

## Captains Log, June 17th, 2018

The San Diego APA [City Championships](#) are officially in the books and it was a really great tournament. We saw a team down 6-0 in the finals in 8 Ball come back to win a trip to the World Pool Championships. Also, not one, but two teams who didn't make playoffs in their division in the Spring Session and had to rely on a wild card draw to make playoffs proceeded to win each round of the City Championships and both teams made it to the [World Pool Championships](#). Our sincere thanks to [Pockets Billiards and Brew](#) for hosting these long weekends for our tournaments and we can never thank the volunteer referees enough for helping us keep the tournament on schedule. Thanks to all of the players that participated and congratulations to the following teams for making it to Las Vegas:

Open 8 Ball - Philippians 4:4 – (Stagecoach Inn) Captain T.J. Mendoza, Gary Kawano, Sarah Miller, Gary Stodghill, Ron Mendoza, Ruben Rodriguez, Jose Rivero and Austin Rodriguez

Open 8 Ball – The Ninja Turtles- (Pockets Billiards and Brew)- Captain Sean Heslin, Greg Balleras, Gina Zide, Theo Seely, George Schwartz, Steve Francis and Jeremy Robinson

Open 8 Ball – Oh No, Not That Team!- (Stagecoach Inn)- Captain Ces Ralston, Jeff Parker, Tami Morales, Jake Tran, Salvador Laguna, Michael Voiles, Lauren Coker and Marilyn Arguelles

Open 8 Ball – Indv'l Results May Vary- (Pockets Billiards and Brew)- Captain Paul Langley, John Pasquarella, Shannah Johnson, Jackie Lisle, Patty Bobb, Oriana Loza, Bill Crosthwaite and Barb Crosthwaite

Open 8 Ball – Pool-Gatory (Ambassador Lounge)- Captain David Laguana, Jonathan Stead, Norma Posy, Cortney Gollands, Jeremy Norton, Jonathan Edwards, Thomas King and Garrett Ives

Open 9 Ball – Don't Mind My Red Dot –(Pockets Billiards and Brew) – Captain Michael Hansen, Joshua White, Christopher Patricia, Keri Ciesielski, Javier Del Rosario and Christopher Cote

Open 9 Ball – Yard Dogs – (Scotland Yard)- Captain Michael Sell, Todd Fellows, Michael Botsford, Stephanie Botsford, Erik Doucette, Shianne Schofield, Christine Wightman and Eric Wallace

Open 9 Ball – Karmageddon (The Library Tavern) – Captain Paul Langley, Cindy Birse, Heather Falasco, Shannon Solomon, Claire Cadotte, Barb Crosthwaite and Bill Crosthwaite

Open 9 Ball- Think I'm Missing A Ball (The Break Room) – Captain Katy Nelson, Jacob Hardwick, Shane Miles, Robert Paulino, Curtis Gould, Kevin Williams and Debra Jones

Ladies 8 Ball – She Devils ( The Break Room)- Captain Brandy Pamintuan, Linda Schaffer, Robin Smith, Bonnie Johnson and Shari Hatcher

Ladies 8 Ball- Last Minute- (Hearth House)- Captain Holly Knepp, Amy Ward, Veronica Arroyo-Cruz, Nikki Steen and Ducky Holt

Ladies 8 Ball – Pockets Starlets- (Pockets Billiards and Brew)- Captain Theresa Dimapilis, Mona Manu, Alice Carr, Frances Tiernala and Cyndi Kusumoto

Jack & Jill 8 Ball Doubles Championship- Cool Running- Mona Manu and Vik Langston

Team Captains Championship- North County Shooters- Captain Todd Fellows, Shawn Liles, Jonathan Howell, Fred Benham and Frances Green

Team Captains Championship- Captains Hooked- Captain Shauna Hawk, Nayan Tamrakar, Kim Nguyen, Martin Salgado and Ducky Holt

Masters Championship- Hurricanes (Pockets Billiards and Brew)- Captain Paul Langley, John Pasquarella, Shaun Murphy and Ashton Schaffer

Masters Championship- Break Room Junkies (The Break Room)- Captain Michael Salgado, Nayan Tamrakar, Blake Kamiab and Andrew Dixon

Masters Championship- Five Points #8 (Five Points)- Captain Luke Mahan, Stephen Lamb, Hector Rosales and Dodge Johnson

There will be one more Masters Championship qualifying team once they complete their playoff on Friday (June 15). The two teams competing in this playoff for the last Las Vegas slot are:

Double Pneumonia (Nice Rack)- Captain Mark Arnold, Marshall Chambers, John Hopkin and John Polo  
Tropical Storm – (The Library Tavern)- Captain Larry Carr, Tom Sheehan and Dennis Reposa

Congratulations to all of the teams advancing to Nationals! It took more than one full page of our newsletter to list all of the teams representing San Diego in this year's APA World Pool Championships.

Qualifying for the 2019 APA World Pool Championships is already under way with the start of this Summer Session. Open 8 Ball and 9 Ball divisions are up and running. Ladies 8 Ball started back up last week. Masters starts back up on July 14th and our brand new Doubles leagues start in July, also. We are taking signups for the Masters and Doubles leagues, so [contact the league office](#) if you wish to put a team in.

The 8 Ball and 9 Ball Doubles leagues are brand new to San Diego, but are not new for APA. We had previously only done blind draws from interested parties for the slots awarded to San Diego APA to compete in the [Doubles Championships](#) in Las Vegas. This past year that is just finishing up, we changed that to a qualifying tournament for the teams that advanced to Nationals. This current year, we are conducting bi-weekly league play for each of the two formats and you will have to be competing in these leagues to have a chance to earn a spot to Nationals. The interest is certainly there and we are already signing up teams to compete.

These Doubles leagues will play on alternating Saturdays at 3pm. 8 Ball Doubles starts on July 21st and 9 Ball Doubles starts on July 28th. The handicap limit for this format is 10. The roster limit is 3. Each match will consist of two singles matches and a doubles match, using alternating shot. The two singles matches combined skill levels also must be 10 or lower. You can have just two people on your team or you can have a full roster of 3. You can play just the two in an entire match or you can play all 3, with 2 of the players each playing a singles match and a combination of the others playing in the doubles. It's entirely up to each team. Teams must start the session with a handicap no higher than 10. If anyone goes up during the session, we will allow the handicaps to add up to 11 for a match, but at 12, you will either need to add a 3rd player if you don't already have one, or you will have to make a roster change.

8 Ball Doubles will have two singles matches to start. The scoring works the same for these singles matches as Open 8 Ball leagues where you can skunk your opponent for a 3-0 win, or 2-0 if your opponent wins a game, but doesn't get to the hill, or 2-1 if your opponent does make it to the hill. The Doubles match is scored double the singles match. So the 3 scoring possibilities are 6-0, 4-0 or 4-2. In 9 Ball, we use the same match ups as 8 Ball with 2 singles matches and one doubles match with a handicap limit of 10. Points are exactly the same in 9 Ball as Open 9 Ball with up to 20 points awarded based on how badly you beat your opponent, and 9 Ball doubles is double points with up to 40 points available. League fees are \$30 per team for Doubles league. Coaching is limited to 1 per game, per the new APA team manual. Because there are singles matches that generate handicap scores, players don't necessarily have to be already playing in APA to participate in Doubles. There are eligibility requirements to be eligible for higher level tournament play, but someone can just play Doubles, which also makes them eligible for the Singles program in the format in which they are competing once they get 10 scores within the last 2 years. It's a quick and exciting new format that we expect to be very popular once we get the kinks worked out. Saturday afternoon is perfect where you can play your match and still have your Saturday night free to have your normal date night or find a pool tournament to play in. It's your choice. You can play in just the 8 Ball Doubles, just the 9 Ball Doubles or you can play in both. They are on alternating Saturdays, so there is no interference. Masters Divisions will be the same weekend as 9 Ball Doubles in case any Masters players would like to play in 8 Ball Doubles on alternating weekends. Contact the league office for more information or to put your team in. Watch for the flyer on the web site and Facebook in the coming weeks!

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