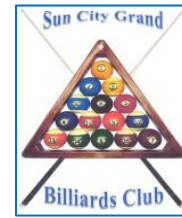
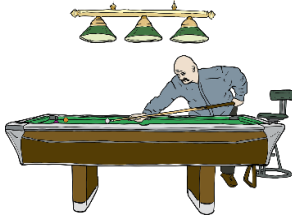


Billiards Club Newsletter

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I can't believe that 2021 is coming to an end. This past year has passed by so quickly. My mother used to say to me that as you get older, the quicker time flies. I would definitely say she was right. The Covid-19 pandemic has caused so much havoc during 2021. Let's hope that 2022 will provide a greatly improved outcome. On the positive side, the Billiard Club will be sponsoring several events to provide our members a positive experience during the upcoming year.



This past month, the Club conducted the annual board elections. Before the election results are provided, I wanted to say a few deserving words about Rob Pulvino. As you know, Rob has decided not to run for club president. He has served as the Billiards Club president for the past 4 years. Through Rob's tireless efforts, there have been several notable club achievements during his tenure. Improving the pool rooms décor, obtaining a new ball cleaning machine, initiated a new bulletin board layout, and established an improved pool room audio system are among the several club enhancements that Rob was involved with. He also worked with the Sun City Grand Board to include pool table maintenance as part of the SCG operating budget. In addition to his administrative skills, he employed his woodworking talents by creating the unique wood artwork that adorns one of the pool room walls. We should also thank his wife Nancy for allowing Rob to give the extensive amount of time he devoted to making our club as great as it currently is. **Rob, your presence as club president will be sorely missed. Congratulations and thank you Rob for a job well done.**

The annual Club Officer and Director board election was held on December 13th. The following candidates have been elected to serve as Officers & Board Members for the 2022 term.

President: Paul Ertman
Vice President: Jim Janssens
Treasurer: Geoff Iverson
Secretary: Joyce Miller

Boards Members: Doug Asleson
Scott Kovac
Sandy Miller
Bruce Lowe
Jay Delich

Congratulations to the newly elected Billiards Club board members. The first board organizational meeting will take place on Tuesday January 4th at 10:00 AM in the Palm Center Sago Room.

The Billiard Club sponsored a viewing of the Mosconi Cup which this year took place in London, England. Several club members watched one day of this 9-ball classic in the Chaparral Center Pima Room on

December 9th. Initially there was high expectations that the United States team would overcome the Europeans but that was not to be. Unfortunately, the European team defeated the United States team 11 to 6. Oh well, there is always next year when this event will come back to Las Vegas. Let's hope the results of this premiere pool event will have a different outcome in 2022.

Since there was a league two-week time off period during the holiday season, Jim Janssens hosted a new one-time drop-in tournament. It consisted of a 10 Ball format and was held on the evening of Tuesday Dec 21st. There was a \$5 sign-up fee for the prize fund with a pay-out for first, second, and third place. 18 club members signed up to play in this competition. Congratulations to Randy Biko who took first place honors.



Future club scheduled events for next year include the Welcome Back Pot Luck Party Jan 9th. This event will be held at 5:30 PM in the Apache room located in the Chaparral Building. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Billiards Room for members to sign in and state what food item they will be bringing. This upcoming event will be a great time and all club members are encouraged to attend.

League News

The play of all leagues took the Christmas and New Year's weeks off. League activity resumes the week of January 3rd. The end of December League highlights are as follows:

Monday Night Masters 8 Ball

The Breakers and Dream Team are currently tied for first place. In Que is in second place 10 games out. Randy Salzwedel leads the individual players with a winning percentage of 80.0%.

Tuesday Night Players 8 Ball

Predators are leading the pack by 1.0 scoring points over the second place Cue by 4. The leading individual player with an 80.0% winning percentage is Lew Oliphant.

Wednesday Afternoon Players 8 Ball

8 Balls of Fire is on top of second place Pocket Rockets by 7.5 scoring points. Gary North leads the individual players by a winning percentage of 94.4%.

Thursday Afternoon Novice 8 Ball

All Chalked Up is tied with Coyotes in first place. The second place Rookies are 2.5 scoring points behind. The leading individual player is David Nedelman with an 87.5% winning percentage.

Friday Morning 9 Ball

Nine Ball Magic and Rack Attack are tied for first place. 2 matches out of first place is a three-way tie for second place. Second place is composed of 4 Niners, Talk is Cheap, and Breakers. Gary North is the top individual player with a 73% winning percentage.

Travel League

The Travel League will resume play in January. The Dates for the Travel Team Home Games are listed below. The team will be playing in the pool room between 12:30 to 4:00 on the following Tuesdays:

January	11	vs	Sun City West
January	25	vs	Happy Trails
February	1	vs	Sun Flower
March	1	vs	Sun Village
March	22	vs	Sun City

The remaining team play dates will be away games. Since the Travel Team won the 2020 league championship, the resulting plaque will soon be displayed in the billiard room.

Members of The Travel Team Roster are: Doug Asleson – Captain followed by Linda Asleson, Richard Wear, Randy Biko, Randy Salzwedel, Jim Janssens, and Tim Ell.

Let's wish our Traveling Team the best in order to have another successful season.



I thought I would change things up a bit this month by describing a rule regarding pool etiquette.

When a person is down in their shooting stance and getting ready to make their final stroke to the cue ball, it is Really Distracting when someone walks in front of that person. **Thus, my Rule of the Month is when you see someone about to take a shot, please stop and don't walk in front of the shooter.**