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# 45TH ANNIVERSARY

## League Season

1980-2025



# President's Report

## Judy Mehle

Judy owns **BMW Billiards** in Loveland, Colorado with partner, Ron Kapperman, and has been a Charter since 2003. She also serves as Tournament Director for *VNEA's Annual World Championships*. Her term runs through June, 2026.



As we are getting settled into 2025, now is the time to start making your airline and hotel reservations to attend the 45th Anniversary VNEA World Championships in Vegas from May 22nd through May 31st at Westgate Resort & Casino in Las Vegas. Avoid the Resort Fees by booking through the link at [VNEA.com](http://VNEA.com). Just click on the Westgate Room Reservation button on our homepage. Don't forget to check with your local league operator for entry deadlines and payment details.



In the coming months there will be many State and Provincial Tournaments. These are great events. Check the Tournament Calendar on the VNEA website for the events in your State or Province. These local tournaments are great events to support and get ready for the Big Show in Vegas.

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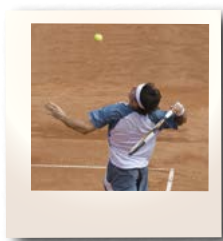


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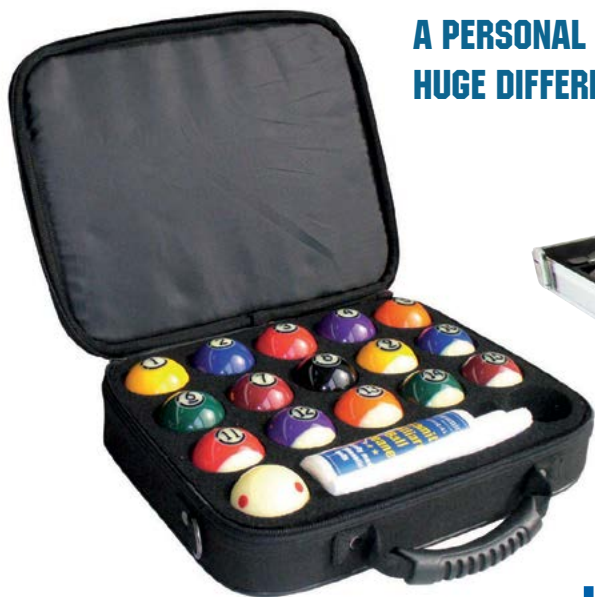


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3. **Most Improved Player Patch**  
*This award is available for one player in each league who has shown marked improvement over their previous season.*
4. **Most 10's Games Pin**
5. **Most 10's In A Season Pin**
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7. **Break Master Pin**  
*It's when a player gets their first, fifth or tenth 8-On-The-Break or maybe you give it to the player who achieved the most on a team... It's up to you!*
8. **Most 8-On The Break Pin**  
*For the player in your league who has accomplished the most 8-on the breaks.*
9. **ERO Pin**  
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10. **Most ERO's Pin**  
*One per league. For the player who achieves the most 8-ball run-outs during the season.*
11. **Table Run Pin**  
*A players first time at the table and they run out and win but all 15 balls do not need to be on the table when their first turn begins.*
12. **Perfect Match Pin**  
*When a player holds their opponent scoreless in a league match.*
13. **Perfect Attendance Pin**  
*To be eligible for this award a player must have played every scheduled night of the league.*
14. **League MVP Pin**  
*Awarded to the player who has escalated to the top of their league.*
15. **9 & 10 Average Pins**  
*Awarded to those players who end the league season with a 9 or 10 Avg.*
16. **Sportsmanship Pin**  
*Awarded to the player showing the qualities of a true sportsman throughout the league season.*
17. **Captain's Pin**  
*Available to the Captain of each league team.*
18. **Most Consecutive 9-Ball Wins**
19. **Most 9-Ball Wins Pin**
20. **Most 9-Ball Shut Outs Pin**
21. **Most 9's On The Break Pin**  
*These 9-Ball awards are available for one player in each league who achieves each of these feats at the end of the season.*
22. **5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 Year Member Patches**  
*These longevity awards are to thank your players for their continued support and dedication to the VNEA.*
23. **Charlie Cougar Pin**
24. **VNEA Pool Leagues Pin**

# Billiards with Briesath

## Jerry Briesath

Long considered the very best Billiard Instructor in the business, Jerry has been helping VNEA players with their games since 1980. Jerry has attended every one of our VNEA World and Junior Championships helping thousands of players improve their strokes along the way.



## Aiming Process?

The first thing you do on every shot before bending over is to put your chin on the shot line. Then, as you are bending over into your shooting position, keep your eyes going back and forth from the cue ball to the object ball so that when you slide that cue tip up to the cue ball your aim should already be within an eighth of an inch from perfect. Then, after a few practice strokes, stop again at the cue ball to make any very minor adjustments on the aim before shooting.

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## OPEN AA

- |                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| 1st Prestige Worldwide | Capitol City  |
| 2nd Superheroes        | BMW Billiards |
| 3rd Group Therapy      | BMW Billiards |
| 4th You Are Next       | BMW Billiards |

## OPEN A

- |                             |                     |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1st Los Borrachos Key Largo | BMW Billiards       |
| 2nd Dustin The Wind         | BMW Billiards       |
| 3rd Money Shot              | Bison Entertainment |
| 4th Sharkasm                | Dano's Games        |

## OPEN B

- |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st Odd Balls         | Capitol City          |
| 2nd Droppin' 8's      | Entertainment Experts |
| 3rd Scratch And Sniff | BMW Billiards         |
| 4th Str 8 Shooters    | Entertainment Experts |

## OPEN C

- |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st Mile High Pumping | BMW Billiards         |
| 2nd Kiss Our Cues     | BMW Billiards         |
| 3rd Leo's             | Entertainment Experts |
| 4th Outlaws           | Bison Entertainment   |

## WOMEN'S

- |                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st Slice Girls        | Entertainment Experts |
| 2nd Rack & Roll        | Bison Entertainment   |
| 3rd Look What I Found! | Entertainment Experts |
| 4th Dangerous Divas    | Entertainment Experts |

## JUNIOR - YOUTH (11 & Under)

- |                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st Too Gooders            | Entertainment Experts |
| 2nd Night Shotz Shooters 5 | BMW Billiards         |
| 3rd The Underdogs          | Entertainment Experts |

## JUNIOR - MINOR (12-15)

- |                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st Shameless              | Entertainment Experts |
| 2nd Night Shotz Shooters 3 | BMW Billiards         |
| 3rd Scratch Commanders     | Entertainment Experts |

## JUNIOR - MAJOR (16-20)

- |                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st Kwispys                | Entertainment Experts |
| 2nd Night Shotz Shooters 2 | BMW Billiards         |
| 3rd Night Shotz Shooters 1 | BMW Billiards         |



Open AA: 3rd - Group Therapy



Open B: 1st - Odd Balls



Open AA: 4th - You Are Next



Open B: 2nd - Droppin' 8's



Open A: 1st - Los Borrachos Key Largo



Open B: 3rd - Scratch And Sniff



Open A: 2nd - Dustin The Wind



Open B: 4th - Str 8 Shooters



Open AA: 1st - Prestige Worldwide



Open A: 3rd - Money Shot



Open C: 1st - Mile High Pumping



Open AA: 2nd - Superheroes



Open A: 4th - Sharkasm



Open C: 2nd - Kiss Our Cues

# Rocky Mountain Team



Open C: 3rd - Leo's



Junior - Youth: 1st - Too Gooders



Junior - Major: 1st - Kwispy



Open C: 4th - Outlaws



Junior - Youth: 2nd - Night Sholz Shooters 5



Junior - Major: 2nd - Night Sholz Shooters 2



Women's: 1st - Slice Girls



Junior - Youth: 3rd - The Underdogs



Junior - Major: 3rd - Night Sholz Shooters 1



Women's: 2nd - Rack & Roll



Junior - Minor: 1st - Shameless



Women's: 3rd - Look What I Found!



Junior - Minor: 2nd - Night Sholz Shooters 3



Women's: 4th - Dangerous Divas



Junior - Minor: 3rd - Scratch Commanders



# MOMA State

## January 29 - February 2, 2025 Canterbury Park - Shakopee, Minnesota

The 44th Annual MOMA State Pool Tournament was held January 29 - February 2, 2025 at Canterbury Park in Shakopee, MN. Pool participants from across the state of Minnesota played in 8-Ball and 9-Ball events of all levels. Singles, Doubles and Team competition provided a great opportunity for players to play against their peers and have a chance to win prize money and awards.

At the Tournament, MOMA raised money for the MOMA Scholarship Fund. Scholarships are awarded each year to college-bound students that have ties to our industry.

### Results were as follows:

#### Open Master/AA Team

<b>1st Kato Pool</b>	<b>C &amp; N Sales</b>
2nd Bakery Runouts	D & R Star
3rd Senior Discount	Dean Vending
4th Busch Boys	D & R Star

#### Open A Team

<b>1st Coulda Woulda Shoulda</b>	<b>C &amp; N Sales</b>
2nd Bet	MG Leagues
3rd Smoke & Poke	D & R Star
4th Ducks	Midwest Coin Concepts

#### Open B Team

<b>1st Fox Run</b>	<b>Donivan's Vending</b>
2nd Whiskey Sticks	D & R Star
3rd The Displacements	C & N Sales
4th Knuckleheads	D & R Star

#### Open C Team

<b>1st Kyote's Den</b>	<b>Midwest Coin Concepts</b>
2nd 8 Ball Busters	Superior Vending
3rd Thunder Sticks	Mendota Valley
4th It's In The Bylaws	D & R Star

#### Women's Master/AA Team

<b>1st All Chalked Up</b>	<b>Mendota Valley</b>
2nd Cuz We Can	Donivan's Vending
3rd The Pocket Prowlers	Midwest Coin Concepts

#### Women's A Team

<b>1st Ballroom Breakers</b>	<b>Stansfield Vending</b>
2nd Dead Pool	Dean Vending
3rd Hot Flashes	C & N Sales
4th Vertically Challenged	Mendota Valley

#### 8-Ball Open Master Singles

<b>1st Rob Mattson</b>	<b>Dean Vending</b>
2nd Mark Weaver	Dean Vending
3rd Mickey Rowland	D & R Star
4th Brian Brunelle	Northeast Amusement

#### 8-Ball Open AA Singles

<b>1st Tom Blomquist</b>	<b>Dean Vending</b>
2nd Jacob Legried	D & R Star
3rd Jason Hollenkamp	Midwest Coin Concepts
4th Rob Tovsen	C & N Sales

#### 8-Ball Open A Singles

<b>1st Jesse Hall</b>	<b>Superior Vending</b>
2nd Bill Brandenburg	Stansfield Vending
3rd Carlos Lopez	Mendota Valley
4th Josh Prestegard	C & N Sales

#### 8-Ball Open B Singles

<b>1st Dan Wardner</b>	<b>MG Leagues</b>
2nd Vladimir Mejia	Mendota Valley
3rd Don Hayes	D & R Star
4th Peyton Holmes	Dean Vending

#### 8-Ball Open C Singles

<b>1st Rob Goldman</b>	<b>D &amp; R Star</b>
2nd Brian Maczkowicz	C & N Sales
3rd Cody Wildner	Midwest Coin Concepts
4th Alan Barnes	C & N Sales

#### 8-Ball Women's Master Singles

<b>1st Beth Fondell</b>	<b>D &amp; R Star</b>
2nd Kindra Prestegard	D & R Star
3rd Mary Ulmer	Midwest Coin Concepts

#### 8-Ball Women's AA Singles

<b>1st Koren Zurn</b>	<b>C &amp; N Sales</b>
2nd Kim Schmitt	Midwest Coin Concepts
3rd Angela Rach	Hazelwood Corp.

#### 8-Ball Women's A Singles

<b>1st Denise Czech</b>	<b>Midwest Coin Concepts</b>
2nd Jena Walta	Donivan's Vending
3rd Amanda Rapp	C & N Sales
4th Tina Dresser	D & R Star

#### 8-Ball Women's B Singles

<b>1st April Pershing</b>	<b>Stansfield Vending</b>
2nd Anita Benjamin	Hazelwood Corp.
3rd Vicky Krueger	C & N Sales
4th Maryann Shaff	Mendota Valley

#### 9-Ball Women's Singles

<b>1st Kindra Prestegard</b>	<b>D &amp; R Star</b>
2nd Debbie Arens	Mendota Valley
3rd Kasey Frost	Mendota Valley
4th Amanda Rapp	C & N Sales

#### 9-Ball Open Upper Division Singles

<b>1st Rob Mattson</b>	<b>Dean Vending</b>
2nd J D Prestegard	D & R Star
3rd Jeremy Brown	Superior Vending
4th Jerrod Frideres	C & N Sales

#### 9-Ball Open Lower Division Singles

<b>1st Peyton Holmes</b>	<b>Dean Vending</b>
2nd Brian Thompson	Midwest Coin Concepts
3rd Justin Obinger	Midwest Coin Concepts
4th Dan Wardner	MG Leagues

#### Hard Luck Open Master/AA Team

<b>1st OCM</b>	<b>Hazelwood Corp.</b>
2nd Wag's #3	D & R Star

#### Hard Luck Women's Team A

<b>1st Benton Station Bratts</b>	<b>Midwest Coin</b>
2nd Rec Hall Gals	Stansfield Vending

#### Hard Luck Women's 8-Ball Singles

<b>1st Selma White</b>	<b>Stansfield Vending</b>
2nd Vanessa Gibbs	Midwest Coin Concepts

#### Open Scotch Doubles

<b>1st Marsh / Pederson</b>	<b>MG Leagues</b>
2nd The Taylor's	Mendota Valley
3rd Gary And Jason	Mendota Valley

#### Mixed Scotch Doubles

<b>1st Lovelace / Fondell</b>	<b>D &amp; R Star</b>
2nd Frideres / Ratzlaff	C & N Sales
3rd Rudlong / Nelson	D & R Star



Open Master/AA Team: 1st - Kato Pool



Open A Team: 1st - Coulda Woulda Shoulda



Open B Team: 1st - Fox Run



Open C Team: 1st - Kyote's Den

# MOMA State



**Women's Master/AA Team:** 1st - All Chalked Up



**8-Ball Open C Singles:** 1st - Rob Goldman



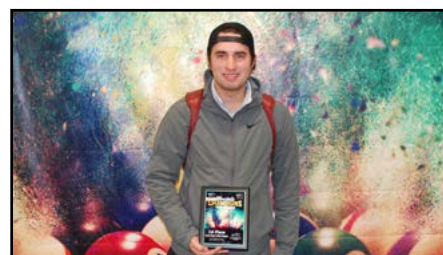
**9-Ball Open Upper Division Singles:** 1st - Rob Mattson



**Women's A Team:** 1st - Ballroom Breakers



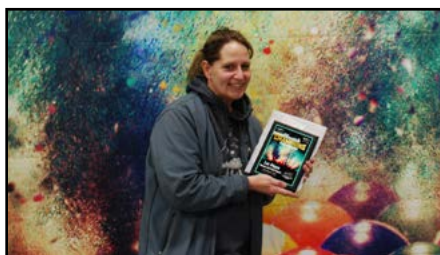
**8-Ball Women's Master Singles:** 1st - Beth Fondell



**9-Ball Open Lower Division Singles:** 1st - Peyton Holmes



**8-Ball Open Master Singles:** 1st - Rob Mattson



**8-Ball Women's AA Singles:** 1st - Koren Zurn



**Open Scotch Doubles:** 1st - Marsh / Pederson



**8-Ball Open AA Singles:** 1st - Tom Blomquist



**8-Ball Women's A Singles:** 1st - Denise Czech



**Mixed Scotch Doubles:** 1st - Lovelace / Fondell



**8-Ball Open A Singles:** 1st - Jesse Hall



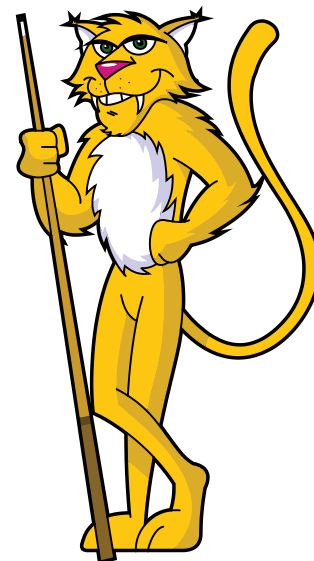
**8-Ball Women's B Singles:** 1st - April Pershing



**8-Ball Open B Singles:** 1st - Dan Wardner



**9-Ball Women's Singles:** 1st - Kindra Prestegard



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# Shane Van Boening

## VNEA Pro Player Representative

### Shane's Upcoming Event Schedule

February 4-9, 2025  
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February 20 - March 1, 2025  
**1-Pocket Invitational  
& Bank Pool**  
Las Vegas

March, 2025  
**U.S. Open @ Griff's**  
10-Ball - March 1-8  
8-Ball - March 4-8  
Banks - March 8-11  
Las Vegas

March 21-23, 2025  
**1-Pocket Rum Runner**  
Las Vegas

*Good Luck, Shane!*

The logo features the letters 'S', 'V', and 'B' in a stylized, bold font. The 'V' is black and contains a white pool ball with the number '8' on it. The 'S' and 'B' are red.A photograph of Shane Van Boening, a professional pool player, wearing a dark blue polo shirt with various sponsor patches. He is holding a large, ornate gold trophy with a white pool ball on top. The background is filled with falling confetti and bokeh light effects.

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# Focus On The Rules

## What's Your Call?

Veteran VNEA Referee, **Fred Johnson**, creatively explains many common questions that frequently arise during VNEA League play. Fred is also a long-time working referee at our World Championships. Be sure to say "hi" to him in May!



Snooker is playing 8-Ball, shooting an object ball in his usual manner, poorly, and the object ball bounces up on the rail, but returns to the bed of the table because the object ball came in contact with a piece of chalk. Carom calls a foul. Snooker responds that the ball returned to the bed of the table and it is not a foul. **You Make The Call!** Poor Snooker, he is wrong in this case. The appropriate rule is not found in the 8-ball rules. One must look in the **General Definitions of Pocket Billiards**, in this case - Number 11:

*"Balls may bounce on the cushion tops and rails of the table in play without being jumped balls if they return to the bed of the table under their own power and without touching anything not a part of the table. The table shall consist of the permanent part of the table proper. (Balls that strike or touch anything not a part of the table, such as the light fixture, call pocket disc, chalk on the rails and chalk on the wood cushion tops, shall be considered jumped balls even though they might return to the bed of the table after contacting items which are not parts of the table proper)."*

It is a foul and loss of turn, Carom has ball in hand, and the object ball is spotted since it is considered to be a "jumped ball".





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#### Prevent Cheating

The **CSR** provides a safeguard against cheating, as the rating cannot move rapidly over a few weeks. It helps ensure that all players are playing at their true skill level in a league/tournament.

#### Handicap System

League and Tournament Management Systems can be configured to automatically give a fair handicap based on the **CSR** of each player.

### Available Now In The Player App

**Players can now access the CSR directly from the CompuSport's Player App.**

**CSR Lookup** You can easily search for any player's **CSR** rating in the app. With a basic plan, you can search by player name. **Premium** users can also filter results by location, event, operator and more.

**Compare** **Premium** users can evaluate their odds to win and compare their skill with any other player in the app to see the difference in their **CSR** over time, along with other stats like their average and win rate.

**My CSR Details** (Coming Soon) All pool players can see their own **CSR** and search for other players. **Premium** users will be able to analyze their own **CSR** with detailed graphs and break down how each game has impacted their **CSR**. Among other things, players will be able to see the variation of their **T-CSR** over time and even for each game played.

**CSR vs T-CSR** The **T-CSR** is a temporary rating that we assign to players on a weekly basis taking into account all the games played during this period in any event managed on CompuSport. Your official **CSR** represents the average of your **T-CSR** for the last 12 weeks that you have played at least one game.

To learn more about the CSR, please check our website at: <https://csrate.com> to find anyone's CSR#

# Check Us Out At VNEA.com

## VNEA.com Has Received A FACELIFT!

Our new, professionally designed website offers our Players and Charters the opportunity to effortlessly browse the user-friendly layout and find exactly what they're looking for.

**A HUGE Bonus with our new site is that it is TOTALLY PHONE FRIENDLY!** It not only looks great on your computer screen but it pulls up on your cell phone seamlessly.

Grab your cell phone and check out the NEW Site here: [www.VNEA.com](http://www.VNEA.com)

The site offers a comprehensive look into every area of the VNEA Pool League System for our players and potential players such as: *Find A League, Vegas & Junior Championships, SVB, Sponsors, Master/ Intermediate & Pro Lists, Hall of Fame, Event Calendar, Promo Videos, Facebook, Dave Pearson Tips, 8-Ball News & Views & More!*

Join Over 100K+ Players

## The Valley National 8-Ball League Association

The Valley National 8-Ball League Association is an Association of 200+ Coin Machine Operators, 22 Supplier/Manufacturers, and nearly 100,000 Sanctioned Pool Players who work together to provide increased interest in the game of pool.

The Mission of the Association is to encourage pool players to form leagues and play in weekly competition on pool tables owned by the operator members.

The Association's Goals and Objectives include greater volume and increased profit for the operators and the locations in which they serve, more fun for the players, and a more stable industry for both the manufacturer/suppliers and operators.

The VNEA is proud to have spread its membership to nearly every American state. Also, with Charter Holders in 6 Canadian Provinces, the VNEA is hopeful of gaining additional interest from our neighbors to the north. Along with the U.S. and Canada, the VNEA has representation in Australia, Bahamas, Bermuda, Finland, New Zealand, Portugal and Spain. With its eyes on international affiliation, the association will undoubtedly bring other potential countries into the VNEA family.

## Find Your Pool League

Player Benefits Include:

Membership Patch - Awards Program  
Standardized Set Of Rules  
Junior Program  
Fair Handicapping System  
Local, State/Provincial & Regional  
Tournament Eligibility

And much more...

Select Your Region  GO →

The 2025 "45th Anniversary" Season is going to be full of excitement and fun!

Our Amazing Sponsors

- Current Members
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### Master, IM, Pro Listing

The Masters and Intermediate Player Lists have been updated and finalized for the 2023-24 League and Tournament Season. These lists are comprised of players that have played well in past World Tournaments or players of "known ability".

[Read More →](#)



### Hall Of Fame

Individuals who stand out in their local area for Talent, Good Sportsmanship, Longevity, Hard Work and for being an all around Fine, Well Respected Person, will be eligible for the VNEA Annual Hall of Fame Induction.

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### Event Calendar

Dozens of VNEA State, Provincial and Affiliated Tournaments as well as our Annual Vegas World Championships and 1st1 Junior Championships.

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### Promotional Videos

We have produced professional videos showcasing the incredible events and happenings from our Las Vegas and Junior Championships!

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### Join Us On Facebook

Nearly 10,000 players have already LIKED us on Facebook as we continue to update the page with Current Events, Contests and Valuable Association News!

[Read More →](#)



### Dave Pearson Tips

Professional player and ultimate entertainer, Dave "Ginger Wizard" Pearson, shares several helpful training videos to help every player improve their game.

[Read More →](#)

# Check It Out!

# The Doctor's In...

## Tom "Dr. Cue" Rossman

The Doctor has been entertaining VNEA players for over 30 years and is one of the most knowledgeable instructors in the business. Tom is also known for his amazing trick shot artistry and hilarious shows around the country.



A special greeting and best of victories to each of you in this new year! As new projects, resolutions and / or personal changes become a major focus of your 2025 journey, I have made a few myself. In particular Dr. Cue Promotions has developed new magnetic player challenges for the VNEA World Championships in Vegas and the VNEA Junior International Championships in Rochester, MN as follows:

### 1) VNEA WORLD'S SPECIAL CHALLENGE CHAMPIONSHIPS (LAS VEGAS, NV):

- Two Events – 30th Year "Open" Events – \$200 added per event by VNEA / \$10 entry fee / event
- VNEA providing 2 awards (Champion / Runner Up) for both the International Challenge and VNEA WC Shootout + Dr. Cue providing special prizes / guaranteed prize \$ for 3 positions of finish in each

**Preliminaries:** Each person who enters will do the following:

- Play "Dr. Cue" 1 game of 8-Ball (1 point per ball made, plus 3 points for making the 8-Ball)
- Play "Dr. Cue" 1 game of 9-Ball (1 point per ball made, plus 2 points for making the 9-Ball)
- Shoot 4 banks (cross corner, cross side, cross side, cross corner – 4 points per bank made)
- Anyone scoring 20 points or more qualifies for a final shootout with modified bank / lag challenges

### 2) DR. CUE SPECIAL BANK POOL CHALLENGE:

- First Annual "Open" Event – \$100 added to this event by Dr. Cue Promotions / \$25 entry fee
- VNEA providing 2 Cougar Awards (1st & 2nd) + Dr. Cue providing special prizes / payouts to 4 places

**Preliminaries:** Each person who enters (16 maximum – entries begin 5/23) will do the following:

- Play Dr. Cue 2 games of "Short Rack" Bank Pool – "Pro" rules will be explained before match!
- Shoot 8 bank shots (2 cross corner, 2 cross side, 2 cross side, 2 cross corner) – object balls fixed!
- Points awarded based on all banks made, games won, and match win
- Top 8 players from preliminaries qualify for final shootout with Dr. Cue using similar format

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### VNEA JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (ROCHESTER, MN):

- Three Events / Divisions – 29th Year – No money "in or out" involved in these events!
- VNEA providing 2 awards (1st & 2nd) / division, plus Dr. Cue providing prizes (4 places / division)

**Preliminaries:** Each junior who enters will do the following:

- Play "Dr. Cue" 1 game of 8-Ball (1 point per ball made, plus 3 points for making the 8-Ball)
- Play "Dr. Cue" 1 game of 9-Ball (1 point per ball made, plus 2 points for making the 9-Ball)
- Shoot 4 banks (cross corner, cross side, cross side, cross corner – 4 points per bank made)
- Anyone scoring 20 points or more qualifies for a final shootout with modified bank / lag challenges

**"Play Skillfully with a Shout of Joy"** during all of your VNEA challenge events until next time when... **The Doctor's In**



# 2025 VNEA JUNIOR POOL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Event Video

**80 BEAUTIFUL VALLEY POOL TABLES**

**JULY 17-20**

**3 DIVISIONS:  
YOUTH: AGES 7-11  
MINOR: AGES 12-15  
MAJOR: AGES 16-20**

**MAYO CIVIC CENTER  
ROCHESTER, MN**

## 35TH ANNIVERSARY



ONLINE REGISTRATION VIA CHARTER HOLDER  
MALE & FEMALE SINGLES / MINI TOURNAMENTS  
JERRY BRIESATH / DAVE PEARSON / TOM ROSSMAN  
TEAM OPENING CEREMONIES / 3-PLAYER 8-BALL TEAMS  
DR. CUE SKILLS CHALLENGE & SPEED POOL COMPETITION  
JUNIOR/JUNIOR SCOTCH DOUBLES / PLAYERS RECEPTION  
MULTIPLE WORLD TITLES - SHANE VAN BOENING  
ALL-STAR "TOP CAT" CHALLENGE [VISIT VNEA.COM FOR ALL THE DETAILS](http://VNEA.COM)

**ALL SKILL LEVELS SPORTS / REDEMPTION / REGULAR**



# 3 SKILL LEVELS FOR A FAIR PLAYING SURFACE FOR ALL

**1) Sports Division...** Established to prove our commitment in creating competition and awards for those not able to effectively compete in the Regular Division.

**2) Redemption Division...** Created to fill the void where players drop off the loser's side of the bracket after it is too late to enter the Sports Division and before they received any awards in the Regular Division.

**3) Regular Division...** Targeted for the everyday, fun-loving league player who dreams of the opportunity to attend an International Championship to experience this pool frenzy with fellow pool players around the World and find a very fair and competitive playing surface.

## SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY:

World Champion Pool Player and VNEA Pro Player Representative - **Shane Van Boening!**  
(Schedule Permitting)

## AGE GROUPS:

Youth Division: **Ages 7-11**

Minor Division: **Ages 12-15**

Major Division: **Ages 16-20**

**AWARDS:** Our one-of-a-kind Charlie Cougar Acrylics for our main event top finishers are a huge hit with our players. And unique Plaques and Certificates are also awarded to top finishers in our Redemption and Sports Divisions. Also, our Major Sponsor **OMEGA Billiards** donates e-Gift Certificates to the top finishers in the Team, Male Singles and Female Singles totalling nearly \$10,000! This year, with the addition of Major Sponsor **Onboard Sportswear**, we will be awarding Onboard Sportswear Jackets to the winners of all of our Regular Division events. Players will travel home with meaningful awards that they will treasure forever and boast to their friends about the excitement and fun of being in the VNEA Junior Pool League Program!

Team Opening Ceremonies will conclude with a **“Shot Heard Around The World”** as all Teams will commence their opening breaks **“Simultaneously”** for the... *Whole World To HEAR!*



# BACK TO WHERE IT ALL BEGAN! THE HISTORIC MAYO CIVIC CENTER IN ROCHESTER, MINNESOTA

July 17-20, 2025 • Rochester, Minnesota

## Mayo Civic Center

The **World's Largest Junior Pool Tournament** is expected to draw over 400 Sanctioned VNEA Junior League Players from a dozen States, Canadian Provinces, Bahamas and New Zealand. 20+ Charter Holders will be represented in Rochester where 80 Beautiful Valley Tables will be set for this Annual Extravaganza! Throughout the weekend, all 80 tables will be filled with excited junior shooters playing in the biggest event of their lives! The enthusiasm and sportsmanship that is displayed at this event are truly incredible and demonstrates that the future of the VNEA is in good hands with these young, mannered and talented players! Charlie's, Cues, Jackets, Cases and Gift e-Certificates will be up for grabs for many of the top finishers! But one thing is for certain... **everyone in attendance will have a blast!**

## **Tons of Prizes!**

**Plus...** *Shane Van Boening, Dave Pearson, Tom Rossman & Jerry Briesath*

**Team Shirts are MANDATORY at the "35th Anniversary" Int'l Junior Championships.**



### WEDNESDAY, JULY 16 • 2025

5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Practice

### THURSDAY, JULY 17 • 2025

9:00 am Room Opens for Practice  
9:00 am - 11:00 am Singles Check-In  
Noon - 11:00 pm Regular Singles Begins

### FRIDAY, JULY 18 • 2025

9:00 am Sports Begins & Regular Singles continues  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm Redemption Begins  
1:30 pm Mini-Singles Competition  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Team Events Check-In  
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Players Reception  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Referee Class  
7:00 pm Top Cat Challenge

### SATURDAY, JULY 19 • 2025

8:30 am Opening Ceremonies  
- *Singles Trophy Presentation*  
9:00 am Regular Team Competition Begins  
9:30 am Charter Holder Meeting  
1:00 pm - 5:45 pm Sports & Redemption Team Competition  
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Scotch Doubles Sign-Up  
6:30 pm E<sup>2</sup>P Challenge  
7:00 pm Jr. Scotch Doubles Begins

### SUNDAY, JULY 20 • 2025

9:00 am Team Competition Finals  
Continual Awards Presentation

## Team Format

Teams will consist of three playing members who have competed in at least 6 junior league matches with the same Charter Holder. The 9 game round robin format will be used in the 8-ball team events. Each player will play each player from the opposing team once. The team with the most points at the end of the match will be declared the winner.

All divisions will be of the double elimination format with the finals bracket participants starting with zero losses subject to change based on entries.

**The Sports & Redemption Divisions will be Single Elimination.**

## Tie Breaker

If there is a tie in the Total Points at the end of the match, proceed as follows until a winner is decided...

- Play last round again, with the same match-ups, on the scoresheet/computer.
- Each Team will begin with zero points.
- Flip for first break and alternate thereafter.

## Singles Format

**Race** - 4 games/winners and losers

**The Sports & Redemption Divisions will be Single Elimination subject to change based on entries.**

All players must have competed in a minimum of 6 junior league matches. The double elimination format will be used.

## Substitution Rule

A team may substitute players during a match if the following criteria are met:

- The opposing team captain must be notified before the start of the round in which the substitution is being made.
- A substitute player will not be allowed to play any opposing player more than once.
- Once a player has played, he/she must keep that same position unless removed for a round and reinstated in a later round.

## Determining the Break

**Team:** Team captains will flip a coin prior to making the line-up. The winner of the coin toss has a chance of being home or visiting team. The home team will complete their line-up first each round. The teams will then break in accordance with the scoresheet.

**Singles:** Flip a coin to determine the first break and alternate thereafter.

## Official Scoresheet

The Home Scoresheet is the official scoresheet and will be used to settle any disputes. Both captains are responsible for the accuracy of the Home scoresheet after each game.

## 8-On-The-Break

If the 8-ball is pocketed on the break, the breaker may ask for a rerack or have the 8-ball spotted and continue shooting. If the breaker scratches while pocketing the 8-ball on the break, the opposing player has the option of a rerack or having the 8-ball spotted before beginning to shoot.

## Rack Your Own Breaks

- Various Rack Devices will **NOT** be allowed.

## Devices Are Not Allowed For Jump Shots

## Call Pocket

In Call Pocket, obvious balls and pockets do not have to be indicated. It is the opponent's right to ask which ball and pocket if he/she is unsure of the shot. Banks and combinations are not considered obvious and both the object ball and the pocket must be called. When calling the shot, it is NEVER necessary to indicate details such as the number of cushions, banks, kisses, caroms, etc. Any balls pocketed on a foul remain pocketed, regardless of whether they belong to the shooter or the opponent. If a shooter continually refuses to inform his opponent, even when asked, the captains or tournament officials should be informed. Continuous failure to verbally call the pocket can be ruled unsportsmanlike conduct.

## Calling the 8-Ball

Calling of the 8-ball must be by the disc method in the following manner:

## Disc Placement...

The disc must be completely within the first two diamonds on either side of the intended pocket. (A Referee will make a ruling if the position is protested.)

It is not necessary to move or touch the disc if it is already at the intended pocket. If a player shoots at the 8-ball and commits a legal shot and the 8-ball is not pocketed, the game continues.

## Team Roster

The "Official Team Roster" are the players listed on the Scoresheet/Computer.

## Illegal Team Player

Any Team determined to have listed a Team Member on the Tournament Scoresheet, for any match that has begun, that is not listed on the "Official Team Roster" will be penalized as follows...

- The Team will Forfeit any match in progress or any match completed before their next round begins and eliminated from any further Team competition.
- The Team will Forfeit any Prizes.

## Safeties

A Safety can be played within the definition of a legal shot.

## Start of Match

All matches will start at their posted time if the assigned table is available. If a player/players is absent, the match must still begin and the absent player/players will have until the end of that round to show up. If they are not there by the end of the round, the absent person/persons will lose that game 10-0. This rule is the same for all the rounds.

## Played Wrong Player

In the event that wrong people have played or are playing each other, the following procedure will be followed:

- If the game is completed, that score will be forwarded to the proper place that they are scheduled to play. That score will not count until it falls into the proper place.
- If the game is not completed, the captains will get the proper people to the table and restart the game.
- If a game is played between the same opponents for a second time during the match, the score of the second time does not count as long as the scoresheet is filled out properly prior to the round beginning.
- It is both team captain's responsibility to ensure that the proper players are playing each game before the round starts. Therefore, if one captain listed a player to play the same player a second time, the captains team who listed the wrong player will lose 10-0.

## End of Match

A match is considered over when a team can no longer mathematically win.

## Forfeits

### Team & Singles...

Be sure to read and be aware of the Forfeit Procedures that are posted in the Tournament Room.

## Scoring

If a game ends without a group of balls being legally determined, the winner receives ten points and the opponent receives zero points.

**Junior League players who have played in the VNEA World Championships in Las Vegas will not be eligible to compete in the 35th Anniversary Int'l Junior Pool Championships.**

**Tournament Referees will be used and decisions will be final.**

# DRESS CODE



Major Junior Clothing Sponsor...

Please visit our VNEA Store @ [onboardsportswear.us](http://onboardsportswear.us)

**ONBOARD**  
SPORTSWEAR

The **Tournament Dress Code** that has been in affect for decades has been loosely enforced the past few years. With the addition of Live Stream popularity, the intent to showcase our Association for our awesome Corporate Sponsors and the ever-growing Social Media exposure we will be strictly enforcing the Dress Code below beginning with our 35th Anniversary Year in 2025. Be sure to notify your players that will be attending to avoid any possible situations for their singles matches and to affect their team members.

## All participants in the Int'l Junior Championships must comply with the following Dress Code:

1. *No Halter Tops • No Cut-Offs • No Swimwear • No Midriffs • No Tank Tops • No Tube Tops  
No Improper Verbiage • No Droopy Pants*
2. *All shorts must be clean, neat, presentable, hemmed and of proper length to be allowed.  
Rugged cut-offs will not be allowed.*
3. *All players, during their scheduled matches, will present themselves in a neat and clean appearance.*
4. *Tournament officials will have the right to ask any player or spectator not properly attired to leave the playing area.*
5. *Absolutely no alcoholic beverages or smoking in the Tournament Room.*
6. *Ear buds are not allowed during a match.*

***NO PARENT COACHING  
Offenders Will Be Asked To  
Leave The Playing Area!***

### PLEASE NOTE:

There will be absolutely no tournament entries accepted at the Tournament Site.

All participants will be required to submit a Tournament Release Form.

All participants must meet the various age requirements by **January 1, 2025** to compete in that division at the "35th Anniversary" International Championships.

## "TOP CAT" EVENT

(Champions receive Personalized Plaques)

This exciting **TEAM** event will consist of all 1st and 2nd Place Finishers in the Regular Singles. All Regular Division Finalists, both Boys and Girls, will compete in the 9-Game, Single-Elimination, Team format to see who is the **"BEST OF THE BEST"!**

## 2025 JUNIOR TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

**Nils McConnell** / Accel / Tournament Director

**Gregg Elliott** / VNEA Executive Director

**Mike Wiltse** / VNEA Office Manager

**Jackie Mason** / J & S Electronics

**Melena Thompson** / Warner Coin

**Brian Elliott** / VNEA Director of Marketing

**Rachel Hendricks** / D & R Star/AAA / Host Operator

**Dawn Orloff** / D & R Star/AAA / Host Operator

# PRIZES & AWARDS

## REGULAR DIVISION

*(All Dollar Amounts Are OMEGA e-Certificates)*

### TEAM

<u>Finish</u>	<u>Award</u>
1st Place	<b>\$750</b> , 3 Two-Piece Cues, Onboard Jackets & Individual Charlies
2nd Place	<b>\$525</b> , 3 Two-Piece Cues & Individual Charlies
3rd Place	<b>\$300</b> , 3 Two-Piece Cues & Individual Charlies
4th Place	<b>\$150</b> , 3 Two-Piece Cues & Individual Charlies

### MALE SINGLES

*(Approximately 80% Of Field)*

1st Place	<b>\$250</b> , Onboard Jacket & Charlie
2nd Place	<b>\$175</b> & Charlie
3rd Place	<b>\$125</b> & Charlie
4th Place	<b>\$100</b> & Charlie
5-6th Place	<b>\$75</b>
7-8th Place	<b>\$50</b>



### FEMALE SINGLES

*(Approximately 20% Of Field)*

1st Place	<b>\$100</b> , Onboard Jacket & Charlie
2nd Place	<b>\$75</b> & Charlie
3rd Place	<b>\$50</b> & Charlie
4th Place	<b>\$40</b> & Charlie



### SCOTCH DOUBLES

1st Place	Cuesticks, Onboard Jackets & Individual Charlies
2nd Place	Individual Charlies

# PRIZES & AWARDS

## REDEMPTION DIVISION

### TEAM

<u>Finish</u>	<u>Award</u>
1st Place	Individual Charlies
2nd Place	Individual Charlies

### MALE SINGLES

1st Place	Charlie
2nd Place	Charlie



### FEMALE SINGLES

1st Place	Charlie
2nd Place	Charlie



**NEW!**  
**Charlie Acrylics**  
**Will Now Be Awarded**  
**To The "Top 2" Places**  
**In The Redemption**  
**& Sports Divisions**

## SPORTS DIVISION

### TEAM

<u>Finish</u>	<u>Award</u>
1st Place	Individual Charlies
2nd Place	Individual Charlies



### MALE SINGLES

1st Place	Charlie
2nd Place	Charlie



**ONBOARD**  
SPORTSWEAR

### FEMALE SINGLES

1st Place	Charlie
2nd Place	Charlie

# MAYO CIVIC CENTER

VNEA is once again bringing the **35th Anniversary International Junior Championships** back to where it all began... Rochester, Minnesota. The historic Mayo Civic Center is where all of the exciting Tournament action will take place!



MINNESOTA'S  
**ROCHESTER  
SPORTS**

*Mayo Civic Center*

## 2025 HOTEL INFORMATION

**Local Hotels Booking Link:** <https://bit.ly/4fYXUMd>  
See All Surrounding Area Hotels And Reservation Deadlines  
*(Use this link to book your rooms and be sure to mention you are with the VNEA Junior Pool Event)*  
• *This Hotel Information Is Also Available At VNEA.com*



MINNESOTA'S ROCHESTER SPORTS

EVENTS VENUES PLAN AN EVENT VISIT ROCHESTER CONTACT

July 15 - 20, 2025  
**2025 VNEA Jr. National Pool Tournament**  
Mayo Civic Center

VNEA Pool Leagues

# ON-LINE PLAYER REGISTRATION DETAILS

All Junior Official Entries Summary Report, Official Entry Form Report and Fees must be returned to VNEA Headquarters by **July 1st, 2025** with accompanying statistics. Entries received without proper statistics will be returned.

## Registering **Your Players**

### **ON-LINE REGISTRATION IS EASY, FAST & SECURE!**

All Tournament Participants will be registered on-line, by Charter Holders, for the upcoming Int'l Junior Championships

- *Every Charter will login, create their own password and enter their own secure registration section.*
- *Once logged in, you will have access to your player base and can enter as many Entries as needed.*
- *All Stats and Payment will still be required to be mailed to VNEA Headquarters before entries are accepted.*
- *You will be able to and must print copies of all Entries for yourself and each Team Captain to take to the Tournament.*
- *Formal, easy, step-by-step instructions will be forwarded to all Charter Holders shortly.*

All sanctioned players are eligible for Tournament competition providing they have played in a Junior League for a minimum of 6 league matches and are deemed an active player by their respective Charter Holders.

**Singles:** All Singles Divisions will be separated into female divisions and male divisions.

All participants must meet the various divisions age requirements by January 1, 2025 to compete in that division at the 35th Anniversary International Championships.

**NOTE: Please be diligent in checking your players Team Names for appropriateness.**

There will be no Entry Forms accepted after **July 1st, 2025** or at the Tournament site.

Entry Fees are **NOT** required for Tournament participation... ONLY Green/Admin. Fees.

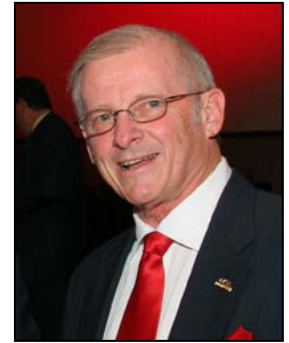


# LIVE STREAMING

For the past several years, the VNEA has had the event STREAMING LIVE on the internet and will continue to LIVE STREAM this Tournament so all parent's, family and friends back home get a chance to see the Tournament in "real-time". *Stay tuned for updated details.*

# DICK HAWKINS "ALL-STAR" TEAM

VNEA will recognize its "Best Players Of The Weekend". The Top Girls and Top Boys will be awarded the distinction of "2025 VNEA All-Stars". For all of his contributions to the program, this award has been named to honor original member and founder of D & R Star - **Dick Hawkins**.



# JERRY BRIESATH "SPORTSMANSHIP" AWARD



If you've been to any of our Junior events throughout the years, you will have seen Jerry Briesath at his table helping the kids improve their game. Jerry is one of the leading pool instructors in the world.

This award is given to the Player or Team that shows class and integrity throughout the event through wins and losses, good shots and bad. This award honors our always good sport - **Jerry Briesath**.

# TEAM UNIFORM AWARD COMPETITION



# VNEA PROFESSIONALS

## INSTRUCTION, TRICK SHOTS, ENTERTAINING SHOWS



**JERRY BRIESATH** has long been considered the very best Billiards Instructor in the business. His decades of experience make Jerry one of the most sought after teachers in our sport today. Jerry has also recently released a “3 DVD Set” which contains 4.5 hours of priceless pool lessons which he shares with our players each and every year at the Vegas AND Junior Pool Championships. Jerry has spent countless hours at our events teaching our players everything from the proper stance and stroke to the “diamond system”. He loves to teach and it shows by the smiling faces that surround his table. And his “one-on-one” teaching approach has proven to be his trademark as players get that special attention and hands-on training that pool requires. Jerry has always said, *“Come see me and let me help you improve your game”*.



**TOM “DR. CUE” ROSSMAN** is a World Renown “Artistic Pool” Champion. Tom introduced “Artistic Pool” to the VNEA nearly 30 years ago and has been entertaining and challenging our players ever since. Tom is also a staple at both our Vegas and Junior Championships and brings an incredible amount of excitement and FUN to the game of pool by adding his own “comedic flair” to everything he does! Tom’s sense of humor is legendary and he includes it in whatever he does from teaching to trick shots to challenge matches. Although Tom is known for his amazing trick shot artistry and hilarious shows, he is also one of the most knowledgeable instructors in the business with a pure grasp on the “diamond system” which he beautifully translates to our lucky players. You will never meet a nicer and more genuine man than Tom Rossman.



**DAVE “GINGER WIZARD” PEARSON** burst on to the American scene nearly 20 years ago when he brought his fast-paced game of “Speed Pool” to the VNEA and its players. A Master of Speed Pool, Dave holds several Guinness World Records for his rapid-paced racks! Dave played professionally in England prior to coming to the states and is truly one of the most remarkably skilled pool players in the world. He also is a huge sponsor of both our Vegas and Junior Championships and actually donates his own brand of cues (GW Cues) to both events making Dave one of the most generous professionals in our sport. When you see Dave at his booth in Las Vegas, be sure to go up and say hello. There are 3 things that you can be sure of... you will be greeted with a smile, you will learn something and you will walk away with a smile on your face!



**SHANE VAN BOENING** also known as “The South Dakota Kid”, re-joined the VNEA Family the 40th Anniversary Season as a Professional Tour Player proudly wearing the VNEA Logo on his Tournament shirts and spreading the word of the VNEA to the world! In Shane’s early pool career, he could be seen playing in the VNEA Junior Program and then eventually the VNEA Adult Program including the Vegas Championships. Shane has always supported the VNEA and is extremely eager to become an integral part of growing our ever-popular Junior Program. He truly understands that the kids are the future of our great sport. Shane will be attending and performing at both the Vegas and Junior Championships this year and he looks forward to meeting all of our players and sharing his knowledge and experiences with the VNEA World!



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# 1 On 1 With The Wizard...



## Pearson Cues Announces \$50,000 Sponsorship With The Valley National 8-Ball League Association!

**1.22.25** Pearson Cues President and longtime VNEA personality, Dave Pearson, has announced their intention to invest \$50,000 dollars worth of beautiful Pearson Cues to cement their partnership with the VNEA and their commitment to help VNEA bring more awareness to the game of pool around the United States and abroad.

Pearson has been a huge promoter of the ever-growing VNEA Junior Program which boasts the Largest Junior Pool Championships in the World! This year, the VNEA Junior Championships will be held in Rochester, Minnesota from July 17-20 and will be celebrating it's "35th Anniversary!" Eighty Valley Pool Tables will be set and waiting for the 400 sanctioned junior league competitors when they arrive at The Mayo Civic Center this Summer!



This 5-Year Sponsorship with Pearson Cues will ensure that our Junior Program will be flush with quality Cues that we will be able to use to help build our incredible youth program. We will be using these Cues as awards for some of our tournament winners while others will be given to those juniors that may not own their own cues. We are currently brainstorming other uses that will most benefit not only our Junior Program, but VNEA Leagues in general.

Pearson Cues has also been a Major Sponsor of our Annual Vegas Championships for years and will once again play a major part at our "45th Anniversary" Championships this May at the Westgate Resorts!

**Pearson Cues President, Dave Pearson:** *"We have been a big promoter and sponsor for the VNEA Junior Program for many years. Too many juniors have their heads in their Smartphones or non-stop Social Media. I felt if we upped our game that maybe we could create more excitement with the game of pool."*

**VNEA Executive Director, Gregg Elliott:** *"The VNEA is proud to partner with Pearson Cues to raise awareness of pool through the VNEA Pool League System, in particular with our popular Junior League Program. Since Dave arrived from England over 30 years ago, he has been an amazing supporter of the VNEA. Dave has created excitement and interest in several VNEA State & Provincial Tournaments around the World and has been a valued asset with all his contributions to the VNEA. We are so thankful for his many years of commitment to our Association and look forward to all he and Pearson Cues have to offer for years to come."*

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# General Information For You & Your Players

**CHAMPIONSHIP DATES:** May 22nd - 31st, 2025

**EVENT SITE:** Westgate Resort & Casino • Las Vegas, NV

**WESTGATE RESERVATIONS:** Visit **VNEA.com** to book a discounted room or Call **800.635.7711** And Mention VNEA

## General Tournament Information

### All participants in International Competition:

- must be deemed an active player by his/her Charter Holder.
- must be able to show a pictured I.D. for positive identification and prize money disbursements.
- are subject to random I.D. checks for eligibility purposes.

**There will be absolutely no tournament entries accepted at Tournament Site.**

**Exception:** Mini-Tournaments, Mixed Scotch Doubles and IM/Master Classic Singles.

*Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.*

### Tournament Dress Code

All participants in the World Championships must comply with the following Dress Code:

**No Halter Tops • No Midriffs • No Cut-Offs • No Swimwear  
No Tube Tops • No Tank Tops • No Improper Verbiage**

All shorts must be clean, neat, presentable, hemmed and of proper length to be allowed. Rugged cut-offs will not be allowed.

*All players, during their scheduled matches, will present themselves in a neat and clean appearance.*

*Tournament Officials will have the right to ask any player or spectator not properly attired to leave the playing area.*

### Age Requirement

All players must be of legal drinking age to play in the licensed establishment where the qualifying league is played **AND** are at least 18 years of age.

**All prize money winners must be 21 years old to cash their winnings at the Westgate Casino Cage.**

## Featured Events

### Sports Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams  
Women's 8-Ball Teams  
Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
8-Ball Men's Classic/Open Senior Singles  
9-Ball Men's Classic/Open Senior Singles

### Redemption Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams  
Women's 8-Ball Teams  
Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

### Regular Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams  
Women's 8-Ball Teams  
Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Men's Classic 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's Classic 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Open Senior 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Mixed Scotch Doubles

### Resurrection Divisions

\*Open 8-Ball Teams  
\*Women's 8-Ball Teams  
Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

### Intermediate Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams  
Women's 8-Ball Teams  
Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Open Classic 8-Ball Singles  
Mixed Scotch Doubles

### Masters Divisions

\*Open 8-Ball Teams  
\*Women's 8-Ball Teams  
Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles  
Open Classic 8-Ball Singles  
Mixed Scotch Doubles

\* Two or more Teams required for participation.

# Tournament Reminders & Changes!

## REMINDERS...

*A minimum of 12 separate league nights must have been played to participate in the Team and Singles events. See exceptions on page 12 for Seniors and Team members.*

*Many players have been dropped from Masters to Intermediate or dropped off the Intermediate list, so be sure to review these lists closely prior to your league season, local Tournaments or World's registration.*

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## CHANGES...

**Women's** Regular & Intermediate Teams may be comprised of **ANY 4** female players from within their Charter Holder's League System (Same C-H #). *(2 Original Players from the same League Team is no longer required)*

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The **Tournament Dress Code** that has been in affect for decades has been loosely enforced the past few years. With the addition of Live Stream popularity, the intent to showcase our Association for our awesome Corporate Sponsors and the ever-growing Social Media exposure we will be strictly enforcing the Dress Code below beginning with our 45th Anniversary Year in 2025. Be sure to notify your players that will be attending to avoid any possible situations for their singles matches and to affect their team members. *(see Page 85 for complete Tournament Dress Code)*

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The **CompuSport, CSR Rating System**, is becoming widely used and offering a great option to place players in the proper Divisions locally and regionally. VNEA will be implementing the CSR Rating System into the 45th Anniversary Championships in the Mini-Tournaments arena only, to measure its effectiveness and perfect it for future full Division use. The Mini's will be broken down into 4 Levels to allow for a fairer player field for all participants as follows:

- Level 1 (V)** - **Up to 1700**
  - Level 2 (N)** - **1701 - 1800**
  - Level 3 (E)** - **1801 - 1900**
  - Level 4 (A)** - **1901 & Above**
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The **VNEA Junior Program** has become the World's Leader in Amateur Junior Pool both in League and International Tournament Arena's. To keep it growing and to continue to allow more and more young players to automatically feed into your revenue generating Adult Program, all entries into the World Championships in Las Vegas will include a \$5 Junior Growth Fee. The future depends on the young pool stars and this will ensure your success for years to come and making the VNEA Pool Leagues a major part of your Company's overall value!

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**Smartphones** have become a valuable tool in helping Referee's determine close hits at the local and regional levels the last few years. At this years World's, you might see many players using their devices as an alternative to calling a Referee if they have been using this method throughout the year at various Tournaments. The Official VNEA Tournament Referees will also be testing this option for future VNEA events worldwide.

# Tournament Reminders & Changes **continued**

## **CHANGES...**

**Scooters** are an essential need for those with medical conditions. However, some participants have used scooters that are not needed medically and have caused issues throughout the Tournament area. If your player(s) require a scooter for medical purposes, please have them stop by the VNEA Booth at the Tournament Ballrooms entrance to acquire a Medical Card so they will have proper access throughout the event.

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**The 45th Anniversary Banquet and Awards Closing Ceremony** will be highlighting many new ideas and giving away more cash than ever!

Items that may be part of this week-long gathering of the best pool players in the World are...

- Live Music & Dancing Contests
  - Large Screen Monitors for viewing
  - Blues Brothers Entertainers
  - Complimentary Beverage Tickets
  - Videos of the weeks long events
  - More Giveaways than you can imagine
  - A Performance From To "The King"
  - A Dunk Tank for Tournament Officials of your choice
- (Okay, maybe that's wishful thinking)*

***And Stay Tuned for much, much more!***

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**Mixed Scotch Doubles...** *(consists of One Male & One Female)* **Money will be ADDED to Mixed Scotch Doubles.**

The "**Official Mixed Scotch Doubles**" competition will start on Thursday, May 22nd at 10:00am. Sign-ups for Regular, Intermediate and Master Mixed Scotch Doubles will take place on Wednesday, May 21st from 3pm-10pm and Thursday, May 22nd from 8am-9am. Additional Mixed Scotch Doubles will take place, only in the mini format, during the rest of the week. ***(including Open Doubles)***

## **FEES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS...**

**\$100 / Team • Race: 3 Games (Regular), \$120 / Team • Race: 4 Games (IM), \$150 / Team • Race: 5 Games (Master)**

**Format: DOUBLE Elimination**

**FEES INCLUDE A \$25 GREEN FEE, A \$10 ADMIN FEE AND A \$5 JUNIOR TOURNAMENT FEE**

**TEAM MUST PLAY IN THE HIGHER RANKED PLAYERS DIVISION**

*(Participants must be sanctioned and can be from the same or different Charter Holders.)*

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## **Professional Player Rule...**

**Any player determined to have "Pro Status" is not eligible to play in any VNEA competition at the World Championships.**

**Women & Men:** Tournament Committee discretion will be used to determine Pro status for all prospective participants. Ample notice is required by the Tournament Committee for all players of potential Pro ability in your league system.

*The VNEA thru the Tournament Committee reserves the right to disqualify any player or team, before or during the tournament or refuse any entry prior to the tournament.*

**Be sure to contact your Charter Holder for all other World's pertinent information and local sign-up dates and procedures.**

# 45th Anniversary Schedule of Events

**NOTE...** All times are approximate times only.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025

3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Mini Tournaments

3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Mixed Scotch Doubles Sign-Ups

## THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025

8:00 am - 9:00 am Mixed Scotch Doubles Sign-Ups

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

**10:00 am Regular Mixed Scotch Doubles Begins**

**10:00 am IM & Master Mixed Scotch Dbls. Begins**

**1:00 pm - 7:00 pm** Certified Instructor Seminar

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Singles questions, concerns, etc. Players listed in computer at control stage simply need to show at their scheduled match.

TBA IM & Master Mixed Scotch Doubles Finals

## FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2025

7:00 am - 7:30 am 9-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc.

**8:00 am 9-Ball Singles Competition Begins**

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm 8-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc. Players listed in computer at control stage simply need to show at their scheduled match.

TBA 9-Ball Sports Singles Begins

TBA 9-Ball Resurrection Singles Begins

TBA 9-Ball Redemption Singles Begins

## SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025

7:00 am - 7:30 am 8-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc.

**8:00 am 8-Ball Singles Competition Begins**

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Prize Money & Charlie's Available

TBA 8-Ball Sports Singles Begins

## SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

TBA 3-Person Classic Event

8:00 am 8-Ball Singles Competition Continues  
*(includes Sports)*

TBA IM/Master Classic Singles Begins

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Noon - 4:00 pm Dr. Cue Finals #1

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

TBA 8-Ball Redemption Singles Begins

TBA 8-Ball Resurrection Singles Begins

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Prize Money & Charlie's Available

TBA Masters Singles Finals

TBA Regular Mixed Scotch Doubles Finals

## MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025

TBA 8-Ball & 9-Ball Finals

TBA World Team Competition

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

11:00 am - 1:00 pm Prize Money & Charlie's Available

2:00 pm Certified Referee School

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Prize Money & Charlie's Available

Noon - 2:00 pm Cert. Inst. Recertification Class

Noon - 6:00 pm Team questions, concerns, etc.

Teams listed in computer at control stage simply need to show at their scheduled match.

*(Annual patches, pins, luggage tags, programs can be picked up at the VNEA Booth)*

7:45 pm Opening Ceremonies

*Suds & Chips Mixer, Parade Of Flags*

*Hall Of Fame Induction*

*Singles Awards Presentation*

*Free Beer, Pop & Chips (limited quantity)*

*Cash Bar / Entertainment*

## TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025

7:30 am - 8:30 am Team questions, concerns, etc.

**9:00 am Team Competition Begins**

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

**11:30 am Intermediate Team Begins**

Noon - 3:00 pm Prize Money & Charlie's Available

4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Charlie's Birthday Party 

**4:30 pm Master Team Competition Begins**

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Prize Money & Charlie's Available

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Hall of Famers Party

TBA Sports Divisions Competition Begins

## THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2025

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

9:00 am Executive Committee Meeting

10:00 am - 2:00 pm Dr. Cue Finals #2

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

TBA Redemption Division Competition Begins

TBA Resurrection Division Competition Begins

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Prize Money Available  
*(includes Team)*

7:00 pm President's Reception

*Meritorious Service Award*

## FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025

8:30 am - 11:00 am CompuSport Seminar

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

TBA Hardluck Competition

Noon Charter Holders Meeting

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Prize Money Available

5:00 pm Cues for Kids Giveaways @ VNEA Booth

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Prize Money Available

TBA Team Finals

## SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2025

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

10:00 am - Final Match Prize Money Available

5:00 pm - 8:30 pm Cocktails, Banquet, Awards,

Constant Giveaways & Entertainment

8:31 pm Curtain Call & Goodbye's



# Westgate Hotel & Casino

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We recommend contacting Westgate early to book your room as we anticipate our room block to fill up quickly.

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## Charter Holders **Read Carefully**

The VNEA offers numerous DIVISIONS at the World Championships in Las Vegas so all of your league players have the option of participating and competing at the annual extravaganza.

The VNEA takes very seriously the entrants in each Division by implementing computer audits to detect individuals that are incorrectly entered.

However, due to name changes, incorrect spellings, human error and other factors the system is not always 100% fool proof.

Therefore, the Tournament Committee is hereby notifying all Charter Holders that the VNEA will still strongly monitor all entrants but it is the ultimate responsibility of the Charter Holder to review the Intermediate and Master lists, prior to submitting entries, to be sure all of their players are entered into the proper Divisions.

Charter Holders found to have entered players in improper Divisions will be punished in accordance with the World Championships Policies & Procedures.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter so that we will continue to provide the fairest, most equitable, competitive annual event for our sanctioned league players.

We are conducting the **“12th Annual VNEA World Team Championship”** this year during our VNEA Championships.

This exciting event will match “top players” from every country represented at our tournament. Teams will compete against each other in a 1-Day “Battle Royale”! The winning country will claim the coveted **World Cup** and **NEW Championship Belt** and be proclaimed **VNEA WORLD CHAMPIONS** for the entire year!

Each team will consist of (4) players from their home country and it will be a single-elimination format.

Make your plans to be in **“THE OMEGA”** Finals Arena (Monday, May 26th) to support your country in this “fan-friendly” and “fun-filled” event.

### **Previous World Team Champions:**

2012 (Portugal); 2013 (Germany); 2014 (Australia); 2015 (Portugal); 2016 (Germany); 2017 (Germany); 2018 (Canada); 2019 (New Zealand); 2022 (USA); 2023 (Canada); 2024 (Canada)



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## 2025 VNEA World's Travel Discounts!

**Great News For VNEA Players!** On top of all the benefits of being a VNEA Member and playing in VNEA sanctioned leagues, we are excited to offer a new player benefit for those participating in our 45th Anniversary VNEA World Pool Championships at the Westgate Resort in Las Vegas in May, 2025.

The VNEA has partnered with **Southwest** and **WestJet Airlines** for discounts on airfare to and from Las Vegas for the VNEA World Pool Championships. These discounts are available **NOW** so take advantage as you make your travel plans.

**WESTJET:** Please visit [www.westjet.com/conventions](http://www.westjet.com/conventions) to make a booking online. Use Discount Code 3B7X2UF. The discount is valid for travel to and from Las Vegas from May 15 - June 7.

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# Mini-Tournaments Galore!

With our spacious venue at Westgate Resorts and the additional space they offer, we will have a separate Mini-Tournament Room used exclusively for Mini's & Practice **EVERY DAY... ALL DAY!**

Players will have as many opportunities as they wish to play pool, earn extra cash and prizes and meet tons of players from around the World! However, any player is only allowed to win (6) Mini's maximum.

**All players will be placed in one of 4 Levels, based on their CSR Rating.**



## MINI-REQUIREMENTS...

- *You must be a current VNEA Member to enter.*
- *Photo Identification is required during play and again at cash payout.*
- *Only the person entering an event may register. No one may register for you. **NO EXCEPTIONS!***
- *You will have only a 15 minute "grace period" after your match is called or you will forfeit.*
- *All Tournaments are Single Elimination.*
- *If Master or IM players are found playing in the wrong divisions, they will forfeit all prize money and will not be allowed to participate in any future mini's.*
- *A 3-Person Classic Division will be conducted. No Masters and only (1) Intermediate per team. Players do not have to be from the same Charter Holder.*
- *3 Person Open (Any 3 Players, NO Master & Only (1) IM Per Team)*
- *Dress Code will be enforced.*
- *No refunds of entry fees.*
- *All VNEA Rules are in effect at all times. **Play Mini's... It's Fun!***

## Special Events Throughout The Week!

- **Valley Pool Table Giveaways**
- **Incredible Opening Ceremonies**
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- **Custom Valley Pool Table Raffle**
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- **Players Slot Tournament**
- **CHARLIE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY!**



# Vegas Rules, Format, etc.

The governing rules of play are detailed in the 2024-2025 VNEA Rules Booklet and will be strictly adhered to along with the following:

## Team Format

The 25 game round robin format will be used in the Open Regular 8-Ball team events. The 16 game round robin format will be used in the Women's Regular 8-Ball team events. Each player will play each player from the opposing team once. The team with the most points at the end of the match will be declared the winner.

- All Regular team events will be played using a Double Elimination format in the qualifying brackets. Finals brackets will be re-drawn with participants starting with no losses and will also be Double Elimination.

- **The Sports Division will be Double Elimination and will consist of 5-Person Open Teams (25 Game Format) and 4-Person Women's Teams (16 Game Format).**

- **The Redemption Division will be Single Elimination and will consist of 4-Person Open Teams (16 Game Format) and 3-Person Women's Teams (9 Game Format).**

- **The Resurrection Division will be Single Elimination and will consist of 4-Person Open Teams (16 Game Format) and 3-Person Women's Teams (9 Game Format).**

- For Sports, Redemption and Resurrection Teams, all players MUST be listed on the **Original "Official Team Roster"**.

- Master and Intermediate team events will be using the **Triple Elimination** format. The Finals will be **Double Elimination**.

## Tie Breaker

If there is a tie in the Total Points at the end of the match, proceed as follows until a winner is decided...

- *Play last round again, with the same match-ups, on the scoresheet.*
- *Each Team will begin with zero points.*
- *Flip for first break and alternate thereafter.*

## Singles Format

(exception: Redemption & Resurrection Divisions)

All Singles events will be played using a Double Elimination format in the qualifying brackets. Finals brackets will be re-drawn with participants starting with no losses and will also be Double Elimination. **See pg. 10 for all Division Races.**

## Substitution Rule

A team may substitute players during a match if the following criteria are met:

The opposing team captain must be notified before the start of the round in which the substitution is being made.

A substitute player will not be allowed to play any opposing player more than once.

Once a player has played, he/she must keep that same position unless removed for a round and reinstated in a later round.

## Determining the Break

### Teams...

Team captains will flip a coin prior to making the line-up. The winner of the coin toss has a choice of being home or visiting team. The home team will complete their line-up first each round. The teams will then break in accordance with the scoresheet.

### Singles...

Flip a coin to determine the first break and alternate thereafter.

## Table Use

Teams will play on two tables at all times, until the 25th game (25 game format) or 16th game (16 game format). It will be the Tournament Director's discretion to play matches on more than 2 tables if time is a factor.

## Official Scoresheet

The Home Scoresheet is the official scoresheet and will be used to settle any disputes. Both captains are responsible for the accuracy of the Home scoresheet after each game.

## Devices Are Not Allowed For Jump Shots

## 8-On the Break

If the 8-Ball is pocketed on the break, the breaker may ask for a re-rack or have the 8-Ball spotted and continue shooting. If the breaker scratches while pocketing the 8-Ball on the break, the opposing player has the option of a re-rack or having the 8-Ball spotted before beginning to shoot.

## Rack Your Own Breaks

(Various Rack Devices will NOT be allowed)

## Call Pocket

In Call Pocket, obvious balls and pockets do not have to be indicated. It is the opponent's right to ask which ball and pocket if he is unsure of the shot. Banks and combinations are not considered obvious and both the object ball and pocket must be called. When calling the shot, it is NEVER necessary to indicate details such as the number of cushions, banks, kisses, caroms, etc. Any balls pocketed on a foul remain pocketed, regardless of whether they belong to the shooter or the opponent. If a shooter continually refuses to inform his opponent, even when asked, the captains or tournament officials should be informed. Continuous failure to verbally call the pocket can be ruled unsportsmanlike conduct.

## Calling the 8-Ball

Calling of the 8-Ball must be by the disc method in the following manner:

### Disc Placement

The disc must be completely within the first two diamonds on either side of the intended pocket. (A Referee will make a ruling if the disc position is protested)

It is not necessary to move or touch the disc if it is already at the intended pocket. If a player shoots at the 8-Ball and commits a legal shot and the 8-Ball is not pocketed, the game continues.

## Team Roster

**The "Official Team Roster" are the players listed on the scoresheet/computer.**

## Illegal Team Player

Any Team determined to have listed a Team Member on the Tournament Scoresheet, for any match that has begun, that is not listed on the "Official Team Roster" will be penalized as follows...

- *The Team will Forfeit any match in progress or any match completed before their next round begins and eliminated from any further Team competition.*
- *The Team will Forfeit any Prize Money.*

## Safeties

A Safety can be played within the definition of a legal shot.

## Start of Match

All matches will start at their posted time if the assigned table is available. If a player/players is absent, the match must still begin and the absent player/players will have until the end of that round to show up. If they are not there by the end of the round, the absent person/persons will lose that game 10-0. This rule is the same for all the rounds.

## Played Wrong Player

In the event that wrong people have played or are playing each other, the following procedure will be followed:

- *If the game is completed, that score will be forwarded to the proper place that they are scheduled to play. That score will not count until it falls into the proper place.*
- *If the game is not completed, the captains will get the proper people to the table and restart the game.*
- *If a game is played between the same opponents for a second time during the match, the score of the second time does not count as long as the scoresheet is filled out properly prior to the round beginning.*

*It is both team captain's responsibility to ensure that the proper players are playing each game before the round starts. Therefore, if one captain listed a player to play the same player a second time, the captains team who listed the wrong player will lose 10-0.*

## End of Match

A match is considered over when a team can no longer mathematically win.

## Forfeits

**Team...** All Teams must be at their assigned tables at their assigned match time. If a Team is not at their assigned tables **5 minutes** after their posted start time, the opposing Team will call a referee to the table and the missing Team will be notified via CompuSport App and will have **10 minutes** to show up at the table. At the end of **10 minutes**, the Team who is present will recall the referee and the **match will be forfeited** if the missing Team is not present. In the event that enough team members, but less than the full team, are available when the match is called, then those present must begin shooting. **If the table is not available, you must report to the control desk.**

**Singles...** All players must be at their assigned table at their assigned match time. If a player is not at their assigned table **5 minutes** after their posted start time, the opponent will call a referee to the table and the missing player will be notified via CompuSport App and will have **10 minutes** to show up at the table. At the end of **10 minutes**, the player who is present will recall the referee and the **match will be forfeited** if the missing player is not present. **If the table is not available, you must report to the control desk.**

## Protest Procedure

In the event a person or team wishes to protest a player's or a team's eligibility, the protesting team or person will be required to deposit \$100 with tournament officials. If protesters are correct in their protest, they will be refunded their deposit and the tournament officials will take proper measures in dealing with the situation. If protesters are incorrect in their protest, they will forfeit their deposit. Deposits will go into the general funds of the VNEA.

## Classics & Seniors

Entrants in the 8-Ball Classics or Seniors Singles cannot play in any other 8-Ball singles and entrants in the 9-Ball Classics or Seniors Singles cannot play in any other 9-Ball Singles.

Seniors can play in either Classics or Seniors - **not both**.

Listed Master & Intermediate Classic or Senior players are ineligible for Regular, Classic or Senior events. *However, a Classic Division is available for them, sign-up on site, in addition to their Singles events.*

**Classics:** (age as of event day)

**Age:** Men - 50 yrs. old minimum  
Women - 45 yrs. old minimum

**Seniors:** (age as of event day)

**Age:** Men & Women - 60 yrs. old minimum

## Scoring

**If a game ends without a group of balls being legally determined, the winner receives ten points and the opponent receives zero points.**



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**Westgate Las Vegas Resort & Casino** is the host of the Annual VNEA World Championships. Please make your reservations as soon as possible.

**Please note:** Upon booking your reservation, your credit card will be charged a deposit equal to one night's room and tax. **To avoid forfeiture of deposit, please ensure all changes and cancellations are made at least 3 days prior to scheduled arrival date.** Payment will be accepted by check or major credit card. We recommend immediately contacting Westgate as we anticipate our room block to fill up quickly.

**Check-In:** 3 pm • **Check-Out:** 11 am

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# "45th Anniversary" VNEA World Pool Championships

May 22nd - 31st, 2025  
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# WESTGATE

## The Westgate Experience...

### *So Many Benefits For Our Players*

The Westgate offers 100,000 square feet of event space! This allows us to set up 300+ Tables including an entire separate room for **Practice** throughout the week **AND...**

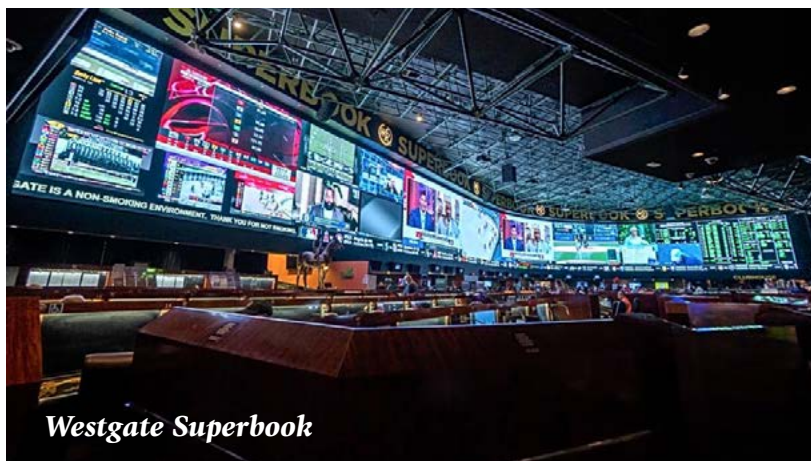
### **A MINI-TOURNAMENT OASIS!**

Unlimited Mini-Tournaments will now be conducted **EVERYDAY... ALL DAY** during the event!

*Check This Out: A Fully Stocked Players Lounge INSIDE The Tournament Room! Yep, our own private Lounge & Bartender featuring great drink prices, giveaways and Entertainment!*

*Also, there are several Shops available for everyday items to Souvenirs to one-of-a-kind items to a Tattoo of Charlie or your preferred body art!*

### *And Have You Seen The Sportsbook?!*



**Westgate Superbook**

The Westgate is also a primary stop on the popular Monorail which provides affordable transportation up and down the Strip! There is also a Complimentary Shuttle service which goes to the Strip or Downtown which is only a few minutes away. The resort also provides Complimentary Parking, Fitness Center and Wireless Internet to its guests.



## The Pool...

*The 3rd Story "Pool Paradise" has everything our players could ever ask for... including a **BAR & GRILLE!***

## The Dining...



**Benihana Village**

Westgate features some of the best eateries in the city from their famous **Benihana Village** to the **Edge Steakhouse, Rikki Tiki Sushi, Sid's Cafe and Fresco Italiana!** There really is something for everyone's appetite in this beautiful casino.

# Vegas Event Specifics

**Notes:** The Tournament Committee retains final discretion in placing players or teams in the proper Division.

All Team Division Fees Include Green Fee & Admin. & **Jr. Fee**



## REGULAR DIVISION

(Double Elimination)

### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$540

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. & Jr. Fee)  
(\$275) (\$225) (\$40)

An Open Regular Team must be comprised of at least **2** original players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd, 4th and 5th players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System (same C-H #). Four members of the team must have played a minimum of 12 separate league nights and the fifth member must have played a minimum of 8 separate league nights.

- A Regular Division Open Team may not have any Intermediate Men or any Master players.
- One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team.

### 8-Ball Women's Teams

To Be Played With 4 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$415

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)  
(\$220) (\$160) (\$35)

A Women's Regular Team may be comprised of **ANY (4) female** players from within their Charter Holder's League System (same C-H #). All members of the team must have played a minimum of 12 separate league nights.

- A Regular Division Women's Team may not have any Intermediate or Master players.

**Team Note:** Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.

## INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$640

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)  
(\$375) (\$225) (\$40)

An Open Intermediate Team must be comprised of at least **2** original players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd, 4th and 5th players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System (same C-H #). Four members of the team must have played a minimum of 12 separate league nights and the fifth member must have played a minimum of 8 separate league nights.

An Open Intermediate Division Team may have one (1) Master player.

IM & Master Teams Will Be Via The Triple Elimination Format

### 8-Ball Women's Teams

To Be Played With 4 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$495

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)  
(\$300) (\$160) (\$35)

A Women's Intermediate Team may be comprised of **ANY (4) female** players from within their Charter Holder's League System (same C-H #). All members of the team must have played a minimum of 12 separate league nights

- A Women's Intermediate Division Team may have one (1) Female Master player.

**Team Note:** Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.

## \* MASTERS DIVISION

### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$765

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)  
(\$500) (\$225) (\$40)

An Open Masters Team may be comprised of any 5 players from within their Charter Holder's League System (same C-H #) so long as they meet the 12 separate league night requirement.

- \* Two (2) or more Teams required for participation and payouts.

### 8-Ball Women's Teams

To Be Played With 4 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$595

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)  
(\$400) (\$160) (\$35)

A Women's Masters Team may be comprised of ANY (4) female players from within their Charter Holder's League System (same C-H #) All members of the Team must have played a minimum of 12 separate league nights.

**Team Note:** Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.

- \* Two (2) or more Teams required for participation and payouts.

**SPORTS DIVISIONS (Double Elimination)** All Teams or Singles players eliminated in TBD rounds or less from the Regular Team or Singles Divisions, upon confirmation, will automatically be placed in the Sports Singles (Races TBD) or Team Division, pay no additional entry fee and share in the overall prize money. Classic & Senior participants, who qualify, will be eligible for the Sports Singles Divisions. Open Teams will consist of 5 players (25-game format) and Women's Teams will consist of 4 players (16-game format).

**REDEMPTION DIVISIONS (Single Elimination)** All Teams or Singles players eliminated in more than TBD rounds (and not yet in the money) from the Regular Team or Singles Divisions, upon confirmation, will automatically be placed in the Redemption Singles (Races TBD) or Team Division, pay no additional entry fee and share in the overall prize money. Also, any Teams or Singles players eliminated from the Sports Division by the posting of the "Redemption" Division will qualify if they confirm. Open Teams will consist of 4 players (16-game format) and Women's Teams will consist of 3 players (9-game format).

**RESURRECTION DIVISIONS (Single Elimination)** All Teams or Singles players eliminated before the money rounds from the Master or Intermediate Team or Singles Divisions, upon confirmation, will automatically be placed in the Resurrection Singles (Races TBD) or Team Division, pay no additional entry fee and share in the overall prize money. Open Teams will consist of 4 players (16-game format) and Women's Teams will consist of 3 players (9-game format). **Minimum Teams:** 2 Teams per Division and match must be played.

**ALL Sports, Redemption & Resurrection team members MUST be listed on the Original "Official Team Roster".**



Singles Division Fees Include A \$40 Men & \$35 Women Green Fee & A \$20 Admin. & **Jr. Fee**

### 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Race: Men - 5, Women - 4  
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)

All players must have completed the 12 separate league night requirement (exception: Seniors may have 8 weeks) and are subject to Tournament Committee approval as Regular Division players.

#### Singles Fees

**Men - \$160 Women - \$135**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)

### 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Race: Men - 6, Women - 5  
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)

All players must have completed the 12 separate league night requirement and are subject to Tournament Committee approval as Intermediate Division players.

#### Singles Fees

**Men - \$185 Women - \$155**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)

### 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Race: Men - 7, Women - 6  
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)

All players must have completed the 12 separate league night requirement. Participants need not be recognized Master players to participate in this event.

#### Singles Fees

**Men - \$210 Women - \$175**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee, Admin. & Jr. Fee)

A separate, **Classic 8-Ball Singles Division** is available for Intermediate & Master Tournament Entrants who are of proper age in addition to their normal 8-Ball Singles event. All participants must be out of all other events and the sign-up will be on-site. Cost is \$80 which includes a \$5 Admin. Fee and \$15 Green Fee.

# 45th Anniversary Vegas Championships

For the 45th Anniversary World Championships, the following criteria will be used to place individuals in the proper Divisions for the 46th Annual Championships...

## REGULAR DIVISION

At the 45th Anniv. World Championships, participants finishing in the **Top 6 Open 8-Ball Teams, Top 3 Women's 8-Ball Teams, Top 12 Men's 8-Ball Teams, Top 6 Women's 8-Ball Singles, Top 8 Men's 9-Ball Singles and Top 2 Women's 9-Ball Singles** will be Intermediate for the 46th Annual Championships

*\* Players that win a Classic or Senior Division two consecutive years or Mixed Scotch Doubles players that win twice will be moved to the Regular Singles or appropriate Division.*

## INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

At the 45th Anniv. World Championships, participants finishing in the **Top 3 Open 8-Ball Teams, Top 1 Women's 8-Ball Teams, Top 4 Men's 8-Ball Singles, Top 2 Women's 8-Ball Singles, Top 4 Men's 9-Ball Singles, and Top 2 Women's 9-Ball Singles** will be Masters for the 46th Annual Championships

*\* Regular Division participants on the 1st or 2nd place Open Teams will become Intermediate.*

*\*\* Regular Division participants on the 1st place Women's Team will become Intermediate.*

## MASTERS DIVISION

At the 45th Anniv. World Championships, participants finishing in the **Prize Money in Open 8-Ball Teams and in the Prize Money in Women's 8-Ball Teams and anyone finishing in the prize money in Men's and Women's 8-Ball Singles and Men's and Women's 9-Ball Singles** will remain/become Masters for the 46th Annual Champ.

*\* Regular Division participants in the money will become Intermediate.*

- If you are a listed Intermediate player (see listings at VNEA.com), you are ineligible to play on a Regular Team. You can play on an Intermediate or Master Team. **(EXCEPTION: One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team.)**
- If you are a listed Master player (see listings at VNEA.com), you are ineligible to play on a Regular Team. You can play on a Master Team or you can play on an Intermediate Team if you are the only Master on that Intermediate Team.
- All players have the option of competing in a higher division than they are listed.
- After an individual has been moved up to a higher division, if they do not win any prize money (exception Mini's, Mixed Scotch Doubles & Sr./Classic Divisions) for the next 3 years, they may have the opportunity of returning to the next lower division.

*It is very difficult to foresee every possible situation that can arise. Therefore, any player who hasn't played in the World Championships in the last 3 years, or entries of known Intermediate or Masters ability may be placed in a higher Division at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.*

The **Master and Intermediate Player Lists** have been updated and finalized for the 2024-25 League and Tournament Season.

**THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL ADDITIONS, REMOVALS AND RANKING CHANGES SO BE SURE TO REVIEW THE ATTACHED LISTS THOROUGHLY SO YOUR PLAYERS CAN MAKE THEIR PLANS EARLY TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUR LOCAL LEAGUES, REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS AND THE VEGAS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS!**

Click this link to go directly to the 2025 VNEA Las Vegas Master & Intermediate Players Lists:  
<https://www.vnea.com/Data/Sites/1/media/im-master-lists-8.12.24.pdf>

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## Official Team Shirt Sponsor: **Onboard Sportswear!**

We are EXTREMELY excited and proud to be in partnership with **ONBOARD SPORTSWEAR** as our *Official VNEA Shirt Sponsor!* Led by longtime VNEA member, Neight Mindham, **Onboard** is laser focused on the VNEA player and promises to produce the nicest Team Shirts in the industry! **Onboard** is booming throughout the pool community and is the official sportswear of many top pro and junior players including VNEA Pro Player Representative *Shane Van Boening!*



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**Cue Specifications:** Width of Tip: Not to exceed 15mm. • Length of Cue: 40 inches min.

### **Certified Instructor Recertification Class:**

This class is for those individuals who passed the Certified Instructor Seminar and would like to remain an active Certified Instructor and update their knowledge and skills.

### **Certified Instructor Seminar:**

This seminar was created to educate players on developing their own skills in order to use these teaching techniques to further promote the game of pool in their local area by instructing beginners and lesser skilled players as well as upper level shooters.

### **Certified Referee School:**

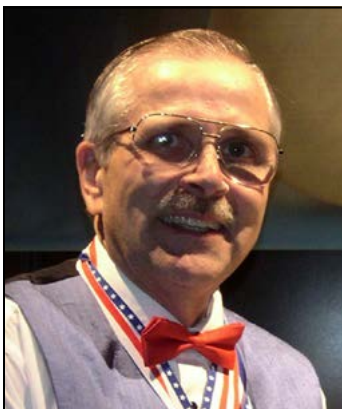
This school teaches players the proper way to conduct themselves as a referee at the local, regional and state levels. Many tested and true officiating techniques are shared with the members of this class.

# VNEA Professionals...

## Instruction, Trick Shots, Entertaining Shows



**JERRY BRIESATH** has long been considered the very best Billiards Instructor in the business. His decades of experience make Jerry one of the most sought after teachers in our sport today. Jerry has also recently released a “3 DVD Set” which contains 4.5 hours of priceless pool lessons which he shares with our players each and every year at the Vegas AND Junior World Pool Championships. Jerry has spent countless hours at our events teaching our players everything from the proper stance and stroke to the “diamond system”. He loves to teach and it shows by the smiling faces that surround his table. And his “one-on-one” teaching approach has proven to be his trademark as players get that special attention and hands-on training that pool requires. Jerry has always said, *“Come see me and let me help you improve your game”*.



**TOM “DR. CUE” ROSSMAN** is a World Renown “Artistic Pool” Champion. Tom introduced “Artistic Pool” to the VNEA nearly 30 years ago and has been entertaining and challenging our players ever since. Tom is also a staple at both our Vegas and Junior Championships and brings an incredible amount of excitement and FUN to the game of pool by adding his own “comedic flair” to everything he does! Tom’s sense of humor is legendary and he includes it in whatever he does from teaching to trick shots to challenge matches. Although Tom is known for his amazing trick shot artistry and hilarious shows, he is also one of the most knowledgeable instructors in the business with a pure grasp on the “diamond system” which he beautifully translates to our lucky players. You will never meet a nicer and more genuine man than Tom Rossman.



**DAVE “GINGER WIZARD” PEARSON** burst on to the American scene nearly 20 years ago when he brought his fast-paced game of “Speed Pool” to the VNEA and its players. A Master of Speed Pool, Dave holds several Guinness World Records for his rapid-paced racks! Dave played professionally in England prior to coming to the states and is truly one of the most remarkably skilled pool players in the world. He also is a huge sponsor of both our Vegas and Junior Championships and actually donates his own brand of cues (Pearson Cues) to both events making Dave one of the most generous professionals in our sport. When you see Dave at his booth in Las Vegas, be sure to go up and say hello. There are 3 things that you can be sure of... you will be greeted with a smile, you will learn something and you will walk away with a smile on your face!



**SHANE VAN BOENING** also known as “The South Dakota Kid”, re-joined the VNEA Family the 40th Anniversary Season as a Professional Tour Player proudly wearing the VNEA Logo on his Tournament shirts and spreading the word of the VNEA to the world! In Shane’s early pool career, he could be seen playing in the VNEA Junior Program and then eventually the VNEA Adult Program including the Vegas Championships. Shane has always supported the VNEA and is extremely eager to become an integral part of growing our ever-popular Junior Program. He truly understands that the kids are the future of our great sport. Shane has been attending and performing at both the Vegas and Junior Championships and always looks forward to meeting all of our players and sharing his knowledge and experiences with the VNEA World!



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## FROM THE PRO'S Vegas



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# Pro Billiard Champion Wei Wei "The Wave" Wei Tzu Chien

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Begins at 7:00 PM

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**Play the Pro's!**  
Begins at 7:00 PM

# Suds & Chips Mixer 5.26.25

WESTGATE PARKING PAVILION (FREE BEER, POP & CHIPS)

**TEAM OPENING CEREMONIES** is one of the most anticipated parties of the event! On the Monday before Teams begin, the VNEA throws a party to recognize the previous weeks Singles Champions and the upcoming Team competition. 3,000 excited pool players rock the parking lot of Westgate Resort & Casino and celebrate and relax before another big week of play. The evening starts with our traditional **PARADE OF FLAGS** where each country in attendance marches to the stage for the playing of their national anthems. This is followed by the **SINGLES & MIXED SCOTCH DOUBLES AWARDS PRESENTATIONS**. Once all of the Charlie's have been handed out for the evening, the annual **HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES** are introduced. Shortly thereafter, the evening's entertainment kicks into high gear when our Professional D.J. spins the songs that are sure to pack the dance floor! Our players will enjoy the time together with their teammates and making many new friends in the process. What a wonderful tradition for the VNEA and its players!



*Free Beer @ Opening Comments!*



*Tons of Fun & Mega-Rewarding*

# Awards Banquet!

In The Westgate Pavilion

This years Banquet is once again going to feature a great **Buffet-Style Dinner**, an incredible **Awards Presentation**, some great entertainment and a **Drawing for an amazing Valley Home Pool Table**.

What makes this Banquet different than most...

## CASH DRAWINGS!

**Every 15 Minutes** throughout the evening, VNEA is going to be handing out hundreds of dollars to lucky players in the crowd. These Drawings will accumulate to **THOUSANDS** throughout the night! If you didn't win anything throughout the week, this is one last opportunity to go home a WINNER! All Tournament Participants in attendance, at the Banquet, will be eligible for CASH DRAWINGS!

**PLUS:** *Drawings for 2026 FREE Singles Entries!  
Complimentary Beverage Tickets  
Blues Brothers Entertainers  
Large Screen Monitors  
Weekly Activity Videos  
A Performance By "The King"  
And Much, Much More!*

**Starts @ 5pm; Ends @ 8:31pm**

Saturday, May 31st



# 6 Skill Levels For A Fair Playing Surface For ALL

**1) Sports Division...** Established to prove our commitment in creating competition and prize money for those not able to effectively compete in the Regular Division.

**2) Redemption Division...** Created to fill the void where players drop off the loser's side of the bracket after it is too late to enter the Sports Division and before they make any money in the Regular Division.

**3) Regular Division...** Targeted for the everyday, fun-loving league player who dreams of the opportunity to attend an International Championship to experience this pool frenzy with fellow pool players around the World and find a very fair and competitive playing surface. **(Intermediate & Master players will not be allowed to participate in the Regular Division)** *(Exception: One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team)*

**4) Resurrection Division...** A second chance for Master & Intermediate players to take home some cash in this highly competitive division.

**5) Intermediate Division...** Targeted for the average to above average league player who may have some Tournament level experience. Players looking for an awesome week of pool camaraderie with avid players around the World and an excellent opportunity, second to none, to compete against similar talented teams in an effort to earn great prize money, titles and incredible memories.

This awesome field and super payouts filled with spectacular matches right out of the gate eliminates those Regular Division early round scares and losses to less talented teams. **(With only one Master player allowed on a team, all teams will be equally favored.)**

**6) Masters Division...** Targeted at the accomplished pool players who want to test their skills against the best in the World and to gain valuable experience that is nearly impossible to obtain elsewhere.

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## **2025 VNEA All-Star Information**

**All individuals participating at this years Vegas Championships are eligible to earn points towards selection to the VNEA All-Star Team.**

The Tournament will be broken down into four categories:

### **8-Ball Singles, 9-Ball Singles, Mixed Scotch Doubles & Team**

*The Tournament Committee will be selecting the elite few to be called "All-Stars" from all of the participants based on a performance criteria.*

*Those individuals accumulating the most points during the course of the Tournament Week will be selected to either the 1st Team, 2nd Team or as Honorable Mention.*

*The 1st & 2nd Team All-Stars will receive very memorable awards. All players chosen, including those earning an Honorable Mention, will be presented a well deserved Official All-Star Team Certificate.*

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