



MAKE SURE YOU KEEP SCORE PROPERLY

Official team manual, page 34-35, section 23 “....A Defensive Shot is where the shooter deliberately misses so as to pass his turn at the table to his opponent. Simply stated, it is a shot where there is no intent on the part of the shooter to legally pocket a ball of his category. **Intent** is the determining factor.....Defensive shots fall into two basic categories. The first category is safeties. A safety is a defensive action taken when a player has no makeable or high percentage shot or chooses to leave his opponent in a difficult situation.....The shooter's intent is the determining factor in these situations. Sometimes intent can be a matter of opinion....but the scorekeeper's judgment must be accepted by the opposing player.

The second category is intentionally missed shots for the purpose of manipulating one's handicap, also referred to as sandbagging. Players of all levels of skill who learn to recognize this unethical conduct can make it much more difficult for a player to unfairly manipulate his handicap.

Players with integrity call all safeties and intentionally missed shots. Besides being good sportsmanship, there will be fewer discrepancies on the two score sheets. It is not unusual for scoresheets to differ as to the number of Defensive Shots recorded. Both scoresheets must be signed, even if you disagree on the number of Defensive Shots.....

Marking Defensive Shots both consistently and correctly ensures the effectiveness of **The Equalizer** scoring and handicap system. The failure to mark defensive shots allows players and teams to advance with inaccurate skill levels. Play honest!.....

Note: There are some excellent videos on the APA national website on APA's YouTube Channel. **How To Keep Score in 8 Ball, How To Keep Score in 9 Ball, Understanding Defensive Shots.** Everyone on the team should go to poolplayers.com to view these videos. There are also several instructional videos on how to improve your game.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

For Mike "Buckeye" Gardner. Join Mike's wife, Lucille, along with family and friends to reminisce and share stories about Mike's life. Mike played for McAnulty and Barry's "Pooligans" and "Tenacious D" in the Southeast and Willamette double jeopardy divisions.

July 7th 4 pm

16860 SE Stonybrook Ct

Clackamas, OR 97015

DJ, Beer and Food

NON-RATED PLAYERS MUST PLAY BY WEEK 7

All non-rated players, those without a skill level, must play week 7 or they will be dropped from your roster. Non-rated players are those who have not played an APA match, they show up with 0 under skill level on your score sheet. Double jeopardy teams, your non-rated players must play in both 8-ball and 9-ball to get a skill level in each. If they only play in one or the other, they will be dropped from the roster in which they have not played. Please see page 31 of the official team manual.



Attention All Wednesday Divisions

We have play scheduled for Wednesday, July 4th. If you cannot field a team on that day, please contact the opposing team and make arrangements to either pre-play that match or do a make up for that day. Do not wait until the last minute. Remember that all make up matches must be completed by July 21. Please contact the league office as soon as possible and let us know what your planning on doing for that match.

Going to Two Tables

We are seeing a lot of the week day matches going 5, 6 hours, sometimes longer. This is absolutely unacceptable. If matches are going that long, there is definitely a problem with players taking too long on their shots, taking breaks, taking too long getting the next race started or timeouts exceeding one minute. Most people have to get up and go to work the next day. Having matches go until 1 or 2 in the morning is causing people to have to drop out of the league or not being able to stay for the entire match. If you have not started your 4th match by 9 pm, you need to go to a 2nd table, if one is available. See pages 28-29 section 10 of the Official Team Manual. It doesn't matter if the bar will not open a 2nd table or not. Double Jeopardy divisions, this may mean going to a 3rd table to get the matches caught up. Most matches should be done in 4 to 4 1/2 hours, playing on one table. If your matches are consistently going over that amount of time, you need to start looking at the time guidelines that are listed on page 7 of the Official Team Manual and get your teammates to follow those guidelines. If you don't start now, your team is really going to be at a disadvantage when it gets to tri-cups, regionals, nationals and Chinook Winds. Sudden death is not a pretty thing!

Makeup Matches Need To Be Completed By July 21

All makeup matches, including the reschedules for the 4th of July week, need to be completed by July 21. If you have not gotten hold of your opponent or have not agreed on a date to complete your makeup, you need to do so now. Do not wait for the last minute. If the two teams are having trouble coming to an agreement, call the league office by no later than July 5th. We will set the date and the time, which may not be convenient for either team. We would rather the two teams come to an agreement on their own. Once you have agreed on a date and time, call the league office to let us know. That way if the other team doesn't show up, you are covered. Envelopes for makeup matches need to be turned in with your next scheduled league match, even if you have a bye that week, to be counted as on time. Failure to complete a makeup match may lead to your team not being eligible for the wild card or post-season play, including playoffs and tri-cups.