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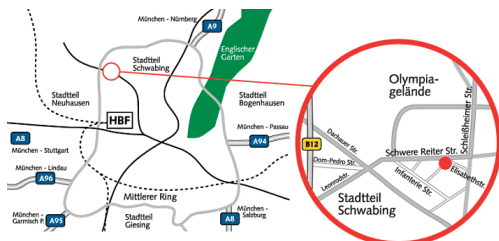
130 rooms (De Luxe, Business, Standard)

Lounge – Bar – Restaurant

**Special "Backgammon Rate":**

85 €/night (Single), 95 €/night (Double)  
incl. breakfast buffet, internet and VAT.

**Reservations have to be made  
before April 30<sup>th</sup> 2015.**



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# 14–17 MAY 2015



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# MUNICH BACKGAMMON OPEN 2015



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## Willkommen in München – Welcome to Munich!

Munich is proud to welcome you back from 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> of May to the "4<sup>th</sup> Munich Open 2015", right after the London Open 2015. Munich is easy to reach by plane or train and only a short drive from Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Hungary and Czech. Public transport and shuttle busses between the airport and the central railway station are available. Taxi from the central railway station to the hotel is less than 15€.

The new dates of the international Munich will allow you to enjoy one of the best seasons in Munich. The tournament will take place in the Vitalis Hotel\*\*\*\*, centrally located, right on the border of the Olympic Park, the famous district of Schwabing with countless cafés, bars, restaurants, the "English Garden" and a vibrant nightlife. Public transportation will take you quickly anywhere for sightseeing and/or other activities. Every match of the Elite Group will count for the German national ranking as well for the WBA Point Race ranking 2015 (the winners to be crowned in 2016). Like all other WBA tournaments, all divisions will enjoy the new and improved T-Swiss Format (out after 3 losses in a Swiss format) and an Ultimate Fight (Last Chance) on Sunday. Various side-events are lined up: Warm-up, DMP-Challenge, Doubles, Jackpots, SpeedGammon, etc., as well as the traditional "Free Beer Awards Ceremony".

Start making travel plans to compete against your backgammon friends from all over the world, become Munich Open Champion like Backgammon Giants "Mochy" (2014) and "Michi" (2013), and enjoy the beer capital of the world.

### Events and Fees:

**Elite Group:** 380 € entry + 70 € registration / optional side-pool 150 € (95% return) / 9 point matches, T-Swiss Format, clock mandatory

**Leisure Group:** 150 € entry + 50 € registration / optional side-pool 50 € (90% return) / 7 points matches, T-Swiss Format, clock preference

**Doubles:** 250 € per team (80% return), 7 points, single elimination, clocked

**SpeedGammon:** 25 € (80% return), re-entries allowed, 5 points, time setting: 2 min. total bank time + 10 sec. per move

**Mini-Jackpots (4 players):** 25 €, 50 €, 100 € available during all weekend.

**Tournament Organisation:** LINX Events, a sub-division of LINX Crossmarketing GmbH, appointed by WBA.

**Tournament Direction:** Chiva Tafazzoli & staff

### EXTRA BENEFITS:

- All participants of the main event in Munich will be eligible to play at WBA's Innsbruck Open (4-7 June 2015) without payment of a registration fee in the main event (not transferrable, not refundable).
- Winner of the Munich Open 2015 will have a free hotel room (3 nights, single room) during Innsbruck Open 2015 (not transferrable, not refundable).
- All participants of the Munich Open 2015 will be eligible to attend the "Free Beer Awards Ceremony".

### General Conditions:

Only cash payments in Euro will be accepted. The WBA tournament rules will apply. This event is by invitation only, thus the tournament committee and directors reserve the right to refuse application or admittance without giving due reason. The usage of official tournament precision dice is mandatory. Clocks are mandatory in Elite Group, Doubles and SpeedGammon matches. Tournament trophies will be presented during the awards ceremony only. Leaving the tournament room without informing the Tournament Director and/or staff might result in penalty points and forfeit. The Tournament Directors reserve the right to change the program during the event. Tournament Director's ruling is final, unless over-ruled by the Ruling Committee.

#### Winners:

2015: You?

2014: Masayuki "Mochy" MOCHIZUKI (Japan)

2013: Michihito "Michi" KAGEYAMA (Japan)

2012: Thomas LUMPER (Germany)

## PROGRAM\*:

### Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015

17:00 Playing room opens  
17:00 Quarter-entries, half-entries satellites and jackpots  
18:30 Start Doubles Round 1  
20:30 Dinner Break  
22:00 Doubles Round 2

### Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015

15:30 Playing room opens, Jackpots & side-events,  
Quarter- & Half-entries  
18:00 Registration closes  
18:30 Start main event, all divisions, Round 1  
20:30 Dinner Break  
22:00 Start Round 2

### Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

13:00 Start Round 3  
15:00 Start Round 4  
17:00 Start Round 5  
18:00 Doubles continues (ongoing, for players out of main event)  
19:00 Start Round 6  
20:30 Dinner Break  
22:00 Start Round 7

### Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015

13:00 Start Round 8  
15:00 Start Round 9  
17:00 Start Ultimate Fight (Last Chance)  
17:00 Start Round 10  
19:00 Start Round 11  
21:00 Awards Ceremony & Free Beer  
22:00 Projected end of event

**\* The director reserves the right to change the format of any event. Times will be adhered to as close as possible in the case of changes.**

### Format:

T-Swiss Format applies in all divisions. Pairings and sit-outs are computerized. A player is out as soon as he loses 3 matches and can still win the tournament with 2 losses. <http://www.ebgt.info/t-swiss-system.html>.

### Prize Distribution\*\*:

**Main event based on -30 players:** Winner: 40% / 2<sup>nd</sup>: 30% / 3<sup>rd</sup>: 20% / Winner Ultimate Fight: 10%

**Main event based on 30-50 players:** Winner: 40% / 2<sup>nd</sup>: 25% / 3<sup>rd</sup>: 15% / 4<sup>th</sup>: 10% / Winner Ultimate Fight: 10%

**Main event based on 50+ players:** Winner: 30% / 2<sup>nd</sup>: 25% / 3<sup>rd</sup>: 20% / 4<sup>th</sup>: 15% / 5<sup>th</sup>: 10% / No Ultimate Fight

**\*\* Prize Distribution is subject to adjustment by the Tournament Director, based on the number of players**