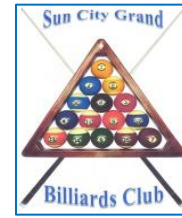
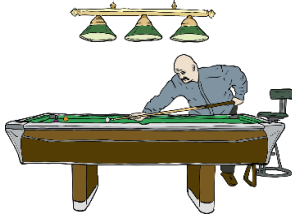


Billiards Club Newsletter

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The Club welcomes our new members and also our newly returned snowbird members. Our Arizona weather is absolutely fabulous now. It is a great time to be living in Arizona and also be a resident of Sun City Grand. The Billiard Club 2021-22 season activity has begun in earnest. All the Club Leagues with the exception of the Traveling League have started competitive activity. In addition, the Club started the annual board election process.



The club hosted its semiannual Membership Meeting on Monday, November 1, 2021 in the Palo Verde & Palm Room located in the Sonoran Bldg. Our club membership continues to grow and we now have 288 members.

Much of the meeting was devoted to discussing the election process of club board members. Prior to this upcoming election, all board positions had only one-year terms. **After a lengthy discussion, the membership voted to have club officers have two-year terms and club directors have one-year terms. The logic for the two-year club officer term was that it takes at least a year for a newly elected officer to get acclimated to the duties and responsibilities of the officer position.**

Annie Lowe and Sheila Kovac are in charge of the Election Committee this year. The election information had been posted in the Billiards room. Sign-up sheets for the board positions were posted on the pool room bulletin board during the month of November. These sheets were removed on Nov 26th. The following club members have signed up to run for board positions.

President: 1-year term - Paul Ertman

Vice President: 2-year term - Jim Janssens

Treasurer: 2-year term - Geoff Iverson

Secretary: 1-year term - Joyce Miller

Director: 1-year term (5 positions)

Joel Thompson, Doug Asleson, Jay Delich, Jacquie Ohanesian, Bruce Lowe, Scott Kovac, Sandy Miller

The reason you are seeing one-year terms for the President and Secretary positions is that it was decided to stagger the elections times for officers to provide board policy continuity from one election period to another. After this current election, all Club Board officers will be two-year terms. This year you will be voting the old-fashioned paper way on December 13th. The hours for voting that day will be from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM. If you are not physically in Sun City Grand (snowbird, on vacation, etc.) you may place your vote by emailing Annie Lowe at scg17125@gmail.com between December 10th and December 12th. A sample voting paper ballot is posted on the pool room bulletin board for members to review. The Club strongly encourages its members to show up during this election time and vote. Once your vote is cast, please support the newly elected Board members.

The Membership Meeting also discussed membership dues and that they be paid by December 31st. Remember, new member dues are \$20, which includes a member name badge, and existing member renewals are \$15.



The next club sponsored activity is the viewing of the Mosconi Cup. For those of you that are not familiar with the Mosconi Cup, it is an annual nine-ball pool tournament contested since 1994 between teams representing Europe and the United States. Named after American pool player Willie Mosconi, the event is comparable to the Ryder Cup in golf and the Weber Cup in bowling. This viewing will take place on December 9th at 11:00 AM in the Pima Room located in the Chaparral Center. This telecast will be the 3rd day of a 4-day event. Watching this Mosconi Cup event will definitely be well worth your time.

Tentative future club scheduled events for next year include the Welcome Back Party Jan 9th, the annual Picnic Social March 7th, and the Jerry Briesath Cup Event and Pot Luck Lunch on March 19th. In addition, there will be the Annual Club Championships that includes the Masters, Players, Novice, and Ladies categories which will be held during the months of February and March.

As a reminder, there is a Ladies Drop-In that is held every Saturday morning between 9:00 AM and Noon. This time period is reserved for ladies play only.

League News

All the Club Leagues, with the exception of the Traveling League, began competition during the week of November 8th. League play was suspended during the week of Thanksgiving but resumed during the week of November 29th. The end of November League highlights as of this writing are as follows:

Monday Night Masters 8 Ball

The Blue Jays lead the second place Breakers by 2 games. Randy Biko leads the individual players with a winning percentage of 87.5%.

Tuesday Night Players 8 Ball

Q-Tips are leading the pack by 0.5 scoring points over the second place Predators. The leading individual player with a 90% winning percentage is Dan Maguire.

Wednesday Afternoon Players 8 Ball

8 Balls of Fire are on top of second place Pocket Rockets by 1 scoring point. Bill Verderose leads the individual players by a winning percentage of 91.7%.

Thursday Afternoon Novice 8 Ball

All Chalked Up is in first place by 1 scoring point over second place Rookies. The leading individual player is Fred Goebal with an 87.5% winning percentage.

Friday Morning 9 Ball

Nine Ball Magic is leading second place 4 Niners by 1 match. Currently there is a 2-way tie for the top individual players in this league. They are Chuck Ramsey and Jim Janssens with each having an 80.0% winning percentage.

Travel League

There is NO Travel League play scheduled until January 2022.



In trying to come up with a timely rule, I decided to go back to the first Newsletter edition that I created which goes back to January 2018. I can't believe I have been generating the Club Newsletter for that long. Anyway, the following is the first rule from that January 2018 edition and it is still as timely then as it is now.

Coaching During League Play

During club sanctioned league events, NO Coaching is allowed. The player that is up and shooting at the table must decide what shot the individual will take without any outside help.

With the December issue, I will be changing things up a bit by describing a rule regarding pool etiquette.