BEST SCRABBLE GAME, BEST CLABBERS GAME

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In past Word Ways issues, Ron Jerome, Ralph Beaman and Jeff Grant presented high-scoring Scrabble games of 4047, 4142 and 4454 points, respectively. All were based on the word BENZ-OXYCAMPHORS, a word not sanctioned by the National Scrabble Association. The game below, scoring 3986 points, uses only words from the OSPD or Webster’s Tenth Collegiate.

M I T O O
C O D E A X
R E R R P
O R A V I G O T E H
T A D I W E
E L E N A N
C A R O U S I N G J I B B
H m T U U
N E I R E F T
I D W O L F L I K E L A
Q A T S Y S P A Z
U S I M O
E N E N
S G D E

Scoring Summary (A left over):

68 rousing 70 alameda, arousing
6 rot, ta 6 rote, el
2 re 8 od, oe
10 it, toe 4 hm
3 id 2 at
10 us, alamedas 1277 microtechniques, ne, qat, carousing, cod
24 qats 69 identify
98 ravigote 122 wolflike
146 reinjures 12 jib
4 ab 29 we, wab
5 he 8 hen, an
2 re 5 spa
8 mo, am 7 la, lam
31 ref, flam 9 reft, ta
3 uta 26 en, flame, on
12 flamed 1587 oxyphenbutazone, jibb, spaz, de
pass 18 ax
293 overidentifying
Total 727 Total 3259
In Clabbers, one is allowed to put down any sequence of letters that can be transposed to a word. The best Clabbers game, given below, scores a total of 4829 points, using only words in the OSPD or Webster’s Tenth Collegiate.

Scoring Summary (I left over):

84 vocitem (vicomte) 15 svocitem (vicomtes)
401 sonjsvocitembin (nonobjectivisms) 5 iec (ice)
121 wrfeaey (freeway, if, et, ae, me, by, rice)
137 dadivoe (avoided, wold, carnie, defi, wite, gave, dome, aby)
11 ttiecrna (interact)
69 iolabua (aboulia, recitation)
179 gfgroel (flogger, glowed, petrifaction fridge, writes, lovage, meoued, belady)
10 uh (uh, hi)
15 by (by, ba, by)
8 po (op, pa)
5 cre (rec)
21 ahm (ham, argufied)
1493 eaukcreiahmqrot (microearthquake, petrifications, queendom)

Total 2554

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I F E D R G U A
T E W I S R A H
E A G V L O T M
M E D O U E N Q
B Y A E D L I R
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Total 2275