## Captain's Log, April 2nd, 2017

We are back from the 2017 APA Southwest Challenge in Las Vegas. We had 170 three person 8 Ball teams and 86 9 Ball Doubles teams. San Diego brought the traveling trophy back to Westgate Resort and Casino after taking first place in the 3 person event last year (Clint Palaci, Cathy Barnhill and Autumn Moody). This year, we had 2 teams in the final 8. San Diego #25 (Harold Rogers, Larissa Leroux and Tahnee Richison) finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place and won \$900.00. It was an all girl's team that finished the highest for San Diego in the 8 Ball event, however. San Diego #17 (Kai Fellows, Cyndi Kusumoto and Frances Green) finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and won \$1350.00. First place went to San Gabriel Valley this time around. In the 9 Ball doubles event, SDAPA's Josh Solt and Dayna Gavin took first place (\$1200.00) in the alternating shot tournament. Between the two tournaments, we paid out over \$33,000.00 and 64 teams cashed in the 3 person event and 32 teams cashed in the 9 Ball doubles event. APA teams came from all over the Southwest to enjoy a weekend getaway while competing in a fun pool tournament. San Diego had by far the most representation and certainly the most fun. © Thanks to everyone that participated. We really enjoy putting on these tournaments for you. The next event is a 3 person 9 Ball event in October. The dates are October 12-15. Mark your calendars!

We have confirmation on the dates for the City Championships. Times are still being worked out, but here is what we have planned at Pockets Billiards and Brew:

9 Ball City Championships- June 3-4 (Preliminary Rounds) and June 17<sup>th</sup> (Semifinal and Final Rounds)

8 Ball City Championships- June 10-11 (Preliminary Rounds) and June 17<sup>th</sup> (Semifinal and Final Rounds)

Ladies 8 Ball City Championships- June 16<sup>th</sup> (Preliminary Rounds) and June 17<sup>th</sup> (Semifinal and Final Rounds)

Electronic Score Sheets and Payment Announcement:

While this has been a very smooth transition overall, there are still some bumps in the road that we need to smooth out:

If you play 9 Ball, we absolutely must have both sides of the score sheets sent back in.

We need the entire score sheet. We have been receiving sheets with information cut off. The one you send back to us is the only one we have, so it must contain everything. Consider using a free scanner app such as Evernote Scannable (iPhone) or Cam Scanner (Android).

Please do not wait until the last day to send in your score sheet or make your payment. The earlier we get it, the earlier we can process it and not have to worry about getting done or hunt for late arriving sheets.

Please make sure you send the correct sheet. We have received sheets that are a couple weeks old instead of the match you just played.

Please only send the score sheet once.

Pencil is not transferring well to the copies we print here in the office, so please use an ink pen when keeping score if at all possible.

If you aren't able to play or finish your regularly scheduled match, the league office must be notified. If we do not receive either team's score sheet and we have not been notified of a makeup, we mark the teams past due and late on returning the score sheets. You can call or email any of the below numbers, except the sdapa\_office email address. Speaking of makeups, time is running out to get your makeup matches done. We don't allow makeups in the last two weeks of the session without requested approval from the league operators.

On Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, Pockets Billiards and Brew will be hosting a Junior/Adult 9 Ball Doubles Tournament/Fundraiser. Doors open at 11am and the tournament begins at noon. Each team will be a junior SDAPA league member and one adult SDAPA league member with a maximum team handicap in 9 Ball of 10. Team handicaps will be an average of the 2 skill levels, rounding up if necessary. The entry fee is \$10 for each adult. This fundraiser is to help raise funds to send Juniors to the APA Junior Nationals in Davenport, IA in July. There will be raffle prizes and awards for the top finishers. There is a flyer on our web site and on our SDAPA Facebook page. The entry deadline is April 13<sup>th</sup>. Adults must have a minimum of 10 9 Ball scores by the deadline to participate. APA rules apply. This is an alternating shot tournament, with one coaching per team, per game. Modified Single Elimination guarantees each team to play twice. We can help match you up with someone if you don't have a partner. We will be using a modified race chart based on skill level. Even if you can't play, come on out and see our Juniors in action. One of them just recently made it to a skill level 7 in 9 Ball. We are very proud of our entire Junior program, from the Instructors to the kids to the parents. Raising enough money to send kids along with a parent to Nationals is not easy. If you just want to stop by to donate and help out, it will be truly appreciated.

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