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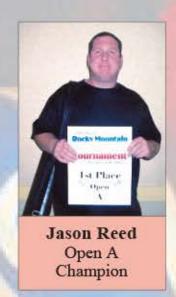
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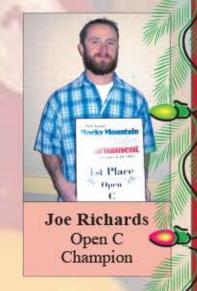








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14 Year Old Nathan Diederich Wins Colorado State Junior 9-Ball Championship

Match-Ups Pool Hall hosted this year's 9th Annual Colorado State Junior 9-Ball Championship. The one-day event had participants from all over Colorado's Front Range and also included families traveling from as far as Kansas and California to participate in this year's juniors event.



1st Place - Nathan Diederich (L) Runner Up - Jerry Miller (R)

The handicapped 9-ball tournament was packedfull of exciting matches as each of the participants were anxious to win the title and the Jacoby Custom Cue grand prize. Colorado's own 10-year-old Jerry Miller lost a tough match on the winner's side and marched his way back through the bracket - winning notable matches against Kyleigh Weston (CO) and Dylan Harmon (KS) to make it to the finals.

Being a true double elimination tournament, little Jerry would have had to win twice against hot-seat match winner Nathan Diederich from CA. Jerry quickly won the first set with a score of 3-1. The second set however had the crowd on the edge of their seats as the match closed with a determined Nathan winning with a final score of 7-5 and becoming this year's state champ!

14-year-old Nathan Diederrich, from Victorville, CA, has proven he is already among some of the best young upcoming pool players in the U.S. as he also finished 4th in this year's BEF Junior Nationals 14-under division.

Between the semi-finals and the finals, pros Mark Haddad from Colorado and Ohio's Danny "The Shredder"

Smith donated their time to perform a trick shot show, challenge matches and play a mini-grudge match to entertain the kids.

A special thanks to Match-Ups pool hall owners Nicole and Mike Hellmer for hosting this year's event, Danny and Mark for encouraging and taking time out for the kids, Dr. Dave Alciatore for stopping by to watch and donating DVD's to the kids, WPBA touring pro Melissa Little for donating \$700 worth of future private lessons, baking cupcakes, and organizing/running this fantastic event, Jacoby Custom Cues for donating the grand prize each year, Qzetta.com for all the gift bag donations and an extra special thanks to ALL of the kids who participated in this year's event!!

2013 RESULTS

1st place Nathan Diederich (14) Victorville, CA

Wins the Jacoby custom cue, trophy, gift bag, Dr. Dave DVD, signed t-shirt and private pool lesson package with "the Viper".

2nd place Jerry Miller (10) – Evans, CO Wins donated cue, trophy, gift bag, highest 15under award, DVD signed t-shirt and lesson.

3rd place Dylan Harmon (18) – Wichita, KS Wins trophy, gift bag, DVD signed t-shirt and lesson.

4th place Kyleigh Weston (18) – Windsor, CO Wins highest finishing female award, special gift bag, signed t-shirt and lesson.

ALL the kids won additional gift bags!!!

Other notable past Colorado State Champions

2005 Zack Winter - Denver, CO

2006 DJ Martinez - Pueblo, CO

2007 Nicole Keeney - Englewood, CO

2008 James Fortin - Denver, CO

2009 Malek Haj Hussein - Colo Springs, CO

2010 Ricky Smiley - Colo Springs, CO

2011 Nick Weston - Greeley, CO

2012 Randy Rodriguez - Cheyenne, WY

Billiard Education Foundation Announces 2014 Academic Scholarships Sponsored by Str8 Shots

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October 7, 2013 (Englewood, CO): Str8 Shots Billiards & Darts proudly sponsors the 2014 Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) Academic Scholarship Awards. Applications are currently being accepted for these awards. The objective of the BEF Academic Scholarship Program is to grant scholarships to students who have benefited from the sport of billiards and plan to pursue a college education.

This opportunity has previously only been available to high school seniors but through the generous support of Str8 Shots, this year's scholarships will be award to three categories: high school seniors only (\$2,000 award for the winner and \$1,000 for runner-up), 9th -11th graders (\$500 award), and 6th -8th graders (\$500 award).

"Str8 Shots has been committed to encouraging youth to do all they can to achieve their highest academic potential since they opened the doors four years ago. Sponsoring the 2014 BEF Academic Scholarships is just another way we can provide the youth with an opportunity to reach

their potential academically," said owners Marc and Kimberly Griffiths.

Complete details on eligibility, guidelines, and application/ registration can be found at the following link: http://www.str8-shots.com/2014-academic-

scholarship-essay-contest/. Entries must be postmarked by Friday, February 28, 2014. Online registration deadline is Friday, February 21, 2014. Winners will be announced on Tuesday, April 15.

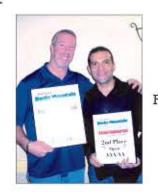
The BEF has awarded over \$200,000 in academic scholarships since 1993 and continues to promote higher education and a lifelong love for the sport of pocket billiards. For more details on BEF scholarships or sponsoring an academic scholarship, visit billiardeduation.org.

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28th Annual **Rocky Mountain VNEA** Singles Tournament

Congratulations to the **Top Finishers!**





Open AAA/AA From Left: Rich Cunningham (1st), Adam Sisneros (2nd), James Beckemeyer (3rd), and Jeff McKeon(4th)





Open A From Left: Jason Reed (1st), Justin Peeples (2nd), Mike McQueen (3rd), and Mike Hogan (4th)







1st Place

Women's AA/A From Left: Midori Spatz (1st), Carol James (2nd), Laura Lo-Birch (3rd), and Debbi Glover (4th)





Open B From Left: Mike Krahl (1st), Kevin French (2nd), Malek Haj-Hussein (3rd), and Curt Wisely (4th)















Open C From Left: Joe Richards (1st) James Zook (2nd), Mike Kelley (3rd), and Ross Wedel (4th)







28th Annual Rocky Mountain VNEA Singles Results

Nov. 8-10, 2013 - Held at Holiday Inn, Cheyenne, WY

OPEN AAA\AA FINAL 8 69 players

1st RICH CUNNINGHAM 2nd ADAM SISNEROS JAMES BECKMEYER 3rd 4th JEFF MC KEON DAVID MUNOZ DERRICK PACHECO 5th - 6th CHICO CISNEROS

ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/DENVER USA :Colorado BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/DENVER USA :Colorado

ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRINGS
CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE, INC. USA. Wyoming
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ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRING

OPEN A FINAL 16

116 players JASON REED 1st JUSTIN PEEPLES 3rd

MIKE MCQUEEN MIKE HOGAN 5th - 6th JOHN BAYLOR 5th - 6th JOHN ROY

CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE, INC. USA :Wyoming GAMES PEOPLE PLAY, INC. USA :Colorado ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/DENVER USA :Colorado ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRINGS ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRINGS Top 6 players move up to AA

7th - 8^{III} BILL ANDERSON CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE. INC. USA: Wyoming
7th - 8^{III} DELBERT WALTERS WYOMING AMUSEMENT INC. USA: Wyoming

ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRINGS

9th - 12th CHARLIE WILLIAMSON GAMES PEOPLE PLAY, INC. USA :Colorado ERIC INGLIBEE BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado 9th - 12th GARY WORK GAMES PEOPLE PLAY, INC. USA :Colorado 9th - 12th JOSHUA PEREZ

ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRINGS GAMES PEOPLE PLAY, INC. (CO) USA :Colorado BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado

13th - 16th BEAU BOWRING 13th - 16th JOHN SANTISTEVAN 13th - 16th KEVIN CARDONA 13th - 16th SAM SEDDON

OPEN B FINAL 16

110 players MIKE KRAHL KEVIN FRENCH MALEK HAJ-HUSSEIN 4th **CURT WISELY** JEFF HOYT TOMMY RIVERA 5th - 6th Top 6 players move up to A 7th - 8th MARK FRONZAGLE MARK FRONZAGLIA RANDY CARRILLO

9th - 12th CHARLES SCHAFER LEO RIVERA WES SCOTT ALAN LEMASTER

CHAD LEELING JESSE MARTINEZ 13th - 16th STEVE NICHOLSON

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SAGEBRUSH AMUSEMENTS USA :Wyoming

OPEN C FINAL 16

128 players JOE RICHARDS JAMES ZOOK MIKE KELLEY 2nd 4th ROSS WEDEL 5th - 6th LEONARD JOHNSON 5th - 6th J.J. MORRIS Top 6 players move up to B 7th - 8th BEN RADFORD

DREW SMEDSRUD 9th - 12th MIKE HONEYCUTT AJ UREIN 9th - 12th JACKIE NORWOOD 9th - 12th TYLER HOPKINS 13th - 16th JUSTAN WOOD 13th - 16th NICK REED 13th - 16th LEE MESTAS 13th - 16th STEVE MOBLEY

BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado SAGEBRUSH AMUSEMENTS USA: Wyoming BMW BILLIARDS USA: Colorado BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPGS PATTY RACK AMUSEMENTS USA : Wyoming

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WOMENS AA/A FINAL 8

32 players

MIDORI SPATZ Top 1 players move up to AA

CAROL JAMES LAURA LO-BIRCH DEBBI GLOVER 5th - 6th 5th - 6th LANNA WOOD ROSE RAMOS DESIREE STRAIGN TERI HART

CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE.

USA: Wyoming

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WOMENS B FINAL 8

32 players

KYLEIGH WESTON Top 1 player move up to Women's A

DENISE TENORIO DEBBIE HELLNER JENNIFER HOSTERT PAULA MCCLURE LAURA WALNOFER LORA JIMENEZ ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/DENVER USA :Colorado

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CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE, INC. USA Wyoming
ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRINGS
CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE, INC. USA Wyoming

WOMENS C FINAL 8

47 players

KRYSTLE JANE NICOLE DEHERRERA 1st TOENIYA RADFORD Top 3 players move up to Women's B SAGEBRUSH AMUSEMENTS USA :Wyoming ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLORADO SPRING CHEYENNE VENDING & AMUSE. USA: Wyoming

DORI NORCUTT ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLO SPGS SAMANTHA(SAM) LE BLANC 5th - 6th ENTERTAINMENT EXPERTS/COLO SPGS SANDY KOHL BUTKI LEANNA BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado
WYOMING AMUSEMENT INC. USA :Wyoming 5th - 6th 7th - 8th BMW BILLIARDS USA :Colorado 7th - 8th MICHELLE DEVOE

Junior Event

MINORS (Ages 14-17)

TAREN STEWART 4TH KRISTIANA LIEVANOS

KIMBAL, NEBRASKA WESTMINSTER, COLORADO DENVER COLORADO

YOUTH (Ages 13 & under)

1st JAMES MARTINEZ

2NO ANTHONY POITRA

OPP HUNTER STOOPS 4TH SHEIGN KRAFCZIK CHEYENNE, WYOMING LITTLETON, COLORADO KIMBALL, NEBRASKA

Top Junior Finishers from the **Cheyenne VNEA Tournament**



MINORS (Ages 14-17)

1st SETH KRAFCZIK - NEB

2ND TAREN STEWART - CO

3RD TYLER CASEY - CO

4TH KRISTIANA LIEVANOS - CO



YOUTH (Ages 13 & under)

1st JAMES MARTINEZ - WY

2ND ANTHONY POITRA - CO

3RD HUNTER STOOPS - CO

4TH SHEIGN KRAFCZIK - NEB



FRONT RANGE *VNEA* CLASSIC JAN. 24th & 25th

LONGMONT MOOSE CLUB 2200 PRATT ST

Format: 8-Ball - Top 8 Men/Top 4 Ladies All Divisions go into REDRAW w/o losses All players not advancing ELIGIBLE for 2nd chance bracket for each division - no entry fee, added money and double elimination

Division	Entry	RACE * 1 Game Spot	START
MAAA*/AA	\$75	Prelim 6* Finals 7*	7:00 pm Fri
MENS A	\$65	Prelim 5 Finals 6	7:00 pm Fri
WOMENS AA*/A	\$65	Prelim 4* Finals 5*	7:00 pm Fri
MENS B	\$55	Prelim 4 Finals 5	4:00 pm Fri
MENS C	\$55	Prelim 4 Finals 5	4:00 pm Fri
WOMENS B	\$50	Prelim 3 Finals 4	4:00 pm Fri
WOMENS C	\$50	Prelim 3 Finals 4	4:00 pm Fri

Entry Fee includes \$15 green fee & \$5 admin fee

Entry deadline: JAN. 20th

Open to all active VNEA players currently on roster for the 2013/2014 season. VNEA rules apply. Players ranked off Rocky Mtn players list. Unknown players rated A or higher. More Info Contact your League operator or Gary Benson @ 1-800-262-7665 /gbenson141@aol.com

ANDY CLOTH HIGH DESERT SHOOTOUT

Adds \$9000 for the Amateurs

Press release by Dragon Promotions Photos by EJ Glode

Rawlins, WY - The most popular tournament for amateur players in Wyoming returned for its second year! Wyoming Open promoter E.J. Glode brought the 2nd Annual ANDY CLOTH HIGH DESERT SHOOTOUT back to Rawlins, WY on September 27-29th at the Jeffrey Memorial Community

Center. The Andy Cloth Shootout allows players of all skill levels below pro status to come compete for a \$22,000 prize fund with \$9000 added to the events! The event was cosponsored by Polaris and supported by the Lions Club and Shively Hardware.

Over 150 amateur players competed in three different divisions - from beginner, intermediate, and expert categories. This year a "hard luck" 9-Ball was added on Sunday for players

knocked out adding \$500 to ease the pain, as well as a \$1000 added juniors tournament!

"The Andy Cloth High Desert Shootout is a great complement to our successful Wyoming Open in Saratoga. In the Wyoming Open



1st - Expert Division Eric Durbin

1st - Sportsman Division

James Zook

players and fans get to see the tional events such as pros come mix it up, and now at the Andy Cloth Shootout the amateurs get to duke it out amongst themselves" says E.J. Glode, Founder of the Andy Cloth High Desert Shootout.

US Open 10-Ball Champion and Mosconi Cup 2013 player Rodney Morris with renown pro Raj Hundal of India were on hand as

well for the festivities, purely as guests to promote the sport.

"It's great to see Andy Cloth get more involved in the sport. Andy Cloth itself plays better and is more durable than any cloth I've played on around the world. And the prices are actually lower than all the other top brands, so it's pretty unbeatable for room owners and homeowners who

> want the best playing surface" said Rodney Morris.

Andy Cloth was founded in 1973 and has become one of the premier professional playing cloths in the world today. Manufactured in Taiwan, AndyCloth has quickly impressed critics and professional players worldwide and has been exclusively used in major interna-

The Women's World 9-Ball Championship, The China Open,The Beijing Open, USA's 71st World Tournament of 14.1 in the USA, the International Champion-10-Ball ships in Philippines,



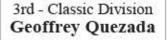
1st - Classic Division Juan Venegas

the Wyoming Open, the High Desert Shootout and many more.

The Andy Cloth High Desert Shootout is an 8-Ball event, played on 7-foot bar tables with green Andy Pro Cloth. The Expert Division had \$5000 added, with \$1500 added to the Classic (Intermediate) Division and \$500 added to the Sportsman (Beginner) Division.

Colorado's Other Top Finishers







3rd - Sportsman Division Josh Ramey

Expert Place Name Came From Prize Eric Durbin Utah \$2,100 1st Carl Christiansen Utah \$1,600 2nd Roger Bordley Utah \$1,300 Tim Joseph Idaho \$1,000 4th Tom Bourdeon South Dakota \$600 5th \$600 Utah Tommy Baker Wyoming Matt Sanchez \$405 Mark Tad Utah \$405 Ed Borrego Colorado Jordan Thayer \$225 Wyoming Brian Krapes Colorado \$225 Tom Thompsoon South Dakota \$225 Colorado \$150 13th Jose Cruz Utah \$150 Ace Brown BJ Spencer Wyoming \$150 Ricardo Martinez Wyoming \$150

Classic			
Place	Name	Came From	Prize
1st	Juan Venegas	Colorado	\$850
2nd	Ole Olson	Wyoming	\$700
3rd	Geoffrey Quezada	Colorado	\$550
4th	Anthony Lucero	Wyoming	\$410
5th	Ross Smith	Colorado	\$260
	Mike Kozeniewski	Wyoming	\$260
7th	Bryan Bland	Wyoming	\$190
	Bill Farmer	Colorado	\$190
9th	Juan Aranda	Wyoming	\$140
	Don Rogers	Wyoming	\$140
	Peaches	Wyoming	\$140
	John Marich	Wyoming	\$140
13th	Shannon Fisher	Wyoming	\$100
	Steven Cloward	Wyoming	\$100
	Logan Penhollow	Wyoming	\$100
	Jarrold Harris	Wyoming	\$100

Sportsman			
Place	Name	Came From	Prize
1st	James Zook	Wyoming	\$400
2nd	Jana Thompson	South Dakota	\$270
3rd	Josh Ramey	Colorado	\$200
4th	Mike Johnson	Wyoming	\$150
S	Zane Long	Wyoming	\$90
	Rick Lumpkins	Wyoming	\$90
7th	Trey Brattin	Wyoming	\$50
	Robert Hilton	Wyoming	\$50



Adventures at the 2013 BCAPL Championships, part 3

by OMG

DAY FIVE

Somewhere back there I lost a day. That's not hard to do when you're in Vegas and drinking... Or when you're not in Vegas, but still drinking. Luckily, this is my story and I wield absolute power over it's space-time.

DAY SIX

Tada!

Back in line.

Moving on...

I wanted to oversleep because I knew I deserved to, but my internal tournament alarm clock woke me up even before my alarm went off. Hilarious, sad, and annoying all at once.

The team we were playing in this first round of eight-ball... was the same team we had eliminated from the nine-ball tournament the evening before. Hell of a coincidence. We were shaky this morning, having played so much nine-ball the day before we forgot how to play eight-ball. The match went hill-hill. I got to play this last game. I broke, scratched, and my opponent very deliberately and carefully ran out all her balls before hooking herself on the eight. She kicked and hit the eight ("Lovely kick, lovely. Absolutely perfect. Beautiful. Just beautiful.") but did not make it. I ran out and we won.

We won the next match.

The match after that, we lost on the hill. I had a chance to win, got awkward position and did not get out. My opponent played extremely well, and did get out.

We were retired for the day and would play again the next evening.

DAY SEVEN

We had just one match today/tonight. You'd think we'd like that, but when we're in competition, having that much free time around a match actually kind of sucks.

You can't eat or drink everything you want until after the match, for fear your performance might be affected. All you think about is when you're going to play (not who you're going to play — that doesn't matter).

When the match finally rolled around (late evening for us), my team had spent all day in irritable anticipation. Oftentimes, the toughest match is the first one of the day and so it was with this one.

The match went hill-hill (of course it did).

I didn't dog it (hooray) and we won.

As it was very late, my teammate and I were going to eat a quick dinner at one of the restaurants and then go to sleep. While we were waiting to order, Francisco Bustamante, who is good friends with my teammate, passed by and asked what we were doing. We said we were going to eat, and then sleep. He waved our plan off and insisted we come up for some homecooked Filipino food.

After a great meal and some road stories, Mr. Bustamante gave us some fruit to take back with us. He said, "You guys have to eat good, keep winning. How far you now?"

"We're on the one-loss in the eight-ball," said my teammate. "But we're in the finals for the nine-ball."

"Oh, you already in finals? That's good."

"We're guaranteed second."

"Yes, winning is good. I come watch you play." He paused for the briefest of seconds before closing the door. "But if you lose, I DON'T PUCKING KNOW YOU! HAHAHA!"

DAY EIGHT

Our first 8-ball team match this morning sucked before we even got started. We had to play a team from San Francisco. The girls on the team might have been short and surlier than me (is that even possible?), but they were very strong players. Of all the teams we had to play, we really, really did not want to play them. Ideally, we would all have met in the finals and then skipped off into the sunset (or nearest bar) and drank all of our combined winnings away. However, we were both on the loser's side so the ideal situation did not apply.:-/

We went hill-hill (really, we need to stop that) and the last game was easily the most difficult, most interesting, and nerve-wracking one I had played in years. It lasted almost an hour because neither of us would sell out. The nittiest, grittiest one pocket players would have appreciated our play. I eeked out the win and we lived to play another round.

We won the next one. We were not playing well, but the ship was still sailing. It seemed only half our team was ever on its game and those two players would have to carry the other two.

We won two more before crashing and burning out in 9th-12th.

Ugh.

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YOU'RE HERE FOR A GOOD TIME... NOT A LONG TIME

Saturday Afternoon Tournaments

Dec. 7 (8-ball), Dec. 21 (9-ball) and Dec. 28 (8-ball) 1:00pm start ~ \$10 Entry Fee

Saturday B-Ball Tournament

7:30 pm start, Open to All Race to 3 on winners and 2 on losers Handicapped, \$10 entry \$\$ added based on entries

FRIDAY AFTERNOON TOURNAMENTS

2pm start, \$10/entry Free pool with drink purchase We Have A New Kitchen! Come and try our "Crash Diet"

8-BALL THUNDER!

at Love's Shack

December 14th

Sign up at 11am ~ Starts at Noon *Must be qualified to play

Roger Burns Benefit ~ December 14th Sign up at 2 pm, Starts at 3:00

\$10 entry + \$5 green fees Let's help out his parents with expenses!



Food, Prizes & Pool Tourney Starts at 7 pm

Ask The Viper...

Q & A's by WPBA Pro Melissa Little

An Interview with Pro Player Jesse Engel



This month's interview is with one of my favorite young upcoming players, Mr. Jesse Engel!

The Interview:

Viper: Where were you born?

Jesse: I was born in Minneapolis, MN.

Viper: What are your biggest accomplishments in the sport of billiards?

Jesse: In 2009 I finished runner up at the junior world 9-ball championships in Reno, NV. As far as titles go, I have won quite a few tournaments but always looking to add more!

Viper: Do you have a nickname yet?

Jesse: I do not have an official nickname at this time.

Viper: What are your short-term goals?

Jesse: Well, like everyone else, my goal is to win big tournaments but for now I am looking to find a way still play pool and not go broke.

Viper: What do you do when you're not competing?

Jesse: I practice at CR's billiards in Coon Rapids, MN. Outside of pool I enjoy learning new things and figuring out what I want to do with my life.

Viper: Do you have siblings?

Jesse: I have one older brother but I am the only one out of my family that plays pool.

Viper: Who got you started in playing pool?

Jesse: My aunt and cousins play and they have a table in their basement, so when I used to go to their house I would play with them. I was hooked from day one and have not looked back since.

Viper: What do your parents think of your pool career?

Jesse: They are supportive of what I do and hope that I can become very successful in my career.

Viper: In your opinion, what parts of the world produce the best players?

Jesse: The best pool players are everywhere but America. Asia produces the best all around players in my opinion. Unfortunately, all American players are so spread out so it makes it hard to practice with each other and learn.

Viper: Who is/was your favorite pro player growing up?

Jesse: Alex Pagulayan from the Philippines. I always liked his game and he is a respectful opponent as well.

Viper: Do you currently have any sponsors?

Jesse: Predator cues and Diamond Tables.

Viper: Did you ever play in a pool league?

Jesse: Yes, I played VNEA junior leagues for a few years when I was younger.

Viper: Are you good at any other sports?

Jesse: I think I'm good at every sport, although some would disagree.

Viper: Describe yourself in three words? Jesse: Ambitious, determined, and hungry!

Viper: If you had to live your life over again, what would one thing you change about your-self and/or your pool career?

Jesse: Although I love the game of pool I probably would have taken up golf. There are not enough tournaments to play in, the prize money is down and there is not always the greatest crowd in the world of pool.

Viper: How do you prepare for events? Jesse: I just hit balls for a few days.

Viper: What was the best advice you were ever given?

Jesse: People told me to play better players even if you continue to lose over and over again. The knowledge you gain from that is worth so much more in the long run.

Viper: What is one thing that you enjoy most while playing pool?

Jesse: I really enjoy winning and beating people at this game.

Viper: If you could say one thing to a young up-and-coming player what would it be?

Jesse: If you want to be the best, you have to beat the best. Spend as much time as you can to play the better players. Put the ego aside and learn from them.

Viper: What's your Favorite game?

Jesse: I like bar table 8-ball the best.

Here are some Facebook questions for you...

Keith David asks: What is the most money you ever won in a tournament or gambling?

Jesse: About 6k in a tournament once.

Erika White asks: What are the most racks of 9-ball you have ever run in a row?



Jesse: I ran 9 racks of 9-ball once. I have had quite a few 6's and 7's as well.

Todd Humberg: Who was your teacher or coach?

Jesse: I never had a coach or took lessons. I like playing the game how I see it.

Richard Penny asks: How much of your expenses are paid by sponsors? Yourself?

Jesse: I pay all of my own expenses. Hopefully that will change soon.

Janet A Neitzel asks: What was the toughest match you ever played and the luckiest match ever won?

Jesse: I have had a lot of tough matches but the one I remember most is playing Johnny Archer in a Seminole tour event. I was down 6-1 and got up 8-6 going to 9. I lost 3 tough safety battles in a row and lost 9-8. As far as luckiest match, I would say every match I've won because I feel lucky they made a mistake.

A special "Thank-you" to Jesse for taking time out of his busy schedule to participate in my "Ask the Viper".

Till next month you can find me on Facebook: www.facebook.com/melissalittleakatheviper

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Melissa "The Viper" Little has been a WPBA Touring Professional for over a decade, has represented the USA in six WPA World Championships, and has over twenty-five top 10 WPBA career finishes. Melissa teaches monthly clinics, gives private lessons, and has developed a juniors program that promotes billiards education to the local youth.



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Big Table 9-Ball, 21 players 1st - Bill S. \$130 2nd - Kiko I. \$100 3rd - Jose C. \$70

4th - Mike \$40 Top A/B - Don L. \$15

FRI (10/25)

Bar Table 8-Ball, 18 players 1st - Jose C. \$90 2nd - Larry D. \$50 3rd - Lofty \$25 4th - Sam \$15

SUN (10/27)

Last Sunday Big Table 8-Ball 17 players 1st - Marc V. \$140 2nd - Bill S. \$85 3rd - Mark H. \$55 Top A/B - John C. / Mike D. \$20

TUE (10/29)

Big Table 9-Ball, 32 players 1st - Marc V. \$175

2nd - Jose C. \$125 3rd - Daniel \$80 4th - Kiko I. \$50 5th - Geoffrey Q. \$30

6th - Melissa L. \$30 Top A/B - Jimmy \$20

THU (10/31)

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1st - Chris \$40 2nd - CJ \$20

3rd - Brett \$5 gift card 4th - Mark \$5 gift card

FRI (11/1)

Bar Table 8-Ball, 22 players 1st - Sam \$100

2nd - Marcus \$50

3rd - Josh \$30

4th - Mike \$15

5th - Russell \$10

6th - Jeremiah \$10

SUN (11/3)

1st Sunday Big Table One-Pocket 19 players

1st - Marc V. \$150 2nd - Jose C. \$90

3rd - Juan P. \$50

4th - Eddie B. \$25 Top A/B - Mike D. \$20

TUE (11/5)

Big Table 9-Ball, 25 players 1st - Andrew P. \$130

2nd - Marc V. \$90

3rd - Jonathan L. \$50 4th - Jose C. \$30

5th - Mike D. \$20

Top A/B - Andre/Berta \$20

FRI (11/8)

Bar Table 8-Ball, 21 players

1st - Sam \$90 2nd - Ryan B. \$45

3rd - Lofty \$30 4th - Marcus \$20 5th - Terry \$10

6th - Alex \$10

Big Table 10-Ball, 14 players 1st - Marc V. \$110

2nd - Eddie B. \$65

3rd - Juan P. \$40

Top A/B - Mike D. \$20

TUE (11/12)

Big Table 9-Ball, 20 players

1st - Eddie B. \$140 2nd - Marc V. \$90

3rd - Eric G. \$50

4th - Jose C. \$25 Top A/B - Mike D. \$25

FRI (11/15)

Bar Table 8-Ball, 15 players

1st - Sam \$75

2nd - Jeremiah \$50

3rd - Lofty \$20

SAT (11/16)

Bar Table 9-Ball, 8 players

1st - Matt R. \$50

2nd - Terry \$25

3rd - Matt C. \$5

SUN (11/17)

Big Table 10-Ball, 16 players

1st - Mark H. \$120

2nd - Danny S. \$70

3rd - Melissa L. \$45

TUE (11/19)

Big Table 9-Ball, 19 players

1st - Kiko I. \$150

2nd - Mark H. \$90

3rd - Danny S. \$50

4th - Jonathan L. \$30

Top A/B - Justin S. \$20

Bar Table 8-Ball, 25 players

1st - Don K. \$110

2nd - Sam \$70

3nd - Ryan \$30

4th - Larry \$15 5th - Alex \$10

6th - Ernie \$10

SUN (11/24)

Last Sunday Big Table 8-Ball

22 players

1st - Danny S. \$150

2nd - Mark H. \$95

3rd - Jose C. \$50

4th - Bill S. \$25

TUE (11/26)

Big Table 9-Ball, 27 players

1st - Marc V. \$160 2nd - Mark H. \$100

3rd - Jim C. \$65

4th - Kiko I \$40

5th - Eddie B. \$20

6th - Lofty \$20

Top A/B - Jeremy B. \$20

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Colorado State Junior 8-Ball Championships at Mile High Billiards

What a weekend! The newly opened Mile High Billiards was full of fun and laughter as the kids practiced and encouraged one another while they waited for the draw. All of the youth were excited and each one set out to be the first person to claim the Colorado State Junior 8 Ball Champion title in each of their respective divisions.

The 14 and under boys first round saw matchups between Evan B and Dylan, Evan W. and Tanner, Mason and Aaron, as well as Tyson and Hunter. After an hour the scorecards started

coming in and Evan W. sent Tanner to the loser's side with a 5-0 win while Evan B. sent Dylan to the loser's side after a tough 5-4 win. Hunter and Tyson battled hard for the win but Hunter prevailed, while Mason sent Aaron to the loser's side with a 5-3 win.

vailed and Kitana and Kyleigh went to the loser's side. In the second round Adilynn won over Ashlynn while Brenna prevailed over Ashley. On the loser's side Kyleigh defeated Kitana. Tyler C. sent Van to the loser's side in

ups. Both Adilynn and Ashlyn pre-

Tyler C. sent Van to the loser's side in the first round of the 18 and under division. Shortly thereafter Devin sent Kristiana to the loser's side where she met up with Dakota after being sent to the loser's side by Drake. Drake then

> met Devin on the winner's side where he prevailed to go on to play Taren. Taren had sent Tyler to the loser's side where he met Devin and prevailed.

> At the end of the first day the youth got to spend some time practicing the tips they had learned from

Karen Corr and Nick Varner. They

also took individual photographs with the two Hall of Fame players before heading home.



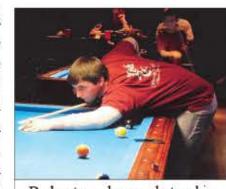


Taren scores a photo op with WPBA Champion Karen Corr

Day two brought tons of excitement. Most of the youth returned for a fun filled day with Karen and Nick. They played in challenge matches with the two as they waited for their turn to play in the tournament. Then they all sat down and had a pizza party with drinks and lots and lots of

laughter. Miss Kimberly also brought in a bunch of chocolate chip cookies for everyone to enjoy.

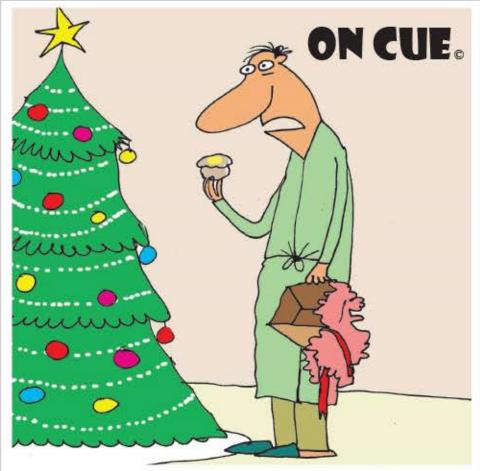
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Drake stares down a shot on his way to winning the 18's & under

In the 14 and under girls division the first round was exciting as Adilynn and Kyleigh along with Ashlyn and Kitana went hill/hill in both match-





"Perhaps I should have been more specific when asking the Pool Gods for a good roll for Christmas."

33 Players Show Up To Do Battle at **Newly Opened Mile High Billiards**

Results provided by Rich Montoya

The game was 9-Ball. There was \$225 added money, the setting was perfect, and the food was great, as well as the staff waiting on everyone hand and foot!

In the end it was Elliott Fields who reigned with an awesome array of offensive as well as defensive skills and, of course, a few good rolls. In the finals, he defeated a well-regarded champion in Chris Onesky. Chris won the hill on the winners side by defeating Robert Gonzales in a see-saw battle 7-6. Robert ended up in 3rd.

Another surprise player was Caela Huddleston. She defeated a handful of really good players to end up in 4th place, such as James Beckemeyer (7thth) and Mike Montoya (6th) before losing to Elliott. Congratulations Caela!

Others who played well were Jim Calderon (8th) and Kiko Ibarra (5th).

Thanks to all who showed up. Congratulations to Warner and Greg Kingsbury and all their staff. You did a great job!

Stay in Stroke Billiards has hired wellrespected player Dave Mondragon. Please welcome him in 2014 as you have done with me. His phone number is 303-507-1087.



Finishing in 1st place was Elliot Fields in the inaugural Stay in Stroke event at Mile High Billiards.

Here is how they finished:

1st	Elliott Fields	\$260.00/\$400.00
2nd	Chris Onesky	\$200.00/\$300.00
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3rd Robert Gonzales \$150.00/\$230.00 Caela Huddleston \$100/\$150.00 4th

Kiko Ibarra \$70.00/\$110.00 5th

6th Mike Montoya \$70.00/\$110.00

7th James Beckemeyer \$50.00/\$80.00 8th

Jim Calderon \$50.00/\$80.00

VNEA NW 2013 Summer Session 1st Place Winners!!!



The "Sociables" out of Thirsty's Sports Pub have won their 1st Place title together. The team was originally put together for the Summer Session of 2010. Although the team only has two original members, the former team members still check in on the current team's progress from time to time. It's been a steady climb for the "Sociables" who won their first title by 2 Scratch points against the team Git-R-Done, also a home team to Thirsty's Sports Pub. After 9 weeks of completed play in the Fall/Winter session, they're holding the lead on their Monday night league. From left to right (back row): Hugh Campbell, Scott M. Smith, Karl Bartsch, Thomas Astalos; Front Row (L): Tina Payne, (R) Linda Astalos – Team Captain

News from the Omega Cue Club

The Omega Cue Club End of Session Tournament produced a field of 30 players and \$1,500,00 in prize money. In 1st, it was Carlos Santistevan, \$550.00. 2nd place went to Elliot Fields, \$400.00. 3rd was Mike Hogan, \$200.00. 4th Mike Poitra, \$140.00. 5th Ro \$85.00 and 6th Andy \$85.00. Top lady shooter Loretta \$40.00



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Team Asia's Dominating Win Over the West in JBET.com Queens Cup

Results and Photos provided by Dragon Promotions

Manila, Philippines - Captain Ga Young Kim of South Korea led Team Asia to a magnificent performance over the West at the JBET.com Queens Cup! Asia never trailed once in the event, due to the consistent play of all the players including Filipina Rubilen Amit, Taiwan's Pei Chen Tsai, and China's Siming Chen. They took down the powerhouse team of Great Britain's Allison Fisher, Kelly Fisher, Austria's Jasmin Ouschan, and USA's Vivian Villarreal. The Queens Cup is the greatest women's professionals of the East taking on their rivals in the West! The Asia vs the West ultimate team showdown between the world's greatest lady professional billiards players took place at Resorts World in Manila, Philippines on November 5th-7th, 2013.

Team Asia had kept control each day of the Queens Cup. Day 1 started off with a first match win in the quadruples which showcased high quality play from both teams and resulted in a lucky charm win for Asia 4-3. Team West tied it next at 1-1. But then Asia ended the day at 4-2 in match points.

Day 2 started well for Team Asia as they went on to win 4 consecutive matches in a row, putting them within only 2 match points to end the event. Fortunately for the West, they came to-



Team Asia from L to R: Siming Chen, Pei Chen Tsai, Ga Young Kim

match to win 4-1 in the triples.

Captain Ga Young Kim did a fantastic job of keeping her team on track each day. The obvious disadvantage of the East team was that half the team did not speak English.

Only Kim and Amit were fluent. GYK had the task of translating decisions and direction to Chen and Tsai as Kim was fluent in Chinese. (GYK also speaks her native tongue of Korean).

However the advantage of the Asians were the power of youth and the fact that they had the current hot hand on tour, Amit, who had just won the World 10-Ball Championship the night before.

Where Team Asia had the zealousness of youth, Team West had the strength of experience on their side. With the combined titles of Fisher, Fisher, Ouschan, and Villarreal the West had far deeper experience that they could call on in the high pressured event. Allison Fisher took the initiative and became one of the early leaders on

gether in the final the team as she directed strategies as well as helped calm nerves of her teammates.

> The ambiance of the JBET.com Queens Cup was first class at the luxurious Resorts World Manila. A packed audience that became standing room was the norm daily as fans flocked to watch the super stars of ladies billiards. The coverage by the media included China, Japan, Vietnam, and all the national media entities in the Philippines. ABS-CBN Sports broadcasted daily for 4 hours straight and it was carried by several networks globally. Live streaming was available and provided by JBET.com with insidepool.tv

> Both teams did an excellent job of jelling together as one unit. Both teams had daily din-

ners and meetings to discuss strategies. Each also made their own special signals and signs and even special celebratory moves to garner spirit amongst each other for the matches.



Team West: Kelly Fisher, Jasmin Ouschan, Allison Fisher (not pictured: Vivian Villarreal)

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PRESS RELEASE

U.S. Juniors Prepare to Represent North America at WPA World Junior 9-Ball Championships

November 12, 2013 (Englewood, CO): Through the recent BEF Junior National 9-Ball Championships, the Billiard Education Foundation (BEF) has qualified seven junior billiard athletes to represent North America as part of Team USA at the upcoming WPA (World Pool-Billiard Association) World Junior 9-Ball Championships. This year's prestigious event will be held at the Gold Reef City Theme Park Hotel in Johannesburg, South Africa December 8-12, 2014.

Through the support of the Billiard Congress of America, the BEF has coordinating international travel and participation for this world tournament for over two decades. The following players will proudly represent our country this year:

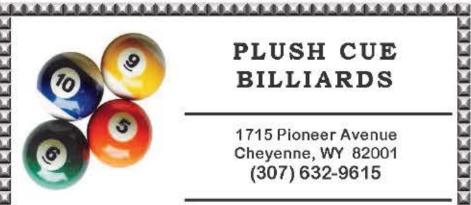
Tyler Styer, age 18 (Big Bend, WI) Brendan Crockett, age 18 (Bell Canyon, CA) Nick Evans, age 17 (St. Peters, MI) Taylor Reynolds, age 16 (Winslow, Maine) Sergio Rivas, age 14 (Milwaukee, WI) Joey Bourgeois, Jr., age 14 (Bayown, TX) April Larson, age 13 (Bloomington, MN)

Team coach, accompanying this year's student-athletes is longtime BEF supporter and PBIA certified instructor, Earl Munson (B.E.T.T.E.R. Play Billiards

http://www.betterplaybilliards.org). For nearly a decade, Munson has been actively involved in youth billiards as the official tournament director for the BEF Junior Nationals. He started and organizes successful high school billiard programs in the Dallas area.

For more information on the BEF Junior Nationals or hosting qualifiers or a State Championship, visit the BEF website at billiardeducation.org.





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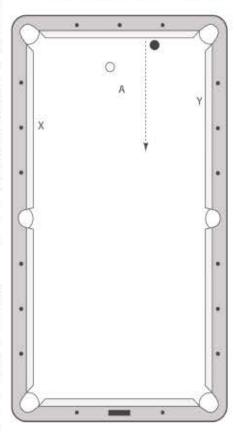
Certain shots come up so frequently in all pool games that if we gave them a name it would have to be one that connotes more familiarity than the word "routine." Sometimes however, regardless of thousands of prior encounters with them, they can appear a bit too daunting when, under pressure, we need precise cue-ball control to complete the run out. The challenge proceeds from looking at the shot and asking ourselves exactly how we will get the cue ball where it must go, despite a perfect angle and distance. Regarding position play, the major difference between professionals and the rest of us is that the pros rarely have to wonder how they will accomplish something with the cue ball, but instead move directly from distinguishing what is needed to its execution.

We all have a "see-it-do-it" game to some degree with its magnitude dependent mostly on experience. Since pool requires no real physical gifts a player's talent correlates directly to the number of hours that he has spent on the table, given sound fundamentals. Compare that to basketball where most of us could spend the rest of our lives working at it but never emerge as competition for great players at the high-school level. There is one gift that some players have and, in the absence of coaching, occurs very rarely. It is a keen awareness of what skills matter most followed by the dedication to practice those skills until their execution occurs without thought.

In the diagram is a shot that we have played thousands of times. It not only comes up very often but, most commonly, is the shot we would want to leave ourselves and is what we would design with ball in hand in many situations. Despite having played it countless times in the past, this shot can be tricky when we need precise position and therefore merits some practice. Because of the angle and short distance, the shot is very sensitive to each of the discreet variables of position play—stroke, speed and the chosen spot on the cue ball. And because of an immediate rebound from the rail, the cue ball will be very responsive to english.

You may notice that the shot offers a wide range of possible cue ball tracks, the entire fan between the spots marked X (draw with outside english) and Y (follow with inside english). The first step in your practice should be to establish and learn to nail a very important track, the cue ball rebounding exactly perpendicular to the cushion (the dotted line). Two things make the ability to hit this track compulsory for any rail

shot: 1. A cue ball moving perpendicular to the cushion it just left cannot scratch no matter how far it travels, and 2. It serves as a very useful reference when a small adjustment in either direction is required. The perpendicular track can be hit in a variety of ways including, a slight punch stroke near center ball, less punch with a lower hit and a follow stroke with some outside english. In every case, the three variables of cue -ball control must work in concert to produce



the precise result. Observe how changes in speed will require you to make adjustments to your stroke and the spot where you hit the cue ball. After hitting the perpendicular track with regularity, move the cue ball to spot A and practice going up and down the table to return to the first exactly where the cue ball hit the object ball, a very critical shot when needed.

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BONUS OMG!

mundane moments in a mundane life reality continues to ruin my life

I finished work late. Once outside, I tossed dignity to the rising wind and made a furious beeline for the bus stop. I absolutely had to catch the next bus—the first in a long sequence—to make the tournament.

"Hey!"

I pressed on.

"Hey! Ain't you the one that plays pool?"

Without breaking stride, I spun about-face and recognized a lady who worked in another department. I continued walking backwards because I did not want to lose time nor did I want company.

"Yeah."

She hurried to draw even

"Whew, you walk fast." She eyed my case.

"You goin' to play now?"

"Maybe."

"You a professional?"

"No."

She chuckled. "Yeah, I figured."

Irritation hit instantly. I lengthened my stride.

"You figured that how."

She almost had to jog to keep up.

"If you was a professional, you wouldn't need to work."

I barked a single, loud laugh from my knotted gut.

"Where'd you get that idea?"

"My brother. He's a professional." Despite the rapid pace, she articulated the word carefully, as if it were fragile. Professional. Each syllable was a crystal bell. "Makes his livin' playin' pool, he does. A good one, too."

This was a romantic fable told by all too many.

"Yeah? Let me guess: he hustled his way through college."

"He sho' did!" She beamed through shortness of breath. "He graduated with two degrees. Stuck with pool because it paid better."

I exhaled in stilted puffs. I could maintain a façade for a workday, but any longer and the universe asked too much. "No one in their right mind would do that. If he makes more playing pool than he can with two degrees, he'd have to

be one of the best players in this country, if not the world."

"He is!" she said indignantly. "He's the best player in Detroit!"

"Is he?" I checked my stride at the promise of verifiable information. "What's his name?"

She told me proudly.

I had never heard of him.

"I've never heard of him."

"But you must have. He's a great player." She slowed. I glanced at my watch. I had so little time, so little time left. If I ran like hell right now I could close the distance.

"I play enough to know who the great players are."

She stopped. Fallen leaves gathered around her practical shoes like shed scales. She clutched her tote tightly. "He is a great player. A great player."

I let a thick silence flow in to fill the space. She had brought nothing to this gunfight. She and her brother would be shot full of holes. I planted my feet and leaned into the wind.

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East wins Queens Cup

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"We were extremely pleased to hear the captains and teams were making their own dinner plans and meetings together daily. Even before the first day started", said Cindy Lee, CEO of Dragon Promotions.

"The title sponsor JBET.com invited both teams to a dinner the second day. Both teams declined because they wanted to have their own separate meals away from the other team. We really respected that. Though the teams were entertaining and sportsmanship was classy, the rivalry was definitely real.", explained Charlie Williams, Executive Producer of the Queens Cup.

This was evident on Day 3 when Team Asia didn't hear Team West call a pushout after the break in the doubles. After the West shot the cueball, Captain GYK requested the referee to issue a foul on the West. A discussion ensued a few minutes and instead a warning was ruled to the West.

"We actually called push on the shot. We weren't very happy about the call and felt that it mentally might have been disruptive", said one of the players on Team West.

Team Asia went on to win that match and reach the hill first at 9-3.

With the West's backs against the ropes, the weight was on anchor and captain Kelly Fisher. It

was the captain's pick, and Kelly had chosen herself to play and GYK put up Siming Chen. Coincidentally, Chen had beaten Kelly 4-0 the first day in singles. This time, Fisher had the last laugh as she reciprocated with a 4-0 win to keep the West's hopes alive.

The players each had plenty of face time with the cameras as interviews were held after every match. Every player in the Queens Cup had enormous amount of media attention from the beginning to the end of the event. Sure to make themselves even bigger names to the fans of Asia and the billiard world.

The next match of the triples would spell doom for the West. Co-anchor Allison Fisher had to stay out of this one, and the task of staying alive was left to Kelly, Vivian and Jasmin. They won the first game but then lost the next. Tied at 2-2, Asia turned up the juice and delivered the blow to get on the hill. The final game was exciting with a few safety dramas and ended with a superb 4 rail positional shot by Amit for a small window for GYK to shoot a tough 9ball frozen to the rail. Kim made the tricky 9-ball and left Chen a tough 10-ball with the cueball nearly touching rail and the 10-ball half a table away at an angle - a missable shot under the pressure. Chen took her time with her strokes and then fired the 10-ball in! GYK and friends shouted with joy! Team Asia had proved that they were the stronger class of players in women's pool for 2013!

Tsai, GYK, and Chen were tied at 5 wins a piece. But factoring Kim's hard work as captain and translating for the team and being the glue, it was an easy decision for the organizers to award GYK as this year's MVP.

"We just listen and trust Ga Young when she speaks to us. Whatever she says, we just do it", explained Chen in an interview.

"We want revenge!" exclaimed Villiarreal.

"There's definitely a entirely different kind of pressure in the Queens Cup when you play for a team. You feel worse when you let your teammates down. I'm not happy with my performance at all. But I did enjoy the event", explained Ouschan.

"It's definitely was better for me when I play singles. I really struggle with trying to learn my teammates styles", said Amit of the Philippines.

"I had a lot of fun!", said Tsai of Taiwan.

"I wasn't comfortable at all the first two days and definitely felt the pressure. But the third day I finally settled down and felt good. But it was too late at that point", said Allison. She posted on her Facebook, "It was a great trip and I really enjoyed the Queens Cup. Fun to play with my competitors on the same team."

"I like the sense of teamsmanship, intense but friendly competition, and energy amongst the ladies. I feel that ABS-CBN Sports and Dragon Promotions has a winner!", says Peter Musngi, former Managing Director of ABS-CBN Sports and now Consultant.

Stay tuned in January for news on the 2014 Queens Cup!

Annual Challenge the Stars Event Raised Over \$5,000 for the Billiard Education Foundation (BEF)

The Return of the BEF Challenge the Stars proved a successful evening

Where can amateur players challenge their favorite professional pool players, all while helping to raise money for their favorite billiard charity? Only at the annual BEF Challenge the Stars event.

The popular Challenge the Stars returned this year July 23rd to the Rio Convention Center in Las Vegas, NV. Keeping with the tradition, the event took place on the Tuesday evening of the singles finals while all the team players rolled in for the annual CSI National Championships. Since its first year, Cue-Tech Pool School's Randy Goettlicher has been the emcee and this year was no exception.

The impressive list of top professionals who showed their support by taking challenge matches included top world and junior champions: Shane VanBoening, Mika Immonen, Jennifer Barretta, Dennis Orcullo, Mike Dechaine, Francisco Bustamante, Corey Deuel, Ralf Souquet, Darren Appleton, Jason "The Michigan Kid" Lynch Fan Page, Lee Brett, The Drill Instructor, Stefano Pelinga, Hunter Lombardo, and top BEF Junior player, Briana Miller.



This year's event raised approximately \$5,500 for the organization through the pro challenge matches and it was greatly due to the support of the many generous silent auction donations which included: a custom Jacoby cue, a McDermott cue, Fury NR series cues and other gift packages from Sterling Gaming, custom leather wallets and bags from Castillo Leather Goods, a one of a kind original oil painting by Tanner Pruess (which will be auctioned at a later date), two Delta-13 Select racks, Dr. Dave gift packages, RT9 Designs poster packs, commemorative signed memorabilia from Mosconi

Cup, as well as a signed event t-shirt from the Jay Swanson Memorial tournament courtesy of GoPlayPool.com, a collection of books form Bebob Publishing, Dr. Cue autographed collection, and more donated items from Str8-Shots.com. A special \$1,000 donation was also made by Tom Riccobene.

Special Thanks go to Claude Gragg, Randy's right-hand man, Dave Merrill and his crew of referees who all donated their time, particularly Ed Stephens for the extra donation, and CSI and its staff for all their support. Staff photographer for the evening, Jim Calderon worked tirelessly to ensure all challengers got their photo taken

with their pro. Additional thanks also go to volunteers Earl Munson, Tammy Jo and Melvin Leonard, Kathy Coffee, Travis and Tarasa Escoubas, Taren Stewart, Josh Bustos, Cody Escoubas, and Winfield Hong.

The BEF also thanks all the donors, challengers, bidders, and supporters that helped make the event successful and its fundraising efforts pay off. For more information on the Challenge the Stars, Junior Nationals, and other BEF programs, visit the BEF website at www.billiardeducation.org.

Dana Aft & Brian Parks Win U.S. Amateur Championship Titles

In early November, the sport's most prestigious amateur event returned to the warm coastal waters of the Tampa Bay area. For five straight days, 128 of the nation's top male players, and 32 top female players, battled it out at Stroker's in Palm Harbor, Fla., for a place in U.S. Amateur Championship history.

Once again, this year's tournament included a strong mix of U.S Amateur Championship veterans, including six former champions, as well as a talented pool of newcomers. In all, more than 2,400 players attempted to qualify for the event.

The Women's Division got the tournament action underway on November 6, and the ladies spent the next 36 hours fighting for the right to be called U.S. Amateur Champion.

The champion in the Women's Division was Dana Aft of Atlanta, Ga., who defeated Melinda Huang of Los Angeles in the final round 9-6.

The final round, which pitted both former top 3 finishers, opened in the 8-Ball set. Aft got off to a fast start behind an 8-on-the-break and quickly built a 4-0 lead.

Huang seemed unfazed, and almost just as quickly closed the deficit to 4-3 by closing out the final two games of the 8-Ball set and opening the 9-Ball set with a win.

Aft flipped the momentum back in her favor by taking the next two games of 9-Ball. She narrowly missed pocketing the 9-on-the-snap in the next, but Huang stood her ground and pulled back within two, with the match 6-4 in favor of Aft.

The next two games would go Aft's way.

On-the-hill, and having seemingly everything going her way, Aft worked what looked like the final rack down to a manageable shot on the 8-Ball that would have left her nearly "a gimme" shot on the 9. But Aft left the 8-ball hanging in the corner.

Huang seized the opportunity and ran with it. She made quick work of the 8 and 9-balls, and broke and ran the next rack to put the tally at 8-6 Aft.

But Aft collected herself after the missed opportunity and finally closed things out in the 15th game – final score: 9-6.

With the win, Aft was able to avenge a loss to Huang just two rounds earlier that sent her to the left-side of the bracket. The victory earned her a spot in next year's U.S. Open. Huang finished as the Runner-up with Stephanie Mitchell of

Wesley Chapel, Fla., finishing in 3rd Place.

The Men's Division began November 8, and the guys spent the next 3 days squaring off to see who would add U.S. Amateur Champion to their resume.

As it turned out, the winner of this year's event could already boast that title.

Brian Parks of Bakersfield, Calif., made U.S. Amateur Championship history by winning his third title with an 11-7 win over Carlos Carter of

Toney, Ala., in the final round.

Parks also became the first U.S. Amateur Champion to successfully defend his title since Henry Brodt did so in 1999.

After a late-round loss the night before to Chuck Roth of Forest Hill, Md., it looked like Parks' bid for history would come up short. But he man-

aged to survive a marathon of matches the next day on the one-loss side of the bracket, which included a 7-0 semifinal round rematch victory over Roth to secure his spot in the final against the undefeated newcomer Carter.

The finale opened in the 9-Ball set, with both players showing a few jitters. Carter would take the first game, and after four racks, the match was tied at two games apiece. Things turned Parks way in the 5th rack when Carter failed to pocket a relatively routine shot on the 9-ball in the corner pocket. Parks would capitalize on the mistake by winning the game as well as the next four to build a 7-2 lead.

Dana Aft

Carter would mount a small comeback, and at the end of the 9-Ball set he pulled within five games and trailed 9-4.

Things would get interesting as the match shifted to the 8-Ball set, with Carter winning the first two games and closing his deficit to just three. Parks found himself on-the-hill with a clutch win in the 16th game, before the players agreed to a quick break to regroup.



Following the short break, Carter pulled back within three games with a win.

But the seasoned U.S. Amateur Champion would prove too much, and with a win in the 18th game, Parks had further cemented his place in U.S. Amateur Championship history.

He will once again advance to the U.S. Open next year, courtesy of the APA. Roth took home 3rd Place, as well as the distinction of handing the three-time champ his only loss in the event. In 4th Place was Travis Gunn of Waco, Texas. Tying for 5th Place were David Uwate of Miami, Fla., and Johnny Griffin of Apex, N.C.

As Champions, both Aft and Parks will return next year to defend their coveted titles.

BONUS OMG!

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"Maybe I haven't played long enough to know him."

We do what we have to do to live, and remain living.

We say what we have to say for love, and to remain loved. His reasons were his own.

"Yes! You just a baby compared to him. He been playin' a long time."

She relaxed and we walked on. "Maybe you be good as him someday."

She smiled encouragingly, but said the last bit without conviction.

The bus crested the hill with a roar and rolled hissing to the stop.

"Oh, no! There it is! Will he wait? Do you think he'll wait? Hey! Hey, wait!" She began to run, but not fast enough.

This was her bus. My bus and tournament had passed long ago. I kicked casually at a leaf.

The trees watched.

The wind listened.

"Oh, all right!" I muttered at the universe. "But, dammit, you owe me one!"

Then I ran like hell.

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I was relieved the team eight-ball was over for us. Our team was a good team, but to have a solid chance of winning the whole thing, we all needed to play at least one level higher than we did. We needed consistency in performance. There was no match where all four of us were "on" our games, and any team is only as strong as they are on their worst day.

Whatever.

Three events were a bust for me, but there was still one more left.

DAY NINE

I woke up well-rested, and very, very ready for all this to end. I was Vegas'd OUT. And so was everyone else, apparently. Everyone was checking out of the hotel today. Every elevator that stopped on my floor was full to capacity. After thirty minutes, I gave up waiting for an elevator and decided to take the stairs.

Of course "taking the stairs" was not as simple as it sounded. The stairs led to tunnels which led to more tunnels which led to outside which led to me having to walk all the way back to the convention center for the match.

Well, at least I got there. On time, too.

My team was in fine form. True to his word, Bustamante showed up and gave us crap while we were playing. We won the first set. Then we won the second set. Then we were done.

Ye\$h.

After a long nap, I cashed my check and went in search of dinner. I ended up at a pool hall (of course) before going off to eat all-you-can eat sushi

DAY TEN

And today, just to make my life that much better after winning the 9-ball team title, I did not have to take the bus home. :-D I hitched a ride back to the Southland with my teammate and some other players.

This was another nice Vegas trip. I met a TON of people, so many that I cannot possibly list you all. It was especially nice to see people from the other side of the Mississippi.

The Rio is a good venue. It's better than the Riviera (although that is admittedly a low bar). The power outage sucked but the tournament staff did a pretty good job of keeping the whole insane show running.

I DO WISH THERE WAS MORE ROOM IN BETWEEN TABLES.

At one of my team matches, my opponent and I had to sit down and wait for the men next to us to finish their game first because they simply did not notice (or did not care) we existed. We would make way for one of them, and then after he was done shooting, we would get ready to shoot ourselves only to be bumped aside.

Yeah, I get it — you're all waaaay into your matches cuz they be world-shakin', galaxy-spinnin' levels of important. And perhaps you don't think women's pool is as important as men's pool. Well, shit. We all want to win. Every last one of us in this damn tournament. That is why we are all here and that is why we are all equals. My skill level may not be equal to yours, the prize fund in my division may not be equal to yours, but I guaran-damn-tee you my drive to win is at least equal to yours.

If none of that rings true to you, then let me assure you my psychosis likely FAR exceeds yours. And were it not for my team, I might have stuck a stamp on everything and gone postal.

See you all next year.

You can visit OMG's blog at: www.massiveunderstatement.com

Instruction With Tom

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Practice the shot with your strongest focus on stroke. With a medium speed and a center-ball hit, observe the variation in cue ball tracks as you move from a smooth follow stroke to a short, rapidlyaccelerating punch. Observe more variations by altering your stroke as you move your tip from low to high on the cue ball. From there you can experiment with spin and english. Observe how far forward you can move the cue ball with your best follow shot and no english. Then add some inside english (right in this case) to that same stroke to observe how much farther forward you can move the cue ball. Repeat the same steps with draw, beginning with no english and then adding outside english to observe how far behind the perpendicular track you can move the cue ball.

Now that you have a good feel for moving the cue ball you can practice hitting precise tracks. Place an object ball anywhere in the fan between X and Y and, using that ball as a target, pocket the shot and move the cue ball one rail to hit that second object ball. Then you

can practice hitting the target ball at various speeds, from a light nudge to a full, firm hit that moves it several feet. If you are averse to hitting other object balls with the cue ball, place two balls in the position range with a four-inch space between them and practice moving the cue ball through that space. As you work with this exercise you will find many ways to challenge yourself for precise cue ball control. You can work further to play the shot at slightly different angles and observe how a thinner or fuller cut angle affects the cue ball and what is required to control it. In all cases pay closest attention to stroke and exactly how the acceleration of your tip feels on successful trials.

As you experience the countless possibilities that pool offers, your library of routine shots will grow as you begin to play more from memory than analysis. A shot like the one in this month's exercise can take years of encounters in play to acquire the mastery that brings out confidence in competition. With some focused practice you can compress several years into several hours as you capture the feel that will generate the confidence to perform with precision under pressure.



Tournament Trail

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SUNDAY

Felt 10-Ball, 9' tables, 2pm start, \$\$ added 9-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added, 3pm start Wreck Room 9-Ball, bar table, \$10 entry, 7:30 sign up 9-Ball, bar table, Noon start, \$15 (includes green fee)

MONDAY

Zoosters Seniors Tourney, 10 am, \$10 entry, race to 3

TUESDAY

Felt 9-Ball, 9' tables, \$\$ added, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY

Antique Billiards
Felt
B-Ball, Colo Spgs, 719-597-9809
8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 7:30 pm
9-Ball, 7pm start
8-Ball, 7pm start
8-Ball, bar table, 2 pm start
8-Ball, bar table, \$100 added, 7:30 pm

Match Ups, Ft. Collins
Wreck Room

8-Ball, bar table, \$100 added, 7:30 pm
8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, \$10 entry, 7:30 sign up

SATURDAY

Felt 9-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 4:30 pm

Greenfields 9-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, \$5 entry, 8pm sign up

Hank's Billiards 9-Ball, \$\$ added, 2pm start Love's Shack 8-Ball, open to all, 7:30pm

Match Ups, Ft. Collins
Night Shotz, Loveland

8-Ball, A's/down, bar table, \$\$ added, 7:30pm
8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 7pm start

Night Shotz, Loveland Wreck Room 8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, 7pm start 8-Ball, bar table, \$\$ added, \$10 entry, 7:30 sign up

Zoosters 8-Ball, bar table, 5pm start, \$15 entry

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

Special Events

December 1st

Felt One Pocket, 9' tables, 2 pm, \$\$ Added

Love's Shack

December 7th

Love's Shack 8-Ball, 1pm start, \$10 entry

December 14th

Love's Shack 8-Ball Thunder Year End Tourney, starts at noon

Love's Shack Roger Burns Benefit, starts at 3pm

December 21st

Love's Shack 9-Ball, 1pm start, \$10 entry

Love's Shack Christmas Pool Tourney, 7pm start
Wreck Room Christmas Bonus Tournament, \$\$ added, 8pm start

December 28th

Love's Shack 8-Ball, 1pm start, \$10 entry

Wreck Room Open Scotch Doubles Tournament, Noon start

December 29th

Felt 8-Ball, 9' tables, 2 pm, \$\$ Added

Upcoming Events

January 3rd - 5th Felt \$3,000 Added Open 8-Ball January 24th - 25th Longmont Front Range VNEA Classic

See ads for more information

Mile High Pool Leagues Crowns Summer Session Team Champions

Push-n The Cushion and Delirious declared victory at the Mile High Pool Leagues Summer Session Championships at Greenfields Pool and Sports Bar. Push-n The Cushion from Greenfield's won the 8-ball tournament. Delirious out of Holiday Billiards won in 9-ball. Beyond bragging rights and trophies, each team took home \$1,500 in prize money.

The runners-up were **A Team Named Sue** out of Fiddlesticks in 8-ball and **TGIF** from Zoosters Pub-n-Pool in 9-ball. Each team received a trophy and \$1,000 prize money.



The Push-n The Cushion team includes Grant Burnham, Jon Pakiser, Tyson Lair, Donald Boothe, Jessica Kosters, Jose Bonilla, Travis Forest and Andrew Waterhouse



The **Delirious** team includes Rick Sabol, Diana Wagner, Patricia Flores, Edna Cordova, Kathy Sabol, Charlie Vaiana, Stephen Thomas and Isaac Chavez



A Team Named Sue includes Alberto Jurado, Brian Armbrust, Tim Devall, Noelle Lord, Donya Evans, Josh Overstreet and James Lord



The TGIF team includes Carol Malloy, Larry Malloy, Paul Smith, John Glover, Debbie Glover, Denise Russell, Jim Worcester and Sally Vigil



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JAKE'S ROADHOUSE - 5980 Lamar St, 303-424-7266

OLD TOWN TAVERN & GRILL - 7355 Ralston Rd, 303-467-1472

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Junior 8-Ball Championship

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The final round of the 18 and under division matched up Taren and Drake. Both of these young men are fierce competitors and they both played like they were members of the professional circuit. It was a nerve-wracking match up for all those who watched as they went back and forth with the wins. Ultimately Drake prevailed with a 7-6 win over Taren.



Top Finishers from the 14 and under girls division Adilynn & Brenna

Adilynn sent Brenna to the loser's side where Ashlynn was waiting. After a short break the girls met at the table. Brenna had a look of determination on her face as she bent down to take her first shot but Ashlynn was not going to give up easily. With the match 3/0 in Brenna's favor, Ashlynn came back to tie things up. However, Brenna wanted another shot at Adilynn and her wish came true after sinking the 8ball for the win. Adilynn and Brenna began then final round match at 6 pm on Sunday evening and both girls had played hard to get to this point. After losing the first match to Brenna, Adilynn buckled down to win the 14 and under girls division.

In the 14 and under boys, Evan W. was the talk of the town. He sent player after player to the loser's side with major upsets such as 5-0, 5-1, and 5-0. Nick M. was determined to show the older boy that he could hold his own at the table. Nick had gone undefeated in the winner's side until Evan W. sent him to the loser's bracket. Nick



Top Finishers from the 14 and under girls division Evan and Nick

was on fire after defeating Hunter and was ready to play. Evan W. was determined to make sure the 16 hour drive to Colorado to participate yielded him the win. Both boys played extremely well but ultimately the 1st place title for the 14 and under boys division went home to Nevada with Evan.

All of the youth enjoyed their time with Karen Corr and Nick Varner. Shouts of joy erupted throughout Mile High Billiards every time one of the youth beat Karen or Nick in a challenge match. They all took advantage of their time with these two professionals and asked a ton of questions. Then they sat down and watched an exhibition performed by the two. It was a weekend to be remembered by all.

14 and Under Boys Division

Evan W. of Nevada - Received a 150.00 Scholarship and Nick Varner Cue

Nick M. of Denver - Received a 100.00 Scholarship and Nick Varner Cue

14 and Under Girls Division

Adilynn H. of Nevada - Received a 150.00 Scholarship and Nick Varner Cue

Brenna S. of Westminster - Received a 100.00 Scholarship and Nick Varner Cue

Division

Drake S of Denver - Received a 300.00 Scholarship and Nick Varner Cue

Taren S. of Westminster - Received a 200.00 Scholarship and Nick Varner Cue



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- BCA rules