

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM 2023 Michigan Summer Backgammon Championships

Send this form by Tuesday, **June 20th**, with a **\$50 deposit\*** check made payable to **Carol Joy Cole; 3719 Greenbrook Lane; Flint, MI 48507-1400.**  
Or PayPal to a "friend" at [cjc@flintbg.com](mailto:cjc@flintbg.com)

\*Foreign entries may preregister without a deposit.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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### ABT ENTRY FEES:

ABT Open..... \$300 \_\_\_ Side Pool \_\_\_ \$100

ABT Intermediate ...\$150 \_\_\_ Side Pool \_\_\_ \$50

ABT Limited .....\$30 \_\_\_ Side Pool \_\_\_ \$10

### MICHIGAN MASTERS Jackpot:

\$500 \_\_\_ (\$100 deposit) \$200 Side Pool \_\_\_

Friday 1:30pm \_\_\_ or 7:00pm \_\_\_

Open Doubles ..... \$200 \_\_\_ \$100 Side Pool \_\_\_

Limited Doubles .. \$100 \_\_\_ \$50 Side Pool \_\_\_

Doubles Partner \_\_\_\_\_

Women's Fireworks Cup ..... \$50 \_\_\_

(Please reserve spot; may be limited to 16.)

Jamaica Open Qualifier for all-expense paid trip

Sept. 28-Oct. 1, valued at \$3,500 ..... \$400 \_\_\_

ABT & Hospitality fees ..... \$50 \_\_\_

Limited Division Hospitality fee .... \$20 \_\_\_

USBGF Hall of Fame Dinner ..... \$65 \_\_\_  
(Reservations required by June 19th)

Amount of Deposit Paid ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## HOTEL INFORMATION



### SHERATON DETROIT NOVI HOTEL (now part of Marriott Hotels)

21111 Haggerty Road, Novi, Michigan 48375  
Located off I-275 at 8 Mile Road, Exit 167  
25 minutes from Detroit Metro Airport (DTW)

### GROUND TRANSPORTATION OPTION:

• Lyft service from Julius High: \$30 (plus tips).  
Call or text 913-608-0048, or [juliushigh@aol.com](mailto:juliushigh@aol.com)

Make Sheraton reservations by **June 10th** to ensure the Backgammon rate of **\$109/\$119**. Use the hotel link for reservations on the tournament website: <http://www.flintbg.com/michsum.html>

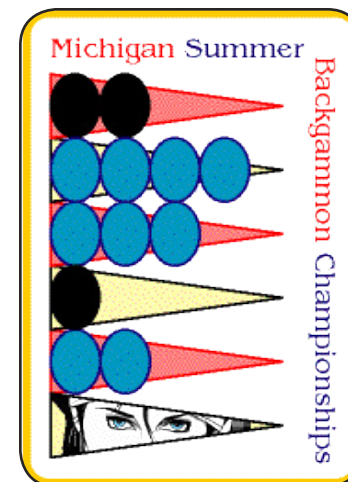
Or call (248) 349-4000 (Sheraton Novi)  
Please mention **Michigan Backgammon** when making your hotel reservations.

(Contact [cjc@flintbg.com](mailto:cjc@flintbg.com) if you have any problems.)

**The Sheraton Detroit Novi Hotel features:**  
24-hour Business Center / High-speed Wireless  
Complimentary Wireless in lobby, public areas  
Fitness Center / Indoor Pool  
Pet-friendly facilities  
Free self-parking at the hotel

The three main ABT divisions award American Backgammon Tour master points. Membership in the US Backgammon Federation is required. Please renew or join us at [usbfg.org](http://usbfg.org), or in Novi, with memberships starting at \$5. Thank you.

Come celebrate our 48th year!



**100% Return in 3 Main Events**

**June 29 - July 3, 2023**

**THURSDAY - MONDAY**

June 29th: BMAB (USA)

June 29th: Welcome Back Warm-Up

June 30th: MICHIGAN MASTERS

**July 2nd: HALL of FAME / USBGF Awards**

SHERATON DETROIT NOVI HOTEL

### \$4,000 in Added Equity:

Women in Backgammon (\$1,600 in prizes)  
Judy Field Memorial Blitz (\$1,000 Added)  
Gammon Stuff board for Open Champion  
USBGF National Qualifier (\$500 Added)  
Talbot's Newcomer Freeroll (\$400 Added)  
\$300 Free Entry into the Open for 2024

### Tournament Sponsors:

Junior Master PRINCE BARLOW  
Nathaniel Field in memory of JUDY FIELD  
Flint Club Champion GREG MERRIMAN  
Akemi Ota in memory of EMIL MORTUK  
Michigan Master FRANK TALBOT  
Michigan Master DAVID TODD



## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

**Thursday, June 29, 2023**

10:45am Elite one-day event: **BMAB** (USA).

7:00pm **Welcome Back Warm-Up** for all.

Three entry fees: \$20, \$30, \$50.

**Friday, June 30, 2023**

11:30am Registration opens.

1:30pm **MICHIGAN MASTERS**, First start.

1:30pm **JUDY FIELD Memorial Blitz**, \$30.

Qualifiers win \$100; **\$1,000 Added**.

2:00pm **Seniors Jackpot**: age 55+, continuous entries, 7-point matches, \$55 entry fee.

**Prince Barlow's Junior Jackpot**: below age 55, 7-point matches, \$55 entry fee.

3:00pm **WOMEN'S FIREWORKS CUP**, \$50 entry, **\$500 Added**. Please pre-register.

5:00pm Hospitality Happy Hour.

7:00pm **MICHIGAN MASTERS**, 2nd start.

**OPEN DOUBLES** begins, clocked.

7:30pm **LIMITED DOUBLES** begins, clocked.

8:30pm **SUMMER FREEZE-OUT**: \$30 entry.

**Saturday, July 1, 2023**

9:00am –10:00am Final registration.

10:30am Door prizes with Calcutta Auction.

12:30pm Play begins: all divisions.

5:00pm –7:00pm Dinner break.

7:00pm Play resumes: all divisions.

7:30pm **Frank Talbot's Newcomer Free Roll**, **\$400 Added Money**, 2-point matches.

8:00pm **SENIOR & JUNIOR Jackpots** and **Judy Field Memorial Blitz** resume.

**Sunday, July 2, 2023**

9:30am Lecture by **MOCHY** + book signing.

11:00am Play resumes: all events.

4:00pm **Judy Field Memorial Blitz** Playoffs.

5:00pm –7:30pm **HALL OF FAME Dinner**.

7:30pm Play resumes: all events.

8:00pm **Greg Merriman's FIRECRACKERS**:  
\$200 Open JP / \$100 Limited JP.

**Monday, July 3, 2023**

11:00am SEMIFINALS in all divisions.

12 Noon **BACKGAMMON ELEGANCE TROPHY JACKPOTS**:

\$100 & \$50 entries, 80% return.

1:00pm FINALS in all divisions.

6:00pm After Tournament Tournament.

## TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES AND CONDITIONS

1. All entries are subject to the approval of the Tournament Committee.

2. Format of the Main Events: **Double Elimination** with **Progressive Consolation**, guaranteeing three chances to win **ABT** Points, trophies & cash prizes.

3. **100% return of Open Division entry fee of \$300** with \$100 Side Pool, 100% return. **Clocks Required**: 12-second delay, 2 minutes per point. **Gammon Stuff** will award a beautiful **FTH board** to the Champion.

• **100% return of the Intermediate entry fee of \$150**. **Bonus prize: Free Entry into the 2024 Open Division**. \$50 Side Pool, 100% return. Clocks Preferred.

• **100% return of the Limited entry fee of \$30**. Format depends on attendance. Four matches guaranteed.

4. **Open Doubles** is capped at 32 teams, \$200 entry. **Limited Doubles** for low intermediates and novices is capped at 16 teams, \$100 entry. Name both partners to preregister a team. 80% return. **Clocks Required**.

5. The **Michigan Masters** is limited to 32 players, \$500 entry fee, 11-point matches. 90% return. \$200 side pool, 100% return. **Clocks are Required**.

6. **Frank Talbot's Newcomer Free Roll – \$400 in cash prizes added by Frank!** 2-point matches.

7. **JUDY FIELD Memorial Blitz**, **\$1,000 Added** by Judy's husband Nathaniel; \$30 entry fee. Win a bracket of 8 to earn \$100 and qualify for the Blitz Playoffs.

8. **Women in Backgammon Fireworks Cup: \$500 Added**, board for winner, \$500 for recording service.

9. Winner of the top Junior vs. the top Senior wins **\$500** for the 2024 USBGF National Championship.

10. USBGF Rules with options: 1) Responsible Moves; 2) Dice on Checkers If Agreed; 3) One Pair of Dice.

11. Deposits are fully refundable until 7:00pm on June 30th. After June 20th, only cash entries accepted.

**Please bring your own board and digital clock.**  
*The Backgammon Boutique will be on display throughout the weekend.*

For more info: Carol Joy Cole at (810) 232-9731 or cell (810) 516-1138, or e-mail: [cjc@flintbg.com](mailto:cjc@flintbg.com)

## TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

**DIRECTORS:** Carol Joy Cole & Ben Friesen  
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**COUNCIL:** Jeb Horton, Roberto Litzenberger

Dan Minardi, Richard Munitz

### MICHIGAN SUMMER CHAMPIONS

1976 — Anne Binkow (MI)

1977 — Stanley Steele (IL)

1978 — Robert Silver (MI)

1979 — Peter Grossinger (MI)

1980 — Howard Perlman (MI)

1981 — Stanley Steele (IL)

1982 — Paula Allan (MI)

1983 — Michael Sudds (MI)

1984 — Howard Markowitz (IL)

1985 — Les Bart (MD)

1986 — Jim Wilson (MI)

1987 — Jack Kissane (NY)

1988 — Neil Kazaross (CA)

1989 — Gary Kay (IL)

1990 — Don Desmond (IL)

1991 — Harry Cohn (IL)

1992 — Stuart Hosen (TX)

1993 — Howard Markowitz (NV)

1994 — Dean Muench (IL)

1995 — Harry Cohn (IL)

1996 — Dennis Culpepper (VA)

1997 — Art Benjamin (CA)

1998 — Maurice Barie (MI)

1999 — Gary Margosic (MI)

2000 — Mike Senkiewicz (NY)

2001 — Rick Todd (MI)

2002 — Chuck Bower (IN)

2003 — Dean Adamian (MI)

2004 — Frank Talbot (MI)

2005 — Jeb Horton (NC)

2006 — Richard Munitz (NY)

2007 — Patrick Gibson (CA)

2008 — Neil Kazaross (IL)

2009 — Ed Bennett (NM)

2010 — Kit Woolsey (CA)

2011 — Ray Foglerlund (NV)

2012 — Phil Simborg (IL)

2013 — Rod Covlin (NY)

2014 — Gary Bauer (NJ)

2015 — Marty Storer (NH)

2016 — Ed O'Laughlin (VA)

2017 — Paul Farah (MI)

2018 — Audronis Zunde (CO)

2019 — Frank Rapsa (VA)

2020 — Ray Foglerlund (NV) \*ABT online

2021 — Gyl Savoie (MI)

2022 — Marty Storer (NH)

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