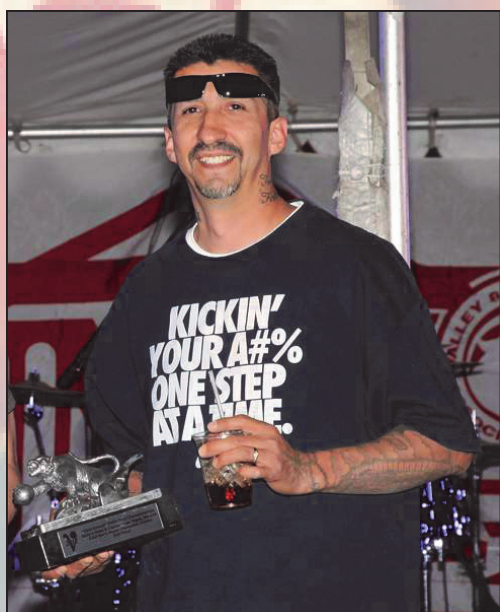


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and Curtis McCuiston



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Scotch Doubles
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(not pictured)
and 1st - 8-Ball
Sportswomen



Unusual Suspects
4th - Women's 8-Ball Intermediate Team
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Figueroa, Danyelle Figueroa
and Angela Jackson

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Little Fish
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Instruction With Tom

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Note from Editor: Due to an ongoing 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.

February 2001

Some great people are remembered most for the impressions they leave with us just before or immediately after they depart this world. If the legend of Oscar Wilde's last words is the truth, that utterance alone ensures his immortality for me. Some live on for their epitaphs; Groucho Marx comes first to mind for his. If someone can write honestly on my headstone, "He mastered the stop shot," I am sure to rest peacefully.

Now that we have our goals laid out let's get to work. There is an aspect of position play so fundamental to controlling the cue ball's track off of the object ball that the term associated with it has taken root in every player's vocabulary. I fear that as the words "tangent line" become a cliché their meaning and, more important, their understanding will dissipate for some players. We dis-



cussed the concept here almost three years ago and shall review in order to simplify our understanding and clear up any misconceptions.

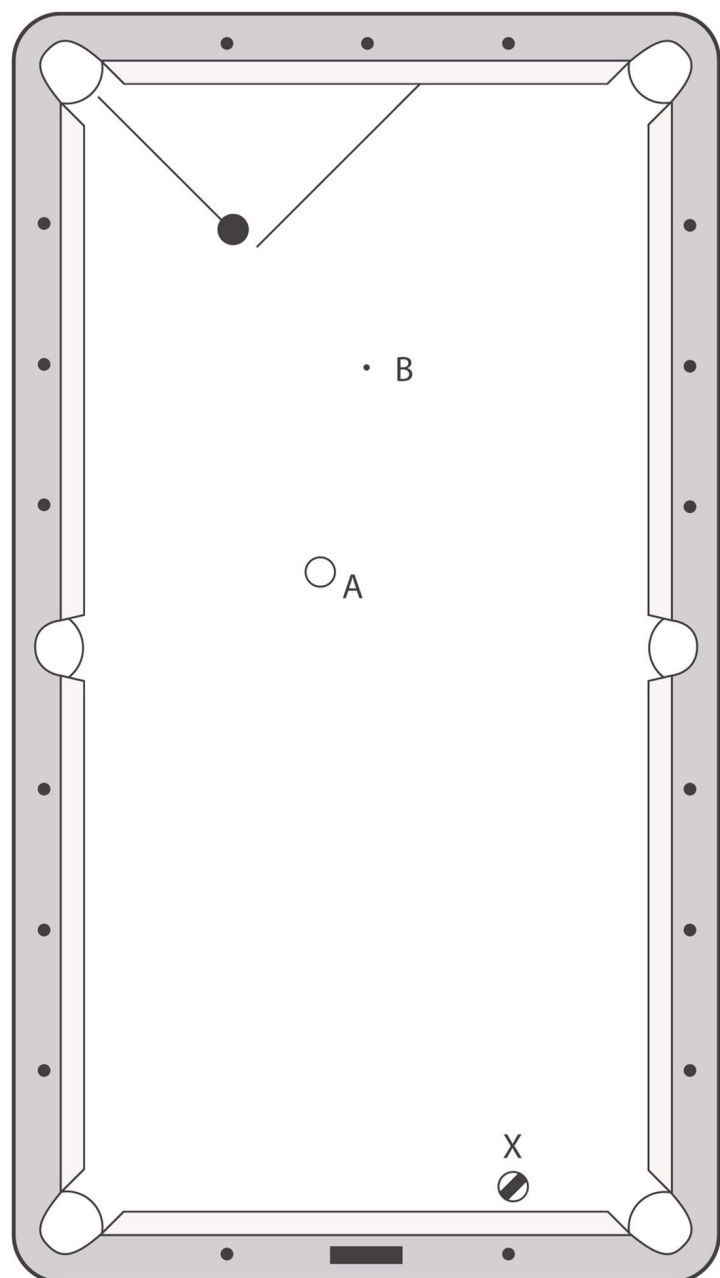
I worry that the term "tangent line" may confuse some players since a circle or sphere has an infinite number of lines tangent to it meaning that any track traced by the cue ball after contact can be defined as tangent to the object ball. Call it what you wish as long as you have a clear picture of what is meant. We wouldn't want such an important concept to go the way of the word "stun," which now has a stunning number of different meanings in billiards parlance.

Look at the shot in the diagram below and note the line drawn perpendicular to the line of the object ball into the pocket. Set up the shot with the cue ball at point A, mark the positions of the balls and draw that perpendicular line lightly with the chalk. Now shoot the shot to pocket the ball and keep the cue ball on that line. Shoot the shot repeatedly while altering speed, stroke, and the spot

you hit on the cue ball and noting where the cue ball tracks for each shot. You will find that only one shot keeps the cue ball on the perpendicular line, the stop shot. It may be a firm stop shot hit just below the center of the cue ball or a soft one hit down near the bottom but only a stop shot will keep the cue ball on that line. If you need to nail down your stop shot for this distance move the cue ball to point B to make the shot straight and shoot some stop shots from there at different speeds.

Move the cue ball back to point A and consider the shot for a minute. Why is there so much talk surrounding the so-called tangent line when it accounts for only one cue-ball track among so many possibilities? Because so many shots offer such a daunting number of choices, players desire certainty especially when under a little pressure. A precise knowledge of where the cue ball will track is extremely powerful and knowing that one specific shot, the shot that you've mastered, will yield that track every time is very reassuring. While studying the shot further consider how many places on the table you can leave the cue ball by playing the perpendicular track and changing only speed.

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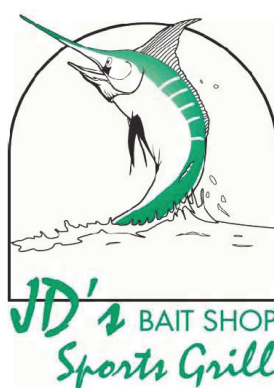
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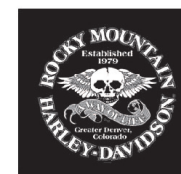
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*This month's feature
reflects a selection
of pool-related ques-
tions asked by my
Facebook friends.*

Shane/New Iberia, LA

In 8-ball what is better, to break from the rail or in the box?

Viper: Shane, I play so much 9-ball using the Magic rack that I am very used to breaking the balls from the rail. So, naturally I start off from there but if I find that I am not making balls on the break then I start moving my cue ball towards the center of the table to try and find the table's sweet-spot.

Although, in 8-ball I break using the "Second-ball cut break", in which I use a little inside-draw striking the second ball of the rack with medium speed. Be careful not to scratch! ☺ No matter what though, before your match, it's important to not just practice running balls but to also include practicing the break to find the best spot to break from during your match.

Hector Otani/San Antonio, TX

Does working out, as in weights or biking affect your stroke?

Viper: Hector, I can't answer for all pros but when I was younger I hired a personal trainer that did not know that I played professional pool for a living. He had me working out with weights three-times a week and after a while I noticed that I was muscling the ball around the table like I was the Incredible Hulk! It was funny at the time but I had to learn the hard way and immediately stopped!


Later in the my career, I met a personal trainer at the Denver Athletic Club, while being the house pro there, who really helped me develop a workout routine built just for me as a pool player. He had me doing a lot of cardio and most of all he got me into Yoga/Pilates classes. These classes really helped me out with the mental part of the game as well, so I definitely suggest going to your local gym and trying one of these classes out!

Morne Du Toit/Lichtenburg, North-West, South Africa

Is there a way to break 'properly' and if there is, how is it done?

Viper: Morne, what's important about the break is pocketing a ball and controlling the cue ball. Your cue ball never lies, it always tells the truth! So if you have a powerfully strong break and pocket three balls but lose control of your cue ball by scratching then you obviously need to work on better control.

If you control your cue ball and never pocket a ball then you need to move your cue ball around until you do pocket a ball on the break. And most of all, what helped me with my break was by reading/watching some books/DVD called "Racking Secrets" by pro player Joe Tucker. Go to his website: www.joetucker.net for more details and he even has some free videos that might help out.



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How can one master the use of inside English?

Viper: Jimneezy, when I teach my classes, I explain to my students that any English is like the dark side of pool...lol! It's very difficult to apply, use, and master.

Let me share a little secret about position, the only reason why you should apply English is to create something that does not exist and that isn't a natural angle! In the fantasy world of playing perfect pool, it's best to always leave yourself a natural angle for your next shot! But in the real world of pool that doesn't always happen...If you're straight in on a shot and need to get position on a ball that is on the opposite side of the table then you would need to use right hand English to get the ball to travel to the right.

Just an FYI -- To me, using topspin, center, or draw is not really using English because you're still shooting on a straight-line. I imagine using a clock system for applying English. For example, looking at the cue ball, 1pm-5pm is used for right-hand English and 7pm-11pm is used for applying left-hand English. And just a rule of thumb, most of the time you're only using the circumference size of a nickel to apply English on the cue ball.

On top of this basic information, there are tons of free videos on YOUTUBE and multiple books out there that can help explain English in more depth.

Keep the questions coming... email them to me at: melissa@melissalittle.com or join my Facebook fan page at: www.facebook.com/wp Baviper.

Till next month,

Viper ☺

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Dave Mondragon Shows His Experience at Hank's

Results provided by
Rich Montoya, Tournament Director

On Saturday, June 23rd, many of the top Front Range players gathered at Hank's Billiards to compete in the latest installment of the Stay in Stroke tournament series. Local player Dave Mondragon played flawless throughout the day and despite having an eye ailment, he long-stroked his way to the championship. He started by defeating Dennis Gilbert (A) and Bob Jara (A) from Ft. Collins to make the final board where he had to defeat Bill Helner and highly-rated Leonard Romero (AA) (who by the way is showing his true colors). Then Dave defeated the other (A) player and newcomer Justin Moxon. Dave is one of the mildest mannered people you will ever meet. He is a great sport and a great player!

But the day was not just about Dave. It was also about Mike Hogan who made the big board by defeating Pom Rai (AA) from Ft. Collins and then Eric Inglsbee (AA) also from



Dave Mondragon

Ft. Collins. He then went on to defeat Bill Helner in the semi's to make the final board. It was there he suffered his first loss at the hands of Leonard Romero only to come all the way back through, as paybacks were in order. He defeated Bill Helner, then Leonard Romero, Deb Worcester, and finally Justin Moxon. Whew, I get tired and excited just writing about it. He played great and is a force to be reckoned with.

Then to the women's bracket . . . As if we had not had enough, Deb Worcester defeated one of the best women in the state - Jessica Moxon. Jessica had to come back and play her again after winning the loser's side to make the big board and Deb defeated her once again. Ultimately, Deb lost to a red hot Justin Moxon and Mike Hogan settling for a 4th place finish. What a sight it is to watch Deb play. She is as colorful a player as there is as we heard little screams

after an accomplishment at the table or after scratching. Her progress has been impressive throughout her participation in the Stay in Stroke series.

Thank you to Hank Rivera, owner of Hank's Billiards, all of his staff, Larry Sposato, and all the players that participate in my events as well as all of the other events in the Denver area. Thanks also to Randy Ethridge, Dave Wuestney, A&E Custom Cues and Dale James Chalk holders. My next event is a AA & down Scotch Doubles at Love's Shack on August 18 & 19, 2012. The entry deadline is August 14th at 9:00 p.m. I look forward to seeing you there!

Here is how they finished:

1 st	Dave Mondragon	\$300.00	\$300.00
2 nd	Mike Hogan	\$250.00	\$250.00
3 rd	Justin Moxon	\$200.00	\$200.00
4 th	Deb Worcester	\$150.00	\$160.00
5 th	Jessica Moxon	\$100.00	\$80.00
6 th	Leonard Romero	\$100.00	\$80.00
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25th	Dave Hubbard - CO (BMW)	\$175
33rd	BJ Spencer - WY (Chey Vend)	\$150
49th	Brett Ruiz - CO (Paradise) Jarrold Harris - WY (Chey Vend) Leonard Romero - CO (JES) Matt Evans - WY (Chey Vend)	\$125
65th	Alfonso Garcia Sr - CO (BMW) Brad Nash - WY (BH Novelty) Manuel Gonzales Jr - CO (BMW) Paul Baker - WY (BH Novelty) Roland Lucero - CO (JES) Tim Mitchell - CO (JES)	\$100

Men's 9-Ball Regular Singles

2nd	Larry Romero - CO (JES)	\$900
9th	Shane Wertz - CO (BMW)	\$175

Women's 9-Ball Regular Singles

9th	Rebecca Miller - CO (BMW)	\$150
13th	Linda Trujillo—WY (Chey Vend) Rose Ramos - CO (JES)	\$100

Women's 9-Ball Intermediate Singles

5th	Carol James - CO (BMW)	\$200
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Women's 8-Ball Masters Team

3rd	Little Fish - CO (JE&S) - <i>see cover for photo</i>	\$1,200
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Men's 8-Ball Masters Singles

13th	Tony Piazza - CO (JES)	\$300
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Scotch Doubles Regular

2nd	Roland Lucero & Teri Curtis - CO (JES)	\$700
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Women's 8-Ball Intermediate Singles

9th	Mari Holste - WY (Chey Vend)	\$300
13th	Carol James - CO (BMW)	\$100

Women's 8-Ball Regular Singles

13th	Terry Duncan - CO (BMW)	\$290
33rd	Linda Trujillo - CO (Chey Vend) Mary Vasquez - CO (BMW)	\$100

Women's 8-Ball Classic Singles

5th	Marylyn Klipsch - CO (Skill Game)	\$300
9th	Eileen Cannon - CO (Skill Game)	\$200

Men's 8-Ball Classic Singles

17th	Sam Seddon - CO (BMW) Leonard Martinez - WY (Patty Rack) Steve Tollis - WY (Chey Vend)	\$100
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Men's 8-Ball Regular Singles

7th	Leonard Romero - CO (JES)	\$1,400
33rd	Aaron Westcott - CO (BMW) Greg Way - CO (JES) Rex Corliss - WY (BH Nov)	\$370
49th	Devin Schweer - CO (BMW) Shane Helde - WY (BH Nov)	\$220
97th	Adam Sisneros - CO (JES) BJ Spencer - WY (Chey Vend) Steve Pierson - CO (BMW)	\$100
129th	Bill Watson - CO (Paradise) Charlie Williamson - CO (JES) Jody Miller - CO (BMW)	\$50

Men's 8-Ball Intermediate Singles

13th	Larry Romero - CO (JES) Marvin Owens - CO (GPP) Shane Wertz - CO (BMW)	\$150
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Men's 8-Ball Regular Team

25th	Old Dawgs of Denver - CO (JES) rip.com - WY (Chey Vend)	\$750
49th	Lil's Prosecutors - CO (GPP)	\$450
65th	Colorado Crushers - CO (JES) Out Brothers - CO (JES)	\$300
97th	Holdin' Down the Fort - CO (BMW) Phil Guerrero's Team - CO (JES) Shamwow - WY (Chey Vend) Strokin' Aces - CO (JES)	\$200

Women's 8-Ball Intermediate Team

4th	Unusual Suspects - CO (JES)	\$1,100
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Women's 8-Ball Regular Team

9th	Miss Cues - CO (JES) MZ Sharpshooters - CO (GPP)	\$325
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Men's 8-Ball Intermediate Team

2nd	Match-Ups - CO (BMW)	\$3,300
5th	You're Kidding, Right? - CO (JES)	\$1,500
7th	Lil's Sharpshooters - CO (GPP)	\$1,000
9th	Kill 'em all - CO (BMW)	\$450

Sportsman 8-Ball Team

2nd	Oasis Power House - CO (BMW)	\$800
9th	Baby Sharks - CO (Aspen Amusement)	\$200
13th	Lumbre - CO (BMW) Shut Up, Shut Up - CO (BMW)	\$100

Sportsman 8-Ball Singles

1st	Jonathan Amo - CO (JES)	\$500
9th	Caleb Lovato - CO (JES)	\$150
17th	Matt Evans - WY (Chey Vend) Neal Grasing - CO (JES)	\$100

Sportsman 9-Ball Singles

9th	Eric Inglsbee - CO (BMW) Jerry Shimic - CO (Paradise)	\$50
17th	Adam Sisneros - CO (JES) Calvin Sims - CO (JES) Jeff Johnson - CO (BMW) Ron Shino - CO (Front St)	\$25

Sportswoman 8-Ball Singles

1st	Teri Curtis - CO (JES)	\$330
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Sportswoman 9-Ball Singles

1st	Thelma Allen - CO (Aspen Amuse)	\$250
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8-Ball Open Seniors

9th	Ron Leonhard - CO (BMW) Rich Haines - WY (Chey Vend)	\$290
17th	Jerry Hutchings - CO (JES)	\$130

9-Ball Open Seniors

7th	Paul Drinnon - CO (JES)	\$175
13th	Paul Borega - CO (Skill Game)	\$100

Sometimes, That's Just How It Goes *By OMG*

June 27th, 2012

Not too long ago, I was told there was a spot available at the Women's Professional Billiards Association's 2012 U.S. Open 9-Ball Championships. When I got The Call for the open spot, I did not react the way I thought I would.

I knew that if the WPBA was calling me, they must have a shortage of players. I am not nearly qualified enough to play in these events and I hadn't done well enough in regional events as of late to justify an invite to their biggest event of the year (or at least it was the last time I was actively chasing the Tour). In order for me to be called, there must have been a significant number who turned down their invites.

Knowing I was the scrapings at the bottom of the barrel did not stop me from having the itch to play. So, I, like any person besotted with noble visions of glory, said, "Why the hell not." Cheers to bad decisions.

The tournament started on Wednesday (players' meeting) with play starting on Thursday. I got the call on Thursday, May 31, and would have to be at the venue in Tulsa by June 6. That was less than a week. By the way, when I got the call I was told I needed to pay the \$500 entry fee plus the \$150 registration fee, like, RIGHT

NOW. I could pay it tomorrow (I'm not one of those people who has \$650 just lying around like so many used tissues). I was told that was fine.

Then I was told I was not guaranteed a spot after all and had to wait until someone ahead of me in line had declined the invite.

Okay, that's just weird. Don't call me and have me sell off blood and ramen futures until YOU are SURE I can play, y'know? Jeez. The next day, I had the money ready, but was still put on hold. Whatever. When finally I got the go ahead, I sent the money and then turned to the logistics of time, travel, and expenses.

In order for me to ask for time off from work with so little advance notice, I had to do what I really, really, REALLY did not want to do: I had to tell my boss why I needed the time off. I don't like telling people at work what I do outside of work. I certainly don't like telling them about pool or how far gone down the rabbit hole of billiards I am because it inevitably piques people's curiosities and I AM NOT the person who likes to satisfy their (often inane and Color-Of-Moneyesque) queries. I got the time off but it would be unpaid. Also, I had to finish all projects before leaving. Okay. Now the mission

was to get to Tulsa without breaking the bank.

When you have less than seven days' notice to fly halfway across the country during a time when fuel costs are quite high and you have to check in your cues, flying becomes a luxury. I could not find a round-trip flight to Tulsa for less than a thousand dollars. Uh, no. That is not going to happen. Furthermore, the host hotel was \$100+ per night. Ugh. When possible, players are to stay at the host hotel. Great.

After some planning and A Little Help From My Friends, this is the plan I came up with:

- Greyhound to Tulsa (because it was waaaaa cheaper than flying)
- Stay at the cheapest hotel I can find within a reasonable distance (if I was fined for this -- oh well, "check's in the mail")
- Fly home (I still had more than 7 days before the day of departure and I HAD to get back to work because, you know, I'm a working stiff and not a pool player)

I would leave Tuesday morning and hopefully, after 33 hours, I would be in Tulsa in time for the players' meeting.

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News from APA North

8-Ball Top Gun Results



Todd Eisenbarth
8-Ball Top Gun

A Bit of Billiards was the location of the Northern Colorado APA Spring 2012 8-Ball Top Gun event on Saturday, June 23rd. Forty-three players showed up to compete for the money and prestige associated with playing against the top performers from the Spring 2012 session.

In the end, the last two standing were Todd Eisenbarth (S/L 6) sitting in the hot seat vs. Catherine Romero (S/L 4) coming from the one-loss side. Todd was the one who gave Catherine her 1st loss sending her to match up against Bobby Ray (S/L

7). Catherine was able to take advantage of the 5-2 race and defeated Bobby Ray to get the chance to face off against Todd in the finals. Catherine was able to win the first round but Todd buckled down and held on in the final match to win the event. Todd took home his 1st place trophy along with \$275.00. Catherine earned \$150.00 for 2nd place along with Top Lady money of \$50.00. Bobby Ray finished in 3rd, \$80.00; Jeff Chase 4th, \$60.00, Chuck Leeper Jr. and Yi Zha tied for 5th, \$40.00 each and Cire Brown and Lewis Everling finished in 7th and received \$30.00 each.



Catherine Romero
Top Lady Gun
and Runner up

9-Ball Top Gun Results

Northern Colorado APA's 2nd 9-Ball Top Gun was a hit with twenty-two players converging on Match Ups Pool Hall in Fort Collins on Sunday June 24th. Players earned the right to play here by out performing their peers during the Spring 2012 session.

APA 9-Ball skill levels from 2 to 9 were represented with the finals coming down to a battle between James Logan (S/L 3) in the hot seat vs. Rebecca Miller (S/L 4).

James earned the hot seat

by sending Rebecca to the one-loss side where she defeated Josh Dekray to get another match up against James.

In true double elimination fashion, Rebecca was able to overcome James in two matches to win the title of Northern Colorado Spring 2012 9-Ball Top Gun. She took home \$150.00 for 1st place and also earned \$25.00 for Top Lady. James earned \$100.00 for his 2nd place finish. 3rd place Josh Dekray, \$60.00; 4th Caleb Scott \$40.00, and tied for 5th were Patty Wigley and Mike Gonzalez, \$30.00 each.



Rebecca Miller
9-Ball Top Gun
Champion



James Logan
9-Ball Top Gun
Runner Up



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News from APA North

Northern Colorado APA Qualifies Six Teams for the National Championships in Las Vegas

Four 8-Ball Teams Qualify for Vegas

On the weekend of June 8-10, the Northern Colorado APA returned to a Bit of Billiards in Longmont for their 8-Ball Regional Tournament. The 2012 8-Ball Regional consisted of twenty-one teams that earned the chance to compete in at least one of three Tri-Cup Tournaments played at the end of each session over the past year.



The Magic Chickens

Four spots at what has been recognized as "The World's Largest Pool Tournament" by Guinness World Records were up for grabs in this double elimination tournament. Two teams advanced through the "No Loss" side of the board. The first match up was RADBALLS vs. Scratch & Sniff. Logan Wolff took the first win of the match for RADBALLS and in the second George Blackham was able to tie it up for Scratch & Sniff. Next, Jimmy Martin won putting Scratch & Sniff up 2-1. Mary Frongillo was able to tie it up again for RADBALLS sending us into the hill/hill match. Lingyi Jiang was able to hold on and take the win advancing RADBALLS to Vegas while Scratch & Sniff moved to the Dark Side.



RADBALLS

The second match was Soft Touch vs. The Magic Chickens. In this match up, we saw the first two matches split with Steve Maestas taking the win for The Magic Chickens and Bobby Yazell tying it up for Soft Touch. The Magic Chickens were able to take the next 2 wins with Hollie Wood and Captain Nelson Montierth closing it out. RADBALLS and The Magic Chickens each earned \$4000.00, a bar trophy, individual player plaques and a spot in the National Championships in Las Vegas.



Pure Luck

Over on the Dark Side, Soft Touch was paired up vs. Pure Luck. Soft Touch just coming off of the loss to The Magic Chickens was determined to make good on this opportunity and jumped out to the early lead with wins by Bobby Yazell and Catherine Poitra. These were then matched with wins by Lee Cohan and Steve Light. The hill/hill battle was Ronny Vallejos Jr. up against Michael Light. Ronny was able to win in a 5-2 victory over Michael earning his team \$3000.00 and the Vegas spot.



Scratch & Sniff

The last match up was Scratch & Sniff vs. Pool Cats. Pool Cats was not able to capitalize on some chances and Scratch & Sniff was able to take the Vegas spot 3-0 with wins by Nathan Erickson, Make "Massive" Marchich, and Sid Barnes. Scratch & Sniff will advance to Vegas along with their \$3000.00 in travel assistance and trophies.

These four teams will be joining more than 700 other teams from throughout North America who will be traveling to Las Vegas to play at the Riviera Hotel & Casino, Aug. 19-25 to compete for a national title and a portion of the \$1 Million guaranteed cash and prizes.

Two 9-Ball Teams Qualify for Nationals

The Northern Colorado APA 9-Ball Regional Tournament was held June 1-3rd. Twenty-nine teams met at A Bit of Billiards starting Friday night to play for one of the two spots available to the APA National Team Championships. In addition to earning the Vegas spot, each team award package would also include \$3500.00 in travel assistance, a trophy for the teams' sponsoring bar and plaques for each individual on the team. Both teams advanced undefeated this year thru the modified single elimination style bracket each winning five straight matches and earning the coveted Vegas spot.

The first finals match up was Shoot Last Inc. vs. Bring the Pain!. Bring the Pain! jumped out to an early lead with wins by James Logan 19-1 and Robert Walsh 13-7. Shoot Last Inc. was able to battle back to almost even with Garry Calis winning 17-3 and Aleah Padilla earning 14 points. With the score at 41-39 it came down to who could win the final match. Shoot Last Inc. posted Steven Padilla and Bring the Pain! had D.C. Caralis playing in the match up of 7's. D.C.'s smooth stroking continued in the Final match and he was able to defeat Steven 15-5 and earned the Vegas trip for his team.



Bring the Pain!

Our other finals match saw Strange Brew vs. Pool Katz. Strange Brew was able to take the first match with a win by Lnida Bell, 16-4 over Audrey Kettle. Pool Katz answered with Matthew Sylvester winning 17-3 over Joyce Hughes for a 2 point lead. The next two matches were both 12-8 splits with Reva Levey winning for Strange Brew and then Alan Saville responding for Pool Katz. We again had two teams nearly tied 41-39 in a winner take all situation. Glenn Brown went up for Pool Katz and Captain Bruce Carlson was up for Strange Brew. Glenn came up 7 balls short and Bruce was able to take the win to bring his team to Las Vegas.



Strange Brew

These winning teams will be joining more than 400 other teams from throughout North America who will be traveling to Las Vegas to play at the Riviera Hotel & Casino, Aug. 16-20 to compete for a national title and a portion of the \$1 Million guaranteed cash and prizes.

The APA produces three major tournaments each year - the APA National Team Championships, the APA National Singles Championships and the U.S. Amateur Championship - that, together, pay out nearly \$1.5 Million in cash and prizes annually. In 2010, the APA National Team Championships were recognized by Guinness World Records as the "world's largest pool tournament."

The APA and its National Championships are sponsored by Pool Dawg, Aramith and Action Cues.

For more information or to get signed up with the APA, please contact **Erin & Kevin Leivonen** at **303-862-0466** or by email at **NorthernColorado@APALeagues.com**. Or you can visit the official APA website at www.poolplayers.com.

The Tournaments Continue at Felt... By Felt Staff

Vegas Warm up 8-Ball Singles

The 2012 Felt Tournament Series continues with sizzlin' summer events. Just prior to Vegas nationals, players warmed up with two bar table events. In the 8-ball singles event, Mark Haddad returned from the one-loss side of the steep 38-player field to double-dip Bill Skinner for the title and the points. Haddad was sent West by Greg Romero who ultimately settled for third. Haddad's victory boosted him to the point's leader for the series with only a handful of events remaining.



Mark Haddad

1 st	Mark Haddad	\$500
2 nd	Bill Skinner	\$325
3 rd	Greg Romero	\$200
4 th	Rick Field	\$100
5 th – 6 th	Charlie Zeigler Marc Vidal	\$50
7 th – 8 th	Andres DeHerrera Ed Barrago	\$30
9 th – 12 th	Derrick Shehan Andrew Pettenger Eric Wagner Jimmy Gardner	\$15 Felt gift card

Vegas Warm up Scotch Doubles

A scotch doubles event on the following weekend also drew a hefty 19-team field of players spanning from Fort Collins down to Colorado Springs. It was a competitive but fun day for couples and teammates alike. In the end, team Sugar & Spice (Chris Honeman & Ray Padilla) shared top honors with the Jackson Two (Angela Jackson & Richie Cunningham) when Jackson and Cunningham snuck off early to care for their little one. These two strong teams made their way through some tough teams including fourth place finishing team of TNT (Terry Duncan & Tony Piazza) and third place team RnB (Bert Maestas & Rick Wright).

1 st tie	Sugar & Spice (Chris Honeman/Ray Padilla)	\$250
1 st tie	Jackson 2 (Angela Jackson/Richie Cunningham)	\$250
3 rd	TNT (Terry Duncan/Tony Piazza)	\$130
4 th	RnB (Bert Maestas/Rick Wright)	\$50
5 th – 6 th	Danyelle Figueroa/James Fortin Brandie Rejent/Derek Skonecki	\$20 Felt gift card



(L to R): Rick Wright, Bert Maestas, Chris Honeman, Ray Padilla, Tony Piazza, Terry Duncan, Richie Cunningham, Angela Jackson

9-Ball Open Event

The most recent event was held on June 22-23 on the new 9-foot Diamond pro-am tables. An open 9-ball event on Saturday drew an intimate but fierce field of competitors including Tommy Tokoph from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

In the end, it was a Marc (Vidal) and Mark (Haddad) showdown where Haddad made a valiant effort at the prize. Vidal was undefeated until Haddad took the first set of the finals hill-hill. In second set, Vidal regrouped and pulled out the victory, 7-5. The proud papa posed for the group photo with his new baby girl, Clara.



(L to R): Marc Vidal (with baby Clara Vidal), Mark Haddad, Bill Skinner and Greg Romero

1 st	Marc Vidal	\$325
2 nd	Mark Haddad	\$225
3 rd	Greg Romero	\$125
4 th	Bill Skinner	\$75

8-Ball A's & Down



(L to R): Doug James, Chris Honeman, David Megason, Rick Huddleston, and Greg Quintana

The action continued on Sunday with and A's & Down 8-ball event which drew 15 players, many of the usual suspects with a few new faces sprinkled in the midst. Felt regular but infrequent tournament-player, Rick Huddleston made an appearance and was probably glad he did as he took down the field defeating top A player Doug James in the finals.

1 st	Rick Huddleston	\$120
2 nd	Doug James	\$90
3 rd	Greg Quintana	\$60
4 th	David Megason	\$40
Top Lady	Chris Honeman	\$35

The next scheduled event is another Open and A's & Down event on July 21-22. This one will be 8-ball on the 9-foot Diamond tables, followed by a qualifier for the U.S. Open 9-Ball Championships on August 25-26 and two more events in September before the grand finale November 17-18. If you have played in at least two events, you still have a chance to play in our \$2,000 added (guaranteed) finale in November. You must play in five events to be eligible.

Details on upcoming events, along with a complete series schedule, player standings, and additional information can be found at:

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Results from the Stay in Stroke Billiards Greenfields In-House 9-ball League

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 2nd Greg Kingsbury, Stevie Chan, Donald Plotkin
 3rd Darrell Toll, Karl Moody, Vern Moody
 4th Jake Gruber, Casey Enslow, George Sammit
 5th Trent Davala, Eric Kooi, Kyle Englesman
 6th Dennis Gilbert, Scott, & John

Top Shooter: Rick Field
 2nd Top Shooter: Darrell Toll

Top Runout Players: Rick Field
 Darrell Toll
 Stevie Chan

Top 9-ball on the Break: Richard Montoya



Rick Field

Top Shooter, Top Runout Player, & Member of Top Team

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Gene has maintained his league status well into his retirement years. Gene now still plays VNEA leagues two nights a week. One of those nights he plays on a "3 Generation Kapperman" team with two of his sons and two of his grandsons.

"I would never have imagined playing a game that I enjoy so much



Gene Kapperman
 One of VNEA's newest
 Hall of Fame Inductees

would eventually result in being inducted into the prestigious VNEA Hall of Fame." said Kapperman.

Nominations were received by player members and Charter Holders throughout the entire world. The Awards Committee reviewed each nomination carefully and extensively and after

many months of hard work chose this year's inductees based on the following criteria:

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- Active participant in the many affairs of their local, regional and state VNEA programs over an accomplished career.
- Various accomplishments in local, state, regional and international competitions.



Tournament Results

TUE (5/29)

big table 9-ball - 22 players
1st - Chuck N. \$175
2nd - Mark H. \$105
3rd - Danny M. \$65
4th - Marc V. \$40
5th - Bill S. \$25
6th - Melissa L. \$25

FRI (6/1)

bar table 8-ball - 19 players
1st - Ron M. \$90
2nd - Kris R. \$50
3rd - Ryan V. \$30
4th - Don L. \$20

SAT (6/2)

bar table 9-ball - 18 players
1st - Saud A. \$90
2nd - Don P. \$50
3rd - Sean T. \$20
Top Lady - Rosie T. \$20

SUN (6/3)

one-pocket - 14 players
1st - Marc V. \$125
2nd - Rick F. \$85
3rd - Frank E. \$50

MON (6/4)

FREE TOURNAMENT - 10 players
1st - Yijie W. \$20
2nd - Chris G. \$10 Felt gift card

TUE (6/5)

big table 9-ball - 16 players
1st - Andrew P. \$85
2nd - Bill S. \$50
3rd - Kiko I. \$35

FRI (6/8)

bar table 8-ball - 27 players
1st - Matt F. \$100
2nd - Juan P. \$60
3rd - Jose C. \$30
4th - Andre L. \$25
5th - Kris R. \$20
6th - Don P. \$20
Top Lady - Brandie R. \$15

SAT (6/9)

bar table 9-ball - 23 players
1st - Jose C. \$100
2nd - Steve W. \$50
3rd - Melvin S. \$30
4th - Mark F. \$20
5th - Bill D. \$10
6th - Emilio Q. \$10
Top Lady - Erica W. \$10

MON (6/11)

FREE TOURNAMENT - 11 players
1st - Chris R. \$20
2nd - Emily P. \$10 Felt gift card

TUE (6/12)

big table 9-ball - 17 players
1st - Jim C. \$125
2nd - Bill S. \$85
3rd - Melissa L. \$50
4th - Andrew P. \$30

FRI (6/15)

bar table 8-ball - 32 players
1st - Christine H. \$100
2nd - Saud A. \$60
3rd - Jose C. \$45
4th - Dave M. \$30
5th - Don P. \$20
6th - Bill D. \$20
7th - Lara D. \$15
8th - Darrin B. \$15
Top Lady - Debby R. \$15

SAT (6/16)

bar table 9-ball - 12 players
1st - Jose C. \$60
2nd - Juan P. \$40
3rd - Saud A. \$20

SUN (6/17)

10-ball - 14 players
1st - Andrew P. \$110
2nd - Jim C. \$85
3rd - Nicole K. \$40
4th - Greg R. \$20

MON (6/18)

FREE TOURNAMENT - 12 players
1st - Kris R. \$20
2nd - Nina C. \$10 Felt gift card

TUE (6/19)

big table 9-ball - 16 players
1st - Andrew P. \$120
2nd - Mark H. \$90
3rd - Nicole K. \$60
4th - Greg R. \$30

FRI (6/22)

bar table 8-ball - 32 players
1st - Jose C. \$120
2nd - Bob G. \$70
3rd - Juan P. \$45
4th - Marc L. \$25
5th - Tony B. \$15
6th - Seth J. \$15
7th - Evan B. \$10
8th - Andre L. \$10
Top Lady - Michelle M. \$10

SAT (6/23)

bar table 9-ball - 22 players
1st - Chisolm W. \$100
2nd - Jose C. \$55
3rd - Terry E. \$35
4th - Dave N. \$20
Top Lady - Dawn L. \$10

TUE (6/26)

big table 9-ball - 10 players
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2nd - Marc V. \$75
3rd - Melissa L. \$45



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Breaks Can Be Deceiving

by Samm Diep
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In the infant stages of my pool game, I was constantly reminded of the importance of practice and repetition. I was building muscle memory and honing my skills. If I went for more than one day without practicing,

I could feel my game suffer. It seemed like I was taking an immediate step back and in some cases would even need to relearn things.

Of course, I never minded playing and practicing so much in the beginning because I was obsessed. I put in the hours because I was falling in love with the game. The breaks were seldom, by design.

These days, as I've improved and my skills and knowledge advanced, I find myself practicing for longer sessions but with less frequency. Let's face it, there comes a point where your priorities shift and "life" keeps you from putting in the hours that you were once accustomed to.

Over the past year, whenever I've taken a break, I've returned to the table renewed. I've found

myself pocketing balls just as well or better than I was prior to the time off.

Does this mean it's not necessary to practice on a regular basis anymore? What's the point of practicing if I'm playing just as well without it? The two main factors that infrequent practice affects are confidence and consistency.

Playing well after a long break can be deceiving for a couple reasons:

1. When you're playing well without practicing, you fool yourself into thinking you don't need to practice. You may be able to get away with it once or twice but over time, that lack of practice will accumulate and take its toll on your overall ability to execute. With waived confidence, tentative shots and decisions will lead to repeated mistakes and vice versa.
2. Playing well without practicing gives you a false sense of security. You might start hitting the balls well and feeling like you're ready for competition. It's only then when your abilities are put to the test that you realize you're pocketing balls on autopilot. Once you get to the money ball or key ball, that's

when the inconsistency surfaces. Routine run outs become more work than they should be.

Confidence is so critical in the game of pool. If ever you tell yourself you're out of stroke, then you'll be out of stroke. You may be hitting the ball well but you will still be a bit rusty. The next time you return from a break, try to still play with confidence but do not be deceived. Be aware of your limitations and play within them. Until you get back in stroke, take fewer risks and be more patient.

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As it turned out, I arrived in Tulsa after 36 hours on various buses.

Unfortunately, I had arrived too late to take the public bus system to my hotel so I hailed a taxi. When I got in, I told him to go to my hotel, the Tulsa Select. He turned around and asked why I was going there. Because it's my hotel, I said. He considered this for a moment and then told me the Tulsa Select was a hotel well-known to contain hookers and drug dealers and most cabdrivers would be wary of picking up from that hotel after dark for fear of getting robbed. I said I was neither a hooker nor a drug dealer and that it was my hotel and that was where I needed to go. I thought the driver was being overly sensationalistic.

When I got to the hotel, I found out the driver was at least half-right. The place was a complete dump. But, in the interest of being affordable, this is what I signed up for and it would serve its purpose. During my stay, there were a few fights, including one that started in the room next to mine. It was a big drag-down beat-the-sh#t-outta-em kind of fight that went into the hallway and continued up and down the hallway until one of the dudes got KO'd or died or whatever. I didn't bother to look because I had a tele-

vision and cable. Woohoo.

The next day, three police cruisers pulled up as I was leaving the hotel for the tournament venue. Exciting. I did not stay around to find out what happened.

Now let's take a look at the venue, the River Spirit Casino. It was quite nice and I received a goody bag which consisted of a nice tote bag (still use this for grocery shopping), a bunch of pens, many small boxes of mints, a Magic 9-Ball keychain (I asked it if my trip was a bad idea, it said, "YES"), two t-shirts (no use for those), a VIP Lounge pass (with the wrong name on it), and a sterling silver Tiffany keychain engraved with the River Spirit logo commemorating this momentous event.

One of the first things I heard was about the local qualifier for this event. On Tuesday, a qualifying tournament was held in the area for four spots in the tournament. Five women showed up.

Another spot was filled by the friend (she was a pool player) of a player in the event who had initially come to be a spectator, but was able to pay the entry last-minute. She got the call while she was at the airport.

I lost my first match 9-7.

I lost my second match 9-7.

Finally, it was time to go (via aeroplane) home! On the flight home, I noticed a guy brought a hockey stick on board the plane. This irritated me because, according to TSA, I cannot bring my pool cues -- they define them as "club-like objects" on the plane -- but this dude can bring a completely murder-capable skull-bashable hockey stick onboard like it's nothing. Don't even get me started on the cheap-ass guitars, tennis rackets, etc. I also see from time to time.

My irritation inspired me to create the following picture (which has become quite popular):



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General Information:

Open to amateurs only. Singles competition in six divisions: Juniors (girls and boys in one division determined by age, both divisions limited to the first 32 entries); Open Men (limited to the first 128 entries); Open Women (limited to the first 32 entries); Senior Men (limited to the first 32 entries); and Senior Women (limited to the first 16 entries). **For the Scotch Doubles Mixed, each partner must register separately, this is limited to the first 16 entries.**

Competition Rules and Format:

Double-elimination 8-Ball-World Standardized rules will govern the tournament (<http://www.americancuesports.org> and www.wpa-pool.com); Races to 5 (Men's Divisions); Races to 4 (Women's/Junior's Divisions); Scotch Doubles can be composed of any male/female - Races to 4/ 3; flip for opening break, alternating break. Competition on 3 by 7 foot tables. Tables are \$0.50 per game.

Individuals may enter only one singles division. **Coaching will not be permitted in any division.**

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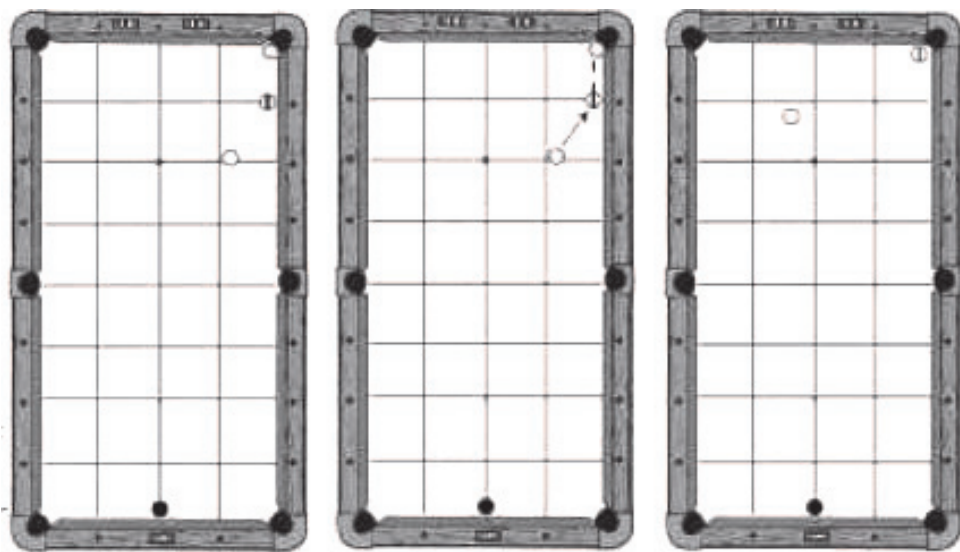
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Sometimes... by OMG

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When I returned to work, I found out, sadly, that my boss decided to tell my entire department where I had gone. Sigh. People never understand that just because it's something you would like, it doesn't mean that everyone would like it. As expected, I had to patiently answer a lot of questions and when they were surprised I went all that way to throw an 0-2 BBQ party, I said, "Sometimes, that's just how it goes."

Well.

That was an interesting trip.

It's been a while now and I'm still not sure how I feel about it. I do know, without a doubt, that I do not play well enough to be on the tour and I'm not sure I would play in it again (if by some random weirdness I got another invite). The very first time I received an invite to a tour event years ago, I felt that it had meant something -- I had put in my time and (SH#T-TON of) money and I felt I deserved it, that I was called upon to play because I played well enough to be there. This time, I think I was just a warm body and dead money.

It was a fun (if expensive) experience and it was nice to catch up with people I hadn't seen in a long time. It was most definitely nice to play and

this tournament, like all the ones before it, will be dissected, analyzed, and the findings filed away in the hard drive of my brain for future reference.

I think with enough funding for practice and whatnot, I could play well enough to be on tour, but "being on tour" no longer holds the same cache as it used to -- and I can't find a specific reason why. I mean, there was a time that was all I wanted to be was a WPBA touring professional, and now -- not so much. Perhaps that is the responsible cricket on my shoulder telling me that glory is nice, but so is owning a home, eating on a regular basis, having a full supply of blood in my veins, moving up the corporate ladder, and not having to take Greyhound across the country.

I also realize that despite my mildly fanatic dedication to this game and competing, people don't take me seriously as a pool player. This is probably my own fault since I attend a lot of pool events and write about them on a blog. One person's initial reaction was that I was going all the way to Tulsa, via Greyhound, to watch the tournament. I am a

crazy pool nut, that's for sure, but even I'm not that nutty.

In spite of all the frustrations, I am truly grateful to those who support me and my, uh, slightly ridiculous mission of being a somewhat decent pool player. They do a good job drowning out the clueless peeps I often have to deal with in this game and really, they may be the only reason I continue to play.

In the meantime, I am busted in regard to vacation days and tournament funding so I will FINALLY (for realz this time) begin my summer vacation.

Life is good. :-)

HAPPY



4th of July!

Tournament Trail

▲ SUNDAY
Felt 10-Ball, 9' tables, 2pm start, \$\$ added
Match Ups, Ft. Collins 9-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added, 3pm start

▲ TUESDAY
Felt 9-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added
Greenfields 8-Ball, bar tables - starting July 10th

▲ WEDNESDAY
Wynkoop Brewing Co 10-Ball Tournament, \$\$ added

▲ THURSDAY
BC's Sports Pub 8-Ball, 1 pm start, \$5 entry

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Antique Billiards 9-Ball, Colo Spgs, 719-597-9809
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Felt 8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added
Love's Shack 8-Ball, bar table, 2 pm start
Match Ups, Ft. Collins 8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 7:30 pm

▲ SATURDAY
BC's Sports Pub 9-Ball, bar table
Felt 9-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 4:30 pm
Love's Shack 8-Ball, no AAA's, \$\$ added, 7pm

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Special Events

July 7th
BC's Sports Pub Open 8-Ball, 1 pm start
Love's Shack 9-Ball Scotch Doubles, 1pm start

July 14th
Greenfields Ryno Memorial Tournament, 8 & 9-ball
JD's Sports Grill Shoot To Win Tournament, 6pm start
Love's Shack 8-Ball Thunder, APA, 1pm start

July 21st
BC's Sports Pub Open Scotch Doubles, 1 pm start
Felt \$1000 Added Big Table 8-Ball Open
Love's Shack 8-Ball Scotch Doubles, 1pm start

July 22nd
Felt Big Table 8-Ball, A's & down, \$\$ added
Broadways Tavern Shoot to Win Tournament, 6pm start

July 28th
Antique Billiards Rocky Mountain State Games
Love's Shack 9-Ball Scotch Doubles, 1pm start

July 29th
Felt 8-Ball, 9' tables, 2pm, \$\$ added

Upcoming Events

Aug. 4	Majestic Saloon	Shoot to Win Tourney
Aug. 11	Greenfields	Memorial Golf & Pool Tourney
Aug. 18, 19	Love's Shack	Stay in Stroke Doubles Tourney
Sept. 21-23	Felt	Shoot for a Cure 2012

See ads for more information

Instruction With Tom

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Play the shot in the diagram now to track the cue ball on the perpendicular line at various speeds. Observe where the cue ball lands after every shot. Work on your low, soft stop shot to track the cue ball along the line with just enough speed to get to the short rail. Can you add speed and use this track to move the cue ball two rails to the center of the table? Can you add more speed to move the cue ball through the center of the table for a good shot on a ball lying at point X? For that position try a firm stop shot with a touch of outside english, right in this case. Does that affect the cue ball's track? You will find that when you use english and maintain your punch stroke, the english will not move the cue ball off of the perpendicular line. Play for the ball

at point X with just a little outside english to move the cue ball into position without excessive speed. Get comfortable with using english in this way, just enough to give you a natural roll off of the two rails, and find the right speed to land on at least five separate, precise points along the entire path.

You can reflect on your work now and consider two important results. Note how comfortable the perpendicular track can feel and how many possibilities are at your disposal when you choose it. Set up and play other shots with the same technique as you predict and observe the possible outcomes. Watch the best players and note how often they choose the track and reliable punch stroke that you are mastering today. You may be amazed by how frequently you see successful position resulting from one consistent choice.



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