

BAR POINT CLUB WINS 30TH CHALLENGE CUP

The Chicago Bar Point Club has won the 2011 Challenge Cup. The 30th annual Illinois event for club superiority was staged 31 January at Playoffs in Carol Stream, Illinois. Pub Clubber Dick Nelson



BPC Challenge Cup victors from left: Tak Morioka, Howard Markowitz, Bob Steen, Rory Pascas, Bill Davis & Lucky Nelson.

directed with assistance from Tim Mabee.

After five rounds of play, the Bar Point Club was tied for fourth place with 13 wins—four games behind 2009 champ Sangamon Valley (Springfield). But Rory Pascas, Howard Markowitz, Lucky Nelson, Tak Morioka, Bill Davis, and Bob Steen “went to the whip,” winning 9 of their last ten matches in the final two rounds. With



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one match to play, Springfield’s Laurel Patkes needed a victory over Chicago Backgammon Association player Dujan Meekins to force a playoff. But she missed a last shot giving the Bar Point Club their 12th Cup since the club was formed in 1983.

Special props to the winners at the Saturday Pub Club 3rd Trophy Tourney: Dave Settles who defeated Tak Morioka to capture the Main Flight, and Rory Pascas who took the Consolation. Find more details in the March CHICAGO POINT. Δ



Dave Settles

- 1. CHICAGO BAR POINT CLUB (22-14)**
Rory Pascas (5-1), Howard Markowitz (3-3), Lucky Nelson (4-2), Tak Morioka (4-2), Bill Davis (4-2), Bob Steen (2-4)
- 2. SANGAMON VALLEY CLUB (21-15)**
Jena Jennings (3-3), Randy Armstrong (5-1), Steve McGuire (4-2), Greg Tomlin (4-2), Laurel Patkes (1-5), John Jennings (4-2).
- 3. PEORIA CLUB (20-16)**
Nick Fady (3-3), Faddoul Khoury (2-4), Ed Zell (4-2), Cliff Mayoh (2-4), Gary Besler (4-2), Milad Doueihi (5-1).
- 4. BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL (19-17)**
Scott Rudebeck (3-3), Mike Flohr (3-3), Lucas Bauer (3-3), Jim Zimmerman (5-1), Jim Dammeier (3-3), Greg Michaels (2-4).
- 5. CHICAGO BG ASSOCIATION (17-19)**
Bill Bartholomay (2-4), Carter Mattig (3-3), Larry Goldstein (4-2), Roger Hickman (2-4), Dujan Meekins (3-3), Mike Wolock (3-3).
- 6. PUB CLUB (16-20)**
Don Marek (2-4), Oleg Raygorodsky (3-3), Tim Mabee (2-4), Bob Pietras (2-4), Roy Cohen (3-3), Adrian Rios (4-2).
- 7. WINNETKA BG CLUB (11-25)**
Neil Banoff (3-3), Leslie Lockett (2-4), Bill Chibnik (0-6), Trudie Chibnik (2-4), Jay Robinson (3-3), June Steinberg (1-5). Δ



2010 BPC PLAYER OF THE YEAR

COMPILED
THRU 31 JAN.

Phil Simborg	4.08	Bill Keefe	1.80	Bob Steen	1.36
Nora Luna Righter	3.84	Dave Settles	1.68	Shaw Dogan	1.28
Julius High	3.44	Tim Mabee	1.68	Mike Minkovski	0.96
Reginald Porter	3.40	Mike Wolock	1.60	Georgina Flanagan	0.88
Howard Markowitz	2.64	Adrian Rios	1.60	Alice Kay	0.88
Bill Bartholomay	2.16	Ralf Boettger	1.56	Mike Sutton	0.80
John Gaski	1.92	Carter Mattig	1.44	Herb Roman	0.80
Gary Kay	1.92	Steve Klesker	1.44	Wayne Wiest	0.72
Eric Johnson	1.80				

PHIL SIMBORG edged Nora Luna Righter to become January’s top player with a win on the final playdate of the month. Newcomer Julius High finished third.

If you finish in the Top 20 for 2010, you’ll be entered in a drawing for over \$300 worth of valuable prizes. The higher you finish, the better your winning chances. Individual awards: 1st: Trophy + \$80, 2nd: \$40, 3rd: \$20. Free \$30 entry to the top six finishers who play in the 2011 Illinois State Challenge Cup. 1st through 20th—one ounce silver eagle dollar coin.



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Tuesday, 6:30 P.M. at Holiday Inn O’Hare, 5615 N. Cumberland Ave., Chicago. 773/693-5800.

Sunday Bimonthly, 12:00 NOON at Holiday Inn O’Hare, 5615 N. Cumberland Ave., Chicago. 773/693-5800.

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL CLUB: Tournaments Monday, 6:00 P.M. at Ride The Nine; 503 N. Prospect, Bloomington. Michael Flohr (309/662-7967).

MIDSTATE BG CLUB: Tourn. Tues., 6:00 P.M. at Ride The Nine; 503 N. Prospect, Bloomington. Ed Bauder (309/830-1632).

SANGAMON VALLEY BACKGAMMON ASSOC.: Tournaments Wednesday, 6:00 P.M. at Capitol Teletrack, 1766 W. Wash Ave., Springfield. Randy Armstrong (217/528-0117).

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

PUB CLUB: Tournaments Thurs., 6:45 P.M. at Playoffs Bar, 720 E. North Ave., Carol Stream. Tim Mabee (630/606-2388).

CHICAGO BACKGAMMON ASSOCIATION: Tournaments Thursday, 6:15 P.M. at The Parthenon; 314 S. Halsted, Chicago. Phil Simborg (312/543-0522) or Carter Mattig (312/493-2911).

PEORIA BG CLUB: Tourn. Thursday, 6:30 P.M. at Peoria Pizza Works, 3921 Prospect, Peoria. Sue Will (309/699-6005).