

Queensland Backgammon

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proudly present the

2021 Australian Backgammon Championships

to be held upstairs at the

Diggers and Sports Club

Level 1, 9 Beach Road

Surfers Paradise, Gold Coast, Queensland

on

4•5•6 February 2022



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The 2021 Australian Backgammon Open

- \$100 entry, \$80 rebuys

The most coveted crown in Australian backgammon - the one everybody wants to win!

Two entry options - Friday night or Saturday morning. Rebuys will be open from approx midday Saturday.

Top 8 will cash, 1st, 2nd and 3/4th will also receive trophies.

The 2021 Australian Backgammon Masters

- \$300 entry, \$250 rebuys

The high rollers tournament, not for the faint-hearted. After a day of backgammon in the Open and Speed, those with stamina, fortitude and deep pockets will get the Australian Masters under way.

Top 4 will cash, 1st and 2nd will also receive trophies.

The 2021 Australian Speedgammon Championship

- \$75 entry, \$50 rebuys

The first running of the Australian Speedgammon tournament in 2019 exceeded all expectations. Fast and furious, this tournament is for quick thinkers. Can the title be wrestled away from the Gold Coast this year?

Top 8 will cash, 1st, 2nd and 3/4th will also receive trophies.

Novice Tournament

- \$5 entry, then unlimited free re-entry so you can play all day

For social players, novices and those who have never played tournament backgammon. 3 Point matches, no doubling cube. Top 4 players on Saturday will play off for the Novice trophy plus cash on Sunday.

Sunday Tournament

- \$20 entry, \$20 optional side pool plus free re-entry until field is full

You played all day and haven't made the finals. One last chance for redemption - the Sunday Tournament. \$20 entry plus \$20 optional side-pool. FREE re-entry until field is full. 5 point matches with cube, no clocks.

Top 4 will cash, 1st and 2nd will also receive trophies.

Important Information

- All entry fees to be paid in cash on the day unless paid prior (NO EFTPOS sorry).
- Please bring your own board (and clock) if you can. No boards with hard (ie noisy) surfaces please!
- All tournament matches except Novice will be entered into the AusBGF ratings system.
- Clocks are mandatory in Speedgammon and Masters tournaments, optional in other tournaments.
- **NO REGISTRATION FEE**
- **100%** of entry fees returned as cash prizes.
- See below for schedule and format details.
- To register interest, please fill out the online [Registration Form](#) or email [Simon Woodhead](#)

Draft Schedule

Friday 4th February 2022

Registration desk open: 4PM to 9PM
5-10PM: Open R1 & R2
6-10PM: Speedgammon R1 & R2
7-10PM: Masters satellites (\$75 entry to field of 4)

Saturday 5th February 2022

Registration: 10AM - 10:30AM
10:45AM: Open R1 & R2
11AM: Novice Tournament commences
12PM: Speedgammon R1 & R2 continues
2PM: Open R3 & R4
4PM: Speedgammon R3 & R4
4-10PM: Masters R1/2/3

Sunday 6th February 2022

Registration for Sunday Tournament: 10:30AM – 12PM
10AM: Catch up matches all tournaments (if required)
11AM: Finals commence all tournaments
12PM: Sunday Tournament begins
6-7PM: Trophy/prize presentations

Format, Venue, Travel and Accommodation

Format

- All tournaments are single elimination except Novice.
- No rebuys on Friday night; players may rebuy on Saturday if space permits.
- Reduced entry rebuys available until field full.
- Sunday Tournament is a \$20 tournament with free re-entry and optional \$20 side pool.

Points and clock settings

- Open – Round 1: 7 points, no clocks.
- Masters - Round 1: 11 points, clocks at 2 minutes plus 1 minute per point, 12 second delay.
- Speedgammon - 7point matches, clocks at 3 minutes total with 10 second delay.
- Sunday Tournament - 5point matches, 7point final, no clocks.
- Novice Tournament – 3point matches, no cube, \$5 entry with free re-entry until field is full.

Venue

The Diggers Sports Club is at Level 1, 9 Beach Rd, Surfers Paradise, Queensland 4217. Reception is on the first floor and we will be playing upstairs in the Coral Sea Room and Anzac Deck. There is an escalator to Reception and a lift as well as stairs upstairs to the playing area. Please consider joining the club when you first arrive – this will speed up entry to the club and of course give you food and drink discounts throughout the weekend. The playing area and adjacent courtyard is exclusively ours for the weekend from 4PM Friday to 7PM Sunday.

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/9wC4YSHaeHowzikZ9>

Diggers website: <https://www.diggersandsports.com.au/>

Diggers Membership: <https://www.diggersandsports.com.au/membership/>

Travel by air

Surfers Paradise is on the Gold Coast, Queensland. The closest airport is Gold Coast Airport at Coolangatta (OOL). Buses, taxis or Ubers will transfer you between the airport and your accommodation. If you have to fly to Brisbane (BNE) Airport, there is a train service direct to the Gold Coast but it takes a couple of hours and you will need to transfer to the Gold Coast tram service at Helensvale if you are staying in Surfers or anywhere on the coast.

Travel by road

From the north, take the M1 Exit 66 (Smith St Motorway) all the way to the Gold Coast Highway and head south to Surfers Paradise.

From the south, take the M1 Exit 87 (Southport Burleigh Rd) which becomes Bundall Rd then Ferry Rd. Turn right onto Thomas Drive towards Surfers.

Parking

The Diggers Sports Club is right opposite the Bruce Bishop public car park. If you only enter and exit once per day, the cost is \$5.

Full rates here: <https://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/thegoldcoast/bruce-bishop-car-park-22661.html>

Should the Bruce Bishop be full, the Paradise Centre Car Park (in the same street as the Diggers) is a good option but for cheap rates, you have to book in advance online via <https://secureaspot.secureparking.com.au/>

Accommodation

This is the heart of Surfers Paradise so there is plenty of choice within easy walking distance. We strongly recommend that you arrange your stay with a Free Cancellation option, just in case. The Novotel, Mantra and Beachcomber have been the choice of backgammoners in our recent events.

Shop around, there are always good deals to be had.

If you need help or have any questions, please contact us.

Web page: <https://bglog.org/2021-bg-champs.html>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/queensland.backgammon>

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