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Changing Your Team Name

If you want to change your team name, you must do so by week 4 before we put out permanent schedules. To change your team name, cross out the current one on your score sheet and write in the new team name next to it. Double jeopardy teams need to do this on both score sheets if you want the name changed on both teams. Remember, all team names are subject to League Office approval. If you think that Boomer won't approve it, don't even try!!! Also, please make sure that the captain of the team is listed first on your roster and the co-captain is listed second. These are the only people who will be invited to the Captain/Co-Captain tournament at the end of the session.

Attention Saturday, Sunday & Monday Divisions

May and June are our tournament months. Memorial Day, May 30 and the 4th of July fall on Monday this year. For tri cups and regionals, alert the opposing team prior to the event that you are involved with prior to the tournament weekend. For the holidays, you need to talk with your team and see if you will be able to field a team for your regularly scheduled match. Also check with the host location to make sure that they will be open on the holiday. If you cannot field a team, you will need to call the opposing team captain and make arrangements to reschedule that match. You can call the league office to get the phone number of the opposing captain until the permanent schedules come out on week 5. Take care of this right away! Do not wait until the last minute. Once you have agreed to a reschedule, you need to notify us at the office so we can mark it in the books. Also, let the host location know that you will not be playing your match on your regular day. If you are not able to agree on a time or place to get the match completed or you are not able to reach the captain, give us a call and we will get the two of you hooked up. Do not put this off! Take care of it now!

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to recognize the following players for earning their Grand Slam Patch during the 2016 Spring session.

David Scarth Kevin Logan Kevin Heatherdale Paul Mullens Patrick Baccellieri Jason Chun Jaye Folsom Evan Collier Tyler Hanson

Isaac Norman Craig Irwin Phil Bremer Joe Dubanski Mike Black Robert Moody Jeffrey Farnsworth Grant Walstrom Jason Bennett Eric Stedman-Falls Don Walker Cody Johnson George Dimeo Jason Grijalva Eric Bijak Ryan Miller Chris Nicol Brian Goodrow James Smith Rodney Clay Ben Foss Bobby Green Mark Bussiere Gary Jackson

In order to earn a Grand Slam patch, you must be on an 8-ball team and a 9-ball team. You must get an 8ball and a 9-ball break plus a break and run in both 8 and 9-ball, all in one session. Only regular league matches count towards the grand slam patch. Playoffs, tri-cups, regionals, and single qualifiers do not count.



A Couple of Sad Goodbyes



Kevin Edwards passed away on April 20th after losing his battle with lung cancer. Kevin and his wife, Deanne joined the league Summer session of 2001 and played for many years in the east Portland area, most recently for Falco's "Cheap Dates". In the words of his friend, Kurt Hamm "He was a gentleman and ambassador to the game of pool. He was a great friend that taught me to enjoy life, especially on the golf course. I never saw him angry, but always smiling & making goofy jokes or gestures. Kevin will be leaving a void in many of our lives... He passed too young & too fast." A memorial, benefit tournament is being planned for April 2017. Our deepest condolences to his

wife, family and friends.



Mike Jewett, former APA member and long-time manager of The Aloha Station passed away April 29. We first encountered Mike when we were still really new to this APA business. He was instrumental in helping us get the league going on the West side, introducing us to players and hosting teams out of The Aloha Station. He joined the league Fall session of 1997 and played in the league for many years. He loved life and loved people. He was one of those people who could strike up a conversation with anyone and always treated us with the utmost respect and courtesy. He was a great ambassador to the pool playing community, the leagues in the area and made The Aloha Station "home" to its many faithful customers. He will be greatly missed. A Celebration Of Life event will be held at the Beaverton Elks Lodge between 2-4 pm on May 14th.

Expect Schedule Changes For In The First 4 Weeks of the Session

Double Jeopardy Strategy

Double jeopardy teams need to strategize so that the same player is not needed on two tables at once. The other team does not have to wait for a player to finish one format so they can play in the other. Use some common sense. If you are going to be short players or having trouble with skill levels and there are extra tables available, get one of the races over with early in the match on a third table so you don't get yourself in a bind.

Deadline for US Amateur Entries is June 15 You can sign up for this event on poolplayers.com