

2026 Players Cup BMAB Circuit Calendar

Jan 18-19: NY Metro -**Jeb**
Feb 3: San Antonio- **Roberto**
Feb 26: Atlanta Classic-**Jeb**
Mar 14: San Diego- **Roberto**
Mar 26: Ohio Champs- **Jeb**
Apr 15: Cherry Blossom-**Ben**
Apr 30: Charlotte- **Jeb**
May 20-21: Chicago Open-**Roberto**
Jun 3: Denver- **Ben**
Jun 17-18: St. Louis -**Roberto**
Jul 2- Michigan Champs-**Dmitriy**
Aug 6- Wisconsin Champs-**Matt**
Aug 28-Viking Classic- **Matt**
Sept 11-New Orleans - **Roberto**
Oct - Boston Open- **Jeb**
Nov - Miami Open-**Roberto**
Dec 3 - California Champs- **Ben**

More events may be added, dates may shift. Some events have limited capacity. Sign up early! Check calendar at playerscupbackgammon.com

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2025 Players Cup Star Race Top 10

1- Julius High	403.15
2- Dennis Culpepper	253.72
3- Melissa Shin	252.37
4- Irina Litzenberger	243.06
5- Scotty Kelland	233.82
6- Marty Storer	233.17
7- John O'Hagan	198.67
8- Kit Woolsey.	191.83
9- Wendy Kaplan	177.51
10- Jeremy Ly	173.63

Iron Star Winners



| #001- Brian Nielson
| #002- John O'Hagan
| #003- Frank Talbot
| #004- Kit Woolsey
| #005- Eric Barr
| #006- Turker Eflanli
| #007- Melissa Shin
| #008- Marty Storer
| #009- Wendy Kaplan
| #010- Gerry Tansey
| #011- Dennis Culpepper
| #012- Melissa Shin

Players Cup Backgammon



2026 Annual Circuit of BMAB Tournaments



Mission Statement

The Players Cup seeks to foster a prestigious and highly competitive community of backgammon players, where camaraderie and the celebration of match play take center stage. We are dedicated to providing a platform for backgammon enthusiasts of all skill levels, from Novices to Grandmasters, to come together, engage in fierce competition, and strive for excellence in the game, all while promoting continuous learning through match recording and analysis.



Unlucky Dice winner

The player with the worst luck in each event, according to XG, receives their entry fee back.



Elevate Backgammon Excellence:

Players Cup Backgammon is designed for those who wish to compete at the highest level and continuously enhance their game. In this pursuit, all matches are recorded, transcribed and submitted to BMAB for recognition and application towards individual titles. Participants receive a link to the videos and the XG files for analysis.



XG, Video Files and Stats:

Participants receive the transcribed XG files of all their matches. Video files are also available and premiere on YouTube. All results are reported and stats applied for BMAB, Backgammon World Ranking Players Cup Backgammon and USBGF.



Full Participation and Star Race:

In each Players Cup event, everyone plays all the rounds, regardless of whether they win or lose. Each win counts towards the annual star race, adding an extra layer of excitement and competition to each event and the race for the Players Cup title.

Don't miss the action!

Come out and play!

Iron Star Legacy

The pinnacle of the circuit's recognition is the coveted Iron Star, a lifetime legacy achievement, awarded to the player who wins an event outright. If the top spot is shared, each participating player receives a fraction of an Iron Star.



Players Cup Champion

The top three players in the annual points race receive trophies.

The top three players split \$1000 added money.

The top player is named **Players Cup Champion**. The champion receives a custom **Players Cup FTH board** from **GammonStuff**

Champion's name will be inscribed on Players Cup perpetual trophy alongside the past and then future champions.