

# Captains Log, March 11th, 2018

We had the [Captain's Tournament](#) filled up on the day the t-shirt order was due, but 3 of the names on the list either combined with another signed up team or dropped, so we currently have 29 teams with room for 3 more teams. There is still plenty of time to get your team organized, but it's the first 32 paid teams that play. We will form a waiting list in case a team or two drops.

The [Doubles Championships qualifiers](#) both filled up and actually had lengthy waiting lists to get into the tournament. We will gauge how this event goes to see what the options are for making it bigger next year. We had no idea that we would fill both boards at 16 teams since we never really had more than 8 teams signed up for the blind draw we've done in the past. I guess people would rather earn the Championship qualification by winning a tournament than having a name drawn out of a hat. I suppose that's a good thing.

The Spring Regionals for the [2018 APA Poolplayer Championships](#) have concluded, and we will have 10 player representing San Diego at this year's National event. In 9 Ball, Katie Hindorff and Vladimir Moresca will join the defending APA 9 Ball Skill Level 6-9 National Champion John Pasquarella in the APA 9 Ball Shootout and we have 8 players that qualified to play in the 8 Ball Classic. Those 8 players are John Pasquarella, Sean Ahlers, Rowan O'Brien, Bernadine Diaz, Ed Cabiles, Jeff Sobieski, James Dery and Darryn Lewis. Each National qualifier receives a finalist trophy, travel assistance to Nationals, entry fee paid into the National event and they are guaranteed cash and prizes regardless of where they finish. It's been nearly a year, but John Pasquarella won \$10,000.00 in cash and prizes for taking 1st place in the 9 Ball 6-9 bracket. We wish all of these players the best of luck, and we certainly hope one of our players can bring home the top prize once again. First place is \$15,000 in each of the tier groups 2-3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in 8 Ball and \$10,000 in each of the tier groups 1-3, 4-5 and 6-9. To be eligible to qualify for Nationals, you need a minimum of 10 scores in the format you would like to compete in and you must be active on a team in that format and participate in local singles board qualifiers. To find out more info about Singles Board qualifier dates, join our [sdapa singles qualifier events and info Facebook page](#).

I recently dropped some outgoing personal mail at my local blue post office box down the street from where I live, and I noticed an alarming change. The pickup time has been changed from 3pm to 10:30am. Because I noticed it and it was after 10:30 at the time, I decided to take it to a box that has always had a 3pm pick up time as long as I have been going there. Same thing. I checked a couple more and it appears a lot of them have been changed to 10:30. They still have 2 or 3 pickup times at the actual post office, so if you are still mailing things to the league office, it may now take an extra day if you toss it in a blue box on a street corner if the time has been pushed up to 10:30. We don't trust the post office at all anymore, and very few teams are even using mail service.

We now have 74 San Diego teams that will be representing San Diego at the [2018 APA 8 Ball Southwest Challenge](#) in Las Vegas in 2 weeks. That is the biggest turnout we've ever had. We will be posting rosters of all of the teams in the next week so that you can see who will be joining you in Vegas for all of the fun! The overall team count is over 256 teams and that also is by far the biggest turnout for a SWC tournament. Whether you are playing in the tournament, just hanging out up there or even back here in San Diego, you can download the [CompuSport app](#) to your smart phone and follow along with the tournament brackets. Look for the APA Southwest Challenge 8 Ball tournament when you log into the app and then type in your name and click to receive notifications about upcoming matches, table assignments as well as following the tournament brackets. Schedules won't be posted until Thursday night or Friday morning of the event. We will be emailing team certification forms next week. You will need the certification form to register your team on Thursday night in Vegas. **DO NOT SEND THE CERTIFICATION FORM TO THE LEAGUE OFFICE!** Registering your team is different than registering your team for the hotel. The tournament room should be available starting around 4pm on Thursday, March 22. Registration starts at 6pm.

We sadly announce the passing of SDAPA league member Khai Nguyen. Khai has been a league member off and on since 2007, which was when he first turned 21 and was allowed to play on APA teams. Khai was a household name at Stix Family Billiards in Poway and was well liked by everyone that knew him. He was on an 8 Ball team this session with Kelly's Pub on Monday nights in Rancho Bernardo. There is a Go Fund Me page on Facebook for anyone who would like to donate to help his family during this difficult time. Khai was 32.

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