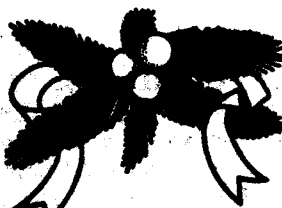




HOOSIER BACKGAMMON CLUB



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4th INDIANA Classic Backgammon Championship

In the past, players attending tournaments in Indianapolis asked "How come the tournaments are not held downtown?" The 4th INDIANA Classic was held downtown and a record crowd for the fall classic enjoyed the close proximity to Union Station and a dozen fine restaurants. HBC would like to thank John Brussel for auctioneering, Carol Joy Cole for providing door prizes and Doug Grey for his tasty chips. Butch and Mary Ann Meese were well assisted by Dave Cardwell and Jo Delano. HBC truly enjoyed seeing two local players, Howard Givel and Woody Woodworth, fighting for first and second in the Intermediate Division and for Ed Wright placing second in the Novice Division. Congratulations to all the winners. A pair of bifocal glasses were found at the tournament, call HBC to claim.

4th INDIANA Classic Backgammon Championship

Open Division (44)

- 1st Ralph Stowell (Minneapolis)
- 2nd Carol Joy Cole (Flint)
- C-1 DOC Rushford (Peoria)
- C-2 Ray Glaeser (NJ)



Intermediate Division (44)

- 1st HOWARD GIVEL (Indy)
- 2nd WOODY WOODWORTH (Indy)
- C-1 Kati Pratt (Dallas)
- C-2 Rich Sweetman (Chicago)
- C34 Scott Arche (Louisville)
- C34 Milad Doueih (Peoria)

Novice (19)

- 1st Dick Nelson (Peoria)
- 2nd ED WRIGHT (Indy)
- C-1 Larry Deckel (Louisville)
- C-2 Cindy Best (Peoria)

Open Doubles (32)

- 1(Laura Nuhn/John Carrico (MI)
- 2(Scott Arche/Paul Strasberg (Louisville)
- 3/4 Kati Pratt/Mervin Berger(TX/FL)
- 3/4 Steve Brown/Riley Harrison (MN)

Indy\$500 (14)

- 1st "THE GIRL" Wendy Kaplan (NY)
- 2nd "DT" David Todd (MI)

Sunday Jackpot (16)

- 1(Larry Whittenburg (IL)
- 2(Sarkis Jihanian (OH)

Hoosier Pips...HBC welcomes new players Tom Hirschinger and Bob Green...Look for a one-day tournament in February to award the 1987 TOP TEN...the TOP TEN will be awarded an engraved doubling cube plus the TOP FIVE will receive a cash prize...HBC would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Weekly Results	November 5th	November 12th	November 19th	November 22nd One-Day	
Open 1st	Larry Strommen	Mick Dobrats	Jim Curtis	Open (10)	Intermediate (9)
2nd	Cyrus Mobed	Butch Meese	Butch Meese	1st Bob Green (Cleve)	1st Larry Strasberg (Louis)
3rd	---	Larry Strommen	---	2nd Larry Strommen	2nd Mick Dobrats
Intermediate	Janna Pratt	John Ritzert	Brian Nelson		

1987 HOOSIER BACKGAMMON CLUB Gammon Point Standings as of November 30th

1)	Butch Meese	16.14	Patt Drippe	0.89	Tony Furdock	0.20
2)	Larry Strommen	12.28	Brian Nelson	0.68	Jessie Cabatingan	0.20
3)	Woody Woodworth	11.80	Susie Henderson	0.60	Tom Hirschinger	0.18
4)	Mary Ann Meese	10.35	Jo Delano	0.58	Dexter Skidmore	0.16
5)	Jim Curtis	8.85	Donald Walter	0.50	Rich Stannard	0.16
6)	Mick Dobrats	5.57	John Galambos	0.50	Steve Bartz	0.16
7)	Howard Givel	5.24	Paul Colpo	0.50	Randy Bruck	0.12
8)	Rick Reahard	5.14	Jim Mieske	0.48	Mike Kelley	0.12
9)	Chuck Stimming	3.86	Fred Bartz	0.48	Tom Walthes	0.12
10)	Cyrus Mobed	3.77	Bill Leiderbach	0.45	Paula Schultz	0.12
	Ed Wright	3.50	Art Overbay	0.44	Greg Varbinov	0.12
	Frank Baldwin	3.02	Ron Black	0.40	Dennis Schulte	0.10
	Bill Gheen	3.01	Dave Groner	0.38	Vickie Anderson	0.10
	Ralph Roberts	2.43	Ken Bruck	0.38	Bob Calhoun	0.08
	Stu Whitcomb	2.40	Gino D'Alesandro	0.38	Jim Wilson	0.08
	Frank Scott	2.35	Lee Burton	0.35	Jeff Baker	0.08
	George Crawford	2.02	Bob Burchetter	0.34	Larry Buckingham	0.06
	Mark Mikolon	1.71	Tom Hendryx	0.33	Randy Floit	0.06
	Bob Green	1.66	Mike Stall	0.32	Jean Cabatingan	0.06
	Donna Susens	1.44	Frank Cook	0.30	Vas Johnson	0.04
	Alan Tavel	1.24	Sylvia Strasberg	0.30	Chris Graves	0.04
	John Ritzert	1.22	Nick Leal	0.24	Mary Ann Boleman	0.04
	Walter Wallace	1.20	Janna Pratt	0.24	Mike Cyrkiel	0.04
	Ellis Bray	1.08	Paul Strasberg	0.24	Jim Schneider	0.04
	Gino Agresti	1.04	Scott Arche	0.24	Gerald Williams	0.04
	Larry Strasberg	1.00	Don Watkins	0.24	Paul Balog	0.02
	Bill Julian	0.95	Don Burton	0.22		
	Jim Knauer	0.92	Margaret Roberts	0.20		

HBC Plays
every Thursday
at the



9111 North Michigan
872-3446
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(Side Pool \$5.00)
Interm Free



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☐ Extra ** Extra ** Intermediate Players ☐

Brian Nelson won the November free entry into the 4th INDIANA CLASSIC in the Novice Division. There will also be winners for the months of January and February for the 36th INDIANA OPEN. HBC is encouraging the return of old friends, Intermediate and Novice players by allowing to play FREE in the Intermediate division. The player winning the most gammon points for a month will be awarded FREE entry into the Novice Division of the 36th INDIANA OPEN (non-transferable). An optional \$5.00 side pool will also be available.

Let us know what you think?

The double elimination format (DEF), popularly used primarily in the midwest, allows all players losing in the Main Flight a second chance to win first. Currently, for the single player coming out of the second chance to win first place, he must defeat the main flight winner twice and must also have won at least two more matches than the winner of the main flight. Does this seem fair? What do you think? Do you favor the present procedure of the winner of the main flight being guaranteed second place and has to be beaten twice or he is guaranteed second but the Final would be a single match for the championship. Send your preference and reasons why to the Hoosier Backgammon Club and the results will be summarized in next month's newsletter.

The 7th Annual North American Backgammon Championships is scheduled for January 27th to February 1st, 1988 in the Bahamas. HBC has flyers, if you are interested. If you plan to go, check with your travel agent for a package deal.

RENO 1986 by Bill Robertie

The long awaited new book RENO 1986 by Bill Robertie is now available. It contains two complete annotated matches from the Reno MASTERS. The first semifinal match has Nack Ballard playing Mike Senkiewicz while the second final match is Nack Ballard versus Howard Markowitz. The 274 page book has a new concept in backgammon instruction. You can order your copy from THE GAMMON PRESS, P.O. Box 294, Arlington, MA 02174 for \$30.

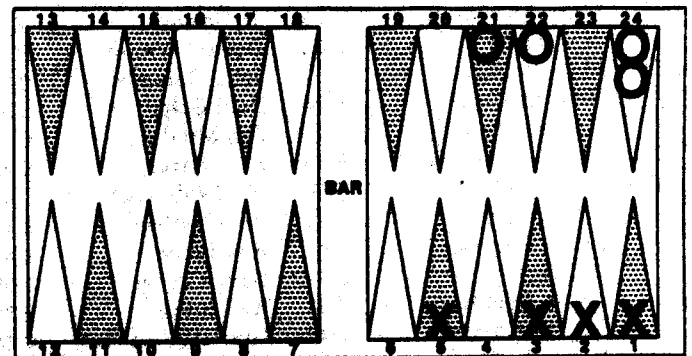
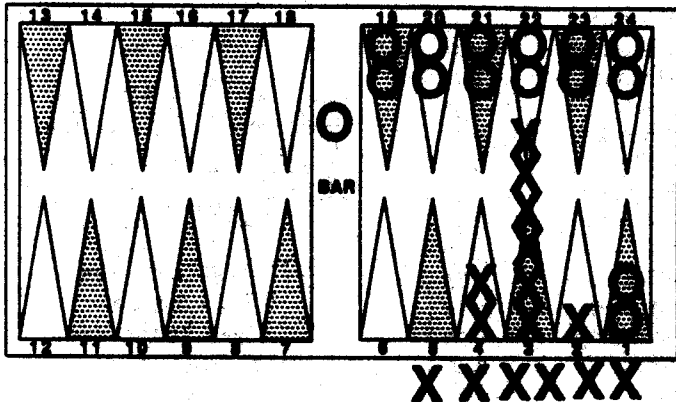
CHAMPIONSHIP BACKGAMMON Program

The word is out - a fairly good backgammon program for the IBM and true IBM compatibles. The program was co-written by Craig Chellstorp and has many options. It has match scoring, doubling, levels of difficulty, color graphics and much more. The best part is the price \$19.95. To order, call 1-800-826-0706 (in ILL 1-800-826-1330) and ask for 'Championship Backgammon' from Spinnaker Software Corp.

Interesting Positions From the 4th INDIANA CLASSIC

Position #1 - 11 Point Match
Score: X-6 O-3
O doubles to 8? As X what do you do?

Position #2 - 9 Point Match
Score: X-3 O-7
O on roll. As O do you double?
If O doubles, what do you do as X?



Readers are invited to submit solutions and the most accurate will be published in next month's newsletter.

Schedule of BACKGAMMON Events (Information and entry forms available thru HBC)		
Dec 11-14	LA Invitational & Backgammon Smorgasbord - Little Tokyo, LA	(619) 275-2151
Jan 20-24	5th Annual Nevada State BG Championships - Reno	(702) 826-1984
Jn27-Fb01	North American Backgammon Championships - Bahamas	HBC Hotline *
Feb 05-07	Easter Seal Benefit - Pittsburgh	(412) 241-1301
Feb 21st	Fleet Underwood Memorial and Benefit - Flint, MI	(313) 232-9731
Feb 26-28	Bluegrass Regional - Louisville	(502) 584-8419
Mar 05-12	Backgammon Tournament of the Pharoahs (\$50K Added) - Egypt	
* Mar 18-20	36th INDIANA OPEN - Atkinson Hotel	HBC Hotline *
Apr 08-10	Midwest Backgammon Championships - Chicago	(312) 338-6380
May 27-30	Boston Symphony Benefit - Sheraton-Commander Boston	(617) 547-4800
Aug 03-07	World Cup/Eastern Open - Sheraton-Commander Boston	(301) 942-4365
THURSDAYS	7PM at BOMBAY BICYCLE CLUB - 9111 North Michigan Road	872-3446