Gammon Associates is donating \$1 to the USBGF for each main-division player who competes in our ABT event

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'OPEN"	division winners	, over 33 years
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Ìst	Jay Frydman	(1981)
5th	Faramarz Borna	(1983)
10th	Bahman Fathi	(1985)
15th	Elli Nache	(1987)
20th	Bob Glass	(1989)
25th	Paul Gedigian	(1991)
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30th	Joe Harris	(1993)
33rd	Odis Chenault	(1995)
34th	Dave Williams	(1111)
35th	Joe Russell	
36th	Ernest Ho	(1996)
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38th	Doug Mayfield	(1997)
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40th	Steve Sax	
41st	Doug Mayfield	(1998)
42nd	Tom Zarrinnam	(1555)
43rd	Jeff Burdsall	(1999)
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45th	Mike Ungerleider	(2000)
46th	Mike Sharp	(2000)
47th	Bob Wachtel	(2001)
48th	Sho Sengoku	(2001)
49th	Ray Fogerlund	(2002)
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50th	Norm Wiggins	
51st	Mike Ungerleider	(2003)
52nd	Art Grater	(2000)
53rd	Wayne Jeffcoat	(2004)
54th	Jona Alexander	(CA State Champ.)
55th	Jason Lee	(2005 L.A. Open)
56th	Stepan Nuniyants	
57th	Bob Glass	(2006 L.A. Open)
58th	Kenneth Fischer	(CA State Champ.)
59th	Bart Brooks	(2007 L.A. Open)
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60th	Adrian Costa	(CA State Champ.)
61st	Ray Fogerlund	(2008 L.A.Open)
62nd	Hugh Sconyers	(CA State Champ.)
63rd	Ray Fogerlund	(2009L.A.Open)
64th	Joe Russell	(CA State Champ.)
65th	Richard Munitz	(2010 L.A. Open)
66th	Malcolm Davis	(CA State Champ.)
67th	Harvey Gillis	(2011 L.A. Open)
68th	Todd Crosner	(CA State Champ.)
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70th	Steve Sax	(CA State Champ.)
71st		(2013 L.A. Open)
72nd		(CA State Champ.)
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74th		(CA State Champ.)
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Directed by:

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- -Neil Kazaross
- -Norm Wiggins

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-Carol Joy Cole & Bill Davis

Auctioneer: -Phil Simborg

Video/Streaming: Michelle Steinberg

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DEPOSITS: see amounts on the Entry Form; must be postmarked by May 23, 2015, the remainder is due at final registration [9 PM Friday night], in Cash only. (All deposits are refundable prior to doing the draws on Friday & Saturday.) RULES:

We will be using the 2014 Tournament Backgammon Rules & Standards Guide. You can view it or print it from our website: GammonAssociates.com



We are a U.S. Backgammon

Federation "Prime Tournament" with \$1,000 added money into our "DMP" event. You can become a member to be eligible to win it. Please support our growing backgammon player's organization. USBGF.org

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HOTEL

Our venue is The HILTON at Los Angeles
Airport. Preferred group rate of
\$114/night. When booking within special
group block you will receive complimentary
sleeping room Wi-Fi & discounted parking
rate of \$12/day with In/out.

Our event hotel has a cut-off date of MAY. 21st. Make your hotel reservations early, to insure you get our group rate. RESERVE NOW and cancel later, if necessary.

Make your reservations directly at the phone numbers below. Please use the

group-code is "ABT" "Backgammon Tournament"

RESERVATIONS:

Direct: 310.410.4000 Toll Free:1.**800.HILTONS**

The HILTON at LAX

5711 West Century Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90045

Transportation

Free 5-minute shuttle ride from LAX to the hotel. Exit any baggage terminal and go to the overhead RED (hotel shuttles) signs. HILTON makes the rounds every 15-20 minutes.

<u>DRIVING</u>—to LAX from the 405 Frwy (North or South), exit at the Century Blvd off ramp. Go West on Century Blvd ~1.0 mile. The HILTON is on your RIGHT at 5711 W. Century Blvd.

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Presents the 2015

LOS ANGELES OPEN





B A C K G A M M O N T O U R N A M E N T

June 5-7, 2015

The **HILTON-LAX** Hotel

5711 West Century Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90045 Phone: (310) 410.4000

Please bring your

Backgammon Board & Digital Clock



Registration Closes On Friday night at 9:00 pm (For the Open and Advanced divisions only)

TOURNAMENT EVENTS

Our LOS ANGELES OPEN is on the "2015 American Backgammon Tour".

SUPER-32: High equity, single elimination, all matches **CLOCKED**, 3-rounds on Friday. Early start 2pm, Late start 6:30PM.

Paul Dingwell Amateur: for players not of high championship caliber; single elimination. (5% per to charity, "Ronald McDonald House") **OPEN****: Open to all players. All matches CLOCKED (see Game clocks).

ADVANCED**: Our middle division. No entrant will be allowed to play below his/her level.

LIMITED**: is for minimal skill level & tournament experience. → Register or call for approval.

DMP-(DoubleMatchPt): Continuous entry; \$1,000 added money "IF" a USBGF member.

			1 st -Rnd	
	Entry	% ret.	<u>MxLn</u>	<u>Starts</u>
SUPER-32	\$450	90%	11 pts	Fri <u>(max 40)</u>
P.D.Amateu	r\$220	85%	9 pts	Fri <u>(max 32)</u>
OPEN **	\$300	85%	11 pts	Sat <u>(max 64)</u>
Advanced**	\$150	80%	9 pts	Sat (max 64)
LIMITED **	\$ 60	80%	7 pts	Sat.
DOUBLES	\$200	80%	7 pts	Fri./Sun.
BLITZes	\$ 40	80%	5 pts	all weekend
SENIORS	\$ 50	80%	7 pts	all weekend
DMP (1-Pt)	\$ 20	80%	UBSG	F added \$1,000
Jackpots \$	100/\$50	80%	7 pts	Sun. pm

**events = "Main and Second Chance plus Progressive Consolation"; means you have three chances to win the cash prizes. A 64player field will pay 9-places. The FINALS will be ONE match only.

Note: side events (e.g. Doubles, BLITZ, DMP, SENIORS) are for players registered in the SUPER-32, P.D.Amateur, OPEN, ADV, or LIMITED, others must pay a one-time tournament fee of \$20.

Please Bring Your Backgammon Board

Gammon Associates reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone, whether to play or to observe.

BYES: all entries, whether pre-paid or last minute registrations, will be equally eligible.

SIDE POOLS: There will be side pools available in SP32, Open, PD-Amateur, Doubles, & Advanced): 100% return going to the two players in each pool who go the furthest in the event (2/3 to 1st & 1/3 to 2nd). [Side Pool payout *hierarchy* will be posted for the main events.1

GAME CLOCKS: All matches will be CLOCKED in the OPEN, & Super-32 (13sec/2min), & Doubles (18sec/2.5min). Digital Clock Rules will be in use (see website). At the Tournament Director's discretion, a clock may be required for any match.

Calcutta Auction: We will AUCTION the OPEN & ADVANCED players to allow you to predict & participate in their successes (85% return, 5% is to charity). Starts 10am Saturday.

2015 American Backgammon Tour: The prize winners (Open/Advanced/Limited) will garner ABT Master Points. This event is a Non-**Smoking Tournament.**

CELL PHONES must be **silent** while matches are in progress. Infractions may cost a penalty point. Please leave the room before answering a vibrating phone call.

VIDEO-FRIENDLY: we are supportive of those who want to "record" Open or Advanced level matches. If the opponent requests it, s/he is entitled to a copy and also may require no other sharing of the recorded match. If conflicts, the Director's decision is final

HOSPITALITY FEE: \$20/player includes: Snacks for all three days. Coffee/Tea both mornings plus sweet rolls (Sat.), bagels (Sun.)

SENIORS: Continuous entries at \$50 each, 7point matches. Open to all players 50 years and older.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE				
Friday (JUN. 5	(th)			
12:30 pm	registration opens (—-Cash only—-)			
1:00 pm	DMP & BLITZes. 4-player brackets.			
"SHDED-32" (lii	(5 pts)available all three days mited to 40 players) "Paul Dingwell			
	imited to 40 players)			
2:00 pm	'Early start', 3-rnds Friday			
3:00 pm	SENIORS 7pts continuous entry 'Late start', SUPER-32 3-rnds Fri.			
<mark>6:30 pm</mark>	'Late start', SUPER-32 3-rnds Fri.			
7:00 pm	DINGWELL Amateur 3 rnds Fri.			
7:30 pm	DOUBLES start (+ new entries Sun.)			
9:00 pm FINAL	. registration closes for			
·	OPEN and ADV divisions.			
	No match started past 11:45pm.			
12:30 am	Expected end of play for Friday			
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Saturday (JUN				
9:30 am 10-11:15 am	Registration: Final cash payments CALCUTTA AUCTION & buybacks			
	& ADVANCED" divisions			
11:15 am	Public drawings both divisions			
	1 st -3 rd rounds of play with			
(11:45am ADV)				
(Consolation as matches			
	are completed in the main draw.			
5-7:00 pm	Dinner Break (2 hours)			
7:00 pm	PLAY continues			
	MAIN rounds # 4-thru-6 ,			
	SECOND CHANCE and			
RLITZ's Seniors	Consolation matches as available DMP between matches			
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"LIMIT	ED" division			
12:00 Noon	1st - 4th rounds of play with			
	automatic 2nd Chance & Consolation			
5 7.00 nm	matches as available.			
5-7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Dinner Break (2 hours) PLAY continues; (often, the LTD			
7.00 pm	event completes on Saturday night)			
12:30 am	Expected end of play for Saturday			
<mark>Sunday</mark> (JUN.	7 ^{tn})			
	eminar by teaching pro P.SIMBORG			
10:00 am	Play continues for all divisions			
10:30 am 12:30 pm 🌎 🚺	BLITZ's /SR's /DMP cont'd. Depending upon interest:			
	DOUBLES (8 teams, \$200 per team)			
-	Jackpots \$50, 100, 300?			
	is & Finals for SUPER-32 &			
	Paul Dingwell Amateur			

BLITZ -- Playoffs will begin

FINALS for all divisions should begin.

Doubles & Jackpots should be over.

1:30 pm

3:00 pm

7:30 pm

In Full				
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_ \$450 start _ _ \$150				
PAUL DINGWELL AMATEUR _ \$40				
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_ \$300 _ \$100				
_ \$150 _ \$ 50				
_ \$ 60				
<u>x</u> \$ 20				
<u>\$20+</u>				

In order to prepare the Draw & Calcutta (Open & Adv.)

Registration must be completed by Friday night (June 4th) 9:00 pm

(LIMITED players may still register on Saturday)

Mail to: Gammon Associates

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