Captains Log, January 2nd 2018

Happy New Year! Welcome to the year 2018. It looks like the SDAPA League Office will be starting 2018 sick in bed, and not from too many New Year's Eve cocktails.

Based on our Facebook feeds, we aren't the only ones starting off the new year this way. Hope you are all feeling better soon, but I happen to believe that billiards is one of the better sickness remedies on this planet. Since the Sunday and Monday teams are off this week, this will be a shortened up newsletter just to help get everyone started.

It is membership renewal time. Many of you have already renewed online. You are certainly welcome to pay your memberships online at www.poolplayers.com. If you want to pay your membership via cash, check or money order, you can do that by mailing payment to:

SDAPA PO Box 19848 San Diego CA 92159

We do NOT accept credit card payments through our payment portal at www.mysdapa.com site. There is a reason that "membership" isn't a purchase option through that site. APA will happily take your credit card/debit card payments through their direct site, listed above. Memberships need to be paid by week 4 to stay listed on the roster of your teams. Anyone not paid up on week 4 will be removed from the roster for week 5. QUALIFIED TEAMS (teams that are qualified from Summer and teams that could still qualify from the Fall Session Blast) must have all of their members paid up no later than week 4 or they will be dropped and cannot be re-added. By rule in the APA Official Team Manual, no qualified teams are allowed to add players to their roster after week 4 of the Spring Session. Qualified teams can make roster changes within those first 4 weeks, but once the 4th week passes, your roster is set for City Championships provided you met all other eligibility requirements.

While you are <u>updating your membership online</u>, double check to make sure your address information is up to date. Anything APA sends you in the mail is NOT forwarded. If you do not have the correct address info on file, you will not receive your membership benefits. You can call or email the league office to get your info updated that way, also.

We will be mailing out prize money checks the week of January 21st. We need the captain to have the correct address information in order for each team to receive their prize money check. If the check is not to go to the captain, please contact the league office to confirm the correct recipient. The Blast is scheduled for January 27-28 at Pockets.

We have room for one Masters team on Saturdays starting on January 6th. We currently have 4 slots for the <u>APA Masters Championships</u> in Las Vegas in August, so there is still a chance to qualify for this event. Masters is a non handicapped format that plays both 8 Ball and 9 Ball much like the <u>APA US Amateur Championship</u> format. Teams consist of 3-5 players (only 4 can be on the roster for Nationals) competing in a Saturday afternoon league against many of the best APA players in the county. The 8 Ball format plays just like the regular APA league and 9 Ball is similar to Texas Express rules with push outs and no call on the 9 Ball. Fees are \$30 a team for each match.

The 2018 APA <u>8 Ball Southwest Challenge</u> will take place at the <u>Westgate Resort and Casino in Las Vegas</u> March 22-25. We are now taking signups for this event. The handicap limit is 14 for this 3 person event. Look for the flyer in the next few weeks, either attached to your score sheet or posted on Facebook and on our web site.

We will be posting more information regarding the new Captains Tournament in the coming weeks.

Schedules do change within the first few weeks of the session, so check your schedule and keep your teammates informed of any changes. Good luck and have a great Spring session and have a Happy New Year!

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