

# **BREAKING NEWS**

Sunday April 17, 2022

### Spring Session Playoffs Are Here! What you need to know...

Please visit the following page for all information on Session-Ending Playoffs: <a href="https://sandiego.apaleagues.com/session-ending-playoffs.aspx">https://sandiego.apaleagues.com/session-ending-playoffs.aspx</a>

### **US Amateur Championship Entry Window Open**

The entry window for the 2023 U.S. Amateur Championship is open! You can register now online. For more info, visit:



https://poolplayers.com/us-amateur-championship/

## SDAPA Jr Academy Junior/Adult Tournament!



On Saturday, April 23, 2022, *Pockets Billiards & Brew* will be hosting the session-ending SDAPA Jr Academy Award Ceremony, followed by a scotch doubles tournament featuring our junior players teamed up with an adult. The Jr

Booster Club will have **Raffle and Bake Sale Fundraisers** that will help send six juniors and chaperones to St. Louis for the APA Jr Championships! So if you're able to donate goods/services/cash, contact Liza or buy some raffle tickets for some great prizes, including a pool table and top-of-the line cues! Visit our website for more info: <a href="https://sandiego.apaleagues.com/sdapa-junior-academy.aspx">https://sandiego.apaleagues.com/sdapa-junior-academy.aspx</a>

# APA Membership Fees Increase For First Time Since 2009

[Message from APA Headquarters] Over the past 13 years, we've all seen the cost of consumer goods and services rise significantly due to inflation. One thing that hasn't changed however is the cost of an APA membership, which has remained exactly the same - \$25.

Beginning in 2023 however, the cost of an annual APA membership will increase by \$5 to a total of \$30. This nominal increase is necessary in order for APA to continue to provide the best membership services and tournament experiences to our members.

We hope you'll agree that this increase is minimal compared to all the great benefits you receive as a member of the APA. Benefits include:

- Access to your membership services account, which features your stats and standings.
- Discounts to dozens of retailers.
- The opportunity to experience one of our world-class tournaments, and to participate in MiniMania events.
- And, of course, to enjoy spending League night with some of your favorite people.

We hope you'll enjoy participating in 2022 for the same great price we've offered since 2009, and that you understand the need for this slight increase moving forward.

#### **Condolences to our APA Family Members**

Our condolences go out to the friends and family of Edward Ruiz, SDAPA Player 92152689. Eddie passed away on April 12<sup>th</sup> after falling into a coma from a car accident on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Eddie started playing in the San Diego APA in 2001 out of Driftwood Lounge in Santee, was captain for teams out of Turkey Inn in Ramona and played the last five years out of Cheers of Ramona, playing over 200 matches in the SDAPA. May you Rest In Peace, Eddie

#### View Calendar Online or League App for Upcoming Events!

Team Captain Championship Qualifier | Jack & Jill Doubles Qualifier

#### League Operator Message

Happy Easter, Players! For Sunday teams, you won't be printing this but

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week of the Spring Session, followed by two weeks of Playoffs, where every team gets a chance to compete for prizes and a chance to play in the Spring BLAST (May 21-22).

We've created a new page on our website for all information regarding <u>Session-Ending</u> Playoffs (click for link).

- **Team Eligibility** (how to advance)
- **Playoff Structure** (per division size)
- Player Eligibility (minimum matches)
- Reduced Playoff Fees and How to Pay
- Playoff Scoring
- Playoff Rules

Refer to the <u>San Diego APA Bylaws</u> for details regarding the playoffs. Refer to these website page links for <u>BLAST</u> and <u>City</u> <u>Championships</u> info, including minimum match requirements for player eligibility.

Register your team for the 2022 Summer Session! The new session starts on Sunday, May 8, 2022. On your scoresheets, please mark whether or not your team is playing next session. This is the start of the new league year so you'll have the most chances to advance to the 2023 APA World Pool Championships in Vegas!

#### Virtual Players Meeting on Facebook Live!

We will be scheduling an online meeting to discuss some SDAPA Local Bylaw updates and other plans for the future. We will open up the chat so players can ask questions, so stay tuned!

Shoot Straight and Thanks for Playing! ~Liza & Scot

#### **New Monthly Formats Started In April**

It's not too late to join these new divisions that offer opportunities to advance to the Showdown Series Championships in Las Vegas!

<b>Alternate Team Format</b>	Once-A-Month Play
8-Ball Doubles	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday
Masters Division I	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday
9-Ball Doubles	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday
Masters Division II	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday
(no SL 7/8/9s)	

The Ladies Divisions also started on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Teams of 3-5 female players play 8-Ball on alternating **Fridays!** Contact the League Office if you're interested in any of these formats!