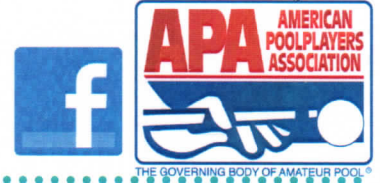


# Boomer's Page



## **NO MORE ADDING PLAYERS WITHOUT PERMISSION**

We are now entering the 5th week of the session, which means that you may not add any more players to your team without getting league office approval first. If you need to add a player to your roster, you must call the league office at least 1 hour prior to your match to get approval. **If you do get approval, you must notify the opposing team prior to the flip of the coin. You must provide the opposing team with the player's name, their membership number and their current skill level.** The player you are adding, must pay their membership dues and fill out a membership application that night. There is no longer a grace period for getting membership dues in. Remember that the office closes at 5 pm on Thursdays and is closed all day on Sunday. If you play on those days you need to get approval during regular office hours. Qualified teams will not be allowed to make any more changes to their rosters for the rest of the session.

## **PLAYERS MISSING FROM YOUR ROSTER?**

If you have a player missing from your roster, it is because we have not received their membership dues. We can no longer allow unpaid members to be on a roster. If someone has paid their dues and still has been removed, please call us immediately so that we can get this corrected.

## **TRI-CUP SCORES HAVE BEEN ENTERED**

Tri-cup scores from the Fall session 8-ball tournament have been averaged into each player's permanent record. You may see a player's skill level has changed even though they did not play last week.

## **PERMANENT SCHEDULES AND CAPTAIN'S LISTS**

All divisions, except Sunday, have permanent schedules and captain's list in their packets this week. Sunday divisions will get theirs next week. Please note that we have included a copy of the schedule marked specifically for your host location. Please make sure they get a copy of your schedule so they can staff properly for league night. If you need to reschedule a match, please call the opposing captain well in advance, that does not mean the night of play, so they have time to notify their teammates. Also enclosed, you will find score sheets for any make up matches that you may need to complete. Please contact the opposing captain to schedule a date and time to play your make up, then call the league office so that we can notate the make up date on our records. All make up matches must be completed by March 31. Completed makeup matches need to be turned in with your next regularly scheduled league match, do not hold them until the due date or you will lose your bonus points and be marked past due. Failure to complete a make up match will disqualify your team for post season play no matter what position you hold in the standings. If you are having trouble agreeing on a time to complete your make up match, notify the league office as soon as possible and we will set a date that may not be the best for either team. You must call the league office prior to starting your make up match to get the most recent skill levels. The skill levels that are on the make up sheets may not be correct. Protect yourself, schedule early and call to get the most current skill levels. All "to be announced" in a schedule that have not been filled have been replaced with byes. All bye points have been awarded for weeks 1-4 and are reflected in the total team points. For 8-ball a bye is worth 6 points (3 plus 3), in 9-ball a bye is worth 90 points (60 plus 30). Master Divisions byes are worth 15 pts. Anyone planning to go to the Chinook Winds tournament in April must pre-play that week's match. You will not be allowed to make it up after Chinook. Other dates you may need to reschedule: Sunday, Feb 6-Super Bowl Sunday, Monday, February 14-Valentine's Day, Wednesday, March 7-13-BCA Regionals, March 17-St Patrick's Day. Notify your opponent well in advance and try to pre-play these matches if your team has a conflict.



## **NON-RATED PLAYERS MUST PLAY**

All non-rated players, those without a skill level, must play at least once by week 7 or they will be removed from your roster, even if you have a "bye" that week. Double jeopardy teams, the non-rated players must play at least one 8-ball match and one 9-ball match if they are on both rosters.

## **ATTENTION: QUALIFIED TEAMS**

The roster you have right now will be the one that you will take to regionals with you in June. You may make no changes to your roster for the remainder of the session. This is a national rule, not ours. Please read the Higher Level Tournament section of your official team manual starting with page 81. It is imperative that all of the requirements be met in order to participate at the regional and national level. Failure to meet these requirements may put your team at a disadvantage going into the regional tournament and may disqualify your team members from the national tournament. If you have any questions, let's get them cleared up now. 9-Ball regionals will be held June 10-12. Six 9-ball teams will advance to the national tournament. 8-Ball regionals will be held June 17-19. Seven 8-ball teams will advance to the national tournament. Dates for Nationals: 9-Ball Team-August 18-22 and 8-Ball Team-August 21-27. Schedule your vacation time now. We will need to know all of the players that will be attending the national tournament immediately upon qualifying.

There has been talk that some of the teams or individuals that are qualified for regionals are laying down and sandbagging to try to keep their skill levels down. Let me caution you, that any team found to be trying to manipulate skill levels will be disqualified from advancing to regionals and nationals. If anyone on your team is considering this, there are a few things you need to know. First of all, a player will advance to regionals at their tri-cup ending skill level or the highest skill level since qualifying even if they go down during regular league play. **Second, any qualified team that finishes in the lower half of the standings this session will be under extra scrutiny when it comes time to set up the regional tournament. Third, any team that is not marking defensive shots, qualified or not, will have players arbitrarily raised in skill level.** We, as league operators, have the authority to raise the skill level of any player we feel is under rated. We also have the obligation to the league as a whole to make sure that the teams advancing to regionals and nationals are properly rated. Don't take the chance. Play honestly, keep score properly. The integrity of the league and the scoring system are things we take very seriously.

## **ELECTRONIC DIVISIONS**

Now that we are pretty much through the roughest part of the session, with membership dues and all. And you have all had a chance to get use to the system. We have to take a hard line on you returning your score sheets to us on time a making sure that the money gets to us by processing day. For the Sunday and Monday divisions, score sheets and money must be to us by 11 am on Tuesday. Tuesday divisions, score sheets and money need to be to us by 11 am on Thursday. Wednesday divisions, score sheets and money needs to be to us by 11 am on Friday. If you want your team to get all the bonus points that are possible, we must insist that you adhere to these times. Double jeopardy teams, please make sure that you mark the star rating on both the 8-ball and the 9-ball score sheet. It is not up to us to try to guess what rating you are giving the teams. That is why we offer bonus points, so you will fill it in for us. Thanks.

## **NEW DIVISION FORMING**

8-Ball division, Thursday nights Host locations need to be in the Beaverton-Tigard area only. Division will be 9 weeks, starting on Feb 17. At least one team from this new division will advance to tri-cups for a chance to qualify for the regionals in June. Please call the league office 503-243-6725 or email Boomer at [apaboomer@aol.com](mailto:apaboomer@aol.com) to register your team by Feb 13. This division will be electronic. I do have a few skill level 5's that would like to play if you need help filling a team.