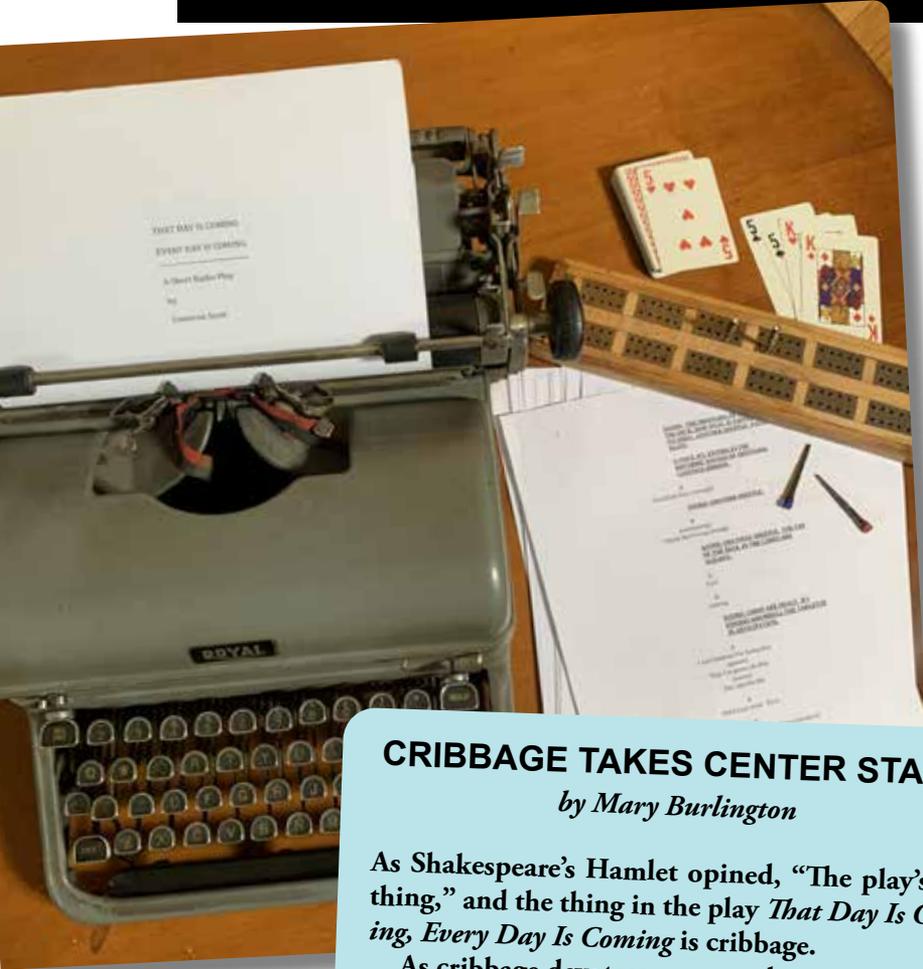


# Cribbage World

AMERICAN CRIBBAGE CONGRESS



## CRIBBAGE TAKES CENTER STAGE

by Mary Burlington

As Shakespeare's Hamlet opined, "The play's the thing," and the thing in the play *That Day Is Coming, Every Day Is Coming* is cribbage.

As cribbage devotees, we eagerly pounce on any vestige of our beloved game in popular culture. Often our enthusiasm is . . . {continued on page 8}



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# President's Column

by James Morrow



**Zero. Zilch. String of Pearls.** If you play long enough you're gonna have one of those nights. Or several.

"You have to play through the bad cards," is what **Erik Locke** tells me.

I had a perfect online card just last night: a perfect 0/9 -112! That is the first time I have had a string of pearls online. I have played 1,207 online tournaments (not all were nine games), and I have been close (1-8) a few times.

It looked like I had a win in game three. However, a few pegs and a 16-hand gave me a four-point loss. Games four through seven were just beatdowns. The pegging and cuts were not in my favor.

In game eight, I looked like a cribbage player again, I cut into a 20-hand, I tripped, I hit runs and 31-for-4s. But as I entered fourth street with a 40-point lead, I was dealt 5-5-8-8-Q-Q. I tossed 8-8 to my opponent, **Jennifer Curnow** (*jjxfan*), and cut a 9.

I lead a 5 and she plays a 9. I think: "Not much of a crib if she held middle cards." I shouldn't've been thinking; the cribbage gods said "it's not your night" one more time. Jennifer had 3-6-6-9-9 for a 14-hand. She also threw 7-7 in her crib, for 24 points!

Now tied and dealing from ten out. I thought this could still be a win. Nope, Jennifer already had a 12-hand and so the pearls added up to eight in a row.

One game to go, and **Basil Rudnick** (*Basil22*) was waiting for an easy win. Again I had a great start and big lead heading to fourth street, aka the dead zone, aka two-point-hand land. Basil kept chipping away my lead and hit a timely 16-hand on fourth street. A few pegs and a nice cut put the final pearl on my string.

I have had strings of pearls before, but don't recall that I lost games with thirty-point leads during those strings. At some point it becomes comical. How can I lose *this* game?

The best thing about a string of pearls or "bad cards" is when they are over!

Hope to see you at Grand National in Virginia Beach. Safe travels and good luck!

## Cribology

**Great Eight** — a hand composed of 6-7-8-9; worth eight points by itself, it can be helped by A, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 for a maximum count of 16 points

—contributed by **John DeRosa** (*Dundee IL*)

**Super Eight** — as above, but with a flush; hit a 6, 7, 8, or 9 for 20 points!

—contributed by **David Aiken** (*Coopersville MI*)

# Your Deal

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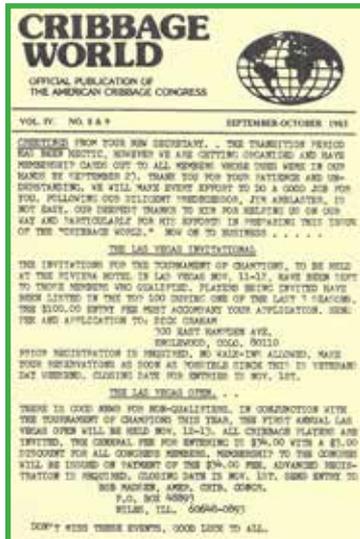
## As It Should Be!

My four children, non-ACC members, joined me for cribbage on the Alaska Cruise. The ACC players told me how wonderful my kids were. *As I knew.* My kids told me how welcoming, caring, and helpful the ACC players were. *As it should be.*

*Stan Katzman (Rio Vista CA)*

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## 40 Years Ago

Continuing with cribbage news found in **Robert Madison's** first magazine, which was a double issue, we learn about the first tentative steps of Grass Roots clubs. Madison—the hometown of the ACC's founding president, **Joe Wergin**—became Club 1.

## 25 Years Ago

The cover reported on the 181-player **St. Croix Classic** in Turtle Lake WI, sadly now defunct. Elsewhere we read that **Emil Chrabaszcz** won the 150-player New England Inaugural main in Winoocket RI.



# My Deal

by David Aiken



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

The longest tennis match in history took place at the 2010 Wimbledon Championships in London. **John Isner** and **Nicolas Mahut** began playing at 6:13p local time on June 22 and stopped at 9:07p with the score tied at two sets each. They started the fifth set on June 23 at 2:05p, and play was suspended at 9:09p—with the final set tied at 59 games each.

But wait, there's more! Play resumed on the third day (June 24) at 3:40p, and when it concluded at 4:47p, Isner won the final set by a score of 70–68.

Here are a *few* of the records that this match set:

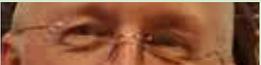
- longest match: 11h 5m
- longest set: 8h 11m (the fifth set alone broke the previous record for longest match)
- most games in a set: 138 in the fifth set
- most games in a match: 183
- consecutive service games without break of serve: 168
- most points won in a match: Mahut 502 and Isner 478
- most points in a match: 980

And this record-breaking tennis match has exactly *what* to do with cribbage?

Well, in cribbage, tennis, to say nothing of life in general, timing is everything. It's often not a matter of *what* you do, but *when* you do it.

Look again at the record for “most points won in a match”: Mahut won 502 points, and Isner won 478. Wait, what?! Mahut *won 24 more points* than Isner did, but lost the match? Yep. Because in tennis it's not how many points you score, but *when* you score them.

So finally, after 258 words, I at last get to cribbage. Which would you rather do in cribbage: lose by 45 points, or hit a 24-hand on fourth street, only to see the dealer peg out before you can count the hand and win the game?

| Tale of the Tape |  Rick Baird |  David Aiken |  Rob Medeiros |
|------------------|--|---|---|
| average          | 53.2% (33–29)  | 61.3% (19–12)   | ✓ 65.7% (44–23)   |
| biggest win      | ✓ +53 over Kevin Richards (OR) @ Club 12   | [not recorded this month]   | +47 over Susan Baker (MA) @ Patriot Kickoff   |
| worst loss       | ✓ –44 by Wayne Momsen (OR) @ Blue Mountain Open  | [not recorded this month]   | –52 by William Cormier (MA) @ Peer Tournament   |

## The Inside Track

by Rob Medeiros



Here's an interesting hand that I'm going to ask for help from the ACC universe. It is my crib early in the game, and I have A-3-5-7-8-K. Do I toss 7-8 or 5-K? Theoretically I could also keep 3-5-7-8 but that is the weakest of the three holds, in my opinion.

For advocates of the 5-K discard, obviously there are more picture cards in the deck to be tossed into the crib—especially Kings—which would provide us with at least six points. The A-3-7-8 hold also arms us with a “magic 11” and two middles and two lows to combat those types of hands the pone could possess.

For 7-8 discard proponents, this toss allows a better chance of a 12-crib, as the pone is much more likely to throw a middle instead of a low card/picture card combo. The A-3-5-K hold also provides some pegging options, especially if the pone has a picture hand. For instance, on a 10 lead I would play the K, hoping for another picture play making the count 30 and thus empowering my Ace for 31-for-2. I also save my 5 for the last two cards of pegging, so there is a good chance I can outpeg the pone 5-0 in this scenario.

So cribbage friends, I'm looking for your input for this hand.

As for last month's 6-8-8-9 question, the excellent Central Region pegger **Andy Stireman** gave me a few helpful insights that I'm going to incorporate (though I hope not often, because that hand is still a landmine!).

**Rob still needs your input. Contact him at [mrob2199@aol.com](mailto:mrob2199@aol.com).**

There's nothing quite so frustrating as this second scenario, and that's where timing comes to the fore. As important as it is get big hands, it's more important to get them at the right time!

Good luck with both of these goals—points and timing—as you work your way to qualifying—and winning—Grand National later this month.

## Milestones!

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*Happy Birthday in August!*

60—**Gerald Nickels** (WA)

*Happy Birthday in September!*

80—**Denny Denend Jr.** (WA)

*Happy Birthday in October!*

90—**Ken Haab** (MT)

80—**Catherine Perkins** (NC)

80—**John Healey** (MI)

80—**Jeanne Wauters** (WI)

80—**Jerry Blackman** (OR)

70—**Allen Karr** (WI)

70—**Jim Parish** (TX)

70—**Stan Winistorfer** (IA)

strained when it becomes clear that whoever pulled a cribbage board out of the prop box has absolutely no clue how the game is played.

But our ardor can continue unabated with *That Day Is Coming, Every Day Is Coming*, as its author **Cameron Scott** (pseudonym) is an ACC member and knows whereof he writes.

Cameron and his readers owe a debt of gratitude to his grandmother for his talent in combining cribbage and the theater. A high school English teacher, she both taught him cribbage and challenged him to excel as a fiction writer.

Cameron sold his first piece of fiction at age nineteen to a local newspaper. He was an undergraduate at New York University and sold a second fiction work to the same paper a few years later. Then followed a thirty-five-year hiatus from writing as real life, marriage, family, and career assumed prominent position.

Inspiration was reignited while sitting on a lift chair during the 2021–22 ski season. The result was Cameron’s first play, *Uphill*, which took less than a week to write. He jokingly describes it in shorthand as “Camus’s *The Myth of Sisyphus* on skis.” Having read *Uphill*, I would add that the play contains dashes of humor leavened by a certain element of darkness echoed throughout.

*Uphill* was first introduced to the public as a staged reading in September 2022 at the Legacy Theatre Play Reading Festival in Branford CT. It was first performed on stage by the Wilmington (DE) Drama League in February 2023 at its One Act Festival, where it won Best in Festival. As the winning play from Delaware, *Uphill* was performed at the Eastern States The-

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ater Association Regional One Acts Festival in April 2023, winning Best Actor for its lead character.

While *Uphill* was making its way into the world, Cameron responded to a request from a theater company for a new, never-performed work by writing his second play in only two and a half days in order to meet their submission deadline. Although this requesting theater company quickly disappears from our story, the resultant radio play about cribbage was selected for production by Open-Door Playhouse, a theater podcast akin to the

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radio dramas of the 1940s and 1950s. *That Day* was recorded and released on podcast networks in June 2023.

*That Day* is a conversation between two older gentlemen during their regularly scheduled cribbage match. Before even touching on its plot and meaning, I bestow this play with the award for most accurate depiction of cribbage in any popular culture medium. Ever.

Cribbage was a foreign land to the play's director and two actors. Although neither had previously played cribbage, the actors' performance is highly credible

even to hardened ACC pros, thanks to Cameron's thorough Cribbage 101 lessons. The goal was not for the actors to become good cribbage players but rather for them to portray good cribbage players convincingly.

The education process began with real life via the YouTube recording of the 2017 JPW/ACC Open consolation final pitting **Roger Bouchard** against **Laurie Hardy**. This was followed by a ninety-minute discussion between playwright and director on the intricacies of cribbage play. Finally, Cameron wrote a subtext script explaining what each line meant, which he claims was longer than the play itself.

Accolades must also be paid to the production's Foley Artist who, along with the two actors, receives third billing and a head shot. The Foley Artist is responsible for "card sound effects" such as shuffling and snapping cards down on the table. While somewhat ironic as cribbage is not generally viewed as a noisy occupation, it would be rather strange listening to a radio play about cribbage without any ambient noise.

The two protagonists of *That Day* could easily be ACC members. They fit the membership demographics: aging, male, white. A wager of \$100/\$200 per game may be a little rich for this author's blood but encompasses the range of side pools offered at competitions. Many ACC members enjoy gaming in general (poker, pai gow, etc.), and quite a few tournaments are held at casinos with all their attractions.

Then there's the language. The cribbage terms used in *That Day* are accurate, but the play also contains what can be termed offensive language, although nothing that

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hasn't been heard on occasion at a run-of-the-mill cribbage tournament. Such language can be off-putting, but I would strongly urge listeners to delve below the surface for the meanings camouflaged by the explicit dialogue.

To me, the prevalence of cursing at the beginning of the play indicates interaction on a superficial level between the two players. Utilizing such limited vocabulary restricts their ability to communicate but, more importantly, demonstrates a lack of desire to do so in any meaningful way.

It is therefore that much more impactful when the conversation expands from routine card play to life matters. Casual cursing disappears as the players try to convey strong feelings, and what cursing is used is more on target with its emphasis.

*That Day* utilizes the format of a game basically unknown to the younger generation to address the issues and concerns of the aging generation that does play cribbage: death, loss, and physical incapacity.

The lines that affected me the most addressed the difficulty of how to live life in the face of death:

At the club. The older guys. When they stop coming, when they stop playing, we don't talk about it. *(pause)* We just stop talking about them. *(pause)* We just stop. *(pause)* Like they'd never been there. *(pause)* And they never come back. *(pause)* And we just stop talking about them.

That day is coming. It is coming for all of us. And maybe it is coming a little sooner for those of us in the ACC, given our age. But that age does not diminish our courage in confronting the philosoph-

**THAT DAY  
IS COMING,  
EVERY DAY  
IS COMING**



ic issues presented in Cameron's play.

After scoring the most downloads of a debut play on the Open-Door Playhouse site, *That Day* is heading down under to Queensland, Australia. The Yeppoon Little Theatre will present it for "Script in Hand" on local public radio.

Closer to home, The Road Theatre Company (North Hollywood CA) will present a Cameron Scott double bill in January 2024 with staged readings of both *That Day* and *Uphill*.

After the rare, fleeting, and impressively inaccurate portrayals of cribbage scattered across various media, it is a welcome pleasure to discover one that faithfully depicts the game we love and unflinchingly addresses the concerns we face.

*Mary loves playing cribbage and her husband occasionally refers to her as a drama queen, so she is well qualified to write this article combining cribbage and the theater.*

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To listen to the play online, go to [theatrely.com](https://theatrely.com) and type "That Day Is Coming" in the search box. This play contains explicit language, which may be offensive to some listeners.

# New Members

73 last month

## Arizona

Arlin Bates (Sun City West)

## Arkansas

Billie Adams (Wasilla)

Breanna Kakaruk (Anchorage)

## California

Matthew Bailey (Clovis)

Cal Falk (Napa)

Jane Falk (Napa)

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Lawrence Henning (Pensacola)

Abigail Reum (Tallahassee)

Austin Reum (Tallahassee)

Chuck Shields (Bradenton)

## Georgia

Denise Hanson (Grovetown)

Howie Hanson (Grovetown)

## Iowa

Marisa Beal (Urbandale)

Nonya Bragg (West Des Moines)

Jason Djuren (Johnston)

## Massachusetts

Eric Buckman (Attleboro)

Elaine Crowley (Mashpee)

Joe Crowley (Mashpee)

Kimberly Forbes (Grafton)

David Payson (North Attleboro)

Philip Silva (Middleboro)

Mary Tellum (North Attleboro)

Erin Vicario (North Attleboro)

## Michigan

Larry Lewis (Traverse City)

Carl Provey (Plymouth)

## Minnesota

Charles Gerlach (Dellwood)

## Montana

Rebecca Durham (Whitefish)

## Nevada

Michael Bosse (Las Vegas)

Steve Cowan (Henderson)

## New Jersey

Dylan Mabin (Cranford)

Julia Mabin (Cranford)

Justin Piccolo (Prospect Park)

Stacey Todoroff (Somerville)

## New York

Jon Maroto (New York)

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## North Carolina

Charles Evans (Wilson)

Stephanie Evans (Wilson)

## Oklahoma

Elizabeth Hayes (Midwest City)

Sharon Lambert (Broken Arrow)

## Oregon

Elizabethann Burch (Yamhill)

Tom Crosby (Dallas)

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Brandon Logan (Portland)

Dale Nesse (McMinnville)

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Robbie Muncatchy (Columbia)

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Steven Bedford (Chippewa Falls)

Tommy Ebert (Milwaukee)

Bruce Harrison (Wild Rose)

Steve Sheffieck (Greenfield)

Rachelle Towne (Wild Rose)

# ACC Awards

## New Cribbage Masters

1054. Richard I. Anderson (Seabeck WA)



**Dale Magedanz**  
(Milwaukee WI)  
Grand Master #480

{Dale's words} I joined the ACC in 2004. I learned how to play cribbage when I was in college. My major was card playing and my minor was girls. My cribbage mentor was Tony Daniel. My toughest opponent is Steve Steinmetz. I am a member of Milwaukee Peggys Club 6, where I recently became club director. I am currently ranked #2 for lifetime GRPs at Club 6. I have been the club champion for four years, which includes winning the last three seasons in a row. My first tournament win was Madison Masters. I have won seven mains and five consolations. I earned my Grand Master ranking at the inaugural Heart of Wisconsin Classic consolation. My favorite cribbage moment this year was earning my Grand Master

at the same tournament where Jane Vander Loop earned her Master ranking. No favorite tournament to speak of; however, I enjoy traveling to tournaments where I have never been. My noncribbage interests include golf, travel, other card games, and collecting golf balls. It is very rewarding when cribbage players compliment my stories in "Dale's Tales."



On their first night of the new season, members of Club 318 took time to remember their founder and long-time director, **Steve Fitchett**, who passed away a year ago by presenting to his widow, **Barbara**, this framed memorial award for \$400 to the ACC Youth Cribbage Fund. Club members (*left to right*): **Ron Comer**, **Jerry Hedden**, **Sean Alvarez**, **Barbara Krecker Fitchett**, **Hugh Durkin**, **Mike Coyle**, **Tom Kilcoyn**.

See also page 28 for a story on Element3 Health to benefit your club.

## Lotsa 28-hands!

Brian Carlson (Club 307 in Colorado Springs CO)



Jan Viands (Club 89 in Springfield VA)  
John Stoll (Club 157 in Green Bay WI)



Ralph Turco (Club 243 in Olalla WA)  
Marv Johnson (Club 284 in Eau Claire WI)





edited by Michael Barrett



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# GRASS ROOTS CORNER

In the opening week of Grass Roots play, many clubs are reporting new members and strong starts!

There's a cool new addition to the Grass Roots website. Thanks to hours of tedious work by **Haley Hintze** (Carpentersville IL)—assisted by Grass Roots webmaster **Scott Harker**, Grass Roots commissioner **Ivan Wells**, and Club 3 director **Dan Selke**—we now have a nearly complete list of club winners online, with accessible records going all the way back to the 1985–86 season (three seasons don't have point totals, and one season [1989–90] is still AWOL). If you can supply any info about the missing data, please contact Haley at [haleyhintze@yahoo.com](mailto:haleyhintze@yahoo.com). Thanks much to Haley for her work on this. To view the lists, follow these instructions:

- go to **cribbage.org**
- click on **Clubs** tab
- click on **Stats** tab
- click on **Club Champs** link
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more Grass Roots stories on next page

Club 207 (Clovis CA)—**Vincent Sanchez** has a hot run going. During the summer he got a grand slam. Two weeks later, he won eight games; he was going for back-to-back grand slams until he was derailed in the ninth game.

Club 1 (Madison WI)—Don Wolf had his first 29-hand. He has been a Grass Roots member for almost forty years!



ACC Grass Roots  
Official Scorecard

Date: 8/10/10 ACC# \_\_\_\_\_ Seat: 10  
Name: Vincent Sanchez  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

| Game             | Game Points     | Spread Points |     | Opponent Initials                         | Verification ID Number |
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| 1                | 2               | 7             |     | SKG                                       | 3                      |
| 2                | 2               | 3             |     | HF  | 12                     |
| 3                | 2               | 28            |     | WR  | 1                      |
| 4                | 2               | 2             |     | GS  | 28                     |
| 5                | 2               | 21            |     | FP  | 6                      |
| 6                | 2               | 22            |     | GS  | 4                      |
| 7                | 2               | 12            |     | SK  | 2                      |
| 8                | 2               | 8             |     | SN  | 11                     |
| 9                | 2               | 2             |     | MAN                                       | 9                      |
| Hand Game Points | 18              | 105           |     | Grand Points: Win 2, Blank 3, Loss 0      |                        |
| Games Won        | 9               | 105           |     | Player must verify initial and sign below |                        |
| Signature        | Vincent Sanchez |               |     |   |                        |

# GRASS ROOTS CORNER



Club 295 (Rochester Hills MI)—**Kathy Hyde** has been playing club for seventeen years and got the first grand slam of the season (her fourth since joining the club). **Don Brose** is one of our clubs newer members (he joined last year). This was his first ever 28-hand—and the first 28-hand of the season!



Club 34 (Denver CO)—**Bruce Sweetman** nabbed a 29-hand. Improbably, **Karen Stout** cut the 5, just as she did last year for **Roy Hohn's** 29! She is willing to visit your club to cut 5s for travel and lodging fees!

*more Grass Roots stories next month*



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Congratulations to the  
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| rank | IRPs | name                          |
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| 3    | 1283 | Bernard Kitheka (Wanzelu)     |
| 4    | 1247 | Sue Edwards (CO434Sue)        |
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| 6    | 1148 | Gregory Gougian (gougie00)    |
| 7    | 1137 | Sam Sinram (IA503)            |
| 8    | 1087 | Scott Earley (scottcrib)      |
| 9    | 1041 | Pat Liegl (patco1950)         |
| 10   | 1028 | Basil Rudnick (Basil 22)      |

## internet.leaders

| rank | IRPs | name                        |
|------|------|-----------------------------|
| 1    | 177  | Nancy Rojas (nancribdr)     |
| 2    | 174  | Jerry Griffin (Meatloaf627) |
| 3    | 155  | Sam Sinram (IA503)          |
| 4    | 132  | Gregory Gougian (gougie00)  |
| 5    | 131  | Jennifer Bolles (Jebbbifer) |
| 6    | 127  | Kelly Ann Bugar (liithummp) |
| 7    | 120  | Brad Henderson (ousooner)   |
| 8    | 114  | James Morrow (29seeker)     |
| 9    | 112  | Lori Boyer (Elmo4x4)        |
| 10   | 111  | Terry Higgins (chainlink1)  |

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**Heads up**—all but five of the ACC’s online TDs at both sites will be attending Grand National week on October 9–15. Thanks to *Sgt Pegger*, *MsBeeHaven*, *Kidd Canada*, *Boondoocky1*, and *Richoh224* for making themselves available in order to cover each tourney for the players. However, life happens, so there may be last-minute tourney cancellations, or only one lounge at eCribbage on these days. Watch the Facebook page for updates.

**Point Leader of the Month**  
**Nancy Rojas** (*nancribdr*) @177

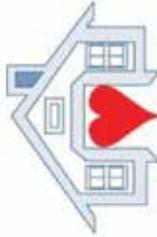
**New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)**  
**Dan Selke** (*kindofblue*)  
**Jennifer Bolles** (*jebbbifer*)

**Internet Grand Slams**  
**Nancy Rojas** (*nancribdr*)  
**Carol Miller** (*carol1946*)  
**Bob Bartosh** (*ACCBob*)

Good luck if you are going to GN, and please introduce yourself to the TDs—we’d love to meet you! Look for these online TDs in Virginia Beach: **Sally Henderson**, **Tammy Gibbons**, **Ross Newmann**, **Jennifer Curnow**, **June Fordham**, **John Schafer**, **Rick Shea**, **James Morrow**, **Brad Gronli**, and even **Paula Earle**—whom we are adopting as ACC!



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| tournament   | director                        | main (MRPs)  | consolation (MRPs)   | very big hands | satellite winners                                  |
|--|---------------------------------|--|--|----------------|--|
| Wyoming<br>Open One Day<br>(Cheyenne<br>WY; Aug. 4)      | Jim Rosso                       | 31 players<br>HQ. Vickie Humphrey (40)<br>1. Raymond Sautter (70)<br>2. Clay Collier (42)<br>3. Arun Sautter (21)<br>3. David Bute (21)    | 22 players<br>HQ. William MacMillan (9)<br>1. <b>Wanda Berry</b> (40)<br>2. William MacMillan (24)<br>3. Terry Weber (12)<br>3. Pat Liegl (12) |                |  |
| Cheyenne<br>Fall Roundup<br>(Cheyenne WY;<br>Aug. 5-6)   | Jim Rosso                       | 32 players<br>HQ. David Bute (30)<br>1. Troy Thorson (70)<br>2. David Bute (42)<br>3. Steve Sundet (21)<br>3. Kathy Pacocha (21)           | 23 players<br>HQ. Kristina Wright (21)<br>1. Steve Sundet (40)<br>2. Kristina Wright (24)<br>3. Jim Rosso (12)<br>3. Candace Harmon (12)       |                | Canadian Doubles: Jim Rosso &<br>William MacMillan |
| Sacramento<br>Starter #1<br>(Sacramento<br>CA; Aug. 3-4) | Bob Bartosh<br>& Alice<br>Souza | 44 players<br>HQ. Bob Bartosh (65)<br>1. Dave Yaeger (105)<br>2. Roland Hall (70)<br>3. Robert Cox (42)<br>3. Gary Nerton (42)             | 32 players<br>HQ. Ray Klocko (12)<br>1. Bill Schlabes (40)<br>2. William Eilers (24)<br>3. Darlene Stier (12)<br>3. Jones Horn (12)            |                |  |
| Sacramento<br>Starter #2<br>(Sacramento<br>CA; Aug. 5)   | Bob Bartosh<br>& Alice<br>Souza | 47 players<br>HQ. Steve Hastie (35)<br>1. Bob Bartosh (105)<br>2. Wayne Morris (70)<br>3. Pete Larsen (42)<br>3. Gary Nerton (42)          | 33 players<br>HQ. Margaret Fanucchi (9)<br>1. Robert Cox (60)<br>2. Margaret Fanucchi (40)<br>3. Dave Yaeger (24)<br>3. Sue Dalton (24)        |                |  |
| Sacramento<br>Starter #3<br>(Sacramento<br>CA; Aug. 6)   | Bob Bartosh<br>& Alice<br>Souza | 42 players<br>HQ. Dennis Misener (45)<br>1. Darlene Stier (105)<br>2. William Eilers (70)<br>3. Carole Herron (42)<br>3. Stan Katzman (42) | 25 players<br>HQ. Lori Boyer (24)<br>1. Roland Hall (40)<br>2. Lori Boyer (24)<br>3. Lee Brohel (12)<br>3. Wayne Morris (12)                   |                |  |

**LEGEND**

HQ = high qualifier

\* = in sanctioned event

green = grand slam

red = first win

| tournament  | director           | main (MRPs)   | consolation (MRPs)  | very big hands           | satellite winners  |
|---|--------------------|---|---|--------------------------|--|
| Patriot Kickoff Classic (Vernon CT; Aug. 6)         | Marty Duchow       | 66 players<br>HQ. Michael Sclafani (60)<br>1. Phil Martin (147)<br>2. Patrick Robrecht (105)<br>3. Mike Fetchel (70)<br>3. David Statz (70) | 40 players<br>HQ. Robert Medeiros (15)<br>1. Scott Johnson (60)<br>2. Deborah Taylor-Duchow (40)<br>3. Robert Medeiros (24)<br>3. Paul Batterson (24) | 28-hand:<br>Mark Soule*  |  |
| Pahrump Open (Pahrump NV; Aug. 11–12)               | Denise Fortin      | 50 players<br>HQ. Darlene Stier (30)<br>1. Carol Perko (105)<br>2. Darlene Stier (70)<br>3. Ray Klocko (42)<br>3. Robert Milk (42)          | 30 players<br>HQ. Cathy Rendon (18)<br>1. Brad Henderson (40)<br>2. Donald Gabrielson (24)<br>3. Ronald James (12)<br>3. Bill Schlabes (12)           |                          | Canadian Doubles: Robert Milk & Ronald James                         |
| Blue Mountain Open (La Grange OR; Aug. 11–13)       | Charlette Springer | 34 players<br>HQ. Erik Locke (55)<br>1. Richard Anderson (105)<br>2. Charlene Cohen (70)<br>3. Laurie Logan (42)<br>3. John Fitzgerald (42) | 22 players<br>HQ. Michael Crume (21)<br>1. Rob Palmer (40)<br>2. Michael Crume (24)<br>3. Nikki Anderson (12)<br>3. Sue Anderson (12)                 |                          | Early Bird: Wes Du Mont<br>Canadian Doubles: Erik Locke & Bill Monda |
| Northeast Peer Tournament (Vernon CT; Aug. 12–13)   | Donald Janelle     | 60 players<br>HQ. Mark Soule (40)<br>1. Jonathan Pinyan (105)<br>2. Charles Booker (70)<br>3. Bob Broxton (42)<br>3. Mark Soule (42)        | 40 players<br>HQ. Peter Grant (12)<br>1. Patrick Robrecht (60)<br>2. David Clemmey (40)<br>3. Patrick Healey (24)<br>3. William Cormier (24)          | 28-hand:<br>Jerry Hardy* | Canadian Doubles: Patrick Robrecht & Jonathan Pinyan                 |
| Michigan Cribbage Cup (Battle Creek MI; Aug. 24–25) | John Schafer       | 28 players<br>HQ. Michelle Gryka (45)<br>1. Jeff Shimp (70)<br>2. Haley Hintze (42)<br>3. Connie Ewka (21)<br>3. Michelle Gryka (21)        | 17 players<br>HQ. Eric Jensen (9)<br>1. Andy Stireman (40)<br>2. Eric Jensen (24)<br>3. William Stacey (12)<br>3. Patrick Healey (12)                 |                          |  |

continued

Cereal City Classic David Boyer  
 (Battle Creek MI;  
 Aug. 25–27)

32 players  
 HQ: Jerald Adams (55)  
 1. Eric Jensen (70)  
 2. Doyal Hannibal (42)  
 3. Jerald Adams (21)  
 3. William Stacey (21)

22 players  
 HQ: Pauline Friend (12)  
 1. John Schafer (40)  
 2. John Shoemaker (24)  
 3. Pauline Friend (12)  
 3. Andy Stireman (12)

Friday: David Cummings  
 Canadian Doubles: Michelle  
 Gryka & Hatley Hintze

28-hand:  
 John Schafer\*



## John Noblet

John Noblet passed away peacefully at home at age ninety-five on June 8. John was a longtime member of Cribbage Critters in Springfield VA, beginning his play with that group in 1990 and was active until a month before his death. John was just shy of status when he died. He learned cribbage from a high-school friend's father in Fairhaven MA in the 1940s, and it carried with him through his thirty-six years in the Navy Reserves (Seabees). His favorite tournament was the National Open, but he traveled from Reno to Deadwood to Mount Washington to play the game he enjoyed so much, earning 1,981 MRPs—just 19 points shy of his Master rating—during his play. Summer vacationing along the New England coastline with Doris, his wife of seventy-two years, was augmented with trips to Solomons Island MD for camping, crabbing, and fishing. He is survived by Doris and a daughter and two sons. A very challenging player, John will be sorely missed by all who enjoy cribbage.



## Kent Edward Hanson

Kent Hanson was born in Los Angeles CA in 1949. After high school, he learned the carpenter trade, obtained his general contractor's license, and was self-employed as a general contractor until he retired just a few years ago. Very proud of his Danish heritage, Kent was active in many Danish clubs in Southern California, as well as the Danish Lutheran Church. Kent's great interest was baseball, as a player, coach, and unofficial scout. He loved music and used to play guitar; he wrote beautiful lyrics to his own melodies. He loved traveling (especially Denmark and Hawaii). He loved cribbage so much that he purposely scheduled knee surgery after the ACC Open in June, just so he and his brother Howard could attend. Kent was always ready for a good party and would never say no to a trip to the casino. Most importantly, he loved spending time with family. Kent lived by the motto: "Do your best—then don't worry, be happy!" He was a kind and generous person and will be missed by all who knew him.

## Ken Goss

Ken Goss died on August 20. A large and imposing man, Ken was a retired first responder and firefighter. He had a heart of gold and played the game well. He will be missed by his wife, Peggy, and his friends. He is probably playing cribbage above us with his brother Jim, also a good cribbage player.

# IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS



## Ruling Points

by Keith Widener

### Too Many Cards?

A few years ago I attended a tournament at the Mill Casino in North Bend OR, which is located on the southern coast near Coos Bay. This was followed by a string of tournaments up the coast in Newport and Lincoln City. What a beautiful drive it is! My wife Leshia took lots of pictures and said that every turn is like a postcard. Put this on your bucket list!

While playing in the tournament, I was the pone and the dealer dealt me six cards. After we picked up our hands and started sorting them, he stated that he had too many cards and placed them on the deck and began shuffling. This action was done in a smooth and rapid fashion and I never had the chance to verify that he did in fact have too many cards. I knew this person very well and I totally trust that he would not cheat me in any fashion, but what if I didn't know them? What should I have done?

Rule 4.4a(3) states: **If either player was dealt the wrong number of cards . . . , there shall be a redeal by**

**the same dealer. The player with the wrong number of cards must allow the opponent to confirm the error. If the player does not, . . . the offender is assessed a backward penalty equal to ten points or enough to put both pegs "off the board," whichever is less. If the applicable backward penalty is less than ten points, the opponent is awarded points equal to the difference.**

This is the second largest penalty in the rulebook, with the largest being the false-claim-of-game penalty. I am certain that when this penalty was decided by the Rules Committee they probably had some incidents of players claiming to have too many cards in order to get a new deal, so in order to discourage this and protect the integrity of the game they came up with this punishing penalty.

The lesson here is to be open and honest. Before you take any actions make sure your opponent knows what is going on. Play fair and nice, and remember, 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](mailto:kwidener@triad.rr.com).

Although Yours Truly has never personally experienced what I'm told is the "terrible twos," I have my own version. At Pahrump in game 22, I was sitting on a 27 playing **Steve Bird** (Pahrump NV). Counting first and needing six points to get out, win, and turn in a 29 card, I was dealt 3-4-6-7-10-J. I tossed the 10-J and a 3 was cut. Two pegs, two count, two short, too little, too late, too bad. Voilà, high nonqualifier. Is "high nonqualifier" the worst sobriquet in cribbage? It is for my money.

Speaking of the Pahrump Open, the recently concluded tournament was director **Denise Fortin's** → swan song as she and hubby Mike are pulling up stakes and moving to the Smokey Mountain area sometime around the first of the year. Denise was the founding director of both Club 360 and the Pahrump Open. She also directed the one-day January tournament held in Henderson NV. **Carla Jameson** (Pahrump) has agreed to take on the directorship of Club 360, while **Bill Eilers** and **K. C. Carder** (both Pahrump) will take over the January one-dayer. Still to be determinized is who, if anyone, will take on the Pahrump Open. We all wish Denise and Mike bon voyage and happy trails as they begin their new life next year. A job (or several) well done in Pahrump.



In the playoffs for those fortunate enough to qualify (unlike myself), the finals turned into (Arizona) Ladies Day with high qualifier **Darlene Stier** (Sun City) playing **Carol Perko** (Sun City West). In as tough a match as you might imagine these two tough Arizonians playing, Carol prevailed.

I should have mentioned last month that, since **Jim Jones** (all 88 years and counting) won the Socal Open/Norm Nikodym Memorial as well as the Burbank Bombers Tournament in February, he is the undisputed champion of Los Angeles County even though he lives in Orange County. Sadly, LA County is down to two tournaments a year. Jim copped both of them.

*Over and Out.*



## Vicki's Cribbage Vibes

Stories about Cribbage on the Eastern Seaboard

◆ by Vicki Soule ◆ [soule1994@comcast.net](mailto:soule1994@comcast.net) ◆

October is here! Grand National month and winter (if you live in New England) is around the corner. Trees changing, shorter days, and frost and flakes soon!

Durham was home to the third annual John Medeiros Memorial in steamy North Carolina! Hosted by John's daughter and board member **Jennifer Johnson**, *the tournament had 100% payback!* They took a long lunch break on Saturday so players could say good bye to **Dorothy "Dot" Davis**, who was a fixture in North Carolina cribbage for decades. The service was wonderful, and more than a dozen players attended. On Saturday night, they needed one player to make Canadian Doubles even, so the Doubletree bartender, **Kris Fischlein**, stepped in to make the tournament work. He was rewarded, as he and **Shane Lewis** came in first! With 42 peggers in the main, **John Morch** took first and **Sandra Shrum** was second. In the 26-player consolation, local **Larry Phifer** came in first with **Laurie Schmitz** in second. Laurie and Sandy travel and hang out together. I think they had something up their sleeves, both finishing second. They will never tell their secrets!



Moving up to Brookline NH on September 10, directors **Jerry and Laurie Hardy** welcomed 102 players to the twenty-third Daniel Webster Open. ↑ Jerry had the high qualifying card with 22/9 +163. I sat two seats down from him and told him he took all the good cards out of the decks as I followed. In the end, **Donna LaFleur** fought the good fight to first place while **Kate Fuller** came in second. The consolation saw 56 players stay for more fun. Some did not want to go home and watch the Patriots, however, many phones had the football game on! If you saw the Facebook post, you know how it ended. **Mark Soule** took the win over his wife, aka me, **Vicki Soule**. It was a long-fought battle and a quiet ride home. However, being the banker in the family, I got the better deal. ◀ Like I said, doesn't every cribbage player want to win? For those going to Virginia Beach, travel safe and see you there!

*I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination.*

—Jimmy Dean

## Cribbage Board of the Month BY JAY FULWIDER

Last month this column featured two football cribbage boards. I noted that fall is the start of football and my favorite season. I didn't mean to dismiss the fact that fall is



also the end of baseball season and the start of the playoffs.

As I am writing this, my team, the Seattle Mariners, are in first place in their division. My hope is that when you receive your October *Cribbage World*, the Mariners will be in the playoffs.

This Mariners board was made by Rico Industries Inc. Just about any team cribbage board can be found at team stores or online. Some boards are more intricate and feature the ballpark the team plays in. You can Goggle "sports team cribbage boards" and find your team board. Also, check out [etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com) for a variety of very nice, handcrafted boards.



*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](mailto:budandotis@msn.com) (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line).

*Game On!* — continued from next page

also very much enjoy the social aspects of the game. It's all so much fun!

### ***Do you have a favorite cribbage memory?***

I think my favorite memory is playing in the Paradise Grass Roots club before the fire. Everyone was so nice to me, and I especially enjoyed getting to know the people who lived in the community.

***Dan Zeisler*** is founder of *Sierra Youth Cribbage Tournament*. Send info about youth cribbage to 530.263.7468 or [danthefan@yahoo.com](mailto:danthefan@yahoo.com).

# GAME ON by Dan Zeisler



## Elite Junior Cribbage Player Nick Plowman (Paradise CA, age 14)

Nick became the youngest ACC judge at nine years of age. Nick genuinely cares about teaching youth cribbage and has already taught many youngsters the game.

### *When did you learn to play cribbage?*

I learned when I was six years old going into first grade. I played every day with my dad for about thirty minutes. It probably took at least six months to actually play a full game. Once I reached this point, I felt good enough about my game to enter my first sanctioned tournament in Sacramento. I was seven at the time.

### *Who taught you how to play?*

My dad, Allen Plowman.

### *Do you play in a Grass Roots club?*

When I was eight, I played in the Paradise Club in northern California. When the fire hit our community, that kind of ended the club as we knew it. Two years later in 2020, I helped instigate the revival of the club and then Covid hit. Right now, I really don't play much in Grass Roots.

### *Tournaments you've played in?*

I've played in several sanctioned youth tournaments, including the Sierra Youth Tournament, the Memorial Tournament in Sacramento, and a youth tournament I put on in Paradise. I've also played in all four Youth Grand Nationals. I almost always make the playoffs, but have never secured a first-place trophy in a main event. I've also entered several adult tournaments, including the ACC Open in Reno, the Grand National in Lincoln City (where I won the Youth consolation), and tournaments in Sacramento and Oroville.

### *What's your favorite part of cribbage?*

I just love getting really good hands! I





by David Aiken  
 ~ with lots of help from John Quist ~

With the Around the World Cruise and Cribbage Competition now behind them, **John and Maria Quist** jumped right back into ACC cribbage with the Gem State Classic in Boise ID. Before we learn about their success there, here are their final ATW stats (plus boxes on facing page):

|              | game points | games won | spread points |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| <b>Maria</b> | ✓ 125       | ✓ 61      | ✓ +97         |
| <b>John</b>  | 107         | 52        | -97           |

The ACC family treated John and Maria like returning heroes after their cruise and feted them to a sumptuous dinner. ↓ John writes: “We couldn’t have asked for a better return. Everyone welcomed us back warmly, saying that they enjoyed our stories. Then Maria continued her hot streak, winning her first six games on a seven-game card.”

John apparently also learned enough from Maria during the cruise so that he can now hold his own in competitive cribbage! Here’s how the Quistlings did in Boise:

- Friday Early Bird: **Maria** placed fifth
- Friday Canadian Doubles: the **Quist team** finished third
- Saturday Main: **John** qualified and finished third
- Sunday Consy: **Maria** qualified and finished third

But now back to ATW. Maria beat John soundly, but he did manage to win two continents (see box on facing page). *Cribbage World* recently learned that John has filed the legal paperwork to set up the Asia Cribbage Congress (ACC) and the Antarctica Cribbage Congress (ACC) in those locations.

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## GAME RESULTS

John Maria

|                        |   |      |
|------------------------|---|------|
| skunks                 | 3 | 3    |
| 1-point games          | 4 | 6 ✓  |
| 2/3/4-point games      | 8 | 11 ✓ |
| longest winning streak | 5 | 8 ✓  |

What's on tap for future Quist travels? After Boise, they travel to Manila for Maria's mother's birthday. Next they head to Kentucky to attend a wedding. Then to Sweden for John's mother's birthday. They plan to play the TOC and ACC Open in Reno next March. And another wedding will take them to Italy in May.

CW thanks John and Maria for entertaining ACC members with tales of their travels over the past year.

Wherever they wander in the future, you can be sure that their cribbage board will go with them!

Maria smashing her way through walls!



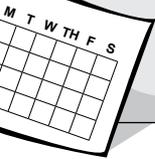
## ATW BY THE NUMBERS

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| decks of cards used            | 3          |
| countries played in            | 43         |
| days on the ship               | 198        |
| passengers on the ship         | 600        |
| passengers cheering for Maria  | 599        |
| alcohol purchased as souvenirs |            |
| cases of beer                  | 10         |
| cases of wine                  | 4          |
| cases of liquor                | 1          |
| average steps walked per day   | 10,625     |
| socks lost doing laundry       | 2          |
| item they forgot to pack       | binoculars |

## CONTINENTAL WINS

John Maria

|               |      |      |
|---------------|------|------|
| North America | 13   | 16 ✓ |
| South America | 8    | 13 ✓ |
| Antarctica    | 1 ✓  | 0    |
| Africa        | 8    | 11 ✓ |
| Asia          | 22 ✓ | 20   |
| Europe        | 0    | 1 ✓  |
|               | 52   | 61 ✓ |



# SANCTIONED Tournaments **MRPs**

as of September 9

| Western Region |     |                  | Central Region |     |                 | Eastern Region |     |                    |
|----------------|-----|------------------|----------------|-----|-----------------|----------------|-----|--------------------|
| MRPs name      |     |                  | MRPs name      |     |                 | MRPs name      |     |                    |
| 1              | 247 | Darlene Stier    | 1              | 138 | Eric Jensen     | 1              | 194 | Patrick Robrecht   |
| 2              | 196 | Bob Bartosh      | 2              | 84  | Haley Hintze    | 2              | 192 | Phil Martin        |
| 3              | 137 | Dave Yaeger      | 3              | 76  | Jerald Adams    | 3              | 148 | Charlene Cohen     |
| 3              | 137 | William Eilers   | 4              | 75  | Jeff Shimp      | 4              | 122 | Jonathan Pinyan    |
| 5              | 135 | Richard Anderson | 5              | 67  | Andy Stireman   | 5              | 120 | David Statz        |
| 6              | 128 | Robert Cox       | 6              | 66  | Michelle Gryka  | 6              | 110 | Charles Booker III |
| 7              | 118 | Roland Hall      | 7              | 59  | Clay Collier    | 7              | 88  | Mike Misluk        |
| 8              | 114 | Gary Nerton      | 8              | 57  | Kristina Wright | 8              | 82  | Mark Soule         |
| 9              | 110 | Carol Perko      | 9              | 52  | Betty Briggs    | 8              | 82  | Donna LaFleur      |
| 10             | 106 | Steve Sundet     | 10             | 51  | Dale Magedanz   | 10             | 75  | Mike Fetchel       |

*The full list of regional standings will (probably) return next month.*

## Element3 Health Update

*by Sandy Sands*

**I**t's the beginning of a new Grass Roots Season. Now is a great time for your club to engage with Element3 Health. Element3 Health remains a viable option for clubs with eligible members to report monthly cribbage related activity (Grass Roots play, ACC online play, playing at home with a spouse or friend, ACC meetings, playing cribbage apps, etc.) and to have their ACC and Grass Roots dues reimbursed. Any monies received after those have been reimbursed are allowed to be used for the overall benefit of the Grass Roots Club or the ACC.

Nearly twenty Grass Roots clubs are currently participating and realizing benefits for their eligible members and for their clubs. We have also added members who play only online or are part of the Traveler's Club. For members in this category, after their dues are reimbursed, any eligible activity reimbursement benefits ACC initiatives. For firsthand feedback about the benefits, feel free to talk to the Boise ID Grass Roots club.

Enhancements and simplification to the reporting process continue to be made and will be made available when they are finalized.

Element3 Health continues to honor what was originally a time-limited offer for clubs to receive \$100 for use in whatever manner they see fit in supporting or enhancing their Grass Roots club experience.

For more information or technical assistance, contact **Sandy Sands** at [now4sands@msn.com](mailto:now4sands@msn.com) or **Diana Banelos** at [diana.banelos@element3health.com](mailto:diana.banelos@element3health.com) or contact Element3 Health at 833.906.1700.

# Tournament Trail

## CALENDAR OF SANCTIONED EVENTS

### ACC Tournament Commissioners

| Western Region  | Central Region  | Eastern Region   |
|---|---|--|
| <b><u>Rick Shea</u></b><br>707.599.4605<br><a href="mailto:31for14@gmail.com">31for14@gmail.com</a> | <b><u>Patrick Barrett</u></b><br>715.323.5027<br><a href="mailto:gnxvibarrett@gmail.com">gnxvibarrett@gmail.com</a> | <b><u>Mark Soule</u></b><br>207.442.9001<br><a href="mailto:soule1994@comcast.net">soule1994@comcast.net</a> |

### GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE

| <i>date</i>          | <i>location</i>   | <i>Tournament Directors</i>                           |
|----------------------|-------------------|---|
| Oct. 10–15, 2023     | Virginia Beach VA | Jack Howsare  |
| 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 |

### 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 |

#### NH ♦ Oct. 1, New Hampshire Open

Brookline Event Center, 32 Proctor Hill Rd, Brookline NH 03033. TD: David Statz & Mary Burlington (603.247.4335)

#### ME ♦ Oct. 7, Seaside in Wells

Ogunquit Senior Ctr, 300 Post Rd, Wells ME 04090. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

#### VA ♦ Grand National 41

Four Points by Sheraton,  
1211 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach VA 23451

#### Oct. 10, GN41 Opener

TD: Keith Widener (336.971.8504)  
& Laurie Schmitz

#### Oct. 11–12, GN41 Midwest

TD: Megan Player (919.518.3626)  
& Jennifer Johnson

#### Oct. 14–15, GN41

TD: Jack Howsare (757.696.2999) & Mark Soule

[entry form on cribbage.org](http://entryformoncribbage.org)

#### ME ♦ Oct. 28, Spooktacular Cribbage

Vacationland Inn, 453 Wilson St, Brewer ME 04412. TD: Joe Bowen (207.659.6111)

#### OR ♦ Oct. 20–22, Salem Classic

Elks, 2336 Turner Rd SE, Salem OR 97301. TD: Kim Simmons (503.409.8870) & Bruce Hammond

#### WI ♦ Oct. 27–29, Octoberfest

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

#### WA ♦ Oct. 27–29, ACC World Championships

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

#### CA ♦ Oct. 28, Oroville Halloween Masquerade

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

#### AZ ♦ Oct. 28–29, Arizona Screaming Eagles

Crooks House, 10938 W Tropicana Cir, Sun City AZ 85351. TD: Darlene Stier (907.338.3234) & Dennis Crooks

#### 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

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| <b>NV ♦ Topaz Doubleheader</b>   |
| Topaz Lodge, 1979 Hwy 395 S,<br>Gardnerville NV 89410                                |
| <b>Nov. 6–7, Les Sumner Classic</b><br>TD: Bev Castillo (775.453.3715) & Alice Souza |
| <b>Nov. 8–10, Topaz II</b><br>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

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| <b>CO ♦ Fort Morgan Doubleheader</b>  |
| Elks, 430 State St, Fort Morgan CO 80701. TD:<br>David Bute (303.618.7409) & Steve Sundet |
| <b>Nov. 18, F.M. Wide Open Saturday</b>   |
| <b>Nov. 19, F.M. Wide Open Sunday</b>   |

**CT ♦ Nov. 19, Yankee Classic**  
Moose, 404 Prospect St, East Hartford CT 06108.  
TD: Phil Martin (860.666.8300) & Mike Fetchel

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| <b>MI ♦ Thanksgiving Doubleheader</b>   |
| American Legion, 401 N Park St NE,<br>Grand Rapids MI 49525. TD: David Aik-<br>en (616.401.8311) & John Hazlett |
| <b>Nov. 24 + 26, Wishbone Open</b>  |
| <b>Nov. 25, Reindeer Games</b>  |

**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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| <b>VA ♦ Virginia Beach Doubleheader</b>  |
| Sheraton Four Points, 1211 Atlantic Ave,<br>Virginia Beach VA 23451. TD: Laurie<br>Schmitz (757.214.2327) & Jack Howsare |
| <b>Dec. 1, Pre-Virginia Beach Classic</b>  |

**Dec. 2–3, Virginia Beach Classic**

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

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

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

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

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| <b>CA ♦ Sacramento 2024 Kickoff</b>   |
| VFW, 7576 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento CA 95823.<br>TD: Bob Bartosh (209.365.3232) & Alice Souza |
| <b>Jan. 4–5, Kickoff #1</b>   |
| <b>Jan. 6, Kickoff #2</b>   |
| <b>Jan. 7, Kickoff #3</b>   |

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

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| <b>NC ♦ Smoky Mountain Classic Doubleheader</b>  |
| Crowne Plaza, One Resort Dr, Ashe-<br>ville NC 28806. TD: Jacob French<br>(678.517.2090) & Alan Rogers |
| <b>Jan. 11–12, Smoky Mountain Prologue</b>   |
| <b>Jan. 13–14, Smoky Mountain Epilogue</b>   |

**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

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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

**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**

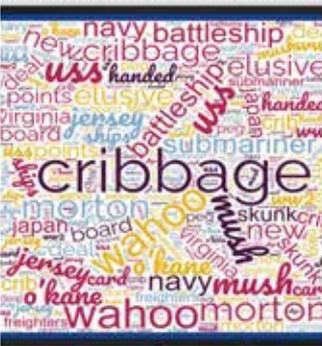
American Legion, 400 Eastern Ave, Augusta ME 04330. TD: Joseph Bowen (207.659.6111) & Steve Braley

**CA ♦ Feb. 23–25, Northern California Open**

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

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