

Captains Log, July 28th, 2019

This is the final week of the Summer Session. Playoffs begin next week. There will be a week off between playoff weeks in observance of the [APA World Pool Championships](#) in Las Vegas. We have some Wednesday and Thursday teams that are scheduled to be in Las Vegas to compete in the World Pool Championships that will need to play their first week playoff matches in that open week between playoff weeks. We will contact the teams where any conflict exists to work out agreeable solutions.

As this is the final week, make sure you get your players the necessary matches to be eligible for the playoffs and [the Blast](#). A player needs at least 4 matches with the team for the session to be eligible for playoffs. To be eligible for the Blast, a player needs 4 matches with the team for the session and a minimum of 6 matches played in that format. Playoffs do count to get the 6 matches for those new league members.

Playoffs for divisions with 4 teams is a bye in week 1 for the 1st place team in the standings. 2nd hosts a wild card and then 1st place hosts the week 1 winner in week 2. Divisions with 5 teams is 1st vs. a wild card and 3rd vs. 4th. Divisions of 6-11 teams (a bye is not a team) has the first place team advancing directly to the Blast. 2nd hosts the wild card and 3rd hosts 4th. In divisions of 12-16 teams, 1st place goes directly to the Blast and there is a double playoff. In Playoff #1, 2nd hosts a wild card and 4th hosts 6th place. In Playoff #2, 3rd place hosts the second wild card and 5th hosts 7th place. In all playoffs, the 2nd week of playoffs will be between all of the week 1 winners. The highest seeds in the standings host that final week. Double Jeopardy divisions will have home matches where possible, but some playoff matches may have to be played at an alternative location due to scheduling conflicts. We always seem to get these conflicts worked out and we thank you for helping us out by working with the opposing team on solutions! Playoff champions will advance to the Summer Session Blast tournament. There will be a playoff newsletter attached to your score sheet for the first week of playoffs. Be sure to keep that for week 2 of playoffs in case your team wins the first week. Playoff schedules will be posted on the same day your division normally updates to the web site.

[The Blast](#) is scheduled for September 14-15 at [Pockets Billiards and Brew](#). The 8 Ball Blast will be Saturday and the 9 Ball Blast will be Sunday. The Blast tournament will be the first qualifying tournament for the [2020 SDAPA City Championships](#). Be sure to have your teammates set aside that day to give your team as many strategic options as possible to try to qualify for the City Championships.

To be eligible for the [MVP award](#), you must have played in at least 51% of the matches scheduled for your team during the regular session. Players that go up more than 1 skill level during the session and win a match at that skill level will not be eligible for the MVP award. [Perfect Session](#) winners must have played in a minimum of 66% of the matches your team was scheduled to play during the regular session and played at least once in one of the final two weeks of the session. Bye weeks don't count as weeks played for MVP or Perfect Session.

The Fall Session will begin the week of August 25th. For those teams that don't make it to the playoffs, we hope to see you for the start of the Fall Session. If the message "Is Your Team Playing Next Session" is still printing on your score sheet, it's because you have not yet informed us of your team's intentions for the Fall Session. Please circle yes or no to let us know whether to include your team in the Fall Session schedule.

As previously mentioned, the [2019 APA World Pool Championships](#) take place starting on August 7th and conclude on August 17th at the [Westgate Resort and Casino in Las Vegas](#). San Diego will have five 8 Ball teams and four 9 Ball teams competing in the [Open events](#). In the Showdown Series events, we have 1 [Jack n Jill Doubles Championship](#) team, 2 [Ladies 8 Ball Championship](#) teams, 2 [Masters Championship](#) teams and 9 [Team Captains Championship](#) teams. That's a lot of San Diego representation. We wish all of the teams the best of luck in the tournament. Even if you didn't make it on a team, there is plenty to do at the World Pool Championships. There will be daily exhibitions featuring "Dr. Cue" Tom Rossman, Jeannette "Black Widow" Lee and Florian "Venom" Kohler, [mini tournaments](#) any current APA member can sign up for and compete in (must have a minimum of 20 scores in the format you wish to participate in), a pool party, billiard cues, supplies, repairs and instruction. You can also just sit down and watch the teams compete.

Shoot Pool Good! Brian, Jill and Lindsay

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