#### U.S. OPEN BACKGAMMON **CHAMPIONSHIPS RIVIERA HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA** APRIL 7-10, 1977 PROGRAM Thursday - April 7 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. **Registration Riviera Hotel** 8 p.m. - 9 p.m. Cocktails - Cash Bar 9 p.m. Auction Dinner (Jackets Please) Friday - April 8 4 p.m. Championship Play starts in all divisions. 10 p.m. Doubles Tournament begins and runs concurrent with Championship. (time approximate) \*(Any two players may form a team. Teammates may consult on moves. Eleven points match play. No consolation. This event limited to 64 teams. Saturday - April 9

3 p.m.

Play continues in all divisions. Consolation Flights begin. Last Chance begins.

#### Sunday - April 10 Noon on

Play continues in all divisions through finals. Last Chance begins.

Tournament rules are printed on the score sheets. Entrance fee and auction monies will be divided in the following way after 10% deduction for charity; (Danny Thomas St. Jude Research Hospital, Variety Childrens Hospital, Nurses Scholarship Fund) and expenses.

Distribution and division of Auction and Players Pool:			
	Main Event 65%	Consolation 25%	Last Chance 10%
Winner	44 <sup>0</sup> /0	50%	50%
Finalist	22 <sup>0</sup> /o	25%	25%
Each Semi-Finalist (2)	11 <sup>0</sup> /o	121/20/0	121/20/0
Each Quarter-Finalist (4)	3%		

Intermediate and Beginner prizes will be posted on score sheets.

Copies of the Order of Auction and bid slips will be distributed before the auction starts. It will contain the name of every player <u>entered</u> in the Championship. Fields may be sold by name or on a blind bid basis.

Successful top bidders should complete a bid slip to show the buyer's name and address, the name of the Field bought, and the amount of the bid. The slip should be handed to the committee spotter. Payment shall be made to the Treasurer at the conclusion of bid.

Each player sold as part of a Field has the right to buy 15% of the entire field consisting of three players from the purchaser. If he so wishes, he has the option to buy an additional 15% of himself only, for which he pays an additional 5% of the field price. The buyer of the entire Field is not obliged to release further percentages to any one player in his Field, beyond that player's maximum interest in himself of 30%. Higher percentages may only be purchased by special arrangement with Field owners. Experts included in a Field must buy the Field themselves to be sure of owning more than 30% of themselves. For 20% of Field price, player will own 30% of himself and 15% of each of the other players in his Field.

In the event a player is officially scratched and does not play after having been sold in the Calcutta Auction, the appropriate adjustments and refunds will be made.

A commitment and payment to buy such shares should be made prior to the start of play, directly between players and the buyer at auction. Both parties should keep a record of transactions, and if so desired, the arrangement may be recorded with Treasurer. In the event a player wishes to buy a part of himself but is not able to contact the buyer-at-auction, he may give notice of his commitment to the Treasurer, with payment, before the start of play. Payment must be in cash or travelers checks. Personal checks will be accepted only from known players with proper endorsements. 20% of amount of checks will be retained until all have cleared.

The auction will be underwritten in the following way:

An opening bid on each field will be offered by the auctioneer. If there are no subsequent bids the auctioneer will purchase the field at 50% of offered price. However, individuals wishing percentages of themselves or team, will have to pay on a full basis. Byes, if any, will be distributed in order to highest priced teams. Purchaser of team may select who gets the bye. This must be done at time of purchase or it will be given to first player on team. Any or all of 10 highest buyers may share auctioneers syndicate. Auctioneer will not competitively bid.

#### **U.S. OPEN**

Doubles Championship will commence Friday evening after regular play and dinner. The exact time to be posted on the scoreboard. Any two players may form a team. Consulting will be allowed on all moves and decisions. Team members may alternate games. Only player rolling dice may move checkers. It is recommended that the CHOUETTE system be used but this is not a rule. Entrance fee \$100.00 per team. No consolation, all matches 11 points, winner 44%, finalist 22%, each semi-finalist 11%, each quarter-finalist 3%. There may be a mini auction on this event. However, the draw will be done "Out of a Hat". Cooperation from opponents in scheduling matches will make this a very exciting addition to the tournament.

The Suzy Creamcheese Boutique, 3025 Las Vegas Blvd. S., one block from Riviera, has offered the following gift certificates for the ladies that advance the furthest in the following categories. In case of ties prizes will be divided.

	Open	Intermediate	Beginners
Main event	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$50.00
Consolation	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00
Last Chance	\$ 50.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Doubles	\$100.00		

Plus a \$1,000.00 Shopping Spree to the woman who wins the U.S. Open

#### I.B.A. RULES OF PLAY

- 1. All entries are subject to the approval of the committee.
- 2. Players are expected to be punctual in beginning a match, and are expected to play at a pace considered comfortable.
- 3. A time limit may be imposed on any match.
- 4. A Backgammon Tournament is a pleasant social occasion; players are expected to be cordial and forebearing, as well as competitive. For this reason, players are requested to play in comparative silence.
- 5. If any difference of opinion arises, all men shall be left "status quo" until a judge is notified. He will make any necessary decision. No contesting of play will be considered after the next throw has been made.
- 6. Dice may be changed only between games, and once during a game. The player requesting the change has the first choice of dice. Place at least 4 dice in a cup (more is preferable) roll out requesting player takes 1 die then other player takes 1 die, etc.
- 7. A play is not complete until the dice have been picked up. A player should not cast his dice until opponent's dice have been picked up. Exceptions to rule No. 7 When <u>all</u> opponent's men are past each other in a bare-off position, and there is no chance for further contact.
- 8. Dice must be shaken well before rolling. Dice must be thrown on the right side of the board, unless opponent's permission has been obtained prior to rolling. Only one hand should be used in moving men so that opponent has a clear view of the play.
- 9. Both players should keep score.
- 10. Any spectator may be barred from watching a match by the Director. All spectators and spouses are expected to maintain silence during play. If a player converses with any spectator in any language other that English, that game is subject to forfeiture.
- 11. When doubling, player should turn the doubling block and place it on opponent's side of board and say, "I double".
- 12. "Gammons" (double game) and "Backgammons" (triple games) will count in all matches.
- 13. No automatic doubles. No settlements.
- 14. The Crawford Rule will be in effect. In any match, if a player reaches the stage where he is only ONE point from winning the match, there will be no doubling for the next game only. Doubling is permitted in subsequent play.

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# U.S. OPEN

## BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 8-11, 1979

#### HYATT LAKE TAHOE

AT INCLINE VILLAGE, NEVADA - RESORT HOTEL AND CASINO

#### **TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY — MARCH 6, 7**

7:00-9:00 p.m. .... Early arrival registration Hyatt Lake Tahoe Lobby (Private Play, Chouettes, Seminars and Mini-Tournaments)

#### THURSDAY - MARCH 8

2:00-7:00 p	.m	Registration — Hyatt Hotel
8:00 p.m.	Compliment	ary Welcome Cocktail Party
9:00 p.m.		Auction

**DOUBLES TOURNAMENT** will commence Thursday evening after auction. Any the players may form a team. Consulting will be allowed on all moves and decisions. Team members may alternate games. Only player rolling dice may move checkers. It is recommended that the CHOUETTE system be used but this is not a rule. Entrace fee \$100 per team. No consolation, all matches 11 points, winner 44%, finalist 22%, each semi-finalist 11%, each quarter-finalist 3%. The draw will be done "Out of a Hat." Cooperation from opponents in scheduling matches will make this a very exciting addition to the tournament.

FRIDAY — I	MARCH 9
4:00 p.m.	Doubles play continues
8:00 p.m.	Championship play commences
	(Open 17 pts., Int. 13 pts., Beg. 7 pts.)
SATURDAY	/ — MARCH 10
4:00 p.m.	Play continues in all divisions
8:00 p.m.	Consolation flights begin
	(All previous losers play in consolations)
SUNDAY -	- MARCH 11
2:00 p.m.	Play continues in all divisions through finals. Last chance begins

**ENTRY FEES** Nothing will be deducted from entrance fees. 100% to players pool.

OPEN \$200 INTERMEDIATE \$100 BEGINNERS \$50 20% discount to I.B.A. members. Non members may join when registering and get discounts. Doubles \$100 per team. There will be no free entrys to Open.

**Registration Fee.** . . \$100 per person includes room 3 nights, double occupancy, Hyatt Lake Tahoe Hotel, one dinner, two breakfasts, four drinks, auction cocktail party, trophies, charity and operating expenses. Single occupancy add \$15 per night. Extra nights \$15 per night per person. . . . Registration without room and food \$50. 1978 New Orleans

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Nancy Lewis

Sam Wilson

Frank Cook

Barbara Glazer

#### For additional information — Sue Boya — (305) 527-4033

This is your invitation. There will be no additional notices on this event. . . . Please invite non-members and friends and give them particulars.

	MAIN EVENT 65%	CONSOLATION 25%	LAST CHANCE 10%
Winner	44%	50%	60%
Finalist	22%	25%	40%
Each Semi-finalist (2)	11%	121/2%	
Each Quarter-finalist (4)	3%		

Pre-registration not necessary.

players must call or sign up Thurs. 2-8 p.m.

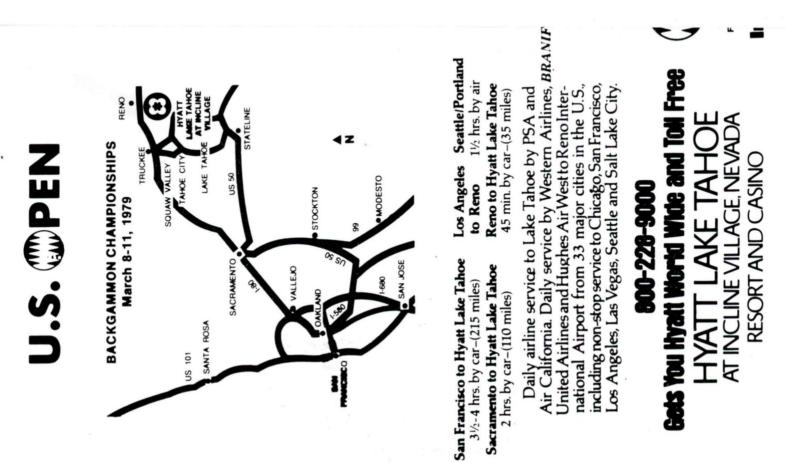
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#### HYATT LAKE TAHOE AT INCLINE VILLAGE, NEVADA RESORT HOTEL AND CASINO P.O. Box 3239, Incline Village 89450.

#### PHONE: (702) 831-1111.

LOCATION/TRANSPORTATION FACTS—Lakefront resort hotel surrounded by mountain greenery and towering pines, located on the north shore of Lake Tahoe, 38 miles, 45 minutes from Reno Int'l Airport, 31 miles, 45 minutes from South Lake Tahoe Airport; taxi and limousine service available. Highway access via 1-80, State Hwy. 267 and Hwy. 28.

ACCOMMODATIONS—Rambling chalet-style complex at the water's edge comprises 483 soundproof guest rooms including 48 suites, some right on the Lake. All have direct dial phone, phone message alert, radio and individually-controlled air conditioning, color TV and oversized beds.

**SERVICES/FACILITIES/SHOPS**—Newsstand, ice machines. Avis car rental counter. Beauty, Barber, Sports and gift shop. Physician on call. Staff Fluency: German, French, Spanish. Free outdoor parking for 500 cars.

**RECREATIONAL/AMUSEMENT FACILITIES**—Heated outdoor pool. All water sports. Fully-equipped health club with gym, saunas and steam baths. 26 outdoor tennis courts. Near 18-hole Robert Trent Jones championship golf course and par 58 executive course. Near Ski Incline with free shuttle service. 8 other major ski areas include Sqaw Valley.

Family fun for both the advanced and beginning skier is provided at Ski Incline on Lake Tahoe's North Shore.

Ski Incline is approximately 120 acres of north and northwest facing slopes at an elevation ranging from 6,700 to 7,600 feet.

Five double chairlifts climb slopes of varying degrees ranging in steepness from

a 14 per cent grade for the beginners to runs which easily satisfy the most advanced skier.

A T-bar serves novices on an almost level slope.

Snow-laden runs are mechanically groomed daily and most of the acreage is covered by a permanently installed \$800,000 snowmaking system.

Season passes are available as well as midweek packages.

The snowy slopes of Ski incline are welcome sights from December through early Spring.

The day lodge at the area's base has a cafeteria and bar and a large sun deck overlooks sun splashed Lake Tahoe.

On the lower level, the lodge houses a rental shop, a repair shop, sports shop, ticket booths, lockers and a First Aid Room.

Surrounding the lodge is a 900-space parking area. At the top of Lower Yellow Chairlift is the Snowflake Lodge with its cheery fireplace and a deck providing a panoramic view of Lake Tahoe. Beverages and snacks are available at the Snowflake Lodge.

Ski Incline usually opens in late November or early December and runs until early April.

On weekends and holidays mini-busses run through Incline Village and neighboring Crystal Bay carrying skiers from the main condominiums and hotels to Ski Incline located off Highway 28 on Ski Way.



For further information, CALL:

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## International Backgammon Association



#### FLORIDA REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

#### FEBRUARY 17-18

Schedule: HOWARD JOHNSON'S MOTOR LODGE Saturday, 2075 St. Rd 84, Ft. Lauderdale

Noon-2 p.m. Registration

2 p.m. Play starts immediately after auction

9 p.m. Doubles Tournament begins \$80 per team

#### Sunday,

2 p.m. Play continues. Start of Consolations

Open Championship \$100.00 Intermediates \$50.00

20% Discount to I.B.A. Members

Non-members may join when registering and get discounts.

	HOWARD JOHNSON'S MOTOR LODGE
EVERY	2075 St. Rd 84, Ft. Lauderdale
WEDNESDAY	I-95 & St. Rd. 84 across I-95 from Marina Bay
8 P.M.	525-4232

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## US. EACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIPS BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIPS \$10,000 ADDED — JANUARY 6-9, 1980 MGM GRAND HOTEL — RENO, NEVADA

#### REGISTRATION: Saturday, Jan. 5 - 4 P.M. to Midnight....Sunday, Jan. 6 - Noon to Midnight

U.S. Open Doubles Tournament - \$4,000 Winner Take All. **FREE**-No Entry Fee to Players registered in any division U.S. Open. Any two players may form a doubles team - full consultation allowed - One of every sixteen qualify - Losing players may re-enter on same or different teams upon payment of \$50 fee per player - Qualifying continuous during hours of registration.

#### MONDAY - JANUARY 7

FOURTH ANNUAL

Noon Auction-All player sold individually ...public random draw. No seeds - No favoritism -No name will be redrawn for any reason. U.S. Open Play commences immediately after auction...Open 2 out of 3 - 9 Point Matches...Intermediate 2 out of 3 - 7 Point Matches... Beginners 2 out of 3 - 5 Point Matches.

#### **TUESDAY—JANUARY 8**

- 11 A.M. U.S. Open Play continues.
- 1 P.M. Consolations begin in all divisions.(All previous losers play in consolation at no additional charge)
- 9 P.M. Womans U.S. Open Championship \$1,000 to Winner ... FREE No Entry Fee to any woman registered in any division of U.S. Open Random Draw.

#### WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 9

THURSDAY — JANUARY 10

**GM GRAND HOTEL** 

MGM SPECIAL TOURNAMENT

- 11 A.M. Championship continues to conclusion.
- 1 P.M. Last Chance Consolation begins.
- 8 P.M. Awards Presentation and Payment of
  - All Prize Monies.

BACKGAMMON ROOM WILL REMAIN OPEN 24 HOURS FOR PRIVATE GAMES AND CHOUETTES

#### ENTRANCE FEES

#### Open \$200 Intermediate \$100 Beginners \$50 Registration Fee \$60 per player

\$10,000 cash will be added in the following way: Doubles Tournament \$4,000 cash to winners - One free entry to every player registered in any division of U.S. Open (Beginners-Intermediate-Open)...U.S. Open Championship \$5,000 cash plus 100% of entrance fees (\$3,000 Open - \$1,500 Intermediate - \$500 Beginners)...Womans Championship \$1,000 to Winner (One free entry to every woman registered in any division U.S. Open)...There will be no deductions from the auction. 100% returned to Buyers. All transactions are to be in cash, certified or travelers checks. Players with casino credit lines, please contact your local MGM Representative for details on Comps.

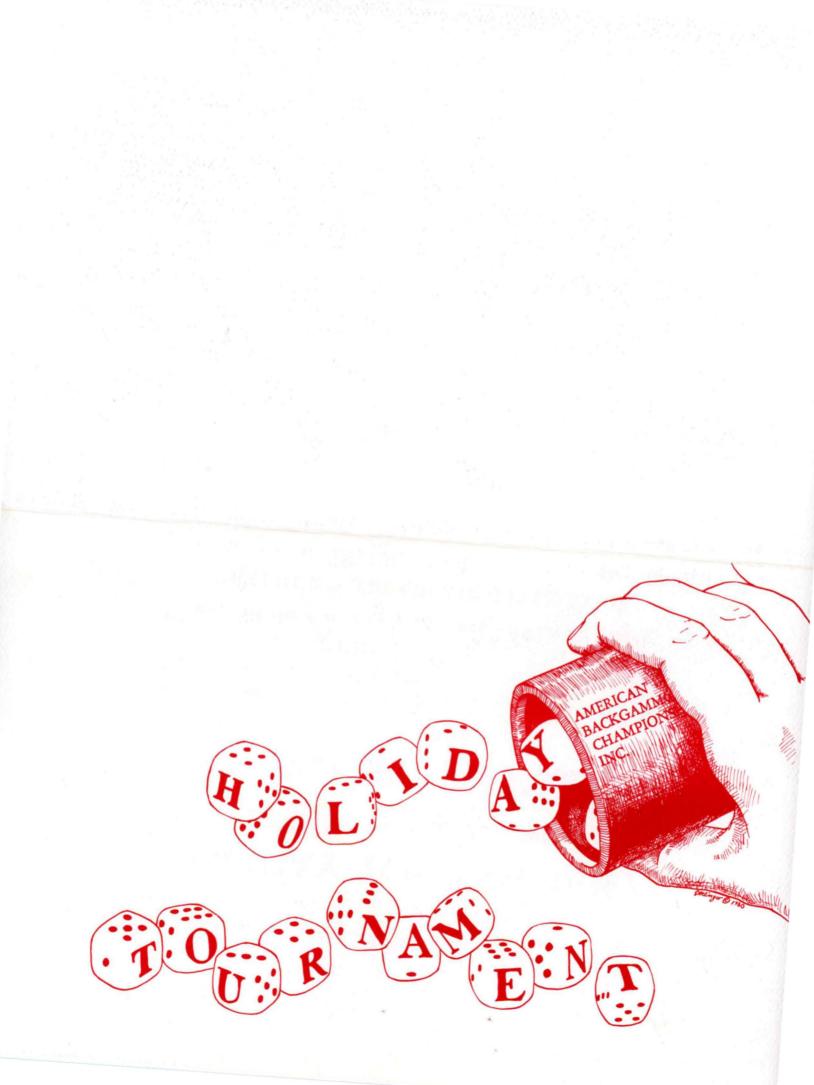
**Backgammon Directors:** Commissions will be paid for assisting in the announcing and publication of this event, One complimentary room for the first four booked, plus \$10 per room per night on all rooms over four. Directors not able to attend will be mailed commissions. Anyone willing to make special mailings will be reimbursed.

#### INFORMATION - LES BOYD 305-527-4033

ROOM RESERVATIONS: MGM RENO 800-648-5080 HOTEL RATE \$50 PER ROOM PER NIGHT



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## HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

## DECEMBER 9th-13th, 1981

### \$20,000.00 ADDED

ENTRY FEES:	
CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION	\$250.00
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION	150.00
BEGINNER DIVISION	50.00
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100% of the Entry Fees returned to Players Pool!

DISTRIBUTION OF	ADDED \$20,000.00
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CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION	\$12,500.00
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION	6,500.00
BEGINNER DIVISION	1,000.00

### "THIRD ROUND WINNERS" (MAIN DRAW ONLY)

Players who win Three Rounds Receive:

Championship Division	600.00
Intermediate Division	350.00
Beginner Division	100.00

Fourth Round byes in all divisions are based upon order of entry. All entries postmarked by September 30th, 1981 are equal as to byes. Pre-registration ends November 30th, 1981. Tournament play will begin in the Championship, Intermediate and Beginner Divisions at 4:00 PM Thursday, December 10th, 1981.

#### SECOND CHANCE

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A special feature of American Backgammon Championships Tournament is the "Second Chance". Those eliminated in the preliminary rounds have a second chance at all the top prizes.

"SECOND CHANCE" FEE	
CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION	\$50.
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION	25.
BEGINNER DIVISION	10.

#### **Doubles Tournament**

Entry Fee \$100 80% returned to players pool.

Play begins Wednesday, December 9th at 8:00 PM and continues on Saturday December 12.

> **Registration Hours:** Wed. Dec. 9th, 1 PM-7 PM Thur. Dec. 10th, 11 AM - 2 PM

**\$50,000.00 GRAND NATIONAL TOURNAMENT** ITDV EEE.

1st Prize	\$20,000.00	
2nd Prize	10,000.00	
3rd Prize	4,000.00	
4th Prize	4,000.00	
5th Round Winners	\$400	each

The final phase of the Grand National Tournament, the first nationwide backgammon Tournament being run in connection with local tournaments throughout the United States, will be held at the Holiday Tournament. Fifth round winners of the Grand National Tournament will play their sixth round up through the finals at the Holiday Tournament in Las Vegas. (All fifth round winners receive \$400.00) A player may enter the Grand National Tournament in Las Vegas, there will be staggered starting times beginning Wednesday, December 9th, 1981.

Mail to: American Backgammon Championships, Inc. 575 Madison Avenue, Suite 1006 New York City 1002 Telephone: (212) 486-1489	Please Check: Championship Intermediate Beginner	<ul> <li>SPECIAL ROOM RATES:</li> <li>\$25.75 per night,</li> <li>Wed. thru Sun. Dec. 9-13, 1981</li> <li>Single or Double Occupancy Call Dunes Hotel &amp; Country Club Las Vegas, Nevada Toll Free: 800-634-6971</li> </ul>	0	
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Send \$25. deposit only. Balance in cash or travelers checks when registering in Las Vegas. A fee of \$15. will be charged if registration is made after November 30th, 1981. American Backgammon Championships, Inc. reserves the right to refuse entry, without explanation, to anyone it deems detrimental to the best interest of the tournament.

ATTENATE DITTE



## \$50,000 GUARANTEED PRIZE MONEY November 17–20, 1983 Tropicana Hotel

**Tournament Directors:** Frank R. Jenkins Howard Markowitz





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Thursday, November 17

4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.

Doubles Tournament begins

#### Friday, November 18

1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Registration for Championship and Intermediate Divisions Additional entries for Doubles Tournament Qualifying flight #1 play begins, Championship and Intermediate Divisions

#### Saturday, November 19

Noon

9:00 p.m.

Qualifying flight #1 play continues Qualifying flight #2 play begins Play continues flights #1 and 2 Qualifying flight #3 play begins

Registration for Doubles Tournament

#### Sunday, November 20

10:30 a.m. Noon Qualifying flight #4 play begins Play continues, flights #1, 2 & 3. Doubles Tournament continues (semi-finals and final)

#### Tournament Schedule Championship and Intermediate Divisions

	Friday 8:00 p.m.	Saturday Noon	Saturday 9:00 p.m.	Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Sunday Noon	Sunday 4:00 p.m.
Qual. Flt. #1	3 Rounds	3 Rounds			1 Round	Semi-Finals and Finals
Championship Intermediate	13 Pts. 11 Pts.	13 Pts. 11 Pts.			13 Pts. 11 Pts.	
Qual. Flt. #2 Championship Intermediate		6 Rounds 9 Pts. 9 Pts.			1 Round 13 Pts. 11 Pts.	Chp. 15 Pts. Int. 13 Pts.
Qual. Flt. #3 Championship Intermediate			6 Rounds 7 Pts. 7 Pts.		1 Round 13 Pts. 11 Pts.	
Qual. Flt. #4 Championship Intermediate				6 Rounds 5 Pts. 5 Pts.		



CONDITIONS



The Tropicana Hotel reserves the right to refuse an entrant without giving a reason. Entrants may play in the division of their choice but the Tropicana Hotel reserves the right to disallow an entrant to play below his or her level.



Championship Division

1st Place.....\$20,000 Guaranteed 2nd Place.....\$10,000 Guaranteed 3rd & 4th Place.....\$5,000 Each Guaranteed 5th thru 8th Place....\$1,000 Guaranteed 100% of all entry fees to be returned in prize money to all division winners.

Intermediate Division

1st Place	\$6,000 Guaranteed
2nd Place	\$3,000 Guaranteed
3rd & 4th Place	\$1,500 Each Guaranteed
5th thru 8th Place	\$500 Each Guaranteed

If entry fees exceed guaranteed prizes, then the excess prize money will be distributed according to the following percentages in both divisions:

1st Place - 40% -- 2nd Place - 20% -- 3rd & 4th Place - 10% Each -- 5th thru 8th Place - 5% Each



**The Multiple Knock-Out System –** will be used in the Championship and Intermediate Divisions. Each division will consist of 4 qualifying flights. The semi-finals will be comprised of the four flight winners. This system is designed to give players more than one chance to win.

**Championship Division –** Entry fee \$200 for the 1st qualifying flight. Optional re-entries in qualifying flights 2, 3 and 4 are \$50, each. **100% return.** 

**Intermediate Division** – Entry fee \$100 for the 1st qualifying flight. Optional re-entries in qualifying flights 2, 3 and 4 are \$25. each. **100% return.** 



Accommodations available at the Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas (European Plan applies only to tournament entrant). \$35 per night (single or double occupancy)

For Complete Information Contact: Frank R. Jenkins – (800) 634-6716 or Howard Markowitz – (312) 271-8877

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Championship Division......\$200 (\$225 after Nov. 5th) Intermediate Division......\$100 (\$110 after Nov. 5th)

Doubles Tournament......\$200 per team

Name of Doubles Partner

Name

Address

City\_\_\_\_\_State\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_\_

Phone ( )

Las Vegas Backgammon Open November 17-20, 1983 Please return with check to: Tropicana Hotel P. O. Box 14460 Las Vegas, Nevada 89114 Attn. Frank R. Jenkins Or call (800) 634-6716 with credit card information.

□ CheckEnclosed(\$25 minimum deposit required)

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Arrival Date Departure Date

Special Room Package: \$35 per night for any or all of the nights of November 16th through November 23rd (single or double occupancy)



Southern Florida Regional Tournament Ft. Lauderdale, Florida September 26-27, 1981 For further information:

Call: Kevin Brandt 305-563-3116 Ext: 403/404

5th Round Winners Texas Backgammon Association The Executive Inn Dallas, Texas September 19-20, 1981 For further information: Call: Jim Howe 713-493-4968

\$20,000.00

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\$400.00 each

**River** City Invitational Florin Creek Recreational Center Sacramento, California October 10-11, 1981 For further information Call: Jim Stern 916-428-6614

Third Annual Charity Classic Florin Creek Recreational Center Sacramento, California September 5-6, 1981 For further information: Call: Jim Stern 916-428-6614

GRAND NATIONAL

TOURNAMENT

ENTRY FEE: \$50.00

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1st Prize.

2nd Prize

3rd Prize

4th Prize

The Renaissance Tournament Shakopee, Minnesota September 12-13, 1981

For further information: Call: Lee Silverstein 612-698-4436

Gammon Associates The Red Onion Woodland Hills, California September 19-20, 1981 For further information: Call: Pat Gibson 213-782-3150 213-988-4790

> Park 65 Tournament New York September 24-27, 1981

For further information: Call: Tim Holland 212-472-0380

The Porter Cup Seattle, Washington October 17-18, 1981 For further information: Call: Ted Barr 206-451-8737

Days Championship Days Restaurant San Francisco, California October 23-24

For further information: Call: Ralph Powell 415-567-5386

## PARTICIPATE IN YOUR LOCAL TOURNAMENTS LISTED BELOW EACH TOURNAMENT WILL HOLD THE GRAND NATIONAL TOURNAMENT AS AN ADDED ATTRACTION

Play your first five (5) rounds in a nationwide tournament on the local level. American Backgammon Championships, Inc. is holding the Grand National Tournament in conjunction with scheduled tournaments throughout the United States. Groups of thirty-two players will play to one winner (5 rounds). Fifth round winners will receive \$400.00 at the tournament where they have won. The sixth round up to the finals will be played at the Holiday Tournament, December 9-13, 1981 at the Dunes Hotel and Country Club, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Nebraska Challenge Cup Granada Royale **Omaha, Nebraska** October 23-24-25, 1981

For further information: Call: Carolyn Caniglia 402-391-6746

> Texas Backgammon Association The Marriott Hotel Austin, Texas October 24-25, 1981

For further information: Call: Jim Howe 713-493-4968

Autumn in Atlanta Tournament Atlanta, Georgia For further information: Call: Bob Clay 404-237-5967

Caribbean Backgammon Festival St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands— San Juan, Puerto Rico October 31—November 8, 1981

For further information: Call: Louise Goldsmith or Kate Wattson

212-486-1489

San Diego Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel **San Diego, California** November 13–15, 1981 For further information: Call: Roy Springer 714-443-4472

Texas Backgammon Association Ramada Inn West **Houston, Texas** November 21-22, 1981

For further information: Call: Jim Howe 713-493-4968

The Escape Thanksgiving Tournament Ft. Lauderdale, Florida November 28-29, 1981

For further information: Call Kevin Brandt 305-563-3116 Ext. 403/404

New York City Fall Tournament New York For further information: Call: Dan Caverly 201-785-1574

> Festival Backgammon Tournament Buffalo, New York For further information: Call: Jerry Nathan 716-854-5695

> > Los Angeles Tournament Cavendish West Los Angeles, California December 4–6, 1981 For further information: Call: Todd Vander Pluym 213-376-8843 (day) 213-550-1333 (night)

Holiday Tournament Las Vegas, Nevada December 9–13, 1981

For further information: Call: Louise Goldsmith or Kate Watts 212-486-1489

## WANTED!

### NEW BACKGAMMON PLAYERS

for the

WORLD AMATEUR BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP, JUNE 22-27, 1982

at the

DUNES HOTEL & COUNTRY CLUB, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

### FIND A WINNER AND GET A

## \$10,000.00 REWARD IT'S AS SIMPLE AS A B C

Just find anyone—a friend, wife, husband, doctor, lawyer—who has never played in an American Backgammon Championships, Inc. Tournament prior to August 1st, 1981.

The male and female newcomer who go the furthest in the Amateur Tournament will win \$10,000.00 each. Those who sign up the winning newcomers will also receive \$10,000.00 each. Cheer them on and take home the money!

In the Beginner Tournament there will be a \$5,000.00 prize for the male and female newcomer who go the furthest in the tournament. **Those who sign up the winning newcomers will also receive \$5,000.00 each.** In order to receive credit for signing up a newcomer, your name and address must appear in the space provided on the entry form.

Search for new players now! Teach a friend to play! Don't wait until the last minute.

#### **Rules and Conditions**

- 1. A newcomer is one who has never played in an American Backgammon Championship tournament prior to August 1, 1981.
- 2. To be eligible for the newcomer prize, entries must be postmarked by May 30th, 1982.
- 3. There is no limit to the number of players a person may register.
- 4 In case of duplicate entries, the earliest postmark will be in effect.
- 5. In case of ties, the prize money will be divided.
- 6. Newcomers who lose and then re-enter the tournament retain their newcomer status.
- 7. A person who has registered a newcomer need not be present at the tournament to win a prize.

## \$60,000.00 In Newcomer Prizes

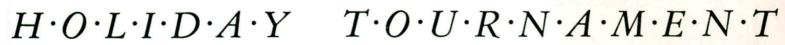
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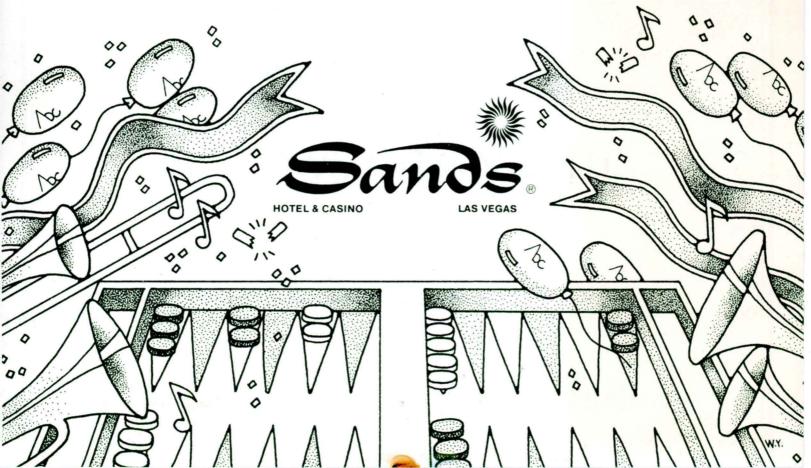
#### **Beginner** Tournament

Female Male *5,000.00 5,000.00*  5,00Q.00 5,000.00

For Additional Information write to: American Backgammon Championships, Inc.

> 575 Madison Avenue, Suite 1006 New York City 10022 212-489-1486







By winning just 3 rounds in the Holiday Tournament (main draw only), you're already in the money.

\$600.00 Championship Division

- 350.00 Intermediate Division
- 100.00 Beginner Division

### **REGISTRATION HOURS**

Wednesday, December 14th 1 P.M. - 7 P.M. Thursday, December 15th 11 A.M. - 2 P.M. Registration for the side events will be held open until noon SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17th

### SECOND CHANCE

A special feature of American Backgammon Championship Tournament is "Second Chance." Those eliminated in the preliminary rounds of the main draw have a second chance at all the top prizes.

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### SECOND CHANCE FEES

Championship	\$55
Intermediate	30
Beginner	15

The main draw of the Championship, Intermediate and Beginner Backgammon tournaments will begin at 4 P.M. Thursday, December 15th. PLAYERS CAN ONLY PLAY IN ONE DIVISION. Byes in all divisions will be based upon order of entry. All entries postmarked by October 25, 1983 are equal as to byes. Preregistration ends November 30, 1983. A late fee of \$15 will be charged if registration is made after this date. Only cash or travelers checks will be accepted for payment in Las Vegas.

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DOUBLES TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE: \$100 PER TEAM	SPECIAL HOLIDAY DERBY \$3000 ADDED ENTRY FEE: \$40
Play begins Wednesday and continues on Saturday	A fun filled tournament for all backgammon players. Beginning Wednesday, with continuous starting times until Saturday afternoon. Enter as often as you like.
THERE IS NO PRE-REGISTRATION IN THE DOU Tournament or the Derby, players must be registered	BLES OR THE DERBY. To be eligible for the Doubles
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\$38 per night, single or double. There will be a \$25 charge to players who are not registered	FOR RESERVATIONS CALL TOLL FREE:
guests at the Sands Hotel. Players sharing a room must have both names registered with the Hotel.	1-800-😂 4-6901 刘
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## \*15,000° TRIPLE CROWN NO ENTRY FEE

As a way of saying thanks to our regular backgammon players, ABC introduced **THE TRIPLE CROWN**, a no entry fee tournament with **\$15,000.00** in prize money. First Prize **\$7,000.00**, 2nd Prize **\$4,000.00**, 3rd and 4th Prizes **\$2,000.00** each. Only players who competed in the '82 Holiday Tournament, '83 June Tournament at the Sands, and are registered to play in the '83 Holiday Tournament are eligible. Triple Crown play will begin Wednesday evening at 8 P.M. PLAYERS ELIGIBLE FOR THE TRIPLE CROWN MUST CHECK OFF THE BOX ON THE ENTRY FORM.

## ELDORADO BACKGAMMON CLASSIC RENO/TAHOE February 29, March 1, 2, 1980

## \$10,000 Added by ELDORADO HOTEL AND CASINO DOWNTOWN RENO

#### PAUL MAGRIEL Tournament Chairman

HONORARY COMMITTEE

Ted Barr Nick Maffeo Hugh Sconers Martin Miller Backgammon Mike Jim Stern Dick Holsinger Drew Tensman Bill O'Brien Michael Maxakuli TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS Michael Maxakuli Stephen Lehman





FOR ROOM RESERVATION: Phone National Toll Free Number 800/648-5966

**1-786-5700** - For Nevada residents Please specify participation in Backgammon Tournament when making Hotel Reservations

Hotel Rate: 3900 + 6% Tax per night

Tournament Dates - Feb. 29, March 1, 2 Location - ELDORADO HOTEL & CASINO Reno, Nevada

#### ENTRY FEES +ADDED PRIZE \$

Division	Entry Fee	Added
Open	20000	500000
Intermediate	10000	150000
Beginners	5000	50000
Doubles	10000/team	200000
Super Consolat	ion 5000	100000
Added Prize Pool	Based on 200+ E	Entrants

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28
8 am - Squaw Valley Ski Trip
Pre-registration necessary
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29
Noon - 7 p.m REGISTRATION
7 - 8 p.m Complimentary cocktail party
and hors d'oeuvres buffet
courtesy Eldorado Hotel
and Casino
8 p.m. Doubles Play Commences
SATURDAY, MARCH 1
10 - noon · LATE REGISTRATION
Noon - Calcutta Auction -
Auctioneer, Stephen Lehman
2 p.m Backgammon play commences
Open - 2 out of 3 - 9 pt. matches
Inter - 2 out of 3 - 7 pt. matches
Begin - 2 out of 3 - 5 pt. matches
6 p.m Consolation begins, all divisions
SUNDAY, MARCH 2
Noon - Championship continues to
Conclusion
Noon - Consolation continues to
Conclusion
Noon - Super Consolation begins and
Continues to conclusion
Awards Presentation and
Payment of Prize Money
Concludes Play

Backgammon Room will remain open 24 hours For private Games and Chouettes