Billiards Club Newsletter

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It's the beginning of May, 2021 and unfortunately, Covid-19 and its associated issues still remain to a certain extent. For all of the residents of SCG and to our Pool Club members specifically, this past year has, for the most part, been quite difficult. For some, the pandemic has been tragic. Don McMahill, one of the club's beloved members, succumb to this tragic disease. There may be some other Club members that I am not aware of that may have also passed. Fortunately, with the advent of the vaccines, the Covid case and death numbers have decreased. Therefore, SCG is beginning to open up and life as we once knew it is slowly returning.

Another casualty due to the pandemic has been the publication of the Club Newsletter. The current May issue will be the only edition of the '20 - '21 season. Hopefully in the fall, SCG and our club will be back to normal activity and the monthly newsletter will return. One positive thing that did occur during the pandemic, our Club has increased it's membership by 8. It's always great to report positive news with all the negativity of late.



Even though Club activities ground to a halt due to Covid, your Pool Club Board was actively at work trying to get our room and Club back to an active status. So our board was not "Asleep at the Switch" as the pandemic raged. During this period there have been two Club Board member changes:

Geoff Iverson is now our new Treasurer and Jay Delich is our new Event Coordinator.

Again, due to Covid, all current Club Board members will serve out their terms until the end of 2021. 2022 elections for new board members will be conducted in December, 2021.

As you may or may not know, the SCG Board has authorized the Pool Cub to open up the remaining three tables so now all **EIGHT** tables are available for use. It's about time. The board also stated that the total number of players allowed in the room at any one time has been increased to 24. At this point, players must still wear face masks but at least now Club tournament and league activities can resume.

Based on the above ruling, the Monday and Thursday morning (\$1) 8 Ball tournaments have been reinstated. Also, the Friday morning (\$1) 9 Ball tournament will begin on May 14th. The ladies' fun and play Saturdays will also resume. Now that these activities are now available, please participate. Check the Club activity calendar on our web site at <u>http://www.grandbilliards.org/</u> for when your favorite event takes place. So, come on down and join the high stake (\$1) tournaments. You won't regret it.

The Sign-Up process for summer leagues will begin on Monday, May17th at 8AM and close Sunday, May 23rd at 6PM. We anticipate opening the Tuesday night 8 ball league and a scotch doubles 9 ball on Friday mornings. More info on available leagues will be provided after we see the sign-up numbers. League participants will be capped at 24 but, depending on sign up activity, multiple leagues could be created. Keep an eye out for club E-Mail notices for the latest tournament, league, or any other Club activity updates.

There will be a new member orientation hosted by Jim Janssens to be held on Thursday night May 27th at 6:30PM at table 8. New members will be receiving an email in the next couple days but anyone who wants to know how the club works and who works it, is free to come.



Traveling League Update

Per Doug Asleson, the Pre-Pandemic SCG Pool Club Traveling Team performed well. The North Forty League results during the first 8 weeks of play of 10 scheduled in 2020 are as follows:

1st Place: SC Grand	with 8 wins
2nd Place: Happy Trails	with 4 wins and a tie
3rd Place: Sunflower	with 3 wins and 2 ties

The tournament trophy will be awarded prior to the start of the Sun City West \$5 tournament on Tuesday, January 4th, 2022.

Congratulations to our traveling team for an 8 win and 0 loss season. Good Job!!



The only rule I can think of at this time is to be vigilant and remain safe. I want to see all of you return healthy for the 21 - 22 season.