



## South OC APA Annual Holiday Gathering



**Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**5 to 9 p.m.**  
**Irvine**

*Bring your family and join us for our annual holiday get-together, with:*

- ◇ FREE POOL
- ◇ FREE FOOD
- ◇ POOL CONTESTS & GIVEAWAYS (incl. speed pool, 3-ball, 9-ball break)
- ◇ D&B POWER CARD POINTS DOUBLED (when purchased through APA server)

All South OC APA members and future members are welcome to join our 2010 Spring pre-session players meeting at 5 p.m.

### A Message from the South OC APA League Operators...

The Fall Session is coming to an end, with teams fighting for position to participate in Playoffs and qualify for the annual Local Team Championships (LTC). The upcoming Spring Session rosters will define who will be eligible to play in the LTC and at Nationals if your team qualifies.

We would like to personally thank all players for their continued sportsmanship in making the league both competitive and fun for everyone. To show our appreciation, please join us at the annual Holiday Gathering.

We hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving and are enjoying the hustle and bustle of the holiday season!  
 Scot & Liza



## Spring Session Starts First Week in January

New Doubles and Masters formats will continue through the new year. The Spring Session rosters play in the South County Local Team Championships (LTC) and Nationals in Vegas. If your team qualified in the Summer or Fall Sessions, you'll need at least 4 players to continue playing in the Spring to keep your eligibility. All players must have at least 10 lifetime matches (by end of Spring) and 4 Spring Session matches to play in the LTC.

Night of Play	Format(s) Offered	Start Time	Spring Start Date
Sunday	8-Ball & 9-Ball	5 p.m.	January 10
Monday	Doubles (8- & 9-Ball)	7:30 p.m.	TBD
Tuesday	8-Ball Open	7 p.m.	January 5
Wednesday	8-Ball Open	7 p.m.	January 6
Thursday	9-Ball Open (8-Ball option)	7 p.m.	January 7
Saturday	Masters	12 noon	TBD

## All Players Meeting\* Sunday, January 3 @ 5 PM

**NEW South OC APA Bylaws Rules Effective This Spring 2010 Session** (including Unlimited Double-Posting, Patches Issued Once Per Session, New Playoff Format, The "Challenge" Card)

**League Structure & Operations** (Spring Session Requirements, Weekly Team Play, Singles Program, Rewards Program, Member Discounts with Merchant Partners, Weekly Scoring & Payment Procedures, etc.)

**Upcoming Events** (8-Ball Southwest Challenge, Spring Singles Regional and National, Local Team Championships, etc.)

\* Attention all **Spring Session players**: Please join us at the start of our Holiday Party for this informative meeting.

## Upcoming Pool Events

### Fall Session Playoffs

End of December

Visit **Local Stats** on the website for current Playoff Pictures, Qualifying Teams and Session Payouts

### Spring Session

Starting First Week in January

Meet People from New Teams and Visit New Host Locations!

See details on pg. 1

### Holiday Party

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Dave & Busters, Irvine

FREE FOOD • FREE POOL CONTESTS & GIVEAWAYS

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### 2010 Spring Singles Regional

March, Location TBD

Winners advance to the National Singles Championships at the End of April in Las Vegas!

Visit the **Event Calendar** online for details on all events!



## South County Takes the 2009 Championship

(November 5-8, 2009) Riviera Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas – Ten South County teams participated in this annual event, competing with 106 teams from California, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico.

Three of the ten teams finished in the TOP 5, with one of those teams taking home the **First Place Championship trophy** and **\$2500**. Congratulations to 2009 Champions **Darin Reeves, Robert Brooks, and Nicol Reeves!** **Shawn Strietbeck, John Schultz,** and **Phil Joun** finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> Place with \$750. **Chad Lucewicz, Chantel Osuna,** and **Ryan Buist** finished in 5<sup>th</sup> Place with \$300.

Any active APA members with a minimum of 10 match scores may participate in these events. You can also play in Mini Tournaments and Singles Qualifiers throughout the weekend. The 8-Ball Southwest Challenge will be held from March 25-28, 2010. This is a larger event with over 300 teams and pays \$3600 for 1<sup>st</sup> Place...so save the date and we'll see ya in Vegas!

## Local Singles Qualifier Results

(November 21, 2009) Coconuts Café, Capistrano Beach – With the window closing on November 30 for the 2010 Spring Singles Regional, players participated in this “Last Chance” qualifier, with two 8-ball players (**Josh Pavy** and **John Schultz**) and two 9-ball players (**John Schultz** and **Chad Lucewicz**) advancing to the regional. They will be competing in the 2010 Spring Singles Regional in March.

Chad has already become a national qualifier in 8-ball by winning his regional board in the Fall Regional this past October. All Regional and National tournaments are played by Skill Level tier, allowing players to compete and win within their skill levels. Good luck to all of the 2010 Spring Singles Regional Qualifiers from South County:

Player	Date Qualified	Skill Level Tier
Robert Brooks	7/11 (Top Gun)	9-Ball Black Tier (SL 6-9)
Bill Toy	9/12 (Top Gun)	8-Ball Purple Tier (SL 6&7)
Isaac Wooten	10/24 (Splash Board)	8-Ball Purple Tier (SL 6&7)
Isaac Wooten	10/24 (Splash Board)	9-Ball Black Tier (SL 6-9)
Franco Blanchard	10/24 (Splash Board)	8-Ball Red Tier (SL 5)
Franco Blanchard	10/24 (Splash Board)	9-Ball White Tier (SL 4&5)
Chester Hipple	11/7 (SWC)	9-Ball White Tier (SL 4&5)
Clay Bryant	11/7 (SWC)	9-Ball White Tier (SL 4&5)
Matt DiPaola	11/7 (SWC)	9-Ball White Tier (SL 4&5)
Josh Pavy	11/21 (Splash Board)	8-Ball Red Tier (SL 5)
John Schultz	11/21 (Splash Board)	8-Ball Red Tier (SL 5)
John Schultz	11/21 (Splash Board)	9-Ball White Tier (SL 4&5)
Chad Lucewicz	11/21 (Splash Board)	9-Ball White Tier (SL 4&5)

## Participate in the New Doubles & Masters Formats

**Open Doubles Monday Nights:** Any player combination with no Skill Level cap ♦ Scotch Doubles (alternate shot) ♦ Match Points Race based on combined Skill Level ♦ Play one match each of 8- & 9-Ball

**Masters Saturday Afternoons:** 3- to 4-person teams, three play per team match ♦ No handicap ♦ All players welcome (APA membership required upon play) ♦ Individual match is US Amateur Format (Race to 7: 8 games of 9-Ball/5 games of 8-Ball)

## Administrative Stuff

### Website Updates

**Message Board:** (coming soon!) We will be activating a message board allowing players to post comments.

Feature your product or service on the **Merchant Discounts** page! Call the League Office if you'd like to offer a discount to SOC APA members.

**Photo Gallery:** Look for new photo albums for each event and improved navigation (for all you Mac users!)



[www.facebook.com/southcountypool](http://www.facebook.com/southcountypool)



Visit Online Member Services to view your personal APA member account and player history.

## Happy Birthday!

### South OC APA December Birthdays

Lynnette Leroy	12/04
Christopher Nicholas	12/07
John Topolewski	12/08
Tanya Moser	12/08
Shaun Miles	12/10
Andrew Pacheco	12/11
Baron Domey	12/12
Jonathan Higginson	12/12
Paul Gage	12/16
Robert Miles	12/17
Rochelle Whitener	12/27
Thomas Kent	12/28
Erik Lentz	12/30

## Rule of the Month

### STALEMATES

A stalemate occurs in a game when neither player wants or can make use of a ball-in-hand. In 8-Ball, the balls are re-racked, the same player breaks and the innings for the stalemated game are crossed off the scoresheet. In 9-Ball, the game shall end but the points earned stand. The innings and defensive shots remain; all remaining balls on the table become dead balls. The player who broke in the stalemated game will break in the new game.

Refer to pg. 49 & 66 of the *Official Team Manual*.