

**CC&GTCC 2005 Blackjack Tournament  
at Palms Casino Resort  
Wednesday August 3, 2005 12:00 noon**

**General Info**

The 2005 CC&GTCC Blackjack Tournament will be held during the club's annual convention in Las Vegas. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Blackjack Tournament the club has sponsored. Pre-registration for the Blackjack tournament is encouraged -- see club magazine or website for details. Walk-up entries and re-entries will be accepted at the Palms on the day of the tournament as well, based on space available.

The 5-piece set of 2005 tournament chips will be available for sale at the club table beginning on Friday, June 18, for \$15 per set. Also available by mail -- see club magazine for order information.

**Time & Place**

Wednesday afternoon, August 3, 2005 -- 12:noon to prox. 5:00pm at **Palms Casino Resort -- pit #3**. See specific schedule below.

**Entry info**

Entry fee: \$80 per player. Open to current CC&GTCC members and associate members ONLY. (Age 21+ of course.) Maximum 108 players, as explained below. Each player receives 600 in NCV tournament chips each round. (Note: includes the extra 100 dealers-toke chip from previous years.)

**Prize pool**

\$45 per player goes to prize pool; \$20 to Palms for hosting the tournament, providing dealers & management; \$5 to dealers tokes; \$10 for cost of one set of 5-piece CC&GTCC 2005 special tournament chips awarded to each player. (Since the tournament chips will be used for BOTH the BJ and poker tournaments, players won't get their chip sets until Thursday night after the poker tournament, or pick them up Friday at the club table on the convention floor.)

**Prizes**

First place winner receives custom-framed plaque with tournament chips. Final round players win the following portion of the cash prize pool: 1st place - 40%, 2nd- 25%, 3rd - 15%, 4th - 10%, 5th - 7%, 6th - 3%. If we sell-out, 1st place will be \$1944 !!! All entrants receive a set of tournament chips.

**BJ Tournament Format**

Three (3) initial rounds, followed by 1 semi-final round, followed by 1 final round. You will be scheduled to play in one of the initial rounds (12:00 noon, 1:00pm or 2:00pm) with player start times assigned as received. (If you do not advance to the semi-final round on your first try, re-entries into the 1:00pm or 2:00pm initial rounds will be accepted if space available, at \$80 per re-entry.) Semi-final round begins **immediately**

after the last preliminary round finishes (prox. 3:15pm) and Final round begins **immediately** after the Semi-final round ends (prox. 4:00pm)... so if you advance to the next round, remain available for the next round!! Each round starts promptly. Late players will be disqualified. No refunds for no-shows.

Initial rounds: 6 tables with 6 players each table. Maximum 36 players start at 12:00pm; 36 additional players start at 1:00pm and 36 additional players start at 2:00pm. The **FIRST** and **SECOND** place players with the most chips from **EACH** table advance to the semi-final round.

Semi-final round: 6 tables with 6 players each (assuming sell-out in initial rounds). The **FIRST** place player from each semi-final table advances to the final round.

Final round: 1 table with 6 players. Final position based on order of busting-out. For players with chips remaining at end of final round, the final order of finish will be determined by chip count.

### **Tournament play**

Each round begins with each player receiving 600 in NCV chips. Betting limits: 10-500 anytime. Players make betting decisions in turn for each hand, with "chung" marker at first-base player for first hand. Chung moves clockwise each hand, so new player acts first each time. Open play for the first twenty (20) minutes, then five more additional hands will be played at each table before play ends. Maximum of 1 minute per player to make betting decision.

Blackjack Tournament will use 6-deck shoe, with cards dealt face up. Dealer must hit soft 17. **Blackjack plays 2-to-1**. Double down on any two initial cards. Split any pair, resplit to total of 4 hands. Resplit aces to total of 4 hands if additional ace(s) dealt immediately. Double down after split permitted. Surrender permitted.

### **Additional tournament rules**

One player per hand -- No coaching from other players or spectators. Must leave table when no chips remaining. All standard Palms Blackjack rules apply. If there is a tie between two contestants who may advance to the next round, one (1) card will be dealt in normal order to each contestant. High card dealt will determine who will advance to the next round. (Ace high, deuce low.) All disputes resolved by the pit floorperson whose decision is final. All decisions will be based on normal house rules. Any extenuating circumstance will be based on the fairness of all participants. And finally, absolutely **NO** harvesting tournament chips!