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Backgammon

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C H A M P I O N S H I P

June 26 - July 1st, 1983

☼ **Sands Hotel, Las Vegas**

Rep. #32 12:50 - 1:39 - Sun. 6/26 Meyerson

#883 5:35 - 6:25 - Sat. 7/2

Burbank

24 hr. cancellation

The 7th Annual Plimpton Cup
June 26 - July 1, 1983

\$60 round trip

World Backgammon Championships

Total Prizes
Exceed:

\$ 500,000.00

purchase
by 6/17

Prize Structure	Amateur Championship	Beginner	World Championship
First Prize	\$100,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00
2nd Prize	\$50,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$17,500.00
3rd - 4th Prize	\$20,000.00 each	\$5,000.00 each	\$10,000.00 each
5th - 8th Prize	\$10,000.00 each	\$2,500.00 each	Top Amateur \$5,000.00
Early Bird	\$25,000.00	\$5,000.00	
3rd round winners in the Main Draw	500.00 each	—	\$750.00 each
3rd round winners in 2nd Chance	Free Room*	—	Free Room*
5th round winners in the Beginners	—	Free Room*	

*To win a free room at the **Sands Hotel** during the tournament a player must be a registered guest of the Sands Hotel prior to starting his first round of play. If a player wins more than one room, or roommates both win rooms, only one free room will be awarded.

If there are 800 or more entries in the Amateur tournament, First Prize will be increased to \$150,000.00

NEWCOMER PRIZE:

A newcomer is a player who has never played in an American Backgammon Championship, Inc. tournament before August 1st, 1982. In the Amateur Tournament the five newcomers who go the furthest will win \$1,000.00 each in addition to any other prize money they may win. In the Beginner Tournament the 2 newcomers who go the furthest will win \$1,000.00 each.

A person who signs up a winner of the newcomer prize in either tournament will also win \$1,000.00. Players must have their entries in the Amateur and/or Beginner divisions postmarked by May 30th, 1983 to be eligible for newcomer prizes. The player who signs up another player must write his or her name on the entry form in the space provided.

\$30,000.00 IN EARLY BIRD PRIZES

Players who mail their entry forms by April 30th, 1983 and make their Sands Hotel reservations by May 15th, 1983 are eligible for the Early Bird prize. The Early Bird prize is split among eligible players

who win 6 rounds in the Main Draw but do not win one of the top prizes. Byes will not count as a round won. A player must be a registered guest at the Sands Hotel to qualify for the Early Bird prize.

RE-ENTRY

Staggered starting times make it possible for limited re-entry in the Beginner, Amateur, Open, and Doubles Tournaments. A player may not re-enter the Amateur or Open tournaments

until he has lost in Second Chance. A player who re-enters a tournament does not lose any of his rights as to Early Bird, Bye, or Newcomer status.

ADDED EVENTS

THE KICK-OFF TOURNAMENT \$15,000.00 IN PRIZES

\$25 ENTRY FEE. Limited to 512 entries. Players wishing to enter this tournament should register in Las Vegas by 2 P.M. Sunday June 26, 1983. Five point matches. Registration will be held open until there are 512 entries.

First Prize \$7,000.00, Second Prize \$4,000.00
Third-Fourth \$2,000.00

DOUBLES

There will be Doubles tournaments starting Wednesday, entry fee \$100. Seven point matches. 80% of all entry fees will be returned as prize money.

There is 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 will rule on the eligibility of players. Any player who has ever won over \$1,000 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.

American Backgammon Championship, 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 of 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.)

SECOND CHANCE

A unique feature in the Amateur and Championship 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 is a \$100 fee for those signing up for a second chance.

RULES

Standard American Backgammon Championships, Inc. rules are used. Time permitting, re-entry will be allowed. The open division of the world championship will be limited to 160 players. All prizes will be paid on July 1st, 1983 with the exception of prizes of \$25,000.00 or more. Those winners will be paid \$10,000.00 of their winnings on July 1st, 1983, and \$10,000.00 annually beginning July 1st, 1984 until paid in full with the exception of the winner of the Plimpton Cup who will be paid \$20,000.00 annually. The winner of the Amateur will have the option of taking his winnings in one payment of \$75,000.00 and the second place winner in the amateur may choose to take his winnings in one payment of \$40,000.00. The world professional champion may choose to take his winnings in one \$30,000.00 payment. A player must pre-register by specified dates in each tournament in order to qualify for Early Bird, Bye, and/or Newcomer status.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Staggered starting times is a special concept of American Backgammon Championships, Inc. Players may start playing in the tournament Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. This format enables tournament participants to attend the tournament on a schedule which is most convenient. You may enter more than one tournament if you meet the eligibility requirements. Re-entry will be allowed if time permits.

PLIMPTON CUP (Amateur)

MAIN DRAW

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

SECOND CHANCE

Sign up once after losing in main draw. 7 point matches. Played down to 3 players which will be combined with 5 players from 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 Thursday at 5 P.M.
Finals at 10 A.M. Friday.**

BEGINNER

Mon. starters: 3 Matches of 5 pts., Tues. 4-6th rounds
Tues. starters: 3 matches of 5 pts., Wed. at Noon 4-6th rounds
Mon. and Tues. starters: 7th-8th rounds, Wed. at 9 P.M.
Wed. starters: 5 matches of 5 pts. Last starting time: Wed. at 5 P.M.
Wed. starters: 6-8th rounds, Thurs. at 10 A.M.
Byes based upon order of entry.
FINALS: Thursday 10 P.M.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

(Limited to 160 Entries)

Start play Sunday, Monday or Tuesday
Main draw 15 point matches
Second chance 11 point matches
Tues. at 2 P.M. - last starting time
Byes given based upon order of entry
Finals: Thurs. at 7 P.M.

For additional information write or call:

American Backgammon Championships, Inc.

575 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. 10022
(212) 605-0222 (10 A.M. - 4 P.M. eastern time)

Sands. ROOM RESERVATIONS

The 7th Annual Plimpton Cup will be held at the **Sands Hotel**. Special Room rates are available to Tournament players. There will be no extra charge for a second person in a room (Third person in a room is \$10/night extra.)

Backgammon Rate

\$50 per night
60 per night
70 per night (petite suite)
135 per night (1 BR suite)

Normal rates

\$60-65 per night
75-85 per night
95 per night
170-200 per night

There are only a limited number of rooms available at each rate. Make your reservations early in order to get your choice of room rate. Reservations must be made by May 15th, in order to be eligible for the Early Bird prize. All rooms will be available at 2 p.m. on the day of check in.

To make room reservations call the Sands Hotel at 702-733-5000 or 800-634-6901.

Players who win 3 rounds in second chance of the **Amateur** or the **Professional World Championship**, or 5 rounds in the **Beginner** Tournament and are registered guests of the Sands Hotel prior to their first round of play, will receive their room free for the duration of the

tournament. It is important that players sharing a room must have both names registered in the hotel in order to be eligible. A player or roommates may not receive more than one complimentary room.

PAYMENT ALTERNATIVES

	Amateur	Beginner	Open
Deposit, mailed by May 30,	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
Balance June 26-29 (Cash Only)	375	35	475
OR	\$400	\$ 60	\$500

Pay by cash when registering at the Sands Hotel in Las Vegas **\$450 \$100 \$550**

Amateur registration closes at 2 p.m. Wed. June 29th, 1983.

Beginner Registration closes at 5 p.m. Wed. June 29th, 1983.

Championship Registration closes at 2 p.m. Tues. June 28th, 1983.

Entries are not transferable after pre-registration closes May 30, 1983.

INCENTIVES TO REGISTER EARLY

1. All byes will be given based upon order of registration.
2. \$30,000.00 in prize money for the Early Birds who win 6 rounds but don't win one of the top prizes.
3. Register prior to May 30 and save \$50.00.
4. Any monies won in a tournament after entry form is received by A.B.C. will not jeopardize amateur status.

American Backgammon Championships has held tournaments with total prizes exceeding \$3,000,000.00.

ENTRY FORM

for official use only. EB NC A B O a b c J/83

Mail your entry form with deposit to:

American Backgammon Championships, Inc.

Suite 1006 575 Madison Avenue
N.Y. N.Y. 10022 (212)605-0222

Check appropriate box or boxes:

- ☐ **Amateur (\$25 deposit)** ☐ **Open (\$25 deposit)**
☐ **Beginners (\$25 deposit)** ☐ **Newcomer**
\$25 cancellation charge.

signed up by _____ Phone _____
(for newcomers only)

I certify that I have never played in an A.B.C. tournament prior to Aug. 1st, 1982. Signature _____

Player _____

Address _____

CITY STATE ZIP

Telephone _____

Social Security # _____

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

American Backgammon Championships Inc.

Charge my Master Charge ☐ Visa ☐

Account # _____

Name _____ Exp. Date _____

Amount _____ Signature _____

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

BUS. NAME _____ POSITION _____ No Yrs. _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST. _____ ZIP _____ PHONE () _____

CHECKING ACCOUNTS

BANK _____ BRANCH _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ACCOUNT NO. _____

Amount of credit requested \$ _____

Currently have Casino credit at _____
file pa-ef

CREDIT CARDS

Am. Exp. # _____

VISA # _____

Master Ch. # _____

Driver's Lic. # _____

STATE _____

Birthdate _____/_____/_____