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✓ Stay warm

✓ Eat all your favorites

✓ Enjoy family

✓ Play cribbage!



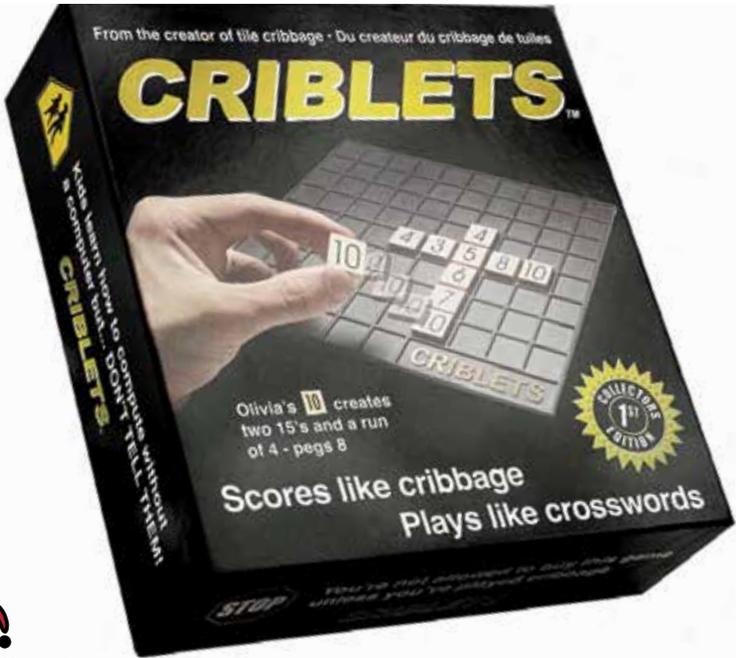
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- **Bryant Wadsworth** (Winnemucca NV)
- **Debra Wrightman** (Santa Maria CA)

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The Ethics Committee suspended **Robert H. Lewis** (Salem OR) indefinitely for actions unbecoming a member of the ACC.

The Ethics Committee suspended **Roy McGillivray** (Chico CA) indefinitely, starting January 11, 2024, for leaving a Grass Roots event without completing all the games; this is a repeat offense.

ACC membership odometer

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as of October 31

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President's Column

by James Morrow



Thanksgiving and Friends

Thanksgiving is just around the corner (and will likely be gone before you read this), and that means for some of us family gatherings and feasts of turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, and pies of all varieties.

For me it also means the first tournament that I really had success at. In 2001, the day after Thanksgiving, a few of my Grass Roots club members decided to make a six-hour trip through Oregon for the Thanksgiving Day Classic at the Seven Feathers Casino in Canyonville OR. **Bob Brumley, Jack Moritzky, Mike Brooks**, and I made the trip over a snow-covered pass and drove in the bumper-to-bumper holiday traffic.

The tournament had 140 players. Looking at the results, while many are no longer with us, many of the qualifiers were the top players in the West and the ACC at the time. A few names that stick out: **Harvey Honeycutt, Vern Nielsen, Rosemary Hendricks, Marlene Stack, Rod Marshall, John Furler**, and **Paul Hatcher**. As I went to more tournaments, I got to know and became friends with them. They become the reason to attend tournaments.

It was a memorable tournament, with **DeLynn Colvert** beating **Chris "The Weasel" McComas** in the finals. I qualified in a main tournament for the first time, finishing in the top 16. The consolation had 94 players, and, again, I qualified, this time finishing in the top 8. My MRP total went from 18 to 99 that weekend. Looking at the players who qualified and finished high enough to be listed on the results page brings back a lot of good memories of the players who came before us. I have since traveled all over the country with Jack and Bob, and those lifelong friendships would not have happened without the ACC.

This year, as you have Thanksgiving with your friends and family, remember to be thankful for the lasting friendships the ACC brings.

What is on your menu: ham or turkey?

Milestones!

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

Happy Birthday in November!

80—Howard Pearson (SD)

80—Donna Zuben (FL)

Your Deal



Variations on a Theme: Double Crib Cribbage

by Alan Josephson (Dallas TX)

Here is an idea for a two-player cribbage variation that we have been trying out informally in my local club: **Double Crib Cribbage**. DCC is played just like regular two-player cribbage, with three notable exceptions:

- Each player is dealt eight cards instead of six.
- Each player discards two cards into the dealer's crib as usual and two cards into the pone's crib. Yes, there are *two* cribs: one for dealer and one for pone!
- Play proceeds as normal with a cut and with the pone leading the first card. After the play, the hands are counted in this order: pone's hand, dealer's hand, pone's crib, dealer's crib.

Both Dallas clubs play DCC, and I've also introduced it to the Oklahoma City club, with great reception. Players say they like seeing more cards (as in Canadian Doubles), having an additional cribbing consideration, minimizing first-dealer advantage, and playing shorter games.

I'd be interested in feedback from anyone who plays this cribbage variation. Contact me at najjan@gmail.com.



- ← One of these
- ← players will win
- ← Grand National.
- ← Will it be you?

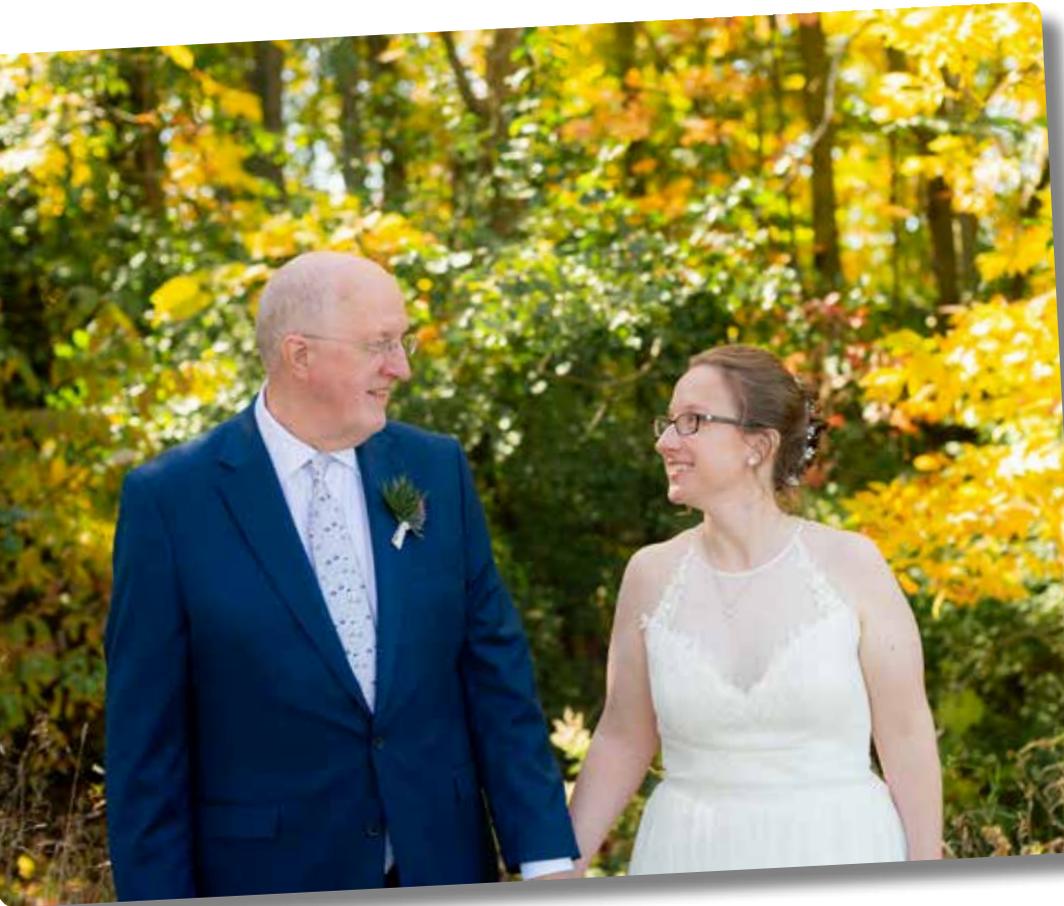
Tale of the Tape	Rick Baird	Bob Chase	Rob Medeiros
average	✓ 63.5% (87-50)	53.5% (68-59)	57.6% (49-36)
biggest win	+46 vs. Margery Clark (OR) @ Club 12	+41 vs. Gary Chamberlin (MN) & Jan Schallberg (MN) @ Chaska	✓ +47 vs. Pete Legendre (ME) @ Abington MA
worst loss	-41 vs. Charlene Cohen (HI) @ Salem OR	-41 vs. Steve Post (MN) at Chaska	-41 vs. Dave Gobiell (MA) @ Club 104

My Deal

by David Aiken



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



Katie VanHuis ♥ *David Aiken*

October 19, 2024

HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

The ACC's Hall of Fame was established in 1982 to recognize members who excelled in playing the grand old game and/or contributed to the advancement of the American Cribbage Congress. Each year, the ACC membership is invited to nominate candidates worthy of inclusion in the HOF. Here are the nominating criteria:

1. Nominations must be submitted by email to the address below. If you cannot email, please call the number provided. Nominations may be made only by a current ACC member and must include the name of the person doing the nominating.
2. An individual nominated for the Hall of Fame must meet the following *mandatory* criteria. He/she must . . .
 - a. be a member in good standing for seven consecutive years or have been a member in good standing for a minimum of five consecutive years until death intervened.
 - b. have displayed and complied with the rules of ethical play.
 - c. have displayed and complied with standards of good sportsmanship.
3. In addition, to be eligible for nomination, a candidate is required to meet at least three of the following criteria. He/she must have . . .
 - a. promoted the game of cribbage and/or served the ACC by specific acts of accomplishment as specified in the nominating letter.
 - b. established his/her expertise by being rated a Master player or higher.
 - c. established his/her expertise by being rated Bronze Award or higher in

the Grass Roots program.

- d. served as a tournament director of an ACC sanctioned tournament for a minimum of five years.
 - e. served as a Grass Roots club director for a minimum of five years.
 - f. served as a member of the Board of Directors of the ACC for a minimum of four years.
4. Exceptions to or exemptions from the above criteria must be initiated by a current member of the BOD.

Nominations must be submitted by January 15.

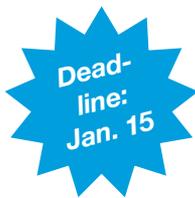
The HOF chair will review all letters of nomination for compliance with the nominating criteria and provide copies of each letter to the HOF voting panel (composed of twenty-five BOD members plus three panel members selected by each BOD member). The ballots will be counted prior to the March BOD meeting.

Any nominee who receives 75% or more positive votes will be elected to the HOF. Any nominee who receives more than 50% positive votes but less than 75% will be voted on by the BOD; if the BOD approves by two-thirds majority, that candidate will be elected to the HOF. Induction into the HOF will take place at Grand National.

Email HOF nominations to:

Jennifer Johnson: HOF@cribbage.org

If you have any issues with emailing, please call/text Jennifer at 617.515.2232.



tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Montana Capital City Fall Roundup (Helena MT; 8/30)	Sandy Sands	36 players HQ, Diane Sykes (30) 1. Terry Hatto (105) 2. Diane Sykes (70) 3. Eric Boyesen (42) 3. Richard Rudio (42)	30 players HQ, Roger McGlenn (12) 1. Bob Bartosh (40) 2. Sara Sanner (24) 3. Margery Clark (12) 3. Roger McGlenn (12)	28-hands: Tamara Bonato (x2!)* Rex Paddock*	
Montana Championship Fall (Missoula MT; 9/6)	Rex Paddock	43 players HQ, Bobby RameLOW (45) 1. Bobby RameLOW (105) 2. Todd Malmgren (70) 3. Sandy Sands (42) 3. Sara Sanner (42)	25 players HQ, Eric Boyesen (15) 1. Monica Hunt (40) 2. Jack Wimer (24) 3. Eric Boyesen (12) 3. Margery Clark (12)	29-hand: Donald Curry* 28-hand: Haley Hintze*	Early Bird: Chris Branson Friday Canadian Doubles: David Hayden & Diane Stanisich Saturday Canadian Doubles: Deborah Colbert & Kathy Puccinelli
Americas Dairyland Open (Appleton WI; 9/20)	Terry Weber	71 players HQ, Bob Hanes (60) 1. Scott Sand (147) 2. Daniel Minesal (105) 3. Emilio Perez (70) 3. Steven Steinmetz (70)	39 players HQ, Bob Kiley (24) 1. James Knorr (60) 2. Wayne Steinmetz (40) 3. Bob Kiley (24) 3. Kristina Wright (24)		Friday: Bob Hanes Saturday: Mary Gates
Capital City Classic Part Un (Augusta ME; 9/22)	Joseph Bowen	31 players HQ, Darlene Young (35) 1. Jordan Lecours (70) 2. Darlene Young (42) 3. Steven Braley (21) 3. Lance Browne (21)	18 players HQ, Jack Chandler (18) 1. Mark Soule (40) 2. Susan Jaynes (24) 3. Jack Chandler (12) 3. Paige Thomas (12)		
Williamsburg Scream Opener (Williamsburg VA; 9/27)	Scott Noble	48 players HQ, Keith Miller (35) 1. Jack Howsare (105) 2. Jacob French (70) 3. Rick Allen (42) 3. Keith Miller (42)	34 players HQ, Donna LaFleur (18) 1. Bruce Sattler (60) 2. Ray Cross (40) 3. Richard Dacey (24) 3. Cynthia Wark (24)	28-hand: Catherine Perkins*	

LEGEND
HQ = high qualifier
* = in sanctioned event
green = grand slam
red = first win

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Williamsburg Scream (Williamsburg VA; 9/28)	Mark Noble	51 players HQ. Dave Proctor (50) 1. Terrance Cushman (105) 2. Jennifer Johnson (70) 3. Robert Baker (42) 3. Larry Phifer (42)	22 players HQ. Cynthia Wark (12) 1. Cynthia Wark (40) 2. Michael O'Brien (24) 3. Laurie Schmitz (12) 3. Walter Smith (12)		Opening Skirmish: Christopher Killmeyer Saturday: Michael D'Elena
Seaside in Wells (Wells ME; 9/28)	Joseph Bowen	63 players HQ. Mark Soule (45) 1. David Statz (105) 2. Jim Maiffa (70) 3. Fred Blanc (42) 3. Mark Soule (42)	36 players HQ. Susan Jaynes (18) 1. Jerry Hardy (60) 2. Carol Hersom (40) 3. Steven Braley (24) 3. Carlyle Foss (24)		
Dick Ault Memorial (Oroville CA; 10/6)	Lori Boyer	27 players HQ. Jason Shumate (35) 1. Jennifer Bolles (70) 2. Bill Schlabes (42) 3. Peter Jackson (21) 3. Jason Shumate (21)	16 players HQ. Roland Hall (21) 1. Lori Boyer (24) 2. Joan DeCou (12) 3. Roland Hall (4) 3. Wayne Morris (4)		
Octoberfest (Marinette WI; 10/11)	Al Karr	81 players HQ. Tom Briski (55) 1. Rick Kuehn (147) 2. Steven Steinmetz (105) 3. Allen Karr (70) 3. Pete Wilbur (70)	50 players HQ. Don Pohlman (21) 1. Dan Sand (60) 2. Herb Walline (40) 3. Lana Newhouse (24) 3. Don Pohlman (24)		Canadian Doubles: Sally Henderson & Dan Selke Saturday: Jack Stoll
Salem Classic 2024 (Salem OR; 10/11)	Bruce Hammond	60 players HQ. Bill Schlabes (65) 1. James Clark (105) 2. Michael Wertz (70) 3. Rick Baird (42) 3. Don Hansen (42)	34 players HQ. Bill Schlabes (21) 1. Jack Lien (60) 2. Jason Eck (40) 3. Paul Hirschmann (24) 3. Bill Schlabes (24)	29-hand: Michael Wertz* 28-hands: Ronnie Murakami* Craig Smith* Rick Westerman*	Doubles: Don Hansen & Sonya Clevenger Early Bird: Paul Hirschmann

continued

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
New England Classic (Abington MA; 10/12)	Debra Cotter	74 players HQ. David Statz (50) 1. Debra Cotter (147) 2. Mayland Champion (105) 3. Donald Caprigno (70) 3. Marty Duchow (70)	38 players HQ. Joseph Bowen (9) 1. Robert Medeiros (60) 2. Mark Soule (40) 3. Joseph Bowen (24) 3. Maryann Doherty (24)	28-hand: Richard Sullivan*	Early Bird: Stephen Dugas Canadian Doubles: Mary Roberge & Barbara Barbour
Wisconsin State Championship (Lac du Flambeau WI; 10/18)	Patrick Barrett	78 players HQ. David Aiello (35) 1. Rhynold Shave (147) 2. Jeanne Wauters (105) 3. David Aiello (70) 3. Randy Dutcher (70)	consolation 34 players HQ. Steven Steinmetz (18) 1. Henry Brandner (60) 2. Don Pohlman (40) 3. Jim Mahan (24) 3. Steven Steinmetz (24)		Friday: Robert Lenz Saturday: Emilio Perez
Spooktacular Cribbage (Bangor ME; 10/26)	Joseph Bowen	25 players HQ. Stephen Dugas (35) 1. Stephen Dugas (70) 2. Ethan Guyaz (42) 3. Laurie Hardy (21) 3. Brock Lee (21)	consolation 10 players HQ. Patrick Robrecht (12) 1. Patrick Robrecht (24) 2. Mark Soule (12) 3. Peter Legendre (4)		
Oroville Halloween Masquerade (Oroville CA; 10/26)	Lori Boyer	29 players HQ. Peggy Shea (45) 1. Peggy Shea (70) 2. Paul Gregson (42) 3. James Aleschus (21) 3. Victor Rodriguez (21)	21 players HQ. Alice Souza (18) 1. Alice Souza (40) 2. Wayne Morris (24) 3. Sue Dalton (12) 3. Ester McCullough (12)		

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Cribbage Quiz

PP

• What continent are you on if you're lost in the eastern tip of Egypt?

AE

• What cat and mouse launched a cartooning career for William Hanna and Joseph Barbera?

HIS

• What can Germans publicly deny the existence of to earn five years in prison?

SN

• What's molten magna called when it is forced onto the Earth's surface?

SL

• What card game with a pegged track was invented in the 1620s by Sir John Suckling?

WC

• What bath toys, storm-tossed by the hundreds into the North Pacific, are being tracked to study ocean currents?

answer on page 14



Donald Curry (Ankeny IA) gushing over his first ever 29-hand, on September 21 at America's Dairyland (Appleton WI).

ACC Awards



Steve Hastie
(Citrus Heights CA)
Life Master

My grandfather taught me cribbage when I was seven years old so that I could play with my grandmother, who had MS. Cribbage was her favorite game, and playing cribbage became a family tradition. I learned about the ACC in April 1996 after seeing a full-page ad in the Susanville newspaper for the World's Championship in Quincy CA. My dad, Dick Hastie, and I entered; I qualified in my first tournament and was hooked! My favorite tournament is the Veterans Classic in Reno, where I have two second-place finishes, losing to Tom Langford in 2007 and to Clay Lindgren in 2015. My best win was at the 2013 Placerville tournament. Playing Mel Ashley for first place, I had lost the first two games. Dad came over and said "kick

his ___!" I changed decks and won the next three games! I earned my Life Master at Las Vegas last summer, needing to win my last two games to qualify in the consolation; it took back-to-back wins against two Jims: Jim Crawford and Jim Clark! My toughest opponent was also my best friend, James Fanning (RIP). We always had great games. I dedicate this award to James, who is still my inspiration! My best 22-game tournament was in Topaz, a 42-point card. I was knocked out by a young player by the name of Erik Locke. I like to travel in my RV and watch my grandchildren play soccer.

My parents taught me the basics of cribbage when I was young; coworkers at a summer job taught me doubles; and my golf club in Maine introduced me to singles in 2001. I joined the ACC in September 2006, and my cribbage mentors are Brock Lee (who worked with my game before I ventured to my first tournament) and Dan "Smoothie" Selke, who not only watches over me today but also taught me how to play tournament cribbage. I have received valuable tips and strategies from Emilio Perez, Doug Page, Rob Medeiros, and Cy Madrone, but Dan is the one I discuss different scenarios and solutions with. I started with Lone Star Club in 2006, joined Houston Space City Skunkers, then became a Traveler. I am currently director of Louisville Sluggers Club 463 and still looking for my first club championship! My first tournament win was in 2010 at Lakewood CO; I've now won nine tournaments. My favorite tournaments are the summer Rampart tournament in Las Vegas, Marv Lang Memorial (Rockford IL), and Brat Stop Open (Kenosha WI). My toughest opponents are Gerald Parins, Kendra Munkacsy, the Brumleys, and the Mahans. I enjoy traveling, fantasy football and baseball, classic TV and movies, and mostly walking and the solitude I enjoy as a lifelong single person. I am attempting to see games in all National Hockey League arenas. I have been to seven of this writing and am planning trips this spring to St. Louis, Minnesota, central and western Canada, and Utah to attend more sites.



Kevin Harris
(Louisville KY)
Grand Master

New Cribbage Masters

Michelle Barthelmess (Missoula MT)

CLUB 29

1. Donald Curry (IA): Americas Dairyland Open (9/20)
2. Michael Wertz (OR): Salem Classic 2024 (10/11)



GRASS ROOTS Clubs

GRPs

official GRPs only, as of 11/7

Division 1 = 2,282 players ♦ Division 4 = 477 players

Division 1 →	rank	GRPs	name (club)
	1	124	Scott Bartosh (600)
	1	124	Debra Cotter (464)
	3	121	Walter Howell (127)
	4	111	Chris McComas (426)
	5	105	Jerry Ensminger (177)
	6	98	William O'Malley (46)
	7	97	Sheri Howard (204)
	7	97	Richard McCollem (109)
	9	94	Kevin Mansfield (198)
	9	94	Valerie Sumner (11)
	11	93	Jon Kline (190)
	11	93	Phillip Whitehouse (295)
	13	92	Van Ray (306)
	14	91	Madeline Malnor (368)
	14	91	Nancy Rojas (162)
	16	90	William Eilers (360)
	17	89	Philip Silva (464)
	18	88	Kirk Hobbs (314)
	19	87	Terry Hatto (261)
	20	86	Fred Howe (600)
	21	85	Paul Dysart (251)
	21	85	Robert Medeiros (104)
	21	85	Bob Prochnow (79)
	21	85	Ken Varner (419)
	25	84	Gary Chamberlain (306)
	25	84	Terry Greenawald (127)
	25	84	Monica Newton (127)
	25	84	Howard Pearson (96)
	25	84	Cynthia Wark (460)
	25	84	Bill Whiting (117)
	31	83	Beverly Drouin (140)
	31	83	J. J. Stansfield (164)
	31	83	Wayne Steinmetz (6)
	34	82	Sue Dalton (100)
	34	82	Dennis Hipsher (474)
	34	82	Jack Puleo (308)
	34	82	John Schafer (71)
	38	81	Steven Braley (361)
	38	81	Dennis Crooks (408)
	38	81	Jerry Griffin (3)
	38	81	Bonnie Halopka (445)
	38	81	Mike Pivec (108)
	38	81	Ida Sanford (277)
	44	80	Cres Fernandez (55)
	44	80	Carlyle Foss (361)
	44	80	Loren Lookabill (43)
	44	80	Dave Otte (393)
	44	80	Peter Setian (72)
	49	79	Robert Lenz (445)
	49	79	James Ravenscroft (175)

rank	GRPs	name (club)
49	79	Edgar Tuttle (113)
49	79	Ed Weigant (207)
49	79	Richard Winfield (108)
54	78	John Bourgon (400)
54	78	Greg Dumas (140)
54	78	Olivia Kelley (6)
54	78	Sara Sanner (600)
54	78	Richard Sontag (162)
54	78	Donald Spurgeon (100)
60	77	Tom Anderson (356)
60	77	Bernard Brentar (390)
60	77	Dave Elliott (284)
60	77	Chris Fuller (329)
60	77	Bradley Gronli (430)
60	77	Clyde Shackelford (408)
66	76	Hans Anderson (382)
66	76	James Falzone-Cardinal (72)
66	76	Arne Gallagher (108)
66	76	Andy Wagner (58)
70	75	Timothy Julkowski (377)
70	75	Ron Mundt (426)
72	74	Rick Baird (12)
72	74	William Kraatz (5)
74	73	Jean Bidegare (22)
74	73	Frank Bogus Jr (104)
74	73	David Broyles (161)
74	73	Scott Buhrow (106)
74	73	Bryan Gurden (400)
74	73	Scott Hipsher (474)
74	73	Paul Kane (161)
74	73	Donna Laridon (347)
74	73	Denny Moore (100)

Division 4 →	rank	GRPs	name (club)
	1	87	Brad Seger (39)
	2	77	Bill Wallace (455)
	3	74	Quentin Campbell (475)
	4	73	Maxi Passegger (475)
	5	71	Michael Plante III (194)
	6	64	Scott McMahan (407)
	7	62	Lori Boyer (154)
	8	61	Paul Gregson (54)
	9	60	Pete Davis (465)
	9	60	Rhonda Perry (336)
	11	59	Roy Scheffer (439)
	11	59	Craig Smith (28)
	13	58	Rita Jewett (466)
	14	57	Rusty Anderson (395)
	14	57	Steve Sundet (433)
	16	56	Rich Ekman (395)
	16	56	Judy Gent (395)
	16	56	Jack Shumate (420)



edited by **Michael Barrett**



Club contributions are encouraged. Send items of interest to **ACCgrassrootscorner@gmail.com**

GRASS ROOTS CORNER



Club 430 (Tallahassee FL)—director **Brad Gronli** won the first five tournaments of the new season!

more Grass Roots stories next page

Grand Slams

- Pete Christensen (Club 94 in Saint Cloud MN)
- Judy Jackson (Club 109 in Abington MA)
- Tom Ostrowski (Club 161 in Bellingham MA)
- Chris Fuller (Club 329 in Shepherd MI)
- Pete Koski (Club 368 in Ishpeming MI)
- Junko Larsen (Club 426 in Battleground WA)



Who says there are no jokers in cribbage? **Michael Hagen** (Club 422 in Oakland 29ers) dressed appropriately on Halloween!



GRASS ROOTS CORNER

28-Hands

Brandon Saldecke (Club 68 in West Covina CA)
 David Aiken (Club 71 in Grand Rapids MI)
 Dan Betz (visiting Club 71 in Grand Rapids MI)
 Daniel Sand (Club 94 in Saint Cloud MN)
 Beverly Vishnevsky (Club 98 in Crescent City CA)
 Al Kim (Club 177 in Anchorage AK)
 Ken Hunt (Club 177 in Anchorage AK)
 Chris Kim (Club 177 in Anchorage AK)
 Cary Vedin (Club 218 in Gladstone MI)
 Darell Brosdahl (Club 251 in Sioux Falls SD)
 Jeryl Vonderheid (Club 284 in Eau Claire WI)
 Angie Murray (Club 290 in Walnut Creek CA)
 Doug Hayden (Club 321 in Kalamazoo MI)
 Ann Lundblad (Club 345 in Loveland CO)
 Gram Williams (Club 430 in Tallahassee FL)
 Jack McClain (Club 450 in Eugene OR)
 Lucien Arsenaault (Club 454 in Land O' Lakes FL)
 Kurt Lysen (Club 467 in Shelton WA)
 Chrissy Sullivan (Club 464 in North Attleboro MA)

29-Hands

Abby Pfisterer
 (Club 177 in Anchorage AK)
 David Knepp
 (visiting Club 376
 in McMinnville OR)
 Jerry Cash (Club 443
 in Denver NC)
 ~ his second 29 this year! ~



more Grass Roots
 stories next month

GrassRoots Awards

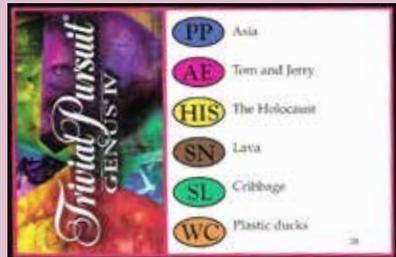
SILVER

Randell Denissen (VA), 124
 Paul Eugene Dysart Sr. (SD), 251
 John Healey (MI), 368
 Laurie Kenny (WA), 108
 Bill Link (WA), 267

BRONZE

John Byrne (MT), 410
 Jeff Drescher (WI), 445
 Judi Hackett (WI), 61
 Jon Kline (CA), 190
 Keith W. LaPine (FL), 131
 Buster Riley (MT), 391
 Richard Sontag (CA), 162

Cribbage Quiz Answer



Thanks to Geoffrey Rezek
 (Darien CT) for this puzzle.

Grass Roots Advertising Manager

by *Ivan Wells (Grass Roots Commissioner)*

I am excited to announce **Opal Gunn** as the new advertising manager for the Grass Roots organization. Over the past twenty-five years she has been instrumental in promoting and growing clubs and has founded four clubs.

Opal has experience designing banners, posters, and flyers, and she participates in fairs, community events, car shows, and grand openings. She has also organized cribbage teaching classes.

Opal advocates using social media platforms like Facebook and Meetup to promote cribbage and connect with new audiences; she will assist clubs with creating and maintaining social media accounts, websites, and other promotional efforts to expand our reach.

If your club could use a shot in the arm to help promote it and increase membership, please reach out to Opal at pensacolapeggerscribbageclub@gmail.com or 850.366.2336.



Cribbage Club Code of Congeniality

During a new player's trial period (four weeks or until they earn points—whichever is longer) . . .

- We pledge to welcome new players warmly and make them feel wanted.
- We pledge to not penalize new players for violating tournament rules. (We will, instead, *gently* tell them what the rule is and what the penalty would be.)
- We pledge to not let new players underpeg points or undercount hands. (We will, instead, explain errors and then allow new players to take all points they are entitled to.)
- We pledge to not make new players feel inferior if/when they miss points or make a bad play. (We will, instead, let them know that all cribbage players do this and that it is part of the learning process.)
- We pledge to not force new players to play a game in fifteen minutes. (We will, instead, be tolerant and not complain, remembering that we, too, started slow.)
- We pledge to allow new players to play for free or at the minimum cost of club expenses and Grass Roots/ACC dues.

After the trial period is up . . .

- We pledge to continue to make *all* players—new and existing—feel welcome and comfortable at our club.

Dozens of Grass Roots clubs have adopted the “Play Nice Pledge”

To add your club to this list, send email to cwed152@gmail.com.

New Members

87 last month

Alberta

Ryan Rondeau (Edmonton)

Arizona

K. Scott Bechthold (Tucson)

California

Margaret Brown (Paso Robles)

Colin Campbell (Atascadero)

Tammy Campbell (Atascadero)

John Hoeffel (Marina)

Jacob Hulti (Oakland)

Jason Jackson (Concord)

Hank Johnson (Oroville)

Dawna Nolan (Brentwood)

Richard Zeman (Roseville)

Florida

Yho Namgoong (Orlando)

Idaho

Rhys Konzal (Worley)

Illinois

Seth Hatfield (Chicago)

Matt LeBlanc (DeKalb)

Randolph Rindfleisch (Cary)

Iowa

Andrew Walker (Des Moines)

Maine

Megan Hardy (Waldoboro)

Greg Sanborn (Yarmouth)

Maryland

Rafael Valdes (Owings)

Massachusetts

Andrew Bellotti (Wilbraham)

Linda Berube (Chicopee)

Philip Berube (Chicopee)

Jack Curra (Chelsea)

Dan Durawa (Edgartown)

Lori Karas (East Longmeadow)

Vanessa Matthews (Vineyard Haven)

Beth Tessmer (Edgartown)

Skip Williamson (Ludlow)

Michigan

James Dood (Comstock Park)

Nancy Hay (Livonia)

Christy Kliewer (Rockford)

Rayno Tulppo (Gladstone)

Frank Unruh (Cedar)

Minnesota

Daniel Christensen (Redwood Falls)

Tony Dierickx (Marshall)

Elena Evanson (North Mankato)

Lorie Olesiak (Cloquet)

Jeff Warning (Stillwater)

Mississippi

Laura Millette (Biloxi)

Montana

Adysanne Johnson (Helena)

Leah Johnson (Helena)

Conner Sullivan (Helena)

Nevada

Mike Kelley (Pahrump)

Pam Kelley (Pahrump)

Barry Mattison (Las Vegas)

New Hampshire

Anne Rawson (Pittsfield)

North Carolina

Kelly Joyner (East Bend)

Oregon

Karl Crandall (Sweet Home)

Charles Curry (Newport)

Dale DuRette (McMinnville)

Ken Eschliman (Salem)

John L Miller (Salem)

Chris Pillsbury (Salem)

Julie Rossi (Medford)

Valerie Shepler (Lowell)

Justin Spence (Eugene)

South Carolina

Debbie Governale (Greenville)

Richard Governale (Greenville)

Roberta Hance (Taylors)

South Dakota

Rachel Sundet (Hudson)

Texas

James Kastner (Frisco)

AJ Stoecklein (Spring)

Washington

Joy Bigelow (College Place)

Josephine Cruz (Spokane)

Theodore Cruz (Spokane)

Isla Hartsell (Spokane)

Trevor Johnson (Chehalis)

Bob Larson (Sequim)

Summer Lockhart (Pullman)

Nunu Mangor (Mukilteo)

Thore Mangor (Mukilteo)

Casey Rockey (Bonney Lake)

Gerald Scollard (Spokane)

Fred M White (Puyallup)

Becki Wolford (Auburn)

Wisconsin

Dennis Bach (Dorchester)

Daryl Callstrom (Iron River)

Cheryl Cloud (Ashland)

Anthony Dalbec (Ashland)

Harry Danula (Iron River)

Jeff Gilbert (Madison)

Linda Haag (Eau Claire)

Eileen Pat Hood (Iron River)

Wendy Hudack (Iron River)

Billy Zeitler (Owen)

Wyoming

Joe Plowman (Cheyenne)

Where are John and Maria now? (see page 18)



The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros

One of goal when pegging as pone is to extend the mystery of our hold as long as possible. Obviously sometimes the pegging progresses to where your three cards showing are 2-6-8, and even **Stan “the Brain Surgeon” Filipiak** can determine your last card to be a 7. So let’s examine a hand where we can try to disguise our hand.

It’s early in the game, and we keep A-4-J-Q. We lead the A (a 4 lead will inevitably elicit a 9 response, and we are immediately on our heels). The dealer responds with an 8 to make the count 9. It’s likely that our J or Q are safe plays to make the count 19, but at that point our two cards showing are Ace and Jack—leaving not too much mystery that we are holding a 4 with one of our two remaining cards.

However if we play our 4 to make the count 13, the dealer will have to ponder if we have another Ace or 4 or 5, and he will have to make his second play with some uncertainty. Another important aspect of this play is possibly forcing dealer to play a face card to make the count 23, enabling us to potentially get a go, or even better to trap a 10 with our remaining J-Q. This play is not foolproof, though. If the dealer has a hand such as 2-6-7-8, he will outpeg us 5-0, and yes we will feel pretty stupid (at least I do when this scenario occurs!).

If we can keep the dealer guessing, it will be to our advantage in the long run.

You can make Rob guess by emailing him at mrob2199@aol.com.



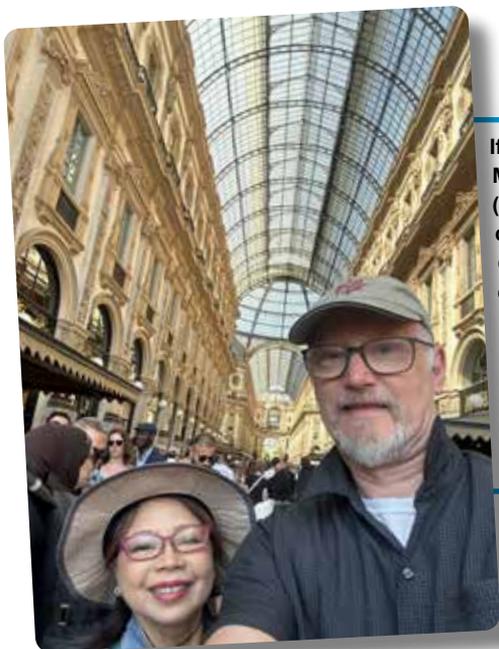
40 Years Ago

On page 4 we read that *Cribbage World* editor **Bob Madsen** (Chicago IL) won the Rocky Mountain Championship in Littleton CO. Elsewhere we read that **Al Miller** (Nashua NH) won the 134-player Dante Club main.

25 Years Ago

The cover story announced that **Mary Ryan** (San Lorenzo CA) won the 340-player Veterans Day Classic main in Reno; **Ron Morgan** (CA) won the 256-player congo. Elsewhere we read that **Rob Medeiros** (Quincy MA) won the 124-player Dante Club main.





If you guessed that John and Maria were in Milan, Italy—you are right! The Milan Cathedral (pictured on page 16) is the third largest cathedral in the world. It is an amazingly ornate church with thousands of statues on the exterior and interior. Here, we see the shopping arcade in Milan, which inspired future indoor malls. Built 150 years ago, the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II is still the largest mall in Italy, and it houses all of the high end retail brands that are very problematic for any cribbage player's wallet!

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Youth News

from Don "Grumpy" Howard

Youth Tournament Trail

December 7 ♦ Ready Springs (Penn Valley CA)—**anceled**

December 14 ♦ Vets at the VFW (Sacramento CA)

February 8 ♦ Sierra Youth Tournament (Grass Valley (CA)

June 28 ♦ Youth Grand National 6 (Reno NV)

July 24 ♦ New England Youth Tourney (Bangor ME)

News

Box Car Peggers Club 371 (Citrus Heights CA) donated \$660 to Youth Cribbage on October 28. The club donated \$150 from its Oddball Twenty-Four fund, the Meetup Group donated \$160, **Roger Widdowson** donated \$50 instead of receiving a shirt, and **Jay Shaffer** donated \$300 from peg sales, skunk donations, and personal donations. **Don Grumpy Howard** accepted the donations on behalf of Youth Cribbage. ➔

Teaching Manuals

- **Norman Hardin** (Columbia MO)
- **Cameron Melvoin** (Mishawaka IN)



Tourney Tidbits

Monster Hand At the Salem Classic main, **Bill O'Malley** (Salem OR) scored 58 points during one deal! As dealer, Bill held 5-5-5-K and threw 7-7 to his crib. His opponent had 5-10-K-K and threw 6-8. The cut card was a 7, and the play went as follows:

Pone	K		5 (for 2)		{go}		K		10 (for 1)
Bill		5 (for 2)		5 (for 6)		5 (for 13)		K (for 2)	
running count	10	15	20	25	25	30	10	20	30

Bill pegged 23 points during play, then had a 14-point hand and a 21-point crib for a total of 58 points. Bill was 56 points out and won the game.

At Last! Ron Shave (Custer WI) ➔ joined the ACC in 2000 and has earned his Grand Master award (4,000 MRPs). But until October 18, he had never won a tournament. Ron is now the proud owner of the Wisconsin State Championship trophy!



12-Game Record?—Almost!

The record for highest score in an ACC-sanctioned twelve-game tournament is held by **Mel Vios** (Honolulu HI), who scored 28/12 +279 on June 7, 2015, at the Hawai'i Open.

At Pegging for Vets on November 2, **Wayne Morris** (Fremont CA) scored an impressive 28/11 +361. ➔ While it is not a record (Mel beats him on the first tiebreaker: games won), Wayne had an incredible spread of +361. Other highlights include:

- 4 skunks
- 2 double skunks
- 5 24-hands
- 2 21-hands

And, Wayne says, “lots of bad cards for my opponents.” He also writes: “I can’t add!” Oh well, adding doesn’t matter in the stratosphere!

GAME POINTS		GAME WON		NET SPREAD	
OFFICIAL ACC SCORECARD					
Name: <i>Wayne Morris</i>		Seat#: <i>27</i>			
ACC#					
Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponent's Initials	Verification I.D. Number
1 ✓	2	25		MB	30
2 ✓	3	62		LB	27
3 ✓	2	20		HIS	27
4 ✓	0		29		20
5 ✓	2	34			24
6 ✓	2	25			21
7 ✓	2	08			19
8 ✓	3	70			17
9 ✓	3	44			18
10 ✓	2	25			22
11 ✓	3	40			26
12 ✓	3	37			28
Total Game Points	28	NET POINTS (A+)		Wins = 2 Skunk = 3	
Games Won	11	360		Loss = 0	

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

Signature: *Wayne Morris*

Scott's Peek at the Past

by Scott Kooistra (Spencer NE)

During the first four years of Master Rating Points, the ACC distribution of those points followed the system I described in my November column. Starting with the 1984–85 season, the extra points for attendance, years of the tourney, states represented, and payback were eliminated. It was simply first place in the main got one point for each player, and each successive place got eight points less. One out of every eight players received MRPs, and consolation tourneys gave out points at half value.

A couple years later, a 40-point bonus was given for first place, 20-point bonus for second, 10-point bonus for third, and 5-point bonus to the fourth place finisher. Again, the consolation's top four playoff finishers ended received half those bonus points.

It wasn't until the 1986–87 season that qualifying-round points were given out. The points were distributed to the top one-eighth of the players in the main tourney. The top one-eighth of players in the consolation didn't start receiving MRPs until the 1994–95 season.

The basis for the current Master Rating Point system was implemented in August 1997. The late **Ed Horigan** of Virginia (our nineteenth ACC Hall of Famer) and his group worked diligently to devise the system that has basically been used for the past twenty-seven years!

Now some additional history. The first sanctioned ACC tourney was the Florida Open in early September of 1979, but Master Rating Points had not yet been developed. The first sanctioned tourney to award MRPs was the Wilmington NC Riverfest Meet in September 1980 with twenty-two players. The top two finishers there had not yet joined the Congress, so third place finisher **Jim Kraus** (Wilmington) had the first lead in the national race with 18.56 MRPs. The next sanctioned tourney was the Orlando Elks Annual Peg-Fight, and champion **Frank Wise** (Orlando FL) bested the field of sixteen players. Wise was the first published leader of the ACC Master Point standings in the October 1980 *Cribbage World* with a big 28.85 MRPs!

Best wishes, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year to all!

Scott knows 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.



Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

Do a victory dance!

This past September I attended a tournament in Williamsburg VA run by **Scott Noble**. Scott and his assistants ran a very good tournament despite dealing with remnants of Hurricane Helene and all the associated rain and tornados. At the beginning of the tournament Scott announced that this was a muggins tournament, and as such, you must peg out, or you could be mugged for the missed points you did not take. For most of you that do not know, muggins is played frequently in the southeastern region, and almost always in North Carolina, where the ACC was founded. But what does the rulebook say about pegging out?

Rule 8.10 states: **In all ACC events except match play, a player must peg out; if the player does not peg out, the opponent must remind him/her to do so (this rule does not apply in muggins tournaments).**

What this means is that in all tournaments you must peg out—not just in muggins tournaments. Years ago the Rules Committee went back and forth on mandatory pegging out. If you win the game why wouldn't you want to peg out? Others say that once the game is over then pegging out isn't necessary. But here's the

deal: a race isn't over until you cross the finish line. A baseball game isn't done until the final out is recorded. A football game isn't over until the clock says 00:00. Your game of cribbage isn't done until you reach hole 121.

The committee decided to strike a compromise. They didn't want people to take advantage of their opponents relating to pegging out, so that is why the verbiage was added that you must remind your opponent to peg out—the responsibility was placed on both players. Then if the apparent winner still refuses to peg out—for whatever ridiculous reason they might have—judges would be called, the unpegged score would be forfeited, and play would continue.

In muggins this rule doesn't apply, because if you don't peg out you are going to get mugged for the missed points.

This doesn't apply in match play, where spread points are irrelevant; you can concede a game before actually finishing it.

So if you win a game, be proud and peg out! Do a victory dance! Shout hooray! (Respectfully, of course.) But above all, be nice and have fun. That's what the ACC is all about.

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

Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ soule1994@comcast.net ◆

#birthdaymonth trend! December 4 is National Santa's List Day. Time for him to check on those naughty and nice cribbage players! December 13 is National Cocoa Day. Yes, please, with marshmallow fluff (a New England staple)! December 20 is National Sangria Day. Maybe you need some before the relatives descend on your home for the holidays! Whatever you celebrate or don't, please enjoy time with friends and families, and Happy Holidays to those that do!

October 26 saw the Spooktacular Cribbage tournament return to Bangor ME. It is always fun to see costumes and enjoy the day with friends. This year, **Stephen Dugas** traveled up from Massachusetts and came in first, with **Ethan Guyaz** in second. In the consolation, **Patrick Robrecht** came in first over **Mark Soule**. Both Stephen and Patrick were high qualifiers in their tournaments!



On November 2, **Joe Bowen** helped the Holden Police Department (next to Bangor) with the Chris Greeley 25 Days of Kindness Charity Tournament. More on this in a later issue.

On November 3, 112 of us showed up on time (daylight savings) at the Irish American Club in Malden MA for the Boston Regional Tournament, directed by **Frank Reddy** and **Bill Cormier**. It was also Frank's birthday! He said there was no other place he would rather be; was it because there was cake and we sang to him? When the celebrating ended, the final match was **Phil Martin** ➔ and **Rob** . . . just Rob. In the end Phil came out on top. If you see Rob, ask him about it, but you will probably get a better version from Phil. In the consolation, **Jerome Gaff** ➔ received his first win over **Kim Forbes**. **Jason Masciola**, ➔ who attended his first tournament in March, got his first 29-hand at his second tournament!



December Funnies

Q. How much did Santa pay for his sleigh?

A. Nothing, it was on the house!

Q. Who is never hungry at Christmas?

A. The turkey—he's always stuffed!

With the holiday season, we hustle and bustle. Take time for yourself and family. Mark and I wish our ACC family a wonderful holiday season. See you in 2025!

Dale's Tales

*Cribbage Stories by Dale Magedanz
~ CW's Milwaukee Correspondent ~*



Octoberfest

Once when playing **Joan Rein** (Green Bay WI), I skunked her *and* double skunked her. I must be royalty to her, as she refers to me as a “royal pain in the ———.” At Octoberfest I was Joan’s first opponent, where she tried to repay me, but was kind enough to let me out of a double skunk by one peg. It was only fair that I return the favor, so I skunked her in game two. Skunking her first opponent opened the jinx door, as Joan lost the next seven games. Speaking of skunks, **Jane Vander Loop** and **Ann Trotter** both skunked six of twenty-two opponents.

Wisconsin State Championship

Why do **Patrick and Linda Barrett** ♠ look so happy? The first reason is they had 78 players at their Lac du Flambeau tournament. The second reason is that Patrick won a lot of money on a slot machine. He didn’t even mind getting a 1099G!

I watched this ➔ unfold between **Jane Vander Loop** (Sun Prairie WI) and **Gordy Jurek** (Carlton MN). Both players held identical 4-5-5-6 hands. The 4 of Hearts was cut, dishing out twin 24s. Jane out pegged him 13 to 2.



Northeast Wisconsin Open

The Farmer in the Dell, **Mike Henze**, taught me why I should lead a 5. He dealt me three 5s and an off-suit Jack. I couldn’t cut the case 5 for a 29. To make matters worse, I lead the Jack and Mike pairs it! I play a 5, and he pairs me with the case 5 to score 30-for-3. I then led a 5 and he scores 15-for-3 after counting to 15. That, my fellow readers, is why you lead a 5 when you have three of them. I think I led the Jack to see if he had the 5 that I needed for 29. He did, but just waited for the best time to play it.

Here it is the start of November, and the weather has been so nice that **Jim “Sandals” Mahan** hasn’t even switched to his winter sandals. Luck was on Jim’s side as he backed into the playoffs of the 58-player main with a dirty 26. In a playoff battle of Fox Cities residents, Jim was playing **Dick Hammen** (Little Chute WI). It was all tied at 2-2 and down to the last hand! As bad luck for Dick would have it, the Jack of Hearts gave Jim the extra point he needed to win. Sandals made it to the finals only to end up second to **Rick Kuehn**. The 34-player consy was won by **Jeff Shimp**.



Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson
(*Internet Commish*)
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Here's a quote from an email sent to me. The author sums up how I also feel, as well as the TDs who volunteer their time to run them—just like those who run live tourneys. It's a lot of work, and each player only has to show up, play, and enjoy! Please be respectful and cooperative.

I sure wish that ACC players were friendly to their opponents. It is the same reason that I do not travel to tournaments. For some players it is *all* about the points. We are an organization that needs new players. You attract players by showing them a good time. It is just a card game that is fun. It shouldn't be what life is all about. Relax and have fun and show others what a fun and enjoyable game cribbage is.

I get many complaints from players about the behavior of other players, mainly because they can hide behind a screen. I am talking about things *that players would not do in live play*, so why be rude in online tourneys? Here's a compiled list of player complaints, followed by my thought. If only other players would:

- At least say hi and gg. (We expect no chitchatting.)
- Say ty if your opponent says gl, nh, or gg. (We learned manners as toddlers.)
- Move quickly when finished to your waiting opponent. (We watch the lobby for you to move.)
- Not go off somewhere once you set a new table, so your opponent can get in right away. (You will be put on a timer, even if you say brb, no matter the reason; the tourney is held up.)
- Not get up and leave once the game starts. (Unless it is truly an issue that can't wait!)
- Wait for the peg to go into the game hole before leaving. (This can mess up the scoring.)
- Look down the list for their next opponent before setting a table. (And play in order.)
- Listen to the TD's directions if someone is frozen. (Don't take it into your own hands.)
- Thank the TD when leaving. (A little kindness goes a long way!)

internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	380	Nancy Rojas (nancridbr)
2	378	James Morrow (29seeker)
3	368	Ron Shelton (red29rws)
4	365	Richard May (rcmay5)
5	336	Kelly Ann Burgar (lilthummp)
6	330	Sue Edwards (co434sue)
7	306	Pat Liegl (patco1950)
8	298	Joe Losacco (joe2win)
9	297	Joe Clarke (bigrednebraska)
10	289	Gregory Gougian (gougie00)

Point Leader of the Month

Richard May (rcmay5) @ 171 IRPs

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)

Jerry Griffin (meatloaf627)

Gordy Wise (wiseone)



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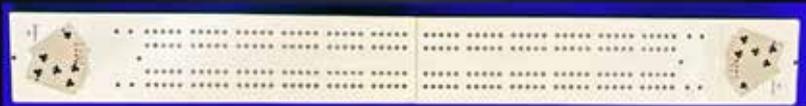
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It is rumored that the Pope asked the Americans not to bomb Milan Cathedral during WWII. Only two walls survived the bombing, because they were buried with sandbags.

They quickly rebuilt the cathedral after the war because the masterpieces were so important to the world. Seeing a famous piece of art is always amazing. Using science and AI, the right side shows what the masterpiece originally looked like.

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The eCribbage TD team is saddened to announce the passing of longtime TD **Miss Julie**. Julie was often called the “queen” of doubles, and she made them look effortless—they’re not! Thanks to all who participated in her memorial tournament, and to Jen and Scott for all of their hard work to make it possible. RIP, Julie.



The Kat Hartsell EXPERIENCE



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My journey continued on a trip from Spokane WA to the world's longest drivable beach in Long Beach WA—an 860-mile round trip—where the ACC World Championships are held. The tournament is played at Chautauqua Lodge, a five-minute walk from the Pacific Ocean.

It's always nice to meet new ACC members, and **Johnny Nechvatal** from Long Beach had a short drive to play, while both **John Novotny** from Alaska and **Frank Abernathy** ↓ from North Carolina did some serious traveling to attend this year's event. **Ben Sercombe** (Seattle WA) played in his first ACC tournament, finished second in the early bird, and became a new member of the ACC!

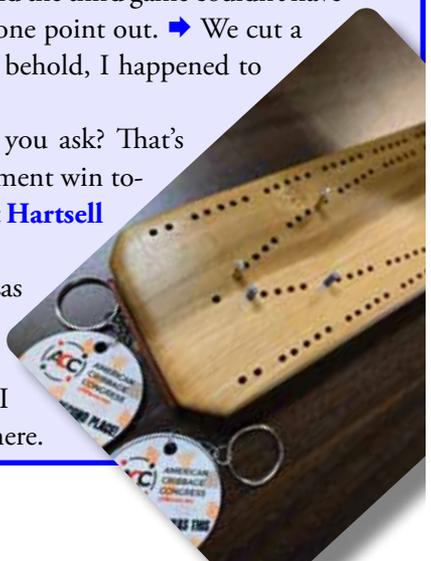
I always love to give a shout out to my Spokane players, and this year **“Handsome” Frank Hanson** (aka “Fourth street Frank”) claimed the championship, which includes the traveling title belt. After the cheering and pictures were taken, there was the consolation championship to be played.

Guess what Kat Hartsell experienced? That's right, her first ACC-sanctioned win!

I played **Cathy Carter** (WA) in the finals, and the third game couldn't have been closer. I was dealing, and we were both one point out. → We cut a 2; Cathy said “I'll pair the deck”; and lo and behold, I happened to also have a 2!

What is the 117 you ask? That's **Duane Toll's** tournament win total. The 1? That's **Kat Hartsell** gaining on him!

As we head to Las Vegas Grand National, I hope you have safe travels. I can't wait to see you there.



CRIBBAGE AROUND THE WORLD *Continued*

by John Quist
~ with lots of help from Maria ~

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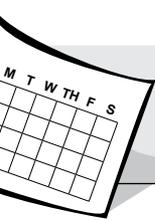
Maria and I always try to weave cribbage references into our *Cribbage World* stories. This month's story will be a stretch in achieving that, as we visited Milan, Italy.

Leonardo da Vinci spent years in Milan, creating many paintings there. While the *Mona Lisa* is arguably his most famous painting, his most famous mural is in Milan (see page 25). His rendition of the Last Supper changed painting forever, as the "one point perspective" technique used to paint it was revolutionary for the art world. Before this perspective technique, paintings seemed flat. After this invention, paintings had depth and three-dimensional aspects never seen before.

Since Leonardo was also a scientist and an engineer, he loved numbers. Cribbage wasn't invented until a couple hundred years after Leonardo's time, but I am sure he would have loved cribbage (and there's the stretch!). On the other hand, I do not love cribbage at this moment. Maria beat me 3-0 in Milan. Is it because she read *The Da Vinci Code* and decoded my cards? Maria now has a commanding 15-9 lead (just like in the last series of CW stories). I think I will just take up making pasta in the future!

Since I can't seem to beat Maria at cribbage, we took cooking lessons from a top teacher there. I'm making tiramisu here, but also made pasta and ravioli from scratch. They were super-delicious recipes. I might be a better cook than cribbage player now!





SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

as of November 5

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs name			MRPs name			MRPs name		
1	595	Bob Brumley	1	739	Jim Mahan	1	411	Frank Abernathy
2	497	Erik Locke	2	640	Terry Weber	2	384	Robert Medeiros
3	415	Dave Yaeger	3	374	Scott Sand	3	373	David Statz
4	372	Bill Schlabes	4	357	Steven Steinmetz	4	321	Robert Baker
5	323	Jason Shumate	5	339	Cynthia Wark	5	284	Stephen Dugas
6	319	Bob Bartosh	6	274	Dan Sand	6	235	Terrance Cushman
7	295	Chris McComas	7	240	David Aiello	7	227	Mark Soule
7	295	Craig Smith	8	215	Don Pohlman	8	223	Debra Cotter
9	278	Paul Gregson	9	190	Allen Karr	9	221	William Shoemaker
10	277	Marcia Glenn	10	182	Kathie Nordlund	10	220	Steven Braley
11	270	James Clark	11	177	Dave DeVowe	11	215	Frank Reddy
11	262	Frank Hanson	11	177	Rick Kuehn	12	210	Barbara Barbour
12	262	Bob Prochnow	11	177	Jeff Shimp	13	208	Donna LaFleur
14	250	Wayne Morris	11	177	Wendy Yafuso	14	184	Todd Smith
15	238	Sara Sanner	15	172	Henry Brandner	14	184	Barry Spadea
16	221	Duane Toll	15	172	Rhynold Shave	16	181	Donald Janelle
17	214	Bill Klem	17	167	Daniel Pluff	17	177	Nancy Riccio
18	210	David Bute	18	164	Jane Vander Loop	18	176	Deborah Taylor
19	198	Peter Jackson	18	164	Kristina Wright	19	174	Mike Misluk
20	194	Jason Ramelow	20	160	Larry Leidenheimer	19	174	Jack Silvia
21	189	Alice Souza	21	159	Emilio Perez	21	173	Jerry Hardy
22	186	Wayne Momsen	22	147	Peter Christensen	22	161	Jack Howsare
23	185	Larry McKinney	22	147	Matt Klar	23	159	Peter Legendre
24	184	Cy Madrone	24	146	Bob Hanes	24	153	Paige Thomas
25	181	Alan Talacek	25	142	Jeff Machovsky	25	152	Phil Martin
26	179	Pete Larsen	26	139	Frank Duresky	26	151	Rick Montague
27	176	Rick Baird	27	135	Arthur Loveland	27	147	Donald Caprigno
27	176	Mark Hofschield	27	135	Jeanne Wauters	28	145	Michael Kopp
29	171	Eric Boysen	29	134	Sheila Vojtech	28	145	Michael Sclafani
30	169	Jennifer Bolles	30	130	Donald Curry	28	145	Joe Zimmitti
31	164	Kat Hartsell	31	125	Jason Matheny	31	144	Marty Duchow
32	163	Bobby Ramelow	32	120	Larry Morse	32	132	Roy Scheffer
33	161	Terry Hatto	33	110	Daniel Minesal	33	127	Patricia Bergeron
34	156	James Morrow	33	110	Pete Wilbur	34	122	Bill Peters
35	153	Peggy Shea	35	105	Haley Hintze	35	121	Keith Miller
36	146	Jones Hom	36	101	Betsy Miller	36	113	Jack Chandler
37	144	Joe Gates	37	100	Clay Collier	37	110	Mary Burlington
37	144	Don Thienel	37	100	Meme Schafer	37	110	Mayland Champion
39	143	Bernie Nelson	39	99	Lewis Gurney	37	110	Scott Harker
40	142	Ray Klocko	40	98	Adam Switzer	37	110	Jim Maffa
41	140	Tyler Brinker	41	97	Tom Briski	37	110	Guy Spezzaferro
41	140	Todd Malmgren	42	94	Mike Erdmann	42	108	Michael D'Elena
41	140	Lyford Smith	42	94	Dan Taylor	43	101	Laurie Hardy
44	137	Richard Rudio	44	90	Don Ferenz	44	100	Joseph Bowen
45	136	Diane Sykes	45	86	James McCarty	44	100	Mike Fetchel
46	132	Audrey Hatto	46	82	Scott Buhrow	44	100	Jacob French
47	117	Steve Hastie	47	80	Lana Newhouse	47	97	Keith Widener
47	117	Diana Webster	48	77	James Huser	48	94	Frank Bogus
47	117	Carol Williams	49	76	Julie Hardardt	49	93	Paul Batterson
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			50	74	Bob Kiley			

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CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

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GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE

<i>date</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>Tournament Directors</i>
Sep. 30–Oct. 5, 2025	Deadwood SD	David Aiken, Patrick Barrett, Dan Selke, John Hazlett
Oct. 13–18, 2026	Niagara Falls NY	David Aiken, Mark Soule, Vlcki Soule

TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE

Mar. 7–9, 2025	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra
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MI ♦ Thanksgiving Doubleheader

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

Nov. 29 + Dec. 1, Wishbone Open

Nov. 30, Reindeer Games

OR ♦ Nov. 29–Dec. 1, Thanksgiving at the Mill
 Mill Casino, 3201 Tremont Ave, North Bend OR
 97459. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

NH ♦ Windrifter Doubleheader

Windrifter Resort, 337 South, Wolfeboro NH
 03894. TD: Mark & Vicki Soule (207.442.9001)

Dec. 13, Windrifter Classic

Dec. 14–15, David Campbell Memorial

VA ♦ Virginia Beach Doubleheader

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

Dec. 6, Virginia Beach Classic 1

Dec. 7–8, Virginia Beach Classic 2

WI ♦ Dec. 6–8, Jingle Bell Open

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

CO ♦ Dec. 7, MVP Winter Challenge

VFW, 305 S Cleveland Ave, Loveland CO 80538.
 TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Wanda Berry

OR ♦ Dec. 7, Willamette Valley Classic

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

CA ♦ Dec. 14, Pegging for Vets

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

OR ♦ Depoe Bay Doubleheader

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

Dec. 27, Steve Lewis Memorial

Dec. 28–29, Depoe Bay Challenge

WI ♦ Jan. 3–5, Wisconsin Dells Deal

Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI
 53965. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

CA ♦ Sacramento Tripleheader

VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacra-
 mento CA 95823. TD: Bill Schlabes
 (530.219.4729) & Rick Baird

Jan. 9–10, Sacramento VFW #1

Jan. 11, Sacramento VFW #2

Jan. 12, Sacramento VFW #3

AZ ♦ Jan. 10–12, Snowbird Special

DAV Hall, 954 S 13th Ave, Yuma AZ 85364. TD:
 Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Jim Blakely

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OR ♦ Jan. 11, Willamette Valley Challenge

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

WI ♦ Jan. 17–19, American Pride

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

FL ♦ FWB Doubleheader

VFW, 213 Carol Ave NW, Fort Walton Beach FL 32548. TD: Jim & Paul Hearon (850.866.7866)

Jan. 17, Land Shark Open

Jan. 18–19, Emerald Coast Open

OR ♦ Jan. 18–19, Bandon It's a New Year!

Senior Center, 1100 11th St SW, Bandon OR 97411. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

CT ♦ Jan. 18, New Year Knockout

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: Michael Kopp (860.856.1705) & Barbara Barbour

NV ♦ Sin City Doubleheader

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Brenda Nason (619.300.2628) & Sharon Schaefer

Jan. 24, Sin City Shuffle

Jan. 25–26, Schaefer Shuffle

ME ♦ Bangor Doubleheader

Seasons Grill, 477 Main St, Bangor ME 04429. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley & Carlyle Foss

Jan. 25, Winter Classic

Jan. 26, Snowbowl

NV ♦ Lake Mead Doubleheader

Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89011. TD: Alan Schaefer (414.331.0809) & Gary Sand & Jim Dillard

Jan. 27, Lake Mead Challenge

Jan. 28–29, Lake Mead Classic

AZ ♦ Scottsdale Doubleheader

Sun Lakes Country Club, 25425 S Sun Lakes Blvd, Sun Lakes AZ 85248 TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

Jan. 31, Cactus Cribbage Classic

Feb. 1–2, Roadrunner Classic

NH ♦ Wolfeboro Doubleheader

Windrifter Resort, 337 S Main St, Wolfeboro NH 03894. TD: Vicki & Mark Soule (207.442.9001)

Jan. 31, Winter in Wolfeboro One-Day

Jan. 31–Feb. 2, Medeiros Memorial

MN ♦ Chaska Doubleheader

VFW, 620 Creek Rd, Chaska MN 55318. TD: Adam Switzer (952.687.1642) & Steve Schneider & Bob Joslin

Jan. 31, Minnesota Snowball One-Day

Feb. 1–2, Switzer's Birthday Bash

MI ♦ Feb. 8, Rod Hovey Memorial

VFW, 1920 E Kilgore Service Rd, Portage MI 49002. TD: Roger Brown (269.382.3571) & Steve Nuyen

CA ♦ Feb. 8, Pegging for Vets

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

OR ♦ Feb. 8, Willamette Valley Open

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

CA ♦ Feb. 8, Sierra Youth Tournament

Chicago Park School, 15725 Mt Olive Rd, Grass Valley CA 95945. TD: Don Grumpy Howard (916.212.2465) & Lori Boyer

WI ♦ Feb. 14–16, Go Green Bay

Townline Bar & Grill, Townline Rd, Green Bay WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

OR ♦ Feb. 15–16, Come Sea Bandon

Senior Center, 1100 11th St SW, Bandon OR 97411. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

VA ♦ Virginia Beach Doubleheader

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

Feb. 20–21, Virginia Beach Cluster Part 1

Feb. 22–23, Virginia Beach Cluster Part 2

CT ♦ Feb. 22, February Frenzy

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: Donald Janelle (860.490.0712) & Barbara Barbour

CA ♦ Feb. 28–Mar. 2, Northern California Open

Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FROM TOURNAMENT PLAYERS

Octoberfest: \$550 to Alzheimer's Foundation

CA ♦ Mar. 3–5, Susanville Winter Classic
Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

NV ♦ The Big One!
J Resort, 345 N Arlington, Reno NV 89501
March 6 ♦ Canadian Doubles TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett
March 7 ♦ TOC TD: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059) & Todd Schaefer (651.338.8116)
March 8–9 ♦ JPW/ACC Open TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)
entry form online soon!

CA ♦ Mar. 15, Wine Country Spring Open
Moose, 3275 Browns Valley Rd, Napa CA 94558. TD: Roland Hall (707.738.0799) & Yvonne Bowers

AK ♦ Mar. 15, Alaska State Championship
Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99503. TD: C. J. KIM (907.748.2684) & Arlene Carle

RI ♦ Mar. 16, Corned Beef & Cribbage
St. Josephs Veterans Hall, 99 Louise St, Woonsocket-let RI 02895. TD: Rick Montague (508.414.4684) & Leo Houle

CA ♦ Mar. 16, Gold Country Classic
Senior Center, 11960 Heritage Oak Pl #15, Auburn CA 95603. TD: Jon Kline (650.279.0001) & Alice Crawford

WI ♦ Mar. 21–23, Mick Michaelis Classic
Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Dr, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

OR ♦ Sutherlin Doubleheader
Eagles, 116 E 2nd Ave, Sutherlin OR 97497. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136)
Mar. 21, Super Sutherlin One Day
Mar. 22–23, Sutherlin Shuffle

OR ♦ Mar. 21–23, Northwest Open
Elks, 1896 2nd St, Baker City OR 97814. TD: Pat Reynolds (541.403.0172) & Rob Palmer

NC ♦ Fling Doubleheader
DoubleTree, 4810 Page Creek Ln, Durham NC 27703. TD: Jennifer Johnson (617.515.2232) & Megan Player
Mar. 21, Friday Pre-Fling
Mar. 22–23, Raleigh Spring Fling

AZ ♦ Mar. 22–23, Arizona Screaming Eagles
Crooks House, 10938 W Tropicana Cir, Sun City AZ 85351. TD: Darlene Stier (907.338.3234) & June Fordham

MA ♦ Mar. 22–23, New England Festival
Knight of Columbus, 254 Hancock St, Abington MA 02351. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Joe Bowen

CA ♦ Mexican Riviera Cruise Doubleheader
NCL <i>Bliss</i> , departing Los Angeles CA. TD: Winona & Michael McDaniel (541.525.1292)
Mar. 24, Mexican Riviera Cruise #1
Mar. 28–29, Mexican Riviera Cruise #2

CT ♦ Mar. 29, Blarney Stone Battle
St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 99 Sand Hill Rd, South Windsor CT 06074. TD: Phil Martin (860.768.2681) & Barbara Barbour

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IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Randell Denissen

The Richmond Cribbage Club lost a longstanding member on November 5 when Randell Denissen (North Chesterfield VA) passed away at age 69. Randy was an active member of the ACC, supporting Mid-Atlantic sanctioned tournaments and Grass Roots play. He had recently earned his Silver Award and was a former club champion. Randy was a tenacious competitor and exhibited a ready sense of humor, win or lose. His contributions will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

JoAnne Thomas

JoAnne Thomas (Lakewood WA) passed away

on October 28. A longtime, loyal member of Tacoma Club 243, she was my best friend and a great cribbage partner. I still remember our first meeting, fourteen years ago. We were both playing in an Oregon tournament, and when we played each other we found out we lived only three miles apart in Tacoma. I asked if she would like to travel together, and that was the beginning of a wonderful union and friendship. She loved cribbage but more she loved the social and comradeship of going to tournaments and cribbage cruises. She will be greatly missed in our club and by the many friends she had on the Tournament Trail. RIP, my love. —*submitted by Gordy Wise*

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