

# HOOSIER BACKGAMMON CLUB

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**Guess What? HBC is moving again ☞ ☞ Dooley O'Toole's ☞ ☞**  
HBC is moving to Dooley O'Toole's in Castleton next to Cub Foods starting Thursday April 14th. Dooley O'Toole's has a great atmosphere, fine menu and a separate playing room. A free entry will be given away each Thursday in April at Dooley O'Toole's. Just show up by 7:00 PM and you might play for free. In addition, each time you attend in April, your name will go into a drawing for \$40 off your entry fee for the 5th INDIANA CLASSIC. If you attend three times, you have three chances to win. See ya there.

## DOOLEY O'TOOLE'S

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### 36th INDIANA OPEN

Over a hundred players converged on Indianapolis for the 36th INDIANA OPEN. The highlight of the weekend was the two World Cup Qualifiers which were won by Wendy "The Girl" Kaplan (NY) and Alan Steffen (WA). In the Open Division, a strong field of players saw Bob Holyon get a first round bye, lose in the second round and then <drum roll> won 9 straight matches including two against Alan Steffen in the finals. An unique feat in-deed! Another unique feat was that husband, Paul Franks, captured the Intermediate top spot while wife, Mary Franks, won the Novice Division. Looks like the Franks family should have entered someone in the Open Division. HBC donated an Intermediate Division Entry into the 36th INDIANA OPEN for Operation Feed based in Columbus, OH which raised nearly \$300 and was won by John Bath. Players were asked to fill out a questionnaire and HBC rewarded two players by random draw. The winners, Karen Davis (Washington, DC) and Mick Dobratz (Indianapolis), won \$40 off their entry fee for the 5th INDIANA CLASSIC to be held in the fall. Many thanks to those who took the time to fill out the questionnaire. The results of the questions including feedback on the Holland Rule will be published in the HBC's national mailing for the 5th INDIANA CLASSIC. Director's Notes: New players attending the INDIANA tournaments are pleasantly surprised with the format used - true double elimination with progressive consolation. They are first intrigued by the complicated appearance of the grid but enjoy the fact that after two losses, they are still playing longer length matches than other formats. They also enjoy playing for a good share of the prize pool. This format will also be used at the Michigan Summer Championships in Flint, Michigan, July 22-24.

36th INDIANA OPEN		
<b>Open Division (51)</b> 1. Bob Holyon (Milwaukee) 2. Alan Steffen (WA) 3. Ray Glaeser (NJ) C1. TAK Morioka (Chicago) C2. Dean Adamian (MI)	<b>Intermediate (35)</b> 1. Paul Franks (Chicago) 2. Milad Doueihy (Peoria, IL) C1. Scott Arche (Louisville) C2. Ken Bruck (Ft Wayne) C34. HOWARD GIVEL (Indpls) C34. Pete Ryder (OH)	<b>Novice (18)</b> 1. Mary Franks (Chicago) 2. Darian Rezai (Columbus, OH) C1. Tom Meyer (IL) C2. JOHN RITZERT (Indpls)
<b>World Cup Qualifiers</b> #1. Wendy Kaplan (NY) #2. Alan Steffen (WA)	<b>Sunday \$50 Jackpot (16)</b> [1. Sarkis Jahanian (OH) [1. Jeff Kane (Milwaukee)	<b>Sunday \$25 Jackpot (16)</b> [1. Riley Harrison (St. Paul, MN) [1. Sylvia Strasberg (Louisville)
<b>Doubles (32)</b> 1. Rich Siebold/Gerald Vangsness (Milwaukee/West Allis, WI) 2. Dean Adamian/Brian Vance (Canton/Flint, MI) 3/4. Antoinette Williams/Karen Davis (New York City/Washington,DC) 3/4. Bob Holyon/Mark Anshus (Milwaukee/Wauwatosa,WI)		



**The RENO dates are set...June 16-19...U. S. Open Backgammon Championships**  
The Northern Nevada Backgammon Association will hold the U. S. Open Backgammon Championships at the Nugget Hotel and Casino with special room rates of \$52/night. A chouette tournament will be held on Wednesday the 15th with limited hotel rooms available for Wednesday only. The Megablitz is scheduled on Thursday and High Noon Shootout on Friday. The Masters entry fee will be \$1500 with open division at \$250, intermediate at \$125 and the novice at between \$35-\$50. A special double-elimination event, The Nevada Derby, will be held on Monday for those who want to stay over. If you want to book your flight early, call American Airlines and use STARFILE S74491 for an additional discount.

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## THE U.S. OPEN BACKGAMMON TOURNAMENT

Reno  
Nevada
June  
16-19  
1988

### \$12,500 Added

For further information write:  
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Mike Corbett - 7			Nack Ballard - 8		
Move	Roll	Played	Roll	Played	
1)	--	----	65	13	
2)	44	20 <sup>2</sup> 9 <sup>2</sup>	31	20	
3)	53	3 <sup>2</sup>	43	6	
4)	62	5x	43	21 3	
5)	63	14 5	32	5x-3	
6)	53	20 11	52	8 4	
7)		dbl to 2?		Take	
8)	32	8 4x	64	21x-15	
9)	52	20 7	43	8	
10)	51	4 7	53	8 3	
11)	62	2 4	41	4 2	
12)	64	7 9	64	3	
13)	53	2 <sup>F7</sup> 6	32	3 <sup>F8</sup>	
14)	54	11	51	2 <sup>F8</sup>	

**A Game from Reno Masters**

Game Note: With the position Corbett has on roll in move 27, he would average only 65 wins out of every 100,000 games. With the position Ballard has before rolling in move 27, he wins 97.7% of the time. And finally on move 28, Corbett wins on 3 rolls or 8.3%.

Mike Corbett			Nack Ballard		
Move	Roll	Played	Roll	Played	
15)	51	14	21	11x-10	
16)	53	20 8		Redbl to 4?	
17)		Take	11	5x <sup>2</sup>	
18)	11	24 5 <sup>F8</sup>	64	2 6	
19)	61	18 4	53	5	
20)	43	11	44	0 <sup>2</sup> 1 2	
21)	22	5 <sup>2</sup> F11,7	63	0 <sup>2</sup>	
22)	21	6 0	32	0 <sup>2</sup>	
23)	51	0 <sup>F6</sup>	63	0 <sup>2</sup>	
24)	32	0 <sup>2</sup>	41	0 <sup>F5</sup>	
25)	64	0 <sup>2</sup>	62	0 <sup>2</sup>	
26)	52	0 4	41	0 <sup>2</sup>	
27)	66	0 <sup>4</sup>	31	0 1	
28)	66	game			

1988 U. S. Open Backgammon Championships				
Murray Henderson 19	Murray Henderson 18			
Joe Sylvester 17		Frank Talbot 9		
Frank Talbot 19	Frank Talbot 19			
Alan Steffen 17			Kit Woolsey 23	
Howard Markowitz 7	Kit Woolsey 19			
Kit Woolsey 19		Kit Woolsey 21		
Dean Muench 19	Dean Muench 14			
Wendy Kaplan 16			<b>Reno Masters</b>	Kit Woolsey
Mike Corbett 19	Mike Corbett 19			
Joe Russell 17		Mike Corbett 15		
Alan Jones 9	Nack Ballard 6			
Nack Ballard 19			Hal Heinrich 22	
Mike Senkiewicz 18	Sandy Lubetkin 14			
Sandy Lubetkin 19		Hal Heinrich 21		
Billy Horan 18	Hal Heinrich 19			
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Open (83)	Intermediate (81)	Beginners (31)	Nevada Open Derby (15)	Megablitz (256)
1st Malcolm Davis	1st Michael Shardkin	1st Greg Daniel	1st Tom Walthes	1st Mike Corbett
2nd Kit Woolsey	2nd Vern Ausherman	2nd George Foster	2nd Mervin Berger	2nd Norm Wiggins
3/4 Neil Kazaross	3/4 Marsha Lynn	3/4 Jim Mason		3/4 Dennis Culpepper
3/4 Chuck Giallanza	3/4 Kathy Bauder	3/4 Barbara Liston		3/4 Sam Ahmed
(C1 Joe Russell	(C1 Henry Kimble	C1 Haida Mojdehi	<b>Nevada Interm Derby (16)</b>	
(C2 Hal Heinrich	(C2 Saab Henein	C2 Norbert Ganska	1st Ron Bruns	
			2nd Al Demirjian	

Doubles (64)	Chouette Tourny (28)	High-Noon Shoots Outs	(8 player fields)
1st Ami Tennenbaum/Sid Schneider	1st Mike Cyrkiel	#1 1st Yamin Yamin	2nd Tino Lechich
2nd Howard & Nikki Markowitz	2nd Harry Willett	#2 1st Ralph Stowell	2nd Lennie Dove
3/4 Fred Kalantari/Bob Schachter	3rd Wendy Kaplan	#3 1st Mike Corbett	2nd Howard Markowitz
3/4 Nack Ballard/Mike Senkiewicz	4th Kati Pratt	#4 1st Mike Razar	2nd Dean Muench
		#5 1st Phil Price	2nd Jim Pasco

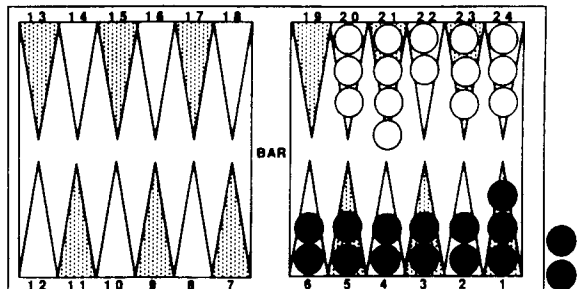
Answer to last month's problem!

5 Point Match, Score 0-0

Black doubles to 2?

Does White have a take?

Some bearoff positions can look deceptive like this one. Although white has a close pip count, black has a big advantage with two more pieces off. With this big advantage in an otherwise even position, white needs 2 sets of doubles over what black rolls to win. Black is favored by 84% and if black had the 2 pieces that are off on the 1-point, he would still be favored by 64%.



Schedule of BACKGAMMON Events (Information and entry forms available thru HBC)		
Jul 11-17	World Backgammon Championship - Monte-Carlo	(800) 221-4708
Jul 22-24	Michigan Summer Championships - Flint, MI	HBC Hotline
Aug 03-07	World Cup/Eastern Open - Sheraton-Commander Boston	HBC Hotline
Aug 08-14	Green Mt Festival of Backgammon - Vermont	(305) 527-4033
Aug 19-20	7th Annual All Georgia Championship - Atlanta, GA	(404) 257-0567
Sep 02-05	Labor Day Weekend Tournament - Ramada Inn, Louisville	(502) 584-8419
<b>OCT 07-09</b>	<b>5th INDIANA CLASSIC - Viscount Hotel, Indianapolis NE</b>	<b>HBC Hotline</b>
Dec 02-05	3rd Annual Backgammon On Board - Tropical Cruise	(312) 338-6380
<b>THURSDAYS</b>	<b>7PM at Dooley O'Toole's - Behind Castleton Sq on 86th St</b>	<b>849-7355</b>

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