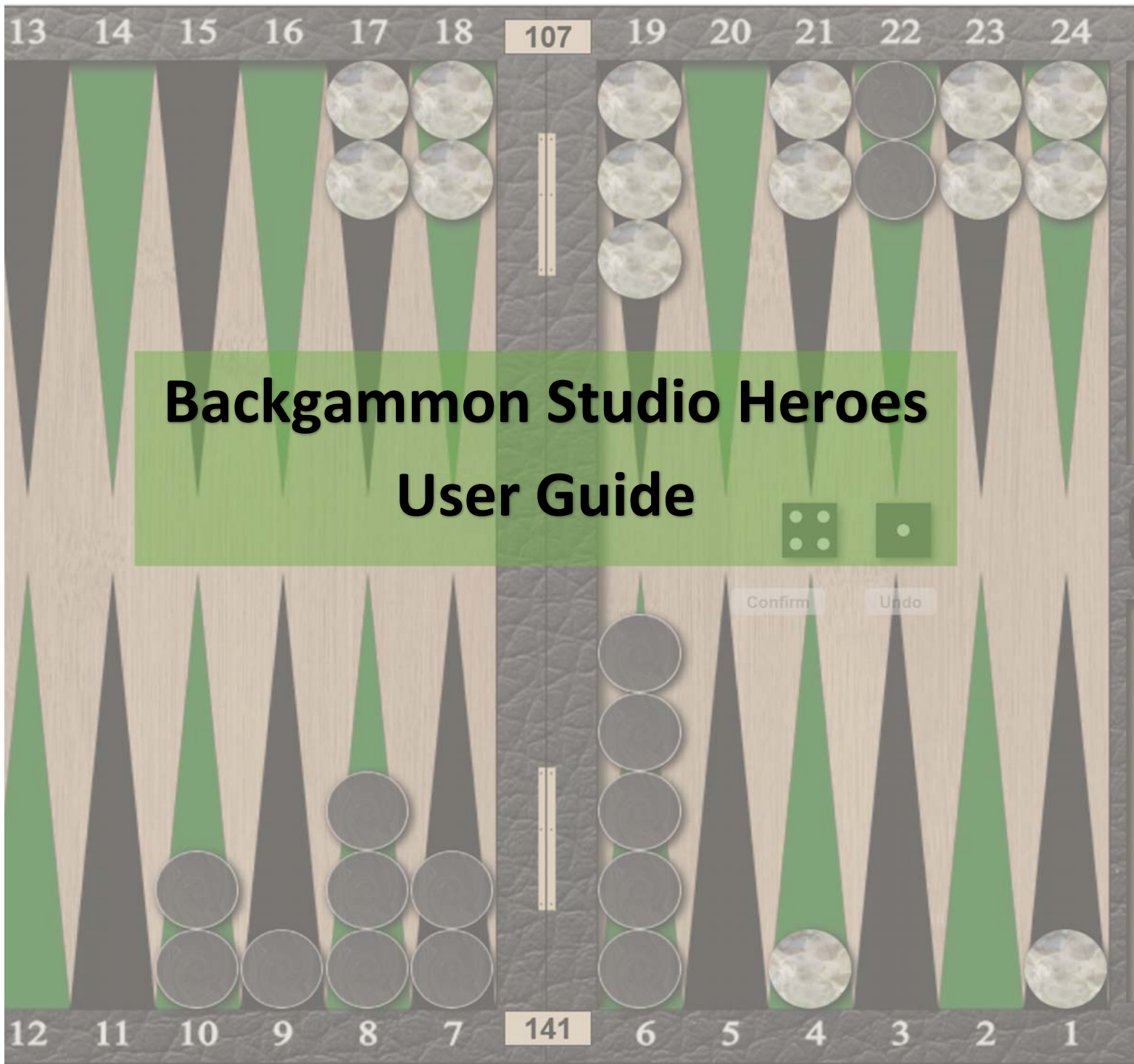




Worcester Backgammon Club



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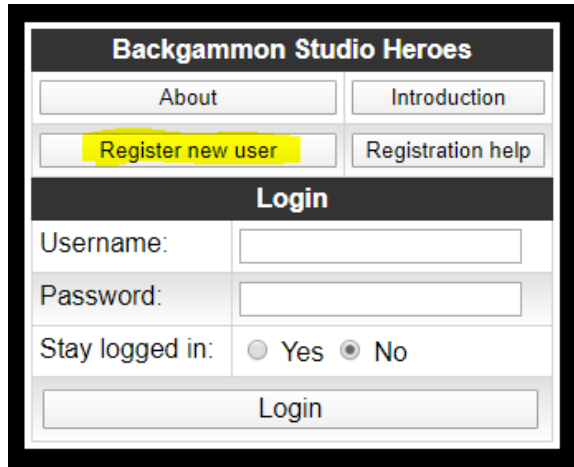
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New User Registration

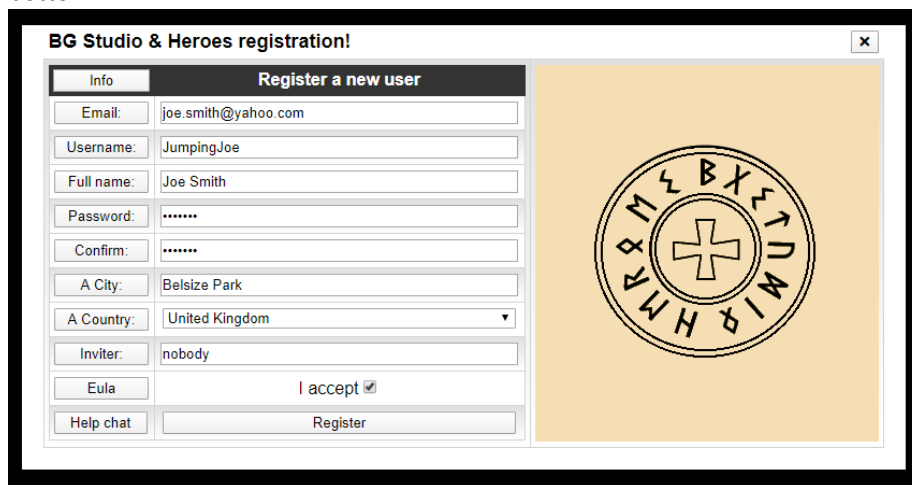
1. Go to <https://heroes.backgammonstudio.com/> and click the Enter button:



2. On the following screen, click the Register New User button



3. Complete the user details as in the example below, then click the Register button at the bottom:

A screenshot of a web browser showing the 'BG Studio & Heroes registration!' form. The form is titled 'Register a new user' and has a black header. The form contains several input fields: 'Email:' (joe.smith@yahoo.com), 'Username:' (JumpingJoe), 'Full name:' (Joe Smith), 'Password:' (masked with dots), 'Confirm:' (masked with dots), 'A City:' (Belsize Park), 'A Country:' (United Kingdom), 'Inviter:' (nobody), and 'Eula' (I accept checked). At the bottom of the form is a 'Register' button. To the right of the form is a large yellow square containing a circular logo with a cross in the center and the letters 'B', 'G', 'S', 'H', 'M', 'R' around it.

You will need to wait for your account to be confirmed before you can access the site. This normally only takes a few minutes.

The Main Screen

After you have logged in to the system, you will be presented with the main screen:

Menu

Backgammon Studio Heroes

Help

Main

Live matches Tournaments Champions Achievements Practice Private DB

#	Player 1	Score	Player 2	Score	Length	Type	Link
1	PROdiver	4	Pkk	5	7	Consultation match	
2	baranbaran	2	doktor	9	11	Match	
3	Micksranger	4	Ergin	4	11	Match	
4	Thithor	2	bobcat 1944	3	7	Consultation match	
5	Wisestars	0	bodrum	2	5	Tournament	
6	Bataga	3	Serkan	1	7	PR match	
7	Eugenlin	0	Ionica	3	7	Match	
8	Computer 3	2	Mercurryy	4	11	Match	
9	Computer 6	2	AdrianS	4	9	Consultation match	
10	maquisard	2	elza	3	7	Tournament match	
11	Computer 5	1	AlonsoLuis	2	3	Match	

Public chat

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#EvdeTavla - #StayHome

Game on!

You have 1 incomplete matches. Check the [Incomplete](#) room to schedule matches.

Public chat

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The left-hand column is a list of the other players currently logged in with details of their current Rating, Country flag and Status. You can sort this list by clicking on the column headers. At the top of the list of players is a drop-down menu, set to Main by default which lists all players. Using this drop-down menu allows you to filter the list of players by your country, city, your friends, unfinished match opponents etc.

The main window is split into two parts. The lower part is the scrolling Chat window, set to Public chat by default. This will change to Country chat, or Match chat etc. as is appropriate when you use the system,

The top part of the main window is a series of tabs. Not all these tabs may be visible to you if you haven't yet enabled those features. The main tabs are:

Live matches – shows a list of all the matches currently being played on the system. You can sort on any of the columns by first enabling this by clicking on the small up-down arrows icon above the right-most column. Clicking on the eye icon in this right-hand column allows you to join a live match as an observer. (Note, if the system is currently under high load, you sometimes have to click on this

eye icon more than once to open the match window. The connection progress is shown in the chat window – if it says you have connected but the match window doesn't open, try again.)

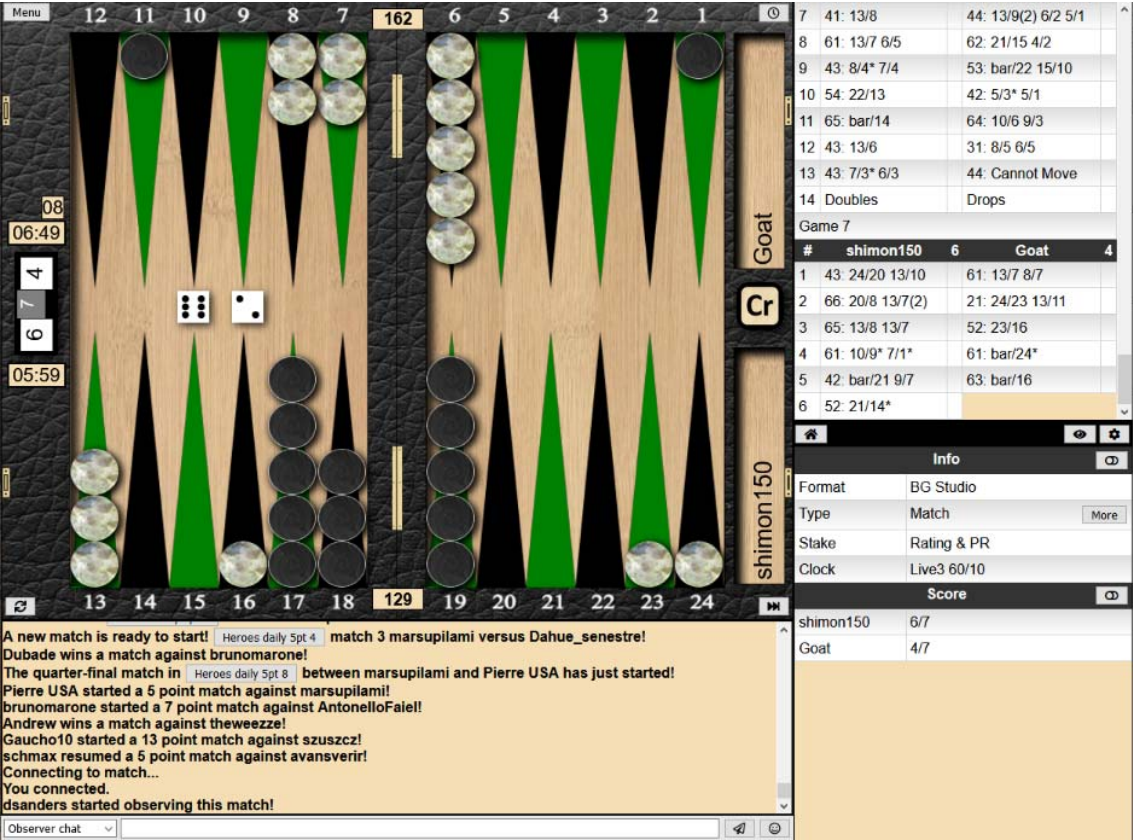
Tournaments – this tab gives access to current and planned tournaments, as well as completed tournaments. A Tournament in Studio Heroes is a knockout bracket competition. Some tournaments are open to all, while others are restricted to different countries and cities, or may be invitational tournaments. See the section later in this guide for more information.

Private DB – this tab may not be visible initially – you will need to enable it through your trial period as a premium member on the main menu. Here you will find lots of records about the matches you have played, such as PR and Rating analysis, error and blunder database for review etc.

The **Practice** tab takes you to the old Backgammon Studio server, while **Champions** and **Achievements** list players by achievements or ratings/tournament wins.

The Match Screen

When you are playing or observing a match, the screen layout changes to this:



The chat at the bottom will be Observer chat (if you are a watcher) or Match chat if you are one of the players. To return to the Main screen, use the Menu button at the top left and choose the option Exit match.

The column to the right of the board shows the history of moves in the match, and depending on how the match is configured, other information below, such as current PRs, Luck and Awesome streaks (an Awesome move is where you make the best possible move)

Game 1			
#	Computer 1	0	max187
1	51: 24/23 13/8	64: 8/2* 6/2	
2	42: bar/21 13/11	31: 8/5 6/5	
3	42: 21/17* 13/11	65: bar/20 24/18	
4	65: 24/13	63: 24/18 13/10	
5	63: 17/11 6/3	63: 13/10 13/7	
6	64: 13/3	52: 20/13	
7	Doubles	Drops	

Game 2			
#	Computer 1	1	max187
1		32: 13/11 13/10	
2	42: 8/4 6/4	52: 13/11 10/5	
3	64: 24/20* 13/7	31: bar/22 6/5*	
4	41: bar/20*	64: Cannot Move	
5	Doubles	Takes	

Info	
Format	BG Studio
Type	Consultation match More
Stake	Coin & Rating & PR
Clock	Standard 120/10

Score	
Computer 1	5/7
max187	0/7

Performance Rating		
Computer 1	1	World Champ
	13.97	Intermediate

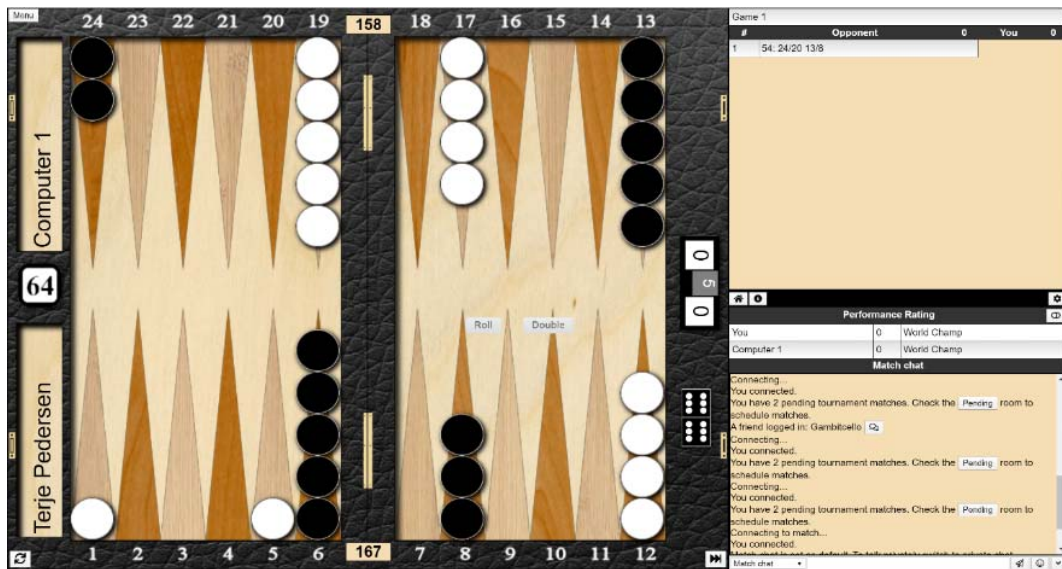
In certain configurations, such as Consultation matches, errors and blunders will be highlighted as shown. Clicking on one of these coloured cells will display an analysis of the blunder and the best moves that were possible.

The information icon ⓘ will display information about cube errors.

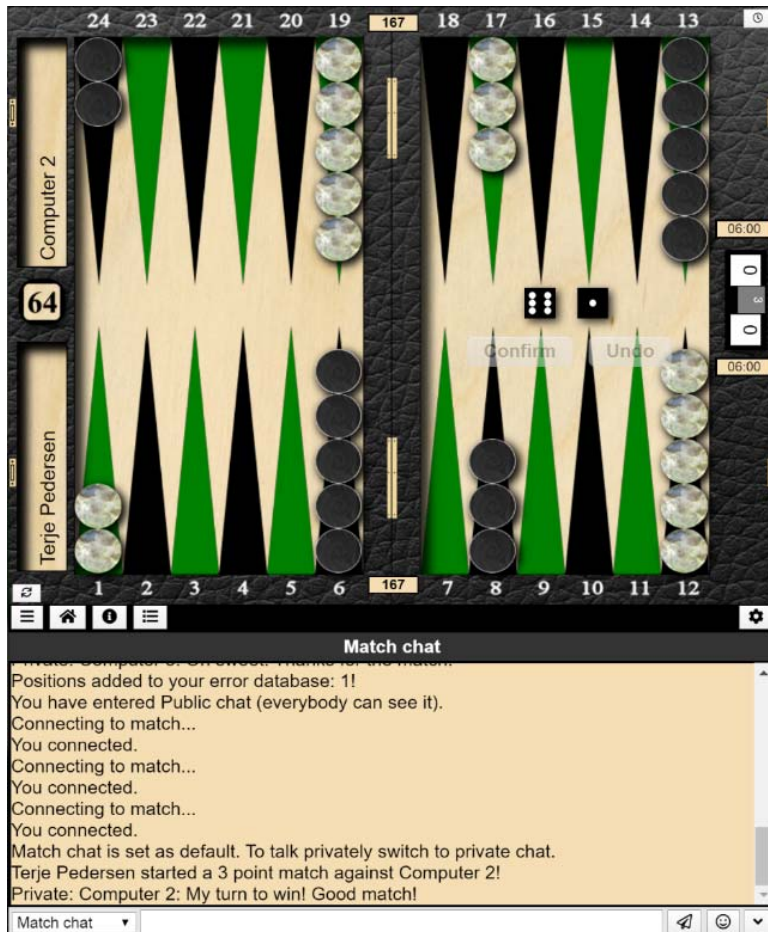
Even if the match is configured to not show instant analysis of each move, such as for the Tournament matchtype (where the players do not get feedback on their moves or PR), observers of the match will still see the highlighted errors/blunders and the pip count.

Board layout

The board can take many different shapes depending on the size of the screen. The most common is perhaps the wide screen version:

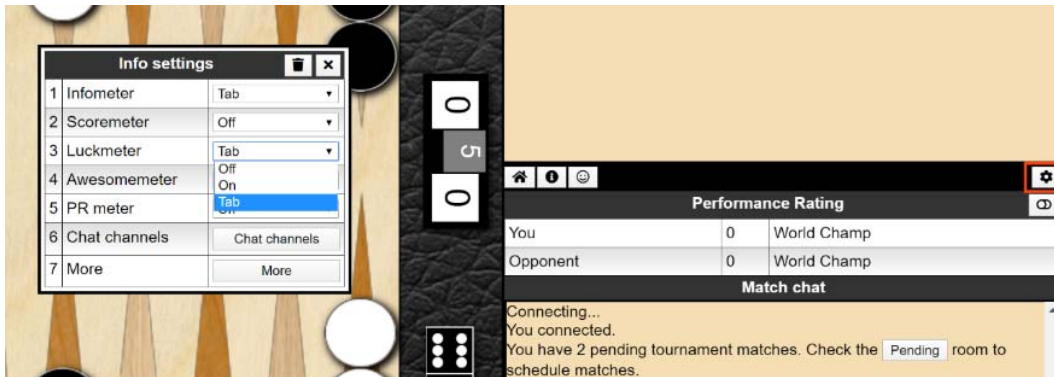


Mobile/tablet portrait could look like this:



Changing the aspect ratio of your browser window by dragging its size will automatically change the layout to the one most suitable for your browser size.

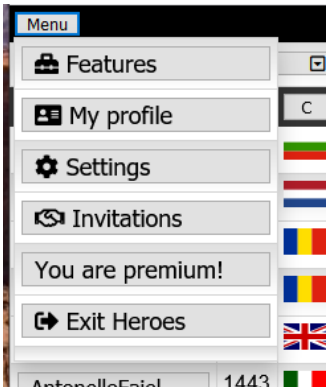
The small cogwheel on the middle of the right hand side reveals additional info that can be turned on. Either displayed directly or put in a tabs along the middle of the right hand side:



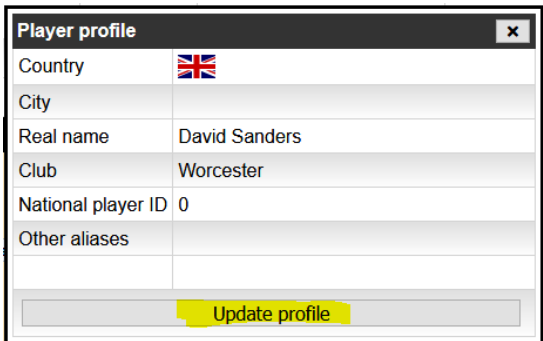
It is possible to drag&drop the headers into the header bar turning them into a tab or drag a button onto the home icon to turn them into visible entries. And the header bar can be dragged up/down to give this area more room.

Setting My Profile

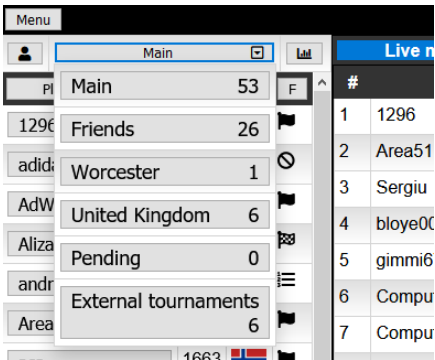
From the Menu (top left of the Main screen), select My profile.



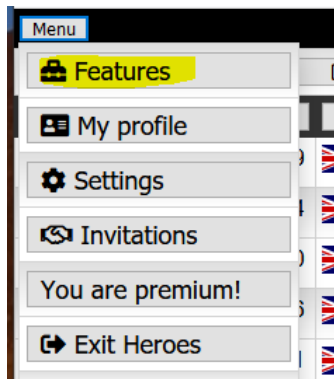
Click the Update profile button to enter or modify the data. Note that the City, if entered, will give you a menu option to list local players, for example for Worcester as show below.



From the main List of players, there is a drop-down menu where you can filter the players listed by Country or City or Friends which may make it easier to find a specific player you are looking for. If you have unfinished matches, they will also be listed under this menu.



Setting Features



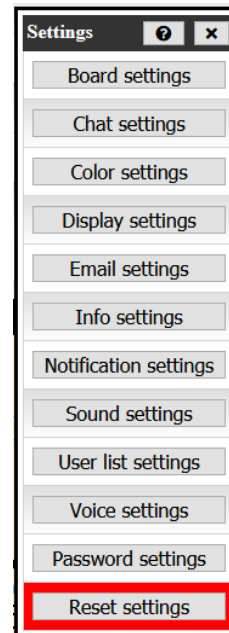
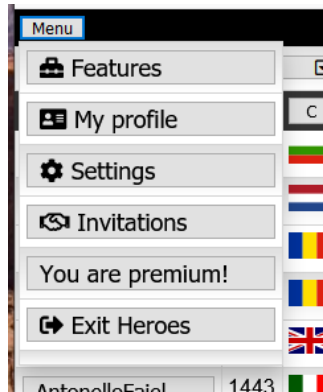
From the Menu button in the top left of the Main screen, choose **Features** to set the configuration.

Make sure the settings are as shown below. The Private DB setting will add the corresponding tab, and build up a history of your matches for download, a list of your errors and blunders, and your performance graphs, etc.

Feature settings			?	x
Competition match format	<input type="checkbox"/>	On		
Performance rating	<input type="checkbox"/>	On		
Achievements	<input type="checkbox"/>	On		
Coins	<input type="checkbox"/>	Off		
Tournaments	<input type="checkbox"/>	On		
Extra match types	<input type="checkbox"/>	On		
Private DB	<input type="checkbox"/>	On		

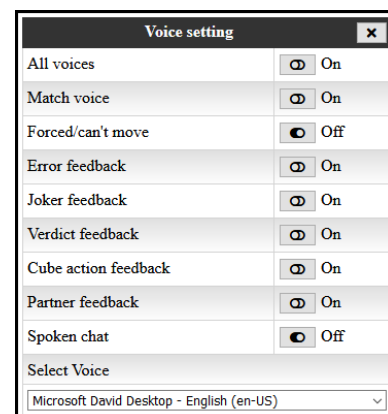
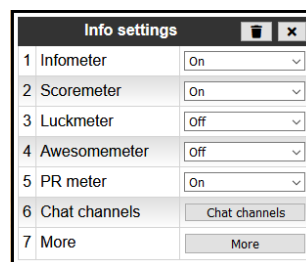
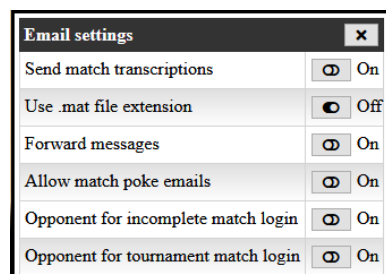
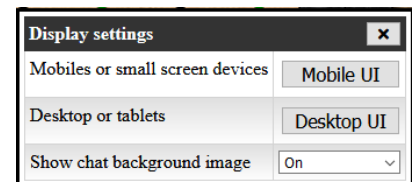
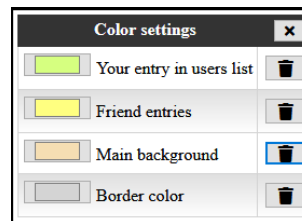
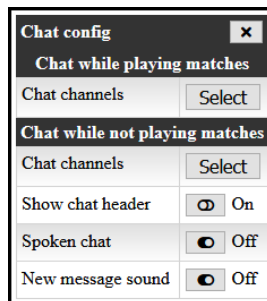
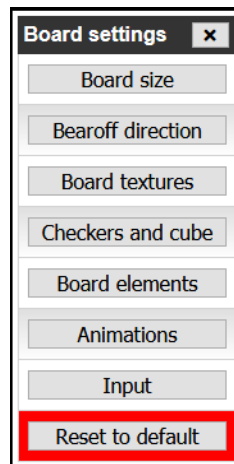
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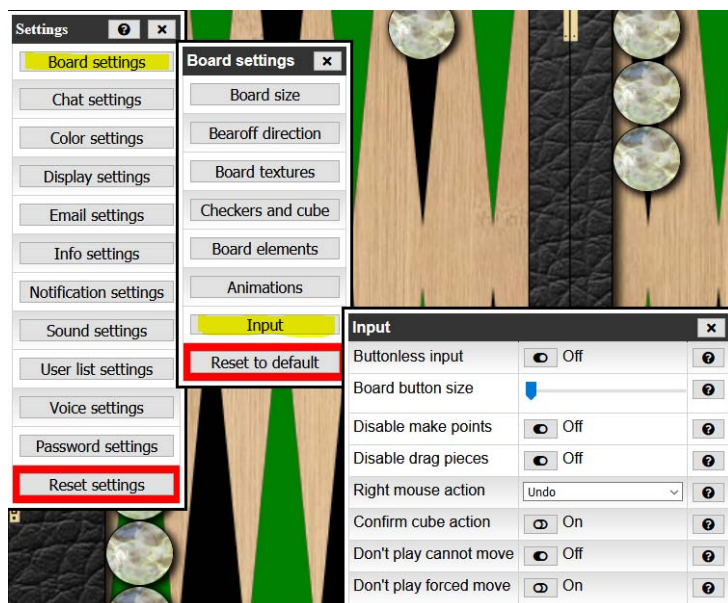
From the Menu (top left of the Main screen), select **Settings**.



The following options will be displayed.

Many options affecting the appearance, layout and behaviour of the application can be set from here, some of which are as shown below.

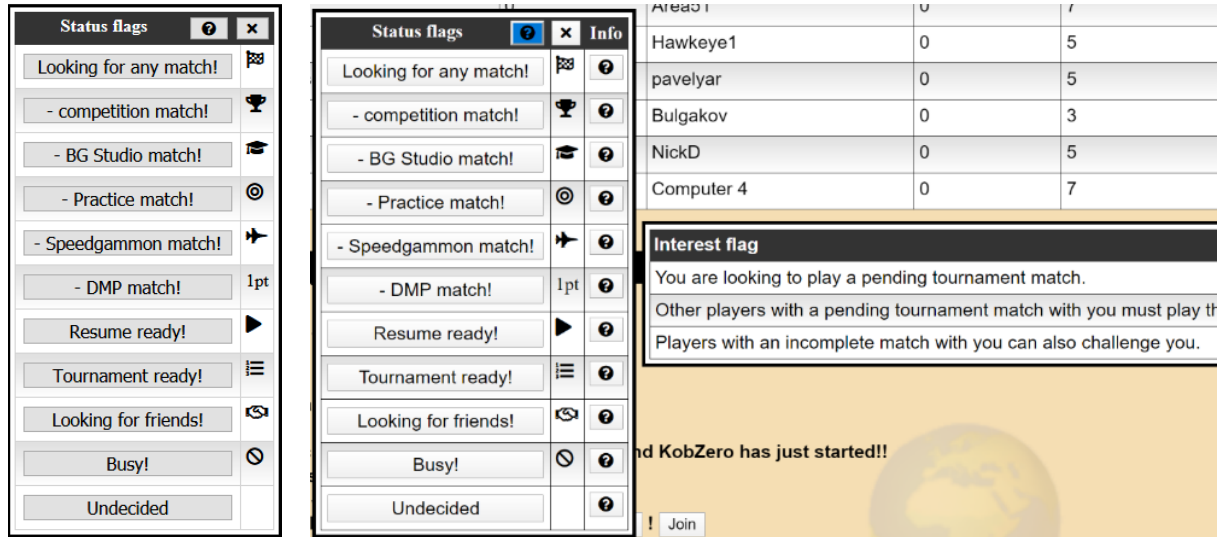




Several useful settings can be found under Board settings/Input where you can configure whether the system automatically plays forced moves for you or not, cannot move options and drag and drop.

Setting your Status

From the list of players, click on your own name, or anywhere in the column listing player statuses, or on the person icon at the top of the list to set your own Status. Click the relevant status to set your own status in the list of players.



Clicking on the Question mark help button in the dialog header allows access to some extra information about each status.

Note that some statuses restrict who can challenge you to a match. For example:

- **Resume ready!** – only players with whom you have an unfinished match can challenge you
- **Tournament ready!** – only players in the same knockout bracket as you can challenge you to a match
- **Busy!** – No-one can challenge you to a match

Please make sure that you set an appropriate Status whenever you are on the site, otherwise you may get far more or fewer challenges than you expect!

Finding and Viewing Live Matches

The Status flag in the right-hand column shows the status of a player (such as Looking for any match, Busy, Tournament ready etc.).

If the icon in the right-hand column is solid black, this indicates the player is currently playing a match. If the icon is greyed-out, this indicates the player has been idle for more than 5 minutes and may be away from their computer.

If you hover over the name of a player who is currently playing a match, as shown below, the list of Live matches will scroll to highlight the match they are playing. You can click on the eye icon to the right of the live match to join as an observer.

The screenshot shows the 'Backgammon Studio Heroes' interface. On the left is a player list with names like Alvinek, b4pym, Bodukun, Boomer, branco1304, Chumparat, dsanders, Jeelsy, Jimsan, NickD, Pistols, RoxThunderclap, steveWYBG, timjp, Trilon, and wintersun405. The main area displays a table of live matches with columns for Rank, Player, Score, Opponent, and Match Type. The match between Chumparat and steveWYBG is highlighted. At the bottom, there is a 'Country chat' section and a 'Room actions' menu.

Rank	Player	Score	Opponent	Match Type
14	ou_it_redmoons5	0	Bab	Match
15	borkoss	0	milanov	Match
16	masterm1954	0	Dolor	Match
17	Markin	0	dmitrylesnoy	Match
18	Bodukun	0	NickD	Match
19	EbiKord	6	Jannice	Consultation match
20	RegiTed	2	Computer 4	Match
21	Eugenlin	3	b4pym	Consultation match
22	Boomer	1	Ergin	Match
23	konstantinos198	0	BARBARO	Match
24	navierstokes	3	LinusRio	Match
25	Computer 2	1	Sellena	Match
26	Dag	0	Stelian	Consultation match
27	steveWYBG	1	Chumparat	Tournament match
28	ercka	0	Giro	Consultation match
29	Computer 5	0	skiry	Match

When you are watching a match, by default you are placed in Observer chat. This is chat between observers of the match, and is not visible to the players. Change the drop-down menu from Observer chat to Match chat to message the players of the match.

The screenshot shows a backgammon match in progress. The board is visible with pieces in their starting positions. Below the board is a chat window with a list of messages, including match results and connection status. The chat window has a dropdown menu set to 'Observer chat'.

13 14 15 16 17 18 65 19 20 21 22 23 24

RegiTed wins a match against Computer 4!
masterm1954 wins a match against Dolor!
MariusRocky started a 9 point match against alecs!
melzino started a 25 point consultation match against Computer 6!
b4pym wins a match against Eugenlin!
Connecting to match...
You connected.
dsanders started observing this match!












Observer chat

Some of the matches in the list are shown as Tournament in a button. Click the button to view the bracket for the knockout tournament. You can also watch matches from the bracket by clicking on the eye icon next to any currently being played matches.

Making Friends

One of the easiest ways to make friends is from when you are observing or participating in a match:



Player actions		Mettiyaz	
	Make friends with this player.		
	Add note about this player.		
	Show/edit note about this player.		
	Ignore this player.		
	Mute this player.		
	Open a private chat dialog (if friend).		
	Show statistics for this player.		
	Show past matches against this player.		
	Show player profile.		
	Share data with this player.		

Click on the player’s name in the bear-off area of the board. The Player actions dialog opens where you can issue a friend request or take other actions as shown.

Once you are friends with another player, you can easily locate them in your Friends list, and by default you get a notification in the chat section when the log in, together with an icon to launch chat with them.

Starting a new match

On Heroes, you start a new match by challenging another player to a match. Click on a player in the list of players. The Challenge dialog opens. Try to respect their Status, so don't challenge them if they're set to busy.

The image shows two screenshots of the 'capocorvo' challenge dialog. The left screenshot shows the 'More' button highlighted, and the right screenshot shows the 'Challenge!' and 'Decline' buttons.

capocorvo	
Player actions	H2H
Format	BG Studio
Matchtype	Match
Length	3
Clock	Standard
Stake	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rating <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coin
More	
Clock bank	360 seconds
Clock add	10 seconds
Rating ↑:	Win : 1653.64 (+3.01) Lose: 1646.72 (-3.91)
Initial win%:	41.12%
Challenge!	Decline

Clicking the More button shows or hides extra information as shown.

Click the highlighted Player actions button to interact with the player. You can send a friend request from the Player actions form. Marking someone as a friend makes them easier to find as they will appear in the Friends list under the main list filtering menu.

The image shows a screenshot of the 'adidan' challenge dialog with the 'Player actions' sub-dialog open, showing various interaction options.

adidan	
Player actions	
Format	
Matchtype	
Length	
Clock	
Stake	
More	
Clock bank	
Clock add	
Rating ↑:	Win : 1647.49 (+3.50) Lose: 1640.56 (-3.57)
Initial win%:	40.85%
Challenge!	Decline

Player actions adidan	
	Make friends with this player.
	Add note about this player.
	Ignore this player.
	Mute this player.
	Open a private chat dialog (if friend).
	Show statistics for this player.
	Show past matches against this player.
	Show player profile.
	Share data with this player.

The player actions dialog can also be found by clicking on the player's name on the match board. While playing, this dialog can be used to mute your opponent if your opponent starts to use abusive language in the chat. Some players can't handle bad rolls very well.

The other buttons in the Challenge dialog to the right of the Player actions button are Chat, Stats (including PR), Head2Head statistics between you and the player, and their User Profile.

To issue a challenge set the options, Format, Matchtype, Length, Clock, Stake then click the Challenge button.

- Format – Competition or BG Studio: Setting to BG Studio changes some of the features on the following selections. BG Studio highlights errors and provides commentary on your moves which may be useful (or not!) for training purposes. Competition removes a lot of these aids and gives a purer match experience.
- Matchtype – the 3 main ones are Match, Consultation Match and Tournament Match. Consultation gives the maximum analysis and feedback, while Tournament match gives the minimum.
- Clock – Choose Tournament clock for standard 12 secs delay and 2 minutes per point. Other clock settings are available, some of which are more appropriate to the speed of online matches.
- Stake – use the checkboxes to select whether the match will affect your Rating and or PR. If neither is checked, the match is a 'friendly' and will not affect your rating.

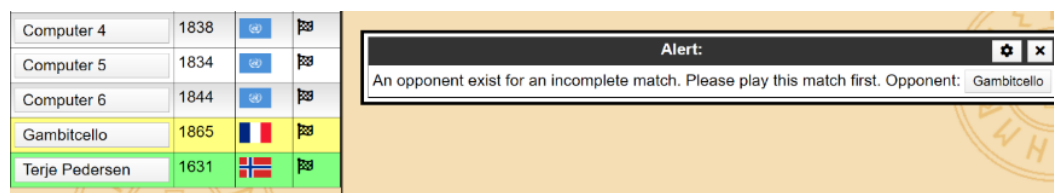
A typical set of match settings for a serious competition match might be:

- Format: Competition
- Matchtype: Tournament
- Clock: Tournament
- Stake: PR and Rating

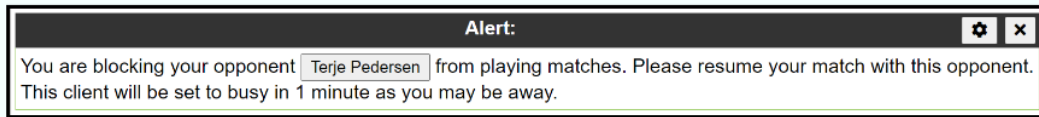
For a friendly or training match, typically you would use settings like:

- Format: BG Studio
- Matchtype: Consultation
- Clock: Standard
- Stake: PR and Rating, or nothing

Note that if you are in a tournament or have incomplete matches, the system will prompt you to complete these matches before starting new matches.

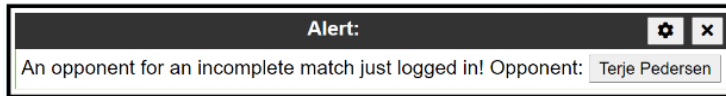


Clicking on the buttoned name in the message will launch the challenge to resume. The opponent will be notified like this:



If the opponent doesn't respond this player will be set to busy and you are free to play other matches.

When opponents for incomplete matches logs in you will be notified like this:



This is a perfect opportunity to get the match completed or if you are busy talk to the player to arrange a time to play the match.

Knockout Tournaments

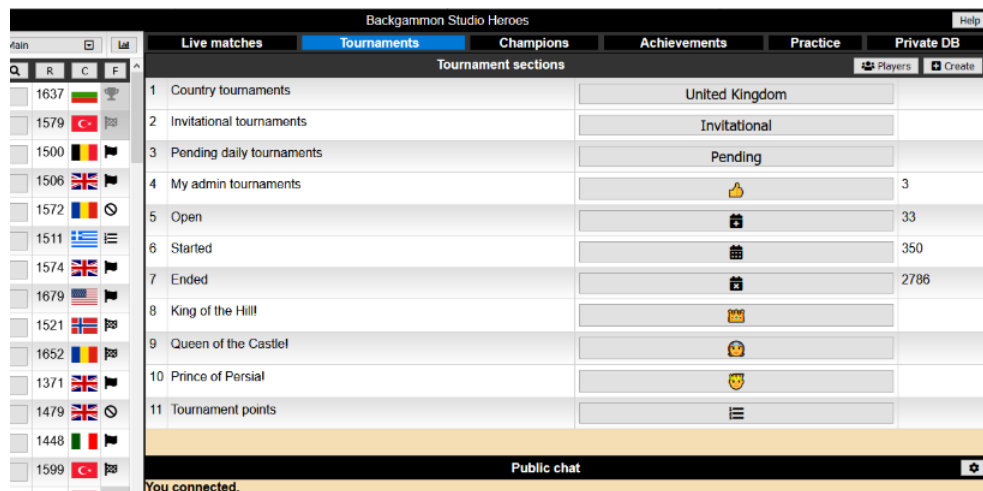
If you are enrolled in a tournament, there are some additional ways to start your matches.

Enrolling in a Tournament

There are different types of tournaments, but all are knockout bracket based. Some tournaments are open, meaning anyone can join. Some are restricted, meaning you have to be in the correct Country or City to join, whilst some are Invitational tournaments (which are used for the club evening) where the organizer selects who will be in the tournament.

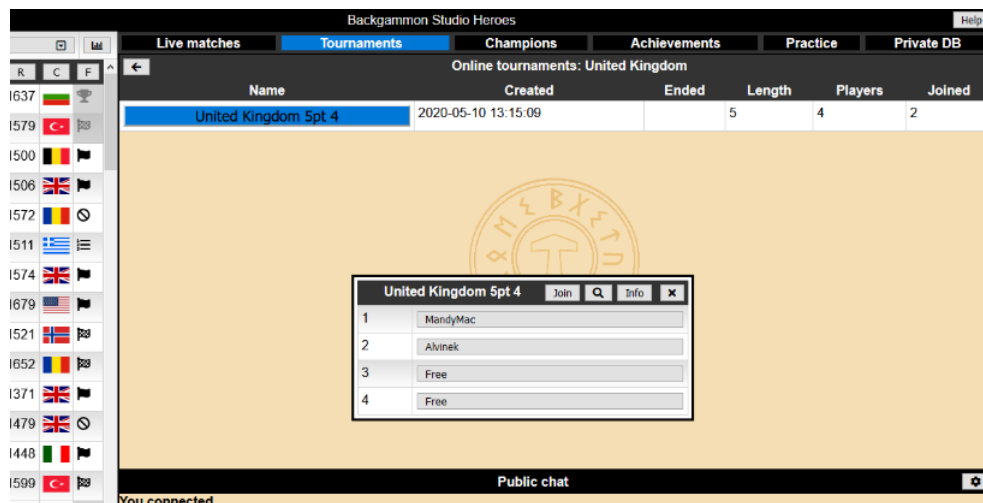
For Invitational tournaments, contact the organizer and request to be entered into the tournament.

For Open or Restricted tournaments, locate the tournament you are interested in on the Tournaments tab.



Your screen may look slightly different to this with a different list of sections, such as My Tournaments instead of My admin tournaments.

Click on the relevant section, such as Country Tournaments, Invitational Tournaments, or Pending Daily Tournaments.

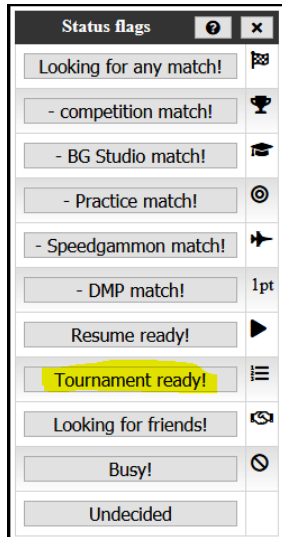


Click the tournament you are interested in joining, and if there are free places, you can click the Join button. Many open tournaments will start when they have filled all the free slots.

Invitational tournaments will normally have a scheduled start time. Once you have joined a tournament it should be listed under the My Tournaments section of the Tournaments tab.

Setting your Status for Tournaments

IMPORTANT: Once you are involved in a tournament that has started, you should set your Status to **Tournament ready**. Click on your name in the Player list and choose the appropriate status.



Setting this status will prevent people not in the tournament from challenging you to games, making sure you remain available for the tournament matches as they become ready. **Do not forget to change your status back to something else after the tournament ends, or you won't get many more matches !**

Playing the Tournament

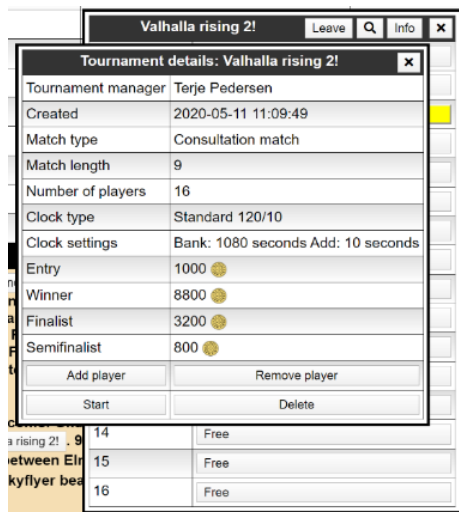
Once the tournament has started, opening the tournament from My tournaments will then display the bracket giving you the draw of who you are to play and a button to launch the match if your match is ready. Clicking on your opponent's name will also start the match.

Tournament action is often displayed in the chat (muted by default when playing a match):



Here you can see a tournament that just started announcing the matchups. Another tournament is filling up with players and it has a join button at the end. Click on these to join the tournament directly.

You can also click on the tournament buttons to check on the tournament progress or look at tournament details. The info button in the tournament dialog reveals more details:



When you start the match, the dialog is the same as that to challenge someone to a normal match, but the settings are as predefined for the tournament, so you cannot alter them. You cannot change the match length or the clock used for example.

You can also look at a tournament that you are not involved in, which will open the bracket.



There will be an eye icon by any matches currently being played to allow you to watch the match as an observer. You can obviously also access the match from the list on the Live Matches tab. If you are in the tournament, your entry will be highlighted in yellow. Winners of completed matches are highlighted in green.

If you are playing a tournament match and win the final game, if your next match is ready (your next opponent has already finished their previous match), there will be a pop-up message with a button to allow you to proceed directly to starting the next match. The tournament matches can be launched by either player.

If your next opponent is not yet ready, you will see a message in the General chat when they complete their match and become available, but you can also watch their match for progress, either from the bracket as shown above, or from the list of matches on the Live matches tab.

Playing a Match

Whether you are playing a match in a tournament, or just with a fellow player, here are a few tips to help you get the most out of Backgammon Studio Heroes.

Match Preferences

When you are playing a match and the playing board is displayed, the Menu in the top left should give you the following choices.



Note that you can turn autoroll, sound etc. on or off, resign a game or exit the match from here, as well as a few other actions.

Swapping the dice

When you have rolled the dice, you can make your move by either clicking on the checker to move or dragging it to an appropriate position. If you click on the checker, it will move by the value on the first dice, if a legal move, or the second dice if that is the only legal move. So if you rolled a 5-3, clicking on a checker will move it 5 places if that is legal.

If you click on the dice, their positions will swap to 3-5. Then clicking on a checker will move it 3 places rather than 5, if that move is legal.

Using the target to move checkers

Alternatively, you can move checkers by clicking on the 'target' to move a checker to. So if you roll, for example, a 3-3 to move from the 13 point to the 7 point, just click on the 7pt point on the board. Make sure you click on the board surface, not a checker that is already on the target point.

In this way you have moved a checker 2 moves of 3 with a single click. Note that this behaviour can sometimes give unexpected results and you should always check that the moves are as you want before confirming them. For example, in the above example, if there are checkers on the 10pt, they will be the ones to move to the 7pt, rather than the checkers from the 13pt.

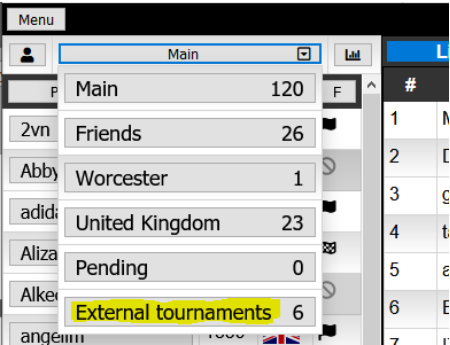
This technique can also move a single checker using both dice. For example, rolling a 6-2, you can move a checker from the 13pt to the 5pt by clicking on the 5pt chevron (assuming that move is not blocked and that there are no closer checkers that could move to that position, such as from the 11pt or the 7pt).

Click to make a point

If you for instance get 3-1 and you click on your 5 point it will make this point with both die. Check that the action you wish to occur is correct before confirming your move.

External Tournaments and Private Rooms

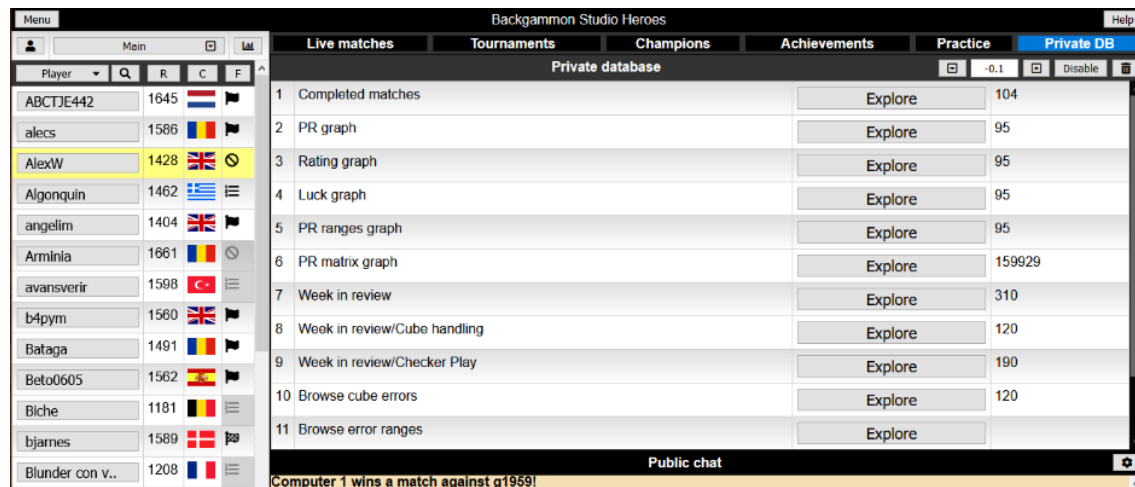
Event organizers can have private rooms set up where they can host external tournaments. These can be accessed from the filter on the list of players, and are under the heading Tournaments.



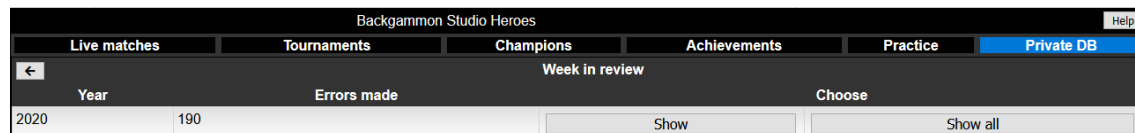
Some of these rooms are open and anyone can join, while others will be invitational, where the event organizer needs to invite you to the room.

Private DB

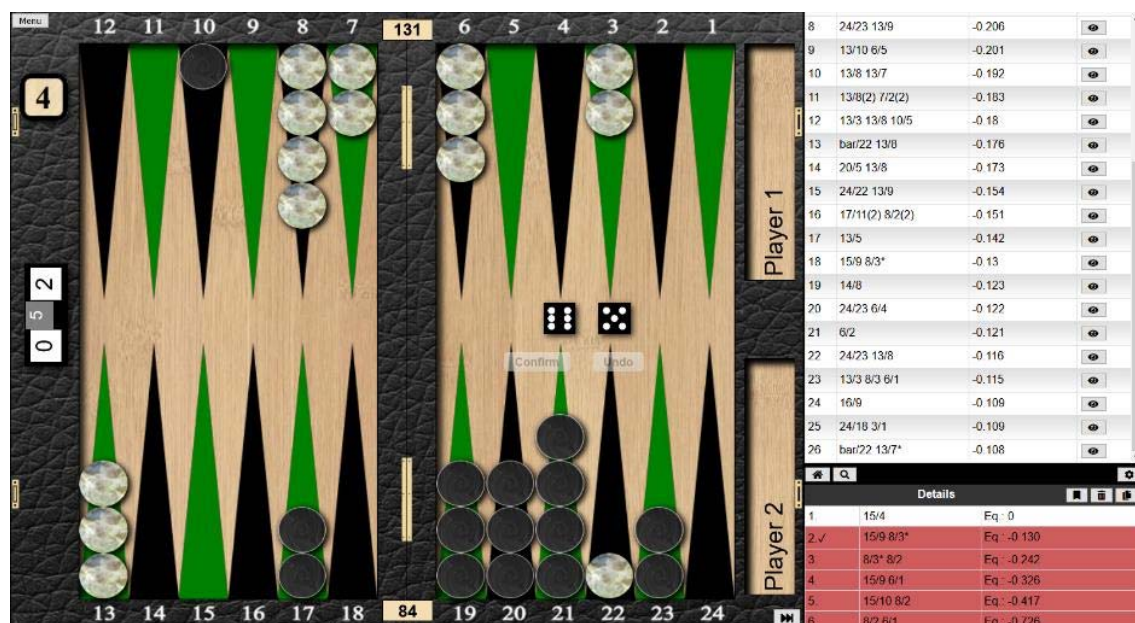
The Private DB tab gives access to a private database of your performance and match history. You need to enable this feature initially.



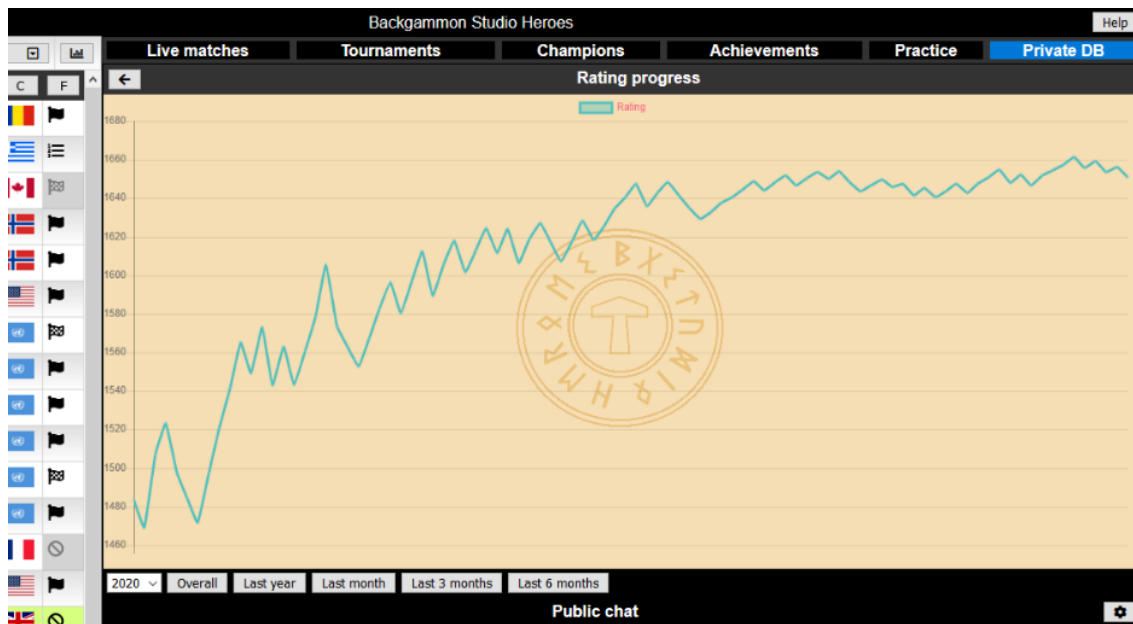
Exploring these sections allows you to review your performance. For example, clicking the Week in review/Checker play button gives:



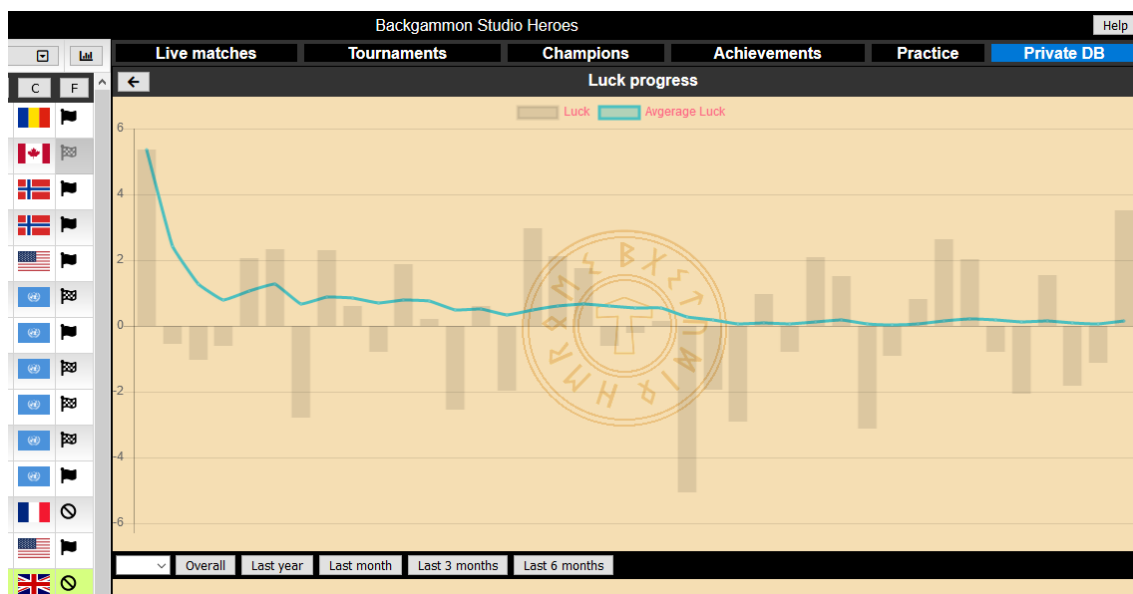
Click the Show button to open a list of your blunders. Browse the list in the right hand column to review your blunders and errors as shown. If you click the eye icon next to the blunder, it opens up the entire match for you to review. You will see what you played originally ('o') against what you just played (checkmark):



Other sections provide an overview of trends, such as your progression with Rating:

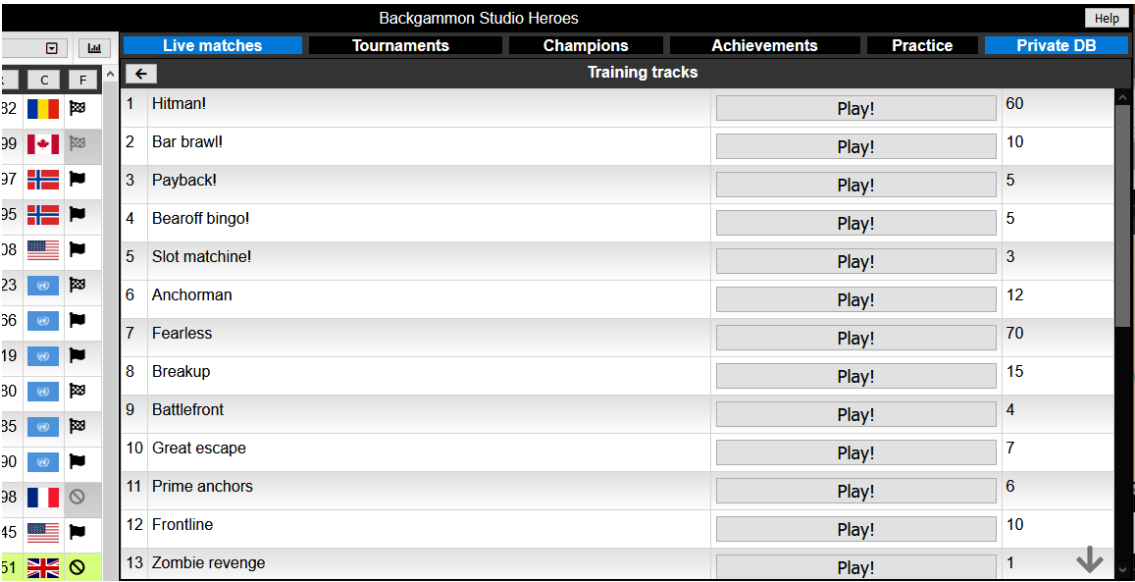


... or luck



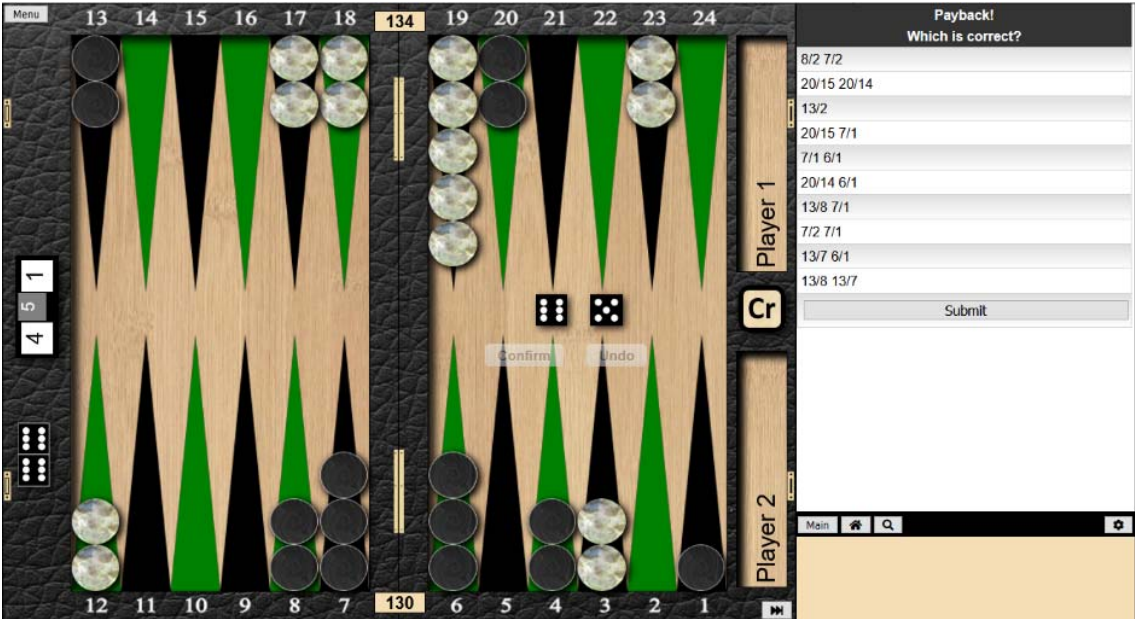
Reviewing and analysing your performance helps you to identify areas of your game that you should concentrate on improving.

There are also resources here to allow you to practice for particular situations. Clicking on the Training tracks section shows this choice:



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Training tracks			
32	1	Hitman!	60
99	2	Bar brawl	10
97	3	Payback!	5
95	4	Bearoff bingo!	5
98	5	Slot matchinet	3
23	6	Anchorman	12
36	7	Fearless	70
19	8	Breakup	15
30	9	Battlefront	4
35	10	Great escape	7
90	11	Prime anchors	6
98	12	Frontline	10
45	13	Zombie revenge	1

This gives access to a collection of quiz-type backgammon scenarios for you to pit your experience against.



Reviewing or download completed matches

Going to the Completed matches section of the Private DB allows you to review, replay or download transcripts of your recent matches. The records are sorted by match type.

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Tournament match

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DMP match

DMP match

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Last 100

Show

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Click on the match type you wish to review and a list of your recent matches is displayed showing who won, PRs etc. The buttons in the right-hand columns allow you to review or replay the match, or to download the match transcript for further review in external programs like XG.

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Match types described

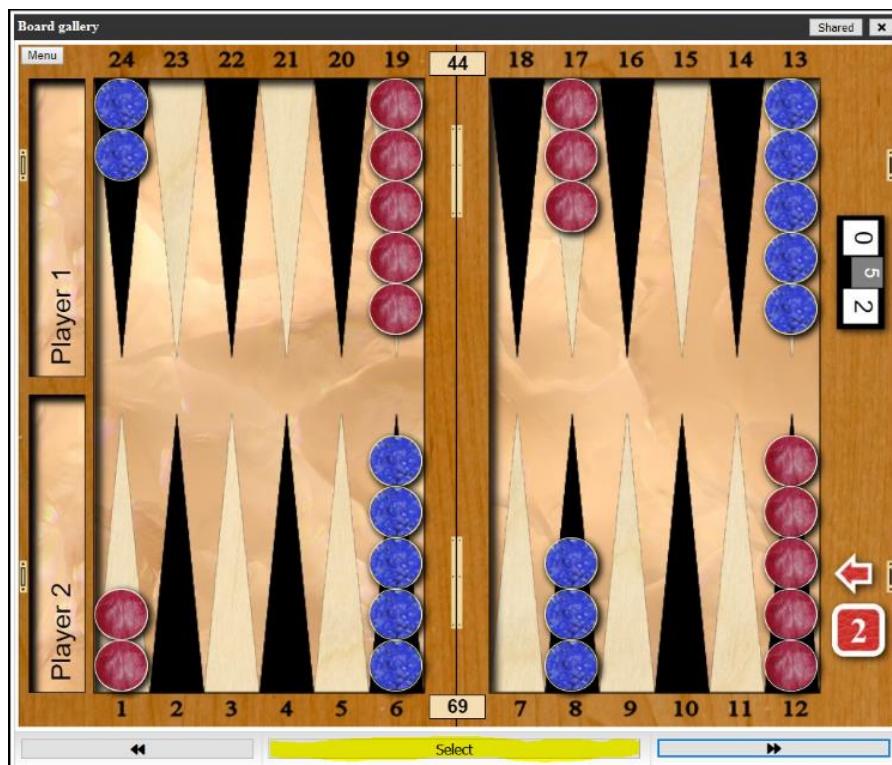
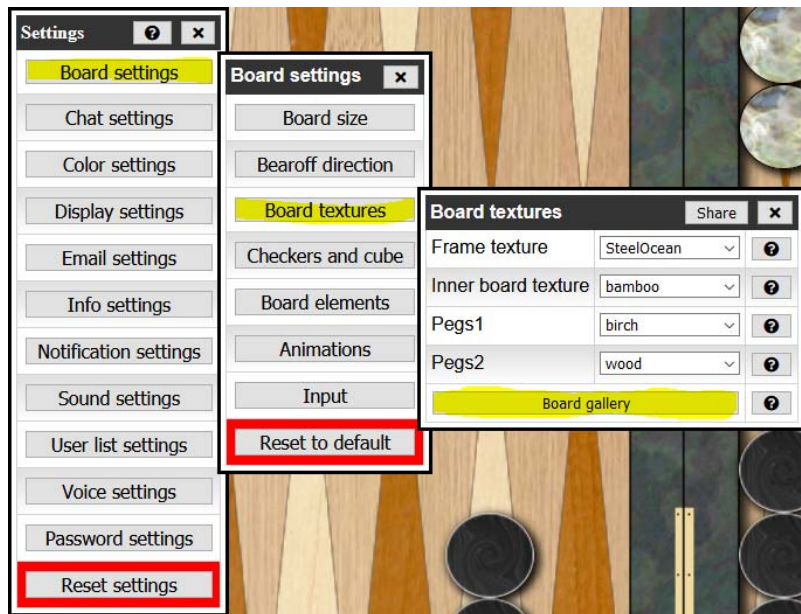
Match types	
Match	A normal online match without the running PR or error highlighting.
Consultation match	Here you will see a running PR value and errors are highlighted with different colors.
PR Match	A special kind of online match where the player that plays on the lowest PR wins.
Blundergammon	A special type of match where first blunder loses!
Unlimited games	A match with unlimited number of games.
Unlimited consultation	As unlimited games and also with error highlighting and running PR.
DMP Match	A one point match.
Speedgammon	A fast online match with match clocks. Each player get 120 seconds in the bank and 6 seconds add for each more.
Blitzgammon	A very fast online match with match clocks. Each player get 12 seconds in the bank and 4 seconds add for each more.
DC Match	Two player teams play againts each other.
Unrated match	A normal online match without the running PR or error highlighting and no rating adjustment.
Tournament Match	This is also without running PR and error higlighting and also without pip count.
Nackgammon	The opening position is different with 4 checkers on the last two pgs.
Hypergammon	A special type of match starting with only 3 checkers for each player.
Hitgammon	A special type of match where first hit wins!
Nohitgammon	A special type of match where first hit loses!
Paskogammon	A special type of match with a backgame starting position for one of the players. More

Clock types described

Info config			
Clock	Bank	Add	Special property
Standard	120	10	
Tournament	120	12	No computer feedback.
ABT	120	12	
Wbif	60	8	
Live1	60	12	No pipcount
Live2	120	8	No pipcount
Live3	60	10	Observers can't see computer feedback
Live4	90	10	No pipcount
Speed	24	7	
Speed2	24	7	Observers can't see computer feedback
Blitz	12	4	
Combinations of matchtypes and clocktypes can also have different effects:			
Tournament match+	Tournament clock =	No pipcount	

Board Settings Gallery

There is a gallery of board designed and settings that are shared from other users of the site to help you get a look and feel that you prefer. Use



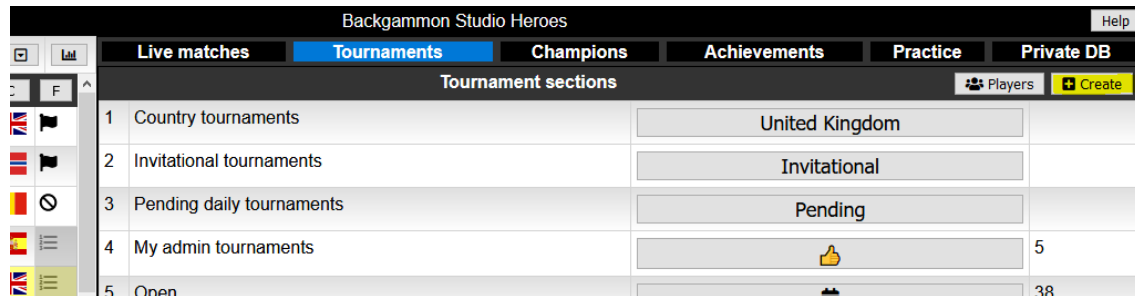
Use the arrows buttons to scroll though the shared designs, and the Select button to apply it. Once you have selected a board design, you can tweak it to your satisfaction as required from the Board settings menu.

Administration tasks

You need to be set up as the appropriate type of administrator to be able to perform these tasks. Contact the system owner if you need these rights adding to your account.

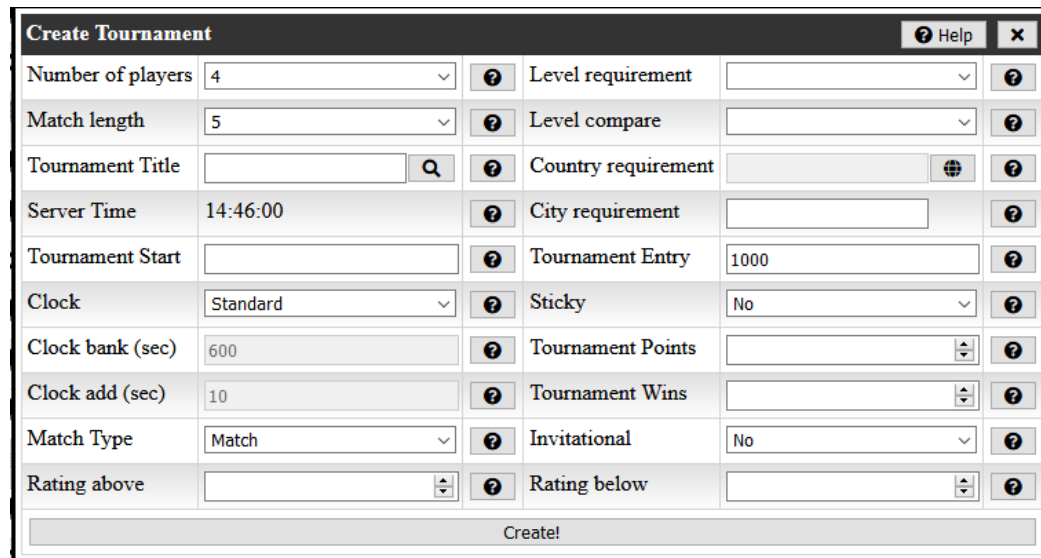
Creating a Tournament

From the Tournaments tab click on the +Create button:



Tournament sections			Players	Create
1	Country tournaments	United Kingdom		
2	Invitational tournaments	Invitational		
3	Pending daily tournaments	Pending		
4	My admin tournaments	👍	5	
5	Open	🏆	38	

The following dialog opens for you to enter the tournament details:



Create Tournament		Help	X		
Number of players	4	?	Level requirement		?
Match length	5	?	Level compare		?
Tournament Title		?	Country requirement		?
Server Time	14:46:00	?	City requirement		?
Tournament Start		?	Tournament Entry	1000	?
Clock	Standard	?	Sticky	No	?
Clock bank (sec)	600	?	Tournament Points		?
Clock add (sec)	10	?	Tournament Wins		?
Match Type	Match	?	Invitational	No	?
Rating above		?	Rating below		?
Create!					

Note that you do not need to put values in all of these fields – only the ones that you wish to use. For example, if the Tournament Start (time) field is filled in, it will automatically launch the tournament at the given time. If left blank the tournament must be launched manually by the administrator.

The help buttons give further information about many of these configuration fields.

The key fields to complete are

- Number of players
- Match length
- Tournament Title (text description)
- Tournament Start – the time to automatically start the knockout. If left blank you must start it manually. You can only schedule an automatic start on the same day, and should enter it in the server timezone (see Server Time above which gives the current server time)
- Clock – choose from list of selections

- Match type – choose from list of selections, such as tournament match, consultation match etc.
- Invitational – if set to No, it is an Open tournament and players will need to find and register for the tournament themselves. If set to Yes, the tournament administrator is responsible for adding players to the tournament
- Other fields are largely used to optionally limit the type of players that can register for an open tournament, such as players from a particular country or city, players above or below a particular PR etc. Leaving these fields empty means that there is no such restriction.
- Tournament Entry is set to 1000 by default and refers to the in-built system coins. Reduce to 0 if you do not wish to use coins

When you have completed the configuration to your satisfaction, click the Create! Button to create the tournament.

The tournament will then be accessible to you under the My admin tournaments section on the Tournaments tab.

For Invitational tournaments, open the tournament from this list:

Test Tournament		Q	Info	x
1	Free			
2	Free			
3	Free			
4	Free			
5	Free			
6	Free			
7	Free			
8	Free			

Click the Info button in the dialog header.

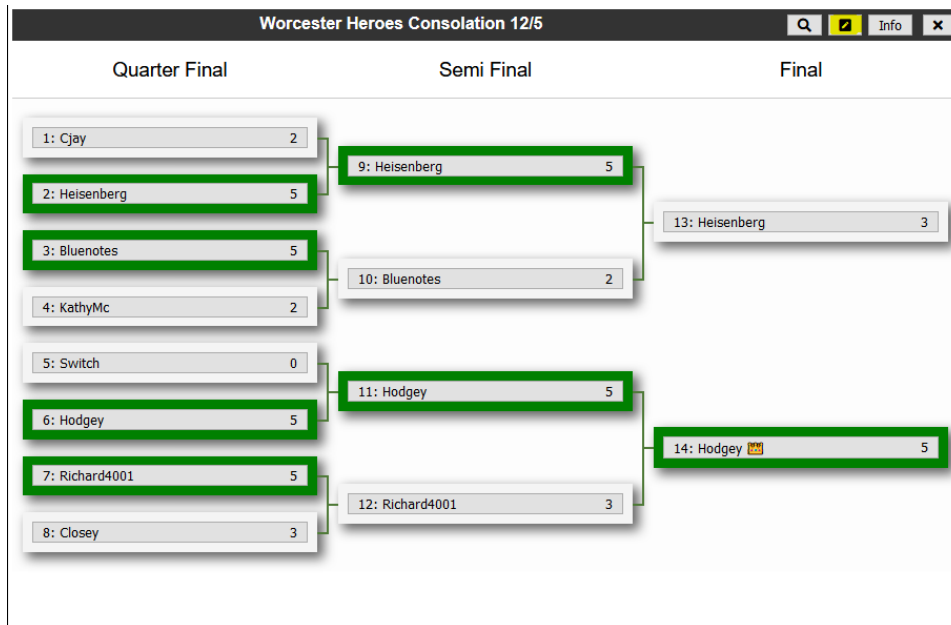
Tournament details: Test Tournament		x
Tournament manager	dsanders	
Created	2020-05-15 15:00:57	
Match type	Tournament match	
Match length	5	
Number of players	8	
Clock type	Standard 120/10	
Clock settings	Bank: 600 seconds Add: 10 seconds	
This is an invitational tournament. Ask tournament manager to join.		
Add player	Remove player	
Start	Delete	

You can use the Add and Remove player buttons to fill up the free slots in the tournament. If you have not set a time to start automatically, you can manually start the tournament after you have added the players from the Start button here. The Delete button will delete the entire tournament event.

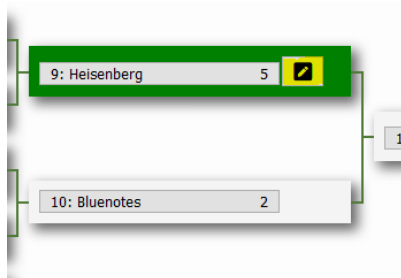
Manually Updating a Tournament

Scores for fixtures are automatically updated in the bracket as matches are completed, but there may be situations, for example when a player in the draw loses connectivity for a long time or fails to turn up, when you need to manually enter the scores to allow the tournament to progress.

As tournament admin, when you view the bracket you have an extra button in the dialog header to allow you to edit scores:



Clicking the highlighted button will add the extra controls to edit match results:



Note: Once you click the edit button, you must enter the scores or you will set both scores to 0 by cancelling out.