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Welcome to week 1 of the new APA calendar year. While we do still need to find out which teams qualify for the [2018 APA World Pool Championships](#) in August, Summer Session is the start of a new qualifying window for the 2019 WPC. Prize money checks are already being mailed out and you should receive yours before your team is scheduled to play your first week match. [MVP's](#), [Perfect Session](#) trophies, [patches](#) and the brand new [APA team manuals](#) (if delivered on time) will be available at the [Blast](#) (May 19-20, at the 9 Ball and Ladies 8 Ball [City Championships](#) (June 2-3) and the 8 Ball [City Championships](#) (June 9-10) at [Pockets Billiards and Brew](#) . The City Championship draw will take place once the final teams are done in the 9 Ball Blast on May 20th. We will then post the City Championship brackets and rosters by Friday, May 25th. We will have SDAPA t-shirts and tank tops for sale at the City Championships. Jill has created another great design and it should look really cool on black shirts. These are available while supplies last. Some sizes could be sold out before the 2nd weekend of City Championships.

We've been on the [electronic payment system](#) for more than a year now, and now is probably a good time to try to improve the quality of the score sheets coming into the league office. Once you send them to us, we print them off on our printer, and sometimes these things are so dark, we can't read them. Not only is this an extreme use of toner for every print, but it's really hard on the eyesight. Please download a scanner app to your cell phone that allows you to not only scan a nice clean copy of the score sheet, but make it email ready to attach to your email to the league office. If that's just not an option, please make sure the score sheet fully fits the screen of your picture (no background images like pool table cloth or clipboards) and make sure to use flash to brighten up your photo. Please inspect your photo of the score sheet to make sure it's legible before sending it. Some of you are sending really great copies of your score sheets, so we must give some credit to those who are already sending high quality copies. The scanner apps are free and while it will take you a bit to figure out how to use them, once you figure it out, it's easy after that. The recommended scanners listed on our [www.mysdapa.com](#) page are [Evernote Scannable](#) (iPhone) and [Cam Scanner](#) (Android). All score sheets sent to the league office need to be emailed to sdapa_office@cox.net . There are lots of free apps. Find one you like!

All Open divisions (8 Ball and 9 Ball) start this week. Ladies 8 Ball has their new divisions starting on June 8th and June 15th. We offer league play every week on Fridays now for Ladies, although every Ladies Division plays every other week. You can play on two teams on alternate Fridays or just one. Ladies teams are 3 matches (5 players max per team) with a handicap limit of 13 for a match using the standard APA 8 Ball rules and handicap races you are familiar with. The APA Masters Division starts July 28th. Masters is a non-handicapped league where you play 8 Ball and 9 Ball and every game you win is a point for your team. Masters plays on approximately twice a month on Saturday afternoons. Teams consist of 3-5 players and 3 play each match. Fees for Ladies and Masters are \$30 per match. Contact the league office if you would like to play or submit a team for the upcoming session.

We will have team division champion and playoff champion trophies at the Blast for all of the teams that qualify. We will provide Host Location plaques for Division standings winners (playoff champions also in divisions with 5 or less teams) by request only. The trophy company needs time to make these, so give us plenty of notice if you want a host location plaque and your team qualifies for that award.

As I write this newsletter, our Junior City Championships and [Jack n Jill Doubles Championship qualifier](#) is taking place in a few days. We will be qualifying 4 Juniors for the [APA Junior Championships](#) in St. Louis in July. It's an exciting time for our Junior league members, and we can't wait to see who ends up qualifying. Many of our Juniors are the children of our very own SDAPA league members. We currently have a raffle for two beautiful McDermott pool cues to help fund our Juniors to travel to the National event (along with one of their parents). This raffle will be available at the BLAST and City Championship weekends, and the winners will be announced at the final Junior Fundraiser at Pockets on June 23rd. We thank you for your generous donations!

Schedules are subject to change in the first few weeks as we add and drop teams. Please be aware that what it says on your score sheet for next week very well could change. If you have new members adding to teams, please send them to [www.poolplayers.com](#) if they would like to pay their memberships online. If you have former members returning, please make sure you have their correct skill level. It's a forfeit to play them at a lesser skill level than their actual skill level in our database. An asterisk next to a player's name on the score sheet means we do not have all of their address info on file. If a player is playing in a new format for the first time but has an established skill level in the other format (minimum of 10 scores), they will play with that skill level in the other format (8's and 9's play as 7's and 1's play as 2's). If they have less than 10, they play at the new player skill level starting skill, unless you know they are better than that. Good luck and...

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