

HOOSIER BACKGAMMON CLUB
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September 12, 1983

The Hoosier Backgammon Club has undergone a transformation. Mr Ralph Roberts has decided to retire, again-this time from the HBC. Yours truly will henceforth be responsible for the operation of your club. With this change, we will start playing again. We'll be at the Mohawk Apartments, Hawk's Nest room beginning Wed, September 21 at 7:30PM. Please register early so we can start on time.

On Wed. there will continue to be round robin and match play. I'd suggest that the match play change to 7 point matches with a defined movement and score it more like tournament play. Call me for more details if you like. The cube of course will no longer be changed. If need be we can put a time limit on matches.

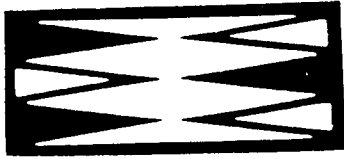
If there is interest in tournament type of play, ie elimination play, I'll be willing to arrange for Tues evening play of single elimination. There would be a limit of 16 players, 9 point matches, one hour per match, one winner, with the finalists having to win 4 matches to claim the win. (There would probably be bye's) Buy backs to fill the field will be permitted provided play is not seriously delayed. \$10 registration. Any interest?

In all cases, the prize money to the winners will be improved to 80 or 85%. In other words a reasonable amount without details of pennies. In general it will be around 85%. The balance will help offset expenses. Hopefully we can have some fun on various holidays and other special events.

Instruction and practice play with play comments will be set up for Sunday afternoons when I am in town if there is enough interest. This will be an ideal way for teenagers to get introduced to this game, and for others who want to improve their game without losing a lot of money in Chouette play. Present plans are to start on Oct 2 and Oct 30, from 2:00 to 5:00 for \$3 per member.

Plans are also being made for frequent one day tournaments of double-elimination. Three levels of play will be enjoyed. There are also plans being made for mixed doubles play and blind draw doubles. This program, ambitious as it is, is designed to rebuild interest in Backgammon in Indianapolis. Other plans are under foot but are not yet ready for any kind of release. Of ^{course} none of this will not succeed if there is no interest. I would appreciate your comments, either written or a phone call.

That happy glow that surrounds Mary Ann Meese is no mirage. She skillfully outplayed her ^{finalist} opponent, Susan Sylvester in the Louisville Tourny in the A division. Congratulations! Also present were Ron Black, George Crawford, Joan Najem, Bill Hodes, Butch Meese, Ralph Roberts, and yours truly.



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September 19, 1983

Dear Carl

This season, Marie and I want to do more traveling and to spend more time with our family in Miami, consequently, I am retiring from all management responsibilities of the Hoosier Backgammon Club.

The 32nd Annual Indiana Open is scheduled for March 31-April 1, 1984 at the Adam's Mark Hotel. The regular weekly meetings of the club are being held at the Mohawk Hills Apartment Clubhouse.

These and other events will be run by Lawrence A. Strommen. New Address:-

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You can count on Larry for full co-operation and for active support of all backgammon activities.

I plan to play more chouette and many tournaments and hope to see you soon, meanwhile, best of luck and thanks for all the help you have given the club. It's been 32 years of fun!

Sincerely,

Ralph B. Roberts
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ex-president

Please keep me in your best PBR