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Hoosier Pips

We have two copies of *The International Rating List* for anyone who wants one. Cost is \$10.00...Twenty-four players began the Fall League in 3 divisions, including the new Intermediate division. The next session begins in January, If you are interested, let us know... Someone has suggested that we have a tournament in one of the Malls. We will need a lot of help to pull this off. Sound interested?

Policy Review

HBC's goal is to always provide the most equitable and fair events possible. This includes starting events at the scheduled time. A couple of incidents this summer have occurred which requires a review of the official policy and responsibilities of both HBC and you, the players. The starting times are published in the HBC Newsletter and are well know to everyone. It is everyones responsibility to be at the place of play before the starting time, or call to let us know you are coming.

The draw for an event will be done with only those players present at the scheduled starting time. We want everyone who wants to play to do so. Players who have called but are not present will be added when they arrive. If they arrive 15 minutes after the starting time, they may still enter, but penalty points may have to be awarded.

If a player arrives late without calling, (s)he may or may not be able to play depending on space availability with grid in use. We hold any open spots for 10 to 15 minutes after the announced starting time. But if play has started with a full grid, it is not fair to players who arrived and started on time to stop play and redraw.







HBC to Offer Open House

HBC is planning an Open House. Most new players cannot be competative with our regular group on Thursdays. Because of this, will are offering Open Houses to improve the skill level of the beginner, novice, and intermediate players. We are hunting for volunteers to help. The date for the first session is Sunday, October 25th between 2-5 PM.

Weekend Tournaments for 1993

The National Labor Day Backgammon Tournament will return to the the Radisson Hotel for 1993. We are still hunting for a hotel to have the 41st Indiana Open. The dates for the Open are set for April 16-18. We welcome any suggestions.

Survey

Yes, remember the survey...it been months and a very busy summer for us. We'll cover as much of the survey as space allows each issue.

Question #1

Backgammon is something different to everyone. Rank in order of your importance on each aspect listed below?

Importance:	Most.				Least	
and of the property of the property	1	2	3	4	5	Weight
Social	4	7	3	2	1	62
Technical Aspect	1	3	1	6	2	34
Fun	6	8	4	1	0	76
Competition	8	2	6	2	0	70
Improvement	1	0	1	0	0	8

HBC Comments: **Fun** ranks just ahead of **competition** followed by **social**. It is our job to provide events that fill these needs.

Question #2

Do you usually play in the weekly tournament at SPATS? Yes: 11 No: 10

If your answer is NO, why not?

- 2 Runs too late.
- 1 Prize Pool too small.
- 6 Busy on Thursday evenings.
- 1 Play when in town.
- 1 Work 2nd shift.
- 1 Have to be at work early, especially Fridays.

HBC Comments: None necessary.

To Be Continued Next Issue...

HBC's Newsletter for active HBC members. Let us know if your address changes. Butch & Mary Ann Meese: (317) 845-8435. 7620 Kilmer Lane, Indianapolis, IN 46256-1634

	1992 HOOSIER BACKGAMMON CLUB Gammon Point Standings as of September 30th. HBC Player of the Month for September is Don Woods with 138 gammon points.				
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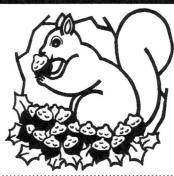
Open	1st 2nd	September 3rd Richard Armbruster Kevin McLeaster	September 10th Jim Curtis Eric George	September 17th Ken Bruck Don Woods	September 24th Don Woods Ken Bruck
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HBCs Fall One-Day Tournament Sunday, November 8th, 1992

Final Registration: 11:00 AM Play Begins: Noon

(**Eastern Time)

SPATS is offering a breakfast special for tournament players.



at SPATS 842-3465 Indianapolis,

Castleton Square
Between
J.C.Penneys
& L.S.Ayres

Open Division: \$70.00

(100% Return Sidepool Available)

Advanced Division: \$25.00

Intermediate Division: \$10.00

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Double Gammon Points

All Divisions 90% Return Format: Main-Consolation.

Late Fee: \$5°° Pre-Register by phone HBC 845-8435 and save the Late Fee. Day of tournament: Players checked in by 11:45 AM will be eligible for bye(s). If conditions arise that cause you to be late, please call us at SPATS 842-3465 to hold your spot. Cash only. Open and Advanced Division results to International Rating System.

Review of Players of Month for 1992

January Chuck Stimming	AprilLarry Strommen	July Gabe Stiasny
February Ken Bruck	May Chuck Stimming	AugustJim Curtis
March Kevin McLeaster	JuneJim Curtis	September Don Woods