



Boomer's Page

NON-RATED PLAYERS MUST PLAY

All non-rated players, those without a skill level, must play at least once by week 7 or they will be removed from your roster, even if you have a "bye" that week. Double jeopardy teams, the non-rated players must play at least one 8-ball match and one 9-ball match if they are on both rosters. Players that are playing their first session ever must have a skill level based on at least 10 scores this session in order to advance to the regional and/or national level. The only scores that count are Spring session play, Spring session playoffs and Spring session tri-cups. Summer session scores will not count towards the 10. Every year, we have members going into tri-cups needing 5 or 6 scores. This drastically hinders strategy and if your team does well chances are your player will not get the required number of scores in. Don't dilly dally, get the 10 scores in during regular league play. We purposely make the Spring session the longest session to allow you to get your new players qualified.

New Host Location

Bill and Connie Bishop, long-time APA members have just purchased The Dugout, located at 871 NE 25th Ave, Hillsboro. They just installed two 7' Diamond tables and are looking to host APA pool teams, starting next session. If you are looking to start a new team or looking for a new host location, check this one out. Bar number is 503-906-1198

\$\$\$ NEXT TO A PLAYER'S NAME

\$\$\$ next to a player's name means that player owes us money. It could be from a returned check or money owed from a previous session. That money needs to be paid or that person will not be allowed to play in playoffs or tri-cups and may not be allowed to return next session. Encourage your players to call the office to make arrangements to get this taken care of, if they have not already done so.

Time Outs

Only the player involved in the match is allowed at the table. No one else should be coming up to the table, unless a timeout has been called. During a time out, only the player and the coach are allowed at the table. If the coach wants to have a conference with someone else on the team, the conference must be away from the pool table. Time outs are limited to one minute only! Only a player listed on the roster can coach a player. Visitors are not to get involved in any aspect of the match. They are there to cheer on their friends and should not be interfering in any way.

Make Up Matches Need to Be Completed by March 29th

RESCHEDULING MATCHES

If you need to reschedule for St Patrick's Day, Easter or Chinook Winds match, you need to make arrangements now. Chinook Winds and Easter matches need to be PRE-PLAYED. When a team gives advance notice that a match needs to be rescheduled, the opposing team must do everything in their power to accommodate them. If you are having trouble agreeing on a date and time, give us a call, we will set the date and time, which may not be to your best advantage. Do the best you can to work things out between you. Failure to show up for a match may disqualify your team for playoffs or tri-cups, even if your team is in first place and you will be responsible for both team fees. Get with your team and make arrangements now, if necessary.

NEW PLAYERS AND THEIR SKILL LEVELS

As with every session, we have many new members in the league this session. Anyone with a membership number of 19900 or higher is new to the league. Please be aware that these new players will bounce around the whole skill level range until they get 6 or 7 scores in. Some come out under rated and others come out over rated. We don't mind comments about these new players such as "has good cue ball control" or "good ball selection" but calling these players sandbaggers at this stage in the session does not even make sense. I dare to say that 90% of you did not start at the proper skill level or get there within the first few weeks. I am sorry that some of you have to play these new players before they are at their true skill level, however, the only way they can get there is by playing. Give these new players a chance to get their scores in before assuming that they are purposely keeping their skill levels below what they should be. It is very rare that a player goes straight to their true skill level after only a couple of plays.

Chinook Winds Entries Need to Be Postmarked by no later than March 31st

Special Cash Drawing for those entries that are postmarked by March 15 (must include Winner's Circle Card #)

Get your entry forms on the web site: pacificnw.apaleagues.com

Civil War Rescheduled

Because of Mother Nature's show of power last weekend, the 19th Annual Civil War has been moved to March 1 & 2 in Salem. We have expanded the field and just have a few openings left. If you wish to participate, please call us at the office 503-243-6725 or email me at apaboomer@aol.com to get signed up. Entry fee is \$35. First Come, First Served.!

There has been an increased number of cues stolen lately, either out of people's vehicles or while out playing pool. Keep an eye on each other's equipment. Put some kind of identifying mark on your cue so you can hopefully get it back someday if it is lost.