Original Pool Amateur League—OPAL: "A real 'GEM' in YOUR Community!"

The OPAL GEM' September 30, 2013 FYDD FCC





HIDDEN (Except when in parenthesis) somewhere in this Newsletter are "5" new APA Membership numbers just waiting discovered. From the September 18th newsletter no body has called to utter the magic words, so therefore there'll be a "Loser's Party of "FIVE" on the back page this week for you to ridicule!—'Tis a shame 'cause a couple of 'em were playing in the 8-Ball Tri-Cup this last weekend !!!

Only one from the Sept. 23rd Newsletter has called in so far, and that was: **Rachel Livingston** (97236027) who plays for Sweet Home's "Wreckers" in the Lombard D.J. division; Lucky for the other four there's still one more week. Folks—get off your donkey's and get visual!

All you have to do is call the league office with the magic words "Gimme My Shirt" to claim your prize, and keep your peers from pointing fingers, & snickering, 'cause they know that a shirt possibly awaits them 'cause you simply failed to find yours!—4 from last week and 5 new ones for a total of 9!

September 27-29th
Rodders, and KC's Midway in
Oregon City graciously cohosted our OPAL-APA Fall
Session 8-Ball Tri-Cup. Both
locations and their crews did a
fantastic job as hosts. The food
and drink service were excel-

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lent and the sites accommodated our event extremely well and all the pool players and guests had a great time throughout the weekend. This event even though it was taking place in the middle of a torrential downpour everything went off without a hitch, and in spite of the rain everyone seemed to have a great time—enjoying themselves as well as the competition.

We had exactly 53 division 8-Ball finalists teams competing in the Modified Single elimination format,— guaranteeing that all teams got to play twice, but not necessarily lose twice. It was a weekend of close competition with the majority of all team matches going right down to the wire in the new scoring system to decide the winner. Many ties were broken by seeing who had won 3 match-races

We had a payout of **\$15,584** which was dispersed throughout the entire field. One round was conducted on Friday night, three rounds on Saturday, and concluding on Sunday at Rodders with four rounds finishing up about 8:15 PM. The results are as follows:

FINISHING 49-53rd and winning \$150 were: Auto Pub's "You Marked What Pocket?;" Auto Pub's "Chalk Is Cheap." River Road House's "8 's; & A 's" Underground's "Shark Tank;" and Jin's "8's In The Hole."

FINISHING 33 / 48th and winning \$175 were: Touche's "Crazy Train;" 505's "Uh—0—The 505;" Tillicum Club's "That's Gonna Leave A Mark;" Watertrough Saloon's "Danger Zone;" Pub 181's "Pub Crawlers" Joq's "Bone In Hand;" Hobo's "Rack Attack;" Fortune Star's "The Other Guys;" Gator's "The Killer V-Necks;" Cascade's "Boogity Boogity;" Dodge City's "Team Leviathon;" Viewpoint's "Butterballs;" Wichita Town Pub's "Los Renas Locas;" Jin's "Rawhide;" Wrangler's "Team Blackout" and Back Alley's "Blackbird."

FINISHING 25-32 and earning \$225 for their team were: Calamity Jae's "<u>Crazy 8;</u>" Maguffy Pub's "<u>The Mafia;</u> Pub 181's "<u>Secret Society;</u>" Domenic's "<u>Come Get Some;</u>" Korner Pocket's "<u>Nameless;</u>" Bink's "<u>F.G.P.P.;</u>" Timber's "<u>Timber Cutter's;</u>" and Ickabod's "<u>Nineth Element.</u>"

FINISHING 17-24 and winning \$275 were: McAnulty & Barry's "<u>Hookers;</u>" Mousetrap's "<u>Cheeze Whiz;</u>" Scotty's "<u>I'd Hit That;</u>" Tardis Room's "<u>Time Lords;</u>" Fortune Star's "<u>Devil's Rejects.</u>" Rodder's "<u>Under The Influence;</u>" Shamrock's "<u>Am I Solids Or Stripes?</u>;" and Shamrock's "<u>The 8 Amigos.</u>"

FINISHSHING 9-16 and just 97215433 missing a medal, but winning \$350 were: Sam's "Sofa Kings;" Back Alley's "Team Shocker;" Kenton Club's (Continued on Page 2.)

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RI-CUP "Motorboaters;" The Spot's "Just 4 Fun;" Shamrock's "Dream Team;" Blitz 99W's "Blitzkrieg;" Star House's "Scratch 'n Sniff;" and Sweet Home's "Sweet Hawks."

FINISHING 5—8th and taking home \$450 ,and the "Bronze Medallions" were: Back Alley's "Pool Hustlers" from the Columbia division with Team Captain: Don Collins and teammates-- Miguel Madrigal, Diane Jones, Brittney Settell, Richard Kiltz, Dim Dy, Judy Davis, and Brenda Collins; Red Fir Inn's "Red Fir." from the Northern division— with Team Captain: Jason Hollenbeak and teammates--David Ayers, Angela Carlin, Lacie Williams, Jonathan & Helen Hahn, Edward Perkins, and Tracey Ramsey; Underground's "Seriously?!?!" from the Skyline division with Team Captain: Steve Lambert, and teammates: Doug Best, Trisha Stephens, Deana Copeland, Brandon McIntyre, Tammy Rhodes, and Brandon Stephens; and Pub 181's "Sticklerz" with Team Captain: Tami Travis, and teammates-- Theodore Height, William Travis, Rebecca Beckensten, Mark Fisher, Shelley Goodall, Sharon Height, and Nancy Huffman.

FINISHING 3-4 and winning Silver Medallions and \$665 for each team was River Road house's "Ball—n— Hand" from the Willamette division—with Team Captain: Phil Bremer, and teammates--Jacob McNamee, Billie Spillers, Terry Chesney, Cory Kalteich, Dennis Worsham, Chris Huntley, and Dede Dicow. West Union's "Spicy Pickled Tacos" from the Northwest division with Team Captain: Matt Rouse, and teammates Jenny DeHaan, Chris Treadwell, Kasey Picar, Todd Smith, Tanya Bowe, and Kimberly Welch.

FINISHING 2ND and winning Gold Medallions and \$900 was Wrangler's "Body English." from the Mt. Hood division with Team Captain: Ron Mehner, and teammates-- Jeff Haight, Keith Boardman, Tim Drewery, Kathie Haight, Missy Cnossen, Sarahlyn Blaine, and Stefanie Griess.

FINISHING 1ST and winning the bragging rights—the coveted Platinum Medallions— and the top money prize of \$1,204—from the Mid Valley Double Jeopardy division was River Road House's "Off In Church with Team Captain Robert Solomon, and teammates: Evan Moore, Phil Bremer, Sheila Brown, Don Palacios Jr., Craig Martin, Zack Wicke, and Billie Spillers.

"Body English's" journey to the finals could not have been a longer journey They started out at the Rodders on Friday Night and ended up being slammed to the loser's side by "The Danger Zone." Fortunately they drew a "bye" and didn't have to come in and play until the 1 PM against Pub 181's "The Pub Crawlers." When the dust settled the Pub Crawlers went crawling home, while the "Body English" contorted themselves into the next round. In the 5 o'clock round "Body English." came up against another Pub 181 team-"Secret Society," After that match it was no secret any longer—they too were out the door crawling after the other pub 181 team. Next, it off to get a night's sleep before Sunday's 9:00 AM Morning Medal round where they would face Sam's "Sofa Kings" It was a tough match for both teams as it came right down to the wire, but "the (Continued on Page 3.)



BRONZE - POOL HUSTLERS



BRONZE - RED FIR



BRONZE - SERIOUSLY ?!?!



BRONZE - STICKLERZ

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(Continued from Page 2.) Sofa Kings." were sent home to take a nap on their couches leaving "Body English" securely with both a medal and a place in the Regionals. In the 1:00 Bronze/Silver Medal round "The Body's" seriously defeated "Seriously?!?!" and sent them home with the Bronze. Next, In the 3:00 PM Silver/Gold round "The Body English's" out spun "Balls In Hand" and left them behind holding the Silver. After that, "Body English" journeyed on to the final Gold/Platinum round, where they hoped that they would be the first to blow up the church.

River Road House's "Off In Church" had an opposite journey to the finals. then did the "Body English" They went all the way to the Finals undefeated. No one was able to beat them. The congregation started out Friday night at the Midway by converting "Come Get Some" to the one-loss side. Next, they prevented a Mexican revolution by stopping "The 8 Amigos" dead in their tracks and showing them the door to home. For the church group, It was off for a good night's sleep and then return for the 9 AM Sunday morning medal round against the "Sweet Hawks."

In Sunday's 9-Am Bridesmaid / Bronze round "Off In Church" defeathered the "Sweet Hawks" to claim their spot in regionals, and at least a Bronze Medallion necklace. In the 1:00 PM Bronze/Silver Medal round. "Off In Church" stuck it to the "Sticklerz" and left them behind holding the Bronze. In the 3:00 PM Silver/Gold Medal round "Off In Church" continued their religious ways and sobered up the "Spicy Pickled Tacos" and sending them off to the convent to do penance with the silver. Meanwhile "Off In Church" continued on with their mission to instill peace and tranquility throughout the world, but first they would have to show "Body English" the error of their ways..!

After a color of money break on 5 simultaneous match tables the final competition began. The results are as follows:

On Table 1, Body's SL-4 *Kathie Haight* was playing against Off's SL-5 *Evan Moore*. The match was double hill, but they did not finish .

On Table 2, Body's SL-5 *Tim Drewery* was wiped out by "Off"s" SL-6 *Don Palacios Jr.* 5-zip. To register a 3-0 "Off" win.

On Table 3, Body's SL-4 **Jeff Haight** was upended by Off's **Zack Wicke** 3-0. to register a 3-0 win in favor of the Church Group.

On Table 4, Body"s SL-6 **Missy Cnossen** was tied 2-2 with Off's SL-6 **Robert Solomon**, but they did not finish.

On Table 5 Body's SL-4 *Keith Boardman* was up on the hill by a score of 3-0 against Off's SL-2 *Sheila Brown* when the team match was declared mathematically over by John Blue.

Off in Church had already won two 3-0 matches, and had registered at least two single points on tables 1 and 4, so even if "Body English" won the outstanding races the best they could accumulate would have been wins of 3-0, 2-1, and 2-1 for a losing score of 7-8 in favor of "Off In Church." Therefore, "Off In Church" was awarded claim to the prestigious Platinum Star Medallions, all the bragging rights, and the crown of: Summer Session 2013 8-Ball Tri-Cup Champions.

The next step will be the June 2014 8-Ball Regionals where all of the pictured winners will compete along with the other worthy finalists from both the Fall and Spring 8-Ball Tri-Cups. There, they will compete for one of seven slots into APA National 8-Ball Team Championship at the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas Nevada, in August 2014.

Special Thanks again to KC's Midway, and Rodders for being such Gracious hosts! And our many thanks to the hard work and dedication put in by our OPAL Referees: Mr. John Blue, Shannon Fey-young, Corey Bananto, Steve & Becky Chandler, Dan Fendall, Terry Pinto, and Stephen Schneringer



SILVER - BALLS-N-HAND



SILVER - SPICY PICKLED TACOS

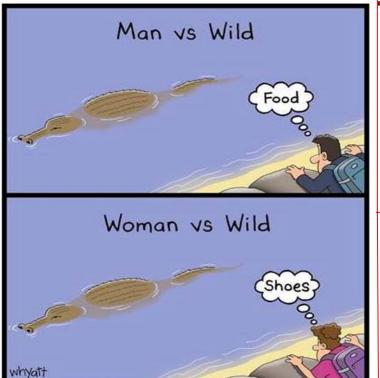


GOLD - BODY ENGLISH



PLATINUM - OFF IN CHURCH

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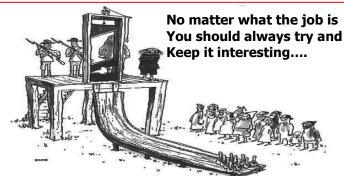


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SCOTSMAN.....

Ol' McMurphy and his wife were Walking past a swanky new restaurant Last night. "Did You smell that food?" She says to him..."Incredible!" "Aye" mutters McMurphy who is now Thinking to himself...I'm a nice guy...what the heck...I'll Give me Missus a treat. So they turned

around and he walked her past the restaurant again.







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THE LOSER'S CORNER

The 5 people listed below have been verified as losers from the September 16th, 2013 Newsletter If you happen to see any of these people give 'em your best razzing and then give 'em the old "L" sign,—all the while thanking them for leaving a shirt in the box so you can have a shot at winning it!

1–ROD DAVIS (97204319) who plays for Star House's **"Cheeze Pleaze"** in the **Farside Double Jeop.** division.

2–BRANDON HORRELL (97213358) who plays for Underground's "Free Ballin" in the NW Dbl. Jeop. Div.

3–KIRA NORTH (97216430) who plays for Jake Place's "Stray Cats" in the Midnight Double Jeopardy division..

4–KEVIN RANDALL (97218467) who plays for Shamrock's "*Drunken Warriors*" in the **Sunrise D. J.** division.

5–LINDSEY DAVIS (97219001) who plays for Touche's "Gutshot" in the Central 9-Ball division.

If you don't want to be caught here for everyone to gawk at, then look to see if your number isn't hidden somewhere. **REMEMBER**, it is possible for your number to come up at anytime. Therefore, pay attention to detail, **READ THE NEWSLETTER..!**

