

# WORLD AMATEUR BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP

*total prizes exceed*  
**\$500,000.00**

*June 22-27, 1982*



**American Backgammon Championships, Inc.** offers a variety of tournaments for players of all levels.

Featured are the **PLIMPTON CUP** (Amateur Tournament), named after the great all-time amateur **George Plimpton**, which has become the biggest backgammon tournament in the world. Everyone has a chance at winning the \$150,000.00 first prize since professional players are barred. The **BEGINNER** tournament is designed for the player who has never played in a major tournament. Where else does a player have a chance of winning \$25,000.00 for a \$75 entry fee! The **OPEN** tournament is for the professional backgammon player, or for any backgammon player wishing to try his skill against some of the best players in the world. It is possible for individuals to meet the eligibility requirements to enable them to play in more than one tournament. For example, Wayne Araki, a truckdriver from Vancouver Canada, lost in the first round of the Beginner Tournament, then entered the Amateur Tournament and became the winner of the third annual Plimpton Cup.

## PRIZE STRUCTURE

|                                                            | Amateur             | Beginner           | Open                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>First Prize . . . . .</b>                               | <b>\$150,000.00</b> | <b>\$25,000.00</b> | <b>45%</b>                                  |
| 2nd . . . . .                                              | 50,000.00           | 10,000.00          | 25%                                         |
| 3rd-4th . . . . .                                          | 20,000.00 each      | 5,000.00 each      | 15% each                                    |
| 5th-8th . . . . .                                          | 10,000.00 each      | 2,500.00 each      | —                                           |
| <b>Newcomer Prizes . . . . .</b>                           | 40,000.00           | 20,000.00          |                                             |
| 1st 125 players to win 3 rounds in the Main Draw . . . . . | 800.00 each         | —                  | \$1,000.00 each                             |
| <b>Early Bird . . . . .</b>                                | 30,000.00           | 5,000.00           |                                             |
|                                                            | <b>\$450,000.00</b> | <b>\$80,000.00</b> | <b>\$10,000.00</b><br>+ \$500.00 per player |

## ★ NEWCOMER PRIZES ★

**NEWCOMER PRIZES:** In the **AMATEUR** tournament the male and female newcomers who go the furthest will win \$10,000.00 each. **THOSE WHO SIGN UP THE WINNING AMATEUR NEWCOMERS WHO GO THE FURTHEST WILL ALSO RECEIVE \$10,000.00 each.** In the **BEGINNER** tournament the male and female newcomers who go the furthest will win \$5,000.00 each. **THOSE WHO SIGN UP THE WINNING BEGINNER NEWCOMERS WHO GO THE FURTHEST WILL ALSO RECEIVE \$5,000.00 each.** It is not necessary to win the tournament in order to win the newcomer prize, a player must only finish ahead of other newcomers of the same sex.

**NEWCOMER ELIGIBILITY:** A newcomer is a player who has never played in an American Backgammon Championships Inc. tournament before August 1, 1981. Players must have their entries in the Amateur and/or Beginner divisions postmarked by May 30, 1982, to be eligible for newcomer prizes; players who have not pre-registered in a particular division are **not** eligible for newcomer prizes in that division. Newcomers who lose and then re-enter the tournament retain their newcomer status. If you have registered a newcomer you need not be present at the tournament to win a prize. There is no limit to the number of players you may register. In case of ties, the prize money will be evenly divided. The player who signs up another player must write his or her name on the entry form in the space provided.

**If a newcomer wins the Plimpton Cup the person who signs them up will win \$50,000.00.**

**If a newcomer wins the Beginner Tournament the person who signs them up will win \$20,000.00.**

## ADDED EVENTS

### KICK-OFF TOURNAMENT \$25,000.00

(In Prizes)

**\$25. ENTRY FEE:** Players wishing to enter this tournament must register in Las Vegas by 6 P.M. June 22, 1982. Matches start at five points. The first 45 players who win three rounds, receive 5 nights free lodging (room only), if Dunes Hotel reservations have been made with a deposit by April 30, 1982.

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| 1st Prize            | \$ 8,000.00 |
| 2nd Prize            | 4,000.00    |
| 3rd Prize—4th Prize  | 1,500.00    |
| 45 3rd Round Winners |             |

### DAILY DOUBLES

There will be a Doubles Tournament with daily starting times Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Finals: Sunday.

Entry Fee: \$100. per team (80% Return)

Matches start at 7 points

There will be no pre-registration in the added events

## ELIGIBILITY

A player's tournament record is used as a guide to their amateur status. American Backgammon Championships, Inc. realizes the amount of money won in any single tournament is not always the best indication of Amateur status or skill level. An Eligibility Committee headed by Billy Eisenberg, Oswald Jacoby, and Paul Magriel has been formed to rule on the eligibility of players.

Any player who has ever won over \$1,000 (after deducting entry fees) in a single tournament must include a letter to the Eligibility Committee with their entry form stating details of all tournament winnings and any other information that might have a bearing on their amateur status.

All professional players are ineligible for the Plimpton Cup regardless of winnings.

**The Beginner Tournament is for beginners only!** A player who has ever won \$250 in cash or merchandise in any tournament, or has played in a championship division in a major national tournament does not qualify. A player may enter both the Amateur and Beginner tournaments, if eligible.

American Backgammon Championships, Inc. reserves the right to refuse entry, without explanation, to anyone it deems detrimental to the best interest of the tournament. A player who enters under the pretext meeting our qualifications will be subject to disqualification at any point during the tournament. (Previously players have been disqualified as late as the 5th round.)

## TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Staggered starting times is a special concept of American Backgammon Championships, Inc. Players may start playing in the tournament Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. This format enables tournament participants to attend the tournament on a schedule which is most convenient for them. In the Beginner and Amateur Tournaments up to 128 players in each division may start play in other countries. These players are ineligible for the Newcomer and Early Bird prizes. Players may enter more than one tournament if the eligibility requirements are met. Re-entry will be allowed if time permits.

## PLIMPTON CUP (Amateur)

### MAIN DRAW

**Wed. starters play:** 3 Matches of 11 pts., Thurs. 4-6th rounds  
**Thurs. starters play:** 3 Matches of 11 pts., 4-6th rounds Fri. at 10 A.M.  
**Wed. and Thurs. starters play:** 7-8th rounds, Fri. at 8 P.M.  
**Fri. starters play:** 5 Matches of 7 pts. Last starting time: Fri. at 2 P.M.  
**Fri. starters play:** 6-8th rds. matches Sat. at 9 A.M.

### SECOND CHANCE

Sign up after losing in the Main Draw.  
7 point matches. Played down to 3 players which will be combined with 5 players from the Main Draw to provide the 8 quarter-finalists.

All Byes based upon order of entry.

Winners in the Main Draw (5 players) & Second Chance (3 players) Combined Saturday at 5 P.M.

Finals at 10 A.M. Sunday (17 Points)

## BEGINNER

**Wed. starters play:** 3 Matches of 5 pts., Thurs. 4-6th rounds  
**Thurs. starters play:** 3 matches of 5 pts., Fri. at Noon 4-6th rounds  
**Wed. and Thurs. starters play:** 7th-8th rounds, Fri. at 9 P.M.  
**Fri. starters play:** 5 matches of 5 pts. Last starting time: Fri. at 5 P.M.  
**Fri. starters play:** 6-8th rounds, Sat. at 10 A.M.  
Byes based upon order of entry.  
**FINALS: Saturday 10 P.M. 9 points).**

## OPEN \$10,000.00 ADDED

**Start play Wednesday or Thursday.**  
Main draw 15 point matches  
Second chance 11 point matches  
**Thurs. at 2 P.M.**—last starting time  
Byes given based upon order of entry  
**Finals: Sat. at 7 P.M. (21 points)**

## EARLY BIRDS

Players who mail their entry forms by April 30th, 1982. The Early Bird prize will be split among eligible players who win 6 rounds but do not win one of the top prizes.

## SECOND CHANCE

A unique feature in the Amateur and Open Tournaments is the Second Chance flight. Those eliminated in the preliminary rounds have a second chance at all the top prizes. Three (3) out of the final eight (8) players will come from Second Chance. There will be a \$100 fee for those choosing to sign up for a second chance. Chico Felberbaum lost in the main draw of the amateur tournament, entered the second chance and won the First Plimpton Cup. Three other second chance players have made it to the finals of the Plimpton Cup.

## RULES

Standard American Backgammon Championships, Inc. rules will be used. Time permitting, re-entry will be allowed. All prizes are to be paid on June 27, 1982 with the exception of winners of \$20,000.00 or more. Those winners will be paid \$10,000.00 of their winnings on June 27, 1982, and \$10,000.00 annually beginning July 1st, 1983 until paid in full with the exception of the winner of the Plimpton Cup who will be paid \$20,000.00 on June 27, 1982 and \$20,000.00 annually beginning July 1st, 1983, out of funds to be placed in escrow at the Valley Bank of Nevada, until paid in full.

For additional information write or call:  
American Backgammon Championships, Inc.  
575 Madison Ave. N.Y., N.Y. 10022  
(212) 486-1489 (10 A.M.—5 P.M. eastern time)

## SPECIAL AIRFARES ON TWA

American Backgammon Championships Inc. is proud to announce that special discounted air fares have been negotiated with TWA exclusively for all ABC registrants and guests.

**ABC will save you an additional \$20 per round trip off the lowest possible fares from your home city on TWA flights! \$20 lower than the lowest individual, super-saver, jackpot or group fare!**

These special discounted air rates will be offered to all ABC players and guests on TWA flights to Las Vegas between June 19-28, 1982.

TWA #-800-325-4933 In Missouri 800-392-1673 In St. Louis 314-291-5589 Just mention ABC Backgammon

The advanced booking and ticketing restrictions that exist on all other discounted airfares have been waived, and in most cases, permits ticketing up to the day prior to departure.

Special discounted airfares for all cities must be booked through Karson Travel or TWA.

Call Sue at Karson Travel as soon as possible to secure the best possible flights. Special reservation number between 9 A.M.—5 P.M. Mon.-Fri. 212-347-0058 or nationwide 800-645-2182.

## ROOM RESERVATIONS

Call the Dunes Hotel special Backgammon Number (800) 634-6974 for room reservations. All rooms will be at the special rate of \$45 per night plus tax, (single or double occupancy). Indicate preference for Poolside, North Tower, or South Tower. The tournament will be held in the North Tower.

**The first 45 players who win three rounds in the kick-off tournament, and have made their room reservations with a one-night deposit by April 30th, 1982, will win five nights and six days (room only June 22-27) at the Dunes.**

### Payment Alternatives

Deposit, mailed by May 30,  
Balance June 22-25, (Cash Only)

| Amateur      | Beginner     | Open         |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| \$ 25        | \$ 25        | \$ 25        |
| 375          | 50           | 475          |
| <b>\$400</b> | <b>\$ 75</b> | <b>\$500</b> |

OR

Pay by cash when registering  
at the Dunes Hotel in Las Vegas

**\$450 \$125 \$550**

**Amateur Registration closes at 2 p.m. Friday June 25th, 1982.**

**Beginner Registration closes at 5 p.m. Friday June 25th, 1982**

**Open Registration closes at 2 p.m. Thursday June 24th, 1982**

### Incentives to register early

1. All byes will be given based upon order of registration. All entries by March 15, 1982 will be equal as to byes.
2. \$35,000.00 in Prizes for the Early Birds (reg. before April 30th) who win 6 rounds but don't win one of the top prizes.
3. Register prior to May 30 and save a \$50.00 late charge.
4. Any monies won after entry form is received by A.B.C. will not jeopardize amateur status.
5. Only those registered by May 30th are eligible for Newcomers Prize.

American Backgammon Championships has held tournaments with total prizes exceeding \$2,000,000.00.

## ENTRY FORM A B C

Mail your entry form with deposit to:  
**American Backgammon Championships, Inc.**  
Suite 1006 575 Madison Avenue  
N.Y., N.Y. 10022 (212)486-1489

Check appropriate box or boxes:

- ☐ Amateur (\$25 deposit) ☐ Newcomer  
☐ Beginners (\$25 deposit) ☐ Male ☐ Female  
☐ Open (\$25 deposit)

### NEWCOMERS ONLY

I certify that I have never played in an A.B.C. tournament prior to August 1st, 1981:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Referred by: Name \_\_\_\_\_  
and Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Player \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

CITY STATE ZIP

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Here is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to:

**American Backgammon Championships Inc.**

Charge my Master Charge ☐ Visa ☐ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\$25 cancellation charge

Entries are not transferable after pre-registration closes May 30th 1982.

### Fill in if you wish to have Casino Credit at the Dunes Hotel.

Bus. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ No Yrs. \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

### Checking Accounts

Bank #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Bank # \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Credit Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Currently have casino credit at \_\_\_\_\_

### Credit Cards

Am. Exp. # \_\_\_\_\_

Visa # \_\_\_\_\_

Master Ch. # \_\_\_\_\_

Diner's # \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's Lic. # \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_