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Summer 8-Ball Tri-Cup Results!

September 19-21st

KC's Midway, and Rodders in Oregon City graciously co-hosted our OPAL-APA Fall Session 8-Ball Tri-Cup with the Sunday final being held at KC's Midway. Both locations and

their crews did a fantastic job as hosts. The food and drink service were excellent and the sites accommodated our event extremely well and all the pool players and guests had a great time throughout the weekend. It was an extra-special weekend for Boomer, and John, because Merle was still involuntarily frolicking away at home so they pretty much just stepped right up to the plate and got the job done whatever way they saw fit.

There were exactly 46 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 double hill in deciding the winner. Once a team reached three match race wins though the match was declared over.

There was a total payout of **\$15,536** which was dispersed throughout the entire field. One round was conducted on Friday night, three rounds on Saturday, and concluded on Sunday at the Midway with four rounds finishing up about 7:35 PM. The results are as follows:

FINISHING 33 / 46th and winning **\$150** were: River Road House's "U-Rack 'Em," Fortune Star's "Behind The 8-Ball," Vogie's "Challengers," Pub 181's "That's Our Cue," Peppermill Lounge's "Hick's With Sticks," Underground's "Horizontal Possibilities," Aloha Station's "Two Drink Minimum," 4th Plain's "42 T.A.T.E.," Fortune Star's "Family Circus," McAnulty & Barry's "Granny's Panties," The Spot's "Just For Fun," Touche's "The Sofa Kings," KC Midway's "Sotally Tober," and Wrangler's "Honey Badgers."

FINISHING 25-32 and earning **\$200** for their team were: Ickabod's "Lemonheads," Mad Hanna's "Mad Hamsters," Midnight Division's "Red Apple," Joe Cellar's "Unconscious D," Back Alley's "Pool Hustlers," Ringo's "Breaking Bad," Maui's "Maui's Wowies," and Andy Inn's "Andy's Bar."

FINISHING 17-24 and winning **\$300** were: Joe Cellar's "Joe's Dive," River Road House's "Off In Church," West Union's "Spicy Pickled Tacos," Ringo's "Ringers," Jo Saloon's "The Ultimate Machine," Back Alley's "Sloppy Joes," No-Po Division's "Mousetrap," and Sweet Home's "Under Review."

FINISHING 9-16 and just 97207668 missing a medal, but winning **\$400** were: Back Alley's "Blackbird," Back Alley's "Roll 'Em In," (Continued on Page 2.)

HIDDEN (Except when in parenthesis) somewhere in this Newsletter are "5" new APA Membership numbers just waiting to be discovered. From the September 15th newsletter two people out of the 10 who had their numbers hidden called to utter the magic words. They were: **Sean McCartney** (97220494) who plays for McAnulty & Barry's "Broke Again" in the Berry Hill D.J. division; & little **Stevie Gonzalez** (97200938) who plays for Hobo's "Compadres" in the Downtown D.J. division. Since there's no loser's corner until next newsletter there's "8" out of the 10 still eligible to find your number.

Moving right along, There's 5 more hidden numbers hidden in this Newsletter also — That makes 13 shirt for 13 people... Hop to it folks

Really people, it's so simple...All you have to do to avoid being illustrated in the loser's corner is to find your number, and call the league office with the magic words **"Gimme My Shirt"** Hey a free shirt's a free shirt... don't lose out!

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TRI-CUP



River Road House's "Roadhouse," Fortune Star's "It's All About Me," Cascade Bar's "Chalk 'N Roll," Cascade Bar's "I'd Tap That," 4th Plain's "Tm Leviathon," and Fortune Star's "The Other Guys."

FINISHING 5—8th and taking home \$575, and the "Bronze Medallions" were: **Scotty's** "Bugger Off" from the Sunset division with Team Captain: **Kevin Zandi** and teammates-- **Tim Nelson, Scott Miner, Sheri Zandi, Gary Wells, Kevin Blodgett, Karl Oesterblad, and Rick Hall**; **Shanahan's** "Chalking Behavior" from the River City D.J. division— with Team Captain: **Curt Gebers** and teammates--**Stephanie Vakoc, Akio Nakashima, Eric & Jamie Anderson, Katelin Hareloo, and Stuart Manney**; **The Time Out Pub's** "The Invincibles" from the Midnight division with Team Captain: **Sherry Rea**, and teammates: **Sandy Johnston, Travis Sumner, Mike Petersen, Lyn Zimmerman, Al Baker, and Chris Gourneau**; and **Wrangler's** "Posse" from the Wagon Wheel D.J. division with Team Captain: **Ron Mehner**, and teammates-- **Paul Mullens, Susan Reed, Kyle Payton, Yvonne Burns, Joel Goodman, and Suzanne Schultz**.

FINISHING 3-4 and winning Silver Medallions and \$800 for each team was **KC Midway's** "KC's Krusher's" from the Mt. Hood D.J. division—with Team Captain: **Gerrie Moler**, and teammates-- **Tom Moler, Bill Hayes, Lillian Compo, Jason Lovell, Jose Luis Espinoza, and Kayleigh Hoyt**; and **Falco's** "The Replacements" from the Parkrose D.J. division with Team Captain: **Connie Barnes**, and teammates **Jodell Broaddus, Robert Solomon, Billy Overholser, Tyler Hanson, Elisha Waters, James Freinwald, and Raguel Smith II**.

FINISHING 2ND and winning Gold Medallions and \$1,050 was **Slingshot Lounge's** "All The Almonds," from the Southeast D.J. division with Team Captain: **Jordan Walden**, and teammates-- **Ilse Kelly, Nathan Currie, Brian Rensberry, Ben Wyatt, Robert Solomon, Alexander Willett, and Zada Spiess**.

FINISHING 1ST and winning the bragging rights—the coveted Platinum Medallions— and the top money prize of \$1,336—from the Southeast D.J. division was **River Road House's** "Moneyshots" with Team Captain **Phil Bremer**, and teammates: **Alexander Hoyt, Michael Keating, Jennifer Windell, Richard Fry, Steve Lingelbach, Cory Kalteich, and Corynne Evans**.

"Moneyshot's" journey to the finals was all the way straight forward and undefeated, They started out at KC 's Midway on Friday Night in slot 8 by out hustling the "Pool Hustler's" booting them over to the the next day's one loss side. Saturday morning they drained "Two Drink Minimum" and sent them staggering over to the one loss side as well. At this point, although still in the winner's side, the format changed to Single Elimination—Lose now, and it'd be out the door and down the road. In the late afternoon 5 o'clock round "Moneyshots" dive-bombed "Joe's Dive," blowing them out the door to the road home. Next, it off to Sunday's 9:00 AM Morning Medal round where they would face "Chalk 'N Roll" in what is known as the dreaded bridesmaid round—The winner would go on guaranteed of a medal and a spot in the regionals whereas the loser went home with only a little money. (Continued on Page 3.)



BRONZE -- BUGGER OFF



BRONZE -- CHALKING BEHAVIOR



BRONZE -- THE INVINCIBLES



BRONZE -- WRANGLER'S POSSE



(Continued from Page 2.) "Moneyshots." prevailed over "Chalk 'N Roll" to claim both a medal and a place in the Regionals. Chalk 'N Roll quietly disappeared out the door with their \$400 bridesmaid check.

In the 1:00 Bronze/Silver Medal round "Moneyshot's" erased "Chalking Behavior" from the competition sending them home with the Bronze. Next, In the 3:00 PM Silver/Gold round "Moneyshot's" replaced "The Replacements" with \$775, the Silver Medallions, and the door to home. After that, it was off to the final Gold/Platinum round, where they would face off against the freshly oven roasted nutty team of "All the Almonds."

"All the Almonds" had a much longer journey to the finals. then did the "Moneyshots" The "Almond Clan" started out Friday night at the Midway in slot # 31 by getting bush-whacked to the one-loss side by "Behind The 8-Ball." Returning at 1: PM the next day, "The Almond's" sent "42 T.A.T.E." out the door to face the asphalt jungle. In the 5 PM round they closed up shop for "Andy's Bar" then opened the door to home for them so the door wouldn't hit 'em in the butt on the way out. "The Almonds," meanwhile, began making strategy plans for Sunday's Medal round.

In Sunday's 9-Am Bridesmaid / Bronze round "The Almond crew" demolished the "Roadhouse" to claim their spot in regionals, and at least, a Bronze Medallion necklace. In the 1:00 PM Bronze/Silver Medal round. "All The Almonds" out-bugged "Bugger Off" bugging them right out the door holding the Bronze and a \$575 check to the road home In the 3:00 PM Silver/Gold Medal round "All The Almonds" crushed "KC 's Krushers" leaving them the "Silver" and \$775, while "The Almond Clan" headed off into the Gold/Platinum finals arena against "Moneyshots."

After a color of money break on 5 simultaneous match tables the final scompetition began and the results ensued as follows:

On Table 1, "Almond's" SL-5 **Nathan Currie** played against "Money's" SL-3 **Michael Keating**. Nathan 4-Zipped Michael Score 3-0 (Almonds)

On Table 2, "Money's" SL-3 **Cory Kalteich** wiped out "Almond's" SL-3 **Zada Spiess** 3-0. Score 3-0. Team Score tied 3 - 3.

On Table 3, "Money's" SL-4 **Alexander Hoyt** conquered "Almond's" SL-3 **Kelly Ilse** 3-1. to take the double hill race. Score 5-4 in favor of the Moneyshots.

On Table 4, "Almond's" SL-6 **Alex Willett** got stomped by "Moneyshot's" SL-5 **Jennifer Windell** 4-0 for a 3-0 win. Match 8-4 in favor of the Moneyshots..

On Table 6 "Moneyshot's" SL-7 **Steve Lingelbach** was matched up against "Almond's" SL-6 **Robert Solomon**. Steve won 5-1 for a 2-zip win which brought the overall team score to 10-4 in favor of the Moneyshots to win the match, win the prestigious Platinum Star Medallions, win all of the bragging rights, and the crown of: Summer Session 2014 8-Ball Tri-Cup Champions.

The next step will be the June 2015 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.

We probably will have seven slots allocated to us for the APA National 8-Ball Team Championship at the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas Nevada, come next August, 2015.

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 John Blue who filled in for Merle during his hiatus, and our dedicated OPAL Referees: Don "Coyote" Walker, Maxine Buhler, Kevin McCarthy, Dan Fendall, Le Donovan, and Stephen Schneringer.



SILVER -- KC's KRUSHERS



SILVER -- THE REPLACEMENTS



GOLD -- ALL THE ALMONDS



PLATINUM -- MONEYSHOTS

Do you know that awesome feeling when you get into bed, fall right asleep, stay asleep all night and wake up feeling refreshed and ready to take on the day?

Yeah, me neither!

Left Column

Submitted By:

Jeff Oakes

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THERE ARE TWO WORDS
IN A PERSON'S LIFE THAT
WILL OPEN LOTS OF DOORS
FOR THEM...



**PUSH
and
PULL**

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Right Column

HUSBAND NEEDS REST. *Submitted By:*

Dan Bechard

DOCTOR: **Madam**, your husband needs a lot of Rest and Peace. So here are some Sleeping pills.

WIFE: Thank You Doctor, When should I give them to him?

DOCTOR: **Madam**, they are not for him...They're for you !



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There is no official loser's corner until next week! But, there's still a diaper load of 'em still yet to be found from the last published newsletter covering the first two week's of this session.

Get on the stick and go look 'cause if you snooze you're gonna lose !!!

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A "THREAT" FROM BOOMER !!!