

7th hawthorne backgammon classic

HARRY COHN AND AMY TRUDEAU OUTPACE THE COMPETITION

A record field of 50 players attended the 7th annual tourney, held at the Hawthorne Race Course in Cicero, IL on 28 January. Racing through the pack to take divisional first place honors were Harry Cohn in the Championship and Amy Trudeau in the Intermediate.

Chicagoland's Harry Cohn defeated Indiana's best, John O'Hagan in the Champ semifinals. Then he came from behind to nose out BG giant Neil Kazaross 5-4 in the finals to win the unique race track tournament on his first try.

In the Intermediate semifinals, Amy Trudeau rolled a needed doubles on her last shake to topple a previous Hawthorne victor Patrick Desmond. The good rolling continued in the finals as former Limited division Midwest Championship winner

René Wojtysiak fell to Amy 5-0.

Thanks to Hawthorne's Paula Domingue and Caryl Meadows for all their help in staging the event. Complete results: Δ

HAWTHORNE BACKGAMMON CLASSIC

OPEN (25): 1-Harry Cohn, 2-Neil Kazaross, 3/4-John Stryker / John O'Hagan (IN); 1C/2C-John Brussel / John Demian.

INTERMEDIATE (22): 1-Amy Trudeau, 2-René Wojtysiak, 3/4-Patrick Desmond / Willie Franklin; 1C/2C-Paul Friedman / Mark Murray.

NewsFlash: Pub Club won the 15th Illinois State Challenge Cup tourney 5 February in Bloomington, IL with 21 wins. Chicago Bar Point Club & Prime Club tied for 2nd with 19 wins. Details in March CHICAGO POINT.



1995 Midwest Championships
Oak Brook Marriott Hotel
March 24-26, 1995
Information: 312/338-6380

UPCOMING ILLINOIS EVENTS

- Feb. 26 Bar Point Doubles Tourney, Braxton Seafood Grill, Oak Brook, IL
- Mar. 4 Springfield Series #5, Parker's Sports Bar, Springfield, IL
- Mar. 24-26 1995 Midwest Championships, Marriott Hotel, Oak Brook, IL
- Apr. 1 Springfield Series #6, Parker's Sports Bar, Springfield, IL
- Apr. 9 Bar Point Sunday Tourney, Braxton Seafood Grill, Oak Brook, IL
- Apr. 22 Springfield Series Grand Finale, Parker's Sports Bar, Springfield, IL
- May 26-29 16th Chicago Open, Hyatt Regency Woodfield, Schaumburg, IL
- Plus: Apr. 19-23, Fourth Tournament of the Americas, Herradura Hotel, San José, Costa Rica

For further information on any of the above events, contact Bill Davis at 312/338-6380



1995 BPC PLAYER OF THE YEAR

COMPILED THRU 31 JAN.

Neil Kazaross	4.80	Phyllis Smolinski	1.28	John O'Hagan	0.72
Harry Cohn	4.56	Paul Ruterman	1.20	Phil Simborg	0.64
John Demian	3.32	Alice Kay	1.12	René Wojtysiak	0.44
Arline Levy	3.20	Alex Itkin	1.12	Andy Bittman	0.40
Jake Jacobs	3.20	David Rubin	0.96	Elaine Kehm	0.36
Herb Roman	3.00	Reggie Porter	0.92	Mark Murray	0.34
Paul Klein	2.08	Alan Zimmerman	0.88	Peter Kalba	0.32
Tim Mabee	2.08	Gary Kay	0.88	Willie Franklin	0.32
Yamin Yamin	1.92	Paul Franks	0.88	Patrick Desmond	0.32
Mary Franks	1.92	Mojie Shishineh	0.88	Ed Buerger	0.24
Ralph Levy	1.92	Stu Katz	0.80	Ken Bond	0.24
Jolie Rubin	1.68	Don Jayhan	0.80	Tom Fahland	0.24
Amy Trudeau	1.68	Bill Davis	0.80	Georgina Flanagan	0.24
Tak Morioka	1.48	John Brussel	0.76	Elijah Miller	0.24
Paul Friedman	1.46	John Stryker	0.72	Tim Carroll	0.16

NEIL KAZAROSS maintained his position as leading Bar Point Club player by capturing January top honors with 4.80 points. That was enough to edge Hawthorne winner Harry Cohn who collected 4.56 points. John Demian finished third with 3.32 points.

If you finish in the Top 20 for 1995 (bold names on list), you'll be entered in a drawing for over \$300 worth of valuable merchandise. The higher you finish, the better your winning chances. Individual awards: 1st-Trophy +\$150, 2nd-\$100, 3rd-\$50. 1st through 20th-one ounce solid silver coin. 1st through 6th-Invitation to participate on the Chicago Bar Point Club team in the 1996 Illinois State Challenge Cup.



ILLINOIS ACTION



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Tuesday, 6:15 P.M. at Golden Flame, 6417 W. Higgins Rd., Chicago; 312/792-0424.

Sunday Bimonthly, 12:30 P.M. at Braxton Seafood Grill, 3 Oakbrook Center Mall, Oak Brook; 708/574-2155.

PUB CLUB: Tournaments Monday, 7:30 P.M. at Cricket's Pub & Grill, 602 W. North Ave., Glendale Hts. V. W. Zimmnicki (708/924-8632).

GAMES PEOPLE PLAY: Tourn. Monday, 6:30 P.M. at Alexander's, 3101 E. 79th St., Chicago. J.A. Miller (312/768-5523).

SANGAMON VALLEY BG ASSN: Tourn. 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 6:00 P.M. at Parker's Sports Bar, 2801 Peoria Road, Springfield. Randy Armstrong (217/528-0117).

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL BG CLUB: Tourn. 1st, 3rd, 5th Tuesday, 6:15 P.M. at Ride The Nine, 503 N. Prospect, Bloomington. Lane O'Connor (309/454-1947)

WINNETKA BG CLUB: Tournaments Wednesday, 7:00 P.M. at 620 Lincoln, Winnetka. Trudie Stern (708/446-0537).

CENTRAL ILL. BG CLUB: Tourn. Thurs., 6:30 P.M. at Chi-Chi's, 4415 N. Rockwood, Peoria. Ed Zell (309/673-7622).

PRIME BG CLUB OF CHICAGO: Tourn. Friday, 7:00 P.M. at T.J's Lounge, Radisson Hotel, 4500 W. Touhy, Lincolnwood. Joann Feinstein (708/674-0120).

NORTH CLUB: Daily side play except Sunday at 4747 W. Peterson (402), Chicago. Greg Defotis (312/286-6719).