

Captains Log May 20th, 2018

Tournament season is underway. The first of 4 huge weekends of APA tournament action is in the books and we have qualified a doubles team for the [Jack n Jill Championships](#) in August during the [2018 APA World Pool Championships](#), Mona Manu and Vik Langston. They started off their first match with a win and never looked back, winning 5 straight matches for 1st place and \$240 in prize money. Billie Jo Smith and Jason VanAntwerp finished in 2nd and won \$160. The two 3rd place teams that received \$80 are Linh Le/Nic Clark and Kai Fellows/Mark Fellows. Finishing in 5th place and receiving \$40 were Ruby Rivera/Evan Betancourt and Berna Bauer/David Seymore. Congratulations on your win and good luck at the National event!

The Junior City Championships took place on the same weekend and we qualified 4 players for the [Junior Championships](#) in July in St. Louis. Savannah Kolander (s/l 2), Jaelynn Imamura(s/l 2), Justyn Miller (s/l 3) and Joseph Hankins (s/l 7) each won a slot with magnificent play and outstanding sportsmanship. We actually secured a 5th slot for Junior Nationals for James Hindorff (s/l 5), who recently enlisted in the military and was not able to compete in the Junior City Championships. These 5 young poolplayers will be representing SDAPA at the Junior Championships July 5-8, and we can't wait to be there to watch them compete against the rest of the country. Congratulations to all of you and thanks to all of our Junior Academy instructors, helpers, parents and [Pockets Billiards and Brew](#) for hosting our Junior program!

Next up is [the BLAST](#) . The BLAST will likely already be completed by the time some of you read this newsletter. The BLAST is the last qualifying tri-cup tournament for the [2018 City Championship qualifier](#) for the [APA World Pool Championships](#) in 2018. Upon completion of the 9 Ball BLAST on Sunday, May 20, we will do the City Championship draw for 8 Ball, 9 Ball and Ladies at Pockets, which we approximate to be about 5:30pm. You are welcome to attend the draw and take photos of the tournament brackets once the boards are finished being drawn, but the boards will be posted on Monday, May 21st as soon as we have a free moment to post them. Rosters for City Championships will not be posted until later in the week. Please remember that each player will enter the City Championships with the highest end of session skill level from the time the team became qualified. For example, if Lil' Johnny was a 5 at the end of Summer '17 and his team won at the BLAST at the end of Summer Session and Lil' Johnny finished as a 4 at the end of Spring '18, Lil' Johnny will be listed as a 5 on the City Championship roster. Also, only players with at least 10 lifetime matches and 4 with the team in the Spring Session in the format your team is qualified in will be eligible to participate in City Championships. All players will be required to certify their skill level with their signature on the certification forms we provide at City Championships in order to be eligible to compete in the event. Any team that was already qualified heading into Spring Session and finished in the bottom half of the standings is subject to closer skill level scrutiny for the sake of keeping the City Championships fun and fair for all teams competing.

9 Ball City Championships and Ladies 8 Ball City Championships will take place Sunday, June 3rd at Pockets Billiards and Brew. 8 Ball City Championships will take place June 9-10 at Pockets. Pockets has breakfast sandwiches for morning matches and an assortment of lunch and dinner foods along with a wide selection of beverages. Please help support the location that provides us the pool tables to put on these big tournaments. Dave Whitsell will be on site for any of your cue repair needs. We will have 2018 SDAPA t-shirts on sale at the City Championships only and only while supplies last. Jill made another cool design. T-shirts and tank tops are \$20 each, and we will accept cash or check only.

We will be selling raffle tickets for two beautiful McDermott pool cues at City Championships, and the proceeds will support the travel assistance for our Juniors and parents for the Junior Championships. The drawings for the cues will take place at the final Junior Fundraiser event on June 23rd. Stay tuned for more details!

There has been confusion on where to send emails to the league office, so the following is a brief description of where to get answers to your questions:

sdapa_office@cox.net – This email address is strictly for sending score sheets and some forms of payment specified on www.mysdapa.com. There is an underscore between sdapa and office for this email address. Lindsay typically monitors this email address and she isn't always here to address immediate questions or concerns. sandiegoapa@cox.net- This one goes to Brian for rules, handicap, general info, etc...

sdapajill@cox.net- Jill handles Juniors info, web site info, payment issues, etc...

sdapalindsay@cox.net- Lindsay can be reached at this email address for anything that doesn't involve score sheets.

Of course, you can also reach us by phone. We do respond to Facebook messages, but please make sure they are of utmost importance rather than something we can handle during regular business hours. You can also text Brian at 619-925-2051 for emergency situations. The Sunday and Monday divisions are off on Sunday and Monday, May 27-28, as we observe Memorial Day.

Shoot Pool Good! Brian, Jill and Lindsay 619-303-0183 sandiego.apaleagues.com

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