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Spring 8-Ball Tri-Cup Results:

JUNE 1-3RD, Rodgers and KC's Midway in Oregon City graciously co-hosted our OPAL-APA Spring Session 8-Ball Tri-Cup. 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. Even though up at Rodder's due to the encumbrances of mechanical data processing—which according to Boomer is totally and completely all of Merle's fault—the two in-between rounds on Saturday experienced excessive lag time in getting the later rounds off as scheduled—still we received several positive compliments from many of the players and host location staff over the weekend. It was a good tournament.

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HIDDEN (Except when in parenthesis) HERE YE, HERE YE, HERE YE....somewhere in this Newsletter are "5" new APA Membership numbers just waiting to be discovered. From the May 21st newsletter no body else has called in uttering the magic words to join Miss Melody from last week, so there'll be a "Loser's Party of "FOUR" on the back page this week for you to ridicule

Moving right along, from the May 28th Newsletter not a single darn soul has yet to find their number and call into the office yet.

Really folks, it's simple...All you have to do is call the league office with the magic words "**Gimme My Shirt**" after finding your number, to claim your prize, and keep all your peers and everyone from pointing fingers, laughing & snickering, 'cause they know that a shirt possibly awaits them 'cause you simply failed to find yours!

There's 9 numbers hidden between this week and last for you to find so go look!

We had exactly 50 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 many of the team matches coming right down to double hill when deciding the winner. Once a team reached three match race wins though the match was declared over.

We had a nice payout of \$22,080 which was dispersed throughout the entire field. One round was conducted on Friday night, three rounds on Saturday, and Sunday's four round conclusion was at Rodder's—finishing about 6:45 PM. The results are as follows:

FINISHING 49th & 50th simultaneously and winning \$150 were: **McAnulty & Barry's "Tenacious D,"** and **Jin's "Chicks & Sticks."**

FINISHING 33 / 48th and winning \$225 were: **Auto Pub's "Blitzkrieg,"** **Back Alley's "Bye Bye 8-Ball,"** **McAnulty & Barry's "Profanity,"** **Touche's "Slop Shots,"** **West Hill Division's "Leo's Lair,"** **Auto Pub's "The Other Auto's Team,"** **Ringo's "Team Newbies,"** **Don Dugout's "Grady's Heroes,"** **Cascade Bar's "Cool Cats,"** **Southwest Division's "Mike's Place,"** **Mt Hood Division's "Red Fir,"** **Fortune Star's "Dragon's Fury,"** **Shonna's "Original Shonna's,"** **Timber Pub's "Timber Cutters,"** **Back Alley's "Str8 Cats"** and **Ringo's "Them Crooked Cues."**

FINISHING 25-32 and earning \$325 for their team were: **Underground Sport Bar's "The Clinic,"** **Shamrock's "Version 2,"** **Ringo's "Why So Hard?,"** **Scotty's "Short Bus,"** **Falco's "Secret Society #2,"** **Blitzladd's "Drunken Wanderers,"** **Jakes Place's "Stray Cats,"** and **The Spot Tavern's "Team Blackout."** (Continued on Pg. 2.)



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FINISHING 17-24 and winning \$425 were: Fortune Star's *"It's Time;"* River Road House's *"Balls In Hand;"* Rodder's *"O.C. Bomb Squad;"* McAnulty & Barry's *"Pooligans;"* Fortune Star's *"City Hungers;"* Park Rose Division's *"Fortune Star;"* Sundowner's *"Just Whack It;"* & West Union's *"X Q's R Slop"*

FINISHING -16 and just missing a medal, but winning \$565 were: SE Division's *"McAnulty & Barry's;"* Park City Pub's *"Bluebirds;"* Hart Road Pizza's *"Demi Gods of The Felt;"* Starhouse's *"Double G's Fireballs;"* Joe Cellar's *"Amateur Hour;"* Kenton Club's *"Motorboaters;"* Gresham Inn's *"Shot Effect;"* and Wagon Wheel Division's *"Wranglers."*

Special Note: Though Hart Road Pizza's *"Demi Gods of The Felt"* missed out on a medal they did win a spot in Regionals by right of succession as the team that beat the in the *Sunday morning medal round* (Young & Rackless) were already regionally qualified from the previous Fall Session. Therefore, going to regionals will be: **Hart Road Pizza's** *"Demi Gods of The Felt"* from the Skyline Double Jeopardy division— with Team Captain: **George Dimeo**, and teammates-- **Jack Spring, Melissa Hampen, Benjamin Geiger, Johnny Printup, Stephen Spring, Tim Bishop, and Krysta Kelley.**

FINISHING 5-8th and taking home \$710, and the coveted "Bronze Medallions" were: **Jin's** *"Balls & Dolls."* from the Mt. Hood Double Jeopardy division— with Team Captain: **Jeff Hayes**, and teammates-- **Joshua Eschright, Angie Farr, Ashley Green, Jason Grijalva, Somer Griffin, and Lisa Schowengerdt;** **Denny's** *"Boomer's Ringers"* from the Southern Double Jeopardy division with Team Captain: **Leanne Gray** and teammates-- **Rod Bair, Chris & Eileen Read, Robert Doel, Teresa Hanken and Crystal Swails;** **Cascade Bar's** *"OHOO SHOOOT"* from the Northern Double Jeopardy division with Team Captain: **Jason Reed**, and teammates: **Don Collins, Ian Miller, Kathie Young, Robert Fields, Cherry Kleven, Diane Jones, and Cliff Reed;** and **Falco's** *"Secret Society"* from the Farside Double Jeopardy Division with Team Captain: **Steve Hestmark**, and teammates--**Robert Solomon, Samantha Hills, David Scarth, Jacob Marinovich, Rachael Williams, & Johanna Altuzarra.**

FINISHING 3-4 and winning Silver Medallions and \$1,000 each was: **Duckett's** *"Mother Ducketts"* from the No-Po division with Team Captain: **Michael Studer**, and teammates— **Mick Shillingford, Kol Chaney, Amber Hinchman-Eastman, Andrew Gourley Genung, Tim Flanagan, Joel Pepper, and Darren Driggs;** and **Back Alley's** *"The Ravens"* from the Northern Double Jeopardy division— with Team Captain: **Helen Hecimovich-Hahn**, and teammates-- **Jonathan Hahn, Brian Newcomb, Anthony Bittner, Brett Usher, Lindy Taylor, Kevin Randall, and Daniel Olson II.**

FINISHING 2ND and winning Gold Medallions and \$1,300 was **Back Alley's** *"Young & The Rackless"* from the Clark County-APA Double Jeopardy division with Team Captain: **Colin Kharoufeh**, and teammates-- **Brandon Houle, Mahri Morrow, Justin McClintock, Clinton Johnston, Scott Brickwood, Megan Boehlke, and "Dynamo" Don Collins.**

FINISHING 1ST and winning the bragging rights—the coveted Platinum Medallions— and the top money prize of \$1,600— from the Mid-valley Double Jeopardy division was **River Road House's** *"Secret Society"* with Team Captain **Karrar Mayweather**, and teammates: **Julie Farman, Jennifer Dehaan, Monique Luckcuck, Alexander Willett, Bruce Farman, Jason Grijalva, and Ryan Stimpson.** (Continued on Pg. 3.)



BRONZE -- BALLS & DOLLS



BRONZE -- BOOMER'S RINGERS



BRONZE -- OHOO SHOOOT



BRONZE -- SECRET SOCIETY (Falcos)

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The "Young & Rackless"s journey to the finals was totally without peril and drama nor was there any real panic and underwear changes either. Why? 'Cause they were already regionally qualified from the past Summer Tri-Cup where they had won gold medallions. They were only in it for the prestige, the bragging rights, and of course the money at this point. They drew a "Bye" at Rodders on Friday Night and didn't play their first match until Saturday morning. There "OHHHH SHOOOT" unloaded all their guns on them and tossed what was left of their bodies over to the one loss side.

"Young & Reckless" miraculously rose themselves from the dead, patched themselves up, and then proceeded to "Blitz" Auto's Blitzkrieg sending them out the door to the road to home. Then, In the late afternoon 5 o'clock round they exposed Falco's "Secret Society." to the outside elements, and were off to the Bridesmaid / Medal round to see what more dreams they could spoil. "Demi Gods of The Felt." turned out to be their Sunday Morning Victim, but since the "Young & Rackless" were already regionally qualified the "Demi-Gods" were given automatic passage into the 8-Ball Regionals coming up in two weeks.

The "Young & Rackless" "Ding-Donged" "Boomer's Ringers" in the 1:00 Bronze/Silver Medal round and sent them outside for pictures on their way home with the Bronze. Next, In the 3:00 PM Silver/Gold round "The Youngun's" ended the journey for "Mother Duckets" but respectively left them behind holding onto the Silver to move on to the final Gold/Platinum round, where they would face off against River Road House's "Secret Society."

The River Road House's "Secret Society" had a different journey to the finals then did "Young & Rackless" Their Journey was straight away undefeated. The "Secret Society" started out Friday night at Rodder's against "McAnulty & Barry's" who were left behind to continue on in the one loss side. Saturday morning's 9:00 AM round, the "Society" burnt the "Double G Fireballs" by turning up the heat sending them crisply over to the one loss side. In the 5:00 PM round the "Society" put the squeeze on their brother team "Balls In Hand" bringing them to their knees before permanently shoving them out the door so that the "Society" could head on into Sunday's Bridesmaid / Medal round.

In Sunday's 9-Am Bridesmaid / Bronze round the "Society" proved to be too much for the "Shot Effect" and took them out to claim a spot in regionals, and at least a Bronze Medallion necklace. Going into the 1:00 PM Bronze/Silver Medal round. The "Society" shout the lights out of "Ohhh Shoooot" and left them behind holding the Bronze. In the 3:00 PM Silver/Gold Medal round the "Secret Society" shot the undefeated "Ravens" dead out of the sky to head to the finals against "Young & Rackless"

Well the crowd wasn't disappointed because after a color of money break on 5 simultaneous match tables it was a tense and close contest, coming down to double hill on the last two tables still playing .

On Table 1, Young's SL-4 **Scott Brickwood** got clobbered 4-Zip by Society's SL-5 **Alexander Willett**. Score 1-Zip for the "Secret Society."

On Table 3, Young's SL-4 **Brandon Houle** reached the hill in game 2 against "Society's" SL-7 **Jason Grijalva** but Jason rallied to take the next four games straight for a 5-1 win. Score 2 to Zip in favor of the "Secret Society."

On Table 7, Young's SL-7 **Don Collins** squished Young's SL-4 **Kar-rar Mayweather** 5-Zip Score 2-1 in favor of the "Secret Society."

On Table 4, Society's SL-3 **Monique Luckcuck** took out SL4 **Justin McClintock**, 2-1 Total Match 3-1 (Continued on Page 4.)



SILVER - MOTHER DUCKETTS



SILVER - THE RAVENS



GOLD - YOUNG & RACKLESS



PLATINUM - SECRET SOCIETY RRH

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It was over, and "Secret Society" had won.



On Table 6 Secret Society's SL-3 **Bruce Farman** took out Young's SL-4 **Clinton Johnston** 2-1 finishing practically the same time as did table 4. The final win total therefore, was 4-1 in favor of the "Secret Society making them the Spring Session 2012 8-Ball Tri-Cup Champions, and giving them the prestigious Platinum Star Medallions plus all the bragging rights and of course, the **\$1,600** check. For their efforts, "Young & The Rackless" received the gold medallions (again) and a check for **\$1,300**.

The next step will be the June 15-17, 2012 8-Ball Regionals where all of the pictured winners will compete along with the other worthy finalists from both the Summer and Fall 8-Ball Tri-Cups. We will have seven slots allocated to us for the APA National 8-Ball Team Championship at the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas Nevada, August 21-25, 2012.

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: Shannon Young, Don "Coyote" Walker, Ron Pfingston, Rich Burns, Steve & Becky Chandler, Corey Bananto, and John Blue.

An elderly couple visit a lawyer.

"We want a divorce," says the husband. The lawyer does a double-take. "Can I ask how old you are?"

"I'm 102 and my wife is 101," replies the man.

"And how many years have you been married?" asks the lawyer.

The man replies, "**84 years.**"

The lawyer sits there for a moment. "May I ask why you want a divorce now, after children and after having been married for so long," continues the lawyer.

The man and woman look at each other for a moment and then the wife responds, "We wanted to wait until the children were dead."



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Two little old ladies were attending a rather long church service. One leaned over and whispered, "My butt is going to sleep." "I know," replied her companion, "I heard it snore three times."

THE LOSER'S CORNER

The 4 people listed below have been verified as losers from the May 21, 2012 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—**BART SUNSERI** (97201680) who plays for Broadway Saloon's "**Unknowns**" in the **Western 9-Ball** division.
- 2—**CHARLES SCHOLL** (97202905) who plays for Watkin Park Pub's "**Hoodlums**" in the **Mt Hood Dbl Jep.** div.
- 3—**AARON PARLINAC** (97217079) who plays for Gator's "**Lemonheads**" in the **Midwest Dbl Jeop.** division..
- 4—**NICHOLAS SEWELL** (97200647) who plays for Sam's "**Godzilla**" in the **Northern Double Jeop.** 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..!**

