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Mile High Pool Leagues Crowns Summer Session Team Champions

Can't Golf Either, Midnite Strokers and Love's Exceptions declared victory at the Mile High Pool Leagues Summer Session Championships at Greenfields Pool and Sports Bar. Can't Golf Either from Holiday Billiards won the 8-ball tournament. Midnite Strokers out of Jake's Roadhouse won in 9-ball. Love's Exceptions from Love's took the Ladies Division. Beyond bragging rights and trophies, each team took home \$1,000 in prize money.

The runners-up were **Greenfields** in 8-ball, **Shenanigans** from Club Level in 9-ball and **The Bandaid Squad** from Greenfields. Each team received a trophy and \$750 prize money.



Greenfields (2nd: 8-Ball)



Bandaid Squad (2nd: Ladies)



Shenanigans (2nd: 9-Ball)

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"Stay in Stroke" Tourney at Greenfields a HUGE Success

Results provided by Rich Montoya, Tournament Director

Sixty-four players, including some of the top men and women players from the area, showed up at Greenfields on October 22nd and 23rd to battle it out for money and pride. The format was alternate games between 8-ball and 9-ball in a race to 6. Fifty percent of the matches went to the hill including the finals - which was very exciting to watch!

Many years ago, I watched a match in Colorado Springs that featured two of the biggest names to ever play this magnificent game - Mike Sigel and Buddy Hall. It was a race to 11 where Mike Sigel ran 10 racks before he missed a shot. Then Buddy Hall ran 11. What a match! What offense, what shot-making ability! Not to mention focus, determination, and the will to win! That's why I chose to make my tournaments a winner breaks format.

Well, little did I know that two great players from right here in Denver came to do something similar - Andrew (ATM) Pettinger and Rich Cunningham. Both players put on the same show. The score was 2-0 in favor of ATM when Rich put two racks together to tie 2-2. Then ATM missed and Rich ran four racks to win the 1st set. Then the 2nd set began the same way with Rich sitting on 5-2 lead when ATM found the right gear and ran four racks to win the match and the tournament. What cue ball control, patterns, discipline, and determination. And oh, by the way, you should have been there!

Earlier in the tourney, I made an open invitation to all the players. If anyone could run six straight without their opponent shooting, I would comp them into my next tournament. Well ATM did just that, but not without a scare in the semifinals when Caleb Lovato won the lag, and then broke and ran three racks. A failed safety attempt by Caleb allowed ATM to



Left to Right: Rich Cunningham (2nd), Charlie Williamson (Greenfields owner), ATM (1st), and Rich Montoya (Tournament Director)

the table where he put together a SIX PACK and won the free entry. What a show.

The tournament was bracketed AAA's, AA's, A's, and women:

Carol James won the women's bracket.

went through the bracket by defeating Roberta Maestas (6-3), Teri Hart (6-3), Angela Jackson (6-5), then Chris Honeman (6-5) whom she had never beaten before. Then she lost to Rich Burbach (A) player, 6-3 in the semifinals.

Rich Burbach won a trip to the finals by defeating Brandie Rejent (6-3), Dan Kulp (6-5), Mike Lopez (6-4) and then Brian Bogart (6-2) before losing to ATM (6-1). At that point he had won the A bracket and was guaranteed 3rd overall. He was happy about his finish, but of course wished he could have done better. Don't we all? Congratulations on a great tourney, Rich.

Caleb Lovato won the AA bracket by defeating Tony Gonzales (6-0), James Brothers Harvey Wilford (6-5), then an upcoming Champ by the name of Derek Skonecki (6-5). The AA bracket is full of players that on any given Sunday have the talent to win the whole tournament. Congratulations to Caleb on a strong fin-

I would like to thank all the players who participated, Greenfields (Charlie Williamson, Shawn McKelvey, and Tim Mithell) as well as their staff. Also a big thanks to Tina Payne, Dale James, James Brothers, Randy Etheridge, and Larry Sposato as well as Mike Willeford.

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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 2000

This month I want to discuss shooting with inside english, something that occurs as a problem for many players including experienced ones, and the most frequently adduced problem among accomplished shooters who ask me for help. Most of the shots that require english are

played with outside english, the case of cutting a ball to the right with some left on the cue ball for example. This phenomenon alone may account for the fact that shots requiring inside english often cause a fear

reaction for many players.

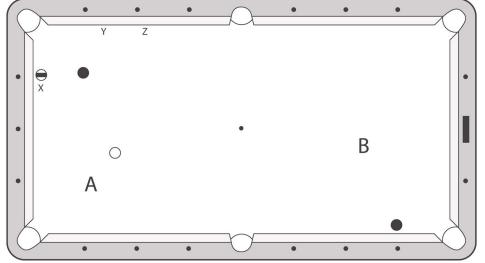
Twice before we have discussed techniques for hitting shots with inside english but only as part of an exercise presented in a larger context. It's time now to isolate the shot and give it our full attention. Beginning with shot A from the diagram set the balls as shown to pocket the object ball and play position for the ball at point X. Probably you will see before

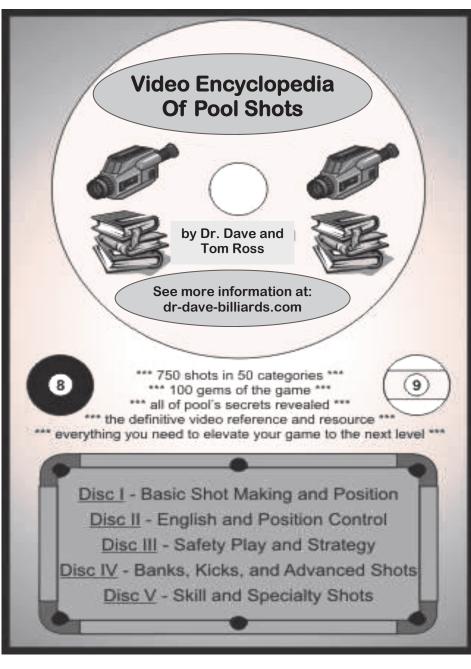
shooting that the shot requires a high cue ball hit with some left-hand english.

Before playing the shot for the position described play it once or twice with stop on the cue ball. Naturally the cue ball does not stop but sails off on the perpendicular line away from your next shot, just the opposite of your intention. Remember that the stop shot is not merely a function of where you hit the cue ball but is more closely associated with how you hit the cue ball, the punch stroke. Knowing this will help you understand that, despite a high left hit on the cue ball, using a punch stroke will move it too far away off the object ball toward point z to return it from the rail for the next shot. To execute the shot you must combine a smooth follow stroke with high left to move the cue ball toward point y, from where the left spin can easily make it return to the bottom rail for a shot on your next ball.

Because the first shot is played best with a relatively soft stroke, incorporating the follow stroke will not be difficult. Before we move on to shot B we need to discuss one more aspect of the shot to appreciate fully the importance of using the follow stroke for most shots with inside english. With shots that require inside english deflection causes a miss more often than it does on shots requiring outside english, perhaps because deflection pushes the cue ball away from the object ball when using inside english. Let's examine a technique that will take a lot of the deflection out of the shot for greater accuracy. Stated simply, a smoothly executed follow stroke with gradual acceleration causes less cue-ball deflection than a punch stroke. Play shot A five times in the context of keeping your tip on the cue ball and note the results.

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Melissa Little

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Question:

"If I were to get a private pool lesson from you, what would we work on?"

Answer:

This is the order that I would offer you in a private pool lesson:

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Each and every time, I ask my students to write down on a blank piece of paper their pre-shot routine. Sometimes they look at me funny and say, "Well, I don't have one". Well, you need to get one...

So listen up readers, this is your homework!!! Watch a pool match on ESPN or YouTube and borrow one of the top pros. Watch to see if they are consistently doing the same thing over and over. When you're done please send your answers to: melissa@melissalittle.com and you could be featured in the December issue of the Cue Times. Lets see if you are right!

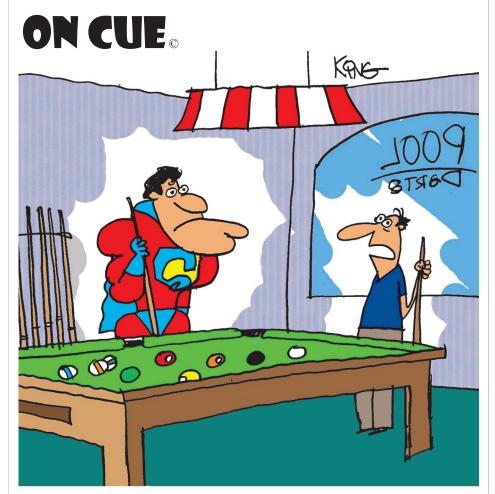
Best of luck to you,

Viper ©

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Did You Know . . .

Pool tables originally had flat vertical walls for rails and their only function was to keep the balls from falling off. They resembled riverbanks and even used to be called "banks". Players discovered that balls could bounce off the rails and began deliberately aiming at them. Thus a "bank shot" is one in which a ball is made to rebound from a cushion as part of the shot.



"Faster than a speeding bullet? More powerful than a locomotive? Well, I ain't ever seen you on ESPN, so I like my chances."



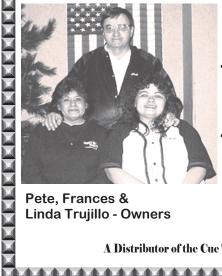
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It's Appleton Again at the 2011 US Open

by Samm Diep PoolTipJar.com

The final day of the 36th Annual U.S. Open 9-Ball Championships concluded with a flaw-less performance by the explosive British player "Dynamite" Darren Appleton. He defeated Shawn Putnam in a single-set finals match with a convincing score of 13-6. Appleton is the

third player in U.S. Open 9-Ball history to claim back to back titles since Mika Immonen in 2008/2009 and Nick Varner in 1989/1990.

This year, 251 players representing over 30 countries arrived to vie for the most prestigious professional billiard title on U.S. soil. Only four entered the final day where each match would now be a win-by-two format that never came into play.

The determined Brit entered the Accu-stats TV arena for his finals match sporting his patriotic England shirt with his country's bold name and logo on the back. He had already defeated Putnam once in the first round of the finals bracket and felt confident he could do it again.

The first of only two errors by Appleton came in rack seven. While up 6-0, he scratched while



Back to Back U.S. Open Champ, Darren Appleton

playing one-rail position from the 3 to the 4 ball allowing Putnam a chance to move his first bead. He would claim that rack and two more bringing the score to 6-3 when the American fans began chanting, "USA! USA!" Put-

nam cracked a smirk but the cue ball found a way to the pocket on his following break.

Appleton continued his lead throughout the match keeping the cue ball on a very short leash. His patterns were simple, his speed was precise, and his pocketing was deadly. While ahead 11-5, Appleton finally missed a thin cut on the 3 ball that sold out the rack. Putnam ran a few balls but found he was cold from the chair. He missed the 7 ball in the corner but it banked in the side two rails. He did get out but broke and scratched in the following rack. Appleton ran that rack, then broke and ran the final rack for the match and title.

Putnam earned his second place finish defeating a number of world class players including Mosconi Cup MVP Dennis Hatch 11-2. Putnam appeared unstoppable, running the first four racks and jumping to an 8-0 lead before Hatch even won a game. The two friends bantered and even exchanged a fist pump when Hatch played a lock up safety on the 6 ball while down 8-1. Ultimately, Hatch was unable to capitalize on the rare opportunities he received and at 10-2, when Putnam got perfect on the 6 ball with four balls left on the table, he threw in the towel.

Putnam continued his tear in his next match against "The Lion" Alex Pagulayan who made a few uncharacteristic mental errors. Pagulayan received his first loss from Appleton in winnerside finals match. Both players stayed at each other's heels until Appleton was ahead 7-6. In that rack, Appleton missed a 2 ball displaying the first possible signs of a slight mechanical breakdown. The gentlemen exchanged a few safeties until Pagulayan finally had an offensive shot at the 3 ball. As he shot it a cell phone went off in the top row leaving him with a tricky shot on the 4 ball. "I told you, only when he shoots," said the playful lion. After much pondering, Pagulayan swung and missed the 4 in the corner. He would never regain control of the table again after that. Appleton's break was too effective and consistent and would ultimately earn him the grand prize.

Visit usopen.azbilliards.com for online brackets and photo gallery.

2012 Dates Set for Women's U.S. Open 9-Ball Championship

TULSA, OK - The Women's Pro Billiard Tour announced that the 2012 U.S. Open 9-Ball Championships will return to the fabulous River Spirit Casino in Tulsa, Oklahoma June 6-10, 2012. Great Britain's Allison Fisher will be on hand to defend her title, won on this very stage on June 19, 2011. The quarter final, semi final and final matches will be taped by ESPN for seven one-hour national broadcasts.

The WPBA U.S. Open 9-Ball Championships is a major stop on the Women's Pro Billiard Tour and is happy to make its home at the River Spirit Casino for a second year in a row. Said WPBA president Tamre Rogers, The River Spirit Event Center and Casino staff were second to none, and Tulsa fans are simply the best! The event and staging were spectacular and the tour is already looking forward to returning to Tulsa in 2012.

River Spirit Casino and the River Spirit Event Center are pleased to have hosted the 2011 Women's US Open 9-Ball Championships and proud to have been selected to host the event again in 2012 and 2013, commented Jerry Floyd,

General Manager at River Spirit. The Tulsa area and the entire state support and deserve world class events such as this one. We are committed to making this year's event bigger and better than 2011.

Already slated to compete are the best known names in the world of women's pro billiards, including Jasmin Ouschan; famed "Black Widow" Jeanette Lee; Chinese sensation Xiaoting Pan, British "Kwikfire" Kelly Fisher; 2010 U.S. Open champ Ga Young Kim aka "Little Devil Girl"; Hall of Famer and defending champion Allison Fisher; USA's own Monica Webb; and Ireland's Karen Corr.

The event will once again kick off with a charity pro-am on June 6, 2012 at 7 p.m. Open to the general public, fans have a chance to compete against top players while raising money for Komen for the Cure Tulsa.

It all takes place at the River Spirit Event Center, adjacent to the River Spirit Casino at 81st and Riverside in Tulsa.



Reigning US Open Champion, Allison Fisher

About the Women's Professional Billiard Association (WPBA):

The WPBA was established in 1976 as the Women's Professional Billiard Alliance, and celebrated its 35th anniversary in 2011 as the oldest pro player organization in the sport. The WPBA sanctions and produces the Women's Pro Billiard Tour, which features ESPN-televised events with the world's greatest women players.

Johnny Archer Joins Dragon Promotions

Chicago, Illinois-World Champion and living legend Johnny "Scorpion" Archer has signed on to be represented by international events company Dragon Promotions. Archer has easily been one of the most winning players of all time in the



sport of billiards. With titles such as the US Open 9-Ball Championship, two World Championships, and induction to the BCA Hall of Fame, Archer has become one of the most recognizable figures in pool and teaming with Dragon Promotions will further promote his name and brands.

"Dragon Promotions is one of the best pool companies out there. Cindy Lee and Charlie Williams do a wonderful job promoting events and their players and I'm really pleased to be with them. I hope we can do more together for the sport", said Archer.

"Johnny is one of the few real icons in the sport of billiards. When you talk about someone who has done it all, he really has. His titles and credentials list is too long to list. And in the overseas markets, he is one of the very few recognizable western names. And he is still hot and winning events," said Cindy Lee, CEO of Dragon Promotions.

Johnny Archer hailed from the small town of Twin City, Georgia of a population of less than 2000 people. This small town wonder went on to win over 60 professional titles in his career. Voted Player of the Decade in the 1990's, he has continued to be a dominant force in American pool and the world. Archer has won tournaments around the world and has had countless television appearances. A staple of the annual USA vs Europe event the Mosconi Cup, Archer has captained and also played in nearly every one, leading USA to victory most of the time. Archer's good natured personality, ferocious intense desire to win, and southern charm has led him to be considered by most top players and fans as the modern prototype player for American pool.

Archer's name will join Dragon Promotions's other elite stars including Allison Fisher of England, Mika Immonen of Finland, Rodney Morris of USA, Shanelle Loraine of Guam, Erica Eunji Park of Korea, Mike Davis, Raj Hundal of India, and Charlie Williams.

Johnny Archer has been sought after for shows and sponsorships. Johnny has instructed in pool schools, clinics, and given private lessons. Johnny is sponsored by Cuestix International and has his own line of Scorpion Cues. Archer also endorses Bonus Ball and owns Marietta BIlliard Club in Georgia. For information on booking Johnny Archer please contact Dragon Promotions at 1-407-782-4978 begin_of_the_skype_highlighting 1-407-782-4978 or e-mail dpsportsmanagement@yahoo.com

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You Have Chosen the Way of Pain by OMG

January 12th, 2011

A couple of weeks ago, I ran into one of the pool players from Ventura who finds me and my hijinks perpetually amusing. We were chatting about nothing in particular when he asked an interesting question, "I bet you get a lot of comments when you ride the bus while carrying a cue case! How do you handle that?"

Public transportation is full of — interesting — people. Sometimes, they are annoying-interesting, sometimes they are psychotic-interesting (like me!). Sometimes they are well-meaning annoying but they are annoying all the same. These people like to talk. They want someone to talk to. I am not that person. They don't know this. So, they zero in on my cue case as a means to stick their proverbial foot in the door to what they think will be a grand foyer of conversation (and perhaps a date, or marriage, or a green card).

Common questions include:

"Say, is that a pool cue?"

"Are you a pool player?"

"You a pool shark?"

The WORST answer to this question is: "Yes." Why?

Because pool is one of those games where EVERYONE thinks they're good at it and there is no real reference point for excellence for the common unwashed masses.

You KNOW what I mean.

You've been there.

Let's have a conversation about conversation.

You're having a casual conversation with a bunch of non-competitive pool players (coworkers, friends, acquaintances) and somehow, it comes into the conversation that YOU PLAY POOL. In my case, well-meaning (non-pool playing) friends usually bring it up as a point of interest.

After that bit of information drops like an anvil, I swear everyone's internal "In Case Of Pool Player Claims, Break Glass For Stupidity" case detonates and normally rational people suddenly have no problem saying something along the lines of:

"Well! I'm pretty damn good myself!"

"I hustled my way through college!"

"My Daddy/Granddaddy/Great Uncle/Great Uncle's Granddaddy's Daddy/pet rat/pet mouse/pet rock was a city/state/national/intergalactic champion and he/she/it taught me to play and I'm

really good, too!"

Oh. God. Please.

Just STFU.

Think about it

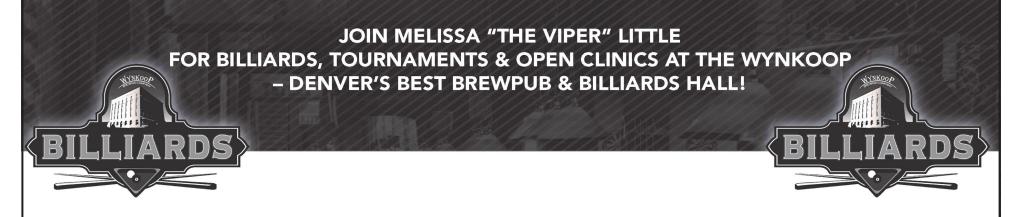
It's actually kind of rare for people (especially the nice, normal people who bake apple pies and watch Masterpiece Theatre) to jump up and loudly boast to the world that they are, in fact, incredibly badass at this — thing — that you happen to be good at, but they'll do it, rolling pin and all. It's a challenge and they are directly insinuating that YOU are not as good as THEM — and they need you to acknowledge this.

Pool is one of the surest instigators of oneupsmanship in the known (and unknown) universe.

There's a quote by Peter Ustinov that goes: "If the world should blow itself up, the last audible voice would be that of an expert saying it can't be done."

If you listen very closely after that expert is done talking, you'll hear someone say: "So, you're pretty good, huh? We should play sometime! I bet I can beat yoooouuuuu..... [fades into nothingness]."

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Summer Session Tri-Cup Tournament Results

The weekend of Oct 22-23rd was the date for the Northern Colorado APA Tri-Cup Tournament. Twenty-five teams qualified through weekly league play to compete for their portion of the \$2800.00 in team prize money. The top eight teams have also advanced to the Local Team

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What Would the Pros Do? vol. 3

by Samm Diep November 2011 ©



Volume 3 of "What Would the Pros Do?" is in honor of the recent 36th annual U.S. Open 9-Ball Championships in Chesapeake, Virginia. The event concluded October 22 last month and England's Darren Appleton claimed his

second consecutive title using smart, simple patterns coupled with a consistent, effective break. All this made his run outs look effortless. The following two shots illustrate a pattern in how this winning pro likes to run out.

Shot #1

In the semifinals against Alex Pagulayan, Darren runs these final three balls to move ahead 7-6. The most natural path for the cue ball, using some helping right-hand spin, sends it around the table three rails for position on the 8. The option that Darren has is to decide which pocket he wants to shoot the 8 ball.

Option A plays position to shoot the 8 ball in the corner pocket. If he's able to get perfect on this ball, it's not a bad choice. However, if he comes up short he could be left with a difficult shot. If he overruns position he will be flirting with the side pocket. Option A leaves a pretty small window for position.

Option B plays position to shoot the 8 ball in the side pocket. This was the option Darren chose. Opting to play the 8 ball in the side pocket affords a much bigger window to still have a good shot. If he comes up short he will send the cue ball around the 9 three rails for position. If he overruns position he can easily go around the table three rails the other direction for the 9

ball. It's pretty difficult to foil this run out by choosing to play the 8 ball in the side pocket.

Shot #2

In this next example, Darren runs these three balls to advance 4-0 in the finals against Shawn Putnam. Darren is almost straight in on the 6 ball and again, has to decide which pocket he wants to play the 8 ball. I've seen many players in this instance just stop the cue ball guaranteeing they will have a shot on the 8. This may be the easier shot but perhaps not the most effective. Take a

look at what a professional

Option A plays position for the 8 ball in the corner pocket by shooting a stop shot. The benefit to this option is the easier shot on the 6 ball but on the other hand, the position of the 8 ball can make the nearby side pocket seem awfully big if you end up with too much angle.

Option B plays position for the 8 ball in the side pocket by drawing straight back. This was the option Darren chose. The advantage to getting the cue ball to the center of the table is that, again, he has a much bigger window for position on the 8 ball. If he comes up short, he can go around the 9, if he's straight in he shoots a stop shot, and if he goes too far he goes around the



other end of the table; similar to the other example.

There are a couple different schools of thought on this second shot. Some may say the draw shot carries a higher risk of miscuing, which is true. Depending on your style of play, you may prefer less movement on the cue ball. Then, there's also the rule of "don't play position when you already have position" which, in this case, could easily apply.

There is one important thing to remember when faced with a situation like this. Of course you always want to select the shot you're most comfortable shooting but remember, with three balls left on the table you want to be comfortable with all three of them, not just the one. Win more games and have more fun, the way the pros do it!

To purchase the DVD of this match or others like it, go to accu-stats.com and mention this article to receive \$5 off.

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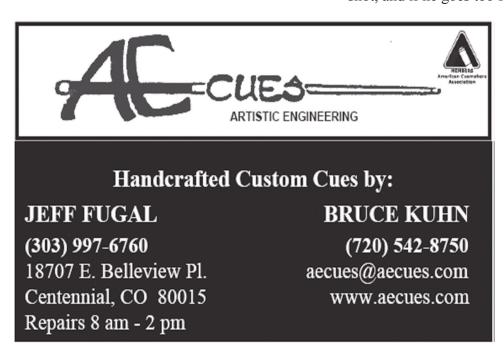
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Rocky Mountain Players to Compete in the 2012 APA National Singles Pool Championships

Watkins

from Broomfield



a n d Robert Randolph o f Brighton qualified for the American Poolplayers Association's (APA) 2012 8-Ball Classic by winning in regional competition on October 1, 2 0 1 1

Kyle

Greenfields Pool and Sports Bar. Also qualifying for the 2012 APA 9-Ball Shootout were Ezra Bovee from Wyoming and Patrick Hayes of Clifton, CO.



Patrick Hayes

Watkins a n d Randolph will join amateur poolplayers from throughout North America to compete in the world's most rewarding 8-Ball singles championshipcash and prizes totaling \$280,000 are guaranteed to be awarded. Bovee

and Hayes will be competing for \$150,000 in

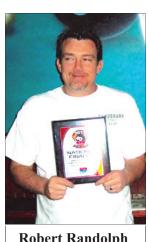


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9-Ball the and Shootout become eligible by entering and winning a local qualifying tournament. Local winners advance to the regional level where they compete in one of four skill level tiers. Regional winners from each skill level tier advance to the national event where they compete with others within

cash and prizes. Runners up in 8-Ball were Kenneth Byrd and Nathan Thelma Olson. Allen and Matthew Rowbotham took second place in 9-Ball.

> APA members who compete in the 8-Ball Classic



Robert Randolph

their skill level category in Las Vegas at the





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Back to the conversation.

If you're like me, you're secretly hoping to quash this situation that is quickly escalating into a contest because there can be no winner, only losers. It's incredibly tough to exit this conversation with dignity. I have a neutral, non-committal reply that suits every occasion:

"I'm all right."

That's it. The less you say, the better. You're not confirming you are a good player. But, you are not denying it, either. It's the best truth in a nutshell you could ever toss to these self-nuthugging squirrels.

Two things can happen now.

Your reticence to talk about pool may encourage the sewing circle now surrounding you to talk about other, more exciting topics like whether or not a crocheted bow tie looks good with a tuxedo (it does, in an ironic sort of way) and whether or not a crocheted cummerbund would be a good accompanying piece (it might, as long as you use simple stitches and it's not too wide).

Or...

...they see your reluctance to discuss this game as \dots F E A R .

More specifically, fear of THEM.

Because, you know, since they're SO excellent at this game and they toot their own horns (and hug their own nuts) about it, if you don't do the same, it can only mean you are NOT excellent at this game. Everyone knows people who are excellent do nothing but spend their time telling the world how excellent they are, right? Right! Excellent!

When it comes to pool, people just get stupid.

Let's go down the Path of Fear.

As our little group of conversationalists walk down the Path of Fear, the needling begins:

"You think you can beat me?"

"I don't think you can beat me."

"You know, I can make three balls in a row sometimes!"

I generally bear these tiny missiles of futility lobbed by what can best be described as an adult regressing into a developmentally slow four-year-old with good humor and grace.

"I'm sure you play great."

"You probably could beat me."

"I'm really happy for you that you can make three balls in a row sometimes."

I call this tactic Give The Baby A Lollipop. Basically, I've gone from being neutral to being good-naturedly supportive of their imbecilic self-nut-huggery. What's that? You want to be an astronaut someday? Oh, an astronaut that rides dinosaurs! I'm sure you'll do that one day, dear! Now come on, it's naptime!

Just humor them and hope the topic changes.

Alas, some want to continue down the Path of Fear.

"Haha, I bet you're scared to play me!"

"You probably think you're good, but wait til you play me! Then you'll really know what 'good' is!"

"I'll totally kick your ass."

Let's review the equation:

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5th- Kiko \$15

Break Pot - \$138

FRI (9/30)

bar table 9-ball 24 players 1st- Andy P. \$85 2nd- Mark H. \$65 3rd- Neil M. \$45 4th-Bijay G. \$25 5th- Rick F. \$10

6th-Bobby B. \$10

Top Lady- Nina P. \$20 **SAT (10/1)** bar table 8-ball

16 players 1st- Rick F. \$60 2nd- Elijah J. \$45

3rd- Nick D. \$30

4th- Bill S. \$15 Top Lady- Aimee P. \$10

SUN(10/2)

big table 10-ball 11 players 1st- Marc V. \$110 2nd- Mark H. \$60 3rd- Bud M. \$30 4th-Nicole K. \$18 Break Pot - \$183

TUE(10/4)

big table 9-ball 11 players 1st- Mark H. \$100 2nd- Greg R. \$54 3rd- Kiko \$30 4th- Andy P. \$20 Break Pot \$155

FRI (10/7)

bar table 9-ball 28 players 1st- Mark H. \$90 2nd- Bill S. \$65 3rd- Neil M. \$40 4th- Rick F. \$20 5th- Bryan G. \$10 6th- Earl D. \$10 7th- Leo Z. \$5 8th- Ian B. \$5 Top Lady- Bert M. \$15

SAT (10/8)

bar table 8-ball 25 players 1st- Rick F. \$85 2nd- Mark H. \$60 3rd- Richard M. \$40 4th- Pepe G. \$20 5th- Ted K. \$10 6th- Angela J. \$10

SUN(10/9)

big table 10-ball 17 players 1st- \$140 2nd- \$80 3rd- Greg R. \$50 4th- Rick R. \$30 5th- Neal M. \$16

TUE(10/11)

big table 9-ball 16 players 1st - Mark H. \$125 2nd - Andv P. \$75 3rd - Kiko I. \$45 4th - Donal P. \$27

FRI (10/14)

bar table 9-ball 15 players 1st- Tony A. \$65 2nd - Mark H. \$40 3rd - Andy P. \$20 4th - Donald P. \$10 Top Lady - Brandie \$15

SAT (10/15)

bar table 8-ball 19 players 1st- Neal M. \$75 2nd - Jose C. \$50 3rd - Adam K. \$35 4th - Alex P. \$15 Top Lady - Kim D. \$15

SUN(10/16)

big table 10-ball 8 players 1st- Mark H. \$66 2nd - Manual M. \$46 3rd - Neal M. \$32

TUE(10/18)

big table 9-ball 15 players 1st - Mark H. \$120 2nd - Rick F. \$80 3rd - Andy P. \$50 4th - Kiko I. \$26

FRI (10/21)

bar table 9-ball 14 players 1st- Neal M. \$65 2nd - Mark H. \$45 3rd - Preston \$30

TUE(10/25)

big table 9-ball 15 players 1st - Neal \$130 2nd - Marc \$75 3rd - Geno \$45 4th - Bill S. \$25 5th - Greg R. \$17



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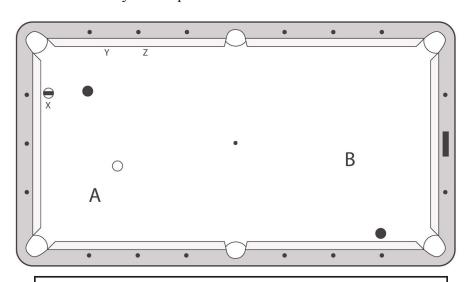
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For shot B you will place the cue ball on the center spot and pocket the object ball again with the goal of shooting the ball at point X next.

Play the shot one time to pocket the ball and move the cue ball three rails around the table for your next shot. If you completed the shot successfully you must be applying all of the principles discussed so far. If not let's dissect the shot into its elements to produce success. If you are over cutting the object ball that's deflection; regardless of stroke more speed always produces more deflection. To pocket the ball with enough speed to get around the table you may have to aim at the object ball to shoot it straight into the rail to compensate enough for the deflection. If you are pocketing the object ball but leaving the cue ball short of its desired position there are several possible causes. Make sure that you are hitting the cue ball with plenty of high and enough left-hand spin to move it around the table. Once again, be certain also to apply your follow stroke to the cue ball. When the shot is played well the cue ball tracks over the center spot on its way down table for the next Play the shot at softer speeds to put the cue ball on this track adding speed gradually until you are incorporating all of the shot's elements to achieve the intended result.

The shot with inside english occurs as a problem for many players and still causes fear for some of the game's best players. This month's exercise provides two common examples of this special shot and provides an opportunity, through mastering the exercise, for you to generate comfort and confidence where others sense fear and dread.





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I'll admit, at this point in the conversation, I internally swerve from avoidance to other, more interesting options. Outwardly, I show no signs of change, but inwardly, my own In Case of Stupid People, Break Glass nuclear warhead has gone off.

"Perhaps we *should* play..."

We've now gone from the Path of Fear to the Way of Pain.

Like those fabulous Choose Your Own Adventure books, my life has plenty of pages in this chapter and I'll say all my matches that came about through the Path of Fear and the Way of Pain have ended in victory.

And the victory is sooooo SWEET!

But then, the nuclear fallout afterwards begins to set in and once again, you realize, there are no winners, only losers. You begin to suffer:

Awkwardness with friends.

Awkwardness with coworkers.

Awkwardness with your coworker's friend's coworker.

Awkwardness with your friend's coworker's friend.

Awkwardness with the guy who works at the deli (I was very sad about this).

Awkwardness with your boss.

Awkwardness with your professor.

Awkwardness with the bartender (s—!).

Awkwardness with someone you were interested in.

In addition, through it all, there was likely an audience to witness the beatdown you didn't want to give to the self-nut-hugger you really didn't give a s— about and that you were content to let continue thinking he was some billiards badass.

That's why when I'm on a bus and someone asks me if I'm carrying a cue, I say, "No."

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Appleton wins the Challenge of Champions

How do you follow up your second straight US Open 9-Ball crown? If you are Darren Appleton, you follow it up with a win at the 2011 Challenge of Champions at the Mohegan Sun Casino in Uncasville, Ct.

This event calls for four invited players to compete in two races to five and a one game sudden death playoff if the players split the first two sets.

There was no sudden death playoff for Darren in his first match as he posted back to back 5-2 wins over World 9-Ball Champion Yukio Akakariyama.

The other semi-final match saw World 10-Ball Champion Huidji See defeat Mika Immonen in a sudden death playoff after winning 5-2 and then losing 5-3.

The final match between Appleton and See did not start off well for Appleton, with See winning the first



Darren Appleton is having one of the best years of his career!

set 5-2. Appleton came back to force a tie-breaker with a 5-2 win of his own in the second set.

See won the lag for the sudden death game, but was unable to get a shot on the one after the break. See did take control after an Appleton safety, with a successful jump shot. That control came unraveled though, when See missed a five ball and was forced to sit and watch Appleton run out the remaining balls for the win.

Appleton earned \$25,000 in the winner take all event.

Tournament Trail

SUNDAY

Felt 10-Ball, 9' tables, 2pm start, \$\$ added

Ike's 8-Ball, bar table

Match Ups, Ft. Collins 9-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added, 3pm start

A TUESDAY

Felt

9-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added

WEDNESDAY

Wynkoop Brewing Co 15 Rack, 10-Ball

FRIDAY

BC's Sports Pub

8-Ball, bar table 9-Ball, bar table

Felt Match Ups, Ft. Collins

8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 7:30 pm

▲ SATURDAY

BC's Sports Pub

3-Ball, bar table

8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added

The Tournament Trail is free for advertisers (\$15 for Tournament Trail listing **only**). Listing of tournaments does not guarantee the event will take place.

Special Events

November 5th

BC's Sports Pub Felt

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Love's Shack Open Scotch Doubles, 9-Ball Love's Shack APA National Singles Qualifiers

November 6th

One Pocket, 9' tables, \$\$ added

November 12th

@ Cheers Greenfields Love's Shack

Felt

8-Ball, bar tables APA Singles Splash Boards 9-Ball Scotch Doubles

Love's Shack APA National Singles Qualifiers
Oasis, Greeley APA National Singles Qualifiers

November 19th

BC's Sports Pub Scotch Doubles

@ Cheers 8-Ball, bar tables

Greenfields
Love's Shack
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Love's Shack
APA National Singles Qualifier
Mirage Turkey Shoot
Benefit Tournament for TaTas
Open Scotch Doubles, 9-Ball
APA National Singles Qualifier
8 and 9 Ball, bracketed, \$\$ added

November 26th

@ Cheers
 Greenfields
 Love's Shack
 Love's Shack
 Match Ups, Ft. Collings
 Scotch Doubles, bar tables
 APA National Singles Qualifiers
 APA National Singles Qualifiers
 Annual Turkey Shoot, bar table, \$\$ added

November 27th

Felt 8-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added

Upcoming Events

Dec. 3rd A Bit of Billiards
Dec. 3rd Felt
Dec. 9-11 Laramie, WY
Dec. 10th Felt

APA Nat'l Singles Qualifiers 8-Ball Freeze Tourney, \$\$ added Laramie Peak Invitational

Mile High TAP December to Remember

Mosconi Cup US Team: Top Five Set for Vegas Show-Down

With the 2011 PartyPoker.net Mosconi Cup set to kick off at 11am on Thursday 8th December at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, the American Mosconi Cup side has been named and Shane Van Boening, Shawn Putnam, Mike Dechaine, Johnny Archer and Rodney Morris will attempt to win back the most prestigious team event in pool.

These five have finished at the top of Matchroom Sport's ranking system that comprised ten events across the USA over a 12 month period. With a total of 26 appearances in the transatlantic tussle between them, there is plenty of experience on hand, with Mike Dechaine being the sole debutant.

Following a career best finish at the weekend's US Open in Chesapeake, Shawn Putnam, who was a member of the winning side in 2005, crashed the top three to guarantee an automatic spot. He ultimately displaced Johnny Archer, but "the Scorpion" and Rodney Morris garnered sufficiently high finishes at the Open to maintain their top five positions and hold off Dennis

Hatch, who narrowly missed out.

With the top three in the ranking assured their spots, Matchroom Sport decided to go with the top five after an epic year-long battle among the top players in the USA, and named Morris and Archer as the "wild cards". The team will now attempt to win back pool's most prestigious team trophy after defeat in London last December.

The US Mosconi Cup Ranking consisted of 10 events throughout the United States, and culminated in the US Open. Points were allocated as per the BCA Points List and each event was weighted depending on total purse, size of field and number of top-ranked players competing.

Only players finishing in the last 32 of each event were allocated points and players were allowed to drop their worst finish of the ten event series. At the conclusion, after the 2011 US Open, the top three players were automatically granted entry to the Mosconi Cup side.

Appleton to the Fore as Team Europe Named

Darren Appleton's second successive US Open title – only the third man in history to successfully defend the biggest title in American pool – saw him move to the second spot in the final European rankings and secure a second successive PartyPoker.net Mosconi Cup appearance.

He will be joined by countryman Chris Melling who has enjoyed a fabulous season, with 14 times Mosconi Cup veteran Ralf Souquet (Germany) claiming the third automatic spot. The remaining two "wild card" spots go to the Dutch duo of Nick Van den Berg and Niels Feijen, who have ten Mosconi Cup appearances between them.

Following a 13 event series over 12 months taking in 12 different countries around the world, the top five players in the ranking will now reconvene at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas to defend the title they won so well in London last year.

World 10-Ball champion Huidji See gave Feijen a run for his money but came up just six points short as "The Terminator"s 17th place finish in Chesapeake saw him over the line.

There are two changes from last year's victorious side – Melling comes in for Karl Boyes, while Feijen replaces Mika Immonen. The team will once again be captained by Dutchman Johan Ruijsink.

The PartyPoker.net Mosconi Cup is the annual Europe vs. America pool showdown. In existence since 1994, the event features two five-man teams doing battle in a series of singles and doubles matches over four days of compelling action.

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MICKY MANOR - 2544 Federal Blvd, 303-458-0043
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PARK TAVERN & RESTAURANT - 921 E 11th Ave. 303-832-7667

PUB ON PEARL - 1101 S Pearl, 303-777-6768 **READY ROOM, THE** - 1141 Syracuse, 303-377-2642

ROCK BOTTOM BREWERY - 1001 16th, 303-534-7616

ROMES SALOON - 785 W Mississippi, 303-744-6643

SKYLARK LOUNGE - 140 S Broadway, 303-722-7844 **SOBO 151** - 151 S Broadway

WYNKOOP BREWING CO - 1634 18th St, 303-297-2700, www.wynkoop.com, Weekly Pool Tournaments

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BEER DEPOT – 4231 W 38th Ave, 303-477-0903

GRIZZLY ROSE - 5450 N Valley Hwy, 303-295-1330

LIL'S PLACE - 7575 N Broadway, 303-430-7176, Pool Leagues, Full Kitchen

LOS POTREROS - 5880 N Broadway, 303-292-4548
LOVE'S SHACK - 7290 N Pecos, 303-426-6420, Pool Leagues, Texas Hold'em, Weekly Pool Tournaments MUSIC BAR - 4586 Tennyson, 303-458-5360

WELCOME INN - 3759 Chestnut Pl, 303-296-7229, Pool Leagues

DENVER SE

CITY PUB - 3575 S Yosemite, 303-694-0454 DEVON'S PUB - 4992 E Hampden 303-756-5507

DIRTY DUCK BAR-4780 E Evans, 303-758-3667

DR. PROCTORS - 4201 E Mississippi Ave, 303-756-1665

DUKE'S BACK STREET SPORTS TAVERN-1150 S Galena, 720-213-0393 **EXTRA INNINGS** - 3333 S Tamarac Dr, 303-337-4075

FOUR MILE HOUSE - 4590 Leetsdale Dr, 303-797-1120, Monday night APA Tournament

JASON'S BILLIARDS II – 2200 S Monaco, 720-377-1560, No Alcohol, Weekly Pool Tournaments

JL'S CHEERS - 3415 S Monaco Pkwy, 303-692-9183 MCDONOUGH'S IRISH PUB-10395 E Iliff Ave, 303-369-9819

MY BAR-10139 E Colfax, 303-367-0426

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PIPER INN - 2251 S Parker Rd, 303-755-0771

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ATHMAR LOUNGE – 1795 W Mississippi Ave, 303-935-5238 **FAT FENDERS B&G** - 2490 W Hampden Ave, 303-781-9408

LONGSHOT LOUNGE - 3665 S Federal Blvd, 789-9653 **O STREET TAVERN** - 3425 S Oleander Ct, 303-758-0332 **ROCKET LOUNGE** - 2950 W Evans Ave, 303-934-9729

IKE'S BAR & GRILL - 1050 W Evans Ave, 303-934-9000

WHITEHORSE LOUNGE - 5130 W Alameda, 303-935-2656

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DAVIE'S LOCKER - 8855 Lowell Blvd, 303-429-0096

ROADHOUSE SPORTS BAR - 8980 Federal Blvd, 303-487-1933 SHOTZ - 2695 W 92nd Ave, 303-427-9910

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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

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ROADHOUSE - 2035 S Sheridan, 303-980-5614,

SHARK'S SALOON & GRILL - 11475 W Colfax, 303-239-8859

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@CHEERS - 11964 N Washington St, 303-955-5660

CASTAWAYS - 451 W 84th Ave, 303-430-9834, Pool Leagues, Pinball, Darts, Dancing, Poker, Bingo, Food

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GINGERS LOUNGE - 7310 Washington, 303-288-9824, Pool Leagues HICC UPS II – 10250 Ura Ln, 303-466-1829

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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

TAFOLINO'S - 524 Malley Dr, 303-452-6172

THIRSTY'S SPORTS PUB - 1294 E 104th Ave, 303-451-9918 TRAILSIDE - 10360 Colorado Blvd, 303-920-9852

TWO DOORS DOWN - 8880 N Washington St, 303-287-9167

VILLAGE PUB - 9150 Huron St, 303-427-7745, Pool Tournaments **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

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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

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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 **STAN'S CARAVAN** - 11221 W 44th Ave, 303-467-3557

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BANK SHOT SPORTS BAR - 1212 8th Street, 719-589-9895

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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

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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

WILLIE'S SOUTH - 1865 N Circle Dr, 719-389-0607 YUKON TAVERN - 525 S Circle Dr, 719-475-0050

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<u>CRAIG</u> <u>MATHER'S BAR</u> - 420 Yampa Ave, 970-824-9946

CRESTED BUTTE

TALK OF THE TOWN - 230 Elk Ave, 970-349-6809

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HOLLIES - 220 Main, 970-874-7060 **DURANGO**

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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, 970-229-1599
MATCH UP'S - 625 S Mason, 970-482-2337, Pool Leagues PITCHERS! SPORTS RESTAURANT - 1100 W Drake Rd., 970-493-5374

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SILVER DOLLAR SALOON - 315 Harrison Ave, 719-486-9914

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PUEBLO BIG DADDY O's - 4111 Club Manor Dr, 719-546-3636

SILVER CLIFF

AFTER R'S - 620 Main St, 719-783-9300

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MINGLES - 1618 Stillwater Ave, 307-632-9966

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LARAMIE

COWBOY SALOON - 108 S 2nd St MINGLES BILLIARDS - 3206 E Grand Ave, 307-721-2005

DOUGLAS

NORTHGATE LIQUORS - 711 N 4th, 307-358-6806 PLAINS TRADING POST - 628 E Richards, 307-358-4489

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

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CAREFREE SPAS & POOLS - 7450 V 52nd Ave Unit V, Arvada, 303-422-0100
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COLORADO BILLIARDS & SPAS - 9140 E Westview Rd, Lonetree, 303-721-8181

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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

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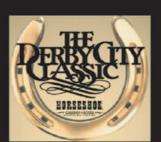
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