

SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

- 5:00 pm *Players Cup BMAB Registration*
6:00 pm *Players Cup BMAB Start*

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

- 11:00 am *Registration Opens for All Events*
Players Cup BMAB Continues
Noon *Tansey Challenge, LW Int. Challenge*
Cancelgammon & Quickie/DMP Begin
2:00 pm *Gateway Jackpot Begins*
6:00 pm *Warm Up Begins*
7:00 pm *Jackpots - Early Start*

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

- 10:00 am *Gateway Jackpot Continues*
11:00 am *Side Events Continue*
Noon *Jackpots - 2nd Start*
7:00 pm *Doubles Begin*
7:15 pm *Jackpots - Late Start*
11:00 pm *Registration Closes for Main Event*

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

- 10:00 am *Welcome Announcements*
10:30 am *ABT Swiss Round 1*
Noon *Novice Division Begins*
12:30 pm *ABT Swiss Round 2*
2:30 pm *ABT Swiss Round 3*
4:30 pm *Dinner Break*
7:00 pm *ABT Swiss Round 4*
9:00pm *ABT Swiss Round 5*

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

- 10:30 am *Side Events Continue*
10:30 am *ABT Swiss Round 6*
12:30 pm *ABT Swiss Round 7*
2:30 pm *ABT Swiss Round 8*
4:30 pm *ABT Swiss Round 9*
5:00 pm *After Tournament Begins*

EVENT VENUE & HOTEL

HOLIDAY INN AIRPORT WEST
3400 Rider Trail South, St. Louis, MO, 63045

\$129/night, single or double occupancy
Includes parking & internet
Close to the airport and casinos
Free shuttle service call hotel (314) 291-6800
Cancellation free up to 24-hr before check-in

SPECIAL ROOM RATE AVAILABLE AT
tinyurl.com/GatewayOpenVenue

REGISTER

Register in person or online at
GatewayGammon.com/Registration

Registration fee \$90 if staying at hotel or local
to St. Louis, \$100 otherwise.



Continuous streaming will be provided with
commentary by **Kent Goulding**
<https://www.youtube.com/@USBGF64>

Streaming Board provided by MKgammon.com
MK GAMMON

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SAINT LOUIS GATEWAY OPEN BACKGAMMON TOURNAMENT



JUNE 17-21, 2026
GatewayGammon.com/ABT



MK GAMMON



ABT MAIN EVENT

U.S. Backgammon Federation membership is required to enter the American Backgammon Tour Main Event. Renew or join at usbgf.org.



Open & Intermediate divisions are modified Swiss format, triple elimination. Novice format is TBD depending on number of entrants, most likely a round robin.

Registration for the Main Event closes Friday, June 20 at 11 PM. Announcements and Round 1 start Saturday at 10 AM.

division	entry fee	side pool(s)	length
open	\$300	\$200	9 pts.
intermediate	\$150	\$50	9 pts.
novice	\$30	-	5 pts.

Side pools are optional and have 100% return!

Clocks mandatory for Open and Intermediate divisions. 12 second delay, 2 minutes per point.

100% return on side pools!
90% return on entry fees

Modified Swiss Format

See all details regarding modified Swiss format at GatewayGammon.com/ABT

Players will be eliminated when they lose their third match. Byes will be treated as wins. Players with two losses are still eligible to cash, but can no longer win the tournament.

SIDE EVENTS



PLAYERS CUP BMAB
Entry: \$150
Registration: \$80
Side Pool: \$50/\$100



Start Time Wednesday 6pm

See details at playerscupbackgammon.com

TANSEY CHALLENGE (\$750 ADDED)

Entry: \$60 Side Pool: \$30

Start Time Thursday 12pm
Length 7 pts
Clock 2m total / 12sec delay

**Tansey Challenge has \$500 added money.
Event winner will play Tansey for a \$250 bonus.**

LW INT. CHALLENGE (\$300 ADDED)

Entry: \$30 Side Pool: \$10

Start Time Thursday 12pm
Length 7 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

**LW Challenge has \$200 added money.
Event winner will play LW for \$100 bonus.**

DOUBLES

Entry: \$300 Side Pool: \$100

Return: 85%

Start Time Friday 7pm
Length 7 pts
Clock: 3m / 15sec

MK GAMMON BOARD TOURNAMENT

Entry: \$80

Start Time After 8-person field is filled
Length 7 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

1st place: MK Gammon board; 2nd place: \$150

100% RETURN ON ALL SIDE POOLS*

90% return on entry fees, unless otherwise indicated

* Side events that allow continuous entry will have side pool carry to the next entry.

** The Tansey Open Challenge and LW Intermediate Challenge are lower stakes, single elimination events where re-entry is allowed. All sidepools carry to the next re-entry.

SIDE EVENTS, cont'd

GATEWAY JACKPOT

Entry: \$1000 Side Pool: \$300
Return: 95%

Start Time Thursday 2pm
Length 13 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

MASTERS JACKPOT

Entry: \$500 Side Pool: \$200

Start Time(s) Thurs 7pm, Fri 12pm & 7:15pm
Length 11 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

ADVANCED JACKPOT

Entry: \$250 Side Pool: \$100

Start Time(s) Thurs 7pm, Fri 12pm & 7:15pm
Length 9 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

INTERMEDIATE JACKPOT

Entry: \$150 Side Pool: \$50

Start Time(s) Thurs 7pm, Fri 12pm & 7:15pm
Length 9 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

CANCELGAMMON

Entry: \$40 Side Pool: \$20

Start Time Thursday 12pm
Length 5 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

QUICKIE / DMP

Entry: \$20 Side Pool: \$20

Start Time Thursday 12pm
Length 1 pt

WARM UP

Entry: \$40 Side Pool: \$20

Start Time Thursday 6pm
Length 7 pts
Clock 2m / 12sec

AFTER TOURNAMENT

Entry: \$60 Side Pool: \$30

Start Time: Sunday 5:30pm
Length: 5 pts