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2ND ANNUAL GRAND NATIONAL

The Second Annual Grand National Tournament drew 140 players from 21 states to Springfield, MA on October 1 & 2. After two days of spirited play, local player, Marco Amato, brought the Grand National Crown to W. Springfield. Runner-up was All-American Robert "Rick" Michaelis of Marinette, WI, with Henry Joly of Colmer, PA, (the Reverend of the Congress according to President Wergin) placing 3rd and Robert Fiorini of Feeding Hills, MA, 4th. Stuart Stramberg kept 5th place in W. Springfield and Cathy Perkins of Bear Creek, NC, fresh from her championship in Raleigh, was the first lady in the money, coming in 6th.

With an Early Bird Tourney Friday night and the Last Sensational Seven following the consolation on Sunday, there was plenty of opportunity for competition for all.

The Consolation Event was won by Helene Woffenden of Athol, MA with Luis Lizarribar of Augusta, GA, coming in second. Massachusetts was represented again by Warren Torver of N. Adams for 3rd place and earning 4th was W. Cribbage, Leo Schnerdsky of Lyndon Station, WI.

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40 Years Ago

The cover reported news from Grand National 2 in West Springfield MA, directed by **Jim Arblaster**. The main attracted 140 players and was won by **Marco Amato**, who beat **Mick Michaelis** in the finals.

25 Years Ago

The cover reported on Grand National

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Bobby Stuart! Joe Aird Wins Consolation

In the early 1900's, Ty Cobb ruled the baseball diamond, and he was nicknamed "The Georgia Peach." And as the 1900's roll to a close, yet another "Georgia Peach" has come to the fore, and in another sport, Cribbage!

Bobby Stuart, pegging out on Lawrenceville, Georgia, came away with the championship at Daytona Beach's Grand National XVII. In hosting a large crowd of 284 peggers, he took home bragging rights, 252 MRPs and a haul of prize money. In last year's action, Stuart called 518 MRPs and was among the Eastern Region's top 25, but the 1999 pegging season may even be better for Stuart as he is among the national leaders in the early going.

His final playoff match had him pitted with Luis Moreard, South Hadley, MA. The match saw sawed back and forth, but in the final two games, Stuart pulled away and came away with the win. Moreard, in finishing 2nd, had a stellar tournament, netting 196 MRPs and a sizeable runner-up check.

Life Master Larry Sames (MA) had a great tournament, finishing 3rd, and was a member

of the winning 5-person team play. With the 147 MRPs earned, he went to 15th place in the ACCV's lifetime standings (7,300 MRPs). John J. Rooney (MA) finished 4th, and is moving in on his Grand Master rating.

Brian Heroux (RI), the ACCV's youngest Life Master (age 24) also had a great tournament. He called the top qualifying round score (a 36 GP card) and led his 5-person team to a winning score. He also fared well in the Friday High Roller events, running his total aces to over the four-figure mark.

Grand Master Joe Aird (MI) came away with the Consolation title, edging Bruce Suttler (MD) in the final playoffs for that honor. Peter Seitan, a newly-crowned Grand Master (MA) came away with 3rd, followed by Glenn Gauthier (WI) in 4th. Bob Brown (WI) topped the 213-player field in the qualifying round.

Director Paul Barnes had a full array of satellite events on tap. The winners: Friday Early Bird: Russell Perkins (NC) High Roller: Lucille Simpson (NY) Saturday Single: Richard Menick (NY) Saturday Special: Earl Lequette (FL) Saturday High Roller: Bruce Suttler (MD) Team: L. Sames, B. Shoemaker, J. Bernard, B. Heroux, P. Barrett

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17 in Daytona Beach FL, directed by **Paul Barnes**. The 284-player main saw **Brian Heroux** as high qualifier, with the win secured by the late great **Bobby Stuart**. The 213-player consolation was won by the late great **Joe Aird**. Joe later won the 1999 GN main in Las Vegas NV and the 2009 GN consy in Grand Rapids MI—thus becoming (so far) the only player to win three Grand National events!

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- **David Patterson** (Clarksville NH)

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The Ethics Committee suspended **Larry Pisha** (Gresham OR) for six months ending February 29, 2024, for being disruptive, confrontational, verbally abusive, and very aggressive to other players.

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President's Column

by James Morrow



Club Raffle for ACC Open

On my way home from the Grand National, I had lots of free time to think, about eleven extra hours, thank you Delta.

With Grand National in the books, the next big tournament will be the JPW/ACC Open in Reno NV.

I started thinking how can we get more players to attend. What if every Grass Roots club sent at least one player? For a player who normally wouldn't attend, is there something that would give them an incentive to play?

What if every club held a raffle? For example: for one dollar your name would go into a drawing. (Clubs could decide whether the prize would be spent on entry fees or guest room.)

For some clubs it would take a while to build the pot up for an entry fee. Smaller clubs with ten players a week would take ten weeks to raise \$100. For a \$10 investment you could be playing in the World's Biggest Cribbage Tournament.

Once clubs had the entry covered, they draw a name, and one club member now has their entry paid. Bigger clubs with twenty-five or thirty attending members could have a drawing every four weeks, sending several players to play with entry fees paid.

Instead of having to wait for a winner, small clubs could charge \$10 a ticket and the winner is drawn that night.

I'm sure clubs can come up with several ways to help send players to tournaments.

With 193 Grass Roots clubs in the ACC, imagine 193 more players attending the ACC Open. What if every club sent two players . . . or three?

In as little as three raffles per club, the ACC Open could be over 1,000 players in attendance.

This would be awesome!

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!

90—**John Svilarich** (OR)

70—**Louis Larsen** (MA)

70—**Patricia Gossett** (WI)

70—**Sue Anderson** (OR)

60—**Larry Leidenheimer** (MN)

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Gruber Sportsmanship Award

I wanted to extend my sincere thank you to the entire ACC family for being awarded the Jerry Gruber Memorial Sportsmanship Award at GN41. This was so very special to me and something I will cherish for the rest of my days! Special thanks to **Tammy Gibbons** for spearheading this award and for her very kind words in the GN41 brochure. Also special thanks to **Vicki and Mark Soule** and the entire Board of Directors for supporting this award. Thanks to Vicki for presenting the award at the GN41 banquet. I would also like to thank my Grass Roots club in East Hartford CT, led by **Phil Martin**. The fantastic gang at Club 26 got me started in the ACC quite a few years ago and “showed me the ropes,” including how to enjoy this great game of ours. I will leave you with some wise words from our very own **David Aiken**: “Play smart, play fair, play fast, but mostly play nice!” Thanks so much again!

Mike Fetchel (Durham CT)

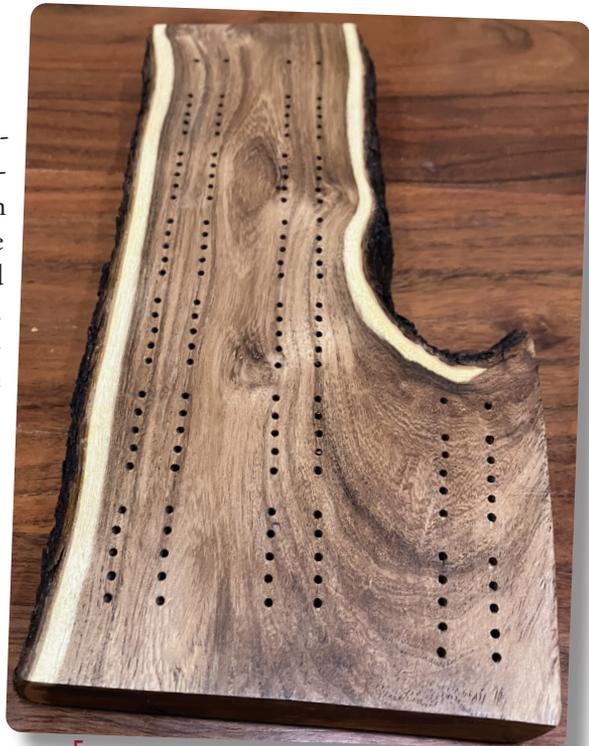
Eagle Scout Cribbage Board

I am a new ACC member from Tucson AZ who joined in July. I enjoy receiving *Cribbage World*. My grandson in Boise ID learned to play cribbage a few years ago. Last year he reached Eagle Scout at the age of thirteen (the average attainment age is seventeen). So to reward him for his accomplishment I made this board of mesquite wood from my backyard (I copied this idea from a lifelong friend who made one out of an apple limb years ago). The pegs are finishing nails with the sharp ends cut off. A tab on the top with his name on it covers the pegs holder.

Dan Fahey (Tucson AZ)

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My Deal

by David Aiken



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

1 Denial
There is no way I lost. It is impossible for me to have lost *that* game. I did everything right, my opponent played poorly (until fourth street), the cards were in my favor (until fourth street). How could I have possibly lost?!

3 Bargaining
Dear Cribbage Goddess: if you let me win the next four games, I'll forgive you for this loss. Just let me qualify this one time, and I'll never again ask for another favor.

2 Anger
Grrr. Did you see what happened? I was dealer in hole 119 and held 5-J-Q-K. My opponent was 29 points out, held 4-4-6-6, cut a 5 as the starter, and then pegged five holes by running the 5-trap (6-K-6-5-4). I'm so angry I could spit! I *never* get cuts like that, why do my opponents *always* get miracle cuts?

The Five Stages of Cribbage Grief

4 Depression
I really don't know how to play this game. I do everything wrong. I continually hold my hand wrong. I always screw up the end-game pegging. I'm done with cribbage. Where do I sign up for the American Tiddlywinks Congress?!

Acceptance
Okay, maybe I could have played better. I shouldn't have held the 5. I should've planned for the worst-case scenario. I will read DeLynn's book. Again. I admit that I didn't play my best in this game. It's time to re-tool my game to make sure I don't miss points, that I don't discard improperly, that I don't make poor judgments. I love this game. I *am* going to get better.

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Tale of the Tape	 Rick Baird	 David Aiken	 Rob Medeiros
average	65.5% (91–48)	60.7% (34–22)	√ 70% (42–18)
biggest win	√ +63 over Tim Gudahl (ID) @ Boise	+32 over Josh Beaucher (MI)	+40 over Phillip Jenkins (MA) @ Club 104
worst loss	√ -45 by Carl Natter (OR) @ Club 12	-49 by Scott Lilly (MI) @ Club 71	-50 by Guy Spezzafarro (MA) @ Club 104

The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



End-game pegging requires much more “seeing over the horizon” vision than the first 110 pegs require. Let’s analyze a late game hand to test this theory.

You are dealer in a tie game at 111. You are dealt A-3-10-J-Q-K. What do you discard? Well, Rob, this looks like a no brainer right? Keep the four-card run and throw the best potential crib cards away. Well let’s analyze the positions and our main objectives.

The pone is ten points away, so we must do everything in our power to limit his pegging to zero or 1, obviously while still keeping in mind we need ten points as well. The four-card run of 10-J-Q-K is the worst defensive hold we can keep: it provides no flexibility at all and is very likely to give up 2-3 pegging points—if not more—so let’s keep the A with 10-J-Q. We can play the A on any picture lead and get a good read on pone’s hand on his next play. We are still looking at the same cuts to help our hand or crib, so we can go out if we hold the pone down.

A quick update on last month’s A-3-5-7-8-K scenario. I received many fine emails on how to play that but one that stood out was new ACC member **Dan Fahey**, who advocated for the 7-8 discard in a very incisive argument. Welcome to the ACC, Dan, and we all hope to see you on the Tournament Trail in the future.

Rob always looks over the horizon. Contact him at mrob2199@aol.com.

Tourney Tidbit

Jim Rosso Benefit High qualifier in the main. Winner of the main. First place on Saturday night. It’s safe to say that **Jim Rosso** (Cheyenne WY) had a *very* good weekend at the Colorado Fall Classic on September 22-24. Looks like he needs another hand to hold all of his trophies! ←



CLUB 29

1. Jordan Hammond (IA): Iowa Classic (Sep. 16)
2. Terry Ward (CA): Barn Café Challenge (Sep. 24)

New Members

131 last month

Alaska

Ken Bodensteiner (Anchorage)
Susan Holder (Fairbanks)
Scott Levad (Anchorage)

Arizona

David Wright (Avondale)

California

John Cooper (Eureka)
Finn Ellis (Berkeley)
Emily Gilden (Richmond)
Jack Gilley (Redding)
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Carol Jenckes (Arroyo Grande)
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Wade Rudnick (Oakley)
Don Slye (Redding)
Rex Thornhill (Paso Robles)
Pashi Vakiva (Laguna Hills)

Colorado

Aaron Bonewell (Wheat Ridge)
Benjamin Suomi (Wheat Ridge)

Connecticut

Bonnie Fife (Killingly)

Florida

Dale W. Buhr Sr. (North Port)
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Nicole Freeman (Saint Cloud)
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Bob Harrington (Tampa)
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Chuck Shields (Bradenton)

Idaho

Wayne Newberry (Meridian)

Illinois

Charles Anderson (Western Springs)
Keaton Erickson (Chicago)

Iowa

Lara Brenneman (Kalona)
Mya Brenneman (Kalona)
Tiffany Brenneman (Kalona)
Waylon Brenneman (Kalona)

Maine

George Taylor (Wells)

Massachusetts

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Jason Briggs (Attleboro)
Eric Buckman (Attleboro)

George Emlinger (North Attleboro)
Kevin Emlinger (North Attleboro)
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Henry Hahn (Natick)
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Eileen Markham (North Attleboro)
David Payson (North Attleboro)
Peter Politano (Bridgewater)
Robert Poulin (Abington)
Ed Roman (Edgartown)
Dale Sigman (North Attleboro)
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Philip Silva (Middleboro)
Carolyn Stapleton (Vineyard Haven)

Michigan

Kay Bjorge (Ontonagon)
Jill Borchers (Buckley)
Kevin Chezik (Goodrich)
Eric Dick (Lake Leelanau)
John Hicks (Traverse City)
Bob Lewis (Traverse City)
Kimberly McCain (Royal Oak)
Cary Vedin (Escanaba)

Minnesota

Michele Elin (Rosemount)
Rhonda Galloway (Farmington)
Linda Schmit (Saint Paul)
James Lee Schneider (Carlton)
Jeff Taylor (Burnsville)

Nevada

Steve Cowan (Henderson)

New Hampshire

Michael Bettencourt (Nashua)

New Jersey

Margaret Ricci (Wayne)

New York

Marcia Najjar (Hilton)

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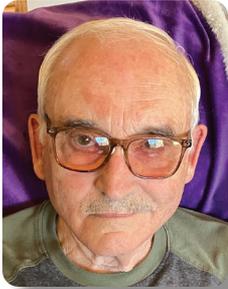
Wisconsin

Lynda Bothun (Suamico)
Haley Johnson (Eau Claire)
Rodney Mueller (Medford)
Brian Napiwocki (Plover)
Janice Swiekatowski (Pulaski)
George Voell (Milwaukee)

Wyoming

Heather Kauffman (Cheyenne)
David Tipton (Casper)

ACC Awards



{Bernie's words} I first played cribbage with my dad when I was around ten, but not much until I joined the ACC in 1983. After that my traveling partners were Rollie Heath, De-Lynn Colvert, Doc Bauman, and Willie Evans, all of them better players who I watched and learned from. I didn't get into Grass Roots until

Bernie Nelson
(Dallas OR)
Life Master (2★) #56

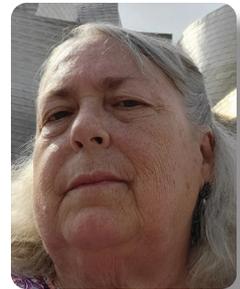
much later, and now am a member of the Salem OR club. I don't play there as much I would like, as we are in Minnesota and Arizona for almost half of the year. I have won nineteen tournaments, but don't remember the first. My latest win was the Marshall-

town IA Classic. I needed only six points for my Two Star, and I happened to win the tourney. My favorite tournaments are the Topaz midweeks. My best cribbage memories are when Sophie and I hosted twelve to fourteen players each year at our Neskowin beach house for the twenty-five years that the Hofbauers and I directed the Lincoln City tournaments. We got to know friends from all over the country. Away from cribbage, Sophie and I celebrated our sixtieth anniversary this year with a cruise in Greece. We have three children and four grandkids. My biggest other interest stems from being a Minnesota Viking season ticket holder for fifty-eight years. That explains why my toughest opponents are anyone with a Green Bay Packer shirt on. Finally, I have the only known cribbage board autographed by Johnny Cash.



{Kristy's words} My mother, Alice Haught (VA-281), taught me how to play cribbage, and I joined the ACC in 1998. Catherine Perkins is my cribbage mentor. I'm a member of Grass Roots Club 58. My first tournament win was the 2010 North Carolina Open in Winston-Salem NC. I have now won five tournaments (three mains, two cons). My favorite tournament was Savannah; unfortunately, they lost their venue and have not found a new one yet. Bernard Whitfield is my toughest opponent. My favorite cribbage moment this year was being the last undefeated player in this year's National Open in Durham NC. Non-cribbage interests include travel, art, architecture, nature, and dogs (especially my spoiled partner in crime, Willow). Something that CW readers don't know about me: I am a big fan of the democratic process and work the help desk at the polls whenever I am asked.

Kristy Haught
(Rocky Mount NC)
Grand Master #482



COOL STUFF ON THE WEB

Last year's #3 MRP chaser was Life Master (★) **Robert Chase** of Minneapolis MN. It seems as if Bob has other semi-marketable skills as well. For a time in 2014 he held the world record for highest bowling "between the legs" score. To see the entire game (with a celebrity appearance by BOD member **Bob Joslin** near the end), go to [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and type "bob chase bowling."

GRASS ROOTS Clubs



as of October 23

Division 1 →	rank	GRPs name (club)
	1	173 Frank Hanson (198)
	2	138 Gordy Wise (243)
	3	130 Ralph Turco (243)
	4	125 Ronald Geerdes (396)
	5	112 John Truitt (408)
	6	105 Ted Canepa (371)
	6	105 Don Gabrielson (243)
	8	104 Steve Colgan (467)
	9	103 Ben Holder (43)
	10	98 Glen Humbert (415)
	11	93 Harrison Pettit (317)
	12	91 JoAnne Thomas (243)
	12	91 Michael Weber (277)
	14	89 Carl Vennes (69)
	15	87 Wayne Morris (43)
	15	87 Dave Schwartz (377)
	15	87 James Wysocki (467)
	18	86 Marc Atkinson (108)
	19	85 Artland Kaai (164)
	19	85 Jeff Shimp (229)
	21	84 Rob Smith (198)
	21	84 Alice Souza (453)
	21	84 Donald Spurgeon (100)
	24	83 Dwight Christiansen (382)
	25	82 Dennis Crooks (408)
	25	82 Victor Rodriguez (258)
	27	81 Ron Bauer (224)
	27	81 David Clemmey (464)
	29	79 Doug Dresbach (162)
	30	75 Rex Paddock (347)
	31	74 Peter Koski (368)
	31	74 Robert Medeiros (104)
	31	74 Frank Reddy (104)
	31	74 Gene Rice (202)
	35	73 Donna Karr (207)
	35	73 Adrian Levy (374)
	37	72 Grant Crawford (131)
	37	72 Jim Merritt (431)
	37	72 Gerald Peterson (251)
	37	72 David Sparkes (161)
	41	71 Terry Alderton (368)
	41	71 John MacEwen (295)
	41	71 Ronald Morgan (418)
	41	71 William Shirland (23)
	45	70 Dave Bosio (332)
	45	70 Theo Mattingly (43)
	45	70 Wayne Momsen (127)
	45	70 Marc Morisseau (387)
	45	70 Monica Newton (127)
	45	70 Pamela Pomeroy (68)
	45	70 Nancy Rojas (162)

rank	GRPs name (club)
45	70 Rick Vee (96)
53	69 Bob Bartosh (453)
53	69 Randy DeMars (284)
53	69 Kathryn Hyde (295)
53	69 Steve Kaplan (408)
53	69 Jim Lowe (257)
53	69 Jim Miller (317)
59	68 James Hogen (240)
59	68 Timothy Julkowski (377)
59	68 Terry Mulligan (388)
59	68 Dan Sand (94)
59	68 Jason Shumate (154)
59	68 John Throne (306)
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73	66 Shirley Moschetti (456)
73	66 Kenneth Nicholls (1)
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82	65 Robert Findley (271)
82	65 Richard Nourse (109)
82	65 John O'Donnell (306)
82	65 John Sain (390)
86	64 Paul Hearon (131)
86	64 Brad McCourt (354)
86	64 Bruce Sweetman (34)

Division 4 →	rank	GRPs name (club)
	1	65 Terry Bond (38)
	2	61 Antone Rezendes (439)
	2	61 Thomas Wilson (2)
	4	58 Brad Seger (39)
	5	56 Petrus Maas (420)
	6	51 Patricia Bergeron (439)
	6	51 Wes Du Mont (38)
	6	51 John Mealy (118)
	9	49 Suzanne Cioffi (439)
	10	46 Jerry Hedden (318)
	10	46 Pete Pearson (443)
	12	45 Kathleen Kinsman (439)
	12	45 Paul Moreno (395)



edited by Michael Barrett



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

GRASS ROOTS CORNER



Wes Hall, founding member of Club 96, donated another \$500 to the Veterans Relief Fund of VFW Post 1273 in Rapid City SD. Here he is presenting the check to **Katherine Pyka**, who is the chaplain/adjutant of Post 1273. Wes is Grass Roots Gold, Retired E-9, turned 95 in September, and still plays a mean game of cribbage.

more Grass Roots stories on next page

The first week at Club 370 (Waukau WI) started with Brad Gasper double skunking Richard Frost, aka Frosty, by a mere 73 points. The following week, Brad was much nicer: he only skunked Frosty.



Club 328 (Bradenton FL)—**Donna Zuben** has a “lucky shirt.” She’s worn the same top while getting *two* 28-hands!

Club 109 (Abingdon MD) sent this picture of a player scoring a 28-hand, but they forgot to send his name. Oh, well. At least he got his picture in *Cribbage World!*



GRASS ROOTS CORNER



Club 62 (Roseburg OR)—**Jaeme Leaton** got this 29-hand on her seventh game. She not only got a skunk but \$100 from the club, and then her luck continued in game nine to get the last 24 of the night and a 13-card. This is Jaeme's first 29. Also: Club 62 honored **Jerry Hahn** for nineteen years of service as club director. He was presented with a plaque and a gift certificate. He retired at the end of the 2021–22 season.



Club 454 (Land o' Lakes FL) has had a lucky player lately. **Rusty Nisbet** has had *two* grand slams in ten months!

THE GRASS ROOTS 3.4.23
 NAME ROBERT MCELWAIN
 TABLE SEAT 5

GAME	GAME POINTS	SPREAD POINTS	OPPONENTS SIGNATURES	ID NO.
1	3	57	CP	8
2	3	38	CP	4
3	3	31	CP	2
4	3	41	CP	11
5	2	03	BS	9
6	0	15	MO	7
7	0	28	MO	4
8	0	10	MO	3
9	3	36	MO	
TOTAL	17	TOTALS		

GAMES WON 6 Net Pts. 147
 + 200 Checked by: [Signature]
 - 53
 Player must verify his totals and sign below, thus accepting the above figures as correct.



Club 382 (Chicago IL) is starting out hot. **Robert McElwain** started the season with four skunks in a row, and finished with another skunk in game 9. In the club's third meeting, new member **Giselle Blocker** scored a 28-hand in game 8. This was followed by longtime member **Steve Farmilant** scoring a 28-hand in game 9.



On October 8 newly formed Whidbey Island Peggys Club 459 held their first GRRT with twenty-one players. Not one but two players scored a 28-hand: club director Deborah O'Brien, and Lois Lewis, our oldest member and first time tournament player at 92. Look at that big smile. ← Way to go Lois!

more Grass Roots stories on next page

GrassRoots *Awards*

SILVER

- Wes Du Mont (OR), 38
- Jones Hom (CA), 290
- Art Whitney (CA), 164

BRONZE

- Bob Broxton (MA), 161
- David John Champion (MI), 368
- William Cormier (MA), 104
- Don Hammar (OR), 62
- Joyce Keay (MA), 308



29-Hand

Bruce DeScheppard
(Club 251 in Sioux Falls SD)

28-Hands

No picture
of Bill
☹️



Bill Meinen (Club 251 in Sioux Falls SD)
Mark Hauser (Club 295 in Rochester Hills MI)

Grand Slams



Bob Deeds (Club 3 in Elgin IL)
Mike Kouri (Club 68 in West Covina CA)

GRASS ROOTS CORNER

The skunk jug has taken a beating at Club 390 in Bergland MI. On October 2, **Rick Sain** had a 28-hand for half the jug. Then on the following week **Bill Knaack** got a 28 for half the jug, leaving very little for **Fred Bertorello**, who scored a 29-hand ♠ in our Grass Roots Regional Tournament and claimed the rest of it.



Club 204 (Olalla WA)—**Bob Maupin** received his ninth 28-hand, and **Bill Bingham** ↓ had a grand slam.

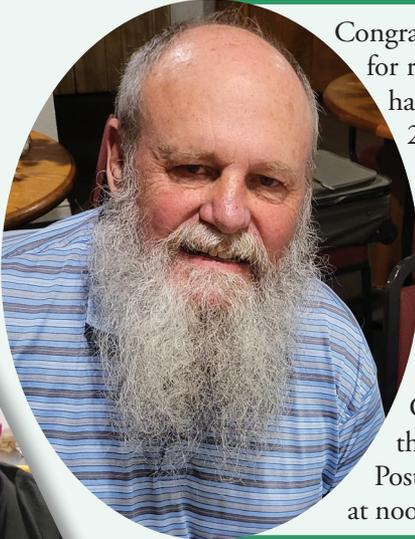


In June, six people got together at a local Starbucks in Louisville KY and discussed the idea of forming a cribbage club in the metro area. After two more meetings, the idea became more interesting, and on October 5, the idea became a reality as Sluggers Cribbage Club 463 made its debut. Eight people started play at a local Shriners hall in Louisville, and this was the beginning of the first Grass Roots club in this area, joining Indianapolis IN and Stow OH in the Tri-State area. Directed by ACC veteran **Kevin Harris** and assisted by **Vicki Marchand**, the Sluggers will only grow as time goes on. If you live in the Louisville area, get in touch with Kevin through the clubs section of **cribbage.org** and join us for three hours of fun each Thursday night as cribbage comes to the Bluegrass State!

Club 393 (Sequim WA) had a night to remember. It started with **Leif Olson** ← getting a 28-hand and ended with **Dick Pedersen** → getting a grand slam 19/9 +140.



Club 120 (Wisconsin Rapids WI) member **Jim Buntrock** visits Club 199 (Greenwood) and scores a 29-hand!



Congrats to **Brian Bitcon** for receiving his first 28-hand. This is the fifth 28-hand dealt at Elk Grove Pegger's Club 453 in its short history of forty-three weeks! That is one 28 about every nine weeks. We hand them out like candy. Come play with us at the Sacramento VFW Post 1267 every Tuesday at noon to get yours!



more Grass Roots stories next month

Internet Cribbage

by Sally Henderson
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It was a pleasure seeing and meeting so many internet players at Grand National!

Here's an explanation about splitting ACC tournaments at eCribbage, and why you **must return to the tournament lounge you are assigned to** so

you won't be disqualified. These are macros I post when running the rules just before start time:

We will be "splitting"--half stay here, half of you will be swept away into B lounge with a new TD. **I am in A, X-TD is in B****.*

**Once we start, please note the letter in front of your name. *If you boot* you must return to THAT room. TDs can't see the other room's games.*

Point Leader of the Month

Terry Higgins (*chainlink1*) @ 257 IRPs

New Life eMasters (★) (10,000 IRPs)

Nancy Roncetti (*nunzia*)

New Grand eMasters (4,000 IRPs)

Marilyn Gaudreau (*mohini*)

Bob Bartosh (*accbob*)

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)

Ron Melrose (*rpmrpm*)

Internet 29-Hands

Mary Guiliani (*acc_mary*)

Internet 28-Hands

Scott Earley (*scottcrib*)

Betsy Miller (*weezieboop*)

Internet Grand Slams

Ron Shelton (*red29rws*)

Rhonda Sollars (*Alhavni*)

Roger Wilson (*rogerw29*)

internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	368	Terry Higgins (<i>chainlink1</i>)
2	332	Nancy Rojas (<i>nancridbr</i>)
3	220	Tammy Gibbons (<i>mistressofcribbage</i>)
4	215	Kelly Ann Burgar (<i>lilthumpper</i>)
5	214	Daniel Crete (<i>dec</i>)
6	212	Richard May (<i>romay5</i>)
7	210	Carl McCullum (<i>absent</i>)
8	205	Bob Hanes (<i>ia801</i>)
9	201	Sam Sinram (<i>ia503</i>)
10	198	Sue Edwards (<i>co434sue</i>)

**You (and/or your opp) are put on a timer until you sit at your saved game in the -correct- lounge for the game score to record properly here.*

That last sentence is very critical. Whenever you are missing from your assigned lounge, the TD puts you on a five-minute timer. If you and your opponent find the saved game and play it in a different lounge, the timer is **still** running on whomever is not in the correct lounge and sitting at the saved game there. **Even if you finish the game in the wrong lounge, the score will not record with the proper TD and is void.** This is why the TDs remind you to check which letter lounge you are assigned to after the split happens, and before your first game starts.

15-2 ♦ by David Aiken

Without consideration of suit, there are 89 combinations—using two, three, four, or five cards—that add up to 15. Suits would yield a significantly higher number (e.g., the 5-10 combination would expand to 16 permutations). The following list is a good reminder of those strange 15-2 combinations that we seldom see (e.g., A-A-3-4-6) and is also a good tool for learning the elements of the game.

two cards (6)

5-10
5-J
5-Q
5-K
6-9
7-8

four cards (31)

A-A-3-10
A-A-3-J
A-A-3-Q
A-A-3-K
A-A-4-9
A-A-5-8
A-A-6-7
A-2-2-10
A-2-2-J
A-2-2-Q
A-2-2-K
A-2-3-9
A-2-4-8
A-2-5-7
A-2-6-6
A-3-3-8
A-3-4-7
A-3-5-6
A-4-4-6
A-4-5-5
2-2-2-9
2-2-3-8
2-2-4-7
2-2-5-6
2-3-3-7
2-3-4-6
2-3-5-5
2-4-4-5
3-3-3-6
3-3-4-5
3-4-4-4

five cards (31)

A-A-A-2-10
A-A-A-2-J
A-A-A-2-Q
A-A-A-2-K
A-A-A-3-9
A-A-A-4-8
A-A-A-5-7
A-A-A-6-6
A-A-2-2-9
A-A-2-3-8
A-A-2-4-7
A-A-2-5-6
A-A-3-3-7
A-A-3-4-6
A-A-3-5-5
A-A-4-4-5
A-2-2-2-8
A-2-2-3-7
A-2-2-4-6
A-2-2-5-5
A-2-3-3-6
A-2-3-4-5
A-2-4-4-4
A-3-3-3-5
A-3-3-4-4
2-2-2-2-7
2-2-2-3-6
2-2-2-4-5
2-2-3-3-5
2-2-3-4-4
2-3-3-3-4

three cards (21)

A-4-10
A-4-J
A-4-Q
A-4-K
A-5-9
A-6-8
A-7-7
2-3-10
2-3-J
2-3-Q
2-3-K
2-4-9
2-5-8
2-6-7
3-3-9
3-4-8
3-5-7
3-6-6
4-4-7
4-5-6
5-5-5

You can also see which lounge you are in by looking underneath the list of players in the room, and above the quick stats box. You *must* play all nine games in that lounge, including saved games. Please pay attention to where you belong so that you won't be DQ'd, as the TD can only assume that you are missing in action. Thanks!

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
John Medeiros Memorial (Durham NC; Aug. 25–27)	Jennifer Johnson & Megan Player	42 players HQ. Joseph Greiner (30) 1. John Morch (105) 2. Sandy Shrum (70) 3. Jerry Gooden (42) 3. Joseph Greiner (42)	26 players HQ. Ray Cross (21) 1. Larry Phifer (40) 2. Laurie Schmitz (24) 3. Mike Due (12) 3. Ray Cross (12)		Early Bird: Ray Cross Canadian Doubles: Shane Lewis & Kris Fischlein
Alaska Glacier Cruise #1 (Pacific Coast; Aug. 19)	Joe Bowen	34 players HQ. Kathy Pieramue (45) 1. Lori Boyer (105) 2. Robins Buck (70) 3. Kathy Pieramue (42) 3. Ann Trotter (42)	17 players HQ. Dan Taylor (21) 1. Jeanne Wauters (40) 2. Dan Taylor (24) 3. Anthony Depinto (12) 3. Stan Katzman (12)		Singles: Emma Schambach
Polecat Promenade (Longview WA; Aug. 19–20)	Chris McComas	30 players HQ. Junko Larsen (55) 1. Erik Locke (70) 2. Junko Larsen (42) 3. Kevin Mansfield (21) 3. Don Dolezal (21)	24 players HQ. Craig Smith (15) 1. Duane Toll (40) 2. Mark Fletcher (24) 3. Craig Smith (12) 3. Dennis Misenaar (12)		
Alaska Glacier Cruise #2 (Pacific Coast; Aug. 23)	Joe Bowen	30 players HQ. Ann Trotter (35) 1. Ronnie Murakami (70) 2. Ann Trotter (42) 3. Rick Allen (21) 3. Ron Stanley (21)	12 players HQ. Karen Crutcher (12) 1. Karen Crutcher (24) 2. Charlene Cohen (12) 3. Pamela Pomeroy (4)		Canadian Doubles #1: Joe Bowen & Pamela Pomeroy Canadian Doubles #2: Jane Vander Loop & Dale Magedanz
Montana Championship (Missoula MT; Aug. 25–27)	Rex Paddock & Sandy Sands	40 players HQ. Joe Peterson (35) 1. Frank Hanson (105) 2. Kevin Mansfield (70) 3. Kathy Puccinelli (42) 3. Bob Stone (42)	26 players HQ. Charlette Springer (9) 1. Terry Weber (40) 2. Charlette Springer (24) 3. Todd Malmgren (12) 3. Terry Hatto (12)	28-hand: Laurie Logan*	Early Bird: Todd Malmgren Friday Canadian Doubles: Wayne Koski & Gary Pinkley Saturday Canadian Doubles: Diane Sykes & Kevin Mansfield

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Territorial Prison Classic (Deer Lodge MT; Aug. 29–31)	Bob Stone	46 players HQ. Rex Paddock (40) 1. Larry Holman (105) 2. Leroy Zahn (70) 3. Dave Koontz (42) 3. Margery Clark (42)	22 players HQ. Charlette Springer (15) 1. Terry Hatto (40) 2. Tamara Bonato (24) 3. Gary Galetti (12) 3. Charlette Springer (12)	28-hand: Larry Holman*	Tuesday Canadian Doubles: Rick Mill & Jay Edwards Wednesday Canadian Doubles: Terry Hatto & Rob Voysey
Montana Capital City Fall Roundup (Helena MT; Sep. 1–3)	Sandy Sands & Roger McGlenn	36 players HQ. Eric Boysen (50) 1. Fred Garrin (105) 2. Wayne Koski (70) 3. Charlette Springer (42) 3. Todd Malmgren (42)	17 players HQ. Sandy Sands (9) 1. Sandy Sands (40) 2. Wayne Wymann (24) 3. Rob Voysey (12) 3. Laurie Logan (12)		Early Bird: Wayne Koski Friday Canadian Doubles: Tamara Bonato & Bob Byrd Saturday Canadian Doubles: Audrey Hatto & Doris Sanders
Daniel Webster Open (Brookline NH; Sep. 10)	Jerry Hardy	102 players HQ. Jerry Hardy (45) 1. Donna LaFleur (147) 2. Kate Furler (105) 3. Bill Peters (70) 3. Peter Legendre (70)	56 players HQ. Frank Bogus (18) 1. Mark Soule (60) 2. Vicki Soule (40) 3. David Flaherty (24) 3. Guy Spezzaferro (24)	28-hand: Fred Blanc*	
Gem State Classic (Boise ID; Sep. 8–10)	Laurie & Ron Logan	64 players HQ. Erik Locke (65) 1. Don Dolezal (105) 2. Bob Brumley (70) 3. John Quist (42) 3. K. C. Carder (42)	38 players HQ. Tim Gudahl (27) 1. David Suhr (60) 2. Tammy Gibbons (40) 3. Maria Quist (24) 3. Debbie Stephens (24)		Early Bird: Tim Gudahl Canadian Doubles: Erik Locke & Rick Baird
Iowa Classic #1 (Marshalltown IA; Sep. 15)	Mike Henze & Bob Joslin	76 players HQ. Steven Post (35) 1. Bernie Nelson (147) 2. Daniel Pluff (105) 3. Dean McKinney (70) 3. Michael Henze (70)	54 players HQ. Bob Joslin (12) 1. Lewis Gurney (60) 2. Bob Joslin (40) 3. Marlene Lazachek (24) 3. Dave Yaeger (24)	28-hand: Bernie Nelson*	

continued

tournament	director	main (MRPs)	consolation (MRPs)	very big hands	satellite winners
Iowa Classic #2 (Marshalltown IA; Sep. 16–17)	Mike Henze & Bob Joslin	82 players HQ. Dale Magedanz (30) 1. Steven Post (147) 2. Mike Miller (105) 3. Terry Weber (70) 3. Bob Jacobson (70)	56 players HQ. Marlene Lazachek (15) 1. Marlene Lazachek (60) 2. James Huser (40) 3. Michael Henze (24) 3. Frank Duresky (24)	29-hand: Jordan Hammond*	Saturday: Sara Sanner
Barn Café Challenge #14 (Elk Grove CA; Sep. 23)	Bob Bartosh & Alice Souza	31 players HQ. Michael Rogers (35) 1. Jones Hom (70) 2. Donald Brown (42) 3. Jeanne Jelke (21) 3. James Langley (21)	18 players HQ. Scott Bartosh (12) 1. Bethany Rolifson (40) 2. Ted Canepa (24) 3. Scott Bartosh (12) 3. William Eilers (12)	28-hand: Rodney Rideau*	
Barn Café Challenge #15 (Elk Grove CA; Sep. 24)	Bob Bartosh & Alice Souza	19 players HQ. Allen Amaro (35) 1. Jason Shumate (70) 2. Allen Amaro (42) 3. Alice Souza (21) 3. Bob Bartosh (21)	13 players HQ. Jones Hom (12) 1. Terry Ward (24) 2. Donald Brown (12) 3. Jones Hom (4) 3. Bill Schlabes (4)	29-hand: Terry Ward*	
Colorado Fall Classic (Denver CO; Sep. 22–24)	Roger Wilson	36 players HQ. Jim Rosso (25) 1. Jim Rosso (105) 2. Ernie Maravilla (70) 3. Mark Cochran (42) 3. Mike Poole (42)	18 players HQ. Katey Mayo (24) 1. Dan Vogel (40) 2. Katey Mayo (24) 3. Sue Edwards (12) 3. Todd Hohn (12)		Friday: Shirley Phelps Saturday: Jim Rosso Canadian Doubles: Christopher Wilson & John Moomaw

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

Long Match Ledger

low Long Match	winner Sam Sinram (Ankeny)	runner-up Jeff McKinney (Creston)	semifinalists Ed May (Urbandale) Mike Miller (Des Moines)
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Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

Shuffling and Reshuffling

Let's talk about shuffling. No matter where you play there will always be multiple ways that people shuffle. Some are good, some are not so good, and some are just not a shuffle. So just what constitutes a shuffle?

The ACC rulebook defines a shuffle as **a random mixing of the cards, which could include riffing**. Well most of us riffle as our shuffle, but some of us also swirl the cards—which is a legal shuffle. But I can tell you this: multiple cuts of the deck does not constitute a shuffle. So if you “chunk shuffle” as some of us do just before offering the cut, that does not count as a shuffle, and there's a good chance that your opponent is going to shuffle.

So what is considered proper mixing of the cards? Rule 2.1 states that **the pack must be mixed or shuffled at least three times . . . with the cards face down**. So a face-up shuffle would not be counted as a shuffle. Two riffles and a series of cuts would not be considered proper mixing, but a swirl and then riffles and then a series of cuts would be—just as long as the pack is properly “shuffled” *three times*.

The pone can pick up the cards and shuffle for any reason—but some folks might be offended by this, so beware and be courteous. Rule 2.2 states that **the pone has the right to shuffle the pack once per deal (legally mixing the cards as described in rule 2.1)**. I sometimes will take the deck and swirl the cards just to try to change the way they have been running—it's a part of my strategy. The **once per deal** means that you can mix the cards in any fashion as many times as you wish before handing them back to the dealer, but then per rule 2.3, **the dealer has the right to make the last shuffle**, and the pone cannot do anymore shuffling on that deal. Once all this is complete, the pone must cut the cards; a shuffle is not considered a cut (see rule 3.3).

So there you have it. The next time your opponent opts to shuffle on your deal, it may not be because you didn't shuffle well enough—it may be that their cards have been running bad and they are looking for a change. Remember: this is a friendly competition, so let's all 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.

Dale's Tales

Cribbage Stories by Dale Magedanz
CW's Milwaukee Correspondent

Almost At the inaugural Iowa Classic #1, aka Farmer in the Dell Classic, I tried to be like **Smoothy Selke**. Needing the 5 of Spades for a 28, one would think it would be an easy task for Mr. 28. But as we all know timing is everything. The 5 of Spades appeared on the very next cut.

Tractor Wars When playing in Iowa, it's important to wear proper attire, as shown by the **Farmer in the Dell** and **Al Per-nicke**. So, which is best, Case or Deere?

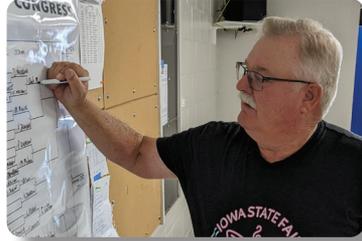


Swing and a Double Miss While sitting beside **Dave Yaeger** at the 76-player Iowa Classic #2, I noticed he had 6-7-8-8 and I'm holding 4-5-5-6. Can anyone guess the cut cards? Dave gets my 4, and I get Dave's 7!



29 No Good! The Iowa Classic #2 main saw **Jordan Hammond** (Clive IA) garner his first 29. His opponent, **Wayland Kuhnel** (Lincoln NE), showed him no mercy and skunked him!

Great Tourney It was sad returning to Marshalltown IA knowing that **Mark Smith** would not be at the first ACC tournament held in his hometown. RIP Mark. First time TD **Mike "Farmer**



in the Dell" Henze had lots of great helpers and things ran smoothly. Here Mike is entering my name after I defeated **Carol "Shortcake" Williams**. I lost lots of sleep figuring out how to beat her. During play, I put a pair of Kings in my crib, hoping for help. None came, and she promised not to throw any Kings in my crib. She fibbed, and later I got her for trip Kings. Great tournament, Farmer in the Dell. Now keep it going!

15-for-14 We frequently hear about four Aces being played for 31-for-14. In a recent three-way pickup game (each player has his own board), **Lewis Gurney** led a 7 and **Steve Steinmetz** played a 2. **Henry Brandner** paired the 2 for two and Louie took six with his Deuce, opening the door for Steve to play his second Deuce for fourteen holes. Very unusual.

Bad 44s Friday night at the Mad Apple pool hall had an interesting start for **Andy "Two for Drew" Stireman**. In his

Name	STIREMAN, ANDY				
ACC#	MI-1901	Seat#	B5		
Game	Game Points	Spread Points		Opponents Initials	Verification I.D. Number
		(+)	(-)		
1	0		44	WDP	B-6
2	3	44		DH	B-8

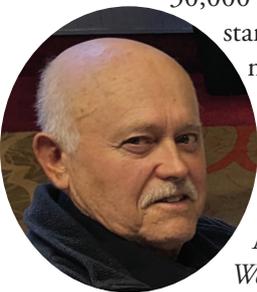


first game, he was skunked by 44 courtesy of **Wendy Pitts**. Not about to let that faze him, Andy turned the table on **Dick Hammond** and skunked him by 44 in game two. And speaking of Two for Drew, during Madison Masters play, twice Andy had four 2s.

Leave It to Wilbur During the Madison Masters main, **Pete Wilbur** (New Berlin WI) took two points when the Jack was cut. When he counted his hand, he took a double run for eight and knobs for nine. His opponent never caught it. I must add that when playing **Dave Aiello**, Pete did count his 28 correctly.



Newest Five Star What do Steinmetz, Toll, Colvert, Hall, Langley, and Locke have in common? They are all Five Stars! At the Madison Masters consy, **Wayne Steinmetz** had a dirty 14, eclipsing 30,000 points to earn his fifth



star. His first playoff opponent was brother **Steve**. Unlike their sister **Val**, who defeated Wayne at Green Bay [editor's note: see cover of the April 2023 *Cribbage World*], Steve succumbed to Wayne, and Wayne then captured his forty-first title, defeating **Smoothy Selke** in the finals.

Didn't Wave The Madison Masters consy was no picnic for me. I was playing my former friend **Buzz (Saw) Koehler**. He

was having way with me, getting cut after cut. Just after I got on second street, he was passing me, ready to jump onto fourth. What aggravated me was he didn't even wave. I showed him: I got out of double skunk!



Doesn't Add Up In a game between **Jane Vander Loop** and **Steve Steinmetz** at the Iowa Classic 2 consy, no matter how hard they tried, after playing their eight cards, they just couldn't get the count to 15! And



when Jane was playing **Jeff McKinney** from IA, he looked at the board and told her to deal him a 24. She said she would but would peg out first. Well . . . she did deal him the 24, didn't peg out, but held him to zero pegs. Next time he'll change his request.



Paradise is a small community in north central California some ninety miles north of Sacramento. In recent years it has been devastated by horrendous fires. Among the structures totally demolished was the senior center where Grass Roots and the annual Paradise Peggers' Tournament was held. Many ACC members generously contributed to the Paradise cribbage community. Ironically, the Cultural Arts Center just next door to the senior center was spared. (Arts over cribbage? Mmm. Who decided that?) From seeing pictures of the fire's aftermath it is quite surprising that the little city has recovered as quickly as it has. There is new construction, businesses are reopening, and greenery is reappearing. **Bethany (Rusty) Rolfson** and **Jason Shumate** ➔ have decided to make their home in Paradise, where she has lived for quite some time and share living quarters there along with Jason's ten-year-old son Cameron. Longtime members of the ACC will undoubtedly be familiar with the name "Shumate," as Jason's dad is **Jack Shumate**, longtime ACC member and one-time member of the ACC BOD.



The couple plays in Club 154 in Oroville and travel to as many weekend tournaments as they can. Earlier this year they played the Montana cluster, with

Jason getting a second and a third. On a recent weekend they rolled into Elk Grove CA for the Barn Café Challenge. I should say they successfully rolled into Elk Grove, as Jason won a main (his nineteenth) and Bethany won a consolation (her first win!). They hope to continue traveling and winning tournaments as often as possible in the years to come.



Jason takes great pride in being the youngest ever All American (yes, even younger than **Erik**); he had just turned twenty-one. In recognition of that feat he would like to see the ACC establish a prize fund to be awarded to whomever might beat his age record. He would donate the first \$500. ACC Board? I, personally, don't believe the record will ever be broken because of the declining membership of younger players. However, see below for a potential candidate.

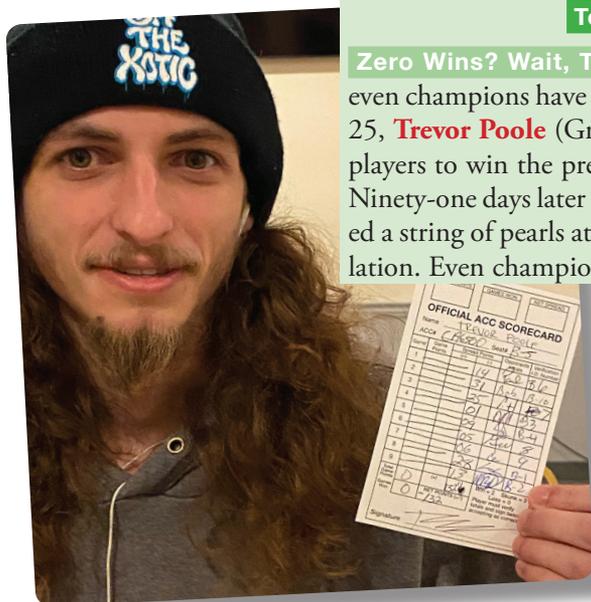
Also at the Barn Café Challenge, codirector **Alice Souza**'s granddaughter **Marley** ◀ played in the sec-

ond consolation. To prepare her for what I am sure will be many articles in *Cribbage World*, where players are asked to write a paragraph about themselves, I asked Marley to tell us about herself:

My name is Marley Souza. I am eleven years old and live in Ione CA, where I am in the sixth grade. I am home schooled. I don't remember not having a deck of cards on or near me. My grandmother started teaching me cribbage when I was four years old, and I knew how to play when I was five. The things I like most about cribbage are the strategy and competition. I play in Elk Grove Peggers Club 453. One of my favorite moments was getting a 28-hand, but beating **Bob Bartosh** was definitely my favorite moment. My goal for the future is to become a master player like my great-grandmother [editor's note: the late **Al Jean Simpson**]. I also want to travel to more tournaments with my grandma when I get older.

In addition to beating Bob Bartosh in Grass Roots she took down the great **Cy Madrone** in the consolation qualifying. Considering Cy had a 12-card and 13 was low qualifier, Marley definitely had an impact. I watched her play, off and on: she knows what she's doing, counts and discards well. Maybe needs a little work on the end-game play but who doesn't?

Over and Out.



Tourney Tidbit

Zero Wins? Wait, That Can't Be Right! Apparently even champions have bad cards once in a while. On June 25, **Trevor Pooler** (Grants Pass OR) beat out 392 other players to win the prestigious ACC Open in Reno NV. Ninety-one days later he couldn't beat anyone, as he posted a string of pearls at the Portland doubleheader consolation. Even champions have bad cards once in a while!

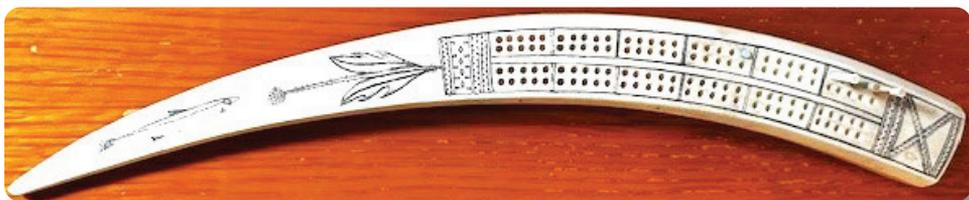


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Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

Earlier this year my 1963 high school graduating class had its sixtieth reunion. We did not have a formal celebration. Instead, those of us still around sent in an updated post-graduation history. I mentioned writing the Cribbage Board of the Month column for *Cribbage World* magazine. Suddenly, I started receiving emails with photos and questions about cribbage and boards. Some of these classmates I barely knew in school. Thanks to cribbage I am making new/old friends.

These ivory walrus tusk cribbage board photos came to me from a classmate whose grandfather spent the early 1900s mining for gold in Alaska.



A native artist made the board for him. I won't go into the details of ivory boards, but those interested may go to the ACC website (cribbage.org), click



on **Cribbage World** tab, and then click on **Archives**. Check out my CBOM columns in the January 2020 (page 27) and the November 2022 (page 31) magazines.

Thanks to *Cribbage World*, I have heard from cribbage fans around the world, in most states and now old classmates. Our game is alive and well.



Jay Fulwider collects cribbage boards in picturesque Washington State, where he also enjoys golf, fishing, and racquetball. His philosophy on the key to life: "Just keep your pegs moving." Ideas for and questions about this column may be sent to budandotis@msn.com (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line).

GAME ON

by Dan Zeisler



Teaching Tip

Here's an engaging activity to do with new students on the first or second day of lessons. Create groups of two or three and ask each team to come up with as many 15 combinations as they can using up to five cards. They will soon realize that there are multiple ways to count 15-2, which will hopefully set a foundation for them to look for these valuable point makers. For the record, 89 combinations make 15-2. [**Editor's note: see page 17**]

News

Tiffany Brennan, a parent of a home-school student in Wellman IA, started a cribbage club at the beginning of the school year in 2022. Many students had never played cribbage before, and it was a great game for them to master and build their math skills. The kid's club practiced once a month during the school year. On April 26, 2022, the club took a field trip to an assisted-living facility and played against the residents of the United Presbyterian Home in Washington IA (**see photo next page**). Approximately ten students, four parents, and six residents attended. The club has been such a great addition to the homeschool that it plans to continue for the 2023 school year with another end-of-year trip to the home. Keep up the great work, Tiffany!

Did you know that ACC members under the age of nineteen who play in a sanctioned youth tournament earn Youth Rating Points when they qualify for playoffs? These YRPs are then transferable when the individual becomes an adult member of the ACC. What a great incentive for kids to play in a youth event, and then become an adult member as they move beyond their teenage years. There are only a handful of tournaments for kids, and most take place in California. Please consider becoming a director of a youth event to help generate the enthusiasm of our youngest players, who are the future of our organization. For more information on how to conduct a sanctioned youth tournament, please contact me at danthefan@yahoo.com.

Teaching Manuals

- **Joseph Navarre** (Virginia Beach VA)
- **CathiJo Neff** (Butte MT)
- **Kathy Sloop** (Washougal WA)

Dan Zeisler is founder of Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament. Send info about youth cribbage to 530.263.7468 or danthefan@yahoo.com.

SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

as of October 7

100 MRPs minimum

Western Region			Central Region			Eastern Region		
MRPs name			MRPs name			MRPs name		
1	253	Erik Locke	1	229	Steven Post	1	270	Donna LaFleur
2	247	Darlene Stier	2	176	Terry Weber	2	209	Patrick Robrecht
3	234	Dave Yaeger	3	164	Ann Trotter	3	199	Phil Martin
4	222	Bob Bartosh	4	138	Eric Jensen	4	181	David Statz
5	209	William Eilers	5	130	Mike Miller	5	159	Rick Allen
6	189	Charlene Cohen	6	125	Daniel Pluff	6	154	Mark Soule
7	178	Lori Boyer	7	123	Dale Magedanz	7	122	Charles Booker
7	178	Bernie Nelson	8	118	Michael Henze	7	122	Jonathan Pinyan
9	154	Jim Rosso	9	117	Jim Mahan	9	112	Robins Buck
10	152	Kevin Mansfield	10	106	Clay Collier	10	110	John Morch
10	152	Jones Hom	11	105	Marlene Lazachek	11	107	Jerry Hardy
12	151	Don Dolezal	12	103	Robert Chase			
13	135	Richard Anderson						
14	130	Frank Hanson						
15	128	Robert Cox						
16	122	Charlette Springer						
17	118	Roland Hall						
18	114	Gary Nerton						
19	113	Margery Clark						
20	110	Fred Garrin						
20	110	Wayne Koski						
20	110	Carol Perko						
20	110	Larry Holman						
24	106	Steve Sundet						
25	105	Rob Palmer						
26	103	Peter Jackson						
27	102	Dennis Misenar						
28	100	Leroy Zahn						

The full list of regional standings will return.

MIA

The USPS has returned mail for the following members (city and state are from last known address). Do you know where they are? If so, please contact the membership secretary at membership@cribbage.org.

- David Filipiak (Bangor ME)
- A. Longoria (Bellingham WA)
- Ray Stahl (Duluth MN)
- Terry Allen Stritzinger (Grand Rapids MI)
- David Wardwell (Bangor ME)

Additional MRP Leaders

Western Region

MRPs name

121 Bill Schlabes



Home-schooled students from Wellman IA playing cribbage with residents of United Presbyterian Home (story on page 27).

Tournament Trail

CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

ACC Tournament Commissioners

Western Region	Central Region	Eastern Region
<u>Rick Shea</u> 707.599.4605 31for14@gmail.com	<u>Patrick Barrett</u> 715.323.5027 gnxvibarrett@gmail.com	<u>Mark Soule</u> 207.442.9001 soule1994@comcast.net

GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE

<i>date</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>Tournament Directors</i>
Nov. 12–17, 2024	Las Vegas NV	Troy Thorson, Kathy Pacocha, David Aiken
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

June 22–25, 2023	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra
March 1–3, 2024	Reno NV	Peggy & Rick Shea, Scott Kooistra

WI ♦ Nov. 3–5, Northeast Wisconsin Open

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

CA ♦ Nov. 3–5, Diamond Mountain Fall Classic

Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Rd, Susanville CA 96130. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

MA ♦ Nov. 5, Boston Regional

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

NV ♦ Topaz Doubleheader

Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395 S, Gardnerville NV 89410

Nov. 6–7, Les Sumner Classic

TD: Bev Castillo (775.453.3715) & Alice Souza

Nov. 8–10, Topaz II

TD: Pam Pomeroy (562.929.2901) & CC Cohen

NV ♦ Nov. 10–12, Veterans Day Classic

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

AK ♦ Nov. 11, Anchorage Open

Moose, 4211 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage AK 99503. TD: C. J. Kim (907.245.2687) & Arlene Carle

OR ♦ Nov. 18–19, Kirks Ferry Trading Post

Kirks Ferry Trading Post, 217 W Bishop Way, Brownsville OR 97327. TD: Bob & Betty Brumley (541.733.1136) & Bob Simpson

CO ♦ Fort Morgan Doubleheader

Elks, 430 State St, Fort Morgan CO 80701. TD: David Bute (303.618.7409) & Steve Sundet

Nov. 18, F.M. Wide Open Saturday

Nov. 19, F.M. Wide Open Sunday

CT ♦ Nov. 19, Yankee Classic

Moose, 404 Prospect St, East Hartford CT 06108. TD: Phil Martin (860.666.8300) & Mike Fetchel

MI ♦ Thanksgiving Doubleheader

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

Nov. 24 + 26, Wishbone Open

Nov. 25, Reindeer Games

OR ♦ Nov. 24–26, Thanksgiving at the Mill

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

WI ♦ Dec. 1–3, Jingle Bell Open

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

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VA ♦ Virginia Beach Doubleheader
Sheraton Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie Schmitz (757.214.2327) & Jack Howsare
Dec. 1, Pre-Virginia Beach Classic
Dec. 2-3, Virginia Beach Classic

OR ♦ Depoe Bay Doubleheader
Community Hall, 220 SE Bay St, Depoe Bay OR 97341
Dec. 8, Steve Lewis Memorial TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Pete Maas
Dec. 9-10, Depoe Bay Challenge TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Greg Schleusner

CO ♦ Dec. 9, Mountain View Winter Challenge
VFW, 305 Cleveland, Loveland CO 80538. TD: Vickie Humphrey (970.988.3345) & Jim Rosso

NH ♦ Dec. 9-10, David Campbell Memorial
Windrifter Resort, 337 Main St, Wolfeboro NH 03894. TD: Mark Soule (207.442.9001) & Frank Reddy

CA ♦ Barn Café Challenge
Barn Café, 8976 Grant Line Rd, Elk Grove CA 95624. TD: Bob Bartosh (916.813.8609) & Alice Souza
Dec. 9, Barn Café Challenge #16
Dec. 10, Barn Café Challenge #17

WI ♦ Jan. 5-7, Wisconsin Dells Deal
Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI 53965. TD: Terry Weber (608.225.8138) & Dan Selke

CA ♦ Sacramento 2024 Kickoff
VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823. TD: Bob Bartosh (209.365.3232) & Alice Souza
Jan. 4-5, Kickoff #1
Jan. 6, Kickoff #2
Jan. 7, Kickoff #3

RI ♦ Jan. 7, Ocean State Open
Providence Firefighters Hall, 92 Printery St, Providence RI 02904. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Joe Bowen

NC ♦ Smoky Mountain Classic Doubleheader
Crowne Plaza, One Resort Dr, Asheville NC 28806. TD: Jacob French (678.517.2090) & Alan Rogers
Jan. 11-12, Smoky Mountain Prologue

Jan. 13-14, Smoky Mountain Epilogue
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AZ ♦ Jan. 12-14, Snowbird Special
DAV Hall, 954 S 13th Ave, Yuma AZ 85364. TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Pam Pomeroy

OR ♦ Jan. 20-21, Its a New Year Tournament!
Senior Activity Center, 1100 11th St SW, Bandon OR 97411. TD: Scott Milo (707.330.4218) & Rick Shea

WI ♦ Jan. 20-22, American Pride
Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

NV ♦ Jan. 26-27, Schaefer Shuffle West
Pass Casino, 140 Water St, Henderson NV 89015. TD: Alan & Sharon Schaefer (414.331.0809)

FL ♦ Jan. 27-28, Emerald Coast Open
VFW, 213 Carol Ave NW, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548, Ft Walton Bch. FL 32548. TD: Jim & Paul Hearon (850.866.7866)

CA ♦ Jan. 27-28, Pacific Coast Championship
American Legion, 694 Legion Way, Marina CA 93933. TD: Dick Lind (831.595.9920) & Raymond Lee

NV ♦ Jan. 28, Bill's Bodacious Bash
Pass Casino, 140 S Water St, Henderson NV 89015. TD: Bill Eilers (919.457.6351) & K. C. Carder

AZ ♦ Scottsdale Doubleheader
Elks, 6398 E Oak St, Scottsdale AZ 85257
Feb. 2, Cactus Classic TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Lynn Multari
Feb. 3-4, Roadrunner Classic TD: Robert Milk (804.337.2171) & Charlene Hudson

VA ♦ Hampton Roads Doubleheader
Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Jack Howsare (757.699.2999) & Laurie Schmitz
Feb. 9, Hampton Roads #1
Feb. 10-11, Hampton Roads #2

WA ♦ Feb. 10, Super Sat One Day
VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. TD: James & Cher Morrow (509.830.2318)

WI ♦ Feb. 16-18, Go Green Bay
Townline Pub, 2544 Lineville Rd, Green Bay WI 54313. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

ME ♦ Feb. 17, Capital City Classic
American Legion, 400 Eastern Ave, Augusta ME 04330. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

CA ♦ Feb. 23-25, Northern California Open
Win-River Resort, 2100 Redding Ranche-

more details at cribbage.org

ria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

CA ♦ Feb. 26–28, 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

Mar. 1 ♦ TOC

TD: Patrick Barrett (715.424.5059) & Todd Schaefer (651.338.8116)

Mar. 2–3 ♦ JPW/ACC Open

TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)

entry form online soon

NV ♦ Mar. 4–5, Topaz Winter Wonderland

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

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IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Bonita Kline

Club 177 in Anchorage lost Bonnie Kline (Anchorage AK) on July 6. Our club statistician, Bonnie was a formidable cribbage player who could not abide anyone looking over her shoulder to see her cards. Bonnie broke the glass ceiling when she, an IBEW member, became warehouse manager for Chugach Electric in Anchorage. Besides her love of cribbage, Bonnie's interests included pawnshop jewelry shopping and making the rounds of all of the numerous craft offerings each year between Thanksgiving and Christmas. RIP our dear friend.

we don't make boards.



Lucky Socks Cribbage on etsy

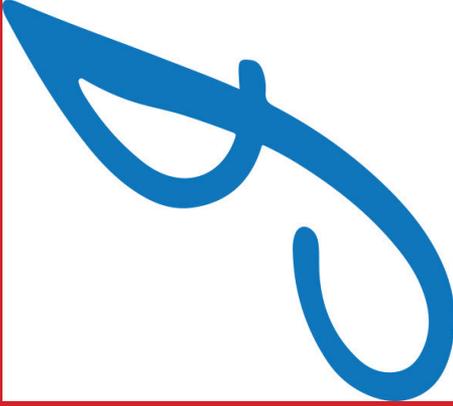


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