

## Captains Log, March 3rd, 2019

Paypal has been a source of numerous headaches in our office lately, mostly because we've had a lot of people submitting their Southwest Challenge entry fee money through Paypal. There are two ways to send money through Paypal. One is as a Goods and Services transaction, and the other is Friends and Family. Goods and Services is basically the default payment method when you go to send money. We do accept payment this way for team fees. We operate the league as a business and it is acceptable to send us payments for your team fees. There is a transaction fee that is charged to the recipient for accepting a business transaction through the regular Paypal Goods and Services method. The other Paypal payment method is Paypal Friends and Family. We require that you use this particular method if you are submitting a membership fee for one of your team members or paying entry into any of our tournaments. There is no transaction fee charged to the recipient if you submit the payment through Paypal Friends and Family. For the March Southwest Challenge tournament, there have been no less than 10 SWC teams that submitted their entry fees using the Goods and Services Paypal payment method, and it has created more than a couple hundred dollars in transaction fees. We aren't talking about 50 cents in transaction fees. Several of these transaction fees were over \$20.00. If you send it using Goods and Services through Paypal, I then need to email you and have you submit another payment to cover the transaction fees that they are taking out of the original payment, thereby costing you even more than the \$540.00 for the cost of the SWC. The way to switch from Paypal Business to Paypal Friends and Family if you are using your phone is when you get to the Review and Send page, there is a box that says "paying for goods and services". Click on the arrow next to that and you will find the Friends and Family option. You are welcome to submit your team fees either through Goods and Services or Friends and Family. We are fine with paying the transaction fee for team fees for regular and playoff session play. The address for sending money either way through Paypal is [sdapa\\_office@cox.net](mailto:sdapa_office@cox.net).

The problem with Paypal having two ways of sending money is more often than not, the person sending the money forgets that they have to select Friends and Family, and then I get the notice that I owe a huge transaction fee for the mistake, and then I have to be the bad guy and pass along that you made a mistake and owe more money. I don't want to be that guy, so this is me attempting to educate you a bit more on how to avoid extra charges.

[Venmo](#) is a subsidiary of Paypal. Venmo does not charge the recipient any fees. If you don't want the hassle of trying to figure out how to pay through Paypal correctly, I would recommend Venmo. Most of our SWC tournament entry fees have been submitted through Venmo. We also accept team fees through Venmo. This one is basically one stop shopping if you are sending in team fees, membership fees and Southwest Challenge fees all in one payment. You can do the same with Paypal, but again you would need to specify Friends and Family when submitting the payment. Venmo is Brian-Frankland. Zelle is another way to submit money through your bank where the recipient doesn't get charged a transaction fee. I don't know enough about this one to be educational for you, so check with your bank to find out how to use Zelle. The address to send money through Zelle is [sdapa\\_office@cox.net](mailto:sdapa_office@cox.net).

We do still accept checks or money orders sent to San Diego APA, PO Box 19848, San Diego CA 92159.

Congratulations to our Doubles teams that will be representing San Diego in the [2019 APA Poolplayer Championship](#) events [8 Ball Doubles Championships](#) and [9 Ball Doubles Championships](#). Priscilla and Reuben Duffy were our 9 Ball Doubles qualifiers and Eric Pomeroy and Nikki Steen and Kai Fellows and Sandi Specht were our two 8 Ball Doubles qualifiers. These three teams will be competing against Doubles teams all over the North America in Las Vegas in the first week of May for the chance to win lots of money.

Our Doubles leagues will be starting back up in April. We had a great inaugural session and we look forward to building on that success going forward. In order to participate in the Doubles Championship events in Las Vegas, you must be competing in our Doubles leagues!

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of league member JD Agozar. JD died in a traffic accident late Tuesday night. JD was a husband, a father and an asset to our pool league. He joined the APA in 2013 and played on teams out of the Library on Sundays and Off Base Bar in Miramar on Mondays. He was a skill level 6 in 8 Ball and a 7 in 9 ball, played in tournaments and was an amazing coach to his teammates, pointing out shots that they weren't seeing and helping to turn potential losses into wins. JD was only 34 years old. Our sincerest condolences go out to JD's friends and family. May he rest in peace!

Shoot Pool Good!

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