



# The 2006 Bristol International Festival of Backgammon

Prepare yourself for an overwhelming variety of Backgammon and Poker events which will include both large scale Tournaments, and small scale informal challenges. The Main Backgammon event will be the second instance of the Bristol Wide-Open (aka "The Anniversary Tournament"). Dedicated Poker days, and an exclusive Gala Dinner aboard the **S.S. Great Britain** (The First Passenger Steamer in the World) are just some of the many features of this spectacular and unique Backgammon Festival. The Festival week will be centred around Clifton, Bristol from **Wed 23rd August - Wed 30th August 2006** and early planning with bookings & accommodation is advisable, as Bristol is a popular and busy Summer location.



BRISTOL WIDE-OPEN 2006 (aka "The Anniversary Tournament")				
Category	Entry Fee	Registration	Total	
Championship	£180	£70	£250	
Advanced	£60	£40	£100	
Intermediate	£20	£30	£50	
Prize Splits for all categories				
Flight	Winner	Runner-up	Semi-finalists	Other
Main	40%	15%	7.5 + 7.5%	
Progressive Consolation	15%	7.5%		
Contribution to Team Event &				7.5%

N.B. All registration fees include a buffet meal on prize giving night

## Timetable of Events August 2006

**Wed 23rd** Day trips and minor events  
**Thu 24th** (1200) Poker Day and Satellites (Venue A)  
 (1900) Bristol Backgammon Club night (Venue B)  
**Fri 25th** (1200) Warm-up Tournament (Venue A)  
 (1900) Gala Dinner aboard SS Great Britain (Venue D)  
**Sat 26th** (1200) BRISTOL WIDE-OPEN - Day 1 (Venue A)  
**Sun 27th** (1200) BRISTOL WIDE-OPEN - Day 2 (Venue A)  
 (Evening) Buffet and Prize Giving (Venue A)  
**Mon 28th** (1200) Team Event and Individual Last Chance (Venue C)  
**Tue 29th** Day Trips and Poker Day (Venue TBC)  
**Wed 30th** Day Trips



## Gala Dinner on board the Formidable S.S. Great Britain (SSGB Tickets required)

Please note that the Gala Dinner on board the S.S. Great Britain will be totally unique. It celebrates Roland & Simonetta's first Wedding Anniversary. The £1500 hire of this unique venue is courtesy of The Bristol Festival of Backgammon's Organising Committee ! The Dinner includes Ship tour, Entertainment, Wine, Disco and excellent food of course ! The Warm-Up finals will be played on board the Ship ! This ship, of historic importance, because it was the first Steam powered Ocean Liner in the World was built by Isambard Kingdom Brunel (who lived in Bristol and also built the Clifton Suspension bridge (another first) ). Roland Herrera's Uncle, Roger Herrera played a key role in organising and motivating the safe return of the ship in 1970 from the Falkland Islands. Brunel's S.S. Great Britain, reconstructed and restored to its present day condition is an invaluable educational resource and an international monument to British invention.

### Venues:

- (A) Artillery Grounds, Whiteladies Road, Clifton, Bristol
- (B) Bristol County Sports Club, Colston Street, Bristol
- (C) Clifton College, Preparatory School, Clifton, Bristol
- (D) S.S. Great Britain, Bristol Docks

### Accommodation:

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Block bookings are already reserved at this very busy time of the year and accommodation should only be booked through John.

### We have:

Rooms in various hotels  
 Student accommodation flats (10 per flat) in picturesque Goldney Hall