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Welcome To the Spring Session

On this week's score sheet, please indicate the captain and co-captain for your team. The captain should be listed first on your roster, the co-captain second. These are the only people who will be invited to participate in the Captain/Co-Captain tournament at the end of the session. Also indicate the person and complete address, including apartment number if applicable, of the person who is to receive the weekly packet. We also need a current phone number for the captain and co-captain. For double jeopardy, the packet with the 8-ball and 9-ball scoresheets, will be sent to the 8-ball captain, unless otherwise noted. For all electronic divisions, we need the email address of the person who is to receive the weekly information. We still need a current address for the captain, as well. We will still be mailing out patches.

MEMBERSHIP DUES MUST BE PAID

Everyone must pay their membership dues on the first night of play or by the flip of the coin week #4, whichever comes first. Membership dues are \$25 for all new players and all players that paid their 2013 dues on or before August 15 last year. Those that paid their 2013 dues after August 15 only owe \$15 for 2014. If a player plays on more than one team, they must pay their dues on the first team they play on in the week. We get fined by headquarters for allowing players to play without paying their dues. So please do not play a player unless they pay their dues. You can now pay your member dues and complete your application online at poolplayers.com "Renew Membership Online". Please make sure that your complete address including apt #, if applicable, is all listed on Address Line 1. Also, please make sure that your primary phone number is listed in the "home" space on your profile. Membership packets come from headquarters and may take as long as 8 weeks to arrive. For those that choose the old fashioned way, we must have a complete application come in with the member dues. The minimum amount of information needed to process a membership is legal name (what is printed on your ID), address (including apartment number and zip code), phone number, gender and birth date. Without this information, your membership will be delayed and you may not receive your membership packet or member card from APA. Playing a member who has not paid their dues may result in any points they may have won being awarded to your opponent. As long as the player pays the captain and the captain gets the envelope in on time, there should be no problem.

Many players have already paid their dues online, which may not be reflected on the score sheet. They can go back to poolplayers.com and print off a temporary member card as proof of payment or you may call the league office 503-243-6725 to verify. Please call well before league time. I have adjusted the girls' hours so we have a full staff between 5 pm and 7 pm to handle your calls. The office is closed on Sunday. Please call early. If the phone lines are tied up, please leave your name and phone number so we can return your call as soon as possible.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Mother nature may have a few curve balls in store for us. In case of bad weather, we do not cancel league. Each team needs to decide whether or not they will be able to make league and notify the office by no later than 6 pm so we can notify the other team. Any matches not completed due to bad weather, need to be made up as soon as possible. Common sense must prevail. If you have lived here for any length of time, you know that the weather service is not always correct with their predictions. If the forecast is for snow and it is 40 degrees outside, chances are, there will be no snow or ice.

WHAT IS "TO BE ANNOUNCED"?

"To be announced" means that we do not have a team for this slot at this time. This does not mean that we will not have one, but that at the time the score sheets had to go out, we hadn't filled the slot. We will be getting calls everyday with new teams wanting to get in for this session, sometimes these calls do not come in until after that night's score sheets have been put in the mail for the following week. If you are scheduled against a "to be announced" team, assume that you are not playing that week, unless we call you and let you know that a team has been added to fill that slot. We will call you no later than the day prior to your scheduled match. No points will be awarded for the "to be announced" team until after the 4th week of play. If the slot is filled by that time, then you will have a make up match to complete. If we do not fill that slot, then it will become a "bye" and all bye points for the previous 4 weeks will be awarded at that time. Permanent schedules will be sent out with your week 5 score sheets.

Qualified teams

Teams that have already qualified for regionals, or who get qualified during the upcoming tri-cups, please read pages 81-91 of your team manual to make sure you understand what it takes to keep your team eligible. Basically, you only have the first 4 weeks of this session to make changes to your roster. The players that you have on your roster at the flip of the coin week 4 will be the team that you go to regionals with as long as they have enough scores in by the end of the session. No substitutions can be made on your regional roster. Every player on your roster must have a skill level based on at least 10 scores in the format you are advancing in. The only scores that count are regular league, playoff and tri-cup scores. Scores acquired during Summer session do not count towards the 10. All players must play with your team at least 4 times this session before playoffs. You must have at least 4 original members on this session's roster. All players must be in good standing with the league. We will do our best to make sure everyone meets the requirements, but team captains must take on the bulk of the responsibility in ensure all of the requirements are met.

Mark the Table Size On Your Score sheet

There are many locations that have more than one table size. Depending on the location, double jeopardy teams may be playing 8-ball on a 7 foot table and 9-ball on an 8-foot. We have no way of knowing which is which unless it is marked on the score sheet. The table size is calculated into your skill level so it is important that the table size be marked. The place to mark this information is directly above the captain's signature on the 8-ball and 9-ball score sheets.