

About La Posada & Santa Fe

Our backgammon venue, La Posada, is located just two blocks from Santa Fe's historic Plaza, the center of Santa Fe since its founding in 1610.

La Posada exemplifies the charm of one of Santa Fe's oldest destination hotels. Its recent multi-million dollar refurbishing has tastefully modernized this classic resort. Travel & Leisure magazine ranks La Posada as one of the top resort hotels in the country.

No other ABT tournament is played in such elegant surroundings.

Spacious and lovely bedrooms, single or double occupancy, are offered for an all-inclusive special rate of \$99 per day + taxes for the duration of your stay.

Although Santa Fe is a small city, over two million people visit each year, drawn by the mountains, pure air, long vistas and ancient architecture. The "City Different" boasts a broad range of museums, hundreds of art galleries (it is the second largest art market in the U.S.), and many excellent restaurants. Santa Fe is rated as one of the premier tourist destinations in the world.

I hope you will come to our New Mexico State Championship and stay a few more days to enjoy Santa Fe. See the adjoining panel for specific hotel information.

In 2007, we held a one-day State Championship directed by Adam Bennett and won by Greg Merriman. This 2010 tournament will be the first ABT event in the history of New Mexico. Patrick Gibson is our director and Phil Simborg our auctioneer. Phil will also MC the optional player's dinner at *iA La Mesa!* bistro.

All the best,
Ed Bennett

Hotel Information



❁ LA POSADA DE SANTA FE ❁
RESORT & SPA

For reservations, call 505.954.9664. Ask for the backgammon package to get La Posada's special rate.

The hotel is located at 330 East Palace Avenue at the intersection of Paseo de Peralta and Palace Avenue.

By car (from Albuquerque Sunport):

Take I-25 North to the St. Francis Rd. exit. Continue north to Paseo de Peralta, turn right on Paseo de Peralta to Palace Avenue, then right to the entrance to La Posada immediately on your right. The normal hotel parking charge has been waived for us.

By shuttle (from Albuquerque Sunport):

Simply ask to be taken to La Posada.

The Albuquerque Sunport is about an hour and a quarter away by car or shuttle.

330 EAST PALACE AVENUE
SANTA FE, NM 87501
505.954.9664

THE NEW MEXICO STATE BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP

JANUARY 29 - 31, 2010



Ed Bennett and the Backgammon Club of Santa Fe are honored to sponsor the New Mexico State Backgammon Championship in Santa Fe, New Mexico. This is the first time a sanctioned American Backgammon Tour (ABT) event will be held in New Mexico. It is also an opportunity for you to explore the wonderful world of Santa Fe in the "Land of Enchantment." Bring your friends and family to share this very special vacation/tournament location.



Entry Form

Reserve now and cancel later if necessary

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: ____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

EVENT	FULL	DEPOSIT
<input type="checkbox"/> OPEN	\$260	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> ADVANCED	\$140	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> NOVICE	\$50	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/> SANTA FE 400 JACKPOT	\$400	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> ROADRUNNER JACKPOT	\$150	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLES	\$140	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> BACKGAMMON QUIZ & LECTURE - PHIL SIMBORG	\$20	\$10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HOSPITALITY FEE REQUIRED (COFFEE, TEA, FRUIT, AND DANISH)	\$20	\$10
TOTAL ENCLOSED		

PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK TO:
FELICIA FISCHER
 208 COUNTY ROAD 113
 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87506

THE NEW MEXICO STATE BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP IS BY INVITATION ONLY. ENTRIES MAY BE REFUSED AT THE DIRECTORS DISCRETION.

ALL DEPOSITS ARE FULLY REFUNDABLE UNTIL 10:00 PM ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 29TH, 2010. ONLY CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 2010.

FINAL CHECK-IN IS SATURDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 2010 BY 10:15 A.M. ANY PLAYER NOT CHECKED IN BY 10:15 A.M. WILL BE CONSIDERED A NO-SHOW.

Tournament Information

Trophies awarded for all events

EVENT	ENTRY FEE	% RETURN	SIDE POOL	% RETURN	MATCH LENGTH
OPEN	260	85%	100	100%	11
<i>Single elimination + progressive consolation + last chance</i>					
ADVANCED	140	85%	50	100%	9
<i>Single elimination + progressive consolation + last chance</i>					
NOVICE	40	80%			7
<i>Single elimination + progressive consolation + last chance</i>					
SANTA FE 400 OPEN JACKPOT	400	90%	100	100%	13
<i>Single elimination, re-entries allowed, clocked event</i>					
ROADRUNNER ADVANCED JACKPOT	150	85%	50	100%	9
<i>Single elimination, re-entries allowed</i>					
DOUBLES	140	80%	80	100%	7
<i>Single elimination</i>					
BLITZ	40	80%			5
<i>Single elimination, re-entries allowed, 4 player brackets, winner gets \$60 + entry into Sunday playoff</i>					

THE NEW MEXICO STATE BACKGAMMON CHAMPIONSHIP

PATRICK GIBSON, DIRECTOR

ED BENNETT, HONORARY DIRECTOR

ED ROSENBLUM, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

PHIL SIMBORG, AUCTIONEER & LECTURER

FELICIA FISCHER, FINANCE DIRECTOR

ADDITIONAL TOURNAMENT DETAILS

WWW.BACKGAMMONSANTAFE.ORG

WWW.SIMBORGBACKGAMMONLESSONS.COM

ED R. @ 505.992.1162 OR ED B. @ 505.982.2729

Tournament Schedule

Tournament venue: La Posada's Montana ballroom

Friday, January 29, 2010

- 1:00 PM REGISTRATION OPENS
- 2:00 PM EARLY START FOR SANTA FE 400 & ROADRUNNER (PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED)
- 2:30 PM BLITZES BEGIN - CONTINUE THROUGHOUT TOURNAMENT
- 7:00 PM LATE START FOR SANTA FE 400 & ROADRUNNER
- 7:30 PM DOUBLES BEGIN
- 10:00 PM REGISTRATION CLOSES

Saturday, January 30, 2010

- 9:00 AM FINAL REGISTRATION OPENS
- 9:00 AM DOUBLING CUBE STRATEGY - PERRY GARTNER & PHIL SIMBORG (FREE TALK)
- 10:15 AM REGISTRATION CLOSES
- 10:30 AM CALCUTTA AUCTION FOR OPEN AND ADVANCED PLAYERS
- 12:30 PM PLAY BEGINS - ALL DIVISIONS
- 5:00 PM DINNER BREAK - PLAYER'S DINNER AT ¡A LA MESA! BISTRO
- 7:30 PM PLAY RESUMES - ALL DIVISIONS

Sunday, January 31, 2010

- 9:00 AM BACKGAMMON QUIZ & LECTURE - PHIL SIMBORG
- 10:30 AM LAST CHANCE TOURNAMENTS BEGIN
- 10:30 AM PLAY RESUMES - ALL DIVISIONS
- 11:30 AM FINALS IN ALL SIDE EVENTS
- 2:00 PM FINALS - ALL DIVISIONS
- TBD KILL PHIL! - SIDE EVENT