT 59801. TD: Sandi Cuerth (406.207.8529) & Karl Paddock

Aug. 26-28, Anaconda Stack Classic

Elks, 221 Main St, Anaconda MT 59711. TD: Doug Brugman (406.560.0770) & Vicki Ross

Aug. 29-31, Capital City Roundup

Moose, 4750 N Montana Ave, Helena MT 59602. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Roger McGlenn

Sep. 2-4, Fall Territorial Prison Classic

Elks, 230 Main St, Deer Lodge MT 59722. TD: Bob Stone (406.560.1386) & Dave Hayden

OR ♦ Aug. 30-31, Portland's 15-2 and a Brew

Moose, 16411 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97230. TD: Erik & Courtney Locke (503.754.2979)

CA ♦ Sep. 5-6, Jimmy Yee Memorial

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

CT ♦ Sep. 6, September Sizzler

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

OR/ID ♦ ORE-IDA or Bust!

Sep. 5-7, Gem State Classic

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

Sep. 9-11, Oregon Trail Tournament

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

Sep. 12-14, Blue Mountain Open

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

TX ♦ Red River Doubleheader

Elks, 2470 Walnut Hill Ln/8550 Lullwater Dr, Dallas TX 75220. TD: Scott Buhrow (469.650.5740) & Doug Weier

Sep. 11-12, Red River Kickoff

Sep. 13-14, Red River Peg Out

WI ♦ Sep. 12-14, America's Dairyland Open

Mad Apple, 3025 College Ave, Appleton WI 54914. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

NV ♦ Paranormal Doubleheader

Senior Center, 1301 W Basin Ave, Pahump NV 89060. TD: Cy Madrone (805.455.6079) & Bill Eilers

Sep. 13, Paranormal Open 1

Sep. 14, Paranormal Open 2

CA ♦ Sep. 13, Pegging for Vets

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

IA ♦ Iowa Classic Doubleheader

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

Sep. 19, Iowa Classic 1

Sep. 20–21, Iowa Classic 2

MT ♦ Montana Memorial Doubleheader

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

Sep. 26–27, Montana Memorial

Sep. 28–29, Big Sky Open

MN ♦ Chaska Tripleheader

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

Sep. 26, Minnesota Open One-Day

Sep. 27–28, Jerry Gruber Memorial

Sep. 29, Westward Ho!

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SD ♦ Grand National 43

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

Sep. 30–Oct. 2, GN43 Midweek

Oct. 2–4, Grand National 43

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MA ♦ New England Classic Doubleheader

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

Oct. 10, New England Classic Warmup

Oct. 11–12, New England Classic

OR ♦ Oct. 10–12, Oregon Championship

Elks, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701. TD:
Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Jason Thornton

WI ♦ Oct. 17–19, Wisconsin Championship

Lake of the Torches, 510 Old Abe Rd, Lac Du
Flambeau WI 54538. TD: Patrick & Linda Barrett
(715.323.5027)

WA ♦ Chautauqua Doubleheader

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

Oct. 24–25, ACC World Championships

Oct. 24, One Day at the Beach

WI ♦ Oct. 24–26, Octoberfest

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

CA ♦ Oct. 25, Oroville Halloween Masquerade

Eagles, 2010 Montgomery St, Oroville CA 95965.
TD: Lori Boyer (530.566.6454) & Paul Gregson

WI ♦ Oct. 31–Nov. 2, Northeast Wisconsin Open

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

OR ♦ Oct. 31–Nov. 2, Spooktacular Special

Pioneer Villa Truck Plaza, 33180 OR-228 (exit
216), Halsey OR 97348. TD: Julia Schewanick
(541.514.1131) & Bob Simpson

CA ♦ Nov. 1, Pegging for Vets

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

NV ♦ Topaz Winter Wonderland Tripleheader

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395 S, Gardnerville
NV 89410. TD: Bev Castillo
(775.453.3715) & Alice Souza

Nov. 1–2, TWW #1

Nov. 3–4, TWW #2

Nov. 5–6, TWW #3

NH ♦ Nov. 2, New Hampshire Open

American Legion, 11 Court St, Nashua NH 03061.
TD: David Statz & Mary Burlington (603.247.4335)

NV ♦ Nov. 7–9, Veterans Day Classic

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

MA ♦ Nov. 9, Boston Regional

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

MA ♦ New England Fall Classic

American Legion, 9 Houghton St, Web-
ster MA 01570. TD: Stephen Dugas
(774.406.8761) & Bonnie Fife, Rick Montague

Nov. 14, New England Fall Classic #1

Nov. 15–16, New England Fall Classic #2

CT ♦ Nov. 23, Yankee Classic

Elks, 9 North Park St, Vernon CT 06066. TD: Phil
Martin (860.768.2681) & Mike Fetchel

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MI ♦ Thanksgiving Doubleheader

American Legion, 401 N Park St NE,
Grand Rapids MI 49525. TD: David Aiken
(616.401.8311) & John Hazlett

Nov. 28+30, Reindeer Games

Nov. 29, Wishbone Open

OR ♦ Nov. 28–30, Thanksgiving at the Mill

Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR
97459. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

WI ♦ Dec. 5–7, Jingle Bell Open

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI
54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546)

VA ♦ Virginia Beach Christmas Doubleheader

Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, VA
Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie Schmitz
(757.214.2327) & Megan Player

Dec. 5, Virginia Beach Christmas Classic

Dec. 6–7, Virginia Beach Christmas Classic 2

OR ♦ Dec. 6, Willamette Valley Classic

Millers BBQ, 4600 25th Ave NE #165, Salem OR
97301. TD: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432) & Bill
O'Malley

CA ♦ Dec. 6, Pegging for Vets

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

CO ♦ Dec. 13, MVP Winter Classic

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

OR ♦ Midwest Doubleheader

Community Hall, 220 SE Bay St, Depoe Bay
OR 97341. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668)
& Pete Maas & Greg Schleusner

Dec. 26, Steve Lewis Memorial

OR ♦ Dec. 27–28, Depoe Bay Challenge

WI ♦ Wisconsin Dells Deal Doubleheader

AmericInn, 626 W Pine St, Baraboo WI 53913.
TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

Jan. 2, Wisconsin Dells Deal 1

Jan. 3–4, Wisconsin Dells Deal 2

NC ♦ Smoky Mountain Doubleheader

Comfort Suites, 890 Brevard Rd, Ashe-
ville NC 28806. TD: Jacob French
(678.517.2090) & Alan Rogers

Jan. 9, Smoky Mountain Classic Opener

Jan. 10–11, Smoky Mountain Classic

OR ♦ Jan. 10, Willamette Valley Challenge

Millers BBQ, 4600 25th Ave NE #165, Salem OR
97301. TD: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432) & Bill
O'Malley

FL ♦ FWB Doubleheader

VFW, 213 Carol Ave NW, Fort
Walton Beach FL 32548. TD: Grant
Crawford (850.461.9390) & Jim Cook

Jan. 16, Land Shark Open

Jan. 17–18, Emerald Coast Open

NV ♦ Vegas Doubleheader

Schaefer house, 775 Merry Maple St,
Henderson NV 89011. TD: Al &
Sharon Schaefer (414.331.0809)

Jan. 23, Sin City Shuffle

Jan. 24–25, Schaefer Shuffle

AZ ♦ Roadrunner Doubleheader

Sun Lakes Country Club, 25601 S Sun Lakes
Blvd, Sun Lakes AZ 85248. TD: Robert
Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

Jan. 30, Cactus Classic

Jan. 31–Feb. 1, Roadrunner Classic

PA ♦ Keystone Doubleheader

Trinity Episcopal Church, 966 Trinity Ln,
King of Prussia PA 19406. TD: James
Ravenscroft (267.897.3404) & Scott Harker

Feb. 6, Keystone Classic 1

Feb. 7, Keystone Classic 2

OR ♦ Feb. 7, Willamette Valley Open

Millers BBQ, 4600 25th Ave NE #165, Salem OR
97301. TD: Greg Schleusner (530.563.8432) & Bill
O'Malley

VA ♦ Winter Wonderland Doubleheader

Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, VA
Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie Schmitz
(757.214.2327) & Megan Player

Feb. 19–20, VA Beach Winter Wonderland

Feb. 20–22, VA Beach Winter Wonderland 2

WI ♦ Feb. 20–22, Point Open

Stevens Point Country Club, 1628 Country Club
Dr, Stevens Point WI 54482. TD: Brian Napiwocki
(715.340.7967) & Patrick Barrett

CA ♦ Feb. 27–Mar. 1, Northern California Open

Win-River Resort, 2100 Redding Ranche-
ria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke
(509.521.3153) & Jennifer Bolles

WI ♦ Feb. 27–Mar. 1, Go Green Bay

Townline Pub, 2544 Lineville Rd, Green Bay WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546)

MI ♦ Mar. 21, Battle in the Creek

Westlake Presbyterian Church, 415 28th St S, Battle Creek MI 49015. TD: Dave Boyer (268.788.1289)

WI ♦ Mar. 27–29, Mick Michaelis Classic

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

OR ♦ Newport Cluster

American Legion, 424 W Olive St, Newport OR 97365

Apr. 9–10, Asea River Open

TD: Carole Herron (406.459.5550) & Wayne Momsen

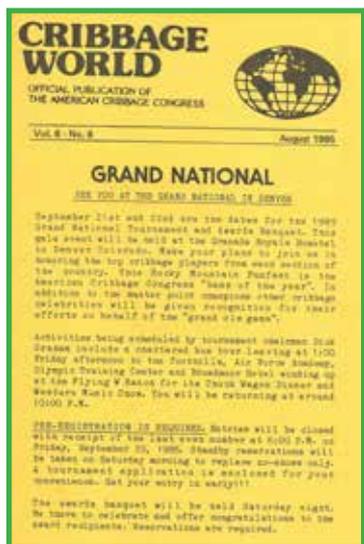
Apr. 11–12, Dean Bauman Memorial

TD: Monica Newton (541.819.1034) & Dana McClain

Tournament Trail continued online



1. Donald Curry (IA): Americas Dairyland Open (9/20)
2. Michael Wertz (OR): Salem Classic 2024 (10/11)
3. Jason Masciola (CT): Boston Regional (11/3)
4. Howard Terry (FL): Grand National 42 (11/15)
5. Connie Paluda (WI): Go Green Bay (2/14)
6. Vicki Soule (ME): South Shore Open (5/4)
7. Brian W. Bell-Irving (OR): Rex Paddock Memorial (5/27)



40 Years Ago

The front cover touted the upcoming Grand National in Denver CO. Elsewhere we read that **Jim Fabian** (Naperville IL) was appointed as the ACC's first tournament commissioner. Jim would be “responsible for the scheduling and sanctioning of all tournaments



throughout the country”—duties that he carried out for a year before relinquishing them to **Syl Lulinski** (LaGrange Park IL).

25 Years Ago

The front cover announced several winners, including **Dorothy “Dot” Mickow** (Vancouver WA) as high qualifier with a grand slam 23/10 +265 in the Independence Day Classic consolation in Reno (her scorecard was reproduced on page 20). Elsewhere we read that **Joan Rein** (Carver MN) was appointed Grass Roots commissioner and that **Paul Barnes** (Daytona Beach FL) was appointed national Grass Roots statistician.



Ron Morgan

Ron Morgan was born in North Carolina in 1950 and grew up in Quincy CA. He enlisted in the Air Force National Guard in Reno NV in 1970. His working career (mostly in Plumas County) included milk deliveries, PG&E meter-reader and lineman, and working at the sawmill in Sloat.

Ron had two hobbies: books (for many years he had a booth at local malls) and cribbage. But his life is best told as a tale of two families. He dearly loved his wife, Elizabeth, and his children and grandchildren. His face would light up when he talked about his grandchildren. Ron's other family

was the cribbage world, and he spent his early years in the ACC traveling with DeLynn Colvert and Les Sumner.

Ron won thirty-three tournaments and accumulated a houseful of trophy boards over five decades. He set the world record for highest score in a twenty-two-game tournament in Carson City NV in 2016. (See cover story in February 2017 *Cribbage World*.) Ron won twenty-one games including four skunks, resulting in a 46/21 +388 card! ➔

Ron seemed to have perfect recall about cribbage games from decades ago, remembering who and where he was playing, with a blow-by-blow recollection of what cards were played, and how he ultimately won the game. This “selective memory” didn't, however, always extend to his losses!

He liked to hang out with cribbage family—enjoying drinks, listening to live music, and telling stories about traveling with DeLynn, Les, and other memorable players. He was also generous with his cribbage knowledge and loved to talk strategy and how to play a particular hand. As one of the kindest and most gentle-hearted people in the ACC, Ron and Elizabeth opened their house more than once to players in need.

How much did Ron love cribbage? When his health deteriorated, he scheduled medical treatments around tournaments, club nights, and extracurricular Canadian Doubles events!

With Ron's passing, the cribbage community lost a one-of-a-kind character. Ron's death is a tragedy, and he will remain in our thoughts for years to come.

This obituary is based on material submitted by Doug Rodrigues, Kathy Cushman, and Beverly Castillo.

GAME POINTS		GAMES WON		NET SPREAD	
46		21		+388	
OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD					
Name <u>Morgan, Rod</u>					
ACC# <u>CA1159</u> Seat# <u>13</u>					
Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
(+)	(-)				
1	3	34		AD	14
2	3	60		JA	18
3	2	09		GH	22
4	2	05		WT	26
5	2	05		JK	30
6	2	06		BY	34
7	2	09		Q	35
8	3	51		B	31
9	3	33		BG	27
10	2	08		PK	23
11	2	13		JS	19
12	2	12		PE	15
13	2	13		AV	11
14	2	19		SW	7
15	2	20		YS	4
16	0		05	LMT	8
17	2	01		PT	12
18	2	26		CM	16
19	2	24		JR	20
20	2	02		GH	24
21	2	20		CL	28
22	2	23		VL	32
Total Game Points	46	393 ⁽⁺⁾	05 ⁽⁻⁾	Win = 2	Skunk = 3
Games Won	21	NET POINTS (+/-)		Loss = 0	
		+388		Player must verify totals and sign below, accepting as correct.	
Signature <u>Rod Morgan</u>					

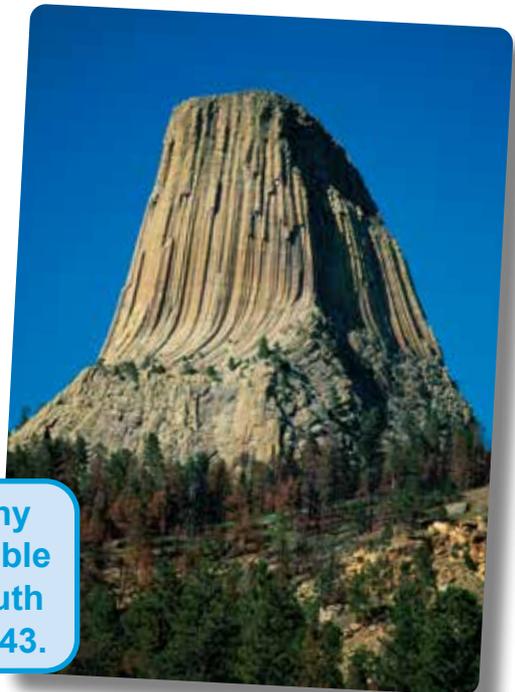
IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Fred Blanc

Fred Blanc (Middleboro MA) passed away on June 24. A longtime member of many Grass Roots clubs in Massachusetts, most recently of PT 109, Fred was a real gentleman and played the game as we all should. Win or lose, his demeanor never changed. Fred played in many tournaments and was a three-time main winner. He earned his Master rating in 2017 and had his Bronze Award in Grass Roots. He was a very difficult player to beat. He will be genuinely missed. RIP, our friend.

Marc B. Leichtling

Longtime ACC member Marc Leichtling (Cape Canaveral FL) passed away on June 27 at age seventy-nine. Marc loved cribbage and played in many tournaments throughout the Southeast. He had earned his Bronze Award in Grass Roots play. He is survived by Suzanne, his wife of fifty-seven years.



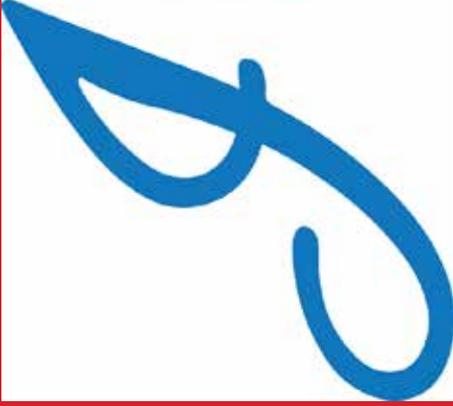
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