



# Boomer's Page

## New-To-The League Players

If you have players on your team that are playing APA for the first time or are playing a new format, keep in mind that they must have a skill level based on a minimum of 10 scores in order to play with your team in regionals and/or nationals. This applies to all regular 8-ball and 9-ball teams that are already qualified, as well as those who will become qualified at the tri-cups at the end of this session. The only scores that count are those played during this current session, playoffs at the end of this session and the Spring session tri-cups. The scores from next session, which starts before regionals **DO NOT COUNT!** Byes and Forfeits DO NOT COUNT!

Every year, we have teams going into regionals that are at a disadvantage because they did not make sure that their players played the required number of times during the session. Get the plays in for your new players early, do not wait until the last minute and risk not being able to use them for regionals.

## Celebration of Life for Clate "Dad" Makin

Celebration of Life for Clate "Dad" Makin. Saturday, February 25th from 2-4 pm. Potluck  
535 NE 188th Ave  
Portland, OR

For more details, please call his daughter Fawn at 503-816-5752



## March Is "Get Qualified for Singles" Month

Next week we will be publishing all of the "Play Till You Win" Singles qualifiers that we will be running during the month of March. This will most likely be the only time that you will have a chance to get qualified by the June 15th deadline. On the back of the newsletter is a full explanation of how the singles program works.

## 23 RULE

Breaking the 23 rule is absolutely forbidden. The skill levels of the players that play must add up to 23 or less. The 23 rule must be met even if all 5 races are not played. You cannot play 4 races to 23 and forfeit the 5th race. You must be able to prove had all 5 races been played, that you could have stayed at 23 or less with the line up that you play. For the Super divisions the cap is 26. Masters divisions do not have a skill level cap.

Chinook Winds Entry Forms need to be postmarked by April 1  
Entry packets are available on our web site at  
[pacificnw.apaleagues.com](http://pacificnw.apaleagues.com)

# Shutout At The Dugout

This information is provided as a service to you, our members and the host location. If you need further information regarding this tournament, please contact Mike Grady at 503-732-0292

Every Saturday. \$7 buy-in, double elimination. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd

Modified APA rules, Registration Noon. Play starts at 1 pm

3-level handicap system based on APA rating, non-APA members welcome

Don's Dugout-11642 NE Halsey-Portland 97220

## Singles Qualifiers

**8-Ball**-In order to participate, you must be an active APA member, on an active 8-ball team, with an 8-ball skill level based on at least 10 league scores.

**9-Ball**-In order to participate, you must be an active APA member, on an active 9-ball team, with a 9-ball skill level based on at least 10 league scores.

**Local level**-In order to qualify for the national tournament, you must first qualify by entering into a qualifier board. There are several formats that we use, and depending on your budget and how good you want the odds, will determine which format that you want to participate in. There is no cash payout at this level.

**Regional Level**-Once you have qualified at the local level, you are now eligible to compete at the regional level. Both 8-Ball and 9-Ball have two regional tournaments, one in the Spring and one in the Fall. In order to participate in the Fall regional, you must win a qualifier board between December 1 and June 15. In order to participate in the Spring regional, you must win a qualifier board between June 16 and November 30. As long as you are on both an 8-ball and 9-ball team, you may qualify and play in both 8-ball and 9-ball formats. Once qualified you must remain active in the format that you qualified in. The Fall regionals are slated for October 6-7 in Salem.

At the regional and national level you will only play against players of similar skill levels. 8-ball is broken into 4 tiers: Skill levels 6-7, Skill level 5, Skill level 4 and Skill levels 2-3. In 9-ball there are 3 tiers: Skill levels 6-9, Skill levels 4-5 and Skill levels 1-3. At least one player from each tier will advance to the national tournament.

The regional winners receive a trophy/plaque and a trip to Las Vegas to compete in the national tournament around the end of April 2013. Runners-up in each tier receive a plaque.

**National level**-Players advancing to the national level receive a travel allowance for airfare, ½ their lodging and a commemorative jacket upon registration in Las Vegas. 8-ball and 9-ball tournaments are broken into the same skill level brackets as regionals, with a national winner in each tier. 8-ball tier winners receive \$15,000 in cash and prizes with at least half being paid in cash. 9-ball tier winners receive \$10,000 in cash and prizes with at least half being paid in cash. If you are eligible to qualify in both 8 & 9-ball you may compete in both events at the national level. Think you are not good enough to compete? Think again

**DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR CHANCE TO BE THE NEXT NATIONAL CHAMPION!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE LEAGUE OFFICE AT (503) 243-6725.**