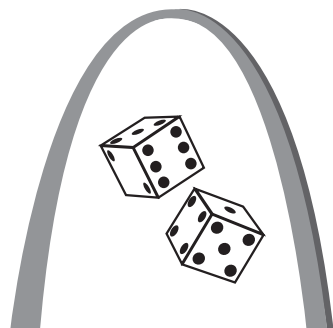


SAINT LOUIS GATEWAY BACKGAMMON CLUB

presents the



SAINT LOUIS GATEWAY OPEN BACKGAMMON TOURNAMENT

JUNE 18 - 22, 2025

at the

HOLIDAY INN AIRPORT WEST

3400 Rider Trail South, St. Louis, MO 63045

SPECIAL ROOM RATE \$124/NIGHT!

featuring

- ABT SWISS FORMAT MAIN EVENT
- FOUR JACKPOTS
- OVER \$2,000 ADDED MONEY!
- PLAYER'S CUP: BMAB
- SIDE EVENTS & KNOCKOUTS

and

NO RAKE ON SIDE POOLS!

for more info and to register, please visit -

GATEWAYGAMMON.COM/ABT

or contact tournament directors

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HOTEL INFORMATION

The **ST. LOUIS GATEWAY OPEN** will be hosted at the **HOLIDAY INN AIRPORT WEST** (3400 Rider Trail South, St. Louis, MO, 63045)

Close to the airport and casinos, with **free shuttle service!** For shuttle service call hotel at (314) 291 - 6800

\$124/night, single or double occupancy

Includes parking & internet

TO OBTAIN EVENT DISCOUNT AND BOOK, PLEASE VISIT - tinyurl.com/STLabtVenue

REGISTRATION

Registration available in person or online:

GatewayGammon.com/Registration

Registration fee of \$90 for those staying at the hotel or local to St. Louis or \$100 otherwise.

HOSPITALITY

Come to St. Louis: Enjoy daily meals from local businesses and Fresh baked Grandma's cookies. Details at gatewaygammon.com/abt

LIVE STREAMING

The Saint Louis Gateway Open will feature a continuous live stream, hosted on the USBGF YouTube channel. Follow along all weekend at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@USBGF64>



ABT MAIN EVENT



Players in the Main Event are eligible to receive American Backgammon Tour (ABT) points. Membership in the U.S. Backgammon Federation is required to play in the Main Event. Renew or join at usbgf.org.

Open & Intermediate are modified Swiss format, triple elimination

Novice format TBD (depending on number of entrants, most likely a round robin)

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

Players in the Open division may join one, both, or neither side pool. Intermediate side pool is optional.

Clocks are required in the open and intermediate divisions, set at 12sec offset/2min per point

**90% return on entry fee,
100% on side pools!**

Modified Swiss Format Details

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. After the tournament starts, we will identify the maximum number of places that we are willing to pay. Payout structures will be announced after play has begun. If at the end of any round, the number of players with fewer than three losses is less than or equal to the maximum number of places we are willing to pay, we will transition to the "playoff rules".

More details at GatewayGammon.com/ABT

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 18th

- 5:00 pm *Player's Cup BMAB Registration*
6:00 pm *Player's Cup BMAB Start*

Thursday, June 19th

- 11:00 am *Player's Cup BMAB Event Continues*
11:00 am *Registration Begins for All Events*
12:00 pm *Quickie/DMP, Cancelgammon,
Knock-Outs & Warm Up Begin*
12:00 pm *Speedgammon, Tansey Challenge,
& LW Interm. Challenge Begin*
2:00 pm *Gateway Jackpot Begins*
6:00 pm *Warm Up Begins*
7:00 pm *Jackpots - Early Start*

Friday, June 20th

- 10:00 am *Gateway Jackpot Continues*
11:00 am *Side Events Continue*
12:00 pm *Jackpots - 2nd Start*
7:00 pm *Doubles Begin*
7:15 pm *Jackpots - Late Start*
11:00 pm *Registration Closes for Main Event*

Saturday, June 21st

- 10:00 am *Welcome Announcements,*
10:30 am *ABT Swiss Round 1*
12:00 pm *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 22nd

- 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*

SIDE EVENTS

Player's Cup - BMAB

START TIME: *Wednesday 6pm*
details - playerscupbackgammon.com

Gateway Jackpot

START TIME: *Thursday 2pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$1000 (95% return)*
SIDE POOL: *\$300 **
LENGTH: *13 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

Master's Jackpot

START TIME: *Thurs 7pm, Fri 12pm & 7:15pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$500*
SIDE POOL: *\$200 **
LENGTH: *11 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

Advanced Jackpot

START TIME: *Thurs 7pm, Fri 12pm & 7:15pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$250*
SIDE POOL: *\$100 **
LENGTH: *9 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

Intermediate Jackpot

START TIME: *Thurs 7pm, Fri 12pm & 7:15pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$150*
SIDE POOL: *\$50 **
LENGTH: *9 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

CancelGammon (\$1000 added!)

START TIME: *Thursday 12pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$40*
SIDE POOL: *\$20 **
LENGTH: *5 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

Quickie/D.M.P

START TIME: *Thursday 12pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$20*
LENGTH: *1 pts*

SIDE EVENTS

SpeedGammon

START TIME: *Thursday 12pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$60*
SIDE POOL: *\$30 **
LENGTH: *7 pts*
CLOCK: *2m total/10sec delay*

Warm Up

START TIME: *Thursday 6pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$40*
SIDE POOL: *\$20 **
LENGTH: *7 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

Doubles

START TIME: *Friday 7pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$300*
SIDE POOL: *\$100 **
LENGTH: *7 pts*
CLOCK: *3m/15sec*

After Tournament

START TIME: *Sunday 5:30pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$60*
SIDE POOL: *\$30 **
LENGTH: *5 pts*

Tansey Challenge (\$750 added!)**

START TIME: *Thursday 12pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$60*
SIDE POOL: *\$30 **
LENGTH: *7 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

LW Int. Challenge (\$300 added!)**

START TIME: *Thursday 12pm*
ENTRY FEE: *\$30*
SIDE POOL: *\$10 **
LENGTH: *7 pts*
CLOCK: *2m/12sec*

100% RETURN ON ALL SIDEPOOLS

90% return on all entry fees

* - Side events that allow continuous entry with the side pool carrying over 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.