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- Vacation

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American Cornhole Organization, the ACO, is the World Governing Body for the Sport of Cornhole. Established in 2005 and headquartered in Camp Dennison, Ohio, the ACO offers official cornhole rules, sanctioned products, tournament listings, and comprehensive information about cornhole events.

Our Mission

As the Worldwide Governing Body of the Sport of Cornhole the ACO has as its mission to increase awareness and competition of the sport of cornhole by governing the rules and regulations of the sport, hosting tournaments, and fostering a community of players, both social and professional.

Reach Out

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HOLE MAG SCAVENGER HUNT

CAN YOU FIND ALL THESE THINGS IN THE MAGAZINE?

• Someone Playing Cornhole (freebie - give yourself 1 point)

Okay, now we start:

- Ostrich
- Pink Hard Hat
- Girl Throwing an Axe
- · Frank Geers Eating a Taco
- · Inflatable Unicorn
- · Martini Glass
- PBR Sign
- Ski Chairlift
- · Soccer Ball
- · Buffalo Slot Machine

- Purple Hair Tina
- · Coonskin Cap
- · Octopus on a Plate
- Slices of Cold Pepperoni
- 2 Straws in 1 Cup
- 3rd Base
- · Guy doing a Cartwheel
- Player drinking directly from a Beer Tap
- Micky Mouse Ears





(Labelle cues music)

Voice of Fin: "Everyone, please remain seated for the Cornhole Dude."

President Geers:

"Grab a beer and listen up! This will be quick, then you can go back to pitching bags.

"This was an amazing Season 17! Here's the recap:

"We partnered with **Stadium Sports to stream broadcasts for many Majors.** Due to this, we further developed and improved our Broadcast Team and ACO headquarters Team.

"The ACO added new cities for Majors and had Guaranteed \$5,000 purses for EVERY Major! (audience standing and applausing, some cheering obnoxiously)

"Going beyond tournamants, we added new cornhole festivals and events, like the **ACO**Pro Invitational, the Heroes Cup, and the Go the Distance Festival at the Field of Dreams movie site in Iowa.

"We welcomed **KIA Motors** to the ACO Family, and expanded our relationship with **Hampton Farms,** sponsoring the Big Blind Draw and the Big Blindfold Challenge.



"We brought in **PipFall** to ACO Majors and Worlds, with a **\$2,500 Worlds purse!**

"ScoreHolio rankings became the standard, and we trained our Certified Officials for improved tournament operations.

"Gary 'The King' Ferguson repp'ed the ACO in Las Vegas at a top industry trade show.

"We handed out **FREE Corny Forty and Top Gun 20 jerseys,** and our ACO Merchandise
expanded to **4 times the size.** (more applause.
the people love SWAG)

"Our **ACO Bag Partners** came on board, in a program that far exceeded our expectations.

"NBC Media featured the ACO on The Hurt Locker.

"And finally, we expanded the scope and interactivity of **The TACO**, the **Longest Running Corn-cast in the World!**

"Peace and love. Keep on Pitchin'. 'Merica."

(the President exits to the restrooms, people cheer, then go play cornhole)



We're not just the perfect location for this year's World Championship, we're a world-class area that's one of America's favorite vacation destinations. And we're inviting you back to next year's Bradenton Area Major, January 26-28, 2023.

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Bradenton Area Season 18 Major January 26-28, 2023



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BradentonGulfIslands.com

RECOG-NITION OF THE SPORT

Wall Street Journal article published June 2007

ESPN Magazine article published Sept. 2010

WCPO-Channel 9 "Sports of All Sorts" aired summer 2010

Cincinnati Business Courier article published Jan. 2011

Cornhole for Wii

Cornhole: Throwing Bags in a Hole book published 2010

Topps Company intruduces first Cornhole Players Card featuring ACO King of Cornhole Matt Guy, Summer 2011

"Brotherhood of Bags: Cornholing America"

book by Paul Nelson, published 2010

Launched the ACO Pro Series of

Cornhole TV Show May 2021 in Branson

Wikipedia recognizes the ACO as the organization for the Sport of Cornhole

ESPN's Wider World of Sports with Kenny Maynes

Aired October 9, 2013, featuring the ACO World Cup

ESPN Sports Center Live Broadcast July 11, 2015, at the World Championships of Cornhole X in Knoxville, TN

DudePerfect Summer 2017, Nickelodeon's DudePerfect features ACO-Pros Matt & Bret Guy

Eastpoint Sports puts ACO Brand into 3800 plus **Walmart** stores with backyard board and bag sets, March 2019

Field of Dreams Movie Site 2022 partnership for the annual ACO Go the Distance Festival

ACO MARKETING STATS

≤ 53,340 Active Facebook Followers

40,000+ TikTok Followers

≤ 1.85 Million Livestream Views at a single cornhole event

✓ 30 Million+ YouTube Minutes Viewed

200,000+ Average Unique Website Hits per Month

"If NASCAR is a nation of 75 million people, then there's 75 million people in cornhole nation."

Kyle Petty, Kyle's Corner

NASCAR.com



When you're ready for the next level, view the complete ACO Rules Guide for the Sport of Cornhole at AmericanCornhole.com. Below are the ACO Basic Rules for the Game of Cornhole and can be used to get the backyard fun started.

WHAT EQUIPMENT DO YOU NEED?

2 CORNHOLE BOARDS: Approximately 24" x 48" with a 6" diameter hole, centered 9" from top of board and centered 12" from each side edge. The front of the board is 3" to 4" from the ground to the top of the playing surface. The back of the board is 12" from the ground to the top of the playing surface.

8 BAGS: 4 each of two different colors. Each bag is made from two fabric squares with double stitched seaming. The bags should be made from a durable fabric like canvas, twill, or synthetic suede. Each bag measures roughly 6" by 6" and weighs between 15 and 16 ounces.

HOW DO YOU SET UP THE COURT?

CORNHOLE BOARDS: Boards are positioned 27' from the front edge to the front edge of the board.

CORNHOLE PITCHER'S BOX: A designated pitcher's box is a 4' x 3' area at each end of the court and on each side

CORNHOLE FOUL LINES: The front edge of the cornhole board is the foul line.

TRADITIONAL 21: The game shall be played to the pre-determined number of 21 points. The first player/team to reach or exceed that amount at the conclusion of a frame is the winner.

VALUES: A pitched bag that remains on the cornhole board playing surface at the conclusion of the frame is a 'woody', worth 1 point. A pitched bag that passes through the cornhole board hole at any time in a frame is a 'cornhole' and is worth 3 points.

FOUL BAGS: Refers to any cornhole bag that has not been determined as a 'woody' or a 'cornhole', or was designated a foul bag due to a rules violation. Bags contacting the ground prior to reaching the playing surface and bags pitched when a player has crossed the foul line are foul bags. If a foul bag lands on the playing surface or comes to rest touching the ground and the board, it must be removed immediately.

FAULTS: A fault occurs if a player puts his or her foot over the foul line front edge of the board during the throw, or if a player throws out of turn. A fault results in the bag from the faulted throw being removed from the playing surface, if applicable.

CANCELLATION SCORING: The approved method of scoring for the sport of cornhole is cancellation scoring. In cancellation scoring, the points of one player cancel out their opponent. Using this method, only one player/ team can score in each frame. Example: Team Red achieves 1 woody (worth 1 total point) and 2 cornholes (worth 3 points each, 6 total points). Team Blue achieves 2 woodies (worth 1 point each, 2 total points) and 1 cornhole (worth 3 total points). This means that Team Red scored 7 total points in that frame, and Team Blue scored 5 total points, which nets Team Red 2 points for that frame (7 - 5 = 2).

PLAY OF THE GAME:

SINGLES PLAY: Player A will compete against Player B. These players will both stay in their designated lane for the whole game. Players start the game at the headboard and will alternate pitching bags until each player has pitched all 4 of his or her bags. Players will then walk to the end of their lane to the other board, and resume pitching back towards the original board.

DOUBLES PLAY: Team A will compete against Team B – each team is comprised of 2 people. Each team will stay in their designated lane for the whole game. Players at the headboard will alternate pitching bags until each player has pitched all 4 of his or her bags. Players at the footboard will then resume pitching back towards the headboard.

PITCHING: Players alternate pitching bags (one player at a time) until each player has pitched all 4 of his or her bags. A player must pitch all 4 cornhole bags from their designated cornhole pitcher's box. One foot must be completely within the pitcher's box at the time of release of the bag. Players must not cross the foul line with their feet before the bag has landed.

PITCHING THE NEXT FRAME: The player/team who scored last shall pitch first in the next frame. If neither player/team scores in a frame, the player/team who pitched first in the preceding frame shall retain first pitch in the next frame.

RAKING CORNHOLE BAGS: If bags become piled inside the cornhole board hole and may interfere with or obstruct the next pitch, or if there is a question whether a bag would've fallen through the hole naturally, a player may request to 'rake' the cornhole bags that have fallen inside the hole. During raking, all efforts should be made to leave bags on the playing surface undisturbed, including any 'lippers' that may fall in unnaturally during the raking process. If a bag is resting on the raked bags, and unavoidably falls in the hole as a result of raking, it shall be counted as a cornhole.

TALK THE TALK

FRAME: A frame consist of a player pitching his or her four bags from one board to another. Players must pitch all four bags from the same side of the board in frame.

PITCHER'S BOX: The area from which a player throws their bag.

WOODY: A pitched bag that remains on the cornhole board at the end of a frame, worth 1 point.

CORNHOLE: A pitched bag that passes through the cornhole board hole at any time within a frame, worth 3 points.

FOUL BAG: Any cornhole bag that is not a woody or a cornhole, or has been designated a foul bag as a result of a rules violation. Foul bags touching the board and the ground must be removed from the playing surface immediately.

AIRMAIL: A pitched bag that goes directly into the hole without touching the board surface.

LIPPER: A woody that is hanging on the lip of the hole and ready to drop in.

SLICK WOODY: A pitched bag that slides up the board into the hole.





WHERE THE **WEST COAST PLAYS CORNHOLE**



ACO JERSEYS ACO Jerseys are awarded to ACO Members who earn them. ACO Player jerseys are also available for purchase. Take a look at the guide below, then the next time you see a player at an ACO tournament wearing one of these jerseys, you'll know what status they are!









ACO PLAYER OF THE SEASON Awarded to the top ranked player/team of the Season



MAJOR CHAMPION
Awarded to Division
Champions at an ACO
Major



STATE CHAMPION Awarded to Division Champions at an ACO State Championship



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ACO PLAYER Available for purchase



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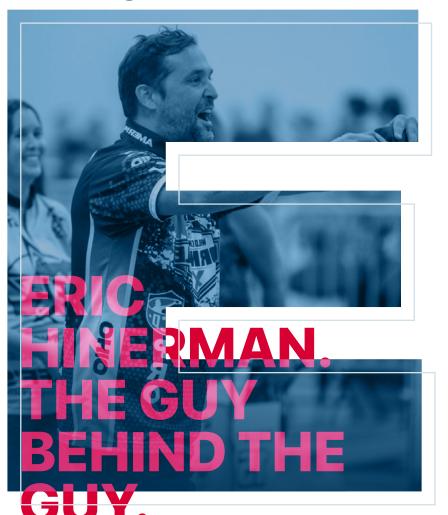












THE QUIET "MAN
BEHIND THE
CURTAIN", HELPING
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OF BOTH THE SPORT
OF CORNHOLE AND
THE ATTITUDES
THAT DRIVE IT

by Fin Walter

When Frank asked me to put together an article on Eric Hinerman for this season's Hole Magazine I jumped at the chance. He said, "About a thousand words would be perfect".

THAT'S WHEN IT HIT ME; HOW COULD I WRITE A THOUSAND WORDS ABOUT A GUY WHO, UNTIL RECENTLY, I HADN'T HEARD SAY A THOUSAND WORDS IN THE TEN PLUS YEARS I HAVE KNOWN HIM? ... AND THAT'S THE POINT.

Since (nearly) Day One of the ACO, he has been the quiet "man behind the curtain", helping mold the evolution of both the sport of cornhole and the attitudes that drive it; all from a player's perspective. We jokingly refer to him as "Oz". He shrugs and says "Okay".

A husband to one, and a father to three, Eric's long and winding (yellow brick) road to the ACO began in Cameron, West Virginia – a town of 1500 where his favorite past time was "beating the s#it out of his friends at anything and everything, from wrestling to bar darts, to skiing/snowboarding, to motocross, to billiards" to, ultimately cornhole. As he worked his way around the world (California to Europe, then back to the States) he thrived on "the challenge".

From waiting tables on the famous at the Hollywood Bowl in La La Land, to shooting for the stars from rooftops throughout the Bluegrass State as the top tech for DirecTV,

AMERICANCORNHOLE.COM



Eric has been driven to be the best of the bunch because, as I've heard him say repeatedly:

"If you're not trying to be the best at something, why even do it".

Flash forward to 2006, a Sunday morning in Mt.

Adams, Ohio, the crack of Noon (likely).

Hinerman stumbled across a show called The King of Cornhole on Public Access TV and watched, in hungover amazement, as the best cornhole players he'd ever seen competed in the warm glow of locally produced cable television.

Players like Matt Guy, Randy Atha, Mike Schaffer, Chu Farfsing, Jimmy Krauser and Mike Bailey were

battling to be King.

Eric's competitive spirit kicked in and a quick computer search for local tournaments yielded the result he was looking for; a qualifying tournament at the Indian Hill Winter Club. The rest, they say, is history – but I've still got 613 words to go, so....

Hinerman, flying solo, walked

in to the IHWC and up to

the registration table

where he met a freshfaced fellow named
Frank Geers (more
on him later). Eric
and Frank hit it off
immediately and the
foundation was poured
for a relationship that
would forever change the

game and sport of cornhole.



When he turned around and realized that all of the players he had seen on his television were THERE, Hinerman knew he had found the right place, on a number of levels.

Eric warmed up with – and watched – Steve Vanderver, who displayed a shot arsenal that included a between the legs beauty. Hinerman won his first match that day, as he expected, and confidently squared off in match number two against Dewey Dean - "who beat the dog s#it out of me 21-1 and then told me 'good job'". By the end of the day, Frank had Eric referee the finals, won by the aforementioned 'leg-splitter' Vanderver. He was hooked.

Steve told Eric about Tuesday night

tournaments at the Cheviot Sports Tavern, and from there it was Game On. It took him all of 6 months to cement his ACO Pro status via the ACO Skills Challenge at Sneaky Pete's in Milford, Ohio at which point there was no stopping this Young Gun.

Hinerman and Vanderver began traveling together to one unsuspecting city after another "hittin' holes and crushin' souls" in Singles play (as there was no real Doubles format at the time). Over his first couple of years in the game he worked events with Geers, oftentimes traveling to places like Chicago for "Beat the Pro" events where none ever did, and it wasn't long after, up on a roof, DirecTV dish in hand that he received the call, and job offer,

that literally brought him back to Earth. "Want a job?", said Geers.

Frank and Eric would sit around and bulls#it for hours on everything from the creation of a national cornhole tour to points and rankings, entry fees, payouts, increasing participation and what ultimately became the ACO CO program (a program built on the solid rock slab that was Geers, Hinerman, Ryan Labelle and Cleveland's Michell Cahill). Not long after, the evolution of the ACO Tour began and through CONSTANT trial and error (even to this day) the sport grew legs and was off and running.

But it wasn't all *Cornhole: The Movie* red

carpets and caviar for Hinerman.

The grind was real... and he was still competing as an ACO Pro.

When I asked him about his most memorable win, he instead, told me of his most memorable loss: a loser's bracket battle facing the team that put he and Vanderver into that bracket at the Kentucky Fair and

Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky. As he and Steve stepped to center court against the team of (yes) Matt Guy and Randy Atha, they pitched lights out and crushed it in game one. But it was a double dip situation, and faster than Hinerman could say "Nobody gives up seven points in a frame in a center court final" he did just that, in three consecutive frames en route to an unforgettable loss – and a very quiet ride home with Steve.

Eric and Steve soon split as a team and Hinerman paired up with (soon to be) ACO Legend Don Bailey. Together, in a twisted pitch of fate, they ended Matt and Randy's win streak which, I can imagine led to a very loud ride home for them. Years later, after moving more behind the scenes than behind the bags, Matt and Bret Guy breathed a second life into Eric's game, inviting him to be part of their Slyder Cup team; a team that won the first ever Slyder Cup World Championship (and they repeated the following year). For this opportunity he will be forever grateful to them.

A true PRO is all things he's taken on, Eric Hinerman

has seen and been a part of it all. From scratching out hand-written paper brackets on the walls (having to be redone because of – well, any number of reasons) to behind the flight deck of the ACO Digital Broadcasts, Hinerman has been the constant "man behind the curtain". He's watched technology, skill levels and his personal life change the nature of the game, but one thing will never change: Eric Hinerman, Oz, The Man Behind the Curtain, will forever be the quiet, thoughtful innovator and one of the Founding Fathers of the ACO Family.

"Hey, Eric! That's 1,145 words."

- Fin

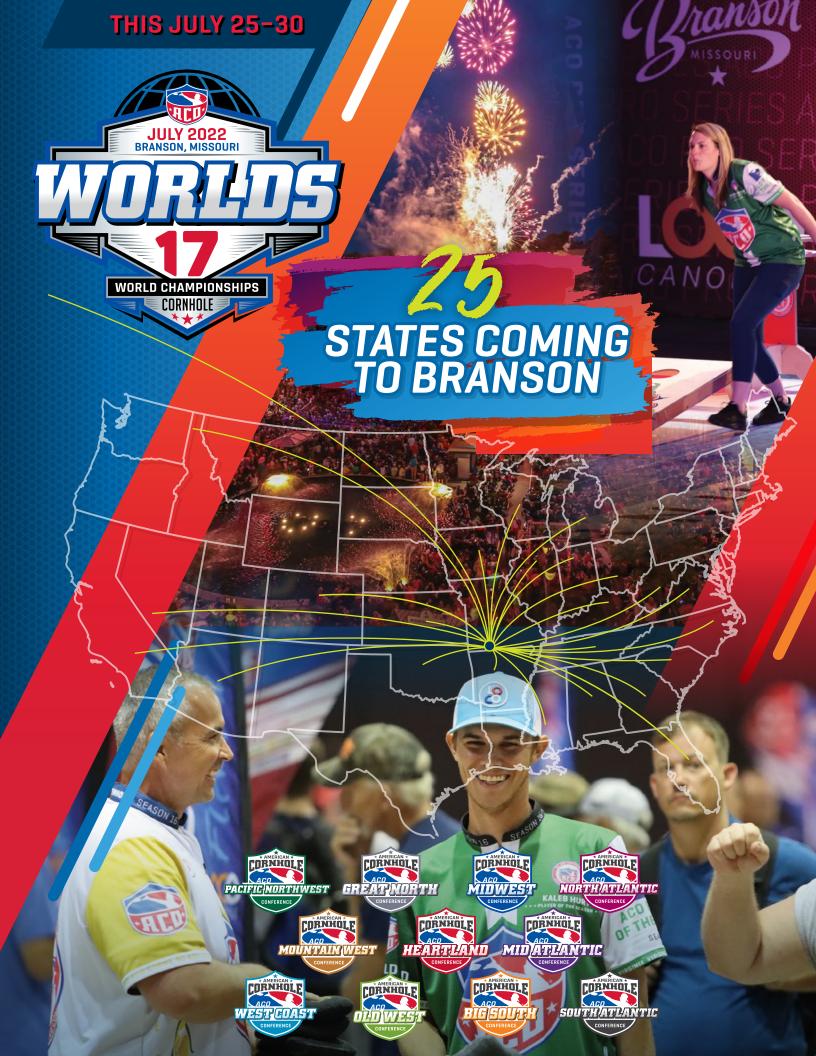


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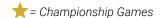




FULL SCHEDULE

JULY 25-30 // BRANSON, MISSOURI

= Games that are OPEN to any spectator (no ACO Membership required)



TUESDAY, JULY 26

9:00AM - DOORS OPEN

PIPFALL QUALIFIERS

4 Qualifiers Daily: 10:00AM, 11:30AM, 8:00PM, 9:30PM

BYOP BLIND DRAW QUADS

10:00AM

Open to all players. ACO Membership not required.

- · Walk-up registration only
- Register on-site from 9:00AM-9:30PM 7/26/22
- Entry: \$60 per (2) player team (\$30 per player)
- · Maximum of 128 (2) player teams
- 50 % Payout Maximum Purse \$3,840
- · Purse Based on Walk-Up Registration
- · Players will register as (2) player teams
- (2) player teams will be matched randomly with another
- (2) player team to create a (4) player Quad team
- (2) teammates toss from each end of the boards, each teammate pitching (2) bags each, in any order • Double elimination
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- (1) match in the winner's bracket, (1) in the consolation bracket
- · Traditional double-dip finals match

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #1 Sponsored by Killer Bees Cornhole

1:00 PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details

ACO SLYDER CUP - OPEN DIVISION2:00 PM

Open to all players. ACO Membership not required.

- · Walk-up registration only
- Register on-site from 11:00AM-1:00PM 7/26/22
- Entry: \$150 per team (\$30 per player)
- Maximum of 32 (5) player teams
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$2,400
- · Purse Based on Walk-Up Registration
- · 5 players per team
- · For each match, teams will play (2) doubles games and
- (1) singles game against their opponents
- The winner of 2 out of 3 of the individual games will win the match and advance
- · Double elimination
- (1) match in the winner's bracket,
 (1) match in the consolation bracket
- · Traditional double-dip finals match

ACO SLYDER CUP - NON-PRO DIVISION

2:00PM

Open to all non ACO-PRO players or non- "PRO" players from any other organizations. No ACO Membership required. Players who finish ACO Season 17 in the top (80) of the ACO World Singles Standings will not be eligible.

- · Walk-up registration only
- Register on-site from 11:00AM-1:00PM 7/26/22

MORE DETAILS: americancornhole.com/worlds

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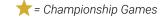








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- Entry: \$100 per team (\$20 per player)
- · Payout: · Maximum of 32 (5) player teams
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$1,600
- Purse Based on Walk-Up Registration
- · 5 players per team
- · For each match, teams will play (2) doubles games and
- (1) singles game against their opponents
- The winner of 2 out of 3 of the individual games will win the match and advance
- · Double elimination
- (1) match in the winner's bracket, (1) match in the consolation bracket
- · Traditional double-dip finals match

★ PLAYER OF THE SEASON PLAYOFFS JUNIORS SINGLES/WOMENS SINGLES/ SENIORS SINGLES/COED DOUBLES

4:00PM

Open to players/teams who tie for 1st place in their respective Division in the final ACO Season 17 points standings

- The winner/s of each playoff will be named "ACO Player/Team of the Season" for their respective Division
- The winners will be awarded custom Player/Team of the Season Jerseys
- The winners will be the #1 overall seeds in the Championship brackets for their respective Divisions
- NOTE: All other playoff players will be seeded in the Championship brackets according to their finish in the playoff
- Players/teams with (2) players/teams in their playoff will play a best 2 of 3 match
- Players/teams with (3) or more players/teams in their playoff will be randomly placed in a double elimination bracket. 1 game in the winners, 1 game in the losers. The final match will be straight-up best 2 of 3.
- IMPORTANT: Player/teams must confirm their participation by July 15th, 2022

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #2 Sponsored by Dead Nutz Cornhole

5:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details

★ ACO WORLD HAMPTON FARMS BIG BLIND DRAW WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

6:00PM

Only players ranked 1-128 on the ACO Blind Draw Standings are eligible to participate

- · Walk-up registration only
- Register on-site from 3:00PM-5:00PM 7/26/22
- Entry: \$50 per player
- \$5,000 Guaranteed Purse / Trophies for the top 2 teams
- Players will be awarded points based on their finish according to the ACO Major point scale. Those points will be added to their ACO Season 17 points. The player with the most points on ACO Blind Draw Standings at the conclusion will be named "ACO Blind Draw Player of the Season" and will be awarded a custom jersey
- · Doubles teams are randomly drawn
- Bracket will be (1) game in the winner's bracket (1) game in the consolation bracket with a traditional double-dip finals match

ACO OPEN BIG BLIND DRAW DIVISION

6:30PM

Open to all players. ACO Membership not required.

- · Walk-up registration only
- Register on-site from 4:00PM-6:00PM 7/26/22
- Entry: \$30 per player
- 50% Payout. Purse Based on Walk-Up Registration
- · Teams are randomly drawn
- · Double elimination
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- Traditional double-dip finals match



























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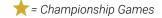








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WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

DOORS OPEN: 8:00 AM

PIPFALL QUALIFIERS

4 Qualifiers Daily: 10:00AM, 11:30AM, 8:00PM, 9:30PM

ACO WOMENS DOUBLES

9:00AM

Open to all ACO Womens Doubles eams

- · Online registration / Walk-Up with Higher Entry Fee
- · Maximum of 64 teams
- Entry: \$80 per team (\$40 per player)
- Walk-Up: \$100 per team (\$50 per player)
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$2,560
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- · Trophies for 1st and 2nd place
- The winners will receive the custom ACO Womens Doubles Champion jerseys
- · (2) women players per team
- · Seeded according to ACO Womens Standings
- Double elimination
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation
- bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

SENIORS DOUBLES

9:00AM

Open to all ACO Seniors Doubles teams (55+)

- · Online registration / Walk-Up with Higher Entry Fee
- · Maximum of 64 teams
- Entry: \$80 per team (\$40 per player)

- Walk-Up \$100 per team (\$50 per player)
- 50% Payout Maximum Pure \$2,560
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- Trophies for 1st and 2nd place
- · The winners will receive the custom ACO Seniors
- · Doubles Champion jerseys
- · (2) Seniors players per team
- · Seeded according to ACO Seniors Standings
- · Double elimination
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

ACO JUNIORS DOUBLES NEW FOR WORLDS 17

9:00AM

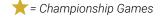
Open to all ACO Juniors Doubles teams (17 and under)

- · Online registration / Walk-Up with Higher Entry Fee
- · Maximum of 64 teams
- Entry: \$40 per team (\$20 per player)
- Walk-Up \$60 per team (\$30 per player)
- · Trophies for 1st and 2nd Place
- · The winners will receive the custom ACO Juniors Doubles
- · Champion jerseys
- · (2) Juniors players per team
- · Randomly seeded
- · Double elimination
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday





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WOMENS SINGLES

12:00PM

Open to all ACO Women players who earned a minimum of 12pts on the ACO World Womens Standings during ACO Season 17

- · Maximum of 128 players
- Online registration only
- · Entry: \$50 for individual tickets
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$3,200
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- · Trophies for top 3 finishers
- The winner will receive the custom ACO World Womens Champion jersey
- · Seeded based on ACO World Womens Standings
- · Double Elimination bracket
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

SENIORS SINGLES

12:00PM

Open to all ACO Seniors players who earned a minimum of 12pts on the ACO World Seniors Standings during ACO Season 17

- · Maximum of 128 players
- · Online registration only
- · Entry: \$50 for individual tickets
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$3,200
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- · Trophies for top 3 finishers
- The winner will receive the custom ACO World Seniors Champion jersey

- Seeded based on ACO World Seniors Standings
- · Double Elimination bracket
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

JUNIORS SINGLES

12:00PM

Open to all ACO Juniors players who earned a minimum of 12pts on the ACO World Juniors Standings during ACO Season 17

- · Maximum of 128 players
- · Online registration only
- Entry: \$30 for individual tickets
- \$1,000 in prize value
- · Trophies for top 3 finishers
- The winner will receive the custom ACO World Juniors Champion jersey
- Seeded based on ACO World Juniors Standings
- · Double Elimination bracket
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #3 Sponsored by Pitch Bags

1:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details





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★ PLAYER OF THE SEASON PLAYOFFS: SINGLES / DOUBLES

4:00PM

Open to players/teams who tie for 1st place in their respective Division in the final ACO Season 17 points standings

- The winner/s of each playoff will be named "ACO Player/Team of the Season" for their respective Division
- The winners will be awarded custom Player/Team of the Season Jerseys
- The winners will be the #1 overall seeds in the Championship brackets for their respective Divisions
- NOTE: All other playoff players will be seeded in the Championship brackets according to their finish in the playoff
- IMPORTANT: Player/teams must confirm their participation by July 15th, 2022
- Players/teams with (2) players/teams in their playoff will play a best 2 of 3 match
- Players/teams with 3 or more players/teams in their playoff will be randomly placed in a double elimination bracket. 1 game in the winners, 1 game in the losers. The final match will be straight-up best 2 of 3.

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #4 Sponsored by BD Bags

5:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details

COED DOUBLES

6:00PM

Open to all ACO Coed teams who earned a minimum of 12 pts as a team in ACO Season 17

- · Maximum of 128 teams
- · Online registration only
- Entry: \$80 per team (\$40 per player)
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$5,120
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- · Trophies for top 3 teams
- The winning team will receive ACO World Coed Champion jerseys
- · Seeded according to ACO World Coed Standings
- · Double elimination
- NOTE: Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation bracket
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday



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THURSDAY, JULY 28

8:00AM - DOORS OPEN

PIPFALL QUALIFIERS

4 Qualifiers Daily: 10:00AM, 11:30AM, 8:00PM, 9:30PM

ACO WORLD SINGLES RPI (RANKED PLAYERS INVITATIONAL)

9:00AM

The RPI is mini-bracket pool play structured tournaments used to qualify teams into the ACO World Doubles Championship Bracket

- · Online registration only
- · Golden ticket or Doubles ticket is required
- · Maximum of 512 teams
- Open to all ACO teams ranked 41st and over on the ACO World Doubles Standings who earned a minimum of 12pts as a team during ACO Season 17
- Teams ranked 1-40 bypass the RPI and are placed directly into the ACO World Doubles Championship bracket
- Top team in ACO Conference Standings at the conclusion of ACO Season 17 (or next highest finishers not already ranked 1-40 in the World Doubles Standings) bypass the RPI and are placed directly into the ACO World Doubles Championship bracket – still need to purchase a ticket
- An ACO Conference must have a minimum of 100 ACO Members to be eligible
- Teams will be placed in bracket pools of 32 teams, with a maximum of 16 pools
- Brackets pools will be established and seeded according to the ACO World Doubles Standings
- · Each bracket pool will be a double elimination bracket
- Based on final finish in the bracket pool, each team will then be placed in their appropriate spot for the next round
- 1st 12th place bracket pool finishers will advance to the ACO World Doubles Championship bracket
- 13th 24th place bracket pool finishers will advance to the ACO Doubles Tier 2 bracket
- 25th 32nd place bracket pool finishers will advance to the ACO Doubles Tier 3 bracket

DOUBLES TIER 2 BRACKET

12:00PM

Teams who finished 13th-24th in their individual bracket pools

- · Seeded according to ACO World Doubles Standings
- · Single elimination bracket
- Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- · Trophies to top finisher
- NEW FOR WORLDS 17: The Champions of Tier 2 will earn a spot in the ACO World Doubles Championship Bracket

ACO DOUBLES TIER 3 BRACKET

12:00PM

Teams who finished 25th-32nd in their individual bracket pools

- Seeded according to ACO World Doubles Standings
- · Single elimination bracket
- Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- · Trophies to top finisher

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #5 Sponsored by Lucky's

1:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET

3:00PM

The Championship bracket will be comprised of:

- · Teams Ranked 1-40 on the ACO World Doubles Standings
- Teams who finished 1st- 12th place in their RPI pool bracket

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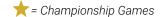


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- An ACO Conference must have a minimum of 100 ACO Members to be eligible
- The Champions of Tier 2 will earn a spot in the ACO World Doubles Championship Bracket
- 50% Payout Maximum \$47,070
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- · Trophies for the top 4 teams
- The winning team will receive ACO World Doubles Champion jerseys
- Based on participation, teams will be split into separate brackets, with a max of (4) brackets
- Placement and seeding in each bracket will be according to ACO World Doubles Standings
- · Each bracket will be double elimination
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation
- bracket
- Split bracket play will stop when there is TBD (based on final participation) number of teams remaining in each split bracket
- Remaining teams from all split brackets will be reseeded and entered in a final double elimination bracket
- Teams who enter the final bracket with zero losses will be placed in the winners bracket
- Teams who enter the final bracket with one loss will be placed in the consolation bracket
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #5 Sponsored by OTT

5:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details

ACO CERTIFIED OFFICIAL SHOOTOUT

7:00PM

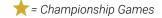
Open to all ACO Certified Officials

- Must have registered as a CO by 4/15/22
- Must be from a CO group who coordinated at least two regional tournaments by 6/1/22
- · Online registration only (free option)
- Entry: FREE
- \$500 to top finishers
- The winner will receive a custom championship jersey
- · Format: Switcholio





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FRIDAY, JULY 29

8:00AM - DOORS OPEN

PIPFALL QUALIFIERS

4 Qualifiers Daily: 10:00AM, 11:30AM, 8:00PM, 9:30PM

ACO WORLD DOUBLES RPI (RANKED PLAYER INVITATIONAL)

9:00AM

The RPI is mini-bracket pool play structured tournaments used to qualify players into the ACO World Singles Championship Bracket

- · Online registration only
- · Golden ticket or Doubles ticket is required
- · Maximum of 512 players
- Open to all ACO players ranked 41st and over on the ACO
- World Singles Standings who earned a minimum of 12pts during ACO Season 17
- Players ranked 1-40 bypass the RPI and are placed directly into the ACO World Singles Championship bracket
- Top 1st Player in ACO Conference Standings at the conclusion of ACO Season 17 (or next highest finishers not already ranked 1-40 in the World Doubles Standings) – still need to purchase a ticket
- An ACO Conference must have a minimum of 100 ACO Members to be eligible
- Players will be placed in bracket pools of 32 players, with a maximum of 16 pools
- Brackets pools will be established and seeded according to the ACO World Doubles Standings
- · Each bracket pool will be a double elimination bracket
- Based on final finish in the bracket pool, each team will then be placed in their appropriate spot for the next round
- 1st 12th place bracket pool finishers will advance to the ACO World Singles Championship bracket
- 13th 24th place bracket pool finishers will advance to the ACO Singles Tier 2 bracket
- 25th 32nd place bracket pool finishers will advance to the ACO Singles Tier 3 bracket

SINGLES TIER 2 BRACKET

12:00PM

Players who finished 13th-24th in their individual bracket pools. Seeded according to ACO World Singles Standings

- · Single elimination bracket
- Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- · Trophies to top finisher
- NEW FOR WORLDS 17: The Champion of Tier 2 will earn a spot in the ACO World Singles Championship Bracket

 Players who finished 13th-24th in their individual bracket pools
- · Seeded according to ACO World Singles Standings
- · Single elimination bracket
- Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- · Trophies to top finisher
- NEW FOR WORLDS 17: The Champion of Tier 2 will earn a spot in the ACO World Singles Championship Bracket

SINGLES TIER 3 BRACKET

12:00PM

Players who finished 25th-32nd in their individual bracket pools

Seeded according to ACO World Singles Standings

- · Single elimination bracket
- Based on participation, brackets may be split with playoffs for overall finishes
- · Trophies to top finisher

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #7 Sponsored by WSSC

1:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details



ACO WORLDS 17 FULL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



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ACO WORLD SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET

3:00PM

The Championship bracket will be comprised of:

- · Players Ranked 1-40 on the ACO World Singles Standings
- · Players who finished 1st- 12th place in their RPI pool bracket
- Top player in ACO Conference Standings at the conclusion of ACO Season 17 (or next highest finishers not already ranked 1-40 in the World Singles Standings)
- An ACO Conference must have a minimum of 100 ACO Members to be eligible
- The Champion of Tier 2 will earn a spot in the ACO World Singles Championship Bracket
- 50% Payout Maximum Purse \$26,150
- Purse based on purchased tickets as of 11:59PM on 7/10/22
- · Trophies for the top 8 players
- The winning player will receive the Singles Champion jersey
- Based on participation, players will be split into separate brackets, with a max of (4) brackets
- Placement and seeding in each bracket will be according to ACO World Singles Standings
- · Each bracket will be double elimination
- 1 game in the winner's bracket, 1 game in the consolation
- Split bracket play will stop when there is TBD (based on final participation) number of players remaining in each split bracket
- Remaining players from all split brackets will be reseeded and entered in a final double elimination bracket
- Players who enter the final bracket with zero losses will be placed in the winner's bracket
- Players who enter the final bracket with one loss will be placed in the consolation bracket
- The Winners Bracket Final, Consolation Bracket Final, and Championship Final will be played Saturday
- The Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday

ACO TAILGATOR QUALIFIER #8 Sponsored by IMF Cornhole Bag Co.

5:00PM

See ACO Tailgator page for complete details

ACO SWITCHOLIO

6:00PM

Open to all players, except players playing in Tailgator #8 and LifeTimer Championship – not eligible to play in this tournament

- · \$20 per player
- · 50% Payout
- · Purse Based on Walk-Up Registration
- · Walk-up registration only
- NOTE: Needs to be eliminated from Singles Main Bracket and/ or Tiers Bracket

★ LIFETIMER CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

8:00PM

Open to ACO Lifetime members with approved ACO tattoos

- · Entry: FREE
- · Format: Switcholio
- Registration online only (free option)
- Top 2 Players will advance to the Championship match will be a straight-up best 2 of 3 match played Saturday
- The winner will receive a custom championship jersey
- Format: Switcholio
- NOTE: Unable to play in 6:00PM Switcholio or needs to be eliminated

* TAILGATOR CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

9:00PM

The eight qualifying teams will compete in a single elimination best 2 of 3 bracket.

· Winner will receive a custom championship jersey



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ACO WORLDS 17 FULL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



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SATURDAY, JULY 30

8:00AM - DOORS OPEN

PIPFALL TOURNAMENT

9:00AM

OPENING CEREMONY / NATIONAL ANTHEM / FIRST PITCH

11:30AM

All Championship matches are Best 2 of 3

* LIFETIMER CHAMPIONSHIP

12:00AM

★ ACO JUNIORS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

12:45PM

★ ACO SENIORS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

1:30PM

★ ACO WOMENS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

2:15PM

★ ACO WORLD JUNIORS CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

3:45PM

★ ACO WORLD SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

4:15PM

★ ACO WORLD WOMENS CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

5:00PM

AWARDS CEREMONY

5:45PM

★ ACO WORLD DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

6:30PM

★ ACO WORLD SINGLES WINNERS BRACKET 1 GAME

7:15PM

★ ACO WORLD SINGLES CONSOLATION BRACKET 1 GAME

8:00PM

* ACO WORLD SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

8:45PM

CROWNING OF THE NEW KING OR QUEEN OF CORNHOLE

9:30PM

CLOSING PARTY

10:00PM

Details to come



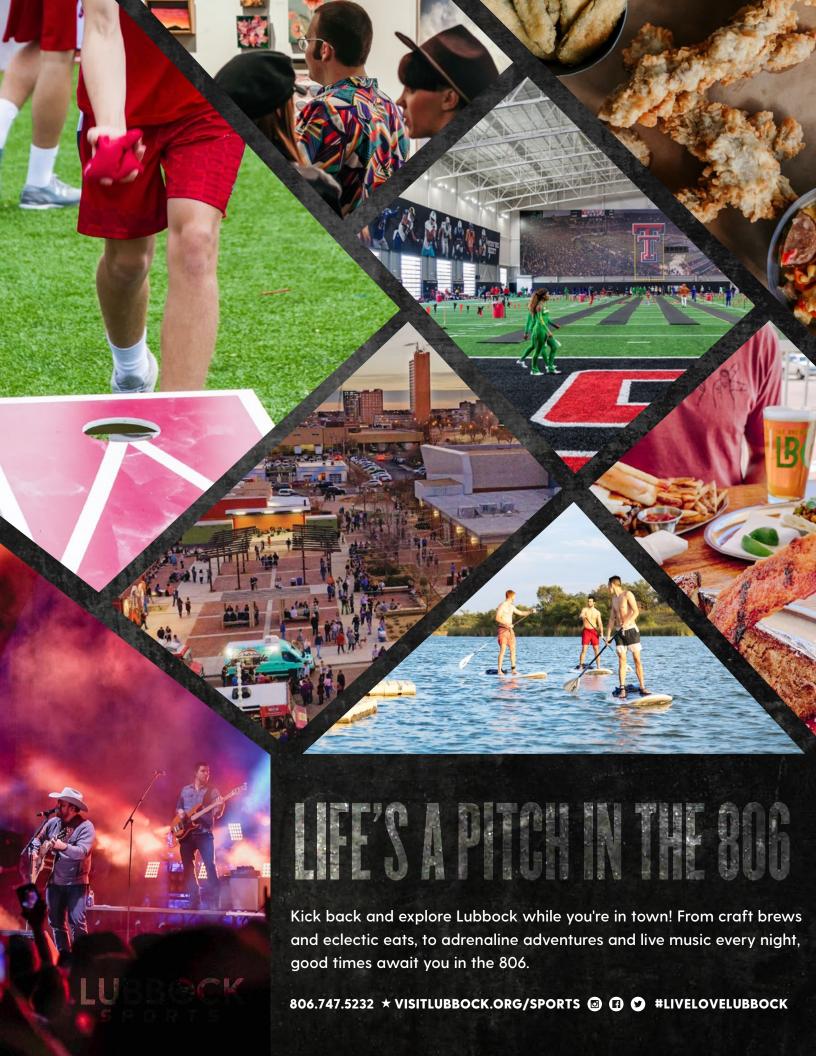
PLAYOFFS AT WORLDS 17: TUESDAY, JUL











BESIDES OPEN COURTS AND PICK-UP GAMES FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES, WE HAVE
MULTIPLE EVENTS FOR ALL THOSE BACKYARD, SOCIAL, AND TAILGATING PLAYERS TO
COMPETE IN (AND WIN MONEY) AT WORLDS. NO ACO MEMBERSHIP OR QUALIFYING IS NEEDED,
AND MOST OF THESE "PAY-TO-PLAY" EVENTS HAVE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE THE SAME DAY.



Entry: \$5 per Qualifier Prize Purse: \$2,500
When: Tuesday – Friday
Four daily qualifiers Tuesday - Friday
Championships Saturday 9:00AM
See Pipfall page for complete details



and the coveted Tailgator Jersey

When: Tuesday – Friday

Two daily qualifiers Tuesday - Friday

Championships Friday 8:00PM

See Tailgator page for complete details



Entry: \$5 - \$20 Payouts: 50%
When: Randomly all Week
Blind Draw competitions will be taking place randomly in the tailgate zone. 70% payouts.
Stop by to find out next sign ups.



Entry: \$20 **Payout:** 50% **When:** 6:00PM Fri, July 29

Switcholio is a blind draw round robin in which players get a new partner for every game and get ranked on an individual basis. Head to the Registration Tent. Walk-up only.



ACO SLYDER OPEN DIVISION

Entry: \$150/team Payout: 50%

When: 2:00PM Tues, July 26

Registration 11:00AM-1:00PM



ACO SLYDER NON-PRO DIVISION

Entry: \$100/team Payout: 50%

When: 2:00PM Tues, July 26

Registration 11:00AM-1:00PM



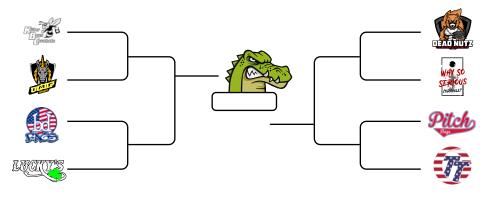


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ALL WEEK AT WORLDS 17 IN BRANSON, MISSOURI

THE ACO TAILGATOR CHAMPIONSHIPS IS A SERIES OF 8 "SOCIAL" QUALIFYING DOUBLES TOURNAMENTS PLAYED THROUGHOUT THE WEEK AT THE ACO WORLDS. THE WINNING TEAM FROM EACH QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT WILL BE ENTERED IN THE 8-TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET ON FRIDAY.



TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

Killer Bees Cornhole Tuesday 1:00PM **Dead Nutz Cornhole** Tuesday 5:00PM

Pitch Bags Wednesday 1:00PM **BD Bags** Wednesday 5:00PM

Lucky's Thursday 1:00PM **OTT** Thursday 5:00PM

WSSC Friday 1:00PM

IMF Cornhole Bag Co. Friday 5:00PM

WALK UP ENTRY FEES

Walk Up Only / Limited Participation

- · Tuesday: \$20 / player
- · Wednesday: \$25 / player
- Thursday & Friday: \$30 / player

FORMAT: SWITCHOLIO

- · 6 Game Guarantee
- · Players ranked on total points scored
- Tie-Breakers based on least amount of points scored against
- Top two (2) ranked players from each qualifier will be paired together and play Friday evening in the World Tailgator Championships

PRIZES

Qualifiers

 The top eight (8) ranked players from each qualifier tournament will win a set of 4 tournament-used bags

Friday Championship

- 1st Team: \$200, Trophies, Prize Jerseys
- 2nd Team: \$150
- Top 4: \$100 (2 spots)

FRIDAY NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday July 29, 2022

8:00 PM estimated start time

- Top two (2) ranked players from each qualifier will be paired together
- Qualifier tournament number will be used as a teams seeding
- Single Elimination best 2 of 3











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QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday-Friday (4 qualifiers daily)

- 10:00AM
- 11:30AM
- 8:00PM
- 9:30PM

DETAILS:

- \$5.00 per person, per qualifier
- · Maximum 64 players per qualifier
- Blind draw
- Single Elimination
- Only the winning team advances to Championship Saturday from each qualifier (16 teams total)

CHAMPIONSHIP SATURDAY

- 9:00AM
- 16 Teams
- Traditional Double Elimination
- Single game in winners, single game losers, loser must double dip in winners bracket

PAYOUTS:

- 1st = \$500
- 2nd = \$400
- 3rd = \$300
- 4th = \$200
- 5th = \$150 (2 spots)
- 7th = \$120 (2 spots)
- 9th = \$80 (4 spots)
- 13th = \$60 (4 spots)











PROTECTING A
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PEOPLE.

By William Howell

TALK TO ANYONE AND MOST WILL TELL YOU THAT THEY PLAY CORNHOLE BECAUSE OF THE FAMILY, THE PEOPLE, THE INTERACTION, OR SOMETHING OF THE SORT. I've said it for years –

that there are two kinds of cornhole players: The first are the ones that show up to an ACO event and go 0-2 and we never see them again. The second are the ones that show up to the same tournament and go 0-2, but they can't stand not coming back!

This is really the glue of cornhole; the relationships, the players and the comraderie that spurs the competitive spirit. In Cornhole, we are mostly likeminded in that we just don't have quit in our vocabulary. This is the magic of the sport and it has been proven for decades.

On a similar level, first responders and military spend those same weekends away because its their job and they have a duty to fulfill. The same magic – or no-quit attitude – stands tall every time a Hero puts on a uniform.

HCU

The personality traits that create great cornhole players also create rock solid Heroes. Vision, Focus, Stamina, Endurance, Mindset, and Confidence are all traits of the greats! Protecting a life is a lot different from playing a game, but I argue that in some ways we are the same type of good-hearted people.

In August, the ACO is calling all Military and Emergency Services to an off-duty weekend and a pitching good time!

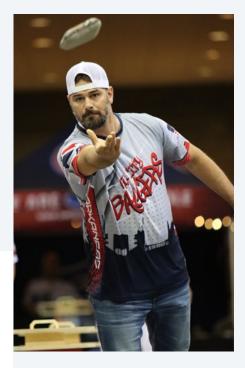
Military accurate air assaulting air mails, police bag blocking maneuvers, firefighting efforts to put out someone's hot pitching hand are all welcome.

This will be a celebration, and perhaps a realization, that Heroes might just one day wear more than capes... they can wear the King or Queen of Cornhole Royal Robes!









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- 5. Use the website to make your reservation





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Tribute to our Friend, The Legend By Tracey Pyle

MICHAEL ("MIKE") SCHAFFER, SR. – THE MAN, THE MYTH, THE LEGEND... OR AS YOU MAY KNOW HIM, BULLDOG OR WILD MAN. THE MOST POPULAR NAME GIVEN TO MIKE BY ANYONE WHO MEETS HIM, THOUGH, IS FRIEND.

Mike was born in Wyandotte, Michigan in 1953, and was raised by his parents Carl and Margaret, and later by his stepmom, Shirley, in Livonia, Michigan. Mike is the oldest of 10. With 5 sisters and 4 brothers, there was never a dull moment growing up. All his siblings ran to him for help when they were getting picked on, begging Mike to scare off the bullies.

Mike's dad, Carl, was a millwright and owned his own business heat-treating furnaces, but he also worked at a service station at which Mike helped. When he was only 13, Mike's dad bought him his first car - a broken-down 1960 Falcon that Mike had to work on himself to get running. This is the spark that ignited Mike's love for all moving things – cars, dirt bikes, semi-trucks, and bicycles.

WHEN ASKED
WHAT THE
FIRST THING
HE'S GOING
TO DO WHEN
HE KICKS
CANCER'S
ASS, HE SAID
"PLAY
CORNHOLE."

HCU

After graduating as a Charger from Churchill High School in 1971, Mike started driving a semi-truck (a career in which he remains) and moved to the Cincinnati, Ohio area where he put down roots. It was through work that he met his lovely wife, Karen. Karen worked on the assembly line; Mike was a truck driver for the same company. In Karen's words, "I paid him no attention." Mike, clearly smitten, told one of Karen's friends that





he had an eye for Karen. When Karen found out, she told her friend that she would go out with Mike if he brought her in a Pepsi. The very next day, Mike brought Karen a Pepsi. That was in 1976 and they have been together ever since. They have two children – Tracie and Michael, Jr., 5 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild – who are all very happy that Mike brought Karen a Pepsi and not a Coke!

In the late 70's, following in his father's footsteps, Mike started racing cars. His first debut was at the Flat Rock Speedway in Michigan. When his love for the sport grew so did the distances he and Karen would travel to participate in these events. They began traveling all over the Midwest, and Mike had earned countless trophies and awards for his performance and developed many fond memories. Karen's favorite was Figure 8 racing; Mike's was the demolition derby, where he earned his nickname, "Wild Man."

As if racecar driving wasn't enough, Mike started racing bicycles. Mike was watching TV one day with his son, Mike Jr., when a commercial came on showing kids racing BMX bikes. Mike, Jr., told his dad that he wanted to do that, and Big Mike replied, "Learn to ride a bike and you can do it." Mike, Jr., surpassed that challenge. Once again, Mike and Karen with kids in tow, were back on the road traveling the Midwest in the National Bicycle League (NBL). Mike, Jr., was racing BMX bikes, and Mike, Sr., was racing Road Cruisers, which Karen says was for "older guys." Again, many trophies and awards were earned. Most significantly, Mike Jr., won around 7 NBL national championships.

Life wasn't all play though. For the last 29 years, Mike has been a semi-truck driver for

That's when two

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FedEx with plans to retire this year. Perfect fit for him. Who better to get your packages to you fast?! During his down time at work, when trucks were being loaded, Mike had an additional opportunity to stoke his competitive fire. He was introduced to this game that is

similar to horseshoes but easier to transport

– Cornhole. He and other co-workers would

"horse around at work looking for something
to do in the parking lot." When it got too cold,
he started playing at the Moose Hall and that's
when two things became apparent – he was
pretty good at Cornhole – and he could make
money doing it.

Mike was invited to play at a fundraising tournament for Easter Seals where he met Frank Geers, the founder of the American Cornhole Organization (ACO), the governing body of the sport of Cornhole. The ACO was just starting out, and Mike was looking for a new challenge. The stars were in alignment that day. At that tournament is where Mike earned the nickname "Bulldog," which was given to him by Frank, the Cornhole Dude himself. Frank gave him that moniker because he says, "Mike was fierce and competitive like a bulldog."

Just like the Willie Nelson song "On The Road Again," Mike and Karen were at it again, traveling all over the country for Cornhole. Mike playing; Karen cheering him on. Mike and Karen attend as many Majors as possible. One year, they only missed 2 Majors. They even travel out-of-state for Regionals and have gone as far as Georgia, West Virginia, Tennessee,

Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Michigan, and he's attended every ACO Worlds tournament.

This is why the ACO created the Road Dog Award. This award will be presented to Mike at Worlds this year in Branson, Missouri. When Mike does something, he does it

right and goes all in. At Worlds in Columbia, South Carolina last year, he became a Lifetime Member. For those of you who don't know, a Lifetime Member is someone who has gotten an approved ACO logo tattoo, which gets you free ACO membership for life. When asked why he became a Lifetime Member, Mike said, "Everyone kept bugging me about it so I did it." Now that is commitment!

Just like everything else Mike has done in his life, he has excelled in Cornhole. Mike was



Senior Player of the Season for Seasons 13 and 14, and has won countless tournaments big and small. He is the only player to remain with the ACO since its inception, earning him the

title, "The Legend."

His favorite Cornhole memories include beating the 9-time King of Cornhole, Matt Guy, traveling to his favorite Majors in Foley, Alabama, and Las Vegas, Nevada, and mostly "the people." Mike's advice to new people coming into the sport, "Don't give up, keep practicing, keep trying."

As most of you know, Mike is in the battle of his life right now as he is suffering from

colon cancer that has metastasized to his liver and lungs. Not only are Karen and his family behind him cheering him on, but the entire

Cornhole community is rooting

for him. The Bulldog has excelled in everything he does, and we hope and pray he will do the same and soon be cancer-free.

When asked what the first thing he's going to do when he kicks cancer's ass, he said "play cornhole."

Mike – The Legend, Bulldog, Wild Man, Friend – we love you. Please take some of your own advice, "Don't Give Up!" We'll see you next season!



MIKE SCHAFFER









2nd: Amber Fretwell / Shane Fretwell 3rd: Russ Manns / Kenny B





1st: Amber Fretwell / Shane Fretwell 2nd: Amanda C / Austin C



1st: Amber Fretwell 2nd: Amanda C 3rd: Jenna Castleberry



1st: Caleb Rogers 2nd: Collin Scheele 3rd: Alex G



1st: Spencer Garner 2nd: Sebastian Barger 3rd: Dustin Harper 3rd: Wes Livingston



1st: Austin James / Stacy Vangilder 2nd: Jimmy Penny / Kayman Bryant 3rd: Patrick Barger / Sebastian Barger



1st: Wendy Barger / Sebastian Barger 2nd: Scott Mitchell / Charlene Mitchell 3rd: Velvet Bledsoe / Spencer Garner



1st: Velvet Bledsoe 2nd: LaTonya Wilson 3rd: Connie Taylor



1st: Scott Mitchell 2nd: JT McDowell 3rd: Gary Farren



1st: Sebastian Barger 2nd: Spencer Garner 3rd: Austin James



1st: Sebastian Barger / Austin James 2nd: Jimmy Johnson / Spencer Garner 3rd: Brandon Lacewell / Connie Taylor





APRIL 29-30, 2022 **CONWAY, AR**



GEORGIANISH PS CHAMPIONSHIPS CECORNINGE



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ROME, GA



1st: **Kevin Daniel** 2nd: **Byron Sisson** 3rd: **Cory Hughes**



1st: Byron Sisson / Shane Childers 2nd: Bobby Mumper / Kevin Daniel 3rd: Tony Franco Jr / Tony Franco Sr



1st: Kimberly Harlan Dice / Chad Jackson 2nd: Nick McClure / Krystin Hankins 3rd: Daniel Strauser / Michelle Hord



1st: **Katie Matthews** 2nd: **Michelle Hord** 3rd: **Abigail Chambers**



1st: Bobby Mumper 2nd: Billy Bell 3rd: Tony Franco Sr



1st: Austin Swann 2nd: Hayden Vann 3rd: AJ McElwee



1st: Emily Childers / Katie Matthews 2nd: Michelle Hord / Krystin McCurley 3rd: Margaret Barrett / Hillary Hamrick



1st: Tony Franco Sr / Billy Bell 2nd: Bert Blackwell / Bobby Mumper



1st: AJ McElwee / Cory Hughes 2nd: Jake McClure / Kory Harkins 3rd: Darrel McGuire / Kevin Daniel



1st: Jonathon Hackleman 2nd: Kyle Anderson 3rd: Drew Wehking



1st: Kyle Anderson / Dalson Cummings 2nd: Joey Persinger / David Rider 3rd: Matt Burnett / Danny Deisher



1st: Dalson Cummings / Heather Wehking 2nd: Kyle Anderson / Kendra Carter 3rd: Heather Ellis / Ryan McCord



1st: Heather Ellis 2nd: Melinda Burnett 3rd: Lori Mustain



1st: Danny Deisher 2nd: Steve Cheatham 3rd: Alan Prosser



1st: Xzavien Willimas 2nd: Logan Grimes 3rd: Kade Mason



WOMENS DOUBLES 1st: Melinda Burnett / Heather Ellis 2nd: Joyce Bruch / Kelly Jones 3rd: Tanya Lambert / Lori Mustain



SENIORS DOUBLES

1st: Steve Cheatham / Larry Dunklin 2nd: Danny Deisher / Alan Porsser 3rd: Rick Gauch / Lori Mustain

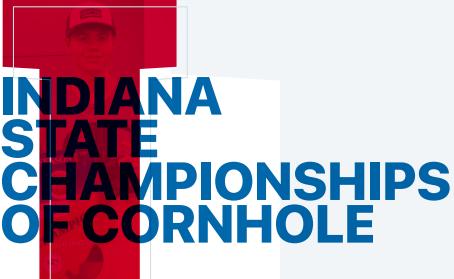


1st: Rickey Singleton / Aaron Lambert 2nd: Nick Utley / Kyle Anderson 3rd: Jonathon Hackleman / Eric Davis



MARION, IL

LLINOIS CHAMPIONSHIPS OF CORNHOLE





1st: Kole Brewer 2nd: Travis Vansickle 3rd: Mike Villarreal



1st: Kole Brewer / Mike Villareal 2nd: Adam Bowen / Dre Stephenson 3rd: Rob Green / Scott Stoffregan





1st: Krishana House / Scott Stoffregan 2nd: Jordan McDaniel / Alex Skelton 3rd: Cindy Green / David Shipman



1st: **Debra Smith** 2nd: **Becky Brewer** 3rd: **Krishana House**



1st: Allen Wingham 2nd: Terry Dawson 3rd: Gene Quilter



1st: Sammy Vansickle 2nd: Kole Brewer 3rd: Dre Stephenson



1st: Richard Majors / Mark Brunck 2nd: Josh Aliff / Krishana House 3rd: Kile Brown / Trey Sams



1st: Michael Gammon 2nd: Ryan Hart 3rd: Carter Bennett



1st: Carter Bennett / Ryan Hart 2nd: Matt Gammon / Todd Gammon 3rd: Willie Johns / Austin Thomason



1st: Amber Thompson / Matt Gammon 2nd: Ryan Hart / Skyler McMichen 3rd: Taz Steele / Kirsten Thurby



1st: Amber Thompson 2nd: Tori Smith 3rd: Carla Williams



1st: Mark Smothers 2nd: Ricky Dennis 3rd: Keith Blair



1st: Carter Bennett 2nd: Braxton Gammon



1st: Amber Thompson / Kim Fair 2nd: Becky Ray / Carla Williams 3rd: Tammy Clinger / Kirsten Thurby



1st: Taz Steele / Ricky Dennis
2nd: Tommy Hyuck / Hunter Keeling
3rd: Stanley Hale and Clinton Lucas



APRIL 29-30, 2022 KIRKSEY, KY





1st: Brandon Earls 2nd: Jordan Zapinkski 3rd: Bob Dillon

1st: Bob Dillon / Bryan Cheney 2nd: Brandon Earls / Matt Garwood 3rd: Adam Middleton / Michael Pratt Jr



1st: Steve Heath 2nd: William Coucham 3rd: Glenn Smith



1st: Scott Rice / William Couchman 2nd: Rick and Mike 3rd: Ron Smock and Joel Helmer



MAY 13-14, 2022 **OWOSSO, MI**



1st: April Alvarez / Louis Dugas 2nd: Andrew Taylor / Madisen Flath 3rd: Brandon Earls / Sophie Smock



1st: Brandon Earls 2nd: Aiden Sicilia 3rd: William Garza



1st: Parker Dennen / Dan Brockway



WOMENS DOUBLES

1st: April Alvarez / Karen Sterzik 2nd: Madisen Flath / Stacy Flath 3rd: Isla Sterzik / Sophie Smock





1st: Bracey Blanton 2nd: Pedro Martinez 3rd: Gavin Kirk



1st: Bracey Blanton / Gavin Kirk 2nd: Kevin Irwin / Carl Stenger 3rd: Philly Rineer / Christina Sexton



1st: Bracey Blanton / Philly Rineer 2nd: Cooper Brower / Jamie Maddox 3rd: Christina Sexton / Terry Sexton



1st: Philly Rineer 2nd: Jamie Maddox 3rd: Christina Sexton



1st: Carl Stenger 2nd: Richard Barnett 3rd: Mike Wirth



1st: Bracey Blanton 2nd: Dylan Aufdenberg 3rd: Savannah Grimes







1st: Travis Jordan / Barry Hempy 2nd: Rex Uhrig / Zack Kier 3rd: Trevor Queen / Brody Queen





1st: Rob Zukoski / Carolyn Powell 2nd: Chris Hansen / Leslie Hansen



2nd: Barry Hempy

3rd: Travis Jordan

1st: Carolyn Powell 2nd: Leslie Hansen



1st: Rex Uhrig 2nd: Gary F 3rd: Jeff Caroll



1st: Travis Jordan / Shane Parsons 2nd: Corey Hall / Chris 3rd: Trevor Queen / Brayden Eichert



1st: DJ Long 2nd: Brock Beasley 3rd: Gary Ferguson



1st: Brock Beasley / Zachary Rush 2nd: Gary Ferguson / Reese Giffe 3rd: Dustin Arant / Scott Ball



1st: Garrison McBride / Maddie McBride 2nd: Devin Smith and Katlyn Hamm 3rd: Ashley Chasse / Marcus Whybrew



1st: Katlyn Hamm 2nd: Maddie McBride 3rd: Ashley Chasse



1st: **Donald Griffin** 2nd: **Mark Carlisle** 3rd: **Danny Rich**



1st: Brock Beasley / Garrison McBride 2nd: DJ Long / Katlyn Hamm 3rd: Danny Lamb / Ben McLemore



1st: Maddie McBride / Katlyn Hamm 2nd: Sarah Yates / Martina Belt 3rd: Yana Dyess / Lynda Oglesby



1st: Mark Carlisle / Donald Griffin 2nd: Gary Marlin / Danny Rich



BRIGHTON, TN



BGCORNHOL







1st: Tammy Williams / Kaleb Hurt 2nd: Sara Davis / Austin Cameron 3rd: Adrian Woodward / Mike Wolters



2nd: Isaac Hurt

3rd: Austin Cameron

1st: Tammy Williams 2nd: Tiffany Fincham 3rd: Sara Davis



2nd: Austin Cameron / Jaime Fincham

3rd: Tammy Williams / Tiffany Fincham

1st: Steve Lucas Jr 2nd: Mike Wolters 3rd: Jr Williams



1st: Issac Hurt 2nd: Austin Cameron



1st: Tammy Williams / Tiffany Fincham 2nd: Sara Davis / Shelly Morris 3rd: Adrain Woodward / Allyssa Powell



1st: Jr Williams / Mike Wolters 2nd: Tony Shifflett / Jeff Hitt 3rd: Shelly Morris / Howie Hart



1st: Steve Lucas Sr / Mike Robinson 2nd: Jr Williams / RC Campbell 3rd: Tammy Williams / Allen Smith



1st: Matthew Hewitt 2nd: Brandon Peck 3rd: Danny Wellman



1st: Terrance Atkinson / Matthew Hewitt 2nd: Eddie Weese / Ben Adams Brandon Peck / Tim Suder



1st: Danny Wellman / Stephanie Boothe 2nd: Brandon Peck / Barbie Ross



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1st: Donnie Coberly 2nd: Terrance Atkinson 3rd: Tim Suder



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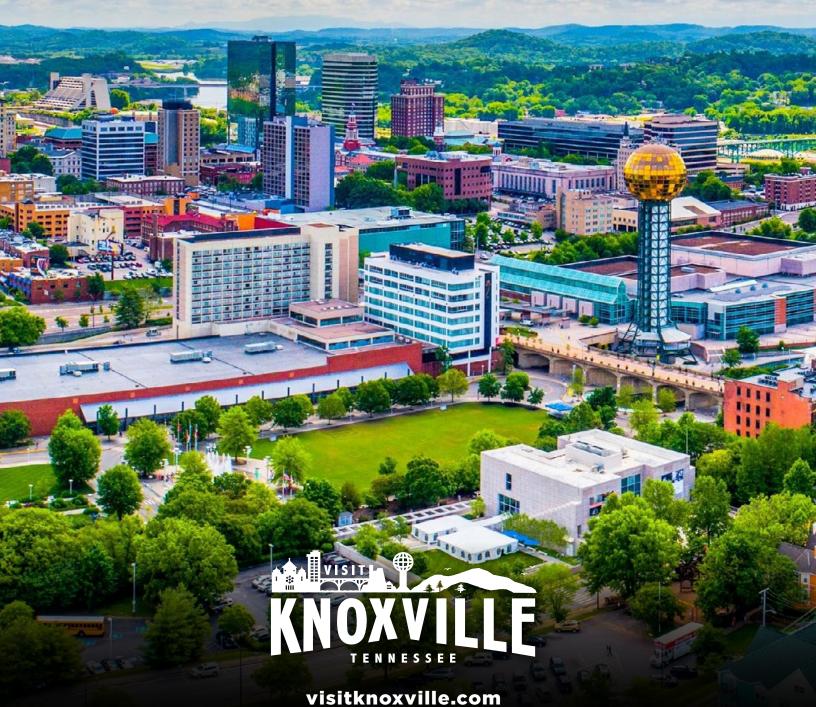




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- 2 Austin Schlobohm
- **3** Kole Brewer
- 4 Kaleb Hurt

ACO WORLD DOUBLES

- 1 Eric Zocklein / Tanner Halbert
- 2 Shawn Anderson / Austin Schlobohm
- 3 Kyle Anderson / Josh Glover
- 4 TJ Miller / Steve Smith

ACO WORLD WOMENS

- **1** Teresa Forsee
- 2 Julia Maki
- 3 Megan Maupin

ACO WORLD SENIORS

- 1 Terry Mathis
- 2 Terry "T-Bone" Dawon
- 3 Scott Burridge

ACO WORLD JUNIORS

- 1 Isaac Hurt
- 2 Sebastian Barger
- 3 Caleb Rogers

ACO WORLD COED DOUBLES

- 1 Teanitia Lashley / Terry Mathis
- 2 Spencer Garner / Maddie McBride
- **3** Randall Garrison / Amber Fretwell

ACO BIG BLIND DRAW

- 1 Kody Dobyns / Chris Day
- 2 Kole Brewer / Robert Booker

ACO WOMENS DOUBLES

- **1** Megan Maupin / Bailey Giffin
- 2 Teanitia Lashley / Tracy McMichen

ACO SENIOR DOUBLES

- **1** Scott Burridge / Johny Thomas
- 2 Bruce Forsee / Teresa Forsee

SLYDER CUP: WORLD DRAFT

Bob Heil, Wayne Rau, Charlie Kase, Steve Smith, TJ Miller

CREW CUP CHALLENGE

Tanner Halbert, Eric Zocklein, Keith Blair, Clinton Lucas

TAILGATOR CHAMPIONSHIP

7 Mile:

Michael Gammon /

LIFETIMER CHAMPIONSHIP

1 Travis Vansickle

CERTIFIED OFFICIAL SHOOTOUT

- 1 Randall Garrison
- 2 Jerry Armstrong



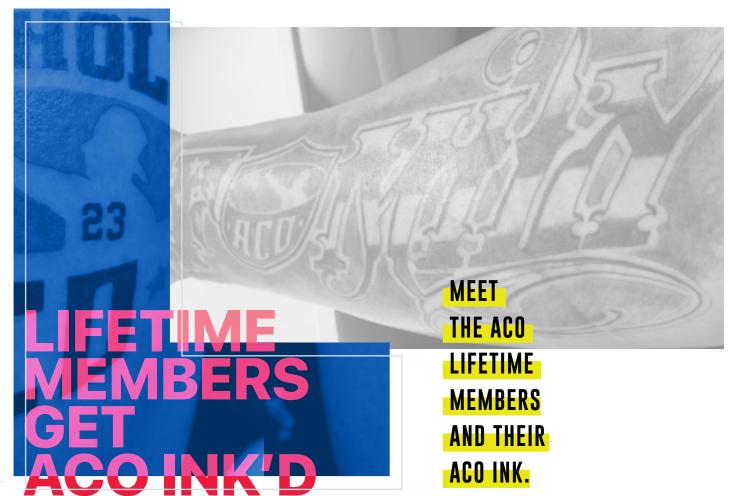












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WITH REALISTIC
BAG PHYSICS
AND A UNIQUE
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TAKE YOUR LOVE OF CORNHOLE ON THE GO WITH A NEW MOBILE GAME LAUNCHING SOON BY THE DIGITAL GAMING PEOPLE – A BUSINESS VENTURE BETWEEN FRANK GEERS AND RYAN EADE.

Frank's passion for Cornhole and leading the ACO, along with Ryan's experience building digital mobile game platforms, led the two down a path to brainstorm what the next generation of mobile multiplayer cornhole could look like.

Ryan has been developing various versions of mobile cornhole games for iOS and Android since first launching his title "Tailgate Games" on the Apple App Store. The game featured several backyard games, but Cornhole was overwhelmingly the most popular. Ryan used this early success to jumpstart his next title, "Tailgate Cornhole" and finally "Ultimate Cornhole 3D" which is currently available on the Apple and Google app stores. Each subsequent release has drawn a larger crowd to the casual gaming experience.

And now....

THE NEW TITLE, "ACO DIGITAL CORNHOLE" BRINGS TOGETHER THE BEST EXPERIENCES OF CASUAL GAMEPLAY WITH THE COMPETITIVE EDGE OF ESPORTS AND THE ACO BRAND.

"Our goal is to bring people together through their love of Cornhole to a competitive and entertaining mobile game. Nearly everyone has a smart phone today, and that provides a great opportunity to further expand the ACO to a worldwide audience" said Ryan.

The first release of the game, expected later this summer, will include an immersive 3D environment with realistic bag physics and a unique toss system that provides more control over the toss while keeping it challenging for players. The initial game mode will adopt the "Frame Game" format which the ACO

pioneered and is bringing back in Season 18 as part of it's ACO-PRO Series Tour. The "Frame Game" is to be used by the ACO-PRO Series for qualifying, seeding and points towards overall standings on the tour. This will allow players to get a feel for the mobile experience and start working on their digital SCR (Skill Challenge Rating) scores.

The game will also include an asynchronous head-to-head mode that allows you to toss a frame-game and compare your final score to an opponent, either randomly matched or chosen by you. This will drive the leaderboard rankings, which will be organized into national, regional and state views. Our plan is to make this a very connected game that allows players to invite and compete with friends directly in the app.



2009 - Tailgate Games

Featured Cornhole, Ladder Golf, Horseshoes and Washers

2011 - Tailgate Cornhole

2nd version that focused purely on Cornhole with improved graphics

2013 - Ultimate Cornhole 3D

The first Cornhole game using full 3D graphics and simulated physics, later added full multiplayer capability

2022 - ACO Digital Cornhole

The next generation of mobile multiplayer cornhole launching late Summer/Fall

Future plans for the game include adding in tournament play and competing for both real and digital prizes.

THE VISION IS TO ALLOW PLAYERS THE OPPORTUNITY FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ACO MAJOR, BUT FROM THE DIGITAL CORNHOLE PERSPECTIVE.

"We will work to create a tour that runs in conjunction with the existing ACO Majors Tour by creating ACO Digital Majors that allow players from all parts of the world access to participate," added Frank.

"We plan to mimic the ACO tournament schedule and connect those events with digital tournaments for fans to take part in."

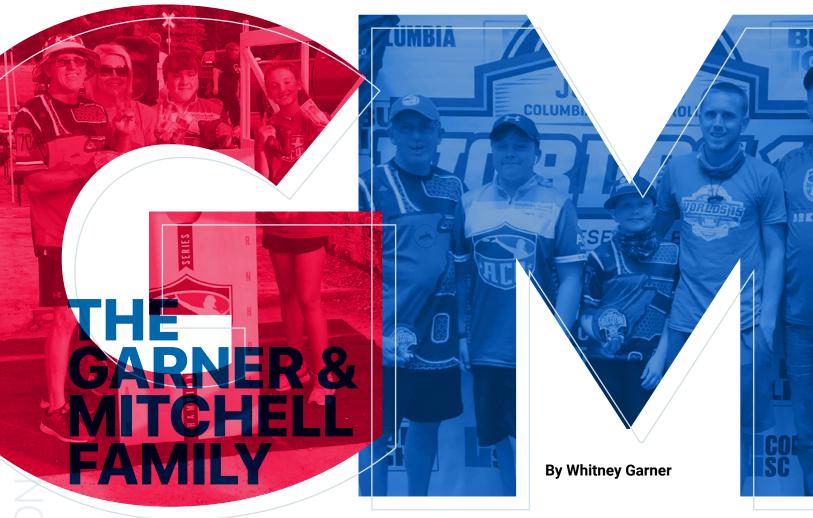
Connecting the digital tournaments in-game to real ACO tournaments will provide opportunities to expand competitions to fans physically attending the tournaments and beyond to those unable to be there in person.

Over the last 18 years the ACO Tour has created a system that develops and identifies the best players on the planet, known as ACO PROs. The system crowns a King or Queen of the sport every year on ACO World Cornhole Day, the last Saturday of July.

By creating a program that mimics the ACO Tour, The ACO Digital Cornhole app will be able to develop and identify its own pro players and crown a digital cornhole champion on ACO World Cornhole Day as well. Ryan Eade and The Cornhole Dude are taking the experience of mobile cornhole to the next level. GAME ON! BRING IT!!!







SPORTS HAVE BEEN A LIFELONG PASSION FOR THE GARNER AND MITCHELL CREWS SINCE BEFORE I EVEN EXISTED. IF THERE WERE SPORTS AROUND - WHETHER IT BE SOFTBALL, BASEBALL, BASKETBALL, HORSESHOES (HECK, ANYTHING THAT INVOLVED COMPETITION) WE WERE THERE OR INVOLVED SOMEHOW.

Now, where does cornhole fit into this family you ask....let's slide on into it.

A cousin of mine called me at the beginning of June 2016 and said, "Hey Whit, you want to run a Baggo tournament for Relay for Life?" Me, being the "I can do anything person - I am woman here me roar", said "Yes!". Immediately after the call, I got on Google to search out what in the world Baggo was, since I had no earthly idea. Next, it was time to call in the calvary to make sure they were going to be there for support. In case you're not familiar with my calvary, let's go through the fam.

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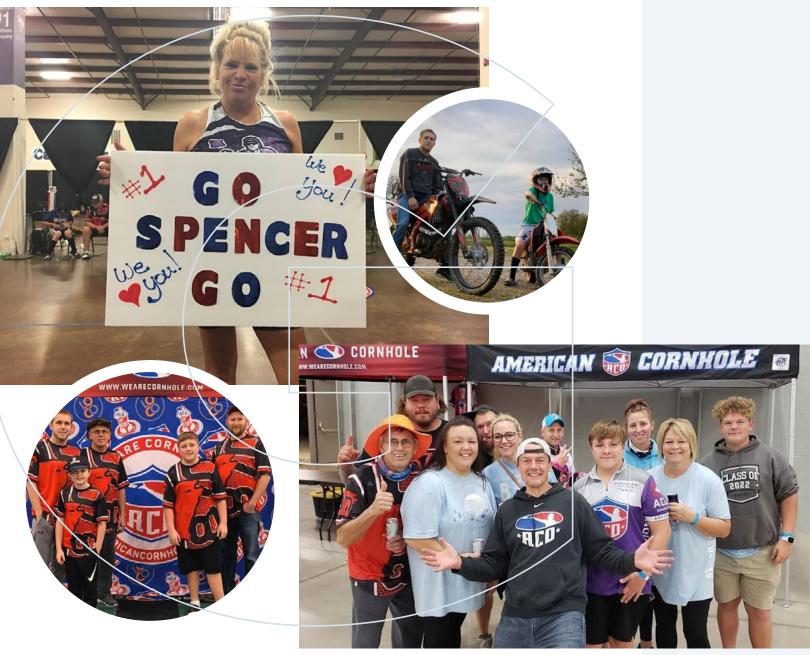
I'm Whitney Garner and I am married to Jacob. We have two kiddos, Spencer (15), and Khloe (7). Next up are the parents, Scott (Pops), and Charlene Mitchell, and then lastly, we have my brother, sister, and nephew, Zach, Madison, and Jordan (11). If you see one of us, then you can bet the others are around also. Our family has always been close. Honestly, I cannot recall a single vacation that my parents or siblings were not a part of, and I cherish every moment. Believe it or not, we

actually do things other than cornhole. Any chance we get, you can catch us riding 4-wheelers, fishing, hunting, camping, gardening, or just relaxing by the mom and Pops' pool.

After the first Baggo event, Pops and I started researching more about it to learn all we could on how to play. Over the next 3 years we acquired a few sets of Baggo boards and bags. Yep, we were big dogs with our Walmart bags and boards,







but Baggo soon was just not enough for this competitive family, so it was time to learn cornhole and learn it we did - fast!

In 2019 cornhole became a part of our everyday life. The guys would play after work on our street, have buddies meet up at local parks, and they would find tournaments to play in every weekend. I remember that August dad saying we needed a team name and spat out,"308". Y'all, this is his house

number so you can imagine the looks he got from us. I then said how about 870, the area code for our surrounding towns. It was settled. We formed 870 Cornhole Nation - based out of Paragould, Arkansas - and just 3 months later we became a Non-Profit group. The fam and I have always tried to do our part to give back within the community and the sports community. This August marks our 3-year anniversary as 870 Cornhole Nation.

DURING THIS TIME, OUR FAMILY AND THE 870 FAMILY HAVE RAISED OVER \$13,000 THAT HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED OUT TO FAMILIES IN NEED, LOCAL SCHOOLS, AND TO OUR 870 MEMBERS TO COVER THEIR WORLDS FEES FOR THE PAST TWO SEASONS.

In November 2019, dad found an ACO sanctioned event in Cape Girardeau, MO and convinced Zach, Spencer and three other 870 members to go with him to try it out.

Imagine walking into a room full of Pro jerseys with names on them like Kyle Anderson, Phil Barnett, Lynda Oglesby, Andy Bryant, Craig Ervin, and Josh Glover, ALL who welcomed the 870 family with open arms. (Also, Spencer did end up getting Kyle in the blind draw and they placed 2nd. That boy was on cloud nine.)

Terry Schnurbusch was the CO at the time and had convinced me to become a CO also. We had been having small local events, but hosting sanctioned events seemed scary. We got through it, though! In February 2020, we hosted our first ever ACO Regional and had 74 ACO World Singles players! Oooh, Billy it was a packed house and so much fun!

Spencer's talent grew fast. It was as if when he stepped on the court, the entire world would disappear around him. I remember everyone asking, even to this day, "Does he smile? His face is so serious." I would just tell them "he is dialed in right now". Lol. Spencer's first big win was Season 15 Juniors in Bentonville; his first purple jersey. That boy wore that jersey everywhere and I had to promise folks

that he did take it off and let me wash it, occasionally. I have to say though, one of my proudest cornhole hole moments was getting to watch him go undefeated in Singles at the Owensboro Major. His heart was about to burst with so much adrenaline flowing.

I remember our first Worlds in South Carolina. Boy, was that an experience! Cornhole every...single...day! The guys

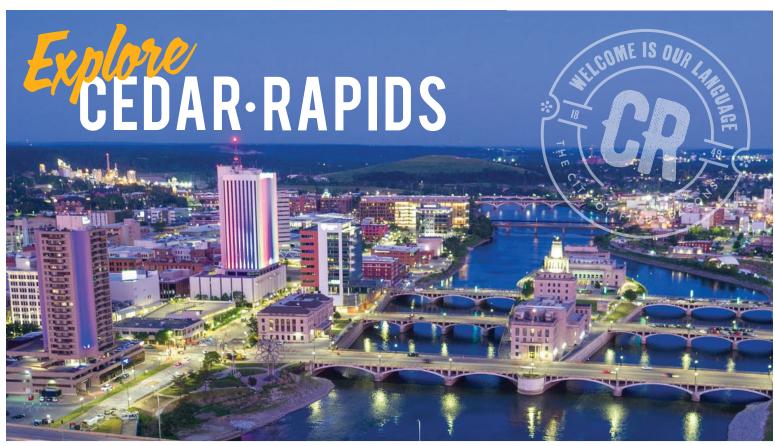
literally never sat down! Pops made it out of pool play and we were all so excited for him! It was one of his biggest dreams since starting to play cornhole that was able to call himself an ACO Pro.

Spencer and Zach were not far behind Pops, though. Season 16
Spencer finished 44th and Zach finished 80th. Two more in the family

had made Pro status! We were ecstatic! Jake and Jordan are now up next to earn their Pro status and we are confident it will happen very soon! WOOWEE!!!

Cornhole has become a very strong passion for our family. It has allowed us to stay a close part of each other's lives, watch each other's talent grow, be there for one another through the wins and losses, plus get to experience the world around us. I was even able to start a new career doing what I love! The ACO Family took us in, and we have been hooked ever since. Thank you ACO Family for sharing your lives with us and thank you Frank Geers for loving my family like your own.

Here's to an amazing Worlds 17... and a successful Season 18!





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RANK	PLAYER	STATE	REGIONALS SPOINTS	MAJORS POINTS	TOTAL SCORE
1	Austin Cameron	VA	200.00	200.00	400.00
1	Kaleb Hurt	VA	200.00	200.00	400.00
3	Gary Bearpaw	OK	200.00	198.00	398.00
4	Jack Harcrow	AL	200.00	198.00	398.00
5	Dj Long	TN	200.00	198.00	398.00
6	Matt Gammon	KY	200.00	198.00	398.00
7	Bracey Blanton	MO	199.00	198.00	397.00
8	Craig Ervin	MO	200.00	194.00	394.00
9	Gary Ferguson	TN	200.00	192.00	392.00
10	Spencer Garner	AR	198.00	193.00	391.00
11	Austin Thomason	KY	200.00	190.00	390.00
12	Bob Heil	MI	200.00	190.00	390.00
13	Derek Arnold Williams	AL	197.00	190.00	387.00
14	Chase Puckett	AL	197.00	189.00	386.00
15	Michael (Lane) Cruse	TN	197.00	186.00	383.00
16	Jaime Fincham	VA	195.00	187.00	382.00
17	Kyle Anderson	IL	200.00	182.00	382.00
18	Sebastian Barger	AR	200.00	181.00	381.00
19	Zachary Rush	TN	200.00	180.00	380.00
20	Terry (Tbone) Dawson	IN	200.00	178.00	378.00
21	Douglas Parker	MS	200.00	178.00	378.00
22	Chad Chesnut	VA	197.00	180.00	377.00
23	Barry Hempy	OH	200.00	177.00	377.00
24	Michael Chittenden	IN	200.00	176.00	376.00
25	Mike Wolters	VA	189.00	186.00	375.00
26	Russell Tabers	KY	199.00	175.00	374.00
27	Carl Stenger	MO	199.00	174.00	373.00
28	Justin Duke	TN	196.00	176.00	372.00
29	Blake Karnick	WI	197.00	175.00	372.00
30	Stuart Graham	VA	200.00	172.00	372.00
31	Johnny Thomas	AL	197.00	172.00	369.00
32	Aaron Kandler	MI	193.00	175.00	368.00
33	Steve Smith	IN	200.00	168.00	368.00
34	Chris Tingler	VA	194.00	173.00	367.00
35	Jerry Esposito	IN	192.00	174.00	366.00
36	Isaac Hurt	VA	192.00	174.00	366.00
37	Tyler Amos	MO	197.00	169.00	366.00
38	Randall Garrison	AL	200.00	166.00	366.00
39	Maggie Geiger	WI	194.00	171.00	365.00
40	Jed Thomas	AL	197.00	168.00	365.00





RANK	TEAM	STATE	REGIONALS POINTS	MAJORS POINTS	TOTAL SCORE
1	Isaac Hurt & Kaleb Hurt	VA	200	200	400
1	Austin Cameron & Jaime Fincham	VA	200	200	400
3	Matt Gammon & Todd Gammon	KY	199	197	396
4	Steve Smith (In) & Tj Miller	IN	200	192	392
5	Johnny Thomas & Randall Garrison	AL	200	191	391
6	Chase Puckett & Daniel Tolton	AL	198	191	389
7	Barry Hempy & Travis Jordan	ОН	199	189	388
8	Craig Ervin & Russell Tabers	KY & MO	200	182	382
9	Maggie Geiger & Wayne Rau	WI	199	179	378
10	Richard Majors & Terry (Tbone) Dawson	IN	200	178	378
11	Dj Long & Donnie Long	TN	200	177	377
12	Blake Karnick & Joel Karnick	WI	196	180	376
13	Bob Heil & Frank Huser	MI & WI	193	181	374
14	Austin Thomason & Willie Johns	KY	200	174	374
15	Allen Bonde & Dayton Will	KS	200	172	372
16	Brian Lynn & Mickey Pope	NC	195	176	371
17	David Horton & Max Smith	NC	200	171	371
18	Jack Harcrow & Lowell Sampson	AL	198	171	369
19	Brandon Cutsinger & Ryan Hart	KY	199	170	369
20	Jr Williams & Mike Wolters	VA	196	172	368



THE TOP GUN 20 The top 20 players in ACO World Doubles Rankings. Teams earning a position in the Top Gun 20 at the conclusion of the last ACO Major of the Season win a free Golden Ticket to the ACO World Championships and direct entry into the World Doubles bracket, bypassing the RPI tournament. The Top Gun 20 will be seeded 1-20 in the World Doubles Bracket.

The team finishing the season ranked #1 in the ACO World Doubles Rankings will be named "ACO Team of the Season".



THE CORNY 40 The top 40 players in ACO World Singles Rankings. Players earning a position in the Corny 40 at the conclusion of the last ACO Major of the Season win a free Golden Ticket to the ACO World Championships and direct entry into the World Singles bracket, bypassing the RPI tournament. The CornyForty will be seeded 1-40 in the World Singles Bracket.

The player finishing the season ranked #1 in the ACO World Singles Rankings will be named "ACO Player of the Season".





LISTED BY WORLD RANKING

Top 40 Womens

1	Maggie Geiger	WI	11	Katlyn Hamm	TN	21	Ruth Kitchens	MS	31	Britney Stanfill	TN
1	Amber Fretwell	AL	12	Ashley Ervin	M0	22	Christina Sexton	M0	32	Becky Ray	KY
3	Stacy Vangilder	AR	13	Kathy Harrison	IN	23	Sarah Yates	TN	33	Kelly Jones (II)	IL
4	Jordan Mcdaniel	IN	14	LaTonya Wilson	AR	24	Tracey Pyle	MI	34	Lynda Oglesby	TN
5	Tammy Williams	VA	15	Melinda Burnett	IL	25	Adrian Woodward	VA	35	Paula Stevens	VA
6	Philly Rineer	M0	16	Ashley Taylor	MS	26	Kim Dice	GA	36	Velvet Bledsoe	AR
7	Martina Belt	TN	17	Debra Smith	IN	27	Kayla Herring	AL	37	Samantha Ethridge	AR
8	Megan Puckett	AL	18	Sara Davis	VA	28	Tiffani Britt	TN	38	Lisa Seeley	CO
9	Amber Thompson	KY	19	Katie Broughman	VA	29	Maddie McBride	TN	39	Brandy Childers	GA
10	Tiffany Fincham	VA	20	Cuc Majors	IN	30	Heather Thornsberry	VA	40	Lisa Barber	MS

LISTED BY WORLD RANKING

Top 40 Seniors

1	Terry (Tbone) Dawson	IN 1	1 Rex Uhrig	OH	21	Doug McClure	KY	31	Mike Schaffer	OH
1	Johnny Thomas	AL 1	2 Tim Burnett	CA	22	Mark Smothers	KY	32	Mike Wirth	M0
1	Bob Heil	MI 1	3 Steve Cheatham	IL	23	Steve Mullis	NC	33	Bruce Herr	IN
4	Wayne Corprew	NC 1	4 Michael Hochgesang	IN	24	Ricky Dennis	KY	34	Steve Herr	IN
5	Allen Wingham	IN 1	5 Tony Franco	GA	25	Jimmy Cummings	NC	35	Steve Heath	MI
6	Daniel Mead	MI 1	6 Michael Mann	NV	26	Jink Brown	WV	36	Wynn Dobberstein	WI
7	Mike Wolters	VA 1	7 Wayne Rau	WI	27	Willie Johns	KY	37	Steve Allensworth	VA
8	Jr Williams	VA 1	3 Joel Karnick	WI	28	Jack Stevens	VA	38	Alan Sissel	VA
9	Scott Mitchell	AR 1	9 Frank Huser	WI	29	Rickey Singleton	IL	39	Richard Hochgesang	IN
10	Danny Deisher	IL 2) Paul Schroeder	FL	30	Jt McDowell	AR	40	Cary Ramey	IN

LISTED BY WORLD RANKING

Top 40 Juniors Players

1	Austin Cameron	VA	11	Austin James	AR	21	Alyssa Cahill	NV	31	Kade Mason	IL
1	Sebastian Barger	AR	12	Jordan Mitchell	AR	22	Xzavien Williams	IL	32	Dez Stephenson	IN
3	Spencer Garner	AR	13	Ayden Ward	AL	23	Michael (Lane) Cruse	TN	33	Logan Miller	WI
4	Isaac Hurt	VA	14	Rylee Dressler	VA	24	Dylan Aufdenberg	MO	34	Ryder Palea-Medeiros	NV
5	Sammy Vansickle	IN	15	Hayden Vann	GA	25	Connor Weaver	GA	35	Hayden Moore	WV
6	Brock Beasley	TN	16	Cooper Brower	MO	26	Lucas Seeley	CO	36	Zaeden-John Ea-Kim	NV
7	Bryce Jefferson	TN	17	Cannon Hatcher	TN	27	Justin Stansbury	NC	37	Colton McDougle	AR
8	Colin Scheele	AL	18	Riley Brewster	AL	28	Landon Jackson	TN	38	Ethan Hallman	AL
9	Jacob Karschnik	CO	19	Brody Spann	GA	29	Jaden Morton	MO	39	Jacob Whaley	NC
10	Logan Grimes	IL	20	AJ McElwee	GA	30	Emily Childers	GA	40	Zailes-James Ea-Kim	NV

LISTED BY WORLD RANKING

Top 40 Coed Doubles

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1	Kaleb Hurt & Tammy Williams	VA	14	Katie Broughman & Stuart Graham	VA	27	Chad Yates & Sarah Yates	TN
2	Amber Fretwell & Shane Fretwell	AL	15	Douglas Parker & Lisa Barber	MS	28	Jerry Armstrong & Tina Armstrong	TN
3	Maggie Geiger & Wayne Rau	WI	16	Tiffani Britt & Zach Adams	TN	29	Chip Brown & Sherry Brown	IN
4	Ashley Ervin & Craig Ervin	MO	17	Austin Cameron & Sara Davis	VA	30	Brandy Childers & Shane Childers	GΑ
5	Chase Puckett & Megan Puckett	AL	18	Becky Ray & Jamie Steele	KY	31	Laura Perry & Michael Perry (Ky)	KY
6	Jaime Fincham & Tiffany Fincham	VA	19	Rich Pyle & Tracey Pyle	MI	32	Karlee McGrath & Steven Mendel	IN
7	Kathy Harrison & Steve Smith	IN	20	Greg Neighbors & Ruth Kitchens	MS	33	Allyssa Powell & Michael Robinson	VA
8	Charlie Kase & Karen English	KY	21	Jimmie Naylor & Kelly Jones (II)	IL	34	Kirsten Thurby & Taz Steele	KY
9	Robert Harper & Velvet Bledsoe	AR	22	Christina Sexton & Terry Sexton	M0	35	Jerry Esposito & Suzann Esposito	IN
10	Matt Burnett & Melinda Burnett	IL	23	Becky Rider & David Rider	IL	36	Chad Easterling & Veronica Easterling	KY
11	Adrian Woodward & Mike Wolters	VA	24	Britney Stanfill & Brock Beasley	TN	37	Jackie Amos & Terry Amos	MS
12	Cuc Majors & Terry (Tbone) Dawson	IN	25	Aaron Lambert & Tanya Lambert	IL	38	Charlene Mitchell & Scott Mitchell	AR
13	Bryce Jefferson & Martina Belt	TN	26	Don Miller & Mary Miller	WI	39	Jessica Harris & Michael Harris	IN
						40	Patrick Barger & Wendy Barger	AR







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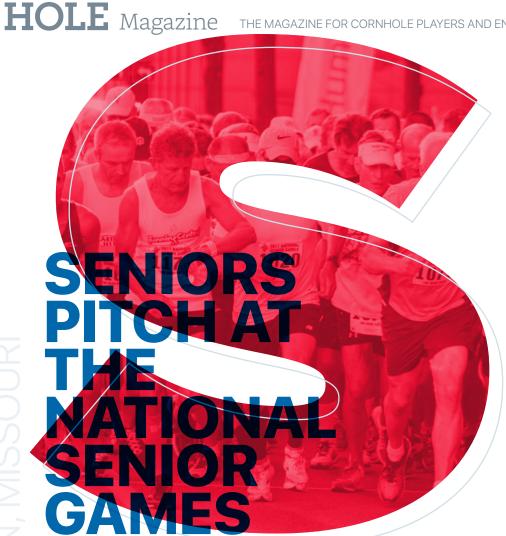




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THERE WAS A LOT OF EXCITEMENT ABOUT THE DEBUT OF **CORNHOLE AS AN OPEN SPORT TO THE 2022 NATIONAL** SENIOR GAMES PRESENTED BY HUMANA, AND WHEN THE BAGS STARTED FLYING IT WAS CLEAR THE SPORT HAD FOUND A PLACE WITH THE ATHLETES.

More than 175 eager athletes came out to compete in singles, doubles, mixed doubles and non-ambulatory divisions. The activity drew a lot of curious spectators, and many commented that Cornhole looked like a fun sport to add to their future competition plans. The sport also drew the participation of NSGA staff members Ed Roberts and Becky Sewell, who teamed up to win a gold medal.

"We're really pleased with the turnout and especially the energy and enthusiasm that Cornhole generated," says NSGA COO Sue Hlavacek. "We will definitely bring this back as an open sport for the next Games. We are excited with the outcome and our partnership with Frank Geers and the ACO Organization."

The 2023 National Senior Games presented by Humana will be hosted by Pittsburgh from July 7-18, 2023.

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MAJORS RECAP...

SEASON 17 CHAMPIONS



MAJOR		SINGLES	DOUBLES	WOMENS	SENIORS	JUNIORS	COED	PIPFALL	BIG BLIND		
CHARLESTON	SEPT	Kaleb Hurt	Jaime Fincham Austin Cameron	Amber Thompson	Terry Dawson	Isaac Hurt	Tammy Williams Kaleb Hurt	Chip Brown Hannah Bonnett	Barry Beresford / Tiffany Finchum Jesse Smith / Kaden Smith		
COLUMBIA	SEPT	Austin Cameron	Isaac Hurt Kaleb Hurt	Katie Matthews	Tony Franco	Isaac Hurt	Tammy Williams Kaleb Hurt	Ty Tyler Haskell Williams	Austin Cameron Kaleb Hurt		
ENID	SEPT	Bracey Blanton	Josh Glover Kyle Anderson	Tressa Honey	Mark Potte	Spencer Garner	Katlyn Hamm Josh Glover	Brandon Hunsucker, Frank Geers	Gary Bearpaw Mark Potter		
KALAMAZ00	ОСТ	Austin Cameron	TJ Miller Steve Smith	Tracey Pyle	Mark Smothers	Austin Cameron	Tammy Williams Austin Cameron	Blake Karnick Richard Rozell	Austin Cameron Daniel Mead		
PANAMA CITY Beach	ОСТ	Kole Brewer	Justin Duke Douglas Parker	Veronica Easterling	Johnny Thomas	Riley Brewster	Brandy Childers Shane Childers	Brandon Sparks Eddie Adams	Chase Puckett / Michael Chittenden Justin Duke / Tony Yuhasz		
PRINCE WILLIAM	ОСТ	Austin Cameron	Jaime Fincham Austin Cameron	Courtney Whitlock	Wayne Corprew	Austin Cameron	Courtney Whitlock Ray Brooks	Karen Jenkins Chris Hansen	Chip Dawson Roger Cornwell		
SIOUX CITY	ОСТ	Derek Williams	Aaron Kandler - MI Dan Mead	Maggie Geiger	Bob Heil	N/A	Stacy Vangilder Bracey Blanton	Bob Heil Wayne Rau	Aaron Kandler Bracey Blanton		
CONCORD	NOV	Austin Cameron	Isaac Hurt Kaleb Hurt	Courtney Whitlock	Wayne Corprew	Austin Cameron	Tammy Williams Kaleb Hurt	Steve Mullis Mike Fox	Kaleb Hurt Brannon Gregory		
TUPELO	NOV	Justin Duke	Josh Glover Kyle Anderson	Katlyn Hamm	Scott Mitchell, AR	Sebastian Barger	Amber Fretwell Shane Fretwell	Darryl Macon Brandon Sparks	Mat Cummings Brandon Davis		
HINCKLEY	NOV	Chase Puckett	Jaime Fincham Austin Cameron	Maggie Geiger	Bob Heil	Austin Cameron	Maggie Geiger Wayne Rau	Jonathan Colburn Josh Zimmerman	Michael Chittenden Russ Funk		
SOUTH BEND	NOV	Bracey Blanton	Bracey Blanton Sebastian Barger	April Alvarez	Terry Dawson	Bracey Blanton	Krishana House Scott Stoffregen	Chris Hansen TJ Miller	Michael Chittenden / Ricky Dennis Braden Moon / Matt Gammon		
LUBBOCK	DEC	Gary Bearpaw	Paul Schroeder Jack Harcrow	Zariah Villareal	Allen Wingham	Jace Lozoya	Connie Taylor Danny Taylor	Donnie Long Jerry Stallions	Kaleb Hurt Russell Tabers, KY		
OWENSBORO	JAN	Spencer Garner	Sebastian Barger Bracey Blanton	Amber Thompson	Allen Wingham	Sebastian Barger	Adrian Woodward Kaleb Hurt	Becky Ray Doug Tevault	Sebastian Barger , AR JT McDowell, AR		
BELOIT	JAN	Matt Gammon	Todd Gammon Matt Gammon	Maggie Geiger	Bob Heil	Sammy Vansickle	Amber Thompson Matt Gammon	Barry Hempy Heather Ellis	Barry Hempy, OH Sammy Vansickle		
KNOXVILLE	JAN	Shane Childers	Jaime Fincham Austin Cameron	Amber Fretwell	Terry Dawson	Austin Cameron	Tammy Williams Kaleb Hurt	Bobby Broughman Jimmy Womack	Rylee Dressler, VA Kaleb Hurt		
BRADENTON	JAN	Jack Harcrow	Todd Gammon Matt Gammon	Paula Stevens	Johnny Thomas	Griffin Johnson	Lydia Crandall Zack Schibner	Amber Cary Donnie Long	Hunter Stanley,NC Shawn Preece, OH		
AUGUSTA	FEB	Kaleb Hurt	Isaac Hurt Kaleb Hurt	Maddie McBride	Johnny Thomas	Austin Cameron	Maddie McBride Austin Cameron	Byron Sisson David Floyd	Aiden Brown / Jonathan Etheridge Slo Ryd Cantrell / Shane P		
KEARNEY	FEB	Maggie Geiger	Tommy Morgan Carl Stenger	Maggie Geiger	Bob Heil	Brock Beasley	Velvet Bledsoe Robert Harper	Melinda Burnett Johnathan Kingfisher	Aaron Kandler Bob Heil		
YORK	MAR	Kaleb Hurt	Jaime Fincham Austin Cameron	Allyssa Powell	Wayne Corprew	Austin Cameron	Tammy Williams Kaleb Hurt	Shawn Preece Michael Sifford	Michael Robinson Austin Cameron		
BENTONVILLE	MAR	Gary Bearpaw	Sebastian Barger Bracey Blanton	Ashley Taylor	Terry Dawson	Sebastian Barger	Ashley Ervin Craig Ervin	Jennifer Harrison Kenny Hall Jr.	Craig Ervin / David Ohanlon Robert Harper / Sebastian Barger		
STOCKTON	MAR	David Sanchez	Chase Puckett Daniel Tolton	Megan Puckett	David Sanchez	N/A	Megan Puckett Chase Puckett	Anthony Larese Aaron Hill	Paul Martinez Daniel Tolton		
ANN ARBOR	MAR	Kaleb Hurt	Isaac Hurt Kaleb Hurt	Mckenna Ballew	Daniel Mead	Michael Cruse	Tammy Williams Kaleb Hurt	Ryan GriffithTracey Pyle	Daniel Mead Travis Vansickle		
LAS VEGAS	MAR	Matt Gammon	Johnny Thomas Randall Garrison	Stacey Vangilder	Johnny Thomas	Michael Cruse	Lisa Seeley Bob Heil	Koby Myxter Palea	Douglas Parker / Brock Beasley Nick Renevitz / Blake Karnick		
DODGE CITY	APR	DJ Long	Kyle Anderson Russell Tabers	Connie Taylor	Robert Harper	Spencer Garner	Kathy Harrison Steve Smith	Donnie Long Matt Burnett	Josh Wilson Mat Cummings		
GRAND TRAVERSE	APR	Dez Stephenson	Bob Heil Michael Chittenden	Jordan McDaniel	Terry Dawson	Dez Stephenson	April Alvarez Louis Dugas	Brett Heil Duane Keltsch	Matt Gammon Steven Gray		
CEDAR RAPIDS	APR	DJ Long	Gary Bearpaw Gavin Kirk	Amber Fretwell	Terry Dawson	Sebastian Barger	Philly Rineer Tyler Amos	Dan Mead John Kingfisher	Chase Puckett Bob Heil		
MESQUITE	MAY	Jack Harcrow	Jed Thomas Kage Williams	Amber Fretwell	Dan Deisher	Jacob Karschnik	Amber Fretwell Shane Fretwell	Kage Williams Craig Edmonds, NV	Dan Deisher Matt Burnett		
HAPPY VALLEY	MAY	Austin Cameron	Austin Cameron Jaime Fincham	Martina Belt	Daniel Mead	Austin Cameron	Martina Belt Zach Rush	Kaleb Hurt Tommy Huyck	Kaleb Hurt Chris Tingler		
CINCINNATI	MAY	Michael Cruse	Barry Hempy Travis Jordan	April Alvarez	Don Bailey	Michael Cruse	Amber Thompson Matt Gammon	Justin Butler Phat Guy	Gary Ferguson / Josie Clare Riley Brewster / Donald Long		
BRANSON	MAY	Gary Bearpaw	Josh Glover Kyle Anderson	Amber Fretwell	Robert Harper	Seth Fore	Martina Belt Zach Rush	Bubba Sammy	Kyle Anderson Shane Fretwell		

A LOOK AHEAD... SEASON 18 **MAJORS TOUR**



LAKE CHARLES MAJOR

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SEPT 9 & 10, 2022

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SEPT 16 & 17, 2022

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Fort Wayne, IN

SEPT 30 & 1, 2022

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Watertown, SD

OCT 21 & 22, 2022

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NOV 18 & 19, 2022

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NOV 25 & 26, 2022

SOUTH BEND MAJOR

South Bend, IN



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CONCORD MAJOR

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MAJOR



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Beloit, WI

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BRADENTON MAJOR

Bradenton, FL



FEBRUARY 3 & 4, 2023

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FEB 17 & 18, 2023

AUGUSTA MAJOR

Augusta, GA



MARCH 3 & 4, 2023

YORK MAJOR

York, PA

MARCH 10 & 11, 2023

BENTONVILLE MAJOR

Bentonville, AR

MARCH 17 & 18, 2023

LEGENDS MAJOR

College Station, TX



MARCH 24 & 25, 2023

ANN ARBOR MAJOR

Ann Arbor, MI

APRIL 14 & 15. 2023

CEDAR RAPIDS MAJOR

Cedar Rapids, IA

APRIL 14 & 15, 2023

DODGE CITY MAJOR

Dodge City, KS

APRIL 21 & 22, 2023

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MAJOR

Grand Traverse, MI



MAY 5 & 6. 2023

MOBILE MAJOR

Mobile, AL



MAY 12 & 13, 2023

HAPPY VALLEY MAJOR

Happy Valley, PA

MAY 19 & 20, 2023

FLORIDA MAJOR

Winterhaven, FL

MAY 26 & 27. 2023

BRANSON MAJOR

Branson, MO



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ACO-PRO SERIES OVERVIEW

The ACO-PRO Series will take place at 10 ACO Majors during Season 18 (approx. 1 per month). All players recognized as ACO-PRO players will be invited to participate for FREE.

Registered ACO-PRO players will participate in Round 1, from 9am – 12pm on Friday of the Major.

Note: Players will still be eligible to participate in Womens, Juniors, Seniors, and/or Blind Draw

Round 1 will consist of players participating in ACO Frame Games scored by an ACO Official. The players with the best 16 Frame Games will advance to the ACO-PRO Series Championship Bracket at 5pm on Friday.

Round 1 of the Championship Bracket will be 1 game single elimination. Quarter Finals, Semi Final, and Championship Finals will be best 2 of 3 single elimination.

Select Quarters finals matches, both Semi Finals, and the Championship Finals will be streamed live to a top-level service.

ACO-PRO SERIES STANDINGS

ACO-PRO Series Standings will be comprised of 2 elements:

1.) The player's 4 best ACO-PRO Series finishes in the Championship Brackets according to the points scale (once a player advances into their 5th Championship Bracket, their lowest score will be dropped, etc.).

2.) The player's best ACO Frame Game

Each time a player improves on their ACO Frame Game, that score will be used in the Standings

ACO-PRO SERIES POINTS SCALE

For players who advance to an ACO-Pro Series Championship Bracket

1st Place = 50 pts

2nd Place = 40 pts

Top 4 tie = 30 pts

Top 8 tie = 20 pts

Top 16 tie = 10 pts

Note: All ACO-PRO players who participate in the ACO Frame Game will earn their Frame Game score towards their Standings regardless of advancing to the Championship Bracket or not.

ACO-PRO SERIES PLAYER GUIDELINES

All ACO-PRO players who would like to participate in an ACO-PRO Series must register by Sunday, two weeks in advance of the event.

JERSEYS

Players who agree to wear an ACO Season 18 Pro Jersey throughout the event (Qualifier and Championship Bracket) will participate for FREE.

Players who would like to wear a sponsored jersey of their choice will pay a \$100 entry fee.

Sponsored jerseys can not have logos of other national cornhole brands.

Sponsored jerseys must have an 4x4 inch ACO Shield logo as the sole artwork on the right sleeve. The ACO will provide ACO logo artwork files upon request.

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In 1987, the Lansing Farm was selected to serve as the set for "Field of Dreams," the 1989 Academy Award nominee for Best Picture of the Year. Since the film's premiere, just as foreshadowed in the movie, people from all around the world have visited this quaint little ball field in rural Dyersville, Iowa to experience the magic for themselves.

Iconic, legendary, simple and tranquil are just a few of the adjectives that come to the minds of those that have driven down that long lane, crossed over Hewitts Creek, and stepped foot onto one of baseball's holy grounds. The movie site continues to prosper 33 years after the film's debut, having welcomed over 225,000 visitors in 2021, the highest annual traffic since

the site's inception. The movie site hosted the historic Major League Baseball (MLB) at Field of Dreams game on Aug. 12, 2021 between the New York Yankees and the Chicago White Sox, and MLB will be returning for a second game in August between the Chicago Cubs and the Cincinnati Reds.

Those planning their visit to The Field of Dreams have a variety of ways to experience the site. They can have a catch on The Field, take a 30-minute guided home tour inside the farm house, or live like the Kinsella family while staying overnight in the iconic white farm house. Fans can also grab some delicious ballpark fare from the concessions stand along the third-base line, grab some Field of





Dreams gear at the Baseballism store on-site, or simply take a seat on the original set of wooden bleachers along the first baseline and soak it in. This ball diamond has the innate ability to bring out the kid in fans of all ages.

This year, the Field of Dreams Movie Site extends its reach and All-American appeal by opening its arms to the American Cornhole Organization for the inaugural 'Go the Distance' Festival. This three-day weekend will be filled with top tier cornhole played by the best 'pitchers' on the planet and it will be open to the public for competitive play as well. A limited number of commemorative cornhole bags, filled with Field

of Dreams corn, will be available as theultimate souvenir from a weekend that will welcome players and families nationwide to Dyersville; proving, yet again that "If you build it, they will come".

Everything you need to know about the ACO Go the Distance Festival is available at AmericanCornhole.com. So whether you come to the Field of Dreams to have a catch, or have a pitch, we will be waiting for you.

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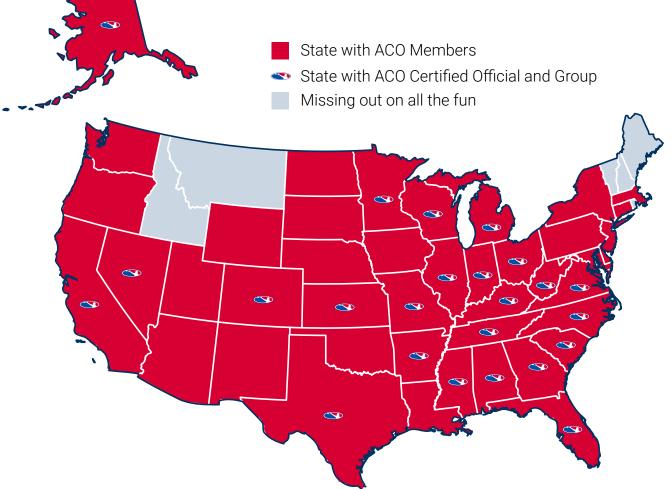
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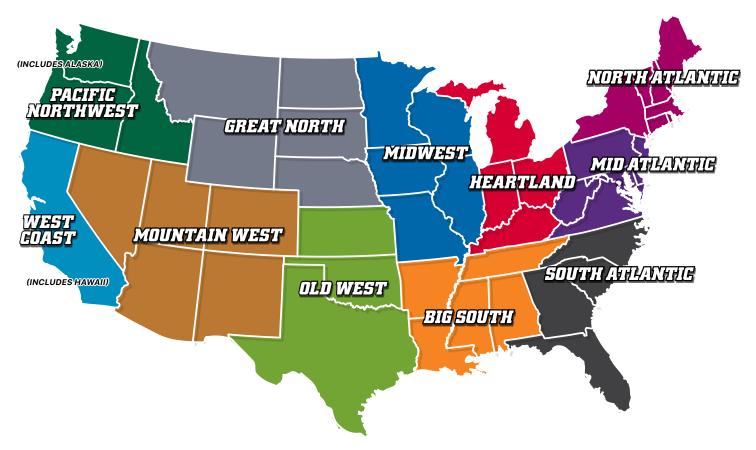
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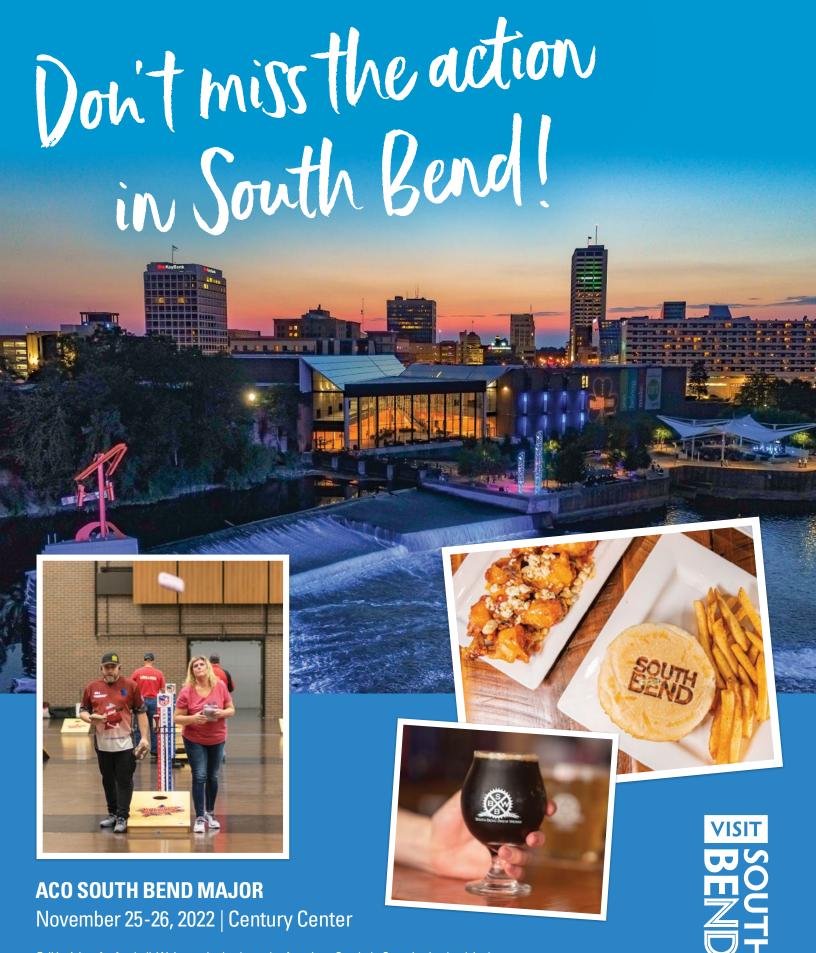












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