



Hoosier Backgammon Club
 1759 Pemberton Lane
 Indianapolis, Indiana 46260
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27th Annual Indiana Open Championship

(I.A.C. April 25-27, 1980)

OPEN

Winner Darrell Marcus, Chicago
 Finalist Chem-fu YU, Dayton

* Semi-Finalists Marilyn Turner, Detroit
 Elliott Winslow, St. Louis
 Orrill Martin, Clearwater, Fla.

CONSOLATION

Winner Mike Giordano, Detroit
 Finalist Fred Chamanaro, Chicago
 * Semi-Finalists Mike Williams, Indianapolis
 Jack Fagan, St. Louis
 Don Desmond, Chicago

INTERMEDIATE

Winner Sterling Sherman, Indianapolis
 Finalist Phil Dunlap, St. Louis
 Semi-Finalists Dave Gage, Birmingham, Ala.
 Carthage, Ill.

CONSOLATION-Intermediate

Winner James Painter, Indianapolis
 Finalist Lucky Nelson, Indianapolis
 Semi-Finalists Butch Meese, Indianapolis
 Phillys Dunlap, St. Louis

DOUBLES

Winner Chem-fu Yu/Joel Levy, Dayton
 Finalist Kathy Posner, Atlanta
 Jim Bidzos, Cincinnati
 Mark Mikolon, Bloomington
 Dave Cardwell, Jackson, Mi.

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The Indiana 27th annual open tournament went right down to the wire with the score at 18-18 in the 19-point finals, Darrell Marcus, Chicago, winning over Chem-fu Yu, Dayton. Most of the 76 players in the championship flight had high praise for the Hoosier Backgammon Club technique of dividing the flight into five sections in order to avoid a first round with 40 byes and time-consuming complications in the consolation event. Fifty-eight players competed in the Intermediate flight with Sterling Sherman defeating Phil Dunlop, St. Louis, for first money.

The 28 Annual Indiana Open will be held about a month earlier according to Ralph B. Roberts, president of the club. Directors for the event were Frank Cook, Mark Jones and David Groner. Jack Bernstein was the auctioneer.

*Five section winners drew lots to determine which pair played an extra match. Loser shared equally in semi-finalist money.