

Captains Log, September 29th, 2019

It's tournament time once again. This coming weekend is the Fall Singles Regional, taking place at [Shooters in Riverside](#) . 58 San Diego APA league members qualified for the [Fall 8 Ball Classic](#) Regional event and 44 San Diego APA members qualified for the Fall [9 Ball Shootout](#) Regional event. That's an outstanding showing and we wish you all the best of luck. If you do not receive your tournament information packet from APA, [contact the league office](#) .

The [APA 9 Ball SWC](#) is taking place at the [Westgate Resort and Casino in Las Vegas](#) on October 11-13. We have an amazing 56 teams from San Diego competing in this event. We are happy to announce that the Las Vegas APA is once again competing in this event, and there are more than 200 teams total entered this year, which is the most ever for 9 Ball. You will soon be receiving your certification forms in your inbox for this event. Do not submit these to the league office. You need that form to register for the tournament on Thursday night in Las Vegas. If you forget it, they will provide you with a blank one on site.

We are proud to announce that Ces Ralston qualified for the [US Amateur Championships](#) in Tampa, Florida in November. She competed in the Regional in Rancho Cucamonga last weekend and won the tournament. Ces had to beat the 2017 US Am Champion and the 2018 runner up (Melinda Huang) in the finals to earn her trip to Florida and she did it! Ces is a skill level 6 in 8 Ball. Be sure to congratulate her on her outstanding achievement when you see her!

All unpaid players have been removed from rosters. After week 4, you are not allowed to have someone listed on your roster that isn't a paid member. You can add those players back, but they must be paid up by the time we process score sheets for the week. If you add someone back and they don't pay their membership fees, we charge the team for the membership fees and the team becomes past due if you don't have a credit. Past due teams do not receive bonus points. If you add someone, you may want to make sure they [pay their membership](#) first.

The San Diego APA Junior Booster Club had a beach party last weekend while volunteering in the annual [Coastal Cleanup](#) at La Jolla Shores. We had a really great time while contributing to a great cause. We would like to thank the Booster Club for organizing the event. We hope to do it again next year. Check out the photos on our [Facebook pages](#) !

The Blast tournament scores were recently combined with the player records. When those scores get put in, sometimes it changes the skill level (up or down) of the players that participated. Those scores do close out the Summer Session. If your team qualified for the City Championships, the skill level you compete in the City Championships is based on the highest end of session skill level from the time your team qualified. You can go back to the Summer Session roster on the app to see what skill level your players finished up the session with.

The San Diego APA places extreme emphasis on skill level accuracy when adding new players to the league. We believe that matches should be fair from the very first time someone plays their very first APA match. With that said, it is the captain's responsibility to make sure that they are playing players at a skill level that reflects their true ability. It's in our bylaws that matches can be forfeited if it is determined that players were playing with an unfair advantage. A player can also miss out on winning [MVP awards](#) if their skill level changes more than 2 skill levels within that session. Both of these things have happened occasionally, and we believe that adjusting skill levels up for new players that are better than a 3 is protecting the integrity of our pool league. We would also advise that a captain raise their own teammate to an appropriate skill level in the middle of a match if it means making the match more fair for the other team.

The San Diego APA sadly announces the passing of a long time member of our league. Joey Netter lost his battle with cancer. Joey was a skill level 7 in 8 Ball that would always give you a tough game. His illness kept him away from the APA since 2012, but we will always remember him for his smile and witty sense of humor. I had many battles with him on the pool table. Joey played mostly out of the Library, but also played at Mission Valley Resort and On Cue Billiards. Joey was 64 years old. RIP Joey!

Shoot Pool Good! Brian, Jill and Lindsay

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