

hawthorne backgammon classic

LESLIE LOCKETT RACES TO VICTORY

Barb Levinson captures Intermediate

Leslie Lockett ran away with the winner's trophy at the 1997 Hawthorne Backgammon Classic. The event, held 25 Jan. at the Hawthorne Race Course in Cicero, Illinois, drew nearly 40 attendees in two divisions of play.

Leslie raced past Elliott Winslow, Marcy Sloan, Paul Friedman and Jake Jacobs in the final to enter the Winner's Circle. It was an especially satisfying win for Leslie because the 1989 Hawthorne Classic (premiere year) marked her return to organized backgammon.

Among intermediates, Barb Levinson beat Amy Valerio in a "photo finish." It was a great win for Barb,

who gave up a busy work day to participate.

Thanks to Caryl Meadows of Hawthorne Race Course for offering us the excellent playing facilities at the Hawthorne Race Course for the past nine years. Results:

1997 HAWTHORNE BACKGAMMON CLASSIC

OPEN (22): 1-Leslie Lockett, 2-Jake Jacobs, 3/4-Paul Friedman / Wendy Kaplan; 1C/2C-John Brussel / Paul Franks. INTERMEDIATE (14): 1-Barbara Levinson, 2-Amy Valerio, 3/4-Alice Kay / Roz Ferris; 1C-Jay Ward, 2C-Jolie Rubin.



Hawthorne winners: Winning Hawthorne BG race driver Anthony Morgan with Open Champ Leslie Lockett. At right: Intermediate winner Barb Levinson with runner-up Amy Valerio (far right).

PUB CLUB WINS CHALLENGE CUP



The Pub Club continued their Illinois Challenge Cup domination with a big win 2 Feb. in Peoria. Details in the March POINT. Clockwise from left: V. Zimmnicki, J. Jacobs, D. Jayhan, M. Murray, K. Schurecht, T. Fahland.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Information: 773/583-6464

- Feb. 9 Bar Point Sunday Grand Opening, Anyways Grill, Oak Brook, IL
- Mar. 1 Springfield Series #5, Parkers Sports Bar, Springfield, IL
- Mar. 21-23 1927 Midwest Championships, Drake Oakbrook Hotel, Oak Brook, IL



1997 BPC PLAYER OF THE YEAR

COMPILED
THRU 31 JAN.

Joann Feinstein	3.84	Phil Simborg	1.04	Bill Davis	0.72
Leslie Lockett	2.72	Paul Klein	1.04	John Brussel	0.68
Bill Keefe	2.64	Don Jayhan	0.96	V.W. Zimmnicki	0.64
Alice Kay	2.12	Herb Roman	0.96	Paul Friedman	0.64
Norma Shyer	2.00	John Demian	0.96	Wendy Kaplan	0.64
Gary Kay	1.92	Fred Badagnani	0.88	Barbara Levinson	0.56
Neil Kazaross	1.92	Harry Cohn	0.88	Amy Valerio	0.28
Paul Franks	1.56	Marty Tatosian	0.88	Jay Ward	0.28
Stu Katz	1.36	Roger Hickman	0.88	Roz Ferris	0.20
Richard Lloyd	1.28	Jake Jacobs	0.88	Jolie Rubin	0.16

Is 1997 the Year of the Woman? It could be at the Chicago Bar Point Club with Ladies holding four of the top five places. Credit JOANN FEINSTEIN (3.84) with January top honors. Joann won two BPC events. Leslie Lockett (on the strength of her Hawthorne victory) placed second with 2.72 points. Bill Keefe's 2.64 points was good enough for a third place finish.

If you finish in the Top 20 for 1997 (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 1998 Illinois State Challenge Cup.



ILLINOIS ACTION



Bill Davis
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Tuesday, 6:15 P.M. at Golden Flame, 6417 W. Higgins Rd., Chicago; 773/792-0424.

Sunday Bimonthly, 12:00 NOON at Anyway's Chicago Grill & Bar, 5 E. Roosevelt Rd., Oakbrook Terrace; 630/932-9323.

PUB CLUB: Tourn. Monday, 7:30 P.M. at Harpo's, 290 S. Schmale, Carol Stream. V. W. Zimmnicki (630/924-8632).

GAMES PEOPLE PLAY: Tourn. Monday, 6:30 P.M. at Mr. Ricky's Note, 118 E. Cermak, Chicago. J.A. Miller (773/734-9430).

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL BG CLUB: Tourn. Monday, 6:30 P.M. at Ride The Nine, 503 N. Prospect, Bloomington. Gary Daniels (309/452-3034)

SANGAMON VALLEY BG ASSN: Tourn. Wednesday, 6:00 P.M. at Brewhaus, 617 E. Washington, Springfield. Ben Zemaitis (217/483-4028).

WINNETKA BG CLUB: Tournaments Wednesday, 7:00 P.M. at 620 Lincoln, Winnetka. Trudie Chibnik (847/446-0537).

CENTRAL ILL. BG CLUB: Tourn. 1st Thur. mthly, 6:30 P.M. at River Station, 212 Constitution Ave., Peoria. Sue Will (309/699-6005).

PRIME BG CLUB: Tournaments Friday, 7:30 P.M. at Holiday Inn, 1000 Busse Road, Elk Grove Village. Joann Feinstein (847/674-0120).

NORTH CLUB: Daily except Sunday, 1:00 P.M. at 4747 W. Peterson (Suite 2), Chicago. Greg Defotis (773/286-6719).