## Captains Log, July 30th, 2017

This is the final week of the Summer Session. Playoffs begin next week. There is a week off between the first week and the second week of playoffs as we observe and attend the APA World Pool Championships in Las Vegas. We also keep that week open in case any teams/players participating in Nationals need to do makeups because their playoff match interferes with the World Championship schedule. We ask that all teams help us work around any scheduling issues when it comes to players participating at Nationals.

The standings winner automatically advances to the Blast in divisions with 6 or more teams. The following is a list of playoff match ups based on division size (highest seed team hosts each playoff match for both weeks):

4 team division: 1<sup>st</sup> place has a bye in week one and hosts the winner of 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Wild Card.

5 team division: 1<sup>st</sup> place hosts Wild Card and 2<sup>nd</sup> hosts 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Two winners play in second week.
6-11 team division: 2<sup>nd</sup> place hosts Wild Card and 3<sup>rd</sup> hosts 4<sup>th</sup> place. Two winners play in second week.
12-16 team division: Playoff #1 is 2<sup>nd</sup> vs. Wild Card #1 and 4<sup>th</sup> vs. 6<sup>th</sup>. Two winners play in second week

Playoff #2 is 3<sup>rd</sup> vs. Wild Card #2 and 5<sup>th</sup> vs. 7<sup>th</sup>. Two winners play in second week. Second week winners for Playoff #1 and Playoff #2 will both be declared playoff champions. All playoff winners for all divisions will join the standings champions in the Blast to try to qualify for the City Championships.

To be eligible for the wild card, teams must be caught up in matches played and all league fees and not have more than 5 forfeits for the session. It is extremely important that score sheets and payments arrive before 10am of the processing dates listed below. This will also be the date we update the division schedules with the playoff matchups:

Sunday and Monday divisions: Score sheets no later than 10am Thursday, playoffs updated by 5pm. Tuesday Divisions: Score sheets no later than 10am Friday, playoffs updated by 4pm. Wednesday and Thursday Divisions: Score sheets no later than 10am Monday, playoffs updated by 5pm.

Double Jeopardy playoff locations will be determined once the final standings have been sorted out. We would prefer each team have home matches that earned them, but because some teams may have made playoffs in both formats at different locations, sometimes we have to move playoffs to a neutral location to satisfy the conflict. We will call each team if a conflict requires moving playoff matches. We thank you for your understanding.

We will not begin calculating MVP winners until all regular session matches for ALL divisions have been entered. Please remember that to be eligible for MVP, you must have played in 51% of all matches your team was scheduled to play. We also have Perfect Session trophies for anyone that goes the entire session without losing a match and played in at least 66% of the matches your team was scheduled to play, and played in one of the last two team matches of the session.

The 2017 APA World Pool Championships take place August 10<sup>th</sup> to August 19<sup>th</sup>. The event takes place at the Westgate Resort and Casino in Las Vegas. We have four 8 Ball teams, four 9 Ball teams, four Ladies 8 Ball teams, three Masters teams and 1 Jack and Jill Doubles team competing in this year's Championships. Download the free CompuSport app on your mobile device to follow along with every team competing. We wish all of our teams the best of luck. We know you will represent San Diego well!

There are areas to spectate if anyone wants to go and watch any of the events taking place at the Westgate. There are also mini tournaments taking place 20 hours each day for anyone that wants to try their luck in tournament play with players from all over the country. You must be a paid member, active in the format you wish to compete in and have a minimum of 20 matches played within the last 2 years to be eligible to play in minis.

Our Masters Division starts up on August 6<sup>th</sup>. You still have time to submit a team if you are interested in playing. If you want to play on a team, we might be able to match you up with someone. Masters is typically skill level 6 or higher. There is no handicap to our Masters Division. We play a combination of 8 Ball and 9 Ball in races to 7 games. Teams consist of 3-5 players with 3 playing in each match. We run two sessions a year and we normally schedule matches twice a month on Saturday afternoons at 5pm. Give us a call if you want to play!

For those of you not making playoffs, enjoy your time off. The Fall Session begins the week of August 27<sup>th</sup>. The Fall session is the second of 3 sessions to try to qualify your team for the 2018 San Diego APA City Championships. The City Championships will qualify teams to advance to the 2018 APA World Pool Championships!

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