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Top Finishers of the Dr. Cue Tournament Bill Skinner (left) - 2nd Place Mark Haddad (right) - 1st Place

Results from the 17th Annual Dr. Cue Tournament One of Colorado's Longest Running and Most Popular Tournaments!

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Top Lady Debbie Snook shares a moment with the tournament's namesake, Tom "Dr. Cue" Rossman.

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## Instruction With Tom www.tomrosspool.com

Note from Editor: Due to a serious health issue, Tom will not be contributing new articles for awhile. For now, we will dip into his vast archives while he's on the mend. Please keep Tom in your thoughts and prayers.

## June 1999

Some shots occur repeatedly to cause problems for the novice while it seems that the experienced player handles them invariably with precision and confidence. Such expertise with commonly recurring shots can result simply from playing the same shot thousands of times in thousands of games over many years. Great players however do not wait years to master a shot but

examine and practice any shot that comes up and causes a problem.

This month we shall begin working with a shot that recurs often in all pool games and may appear several times in a row in the same rack of nine ball, cutting a ball along a rail with precise cue-ball control. Set an object ball about an inch from the rail and one half ball's width past the first diamond from the side pocket as in the diagram. Let's begin with the cue ball at point A to master the first important technique associated with this shot.

Place an object ball at point X on the opposite rail for your next shot, the ball for which you will play position. First practice pocketing the object ball to get a feel for the shot itself. Remember to aim the object ball for the pocket facing on the short rail rather than for the pocket; when the shot is struck well the object ball does not touch the rail as it goes into the pocket. Your objective for the cue ball is to move it straight across the table on a track perpendicular to the long rail for a shot on the ball at point X; the side-pocket scratch illuminates the importance of precise control. Your ability to move the cue ball straight across or
straight up and down the table is critically important in many situations, a skill that must be mastered. Note that a cue ball moving on this track cannot scratch or veer off of a clear path to hit another ball. For now play the shot with a slight punch stroke and no english; experiment near the center of the cue ball to find the spot you need to move one time across the table for a shot on the ball at point X .

After you are hitting your target consistently place your next ball at point Y and play the cue ball twice across the table on the perpendicular track to get a shot for your next ball. With the extra speed you can employ the same stroke and hit the cue ball slightly higher than before, again with no english. With two side pockets in play now the importance of moving the cue ball straight across the table becomes more pronounced. Also with the cue ball travelling twice as far, any deviations from the perpendicular path are doubled by the time it returns to the second rail.

When you are hitting the shot confidently from point A repeat the exercise shooting from points B and C. Still using no english note how the spot you need to hit on the cue ball changes for the different shots. You will find that from point $B$ where you are cutting the ball less, slighter variations in where you hit the cue ball will produce greater changes in its path.
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## Aimee Peterson Qualifies for Vegas

AURORA, COLORADO - Aimee Peterson of Aurora, CO qualified for the American PoolPlayers Association's (APA) 2011 8-Ball Classic by winning in regional competition on March 5-6, 2011 in Longmont, CO. Aimee will be joining amateur pool players from throughout North America to Compete in the world's most rewarding 8 -Ball singles championship - cash and prizes totaling $\$ 280,000$ are guaranteed to be awarded.

Peterson is a member of the APA and participates in weekly league play at RACK'EM CUE CLUB. The 8-Ball Classic is conducted annually by the APA.

APA members who compete in the 8-Ball Classic become eligible by entering and winning a local qualifying tournament. Local winners advance to the regional level where they compete in one of four skill


Good Luck in Vegas, Aimee!
level tiers. Regional winners from each skill level tier advance to the national event where they compete with others within their skill level category. Four Champions-one from each of the four skill level tiers-will be crowned at the national event being held in Las Vegas at the Riviera Hotel \& Casino on April 28-30, 2011.

Last year, more than 34,00008 Ball shooters qualified to play in the regional event. All players pay and one-time entry fee of $\$ 15$. The APA, based in Lake Saint Louis, Mo., sanctions the world's largest amateur pool league, known as the APA Pool League throughout the United States and as the Canadian Pool League in Canada. More than 270,000 members compete in weekly 8 -Ball and 9 -Ball League play. The APA is generally recognized as the Governing Body of Amateur Pool, having established the official rules, championships, formats and handicap systems for the sport of amateur billiards.

The APA produces three major tournaments each year-the APA National Team Championships, the APA National Singles Championships and the U.S. Amateur Cham-pionship-that, together, pay out nearly $\$ 1.5$ Million in cash and prizes annually.

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## Local Residents to Compete in National Pool Championship in Las Vegas

AURORA, COLORADO - Team Insignificant Others qualified for the 2011 APA Jack \& Jill 8-Ball Championship to be conducted by the American Poolplayers Association (APA) in Las Vegas April 27 29th, 2011. They will be joining hundreds of other APA players from throughout North America who will be traveling to the Riviera Hotel \& Casino to compete in the event.

The APA Jack \& Jill Championship is held in conjunction with the APA National Singles Championships, which will also include the 9-Ball Classic and 9-Ball Shootout national championship tournaments.

Last year, the APA National Singles Championships, along with the MiniMania events, paid out more than $\$ 300,000$ in prize money with $\$ 5,000$ going to the 1st Place winner of the Jack \& Jill 8-Ball Championship.

Insignificant Others are members of the APA Pool League and participate in weekly league play at FAMOUS DOOR in Aurora, CO. Team Members include: Gene Richie and Amy Gladu.
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On behalf of the APA Staff of Metro Denver we want to wish GENE AND AMY Good Luck in Las Vegas and we're very proud of you!

## 2011 U.S. Open 10-Ball Championship Qualifier to be Held at the Wynkoop

The $3^{\text {rd }}$ U.S. Open $10-$ Ball Championship will be held May 1621, 2011 in Las Vegas, NV, at the Riviera Hotel \& Casino. Produced by CueSports International (CSI), the $\$ 25,000$ added event will again be held alongside the BCAPL National 8-Ball Championships and live streamed by The Action Report (TAR).

The U.S. Open 10-Ball Championship is one of a select group of high-level U.S. tournaments where players earn points towards the Billiard Congress of America (BCA) pro point-ranking list. The CSI coed 10Ball event has a 96 player limited field and is also officially recognized by the Women's Pro Billiard Association (WPBA).

As a BCA point and WPBA recognized event, the top 20 U.S. ranked male players and the top 10 WPBA ranked players were emailed invites in early January. Any declined or un-registered invite spots will convert to open spots after March $1^{\text {st }}$. In addition to the invite and open spots, nine qualifiers have been scheduled. One paid entry valued at $\$ 550$ is included in the payout of each qualifier. Should the winner of a qualifier not be
able to accept their spot, it will be offered to the next person in line from that particular qualifier event.

At this time, the field for the U.S. Open 10 -Ball Championship is full. There is a wait list, however at this time the only way to guarantee a spot is by winning a qualifying spot.

Last years winner was Andrew Pettenger whom finished $65^{\text {th }}$ out of 128 of some of the best pool players in the world. Great job AndrewJ

The qualifier is open to all players.
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## The GAP is Not Just a Store

## Thursday, March 13, 2008

I'm traveling to play in a tournament. I arrived in the Land of the Cheesesteak at 6:00 a.m. My first match in the tournament was at 1:00 p.m., so I had a bit of time to doze off and recharge my batteries. When it was time to get up, I really preferred not to, but glory is forever - and I'll sleep when I'm dead. Off to the tournament room.

I won my first match in two sets against a very nice guy. We both played well, but I was able to sneak away with the match due to the alternatebreak format. I was rather pleased with my play which was light-years above what I thought it would be.

My second match wasn't until 5:00 p.m., so I went to watch my better half play his match in the downstairs section of the convention center.

After two hours of watching him play an interesting man with interesting habits (see full story on my blog at www.massiveunderstatement.com), I bid my better half adieu and trotted off to my next match.

The table for my next match still had players on it from the previous round. No worries for me. I went up to the tournament desk and doublechecked with the directors - yep, I was waiting

## By OMG

By OMG
on the table, but I was told I would not be
forfeited if I wasn't there immediately when my
match was called. Spiffy.
As I was turning away from the desk, a youngish
dude we shall name Chowderhead was having
a mild fit talking with the tournament director. I
stopped to listen.
"What do you mean I cannot practice on the
table?"
"There's a match still going on, so you'll have to
wait. They're probably almost done."
"I will not be able to practice on the table before I
play because of this? That is not fair."
"Well, that's what happens in tournaments like
this. It's a big tournament and we have to keep
things moving. You'll get to hit one rack of balls
before you begin."
"No, that is not fair! I should be able to practice a
while before I play."
"I'm sorry, but you probably won't be able to.
You'll just get the one rack."
"I do not think that is right."
"I'm sorry, but that's just the way it is."

Gentle readers, if you are wondering why this
relatively insignificant conversation is included here, it's because - you guessed it - Chowderhead was my next opponent.
"Are you waiting on table 321?"
"Yes. They say I cannot practice on it. I do not think it is fair."
"Oh, okay. Well, I'm your opponent."
"We will not have practice time."
"I don't care. If I don't know how to play by now, I won't learn in thirty minutes."
"This tournament is disorganized."
"Actually, I think it's going along pretty well. It's just tough in the beginning, you know, when there are a LOT of players and they need to play everyone as soon as possible."
"It is not fair."
I was not equipped at the moment for arguing with brick walls, so I left Chowderhead by the tournament desk and wandered off to get some caffeine for my steadily snoozing brain. When I returned, the match on my table was wrapping up. I assembled my cue and sat down to wait.

## Open Pool \& Billiards Exhibitors Show (Buy, Sell, Trade)

Cues, cases, balls, racks, jump cues, books, magazines, posters, programs, DVD's, tapes, novelty items, etc.
Do you enjoy looking at and checking out all things pool? Do you have some of these items yourself that you would like to sell or trade? Then Greenfields Sports Bar \& Poolroom is where you want to be on Sunday, April 17th from 11AM to 4PM. There will be no exhibitors fee or entrance fee at all. We will be having $\$ 5$ speed break contests and most spot shots made out of 10 attempts contests and most balls made in 3 attempts competition all for cash and prizes.

Proceeds from the contests and several raffles will be going to a fund for Mr. Tom Ross. For those of you whom don't know, Tom is recovering from a stroke he suffered late last year. Items donated so far are a beautiful set of Aramith pool balls and the deluxe model break rack manufactured by Charlie Bond, a gorgeous custom
 custom cue by Chris Byrne. We hope to receive more donated items for this event.

The contests and raffles will be a lot of fun and support a great cause for a genuinely nice man. So come on over to Greenfields located at 3355 S. Yarrow St. in Lakewood and enjoy our hosts great food and beverages and play the contests \& raffles and exhibit, buy, sell or trade anything pool \& billiards.

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Q \& A with WPBA Pro Melissa Little
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Question:<br>What type of tip do you use on your pool cue?

## Answer:

When I was younger I swore by medium Le Pro pool tips and thought I would never try another brand in my life. Then, a few years ago, my friend and fellow pro Tiffany Nelson asked me to try a "Sniper" made by Tiger Products. After trying them I have now become an official "Sniper girl" for life! I love them...

Over the years I have tried so many different types of tips and found that layered tips seem to last longer and you don't miscue as much. Not to say that non-layered tips are not good -- I just prefer a layered tip. ©

If you ask any other pro-player the same question they all might respond saying they LOVE their type of tips. ALL players have their own preferences, and there is no right or wrong answer. But what is important to me, is that I don't wear through tips as fast and I for sure do not want to miscue on every other shot.

There are so many to chose from; Moori, Elk Master, Le Pro, Triangle, Flying Pig, Kamui, Samsara, Stingray, Talisman, Tiger, Water Buffalo, and even Milk Duds. Plus there are soft tips, medium, and hard tips. So, unfortunately you just have to try them all until you find one that works best for you. ©

Best of luck to you,
Viper

Melissa "The Viper" Little has been a WPBA Touring Professional for over 10-years, she has represented the USA in Four WPA World Championships and has over 18 Top-10 WPBA Career Finishes. Melissa is currently the house-pro at the Wynkoop Brewing Company located in Downtown Denver. She teaches monthly clinics, give private lessons, and has created a juniors program that promotes the local youth in our sport.




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## NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY (NIU) TO HOST THE BEF JUNIOR NATIONALS

The Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) is pleased to announce that Northern Illinois University (NIU) will host the 23rd Annual BEF Junior National 9-Ball Championships on July 6-10, 2011.
Over 150 young billiard athletes are expected to qualify for the BEF Junior Nationals which will be held at the Huskies Den located in the Holmes Student Center on the NIU campus in DeKalb, Illinois. The seventeen (17) 9-foot billiard tables will be draped with Simonis Cloth and will set the stage where junior players will be competing for scholarships, prizes and an invitation to represent the United States at the World Pool-Billiard Association (WPA) World Junior 9-Ball Championships.

To participate in the BEF Junior Nationals, players must earn an entry through a BEF qualifier or must be appointed by their local junior league. The national event features 4 divisions: 18 \& Under Boys, 18 \& Under Girls, 14 \& Under Boys, and $14 \&$ Under Girls. Qualifiers will be held throughout
the United Stated and are currently being scheduled through May. For more information about hosting a qualifier, sending a player representative through your league, or viewing a list of upcoming qualifier dates and locations, visit www.BilliardEducation.org.

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The Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) is a $501(\mathrm{c})(3)$ non-profit organization which is committed to promoting education and encourages the development of life skills through youth billiard programs. The BEF funds academic scholarships, produces the Junior National 9-Ball Championships, sponsors billiard athletes to attend the WPA World Junior 9-Ball Championships and promotes "Pool In School" programs.

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## Ga Young Kim wins Amway Cup

Provided by AZ Billiards
Ga Young Kim has erased the memory of her second place finish last year and won the 2011 Amway Cup.

The final day of play kicked off with the fans in a frenzy, cheering on the sole Taipei hopeful Hui Chan Lai in her match against China's Xiao Fang Fu. The crowd had a lot to cheer about early as Lai led the match 4-0. A dry break in the 5th rack allowed Fu to the table and she took control of the match. Fu took the lead and got to the hill first at 8-7. A missed 8 -ball by Fu was the chance Lai needed, and she pocketed the 8 -ball but was helpless as the cue ball also found a pocket, giving Fu ball in hand on the case ball.
Sixteen year old China Open Champion Si Ming Chen also scored a close decision in her match against Xiao Ting Pan. Chen won the match 9-7 and received nothing but praise from her opponent.

The match everyone was waiting for between Jasmin Ouschan and Allison Fisher was fairly anticlimactic as Fisher cruised to a 9-2 win.

The last match of the quarter finals was an all Korean showdown as Ga Young Kim faced the reigning champion, Yu Ram Cha. Cha won the title last year by defeating Kim in the finals. Kim would get her revenge with a 9-7 win over Cha this time.

The semifinals saw Xiao Fang Fu against young Si Ming Chen and Chen took advantage of a little luck to win this one. Chen was on the hill at $8-6$ when she missed a 6 -ball but the cue ball helped her out by caroming off the 6 -ball and kicking in the 9 -ball for the $9-6$ win.

After Kim defeated Fisher 9-4, the finals between Chen and Kim were set.

Kim had more than just herself on her mind in the finals, as today was her father's birthday and what a birthday gift this title would make for her father. That title looked to be in the bag as Kim raced out to a 10-3 lead over the Chinese youngster, but Chen has a lot of heart in her sixteen year old body and it showed. Chen won five straight games to narrow the gap to just 10-8, before Kim regained control of the table and ran out the final rack for the 11-8 victory.

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| 4th | Angela | 25.00 |
| 5th | Dustin T. | 10.00 |

Top Lady: Annette G. 20.00

| March | $\mathbf{1 2}$ (17 players) |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 1st | Jonas | 75.00 |
| 2nd | Shawn | 75.00 |
| 3rd | David W. | 40.00 |
| 4th | Tony G. | 20.00 |
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| Teams |  |  |
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| 2nd | Lucas and Dave |  |
| 3rd | Larry and Jay |  |
| 4th | Mike M. and Fawn |  |
| 5th | Marvin and Keke |  |
| 6th | Rich and Max |  |

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## OMG - "The GAP"

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Chowderhead came over and took out a slightly damp, crumpled piece of paper from his pocket and put it on the table. It smelled weird. Unwilling to touch it, I prodded it with a pen until it unfolded. It was the scoresheet.
"I have filled it out. I have put my name down." He seemed to be proud of this. I don't doubt Chowderhead is the kind of guy with an underground bunker the size of Shea Stadium full of dry oatmeal, bottled water, and textbooks on organic chemistry in anticipation of the upcoming apocalypse. "I have filled out my name."
"Yes, I see that. You left out the table number and match time."

## "I need to practice." He walked away.

"Umm. Okay, then." That left me with the unenviable task of writing on this limp sheet of paper. I wondered if I should give it a moment to dry before writing on it. I fanned it with my player badge. Using my cue case to hold down a corner, I carefully filled out the rest of the information.
Chowderhead and I flipped for the break, and he won the toss. I racked the balls and sat down.

This first game was the kind of game that drives you bonkers. Chowderhead made a ball on the break, then proceeded to attempt the ride the nine. All the time. Despite being a fairly decent player. When he missed, I was hooked, and the table layout changed with every shot he took. It was unsettling to repeatedly have to kick and then watch him make a ball and miss. He finally
pulled a successfully crazy carom-combo-plinko shot out of his ass and he managed to ride the nine into a corner pocket.

The tournament format was alternate break, so the next break was mine. I marked the score on the scoresheet and turned to the table. Chowderhead was waiting by the partition that separated the playing area from the spectator section. I got up from my chair and I saw that two of my friends had come to watch me play. Spiffy! I also noticed they had the strangest looks on their faces and they were pointing at me.

Did I have a coffee stain? I looked down at my shirt. Nope. I looked back. They were still pointing. I looked behind me. Nobody there. Strange. Well, perhaps they were saying hello in a weird way. I smiled and waved. Support is always good, even if my friends are pointing and laughing at me while they are watching. I walked up to the table, and gave a perfunctory glance at the rack as I walked to the head of the table to break.

I RAN back for another look.
The rack was racked so poorly that I really do not have words to describe it. I wish I had taken a picture of it, but I rarely tote my camera to tournament matches. Later on, I was told by my friends that the rack had been racked SO bad they watched as the one-ball rolled well off the spot, and Chowderhead had watched it roll off the spot, and then had put the ball-rack away. This was why they were pointing in astonishment.

But, let us continue with the current situation of the Worst. Rack. Ever.

## Mile High Pool Leagues Crowns Fall Session Team Champions

Rachem, Focus and Catastrophes declared victory at the Mile High Pool Leagues Fall Session Championships at Greenfields Pool and Sports Bar. Rachem from Sharks won the 8-ball tournament. Focus out of Loves won in 9-ball. Catastrophes from Club Level took the Ladies Division. Beyond bragging rights and trophies, each team took home $\$ 1,000$ in prize money. The runners-up were Q-Frogs from Greenfields in 8 -ball, The Business from Fox \& the Hound in 9-ball and Jackazz's from Lamppost. Each team received a trophy and $\$ 750$ prize money.


8-Ball Champions - Rachem: Michael Hudson, Renate Barthel, Ron McConnell, Thomas Abel, Phil Ranum, Nina Clark, Jason Enge, and Elizabeth Peterson


8-Ball Runners Up - Q-Frogs: Aaron Maley, Eric Lembke, Sasha Maley, Colleen Jensen, Lewis Imperiale, Kim Spahr, Michael Streb, and Eric Glascow;


9-Ball Champions - Focus: Robert McNeil, Jeff Estes, Christine Spader, Mitzy Landrith, Kristi Thompson, Anthony Thompson, Lorraine Hernandez, and Penni Nation


9-Ball Runners Up - The Business: Mitchell Wilson, Michael Ritch, Daniel Tamarchenko, Mark Brogle, Manuel Quintero, Chris Lockridge, Nathan Laboy, and Nicholas Law


Ladies Division Champions - Catastrophes: Shelley Goldner, Roxane Strayer, Tiffany Furrow, Christina Falco, Marcie Pugh, Lavonne Parrish, Cindy Quintana, and Tamara Castellano


Ladies Division Runners Up - Jackazz's: Lisa Kelsey, Lori Michels, Ayn Brink, Gina Rennick, Jacqueline Shaver, Maria Laporte, and Deidra Bell


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## Billiard Education Foundation Scholarship Deadline Approaching-Seniors Apply Now!

The Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) is pleased to announce that they are accepting applications for the 2011 scholarship awards. The objective of the BEF Academic Scholarship Program is to grant scholarships to high school seniors who have benefited from the sport of billiards and are pursuing a college education.
The BEF Academic Scholarship Program is divided into two categories: Excellence in Education scholarship (a single \$2,000 award) and Aiming for Higher Education scholarships (three individual scholarships at $\$ 1,000$ each). Each applicant will be considered in both categories; only one completed application is required and must be postmarked no later than April 18, 2011. Applications can be downloaded by going to the BEF website at www.BilliardEducation.org.

Students must adhere to the following
scholarship criteria: 1) hold a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA (on a 4.0 scale); 2) must have an ACT score of at least 23 or SAT combined score (critical reading + math) of 1050 or higher; 3) submit a 500-1000 word essay on how billiards has been an integral part of their life; 4) must be accepted to an accredited undergraduate academic program by June $1 ; 5$ ) must attend an accredited undergraduate institution and carry at least 12 hours per semester.
The final application must also include a letter from the applicant outlining academic achievements, leadership and/or community service work, a description of the applicant's background and career objectives plus personal and professional (academic) goals. Applicants must also submit an official High School Transcript and SAT/ACT scores.


# Calendar of Events for the 2011 APA, ACS, BCA, and VNEA Nationals 

 Check with your League Operator for more information or to sign up
## 2011 APA National Singles Championships - April 27-30, 2011

Riviera Hotel \& Casino, Las Vegas, NV (Qualify for Tiered 8-Ball and 9-Ball Events) - For more information, go online at www.poolplayers.com or check with your APA League Operator

## 2011 ACS National 8-Ball Championships - May 7-14, 2011

Tropicana Hotel \& Casino, Las Vegas, NV (On-Time Entries to be postmarked by March 28, 2011 - Late Entries to be postmarked by April 11, 2011)

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 1 | May 2 | May 3 | May 4 | May 5 | May 6 | May 7 <br> - 9-Ball Singles begins at 9:00 am <br> - 8-Ball Scotch Doubles begins at 6:00 pm |
|  |  |  |  |  | - 9-Ball Singles \& 8-Ball Scotch Doubles check-in begins at 6:00 pm |  |
| May 8 | May 9 | May 10 | May 11 | May 12 | May 13 | May 14 |
| - 9-Ball Singles concludes <br> - 8-Ball Scotch Doubles concludes <br> - All 8-Ball Singles checkin begins at Noon | - All 8-Ball Singles play starts at 9:00 am <br> - All 8 and 9-Ball teams check-in begins at Noon | - All 8-Ball Singles play concludes <br> - All 8 and 9-Ball teams check-in starts at noon | - 9-Ball Teams play begins at 9:00 am <br> - Open and Standard 8-Ball Teams play begins at noon | - All team events play continues | - All team events play continues <br> - Sportsmen (2nd Chance) Teams check-in TBA and play to start TBD | - 9-Ball Teams, Open 8-Ball Teams, Standard 8-Ball Teams and Sportsmen Teams conclude with times TBD |

2011 BCA National 8-Ball Championships - May 11-22, 2011
Riviera Hotel \& Casino, Las Vegas, NV (On-Time Entries to be postmarked by March 28, 2011 - Late Entries to be postmarked by April 11, 2011)
For more information, including entry fees, go online at www.playbca.com or check with your BCA League Operator

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 8 <br>  <br>  <br>  | May 9 | May 10 <br>  <br>  | May 11 <br> - 9-Ball Challenge begins at 9:00 am | May 12 <br> - 9-Ball Singles begins at 9:00 am <br> - 9-Ball Challenge concludes | May 13 | May 14 |
|  |  |  |  |  | - Scotch Doubles play begins at 9:00 am | - Grand Master Singles begins at noon <br> - Singles play begins at 9:00 am |
|  | May 16 |  | May 18 | May 19 | May 20 | May 21 |
| - Artistic Pool Tour begins at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Singles, Grand Masters Singles and Scotch Doubles play continues <br> - Open \& Masters Team check-in begins at noon | - Grand Master Singles concludes <br> - Second Chance Singles play begins at 8:00 pm <br> - Singles and Scotch <br> Doubles play continues <br> - Artistic Pool play continues | - Singles, Second Chance Singles and Scotch Doubles concludes | - Open \& Women's Teams play begins at 9:00 am <br> - Artistic Pool play continues | - Open Teams play continues <br> - Master Teams and Trophy Teams play begins at 9:00 am | - Open Teams, Master Teams and Trophy Teams play continues <br> - Second Chance Teams play begins at 6:00 pm <br> Artistic Pool play concludes | - Open Teams, Master Teams, Trophy Teams and Second Chance Teams play concludes |

## 2011 VNEA International Championships - May 26 - June 4, 2011

Bally's in Las Vegas, NV (Entries and fees are due to your VNEA League Operator by Tuesday, April 20th)

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| May 22 | May 23 | May 24 | May 25 <br> *NOTE: Singles do NOT need to check in if your name is already on the brackets. Teams MUST check-in on the appropriate day. | May 26 <br> - 8-Ball \& 9-Ball Singles check-in from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm <br> - Certified Instructor Seminar from 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm <br> - Mini-Tournaments begin at 3:00 pm | May 27 <br> - Special 9-Ball Singles check-in from 8:00 am to 8:30 am <br> 9-Ball Singles play begins at 9:00 am (includes Classics and Seniors) <br> - Special 8-Ball Singles check-in from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | May 28 <br> - Special 8-Ball Singles check-in from 8:00 am to 8:30 am <br> 8-Ball Singles play begins at 9:00 am (includes Classics and Seniors) <br> - Prize Money available from noon to 7:00 pm \& Scotch Doubles sign-up <br> - Scotch Doubles begins at 9:00 pm |
| May 29 <br> - 8-Ball Singles play continues <br> - Certified Referee School at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Team check-in from 7:00 to $9: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Masters Singles Finals (TBA) <br> - Scotch Doubles Finals (TBA) <br> - Mini-Tournaments (TBA) | May 30 <br> - 8-Ball \& 9-Ball Finals (TBA) <br> - Certified Referee School at 9:00 am <br> - Certified Instructor Re-certification Class from Noon to 4:00 pm <br> - Team check-in from Noon to 6:00 pm <br> - Mini-Tournaments begin at Noon <br> - Prize Money available from 10:00 am to noon and 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm <br> - Suds \& Chips Mixer at 7:30 pm (includes Awards Presentations, Parade of Flags, etc.) | May 31 <br> Team check-in from 7:30 to $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ <br> - Team competition begins at 9:00 am (except Master Teams) <br> - Team Uniform Photos @ VNEA Booth from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm <br> Prize Money available from Noon to 4:00 pm <br> - Mini-Tournaments (TBA) | June 1 <br> - Certified Referee School at 8:00 am <br> - Team competition continues at 9:00 am <br> - Team Uniform Photos @ VNEA Booth from 9:00 am to $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Master Team competition begins at Noon <br> - Prize Money available from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm <br> - Sports Division competitions begin (TBA) <br> - Hall of Famers Party from 6:00 to 7:00 pm <br> - Mini-Tournaments (TBA) | June 2 <br> - Team competition continues at 9:00 am <br> - Executive Committee Meeting at 9:00 am <br> - Speed Pool Minis from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm <br> - Prize Money available from 3:00 pm to $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - President's Reception/ Meritorious Service Awards at $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Mini-Tournaments (TBA) | June 3 <br> Team competition continues at 9:00 am <br> - Prize Money available from 10:00 am to Noon, 1:00 pm to $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm <br> Hardluck competition begins at 10:00 am <br> - Artistic Pool Finals from 10:00 am to $3: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Charter Holders Meeting from noon <br> - Charter Holder round table 2:00 pm <br> - Cues for Kids Giveaways at 7:00 pm at VNEA Booth <br> - Team Finals (TBA) <br> Mini-Tournaments (TBA) | June 4 <br> - Team competition continues at 9:00 am <br> - Prize Money available from 10:00 am to $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> - Charter Holder Roundtable at 11:00 am <br> - Team Finals (TBA) <br> - Banquet Cocktail Hour from 6:00 to 7:00 pm <br> - Banquet at 7:00 pm <br> - Awards Presentation and Entertainment at 8:00 pm |
| Make your reservations in Las Vegas eary. GOOD EGCM and EAEETUN!! |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Watch Out. It's Contagious

by Samm Diep March 2011 ©


In my recent interview with Hall of Famer Nick Varner, he said:
"You're always liable to miss those hard shots; you got to brush them off and just try to learn from 'em what you can as far as getting used to the table and stuff so you don't miss the next shot you come up against. You try to not let it become contagious. It becomes like cancer where you go from bad to worse. That happens to a lot of players."
Unfortunately, there is no antibiotic you can take to keep this condition from progressing when you start to catch a miss. It could be that the balls are just getting a little sticky or maybe the air is humid and everything is reacting a little differently than you're expecting. The spin exaggerates and combinations become much tougher.

When you start missing a shot here and there due to the table conditions, it's very common to start losing confidence. That's when, as Nick
says, "it becomes like a cancer where you go from bad to worse." Once your confidence is shaken, it's very difficult to regain your composure and that's when we often make bad decisions too. It's really easy to start questioning your mechanics or abilities when you miss a couple back to back shots. The key is to be aware of why you're missing so that you can make the appropriate adjustments.

It could be something mechanical or a variance in the equipment. Whatever it is, this is where all those long hours of practice come in handy. It's so critical to be in tune with your game so that when the conditions and the equipment are slightly off, you can adjust quickly before it's too late. Pay close attention to what's happening. If you know your game, then you should know what the cue ball should be doing on certain shots.

Home Remedy: Practice on as many different tables and in as many different playing conditions as possible. The only way to recognize when things go from bad to worse is by experiencing it. Learning to adjust to various circumstances will keep the cancer from spreading. When it starts happening in a match, reduce your speed and use less english until you can make the adjustment.

Remember, each time you approach the table, it's a new shot, a new opportunity to do your best, and anything that happened before is now in the past. Learn from it, and then let it go.
The above excerpt is from the article, "Nick Varner: The Original Comeback Kid." Go to AzBilliards.com to read the complete interview and other Pro Vision interviews.

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## Metro Denver Fall 2010/11 Session Top Gun Tournament

The Metro Denver APA League held their Fall Session Top Gun Tournament on March 19, 2011 at the Mirage Sports Bar and Café. Player turnout for the tournament was 61 players with skill levels ranging from 3's to 7's.
We would like to thank all the players that participated in this tournament and mak-


Top Finishers (L - R): 4th Place - Ron Foster, 3rd Place - Aimee Peterson, 1st Place - Peter Dunaj and 2nd Place - Shane Roberts ing the tournament a success. There were some familiar faces of players that this was not their first Top Gun Tourney. However, the were a lot of new faces as well and it made the tournament a little more challenging for all players. The returning players competing with new players weren't sure what to
expect for they had never seen the new players play prior in the tournaments so it kept the veteran Top Gun players on their toes.

Congratulations to the winners and thank to all the players for their participation!

## APA睑気保

The weekend of March 5－6th，A Bit of Billiards hosted the APA Rocky Mountain Spring Singles Regional Tournament．

119 players qualified for this event by playing on APA Local Qualifer boards from Colorado， Wyoming and Nebraska．They came to compete for 5 8－Ball and 3 9－Ball spots in APA National Singles Championships．

On Saturday 5 8－Ball boards were run with each board qualifying 1 player to continue on to the

## Northern APA Players Headin＇to Vegas

National Singles Championships in Las Vegas． At the end of the day our winners were in the Blue Tier（SL＇s 2－3）Steven Baker of Keenesburg CO；in the Yellow Tier（SL 4＇s）Lori Barker of Longmont CO；in the Red Tier（SL 5＇s）Dan Cass of Foutain CO；and we had 2 winners in the Pur－ ple Tier（SL＇s 6－7）．Mike Sorden of Johnstown CO and Robert Tague of Colorado Springs CO．

Some of our 8－Ball players returned on Sunday with a list of new players to compete on the 3 9－Ball boards．It was a full day of play again
ending with June Winsor of Colorado Springs CO taking the Green Tier（SL＇s 1－3）；Travis Walsh of Evansville WY winning in the White Tier（ SL＇s 4－5）；and James Brothers of Denver CO taken the 1st place plaque and the Vegas spot in the Black Tier（SL＇s 6－9）

We would like to thank everyone who partici－ pated in making this a great tournament and wish all of our winners the best of luck and great shooting in Vegas


James Brothers（right）


Robert Tague（left）


Dan Cass（right）


Steven Baker（left）


Lori Barker（left）


June Winsor（left）


Mike Sorden（left）


Travis Walsh（left）


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Play on a team＠THE BIT to be eligible for the League night BREAK and RUN draw for a chance to win the pot．



Congratulations to Anette Jewell and Bobby Yazell for winning the Match Up's Jack and Jill Scotch Doubles Qualifier. This team won over a field of 23 teams to earn the spot in APA's National Jack and Jill tournament to be held April 27th -29th.

## Visit:

www.NorthernColorado.APALeagues.com for other upcoming events and another chance to win the opportunity to compete in more of the APA Pre-Registered events.

Thursday, March 24, 2011: The European Pocket Billiard Federation Player of the Year 2010 is Jasmin Ouschan from Austria. She was awarded the trophy by EPBF President Gre Leenders during the opening ceremony of the 2011 Dynamic European Championships.
Six players were nominated for the prestigious title that was presented for the second time this year. Among them Karl Boyes (GBR), Manuel Ederer (GER), Konstantin Stepanov (RUS), Henrique Correia (POR), Jasmin Ouschan (AUT) and last year's winner Ralf Souquet (GER). The election was held in three categories: Open voting, national federation voting and EPBF Board voting.
The total amount of votes left no doubt that Jasmin Ouschan was the winner of this title. She has won all three categories. The young likeable Austrian held a short speech, saying that she was very proud to be at the EC and that she will try to defend her four titles that she claimed in Zagreb last year. She also mentioned that one of her biggest achievements was the triumph at the women's World 10-Ball Championships last year She is the first non-Asian player since 2001 to achieve that.
When asked how she rated her chances to win the award, she replied: "I did think that I had some good chances since I have won all four European Champion titles last year and the World Champion title as well". "There is not much more to achieve in billiard sports.

## Jasmin Ouschan is EPBF Player of the Year 2010

When I saw the fan votes in my favour, I was hoping that I could win the overall vote." "2010 was a year with a lot of ups and downs for me and to end the year with this award is really perfect for me", Ouschan says with a smile. "I had some bad results in the Asian tournaments last year. Thinking about that, I assume that the key to my success
 in becoming the first non-Asian World Champion since 2001 was to lay off some of the pressure and enter the tournaments more relaxed and easy." "It was an amazing feeling to see my fellow players from Europe and America hoping for me to win the title and break the Asian dominance in women's pool". "I am trying to defend my four titles in the upcoming 10 days and my ultimate goal is to be the \#1 ranked player worldwide. I am currently \#1 ranked in Europe and on the professional tour in the US. I also want to become \#1 ranked player in the World rankings". Jasmin is currently ranked \#4 in the World.

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## OMG - "The GAP"

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I motioned Chowderhead to come over.
"Excuse me, but that's a TERRIBLE rack. Would you mind re-racking, please? Thank you."

Chowderhead came over and looked at the rack. "I do not see anything wrong with it."
I skidded to a stop on my way to the head of the table. "What?!"
"I said, 'I do not see anything wrong with the rack.' It is fine. There is nothing wrong with it."
I came back to the foot of the table. "Whoa there, champ. Do you see this?" I asked Chowderhead. "See this? This GIANT space between the one-ball and the two- and seven-balls?"

He looked at the rack. "No, I do not know what you are talking about."
"DUDE. LOOK at this. Are you looking? LOOK."
Chowderhead and I both put our faces about a foot above the rack. The lighting was excellent. I put the tips of my pinky fingers in the gap behind the one-ball. They fit in there with room to spare. I raised and lowered my pinkies several times. "You see that? That's a GAP. The GAP
is not just a store. It's what you're putting in between these balls. This is NOT a good rack."
"There seems to be a little space."
"A LITTLE SPACE? Dude! I'm looking at it and I SWEAR I can see the Colorado River running along the bottom! Look! You can even see people in rafts!"
"Okay, I will try again."

## "THANK YOU!"

Chowderhead took out the plastic ball-rack and put it around the balls. Then, unbelievably - he simply took the rack away. Ta-da! No attempt to push the balls together. No attempt to even put the balls on the spot. He just put the ball-rack down around the balls, without touching the balls, and picked it up again.
"Oh my God, NO. Get over here."
"It is fine."
"It is SO NOT FINE. The gaps are still there! In a proper nine-ball rack, all the balls should be touching. I know it's not the table or the balls. The cloth is new and the balls are clean."
"The rack is fine. I do not see a problem with it."
"Rack it again." Chowderhead did the same thing, again. He put the ball-rack around the
balls the way a clown puts a hoop around a jumping poodle. Ta-da!
"It's still a bad rack."
"I do not think I can get the balls to touch."
"Gimme that!" I racked the balls myself. Presto! A perfect rack. "See that? Familiarize yourself with that, okay? That's a proper nine-ball rack."
"Oh. I do not know how you are able to have all the balls touching."
"I've had a lot of practice racking in my lifetime, so I'm good at it." I made a move to break, but Chowderhead put up a hand at the very last moment. As in I was in the middle of my backswing. "What? What now?!"
"Hold on, I want to check the rack." Are you SERIOUS?! Chowderhead practically nuzzled the nine-ball with his nose during his examination before he was satisfied.
"Everything kosher? Good enough for you?"
"Yes. You may break."
"Thanks a lot, champ. Your permission means so much to me."

I broke, made three balls, and ran out.
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| Exhibition Pool Match Saturday, May $7^{\mathrm{TH}} 7 \mathrm{PM}$ <br> Melissa Little "The Viper" VS. Vivian Villarreal "The Texas Tornado" <br> VIP Tickets $\$ 50$ includes light snacks, drink ticket, great seat for the show, and meet and greet starting at 6:00 PM. | Break-n-run pot at \$153/\$15.30 paid per ball pocketed |
| Standing room only tickets \$15. Challenge the pro, retail items, Q \& A, and exhibition match with two of the top WPBA players | March 2nd |
| Kids Boot Camp/For kids ages: 3-15 June $25^{\text {TH }}$ <br> Fees: $\$ 59 /$ just lesson \& lunch $\$ 25$ <br> Includes: Pool cue \& case, lunch, lesson with Melissa; drink ticket, \& ice cream | 1st David M \$60 March 9th |
| Up-coming events: | 1st Craig \$50 <br> 2nd Jeremy \$30 |
| , | March 16th |
| Weekly \$100 ADDED Wednesday night 10-ball; starts at 7:30 PM | 1st Steve T \$40 |
| For more information visit melissa@melissalittle.com or call Melissa at 720-296-5395 | 2nd Jeremy \$20 |
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# Mark Haddad Wins at the Dr. Cue Tournament for a Second Time 

By Jodi Talmadge

The $17^{\text {th }}$ Annual Dr. Cue Tournament is over and Mark Haddad has won for the Second time. Coming out of the Loser's side and beating Tony Piazza and Ernie A. Martinez he won the first race to five and then in the final set went 4 to 4 with last year's winner, Bill Skinner. Both players on the hill match, Bill ran down to his final solid before the eight ball and rattled it in the corner. Mark came back to the table with 4 stripes left and easily ran to and made the eight ball. Game, Set, and Match! You would think that starting at 11:00 a.m. Sunday and only having the final 32 that the tournament would be over at a pretty early time. Not so, the Tournament ended at 12:00 midnight. Bill Skinner had the chance but was just one ball away from becoming the first back to back champion.

This year we decided to take only 96 players in the bracket because of the number of tables and being a two day tournament. We filled the bracket, and as usual some who signed up didn't show, and some that didn't call beforehand and showed up did finally get in. Tom "Dr. Cue" Rossman did his exhibition on Friday night and did a great show with many new and innovative shots. The looks on the faces of the young children who had never seen his show is a show in itself. He was able to perform his Railroad Bil-


Group photo of the Top Finishers with Tom "Dr. Cue" Rossman
liard shot with all 15 balls and watching the excitement of a young boy asked to help with a trick shot and then the joy when he executed it. As the commercial says, "Priceless"!

Being one of the longest running continuous tournaments on the Front Range, the "Dr. Cue" as everyone calls it, will be back next year and God willing, more years than that. We really want to make the $20^{\text {th }}$ Annual Dr. Cue something special, and are hoping to find ways and means to add more money and do it really great for our $20^{\text {th }}$ Anniversary.

We wish to express our thank you to the Cue Times for the fine advertisement, to Ed Sena of the Buffalo Bar for his help, to Tom and Marty Rossman, Ben and JoJo at Big Daddy's for the
willingness to keep our Tournament going, Bear Martinez for helping distribute flyers in the Denver area, Gabe Talmadge, James Largent for helping to cover all the tables, Liz Chapman, Mary Offenburg for working the very long three day weekend and especially to all the players who participate every year in the event. Thank you all so very much and hope to see you again next year...BonJodi

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$3^{\text {rd }}$ Place
$4^{\text {th }}$ Place
5/6th Place
Sean Martinez Tony Piazza
7/8th Place Frank Urbanik Chris Manzanares
9/12th Place Adam King, Billy Hickman $\quad \$ 85.00$ ea. Ray Lucero, Greg Rocha
13/16th Place A1 "Flats" Lujan, Nate Smith
$\$ 60.00$ ea. Debbie Snook, Tony Ustohal
17/24th Place Carl Coffee, Carlos Casias $\$ 40.00$ ea. Shane Wertz, Jimmy Gardner, Bill Meacham, Londo Martinez, Kevin Williams, Adrian Ayala.

Debbie Snook also won Top Woman honors for a total of $\$ 435.00$

## George SanSouci Leaves Us Too Soon

by AZ Billiards.com
George "Ginky" SanSouci passed away on Tuesday, March 8th. His life had been in a spiral since his neck injury that forced him to 'retire' from professional pool in 2002 only three years after playing a nearperfect week of pool to win the BCA Open in Las Vegas. George obtained the nickname Ginky from his parents who said that was the first sound that he made as an infant.

In his prime, during the mid to late 90 's, SanSouci could win any event he entered. He won the Camel Pro Tour 10-Ball event in Charlotte in 1996 and awoke everyone on the scene to his presence then. That year Billiards Digest named him Rookie of the Year. He was continuously in the top ten of major events for the remainder of the decade. After that, the pain in his neck sidelined him on a near-permanent basis. Surgery did little except show his sense of humor. When the surgeon, tasked with placing a cadaver bone in his neck to replace his deteriorating

bone, asked SanSouci if he wanted anything before being put under, SanSouci quipped: "Can you use a bone from Mosconi?"

Those who knew SanSouci were all pulling for him to conquer his health issues and come back to the pro scene. Sadly, that was not to be. The void that he leaves is a darkness that will sadden many of us for a long time. This is truly a time for grieving.
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April 23rd - Singles Qualifier at Broadway Sports Tavern,
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## Online Registration Launched for BCAPL National Championships Entries

BCA Pool League members may now enter online for all divisions of the 35th BCAPL National 8-Ball Championships and the 8th BCAPL National 9-Ball Championships being held at the Riviera Hotel \& Casino, May 11-22, 2011. The online registration is a new functionality of the CueSports Tournament System (CTS) at www.ctsondemand.com.

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text and email notifications of match times and table assignments, the CTS site is revolutionary in the industry for its cross function capabilities.

Only one form of registration (either online, fax or mail) should be used in order to avoid duplication.
Additionally, all entrants may also sign up for free (this year) texting or email announcements of match times, table assignments, and results. CTS texting is very cool - all players should give it a try. It will even tell you when the preceding match concludes on your assigned table, so you will know immediately when your table is ready.

To register online go to: www.ctsondemand.com. For more information about the BCAPL National 8-Ball Championships and BCAPL National 9-Ball Championships, and to reserve your room at the Riviera Hotel \& Casino visit www.playbca.com.

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# Cha Coasts to Regional Tour Championship Win 

It is not easy to qualify to play on the WPBA tour. Players have to play on regional tours to earn points that get them invited to play in the Regional Tour Championship and that event takes place once a year. Finish in the top eight at that event and you are in. Play poorly at that event, and it is back to the regional tours for another year. That is the process for any player who is not in the top 40 players at the end of the tour year. There are no exceptions; not even for a former Amway Cup winner who happened to have Visa problems and lost her place on the points list.

That was the case for Korea's Yu Ram Cha this year. So even though she is ranked in the top 20 in the world, Cha still had to compete alongside the best the regional tours have to offer this week at Bogies Billiards in Houston, Tx. The fans in attendance quickly got to see the difference between the \#14 ranked player in the world and the best that the regional tours have to offer. Fortunately for the rest of the players in attendance, a top eight finish earns a WPBA tour card.


Cha got things started in Houston with back to back lopsided wins over Becky Jones and Jana Montour. After two matches, Cha had an 18-1 record in games. Her next opponent, Lisa Marr, was able to win three racks against Cha; and then young powerhouse Briana Miller was able to win four games before succumbing to Cha. Four games would be the most anyone would win against Cha in this event.

After a 9-1 win over Sharon O'Hanlon, Cha took the hot seat with a 9-4 win over Canada's Joanne Ashton.

Meanwhile on the one loss side, players were fighting it out for the remaining seven tour cards. Arizona's Susan Williams bounced back from a heartbreaking hill-hill loss to Janet Atwell and defeated Hiroko Makiyami to make her way into the final eight. Makiyami fell one match short of the tour card. Also falling one match short were Helen Laiche, Suzanne Smith and Shelby Locati. With the tournament down to the final eight, the ladies were able to relax in knowing that they had won their tour cards and start concentrating on
the $\$ 13,000$ in prize money that would also be awarded at this event.

Williams earned a 7-5 win over Kim Benson and Briana Miller eliminated Canadian Veronique Menard 7-1 to leave Benson and Menard in 7th place.

The next round saw Williams defeat O'Hanlon and Miller send Atwell packing with identical 7-3 scores. Williams then ended Miller's campaign with a 7-4 scoreline and prepared to face off against Ashton in the semi-finals. This match was another hill-hill match, Ashton getting to the hill first at 6-5, but Williams winning the next two games for the 7-6 win. That win earned Williams the daunting task of beat Cha twice in the finals.

The first set of the finals started out close at 1-1, but that wouldn't last long as Cha won the next three games. While Williams fought hard, the difference in the two players games was apparent from the start. Cha raced to the hill at $8-2$, leaving Williams in a do-or-die position. Williams won the next two games to get back to $8-4$, but that was as close as she would get as Cha won the case game and the match 9-4.

Cha earned $\$ 3,250$ in prize money to go along with the WPBA tour card, while Williams settled for $\$ 1930$ along with her tour card.

# Lisa Marr Repeats Where She Left Off in 2010 With First Stop OB Cues Ladies Tour Win for 2011 

January $29^{\text {th }}-30^{\text {th }}$ weekend was the $1^{\text {st }}$ Tour stop for the OB Cues Ladies Tour and 40 ladies were anxious to start the New Year with some high spirited competition, fun and as some players call it, OBCLT therapy. Rusty's in Arlington, Texas was our host site for this weekend and it was indeed a welcome to have their fantastic staff and management host us once again. Special thanks to Jeff, Traci, Box, Sara and all the other Rusty's staff and organization for a job well done.

Special Thanks to our main tour sponsor OB Cues and new co-sponsor Pool300. The tour is now starting our $17^{\text {th }}$ year in existence and we are proud to claim the status as the largest women's amateur regional tour in the world. Thank you OB Cues and Pool300 for all that you do for us. Thank you for allowing us to continue to pursue our pool dreams and seeing our tour friends, fans, supporters and sharing in our journey along the way. Be sure to check out our sponsors at www.obcues.com and www.pool300.com

Many top ranked players from 2010 were part of the action this weekend. Some marquee names included Lisa Marr, Jennifer Kraber, Amanda Lampert, Tara Williams, Ashley Nandrasy and Orietta Strickland, to name a few. And by the end of play on Saturday, these
marquee names were still in the running for the $\$ 750$ guaranteed $1^{\text {st }}$ place prize money, along with some new faces. Top 8 players continuing in the Main Event on Sunday were winner side matches featuring Amanda Lampert vs. Jennifer Kraber and Belinda Lee vs. Lisa Marr. On the one loss side, it was Ashley Nandrasy vs. Corina Campbell and Orietta Strickland vs. Tara Williams.


Amanda Lampert and Lisa Marr

Excellent Tournament and fantastic finish, Belinda!

The finals match between Amanda and Lisa was exciting as ever. As these two ladies have paired up in many previous OBCLT finals matches, this time was no surprise as many fans and spectators assumed before the start of the tournament, the eventual winner would be either one. In true double elimination for-

Finishing $7^{\text {th }} / 8^{\text {th }}$ was Corina and Tara. In $5^{\text {th }} / 6^{\text {th }}$ it was Ashley and Orietta, and Jennifer with a nice $4^{\text {th }}$ place finish. Great shooting, as always, ladies!

In $3^{\text {rd }}$ place, it was Belinda Lee. This was Belinda's highest finish ever on the tour. Belinda defeated Lisa Marr to earn a spot to play for the hot seat against Amanda. But Amanda, as she has done so many times in the past, would not go down undefeated and earned her spot in the finals match. Then it was down to Lisa to avenge her earlier loss to Belinda, which she did to earn her spot in the finals as well. But we are sure that we will see Belinda with her strong playmaking skills and hammersolid break in many future tour events.
mat, Lisa would have to up-end Amanda twice and that is exactly what she did. Both sets were hill-hill matches. In the final set, Lisa, scoring her only break and run all weekend, did so for the final game to earn $1^{\text {st }}$ place. Both Amanda and Lisa are true champions and have a great deal of respect for each other's games; they are truly inspiring and fun to watch. Fantastic event ladies and congratulations to you both!

## Tournament Payouts - $\mathbf{4 0}$ players - \$2000 Added:

## $1^{\text {st }}$ - Lisa Marr - $\$ 750$

$2^{\text {nd }}-$ Amanda Lampert - $\$ 550$
$3^{\text {rd }}$ - Belinda Lee - $\$ 400$
$4^{\text {th }}-$ Jennifer Kraber - $\$ 270$
$5^{\text {th }} / 6^{\text {th }}-$ Ashley Nandrasy, Orietta Strickland - $\$ 155$
$7^{\text {th }} / 8^{\text {th }}-$ Corina Campbell, Tara Williams $-\$ 100$


## OMG - "The GAP"

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It was a difficult match to play, to say the least. I've been out of tournaments and I haven't quite got back into the swing of dealing with assholes. Chowderhead refused to do rack your own, so I ended up racking all the racks of our match. This was not a problem with me. In the true spirit of Asian efficiency, as long as I was on my way to winning, I didn't care who did the racking as long as the racks were good.
Chowderhead developed a strange habit of checking all my racks. BUT, only the racks I racked for myself. He never checked the racks I racked for him. Isn't that strange? Furthermore, he would spend at least a minute examining each rack. At one point I had to say, "You know, if you're checking the rack, you should do it the right way and check the racks YOU are breaking. Not the ones I'M breaking."
"You are making balls on the break."
"So?"
"I am having some difficulty doing the same."
"Shouldn't you be checking YOUR racks, then?"
"I want to see why you are making the balls on your break."
"It's because my break doesn't suck."
Another habit Chowderhead had was what I like to call the "Whac-A-Mole".
 This is where your opponent jumps up during, or after, any of your shots to see if you're hooked, about to scratch, or whatever. Chowderhead took Whac-A-Mole to another level and would actually leap towards the table. Most jackasses might jump up, but they have the decency to stay in the same spot they jumped up in. Chowderhead looked like he was doing a stage dive.

After one particularly bad shot, I caught Chowderhead in mid-leap, looked him straight in the eye with the Glare of Death and said, "I'm hooked, okay? Sit the hell down and STAY there." He looked surprised, but he made a valiant attempt to remain seated during my shot. This only lasted one inning. He was soon bouncing all over the place again. If only I could have whacked him with a Whac-A-Mole mallet. I think those mallets should be made standard and if your opponent jumps up again after a warning, WHACK!
I lost the first set, 3-5. I regained my composure and ground out the second set 5-1. At 4-4 in the last set, I had a tough shot on the nine-ball. The nine was almost frozen on the top rail and I would have to stretch a little to shoot it. I fired
away. It was a spectacular almost-impossible no-look off-angle bank that I shot with great speed and accuracy - that unfortunately rattled in the pocket and hung there.

## Dang.

I lost that last match 4-5, but I wasn't particularly irritated. That last bank, it was a supremely gutsy shot, one of those do-or-die deals, and I wasn't afraid to shoot it. That's the kind of pool I like to play, win or lose. Balls out, baby! Life's too short to be chicken.
In retrospect, I had lost because I had succumbed to my irritation with Chowderhead. He may have been pulling moves during the match (or maybe his IQ is about the same as the current temperature in Saskatoon), but I should have had better control of myself.

Dang.
Although I was not going to win this tournament, I guessed that Chowderhead would not win it, either. I didn't think he would make it past the next round.

I was right.
visit OMG's blog at:
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## 2011 WPA World Artistic Pool Championships

The 2011 WPA World Artistic Pool Championship was held March $10^{\text {th }}-13^{\text {th }}$ at the Allen Hopkins Super Billiards Expo in the Valley Forge Convention Center (King of Prussia, PA). 33 finely tuned players from around the globe competed for 9 World Titles consisting of 8 World Artistic Pool Discipline Champions and 1 Overall World Artistic Pool Champion. The WPA (World Pool Billiard Association) sanctioned this prestigious event.


Top Finishers from the World Artistic Pool Championship (L to R): Jamey Gray (2nd), Andy Segal (1st), and Tim Chin (3rd)

The stellar group of artistic pool playing artists competed in 8 skilled and varied disciplines of the sport as follows: Trick and Fancy, Prop / Novelty / Special Arts, Draw, Follow, Bank / Kick, Stroke, Jump, and Masse. In addition, a special Sportsmanship award was presented to one player selected by player vote. Over $\$ 15,000$ in prize money was paid out. (See accompanying results)

The sport of Artistic Pool made billiard history once again as players in the semi - finals and finals were filmed for television in 3-D, which has never been done before. Center City Film and Video did the production for Comcast, and it was absolutely amazing. Helping the film crew, I was fortunate to get a sneak preview back stage at several artistic pool shots the players were demonstrating for the cameras - balls jumping off the screen and players moving around the table in special depth perception effects via a process that created a totally awesome and unique viewing experience.

By Sunday the field was reduced to 4 players with Andy Segal (USA) vs. Gabi Visoiu (Romania) in one semi final match, and Tim Chin (USA) vs. Jamey Gray (USA) in the other semi final match. The finals found Jamey Gray and Andy Segal battling for the title. This head
to head shootout started very close, but a little over half way through the match, you could tell that Andy was in dead stroke. Taking no chances Andy finished strong, leaving nothing in question as to who was the 2011 WPA World Artistic Pool Champion.

Players and fans alike had a wonderful time as they expressed special appreciation to Allen Hopkins for hosting this championship. Valued sponsors that made it all possible were Allen Hopkins Productions, Dr. Cue Promotions. Professor Q-Ball Promotions, the USBA, Simonis Cloth, Diamond, Mueller, Run Out Sportswear, and Crown Cues. A special thanks also goes out to the WPA Artistic Pool Division and APTSA boards and select player / staff members for their dedication and effort in making this event a complete success.
If anyone has an interest in becoming part of our growing artistic pool movement as a player, fan, or sponsor, please go to the official website for Artistic Pool - APTSA.US. Artistic Pool event and sport history, tour updates, membership options, special player and event features, and detailed information for the APTSA (Artistic Pool and Trick Shot Association) new tour initiatives program for 2011 and beyond can be found there.


## Instruction With Tom

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Conversely when you are cutting the ball thinner from point C you have a wider margin for error in your hit on the cue ball. You may also find from point C that the punch stroke is not necessary but that the shot is executed more easily with a cue ball that is simply rolling out of a follow stroke. You can experiment with english from all three cue-ball points. Try a follow stroke with a little right-hand english and note whether this technique is easier or more difficult to control. For the double trip across the table I find it difficult to keep the cue ball on track with english.

Now that you are moving the cue ball across the table you should try moving it up and down. Place an object ball one diamond from the corner on the foot rail at point 1 with your next
shot one diamond away from the opposite corner on the same rail at point 2. Place the cue ball on the foot spot and cut the first ball in moving the cue ball straight up and down the table to return to point 1 for a shot on the ball at point 2. This is an eighteen-foot trip for the cue ball so even a slight variation from perpendicular can send it far out of position to give you no shot at all on your next ball. Does this shot look familiar? You will find with a little practice that its execution is easier than you might have feared.

Whether your success comes immediately or follows a period of focused work it will come because it's there already. Great players don't see themselves as great at some time in the future; they become great in the moment of their commitment to greatness making work and time irrelevant. Your breakthrough with this month's shot will occur for you as a feeling of relaxed confidence.


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| Hideaway Tavern | 8-Ball, bar table |
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| Rack 'em Billiards | 8-Ball, APA rules |

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## GOLDEN

300 CLUB / GOLDEN BOWL - 525 24th St. 303-279-9083
BUFFALO ROSE SALOON - 12th \& Washington, 303-279-5190
HENDERSON

## TAILFEATHERS - 11010 120th Ave, 303-286-147

## LAFAYETTE/LOUISVILLE

## LAKEWOOD

AMERICAN LEGION POST \#178 - 1655 Simms St, 303-233-975
BC'S SPORTS PUB - 6501 W Mississippi Ave, 303-936-8513, In-House \& Traveling Pool Leagues, Weekly Pool Tournaments, Darts
CORDIAL LOUNGE - 1521 Pierce St, 303-233-9621 CUCKOO'S NEST - 7893 W Jewell Ave, 303-988-9893 ECK'S SALOON - 9890 W Girton Dr, 303-989-2991 FIDDLESTICKS - 10815 W Jewell \#Q, 303-969-0855 FRONTIER TAVERN - 1195 S Sheridan Blvd, 303-936-9896
GREENFIELDS SPORTS BAR - 3355 S Yarrow St, 303-989-9820, In-House \& Traveling Pool Leagues, Weekly Pool Tournaments, Live Music, www.greenfieldsbar.com GUIDO'S NICKEL - 9500 W Colfax Ave, 303-238-0711
HOFFBRAU BAR \& GRILL - 3355 S Wadsworth Blvd, 303-980-6200
HOLIDAY BILLIARDS - 10350 W Colfax, 303-238-0407, Pool Leagues, Texas Hold'em
LAKEWOOD GRILL \& BAR - 8100 W Colfax Ave, 303-237-8051, Pool Leagues
MS T's CIGAR BAR - 8529 W. Colfax, 303-233-3304
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PENALTY BOX BAR \& GRILL - 1862 S Wadsworth, 303-980-4020, Pool Leagues
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SHARK'S SALOON \& GRILL - 119
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## LITTLETON

ALIBI'S GRILL - 7983 S Broadway, 303-730-0123
BREAK ROOM - 5151 S Federal Blvd, 303-797-1155, Pool Leagues, Weekly Pool Tournaments, Texas Hold'em
DUBB'S PUB - 5301 S Broadway, 303-798-6711
FOX AND HOUND - 5170 E Arapahoe Rd, 720-493-0111
FOX AND HOUND - 8996 W Bowles, 720-922-0400
FUGGLES SPORT BAR MIRAGE SPORTS BAR - 8340 W Coal Mine, 303-973-5170, Pool Leagues, Darts, Texas Hold'em POCKETS BAR \& GRILL, 5935 S. Zang St, 720-981-7665, Pool leagues and tournament
NORTHGLENN / THORNTON
CASTAWAYS - 451 W 84th Ave, 303-430-9834, Pool Leagues, Pinball, Video Games, Darts, Dancing, Poker, Bingo, Food
EXTRA POINT SPORTS BAR- 4050 E 100th Ave. 303-452-9353
FOX AND HOUND - 4750 W 120th Ave, 303-464-7366, Pool Leagues
GAME, THE - 8101 Washington St, 303-287-4507, Pool Leagues
GINGERS LOUNGE - 7310 Washington, 303-288-9824, Pool Leagues
HICC UPS II - 10250 Ura Ln, 303-466-1829
LAKE AVENUE INN - 2181 Lake Ave, 303-452-9079
MR. K's - 8830 N Washington St, 303-288-7118
PRIME TIME - 10280 Washington St, 303-457-1902
SILVER BULLET SALOON - 3734 E 120th Ave, 303-457-4470
TAFOLIVO - 524 Malley Dr, 303-452-6172
THIRSTY'S SPORTS PUB - 1294 E 104th Ave, 303-451-9918
TRAILSIDE - 10360 Colorado Blvd, 303-920-985
TWU DGORS DOWN - 9150 Huron St 303-427-7745, 303-287-9167
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## PARKER

BUFFALO BOYDS - 12543 N Highway 83, 303-841-6782
FUNUGYS - 17785 E Cottonwood Dr, 303-699-5999
TAILGATE TAVERN - 19552 E Mainstreet, 303-841-7179

## WESTMINSTER

92ND AVENUE TAVERN - 7701 W 92nd Ave, 303-422-6353
CAPTAIN JACKS - 8468 Federal Blvd, 303-428-0600, Pool Leagues, Weekly Pool Tournaments CHARLIE'S WEB - 8364 Sheridan Blvd, 303-412-8120
DAVIE'S LOCKER - 8855 Lowell Blvd, 303-429-0096 HOFFBRAU BAR \& GRILL - 7699 W 88th Ave, 303-422-7755
HICC UPS - 7980 Sheridan Blvd, 303-429-9523
OUTPOST - 6921 Lowell Blvd, 303-429-5737
PARK CENTRE LOUNGE \& GRILL - 12011 N Pecos, 303-450-9913
REAR INN LOUNGE - 4991 W 80th Ave, 303-426-4500
SWEETWATER - 9975 Wadsworth Pkwy, 303-420-1004
TOMMY'S - 6801 Lowell Blvd, 303-426-4167

## WHEAT RIDGE

44TH AVENUE GRILL - 7605 W 44th Ave, 303-421-4544, Pool Leagues, Full Kitchen
CLUB CORNER - 6551 W 44th Ave, 303-424-5424
HANK'S BILLIARDS - 5250 W 38TH Ave, 303-424-1822
HOPPERS - 1-70 Frontage Rd N of Kipling, 303-456-0257
JAMMIN JOE'S - 4700 Kipling St, 303-428-4597
LONGSHOTS BAR \& GRILL - 4400 Ward Rd, 303-403-0227, Pool Leagues, Texas Hold'em ROCKETTE - 10006 W 44th Ave, 303-422-9163

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## *** Around CoForado ***

## ALAMOSA

BANK SHOT SPORTS BAR - 1212 8th Street, 719-589-9895
ASPEN
ASPEN BILLIARDS - 315 E Hyman Ave, 970-920-6707
BOULDER
28th STREET TAVERN - 2690 28th St, 303-444-1562
PEARL STREET PUB - 1108 Pearl St, 303-939-990
FOUNDRY, THE - 1109 Walnut St, 303-447-1803
OUTBACK SALOON, THE - 3141 28th St, 303-444-0081
SUNDOWN SAGHO - 1136 Pearl St, 303-442-2176
WALRUS - 1911 11th Ave, 303-443-9902

## BRIGHTON

BILLIARDS C \& E-122 N Main St
J DAWG'S DD SALOON - 245 S Main St, 303-659-9948 JERRY'S BAR - 130 N Main St, 303-659-3788 JORDINELLI'S CAFE - 25 N Main St, 303-659-1055

## COLORADO SPRINGS

ADAM'S APPLE - 3302 Austin Bluffs Pkwy, 719-528-6525 ANTIQUE BILLIARDS \& MUSEUM - 3628 Citadel Dr, 719-597-9809 CLEAT'S LOUNGE - 6624 Delmonico Dr, 719-548-8267 FRANKIE'S BAR \& GRILL - 945 N Powers Blvd, 719-574-4881 GEE CUES SPORTS BAR - 3906 San Miguel, 719-638-6855 HALF TIME SPRTS B \& G - 1840 N Academy Blvd, 719-550-0025 HARMONY BOWL - 3845 N Academy Blvd, 719-591-1000 HOT OWL LONGE - 6437 Omaha Blvd, 719-596-9771 iCUE - 1710 Briargate Blvd, wix.com/smiley70/icue JOE'S BAR - 4763 Flintridge Dr, 719-599-8382
MURRAY STREET DARTS - 609 N Murray Blvd, 719-573-0467
PHANTOM CANYON BREWING CO-2 E Pikes Peak Ave, 719-635-2800
THIRSTY'S - 2028 Sheldon Ave, 719-444-8515
RASCALS - 1785 B St, 719-576-2238
RILEA'S PUB - 5672 Union Blvd, 719-598-6622
TIME OUT LOUNGE - 3721 Brennan Rd, 719-390-7257
YUKON TAVERN - 525 S Circle Dr, 719-475-0050
SPRINGS AREA
SILVER TONGUE DEVIL - 10530 Ute Pass Ave, Green Mountain Falls, 719-684-2555
TOWNHOUSE LOUNGE - 907 Manitou Ave, Manitou Springs, 719-685-1085
UTE INN - 204 W Midland, Woodland Park, 719-687-1465
CRAIG
MATHER'S BAR - 420 Yampa Ave, 970-824-9946

## CRESTED BUTTE

TALK OF THE TOWN - 230 Elk Ave, 970-349-6809
DELTA
HOLLIES - 220 Main, 970-874-7060
DURANGO
COLORADO PONGAS - 121 W 8th St, 970-382-8554
ESTES PARK
ESTES PARK REC CENTER - 555 S Saint Vrain, 970-586-8625
TRIPPERS LANE 110 W. Elkhorn St. 970-586-4346

## EVERGREEN

CACTUS JACK'S TAVERN - Evergreen Pkwy, 303-674-1564

## FORT COLLINS

COOPERSMITH BREWERY \& BILLIARDS - 5 Old Town Square, 970-498-0483
HATRIXX - 6013 S College Ave, 970-229-1509
MATCH UP'S - 625 S Mason $970-482-2337$, Pool League
PITCHERS! SPORTS RESTAURANT - 1100 W Drake Rd., 970-493-5374

## GRAND JUNCTION

BANK 8 BILLIARDS- 2460 F Road Ste \#3, 970-255-8808
BRASS RAIL - 47628 Road, 970-241-8686
GREELEY
BARLEYCORN'S - 2385 W 27th St, 970-339-5901
GUNNISON
TIMBER'S PUB/SPORTS BAR - 136 W Tomichi Ave, 970-641-14 91 L

## IDAHO SPRINGS

BARD CREEK INN - 409 E Parker Ave, 970-569-9827
HANSON'S LODGE - 1601 Colorado Blvd, 970-567-9391
INDIAN SPRINGS RESORT - 302 Count Rd 140, 970-567-9475
TOMMYKNOCKERS BREWERY PUB - 1401 Miner St, 970-567-1022
WEST WINDS - 1631 Miner St, 567-2029
JOHNSTOWN
LEO'S PLACE, - 191/2 S Parish, 970-587-4866
LEADVILLE
SILVER DOLLAR SALOON - 315 Harrison Ave, 719-486-9914

## LONGMONT

A BIT OF BILLIARDS - 700 Ken Pratt Blvd \#105, 303-776-3952, Leagues, Tournaments, \& Great Food GROUP THERAPY - 1644 N Main St, 303-776-9541

## LOVELAND

GRAY'S - 143 S. E. 14th St., $970-663-6133$
NIGHT SHOTZ - 3329 Garfield Ave, 970-669-3727
PUEBLO
BIG DADDY O’s - 4111 Club Manor Dr, 719-546-3636
SILVER CLIFF
AFTER R'S - 620 Main St, 719-783-9300

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS
VFW POST \#4264-924 Lincoln Ave, 970-879-9959

## TELLURIDE

O'BANNON'S IRISH PUB - 200 W Colorado Ave, 970-728-6139
VAIL
$\overline{\text { ALTITUDE BILLIARD CLUB }}$ - Evergreen Lodge, 970-476-7810

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## CHEYENNE

MINGLES - 1618 Stillwater Ave, 307-632-9966
PLUSH CUE BILLIARDS - 1715 Pioneer Ave, 307-632-9615
CASPER
BEACON CLUB - 4100 W Yellowstone Hwy, 307-577-1503
HORSESHOE BAR - 7515 W Yellowstone Hwy, 307-472-5770
HORSESHOE BAR - 7515 W Yellowstone Hwy, 307-472
MOONLIGHT LIOUORS - 2305 E 12th, 307-234-7787
SANDBAR LOUNGE - 100 N Ash, 307-266-2745
VFW POST \#10969-4570 W Yellowstone Hwy, 307-266-322
LARAMIE
COWBOY SALOON - 108 S 2nd St
MINGLES BILLIARDS - 3206 E Grand Ave, 307-721-2005
DOUGLAS
NORTHGATE LIQUORS - 711 N 4 th, 307-358-6806
PLAINS TRADING POST - 628 E Richards, 307-358-4489
GILLETTE
FIRESIDE LOUNGE - 114 N US Hwy 14-16, 307-682-7545
JAKES TAVERN - 5201 S Douglas Hwy, 307-686-3781
MINGLES - 2209 S Douglas Hwy, 307-686-1222
GLENROCK
FOUR ACES BAR - 316 W Birch St, 307-436-9010
MOORCROFT
DEWEY'S PLACE - 307-756-3713

## RIVERTON

BOOT, THE - 702 E Main, 307-856-7595
CEDAR BAR - 413 E Fremont Ave, 307-856-6721
RALFF'S - 121 N Broadway 307-856-2837
RIVERCITY BAR - 910 S Federal Blvd, 307-856-4652
RAPID CITY, SD
BREAKROOM BILLIARDS - 355 11th St, 605-716-7676

## ** Where To Buy ***

ACE GAMES INC - 12200 W 52nd Ave, 303-432-9876
ALL BILLIARDS SERVICE - 1830 N Academy Blvd, Colorado Springs, 719-597-7974 ALPINE BILLIARDS SALES \& SERVICE - 380 S Potomac St, Aurora, 303-617-0220 BEST QUALITY BILLIARDS - 9885 W Colfax Ave, Lakewood, 303-233-2557, www.bestqualitybilliards.com
BIG BREAK BILLIARDS - 6920 S. Jordan Rd. \#E, Centennial, 720-270-144
BLACK HILLS NOVELTY-209 Stocktrail Ave, Gillette, WY 307-686-2111
BMW BILLIARDS (Vending) - 970-391-7664
BROADWAYS BILLIARD CUES \& SUPPLIES - 303-781-5755
3978 S. Broadway, Englewood
CABIN FEVER SPORTS - 107 W 6th St, Pueblo, 719-584-3660
CAL SPAS - 1035 Zuni, Denver, 303-623-0100
CAREFREE SPAS \& POOLS - 7450 W 52nd Ave Unit V, Arvada, 303-422-0100
COLORADO BILLIARDS \& SPAS - 1555 S Havana, Aurora, 303-337-1818
COLORADO BILLIARDS \& SPAS - 9140 E Westview Rd, Lonetree, 303-721-8181
FIERCE EAGLE CUE CO - 4014 Tennyson St, Denver, 303-455-1412
FODOR BLLIARS - 16565 N Was
FODOR BILLIARDS 3310 Austin Bluffs Pkwy Colorado Springs, 719-598-461
FRONT RANGE POOL TABLES - 1600 E. Mulberry St. \#3, Fort Collins, 970-419-0816
FRONT RANGE POOL TABD SUPPLY - 303-717-0040
FRONT RANGE BILLIARD
GAME EXCHANGE OF COLORADO - 2650 W 6th Ave, Denver, 303-893-4300
HOME STARS DESIGN STUDIO - 2855 W Oxford Ave Unit 1, Englewood, 303-979-1200 HOT SPRINGS SPAS OF COLORADO - 4275 Broadway, Denver, 303-296-7727
INTERNATIONAL HOT TUB CO - 1640 S Abilene St, Aurora,303-755-4772
LG CUES / Chris Briggs - 2785 S Patton Ct, Denver, 303-922-4003
POOL SHARKS INC - 1020 28th Ave \#107B, Greeley, 970-304-6837
ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOME \& LEISURE - 163 Goldmine Dr, Pagosa Springs, 970-264-1717 SPA PALACE - 8601 W Cross Dr, Littleton, 303-972-4932
SPLASH AND RACK - 13750 E Quincy Ave, Aurora, 303-680-2000
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POOL TABLE - 301 Main, Windsor, 970-686-1111
TD ROWE AMUSEMENTS (Vending) - 303-455-4500
TRIANGLE BILLIARD SUPPLY - 5950 S Platte Canyon Road Unit A1B, Denver, 303-935-373 WOODY'S BILLIARDS INSTALL \& REPAIR - 720-628-6053

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APA OF NORTHERN COLORADO - Kevin Leivonen, 303-862-0466, northerncolorado@apaleagues.com APA - NORTH \& WEST DENVER AREA - Peggy LeBlanc, 303-205-9781, paleblanc@comcast.net APA - SOUTH \& E ST METRO DENVER - Chuck Rooney, 720-427-4629, apapool1@comcast.net APA - WESTERN SLOPE - Jan Maez, 970-523-8661, wcoapapool@bresnan.net APA - Yampa Valley Pool League (Routt \& Moffat Counties) - Michelle Reed, (970) 826-2783, yvapa@msn.com
BMW BILLIARDS - Judy Mehle, 970-229-1400, VNEA Pool Leagues in Northern Colorado DENVER POOLPLAYERS ASSOCIATION, David Howell, 303-668-6090 GAMES PEOPLE PLAY- Cindy Plank, 720-289-1471
LOVE TO PLAY POKER -303-829-5742, Texas Hold'em Poker, www.lovetoplaypokertour.com MILE HIGH TAP LEAGUE - Bill Davis, 303-817-6996, Adams \& Arapahoe counties in Denver Area PLAYERS CHOICE POOL LEAGUES - Deb \& Bob Winter, 303-477-2333, www.vneapool.com or www.pc-pool.com, BCA, VNEA, ACS Pool Leagues TAP POOL LEAGUES - Scott Prater, 303-944-2994, www.tapleague.com, TAP Pool Leagues

# 2011 Rody M Mountain VNEA Team Toummment <br> The annual Rocky Mountain VNEA team tournament was held at the 

Embassy Suites in Loveland, Colorado on February $18^{\text {th }} \mathbf{- 2 0}$ th, 2011.


Open AA - 1st Place
"Monster, Inc." (JES - CO)
Rich Cunningham, Chris Onesky, Mark Haddad, Tony Piazza, Robert Rodriquez

## Open AA

2nd Place -"We Might Win " B \& B - NM - Jeremiah Gage, Dion Fediuk, Adam Franks, Alden Smith, Mark Holtzclaw

3rd Place - "Crown Crushers", Chey Vend - WY - Chris Brennan, BJ Spencer, Brian Connaghan, Matt Evans, Tim Sanchez

4th Place -"Out Brothers " JES CO - Brian Krapes, Bruce Wilson, Kurt Bowman, Emilio Desimone, Bob Winter


Open A-1st Place
"Sweet Dreams" (WY AMUSE) Jeremy Toribio, Zach Lanka, Andrew Kendrick, Perry Gilbert, Mike Kidman, and Justin Binfet

## Open A

2nd Place - "One Pump Chumps" (JES) CO - Mike Willeford, Sonny Baltazar, Wes Jones, Jeff Fugal, Rich Montoya

3rd Place - "Match Ups Shark This" (BMW) WY Eric Inglsbee, Mike Westin, Kevin Brown, Bill Richter, Robert Rivers

4th Place - "Buckin Harleys Rich" (JES) CO - Terri Hauk, Rich Pope, Sean Caldwell, Jonathon Amo, Don Adams, Tony Gonzalez, Greg Romero

## Open C

2nd Place - "Shut Up \& Shoot" (BMW) CO
Clemente Guterrez, Ray Liscano, Carlos Chavez, Adam Gonzales, Ralph Garcia, Tim Sandoval
3rd Place - "Any Questions? (JES) - CO - Howard Popejoy, Kathy Popejoy, Dee Popejoy, Shawn Popejoy, Lyle Hackenberg, Tom Crawford
4th Place - "Smoken Shooters" (BMW) - CO - Doug Boegel, Sarah Rowan, Robert Faulkner, Ernie Hinojosa, John Mares


Women's B-1st Place
"Hookers Playin' Safe" (Chey Vend) - WY
Loree Lemaster, Teri Berg, Jodi Stensgaard, and Chris Fisher

## Women's B

2nd Place -"Key Largo Classy Ladies" (BMW) CO Gina Lopez, Denise Tenorio, Theresa Maldonado, Lynn Ziegra
3rd Place - "The Cowgirls" Top Dog, WY - Pam Martin, Peri Jessel, Cheryl Henning, Patti Schneiter

4th Place - "Lil's I.D.G.A.R.A" (GPP) CO Nancy Davey, Juanita Montoya, Stephanie Kardos, Cathy Martinez


[^0]:    You Name It and We've Got It!

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    July 29-31 July 29-31

