

## **PLAYER**

This is a monthly newsletter published during the first week of each month.

# Do You Know Jack? (& Jill Are Going To Vegas!)



(February 13, 2010) Mulligans Sports Bunker, San Clemente – Fourteen doubles teams participated in South OC APA's annual Jack & Jill Doubles Qualifier Tournament, with two teams advancing to the APA Jack & Jill 8-Ball Championship in Vegas, April 28-30, 2010!

Male/female teams with a combined skill cap of 10 competed in a scotch doubles format in which teammates alternate shots during a single turn at the table.

**Cesar Brandes** and **Diana Nunn** won the first Vegas slot by going undefeated in this double elimination event. They earned the \$100-slot plus \$100 cash, and also earned the option of trying to double their cash by accepting the League Operator Challenge...a 3-5 race against Scot & Liza...how could you decline a 2-game spot and a chance at another \$100? Although they got to the hill, they were unable to close it out and lost their spending money. <sup>②</sup>

On the one-loss side, **Justin Logan** and **Megan Stephenson** qualified for the second Vegas slot, winning \$130 and deferring their slot to the third place team, **Allison McGhie** and **Travis Smith**. Allison and Travis will compete for the second time in Vegas, hopefully avoiding the other South County team until the finals (last year they eliminated the other South County team in the second round)! Good luck to both teams!

The national event is held in conjunction with the annual National Singles Championships. Visit **Local Stats Archive > 2010 Singles Qualifiers** for South County Qualifiers.

## 2010 APA Membership... What Do You Get For Your 25 Bucks?

APA Online Member Services continues to expand and improve, with a new local Message Board service, allowing players to communicate with each other and with the league office. Use these South OC Forums to communicate with the South County Pool Community.

- Events: Pool-related events local, regional and national Sub Forums: <u>Team Program</u>, <u>Singles Program</u>, <u>Local Tournaments</u>, <u>Regional</u> Tournaments
- Players Board: Members, Meetings, Review Topics of Discussion, Submit Suggestions to the Board
- Looking For Players or Teams? Players looking for teams or teams looking for players, including weekly league or team tournaments, e.g. Southwest Challenge, Doubles, etc.
- **General Discussion**: Post a topic here if you can't find a Forum to categorize it.
- Polls: Post your opinions and view others from various polls.
- Classified: Advertise and communicate with the South County Pool Community Sub Forums: For Sale, Wanted, Employment, Lost and Found, Products and Services

Users will also be able to send private messages to other message board participants. We will also be communicating league messages to users of the Message Board, so we encourage all players to **create an Online Member Services account**.

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

Don't forget you can earn 5 bucks each time you play and beat the Top Gun from last session.

This month, players have an excuse to head to Las Vegas...if you're not competing in the Southwest Challenge, you can root for the South County teams or compete individually in minitournaments and singles boards.

As the Spring Session continues, don't forget that players must play 4 matches this session and must have 10 lifetime matches in order to compete in the Local Team Championships in June. Division and Playoff winners will join qualified teams from the past Summer and Fall Sessions for a chance to compete in the National Team Championships in Vegas! Visit the **Local Stats** page for current standings and past qualified

Hope you have a Happy St. Patrick's Day and enjoy March Madness!

Scot & Liza

## **Upcoming Pool Events**

### **2010 Spring Singles Regional**

March 6-7, 2010

The Hungry Stick, San Diego County

Winners of local singles boards qualify to play in this event. Players compete against others in their same skill level tier and have about a 1 in 16 chance to qualify for the National Singles Championships (Apr 29-May 1) in Las Vegas!

### **WPBA San Diego Classic**

March 11-14, 2010 Viejas Casino, Alpine See pg. 2 for details.

### 8-Ball Southwest Challenge

March 25-28, 2010 Riviera Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas See pg. 2 for details.

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



## Hey, It's the SWC in Vegas...ROAD TRIP!

The fifteenth annual 8-Ball Southwest Challenge is coming up March 25-28, 2010 at the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas. Approximately 200 teams will be participating this year, with the following eight teams from South County joining other 3-person teams in

the southwest region from AZ, CA, NM and NV.

- South OC #1: Adam Fukushima, Chester Hipple, Lisa Larson
- South OC #2: Robert Brooks, Shawn Strietbeck, John Schultz
- South OC #3: Mike McLean, Frankie Barajas, Shane Jones
- South OC #4: James Haslip, Josh Anders, David Oconnell
- South OC #5: Nicol Reeves, John Topolewski, Darin Reeves
- South OC #6: Dana Shinpo, Franco Blanchard, Diana Nunn
- South OC #7: Baron Domey, Dave Cuneo, Aubrey Thompson
- South OC #8: Alex Trujillo, Clay Bryant, Steve Sirbu

Pool tables are open throughout the event for all SWC participants. If you're not registered for the main event, for a \$10 green fee you can practice or participate in mini-tournaments throughout the weekend. Tournament entry fees range from \$10 and \$20 for individual events and \$40 for doubles events, with 100% cash payback for 1st -3rd Place finishers. Guaranteed local singles boards (win or it's free) are also run alongside the main event when tables become available, giving players other chances to compete in the APA format.



## The Pros Are Back In Town

Each year, the Women's Professional Billiard Association (WPBA) tours the country, with a stop at Viejas Casino in Alpine for the annual San Diego Classic. This is a chance for southern California pool fans to watch the pros that you see on ESPN, with the semifinals and final matches televised.

The event will kick off on Wednesday, March 10 with the Charity Pro-Am event. For \$50, fans can come and play the Pro's to raise money for Alpine Women's Club. Everyone is welcome to watch Pro-Am event free of charge. Interested parties should contact Sandra Barrett-Pfitzenreuter at sandra@viejasproduction.com for more information. Visit <a href="www.wpba.com">www.viejas.com</a> for additional event information.

## 2009 Fall Session 8-Ball Tournament



(February 27, 2010) Coconuts Café, Capo Beach – Thirty players competed in this session-ending tournament, with the modified single elimination board split by skill level so that players would start out competing against similar skills.

A bounty player is drawn at the start of each Top Gun event, and **Darin Reeves** became the target for all players. As this

modified single elimination event progressed, **Melanie Jenkins** won the shaft cleaner for the first out. No 8-ball breaks or break-n-runs occurred no prizes were given for any great racks. After a long day of grueling competition, 5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> place competitors received \$25 each (**Jamie Shinpo**, **Robert Miles**, **John Schultz** and **Frankie Barajas**), Clay Bryant and Jeff McGarvin each received \$50 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and **Patrick Fenion** took second place and received a \$100 singles board entry into the 2010 Fall Singles Regional. The big winner for the day was **Adam Fukushima**, taking home the 8-Ball Fall Session Top Gun Tournament Champion Trophy, \$125 & Cue/Case. In addition, Adam also knocked Darin out of the tournament, winning the bounty prize of an educational pool book by Phil Capelle. Congratulations to Adam and all of the players who participated!

## **Administrative Stuff**

#### 2010 Membership Kits & Cards

Paid members should receive Membership Kits in the mail (as long as your address is current with the league office). Kits contain a 2010 APA Patch, game rules booklet and other membership information.

Membership cards are distributed in your weekly team packets and should be distributed by team captains. For electronic teams, cards will be hand-delivered during league play by the league operators. Please review address and phone number attached to your card and submit corrections on the attached form to the league office. (NOTE: You may also update player information by logging into Online Member Services!)

### **Skill Level Changes**

Posting data Skill Levels can change up and until the morning on the day you play for players who play on multiple nights

### "Fees Section" on Scoresheets

ATTN CAPTAINS: In the *FEES SECTION* at the bottom of the scoresheet, please *initial* and enter the *total amount* included with your scoresheet or in the mail (if electronic).

#### **South OC APA Bylaws**

Visit the Rules/Bylaws page and check out the new interactive format!



#### South OC APA March Birthdays

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Dana Shinpo	3/3
Jeannine McGowan	3/3
Terry Barnett	3/7
Hope Jason	3/9
Richard Calabuig	3/13
Yvette Ocegueda	3/13
Emanuel Valdez	3/14
Julie Stanton	3/16
Tom Ellsworth	3/16
Ginger Amalong	3/18
Richard Posey	3/18
Matt DiPaola	3/20
Jessie Wright	3/20
Jeffrey McGarvin	3/23
Josh Pavy	3/24
Vincent Newlan	3/26
Brooke Matthews	3/26
Matt Doyle	3/27
Lenart Tso	3/28
Steve Styck	3/29

## Rule of the Month

#### **SPLITTING TABLES / MATCHES**

Lengthy matches make it logical to put a second table in action, if available. So, if the fourth match has not started by *official League time plus two hours*, then it would begin on the second table. The fifth match would then be played on whichever table becomes available first. A team is subject to penalty if an available table is made unavailable in this situation and it is later determined they, in any way, caused it to be unavailable or resisted using the second table. **Splitting** may be waived if both teams want to continue on one table.

Refer to pg. 24-25 of the Official Team Manual.