

# Billiards Club News Letter

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Welcome back everyone. I hope the "Snow Birds" enjoyed their time away from the toasty temperatures that the rest of us endured this past summer.

Before the News Letter dives into the latest happenings, I have to begin this issue on a sad note. Unfortunately, Andy Dibner, a good club member and friend, died this past summer. Andy loved the game of pool and enjoyed being a member of the Club. He appreciated the game of pool and our members so much that he made a financial contribution to the Club. Andy was a great person and he will be missed.

On the lighter side, some positive things happened this past summer. Since the Club's old ball cleaning machine died, we acquired a new one. So now the Club has functional and operational ball cleaning machine.

The Club Board decided to have a "Fun Day" for club members this past summer. The event was intended for old and new Club Members to meet and have an enjoyable time. Jay Delich headed up and organized this event and made it a success. This alternative to the summer heat took place on August 19<sup>th</sup>. All that attended had a great time.



We need to address a recent historic pool milestone. That milestone relates to the former Mr. 400, John Schmidt. Mr. 400 has now advanced to claim the Mr. 600 title earlier this Spring. John accomplished this legendary run at 2:07 PM PDT on May 27, 2019. John Schmidt made a straight pool, 14.1 Continuous Pocketed Billiards, run of 626 balls on a 4½ x 9 Rebco Pocket Billiard Table at Easy Street Billiards in Monterey, California.

Can you even imagine sinking 626 consecutive balls? John's command of ball control is unbelievable. What an accomplishment!! Considering this great feat, the Club is truly honored to have John's picture hanging in the Pool Room. Congratulations go to John Schmidt. The Club now has placed a tribute plaque under his picture. By the way, this picture was taken at the Club's # 5 table. So, the next time you're in the Pool Room, go over and look at John's picture and appreciate what he has accomplished.



As the summer heat fades, the fall season brings about several activities that need to be accomplished. The first is the **Annual Club Membership Dues**. The annual renewal dues are \$15.00 and must be paid by January 31<sup>st</sup>.

If a Club member does not pay their dues by that date, **they will not be eligible to participate in Club Events.** So, get those Club Membership Dues paid. You will be glad you did.

Another Fall activity is the **Annual Election of the Billiard Club Board.** This means the Club election of the following positions:

**President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Five Board Directors**

Paul Roy will be overseeing the election. If you are interested in running for the board, **you can sign-up or contact Paul at [hproy@cox.net](mailto:hproy@cox.net).** **The election Sign-Up Sheet is posted in the Pool Room. It will be up through November 14<sup>th</sup>.** Membership voting will be on **Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM.**

Each Club member should participate in some manner to make the Club better for all. So, consider running for some position or volunteer to work on a committee. The Club needs everyone to do their part.

The **Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Nov 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM in the Hopi Room.** Many important Club topics will be discussed so please plan to attend this meeting. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

## **Summer League News**

Believe it or not, those club members that remain during the sweltering summer months did have Pool Club League playing options. The writer can attest to that as he remained to participate in the Players League. There was also the Novice and 10 Ball Leagues that continued play during the summer months. Following are the Summer League results:

### **Players**

The first-place team, **Wise Guys**, won the competition by 3 games. Congratulations Wise Guys. Masse Magic came in second. Tim Maloney of the Bank Shots was the top individual league shooter with a 63.3% winning percentage.

### **Novice**

**Bank Shots** took the top spot by 5 rounds. Summer Breakers took second. Congratulations Bank Shots. Dave Huelster of the Bank Shots was the top individual shooter with a 72.2% winning percentage.

### **10 Ball**

**Power Ball** took top honors in this league by overtaking 10 Ball Magic by 4 games. Congratulations to team Power Ball. Steve Mayerscik of Mighty Cues was the top individual player with a 65.6% winning percentage.

## **Fall/Winter League News**

As the summer heat fades, the Club League competition will begin during the first week in November. **Following are the schedules for the League's start dates and times:**

- **“Grand Masters”** - Monday, November 4th, league will start at 6:00 - 10:00pm -
- **“Players” Tuesday**, November 5th, league will start at 6:00 - 10:00pm
- **“Players” Wednesdays** - Wednesday, November 6th, league will start at 2:00 - 5:30pm - **9 week league**
- **“Novice”** - Thursday, November 7th, league will start at 3:00 - 6:00pm - **9 week league**
- **“9 Ball”** - Friday, November 8th, league will start at 10:00am - 1:00pm - **9 week league**

Tuesday Players League will be finishing on March 24th. Wednesday Afternoon, Novice & 9 Ball Leagues will be 2 sessions consisting of 9 weeks each. Second session leagues will start at the end of January.



### **Shooting at an Object Ball frozen to the Cushion**

When shooting at an Object Ball frozen, touching, a cushion, the following must occur to avoid a foul. Players should first determine that the object ball is actually touching the cushion. After the two players agree that the object ball is frozen to the cushion, the player that is up shoots the Cue Ball and it strikes the Object Ball. **The following must then happen:**

- 1. The object Ball must either strike another cushion or be pocketed**
- 2. The Cue ball must hit a cushion**

**If either of the two above options doesn't occur, a foul takes place. Then, Ball in Hand goes to your opponent.**