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Championships

Check Out The NEW Valley

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Arena This Year!





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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## LET'S GO!

As our VNEA leagues are winding down, the players and Charter Holders attention is turned to the next events on the calendar. The preparation for their Year-End-Tournaments, Award Banquets and Parties. Players have competed all season in their Leagues to gear up for their year end events. The competition, friendships and excitement in a well organized VNEA League is what brings them back year after year.

All the excitement that is generated in our year end tournaments lead to Las Vegas in May and the 44th Annual VNEA World Championships at the Westgate Resort! If you didn't attend last years event, then you certainly should be making plans to attend this year. The number of entries increased last year and we hope to see the same increase this year.

The Westgate offers so many great amenities for the VNEA players to enjoy, all at a room

rate starting as low as \$75 per night. The 300 Pool Table set up is beyond belief. There are even pool tables set aside just for mini tournaments for you to play in. To book your room at the Westgate, go to VNEA.com and follow the link. The Westgate is filling quickly.

*It is important to remember that you are required to Register in advance to play in the 2024 VNEA World Championships. Please contact your local League Operator to make*

*sure that you don't miss any important deadlines. Players need to have 12 separate league nights to play Singles and Team. There is one exception made for teams. All teams are allowed to have one player on their roster with less than 12 weeks of play, but not less than 8 weeks. All VNEA information and forms are available at VNEA.com.*

The VNEA World Championships is ten days of extraordinary competition and entertainment for all pool

**43****The Doctor's In****Editors...**

Dave Everett Publication Chair  
 Gregg Elliott Executive Director  
 Brian Elliott Marketing & Promotions

**2024 VNEA Hall of Fame Inductees**

These individuals have been selected for induction into the VNEA Hall of Fame based upon their outstanding contributions to the VNEA and the pool and billiard community.

**2024 VNEA Hall of Fame Inductees**

<b>Rocky Amato</b> 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee	<b>Michael Berquist</b> 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee	<b>Jameson Hechler</b> 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee
<b>Mike Johnson</b> 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee	<b>Steve Ogawa</b> 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee	<b>Steve Ogawa</b> 2024 Hall of Fame Inductee

Inductees were selected by a Hall of Fame Selection Committee and the VNEA Board of Directors based on the following criteria:

- 1. Contribution to the VNEA**
- 2. Contribution to the pool and billiard community**
- 3. Contribution to the sport of pool and billiards**

All inductees will receive their official induction and award at the induction ceremony in the fall of 2024.

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**44****2024 Hall of Famers****45****VNEA Awards**

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**48****44th World Championships!**

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enthusiasts. With the multiple skill levels, every player can be competitive in the many Singles and Team divisions. Please don't forget to purchase your end of tournament Banquet Tickets. There is a great buffet meal provided and you are then eligible to win a portion of the thousands that are given away at the event! Who can't use a few more bucks in their pockets on the way home.

Not to be forgotten, the youth are the future of our sport. I

strongly encourage everyone to start a Junior League if you haven't already. There is still time to get the Juniors qualified for the 34th Annual VNEA Junior Pool Championships. This year the event will take place in Sioux City, Iowa - July 18th to 21st at the Sioux City Convention Center. Contact VNEA Headquarters if you have questions or require some help.

Good luck to all the players, Charter Holders and League Coordinators in their upcom-

ing season ending activities. I hope to see everyone at the Westgate in May!

Sincerely,

**Scott Morgan**





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# SVB - VNEA Pro Player Representative



## Shane's Upcoming Event Schedule...

**World Pool Masters:** April 25-28

**UK Open:** May 7-12

**VNEA Worlds:** May 23 - June 1

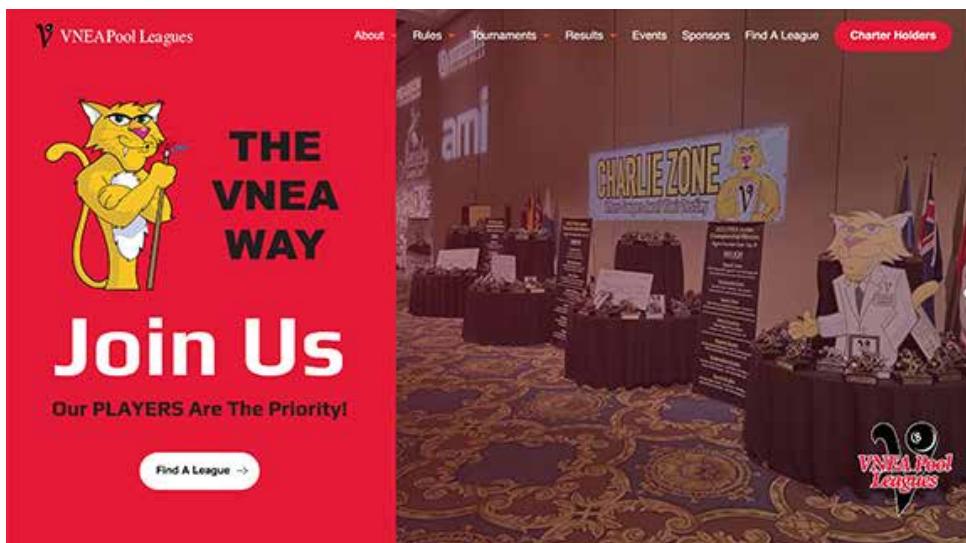
*Congrats,  
Shane!*



**US OPEN  
10-BALL  
CHAMPION**

**SVB CAPTURES HIS 5<sup>TH</sup> US OPEN 10-BALL TITLE**

# Newly Designed VNEA.com



## VNEA.com Has Received A FACELIFT!

Our new, professionally designed website offers our Players and Charter Holders 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!*

**The 2024 “44th Annual” Season is shaping up to be our best year yet!**

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.

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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 placed 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 International 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!

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**Dave Pearson Tips**

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

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# Check It Out!



# BILLIARDS WITH BRIESATH

## GETTING OUT OF A SLUMP

Every player has ups and downs in every sport including our game of pool. If you are going through a down period, it is very important to check out your delivery. You can do this by placing the cueball on the spot and an object ball down the table a few diamonds from the corner pocket. Now go through your pre-shot routine, shoot the shot and freeze. Pocketing the ball is not the most important thing here. *The most important thing is to see if the shaft of your cue is dead center across that little white dot.*

**Here are a couple of things that you must remember...**

1. *When shooting pool, we do not touch or control the balls.*
2. *When shooting pool, we only touch and control the cue stick. So if that cue stick is not dead center across the dot when you are finished shooting a shot, you can assume the cue ball did not go straight either.*

***Good Luck, Jerry.***

## A POOL LESSON WITH JERRY BRIESATH

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# IOWA STATE TOURNAMENT

February 14-18, 2024

Waterloo Convention Center  
At Sullivan Plaza  
Waterloo, IA

8-Ball Results were as follows...

## Men's Master Singles

1st	George Walters	Games RR Biz
2nd	Robert Walker	GRE Amusements
3rd	Scott Hargens	J & J Enterprises
4th	Alan Schares	Automatic Amusements
5-6th	Jeremy Bates	Games RR Biz
	Matt Vankampen	ECS
7-8th	Joel Hammargren	Automatic Amusements
	Dan Kuhl	Games RR Biz

## Open Intermediate Singles

1st	Jamie Tipps	ECS
2nd	Oscar Perales Jr.	ECS
3rd	David Dart	Wally's Amusement
4th	Matt Payne	GRE Amusements
5-6th	Travis Mulnix	Wally's Amusement
	Corey Pratt	Green Amusement
7-8th	Bruce Johnson	Games RR Biz
	Tom Schoellen	Automatic Amusements

## Open Singles

1st	Ryan Kamarad	NTS
2nd	Dan Sundstrom	Wally's Amusement
3rd	Ryan Srsen	Red Line Vending
4th	Corey Leff	Red Line Vending
5-6th	Matt Vine	Red Line Vending
	Darryl Schlitter	Red Line Vending
7-8th	Mark Folsom	Red Line Vending
	Thomas Spidell	NTS

## Senior Singles

1st	Robert Raabe	Games RR Biz
2nd	Mike Ender	Fischels Music
3rd	Scott Welveart	ECS
4th	Dan Weber	Rich & Junnie's Coin
5-6th	Greg Wendland	Green Amusement
	Scott Schares	Automatic Amusements
7-8th	Arvid Hatlan	Red Line Vending
	Greg Diercks	Automatic Amusements

## Women's Master Singles

1st	Jessica Frideres	NTS
2nd	Stacy Betts	Fischels Music
3rd	Melissa Hills	Games RR Biz
4th	Bobbi Ford	Green Amusement

## Women's Intermediate Singles

1st	Sarah Stephens	ECS
2nd	Hunter Doyle	Rich & Junnie's Coin
3rd	Jessica Klahn	ECS
4th	Jennifer Stratton	ECS
5-6th	Marguerite Pircer	Automatic Amusements
	Brittney Lemon	ECS
7-8th	Jennifer Cole	ECS
	Shelly Brewer	ECS

## Women's Singles

1st	Kadia Trevallion
2nd	Michelle Martin
3rd	Megan Vandewall
4th	Holly Ingles
5-6th	Kristina Weber
	Kati Harmon
7-8th	Madi Welcher White
	Janelle Hammond

## Wally's Amusement

GRE Amusements
Games RR Biz
Red Line Vending
Games RR Biz
Rich & Junnie's Coin

5-6th Darla Price

Rich & Junnie's Coin

Erica Graves

Green Amusement

Marian Ferry

ECS

Kristy Hammargren

Fischels Music

**Team Results were as follows...**

## Men's Master Teams

1st	Absolute Power
2nd	Gotta Have It
3rd	Dr. Chicken
4th	Stretchin' Pockets

**Games RR Biz**

NTS

## Open Intermediate Teams

1st	Gash Hounds
2nd	Bangin' All Holes
3rd	Who's Shot?
4th	They Hate Us Cuz They Anus

**NTS**

Wally's Amusement

Red Line Vending

Green Amusement

## Open Regular Teams

1st	K & M Ben
2nd	Magic Carpet Riders
3rd	Fiesta Vallarta 4
4th	Onies 2

**Automatic Amusement**

Fischels Music

Red Line Vending

Rich & Junnie's Coin

## Women's Master Teams

1st	Pooh Bears
2nd	Team Motorboat
3rd	Just Poolin Around

**NTS**

Games RR Biz

Games RR Biz

## Women's Intermediate Teams

1st	Hammerheads Faith
2nd	Wanna Play A Game?
3rd	Wreckless Wenches
4th	Legends #FullCue

**NTS**

Wally's Amusement

NTS

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## Women's Teams

1st	Wicked Angels
2nd	Straight Hookin'
3rd	We Got Balls
4th	RBF Squad

**NTS**

Rich & Junnie's Coin

Automatic Amusements

## Open Scotch Doubles (2 Brackets)

1st	C. Schares & G. Muller
1st	B. Johnson & S. McNelly

## Jack & Jill Scotch Doubles (2 Brackets)

1st	C. Becker & C. Bullerman
1st	A. Harrison & C. Harrison

## Anything Goes Scotch Doubles

1st	M. Vankampen & T. McCullough
2nd	B. Dutton & J. Skluzacek

## Juniors (Ages 6-10)

1st	Logan Albright
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## Juniors (Ages 11-12)

1st	Daniel Austin
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**Fischels Music**

## Juniors (Ages 13-14)

1st	Maddox Clapp
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**Fischels Music**

## Juniors (Ages 15-16)

1st	Andrew Deeley
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**J & J Enterprises**

## Juniors (Ages 17-20)

1st	Jason Rye
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**Red Line Vending**



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# Thank You!

We are extremely proud to be celebrating our **44th Annual VNEA Pool League Season.**

The continued support and dedication of our amazing **Charter Holders, Manufacturers and Players** allows us to lead the way and promote the greatest Pool League Association in the World.

*Celebrating  
44 Years!*

**Scott Morgan**

VNEA President

**Kelye Stites**

Valley President/CEO

**R. Gregg Elliott**

VNEA Executive Director



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# ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEAM

February 1-4, 2024 Red Lion Hotel - Cheyenne, WY

## OPEN AAA/AA

1st	Bear Down	Entertainment Experts
2nd	Zooster's #1	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Infamous Five	BMW Billiards
4th	Steel City Bangers	Entertainment Experts



Open A: 1st - Bear Down



Open B: 3rd - Broken Stroke

## OPEN A

1st	Squeeze	Entertainment Experts
2nd	Felter Skelter	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Colorado Crushers	Entertainment Experts
4th	Prestige Worldwide	Capitol City Pool Players



Open A: 1st - Squeeze



Open B: 4th - Intimidators

## OPEN B

1st	Balls Deep	Entertainment Experts
2nd	Motley Q	Paradise Pinball
3rd	Broken Stroke	Entertainment Experts
4th	Intimidators	BMW Billiards



Open A: 2nd - Felter Skelter



Open B: 4th - Intimidators

## OPEN C

1st	Rack 'N' Roll	Entertainment Experts
2nd	Strictly Business	Capitol City Pool Players
3rd	Drink'em And Sink'em	Entertainment Experts
4th	Colorado Pool Crew	Entertainment Experts



Open A: 1st - Rack 'N' Roll



Open B: 4th - Intimidators

## WOMEN'S

1st	Best Racks Around	BMW Billiards
2nd	Rack Attack	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Slice Girls	Entertainment Experts
4th	Dangerous Divas	Entertainment Experts



Open A: 1st - Best Racks Around



Open B: 4th - Dangerous Divas

## JUNIOR - YOUTH (11 & Under)

1st	Young Wolves	Entertainment Experts
2nd	John/William/Kallun	Paradise Pinball



Open A: 1st - Young Wolves



Open B: 2nd - John/William/Kallun

## JUNIOR - MINOR (12-15)

1st	Pooligans	Capitol City Pool Players
2nd	Fresh Meat	BMW Billiards
3rd	8 Ballers	Entertainment Experts



Open A: 1st - Pooligans



Open B: 2nd - Fresh Meat

## JUNIOR - MAJOR (16-20)

1st	2.5	BMW Billiards
2nd	Sake O'Balls	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Kill Shotz	Capitol City Pool Players



Open A: 1st - 2.5



Open B: 2nd - Sake O'Balls

## OPEN AAA/AA

1st	Bear Down	BMW Billiards
2nd	Zooster's #1	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Infamous Five	BMW Billiards
4th	Steel City Bangers	Entertainment Experts



Open A: 1st - Bear Down



Open B: 2nd - Zooster's #1

## OPEN A

1st	Squeeze	Entertainment Experts
2nd	Felter Skelter	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Colorado Crushers	BMW Billiards
4th	Prestige Worldwide	Capitol City Pool Players



Open A: 1st - Squeeze



Open B: 2nd - Felter Skelter

## OPEN B

1st	Motley Q	Paradise Pinball
2nd	Broken Stroke	Entertainment Experts
3rd	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Motley Q



Open B: 2nd - Broken Stroke

## OPEN C

1st	Rack 'N' Roll	Entertainment Experts
2nd	Strictly Business	Capitol City Pool Players
3rd	Drink'em And Sink'em	Entertainment Experts
4th	Colorado Pool Crew	Entertainment Experts



Open A: 1st - Rack 'N' Roll



Open B: 2nd - Strictly Business

## OPEN D

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN E

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN F

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN G

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN H

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN I

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN J

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN K

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN L

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN M

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN N

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN O

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN P

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN Q

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN R

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN S

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN T

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN U

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



Open B: 2nd - BMW Billiards

## OPEN V

1st	Entertainment Experts	BMW Billiards
2nd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
3rd	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards
4th	BMW Billiards	BMW Billiards



Open A: 1st - Entertainment Experts



# ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEAM



Women's: 1st - Best Racks Around



Junior - Youth: 1st - Young Wolves



Junior - Minor: 3rd: 8 Ballers



Women's: 2nd - Rack Attack



Junior - Youth: 2nd - John/William/Kallun



Junior - Major: 1st - 2.5



Women's: 3rd - Slice Girls



Junior - Minor: 1st - Pooligans



Junior - Major: 2nd - Sake O'Balls



Women's: 4th - Dangerous Divas



Junior - Minor: 2nd - Fresh Meat



Junior - Major: 3rd - Kill Shotz



Our Wonderful Junior Players!

# SOUTH DAKOTA STATE TOURNAMENT

March 13-17, 2024

Dakotah Bank Center • Brookings, SD

8-Ball Results were as follows...

## Open AA Singles

1st **David Olson**  
2nd Jason Seeman  
3rd Ray Glanzer  
4th Steve Onkka  
5-6th Mike Bloomberg  
Jeremy Frost

**MG Leagues**  
United Games  
MG Leagues  
Hub Music & Vending  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

## Open A Singles

1st **Nick Boese**  
2nd Chris Disanto  
3rd Tim Tyler  
4th Neal Hoffman  
5-6th Mike Morford  
Bill Ball

**MG Leagues**  
MG Leagues  
Access / D & S Vending  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

## Open B Singles

1st **Jordan Sutton**  
2nd Morley Foster  
3rd Jonathan Getachew  
4th Dan Disanto  
5-6th Aaron Pew  
Jimmy Havelaar  
7-8th Paea Mafi  
Chuck Schiltz

**United Games**  
MG Leagues  
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## Open C Singles

1st **Cheyenne Ziegler**  
2nd Rick Hawes  
3rd Bill Fleshner  
4th Seth Marchus  
5-6th Mike Scheibe  
Russell White Hawk  
7-8th Mike Rust  
Chad Underberg

**United Games**  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues  
Access / D & S Vending  
Access / Manford  
MG Leagues  
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MG Leagues

## Open D Singles

1st **Adam Schultz**  
2nd John Spade  
3rd Matt Loban  
4th Cory Bieber  
5-6th Jessie Shamatt  
Matt Stork  
7-8th Jesse Wheeler  
Justin Haber

**MG Leagues**  
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Access / D & S Vending  
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## Senior Singles

1st **Jerry Kockelman**  
2nd Terry Garbe  
3rd Rafael Vargas

**MG Leagues**  
Access / Manford  
MG Leagues

## Women's A Singles

1st **Kathy Onkka**  
2nd Shantel Jennings  
3rd Liz Olson

**Hub Music & Vending**  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

## Women's B Singles

1st **Melanie Marsh**  
2nd Amy Cole  
3rd Lori Clark  
4th Teresa Arneson

**MG Leagues**  
Access / D & S Vending  
MG Leagues  
United Games

## A Division

1st **Sniper Gang**  
2nd Big Dummy's  
3rd Flame Dumas

**United Games**  
Access / D & E Music  
Hub Music & Vending

## B Division

1st **Double D Shooters**  
2nd War Party  
3rd Tigers Tap #1  
4th Lucky's Pocket Hobos  
5-6th Bigs Fuster Cluck  
That Just Happened  
7-8th Bigs Got Lucky  
Nickel Spot Mavericks

**MG Leagues**  
Access / D & S Vending  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues  
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MG Leagues

## 9-Ball Results were as follows...

## Open AA Singles

1st **Brian Ruth**  
2nd Garfield Steele  
3rd Chad Pew  
4th Jeremy Frost

**MG Leagues**  
Access / D & S Vending  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

## Open A Singles

1st **Chuck Moss**  
2nd Aaron Stoterau  
3rd Greg Stratton  
4th Tim Brown

**MG Leagues**  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues  
Access / D & E Music

## Open B Singles

1st **Greg Begnaud**  
2nd Nate Stattelman  
3rd Rich Ostert  
4th Jonathan Getachew  
5-6th Rafael Vargas  
Jordan Sutton

**MG Leagues**  
United Games  
Access / D & S Vending  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues  
United Games

## Open C Singles

1st **Marvin Bonnet**  
2nd Nathan Chowning  
3rd Jeff Anderson  
4th Bill Fleshner  
5-6th Reno Two Clouds  
Scott Glen

**Hub Music & Vending**  
Access / D & S Vending  
United Games  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues  
Access / D & S Vending

## Open D Singles

1st **Eric Bothun**  
2nd Eric Rebhahn  
3rd Tanner Schlenker  
4th Jesse Wheeler  
5-6th Tony Schnieder  
August Marshall

**MG Leagues**  
MG Leagues  
Access / D & S Vending  
Access / D & S Vending  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

## Team Results were as follows...

### A & B Hard Luck

1st **We're Here**  
2nd Double D Dudes

**MG Leagues**  
MG Leagues

## D Division

1st **Thirsty Duck Chugg Norris**  
2nd Phoenix Fire  
3rd Carpy's OG  
4th Trav's Trouble  
5-6th Rack City Ballz Deep  
Shots Fired  
7-8th Rack City Who Dis  
Wileys Dream Team  
9-12th Chancellor Bar Good Darts  
Gulch Outlaws  
Leftys  
Nickel Spot X  
13-16th Lucky's South Free Foulin  
Pave Reunited  
Pump #1  
Rack City Bankz & Spanks

**MG Leagues**  
MG Leagues  
Access / Hicks Enterprises  
United Games  
MG Leagues  
Access / D & E Music  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

### C & D Hard Luck

1st **Rack City Breaking Bad**  
2nd Chateau  
3-4th 3 Sticks & A Rack  
The Gulch Low Ballz & Stuff

**MG Leagues**  
MG Leagues  
Freidel Music  
MG Leagues

### AA Division

1st **Dakota Genetics**  
2nd Bigs Gravy Train  
3rd Get'n Lucky

**Access / D & S Vending**  
MG Leagues  
MG Leagues

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March 7-10, 2024

Bayfront Convention Center • Erie, PA

8-Ball Singles Results were as follows...

## Division A Singles

### Bracket 1:

1st	Jay Brown	Bell Music
2nd	Dustin Flatt	Warner Coin
3rd	Jon Richardson	Warner Coin

### Bracket 2:

1st	Gus Rehberg	Warner Coin
2nd	Mark Aiello	Country Mtn. Amusement
3rd	Erick Crawford	Kevin Smith Amusements

### Bracket 3:

1st	Jared Schmader	Warner Coin
2nd	Jack Koren	Warner Coin
3rd	Rod McCaslin	Warner Coin

### Bracket 4:

1st	Chad Dailey	Bell Music
2nd	Tristan Start	Warner Coin
3rd	Zack Covert	Bell Music

### Bracket 5:

1st	Tom Jones	M & G Services
2nd	Lenny Oddo	Miele, Inc.
3rd	Nick Ciaccio	Warner Coin

## Division B Singles

### Bracket 1:

1st	Marv Lewis	Warner Coin
2nd	Al Tice	D.C. Amusement
3rd	Chuck Fouch	Warner Coin

### Bracket 2:

1st	Nick Marshall	Warner Coin
2nd	Jason Gerzenyi	Jack Houser Amusement
3rd	Jon Loepf	Warner Coin

### Bracket 3:

1st	Jeremy Start	Warner Coin
2nd	Ryan Hancox	Warner Coin
3rd	Jonathan Gilbert	Kevin Smith Amusements

### Bracket 4:

1st	Stacy Lindstrom Jr.	Skyview Amusements
2nd	Andrew Brenc	Warner Coin
3rd	Scott Olson	Country Mtn. Amusement

### Bracket 5:

1st	Jason Thompson	Miele, Inc.
2nd	Jesse Norton	Kevin Smith Amusements
3rd	Mike Harter	Warner Coin

### Bracket 6:

1st	Dave Bolois	Bell Music
2nd	Terry Knight Sr.	Bell Music
3rd	Alex Cuellar	Warner Coin

### Bracket 7:

1st	Shane Nichols	Kevin Smith Amusements
2nd	David Cooper Jr.	Bell Music
3rd	Michael Shearer	Jack Houser Amusement

## Division C Singles

### Bracket 1:

1st	Tim Brown	Warner Coin
2nd	Tony Alecci	Warner Coin
3rd	Dan Ripka	Jack Houser Amusement

### Bracket 2:

1st	Tom Nicopolis	Bell Music
2nd	Dave Brooks	Warner Coin
3rd	Colin Brooks	Warner Coin

### Bracket 3:

1st	Steve Preset	Kevin Smith Amusement
2nd	Bruce Cadman	Bell Music
3rd	Dan Morse	Warner Coin

### Bracket 4:

1st	Ryan Homan	Jack Houser Amusement
2nd	Randy Martin	Bell Music
3rd	Don Hadley	Warner Coin

### Bracket 5:

1st	Jesse Stryker	Kevin Smith Amusements
2nd	Jimmy Black	Warner Coin
3rd	Richard Shady	Bell Music

### Bracket 6:

1st	Larry Gadsby	Bell Music
2nd	Tom Kalizewski Sr.	Warner Coin
3rd	Jose Angel Hernandez	Bell Music

### Bracket 7:

1st	Ray Fiske	Warner Coin
2nd	Stan Morgan	Warner Coin
3rd	Walt Basko	Warner Coin

### Bracket 8:

1st	David Tripp	Romeo Amusement
2nd	Brett Butler	Kevin Smith Amusement
3rd	Troy Erwin	Bell Music

### Bracket 9:

1st	Greg Ingram Jr.	Warner Coin
2nd	Danny Lane	Kevin Smith Amusement
3rd	Rick Cohick	Romeo Amusement

## Division D Singles

### Bracket 1:

1st	Eric Wilson	Warner Coin
2nd	Rick Reed	Jack Houser Amusement
3rd	Derek Carlson	Warner Coin

### Bracket 2:

1st	Chris Keefer	Warner Coin
2nd	Pat Doran	Warner Coin
3rd	Dan Sobina	Warner Coin

### Bracket 3:

1st	Brad Lucas	Warner Coin
2nd	Matt Culver	Warner Coin
3rd	Perry Mitchell	Warner Coin

### Bracket 4:

1st	Art Bailey	Warner Coin
2nd	Dwayne Weaver	Jack Houser Amusement
3rd	Erika Mack	Warner Coin

### Bracket 5:

1st	Benny Dejesus	Warner Coin
2nd	Curtis Gibson	Warner Coin
3rd	Jason Ference	Bell Music

## Bracket 6:

### 1st Jim Rifenberick

Warner Coin

### 2nd Kasey Dolan

Warner Coin

### 3rd Ken Filipowski

Warner Coin

## Bracket 7:

### 1st Adam Pasold

Skyview Amusements

### 2nd John Myers

Jack Houser Amusement

### 3rd Shane Beam

Miele, Inc.

## Division Ladies Singles

### Bracket 1:

#### 1st Donn Keith

Warner Coin

#### 2nd Julie Davis

Warner Coin

#### 3rd Laura Ryder

Warner Coin

## Division PA Singles

### Bracket PA:

#### 1st Dylan Stuck

Warner Coin

#### 2nd Rick Wykoff

Country Mtn. Amusement

#### 3rd Nate Marshall

Kevin Smith Amusements

## Division SR Singles

### Bracket 1:

#### 1st Dean Foster

Warner Coin

#### 2nd Don Small

Warner Coin

#### 3rd Dan Madeline

Bell Music

### Bracket 2:

#### 1st Bruce Mourness

Kevin Smith Amuse.

#### 2nd Phil Millimaci

Warner Coin

#### 3rd Jack Moore

Warner Coin

## Division C

### 1st Legion Evans

Warner Coin

#### 2nd No Chance

Warner Coin

#### 3rd Wagon Wheel

Skyview Amusements

#### 4th Knight's/Grandalski

Romeo Amusement

## Division D

### 1st Table Manners

Warner Coin

#### 2nd Ran Out Of Talent

Warner Coin

#### 3rd Mooseheads

Miele, Inc.

#### 4th Bellefonte VFW - Reed

Jack Houser Amusement

# WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

## 24th Annual Western Canadian VNEA Championships

February 15-19, 2024 - River Cree Hotel & Casino  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

331 Teams and 1,077 Singles players from across Western Canada met in Edmonton to compete in the WCVNEA Championships.

Players competed in 3 Women's and 4 Men's Singles and Team Divisions for a prize payout of over \$180,000.

Eleven Charter Holders from 4 Provinces came together to provide a non-stop exciting pool event: Alberta (A-1 Vending, John's Vending, MOJO Billiards, PV Pool, SML Entertainment and Wal-Mac Amusements), BC (Ragman Billiards), Saskatchewan (Bridge City Amusements, and Firestar Amusements); and Manitoba (Aactive Coin Machines). Players got their fill of the game they love and have the opportunity to play in a variety of competitions, including Scotch Doubles (174 Teams), Doubles (128 Teams), 30 plus Mini Tournaments, 7 Divisions of Singles and Team events, and a Sports Division.

We thank Jaymes (Friar) Lindemann for being our Head Referee and the 10 other referees who helped make the event a great success.

We congratulate all the teams and players who participated and the following winners:

### Singles Champions:

#### Ladies Intermediate

1st **Elise Cameron**  
2nd Wendy Two Guns  
3rd Claire Pipestem

**Aactive Coin**  
SML  
SML

#### Ladies Advanced

1st **Brandy Johnson**  
2nd Karen Maul  
3rd Elaine Reaper

**Mojo**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac

#### Ladies Masters

1st **Jana Montour**  
2nd Trina Blackman  
3rd Marsha Mok

**Wal-Mac**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac



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#### Open Novice

1st **Caleb Stone**  
2nd Michael Okeymaw  
3rd Shaun Auger

**Firestar**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac

#### Open Intermediate

1st **Scott Swerda**  
2nd Mark Binobo  
3rd Edward Piercy

**Wal-Mac**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac

#### Open Advanced

1st **Carlos Malcolm**  
2nd Justin Morgan  
3rd Colin Beaulieu

**Aactive**  
Mojo  
Ragman

#### Open Masters

1st **Cory Wood**  
2nd John Widen  
3rd Sean McKay

**Wal-Mac**  
JVL  
JVL

### Team Champions:

#### Ladies Intermediate

1st **Leave It To Beaver**  
2nd Tsuut'ina Ladies  
3rd The New Crew

**Wal-Mac**  
SML  
SML

#### Ladies Advanced

1st **Dirty Chalkers**  
2nd Ball Bashers  
3rd You Chalkin' To Me?

**Active Coin**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac

#### Ladies Masters

1st **Meraki**  
2nd Hot Messes  
3rd Cunning

**Wal-Mac**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac

#### Open Novice

1st **Sorry Not Sorry**  
2nd Lucky Strikes  
3rd Back To Racks

**Wal-Mac**  
A-1 Vending  
JVL

#### Open Intermediate

1st **Lunch Money Crew**  
2nd Menace To Sobriety  
3rd Sons Of Pool

**Ragman**  
JVL  
Wal-Mac

#### Open Advanced

1st **Sharp Shooters**  
2nd Chalk It Up  
3rd Pool Junkies

**Wal-Mac**  
Wal-Mac  
JVL

#### Open Masters

1st **Hit And Hope**  
2nd Opus Back 2 Bidniz  
3rd Okimawak

**JVL**  
Wal-Mac  
Wal-Mac



*Ladies IM Singles:* 1st - Elise Cameron, 2nd - Wendy Two Guns



*Ladies Adv. Singles:* 1st - Brandy Johnson, 2nd - Karen Maul



*Ladies Master Singles:* 1st - Jana Montour, 2nd - Trina Blackman



*Open Novice Singles:* 1st - Caleb Stone, 2nd - Michael Okeymaw



*Open IM Singles:* 1st - Scott Swerda, 2nd - Mark Binobo



*Open Adv. Singles:* 1st - Carlos Malcolm, 2nd - Justin Morgan

# WESTERN CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS



**Open Master Singles:** 1st - Cory Wood, 2nd - John Widen



**Ladies Master Team:** 2nd - Hot Messes



**Open Advanced Team:** 2nd - Chalk It Up



**Ladies Intermediate Team:** 1st - Leave It To Beaver



**Open Novice Team:** 1st - Sorry Not Sorry



**Open Master Team:** 1st - Hit And Hope



**Ladies Intermediate Team:** 2nd - Tsuut'ina Ladies



**Open Novice Team:** 2nd - Lucky Strikes



**Open Master Team:** 2nd - Opus Back 2 Bidniz



**Ladies Advanced Team:** 1st - Dirty Chalkers



**Open Intermediate Team:** 1st - Lunch Money Crew



**Ladies Advanced Team:** 2nd - Ball Bashers



**Open Intermediate Team:** 2nd - Menace To Sobriety



**Ladies Master Team:** 1st - Meraki



**Open Advanced Team:** 1st - Sharp Shooters



# EASTERN ONTARIO TOURNAMENT

February 22-25, 2024

Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre  
North Bay, Ontario

Hundreds of eager players from across Ontario and Quebec attended the **9th Annual Eastern Ontario VNEA Tournament** in North Bay, Ontario from February 22nd to 25th. There were a number of Teams registered for this event with 92 Teams and almost 400 players making it the largest tournament to ever be held in Northern Ontario.

Quebec representation included players and teams from Billard Témis Enr. of Ville Marie and Rouyn-Noranda; Ontario representation included players from, New Crown Music of Sudbury, Northshore Vending of Sault Ste. Marie, Partners Pool Leagues of North Bay and JW Billiard Promotions of Toronto. Competition in all divisions was strong and many matches were neck and neck in both Team and Singles events. There were four Team Divisions for Silver, Bronze, Copper and Recreational. Singles events consisted of Silver, Silver Sportsman, Bronze # 1 & 2, Copper # 1 & 2 as well as Recreational.

Energy was high during the Opening Ceremonies in the main room of the Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre as players crowded in and Bonnie Zufelt, EOVNEA President, extended a warm welcome to players and spectators for the 9th Annual Championships. Excitement built as two Cash Prizes (\$500 & \$250), generously donated by EOVNEA, were drawn along with gift certificates donated from the Best Western for two different contests, 'Name That Lounge' and a contest for the Opening Ceremony Country and Western theme for the Best Dressed.

We would like to extend sincere thanks to everyone involved in the tournament and recognize all the players and Charter Holders for their continued support of this incredible event. A special thanks to the set-up crew from Sault Ste. Marie; together with John Weloski and Boomer Braido. This team did an amazing job setting up and tearing down 32 pool tables. An added job this year was adding lights over 14 of the tables in which Jeff Tipler and John Weloski worked at and spent many hours accomplishing. A huge thank you to Stéphane Lacombe of Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec for his scheduling expertise making the schedules prior to the event and looking after the CompuSport program throughout the event. Our Head Referee, Cory Coulter and his dependable team of refs also did another outstanding job. Finally, thanks to our hardworking Executive Committee: Bonnie Zufelt, President; John Weloski, Vice President; Terry Lavigne, Treasurer; Kim Tipler, Secretary along with Stephane Lacombe (CompuSport Programmer), who all worked many long hours on the podium all weekend. Kim Tipler and John

Weloski were amazing with the many countless hours spent on the podium, keeping everything running smoothly and available to answer questions. The volunteers that ran our draws, Kim Tipler, Krystal Corriveau, Tracey Mowatt, Terry Lavigne and Kelly Robert put in such amazing effort and with much success, raising money for the associations prize funds through draws including 50/50 along with a beautiful Predator Cue package, partially donated from FJ Bradley.

Make sure to visit and "Like" us on Facebook on the Eastern Ontario Valley National Eight Ball Association (EOVNEA) page to view the complete 2024 results, numerous photographs and the latest information on upcoming events. We're excited for next year's tournament on February 20-23, 2025 in North Bay. As this tournament continues to grow, we know everyone will be looking forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones. See you all in 2025!

## SINGLES RESULTS

### Recreational Division:

Alex Pilon from Rouyn-Noranda, proved to be a force to be "reckoned" with, as he worked his way through the Rec Division earning a first place position and a spot in the final. In the double knock-out draw, Pilon defeated fellow players from Rouyn-Noranda and North Bay, including North Bay's Kerri Aultman who Pilon sent to the loser's side of the bracket with a 3-1 win.

Aultman bounced back, defeating 3rd place finisher Gabriel Arsenault from Rouyn and was on her way to the final against Pilon. It was Pilon, who continued his winning ways, defeating Aultman 3-1 to take the Recreational Division title.

### Copper # 2 Division:

North Bay's Kim Black had a long day, picking up 5 straight matches before being sent to the loser's bracket by Chantal Morin of Rouyn-Noranda. Black then faced Morin's teammate, Josee Sylvester, in the semi-final and easily won by a 3-0 score, giving Sylvester a 3rd place finish. The championship final was a rematch with Morin and Black and Black getting her revenge by beating Morin 4-0 in the first set and in the sudden death match, won by the close score of 4-3, picking up her first ever championship title with Morin taking 2nd place.

### Copper # 1 Division:

The competition was fierce in this division with 48 players taking part. North Bay's Don Yeoman won five straight matches before coming up against Rouyn-Noranda's Gabriel Baillargeon who defeated Yeoman in a close match 4-3 giving Baillargeon a spot in the finals. Yeomans then faced Sudbury's Shawn Davis in the semi's and beat Davis 3-2 with

a 3rd place finish. Yeomans now earned a rematch against Baillargeon. It took two sets for Yeoman's to be declared the winner after winning the first set 4-1 and in the sudden death, 4 games to 2 and the championship title.

### Bronze # 2 Division:

It took two long days of nail biting matches to determine the winner of the Bronze #1 Division with 52 participants. Real Fournier from Rouyn-Noranda and Sudbury's Mike Lapointe battled it out in the quarter-finals after each of them had a perfect run going. Fournier easily defeated Lapointe 4-0, earning a spot in the final and sent Lapointe to the loser's bracket.

Lapointe then had to face eventual 3rd place finisher, Oshawa's Jim Dickson and handed him a 4-2 loss. Lapointe now earned another shot at Fournier in the final. However, after a long wait to play again, the result was the same as Fournier only needed the first set to be declared the champion with Lapointe taking 2nd in his first big tournament.

### Bronze # 1 Division:

This division featured some great matches that went down to the wire. Mike Therrien from Toronto earned a spot in the final after winning five straight matches. His opponent in the final was Dan Fournier from North Bay who won his first two matches before losing to North Bay's Dan Marcotte. From there, Fournier pickup his game and went on to win four more matches to get to the semi-finals where he met up with Fern Dominelli from Sudbury. Fournier easily defeated Dominelli 4 games to 1, giving Dominelli a 3rd place finish and Fournier a spot in the final.

Therrien and Fournier battled hard, taking two sets to finish the final. Fournier took the first set 5 games to 4 and then Therrien reversed things by winning the sudden death match 5-2 to take the title and Fournier the runner-up spot.

### Silver Sportsman Division:

There were 16 players in the Silver Sportsman Division. Marc Mathon from North Bay and Alain Jolette from Rouyn-Noranda faced each other in a hard fought final. Mathon emerged from the double knockout bracket to the finals without a loss. Jolette had one loss, coming in his second match against Harvey Bell from Sudbury, sending Jolette to the B side of the bracket.

Getting back on track, Jolette then won his next four matches to make it to the semi-final against Kevin Nadeau from Timmins. Jolette defeated Nadeau by a close score of 5 games to 4 to advance to the final against Mathon.

Mathon's road to the final saw him win three straight

matches before coming up against the eventual third place finisher, Kevin Nadeau from Timmins, sending Nadeau to the semi-finals with a 5-3 win and a spot in the final. In the first match of the final between Mathon and Jolette, it was Jolette striking first, winning the first set 5-2 forcing a sudden death match. Jolette kept his streak going, winning the last set 5-2 to take the championship title with Mathon placing second.

#### **Silver A Division:**

In this strong division with highly skilled players, it was Sudbury's Leon Trudeau who moved through the tournament undefeated picking up five straight wins to advance to the finals. Emerging from the B side of the bracket was Toronto's Marco Carinci Jr. who won five straight matches before coming up against Trudeau in the quarter finals. Trudeau then sent Carinci packing to the loser's side of the bracket. Carinci faced Rouyn-Noranda's Daniel Cossette with Carinci winning 5-3, Cossette finishing in third and Carinci on his way to a rematch against Trudeau in the final.

It was Trudeau who emerged the victor after winning a very close match 5-4, putting Trudeau in the winner's circle and Carinci a second place finish.

#### **Hardluck Bronze Division:**

Finishing in first place was Chris Assiniwe from Sudbury and second place went to Janco Levesque of Rouyn-Noranda.

#### **Hardluck Copper Division:**

Lee Simpson from Sudbury placed first and Terry Lavigne of North Bay placed 2nd.

## **TEAM RESULTS**

#### **Recreational Division:**

Our Rec Team event continues to see growth each year with more and more new players taking up the game. Repeat Offenders from North Bay, came out of the round robin bracket with only one win but still advanced to the single elimination finals bracket. They then got their game going and won three straight matches to win the Rec Division Championship. In the quarter final they beat Shovel Cats from Rouyn-Noranda and in the semi's beat The Jokers from Ville Marie. Their opponent in the final was Play Time from North Bay who advanced through the bracket defeating Your Mom and Pool Noodles, both from North Bay.

The final between Repeat Offenders with Ralph Loggie, Geoff Mowatt and Kim McGinn and Play Time with Chris Carrier, Claude Gelinas and Darlene Mathon was a close match but, in the end, it was Repeat Offenders winning by a score of 66 to 57 to take the title. Tied for third was The Jokers and Pool Noodles.

#### **Copper Division:**

The Copper bracket included 31 teams from Ontario and Quebec. The final bracket of 16 saw teams from

North Bay, Sudbury, Ville Marie and Toronto fighting to claim the title of Copper Division Champions. In the end, it was Algonquin Variety from Notre du Nord and Rail Riders from North Bay, each winning three matches in their round robin bracket to advance to the finals bracket. Both teams worked their way through the single elimination bracket to make it to the Championship game. Algonquin Variety, in the semi-final, defeated Poolers from Ville Marie and The Rail Riders defeated Randos from Sudbury, giving both defeated teams a tie for 3rd place.

The final match was a very close match, coming down to the last game to determine the winner. It was The Rail Riders with Brad Bell, Rob Guillemette, Dave Lachance and Craig Brooks squeaking out the win by a score of 128 to 125. Algonquin Variety's team had Kyle Chevrier, Donny Chief, Jonathon Paquette and Keenan Chief as their shooters.

#### **Bronze Division:**

Thirty-nine teams participated in the Bronze Division. Captain Black from Rouyn-Noranda emerged from their round robin bracket to advance to the Playoff's. They then won three straight matches to advance to make it to the finals against The Four Runners from Ville Marie.

The Four Runners won three matches in the Round Robin bracket to advance to the 16-team single elimination bracket where they continued winning, picking up three wins to make it to the final against Captain Black.

Captain Black did not waste anytime making it to the winner's circle after easily defeating The Four Runners by a score of 138 to 104. Players on Captain Black's team were Catherine Royer, Mathieu Lacombe, Yvan Gingras and Real Fournier. The Four Runners roster consisted of Roderick Kearney, Thierry Chatel, Butch Marenger and Yvon Denome. Tied for 3rd place was Still Sticky and I'd Tap That, both from North Bay.

#### **Silver Division:**

This highly skilled division was packed full of excitement with the championship title going to North Bay's Big Shots with John Nixon, Ray Seguin, Shawn Seguin and Cary Lafontaine, who were true to their name, as they advanced from the round robin bracket with only two wins and a tie, but then went through the 8 team finals bracket without a loss.

The other team making it to the final was WUT from Sudbury with Leon Trudeau, Chris Assiniwe, Harvey Bell and Matt Leblond. WUT picked up three wins and one loss in round robin play and continued their winning ways into the final round. Both teams won three straight matches before reaching the finals. It was so very close, coming down to the last game of the silver division with Big Shots player Shawn Seguin having to pull off a couple of difficult shots to lead his team to victory with 146 to 138 score with WUT taking 2nd place.

#### **Team MVP Winners:**

Silver Division – Ray Seguin  
Bronze Division – Dan Fournier  
Copper Division – Ray Fortin  
Recreational Division – Brian Moerman



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**Recreational Singles:** 1st - Alex Pilon



**Recreational Singles:** 2nd - Kerri Aultman



**Recreational Singles:** 3rd - Gabriel Arseneault



**Copper #2 Singles:** 1st - Kim Black



**Copper #2 Singles:** 2nd - Chantal Morin



**Copper #2 Singles:** 3rd - Josee Sylvester



**Copper #1 Singles:** 1st - Don Yeomans



**Copper #1 Singles:** 2nd - Gerard Baillargeon



**Copper #1 Singles:** 3rd - Shawn Davis



**Bronze #2 Singles:** 1st - Real Fournier



**Bronze #2 Singles:** 2nd - Mike Lapointe



**Bronze #2 Singles:** 3rd - Jim Dickson



**Bronze #1 Singles:** 1st - Mike Therrien



**Bronze #1 Singles:** 2nd - Dan Fournier



**Bronze #1 Singles:** 3rd - Fern Dominelli



**Silver Sportsman Singles:** 1st - Alain Jolette



**Silver Sportsman Singles:** 2nd - Marc Mathon



**Silver Sportsman Singles:** 3rd - Kevin Nadeau

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**Silver Singles:** 1st - Leon Trudeau



**Silver Singles:** 2nd - Marco Carinci Jr.



**Silver Singles:** 3rd - Daniel Cossette



**Hardluck Bronze Singles:** 1st - Chris Assiniwe



**Hardluck Copper Singles:** 1st - Lee Simpson



**Recreational Team:** 1st - Repeat Offenders



**Recreational Team:** 2nd - Play Time



**Copper Team:** 1st - Rail Riders



**Copper Team:** 2nd - Algonquin Variety



**Bronze Team:** 1st - Captain Black



**Bronze Team:** 2nd - The Four Runners



**Silver Team:** 1st - Big Shots



**Silver Team:** 2nd - WUT



**Silver Team MVP:** Ray Seguin



**Bronze Team MVP:** Dan Fournier



**Recreational Team MVP:** Brian Moerman

# ONTARIO TEAM 8-BALL

February 14-18, 2024

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## 8-Ball Singles

### Women's Bronze

- 1st Barb Watson
- 2nd Lorraine Elijah
- 3rd Siddra Yellowman

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### Women's Silver

- 1st Autumn Johnson
- 2nd Chrissandra Perry
- 3rd Jennifer Moons

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### Copper

- 1st Glen Harley
- 2nd Kevin Mills
- 3rd Ron Goulin

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### Bronze

- 1st Patrick Rockburn
- 2nd Shawn Wilson
- 3rd Rich Seguin

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### Silver

- 1st Steve Legrand
- 2nd Derek Mereszak
- 3rd Jeff Seremack

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## 9-Ball Singles

### Bronze

- 1st Tyler Terashita
- 2nd Matt Geddes
- 3rd Rich Seguin

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### Silver

- 1st Will Rounthwaite
- 2nd Dan Wilcox
- 3rd Misha Ivanenko

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### Junior Minor

- 1st Nathan Colver
- 2nd Drake Van Houston
- 3rd Chris Diavolitsis

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### Junior Major

- 1st Brier Dawson
- 2nd Desiree Pollard
- 3rd Sloan Finlayson

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## Team

### Women's Bronze

- 1st Deadly Strokin' Aunties
- 2nd Hustler Babes
- 3rd It Takes 10

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### Copper

- 1st WTF
- 2nd Four Skins
- 3rd 1 Red And 3 Whites

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### Bronze

- 1st Balls Deep
- 2nd Angle Management
- 3rd Crispy Bacon

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## Silver

- 1st Got Caught Strokin'
- 2nd Pickle Juice
- 3rd Longshots

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## Gold

- 1st Out In 60 Seconds
- 2nd Just Wait!!

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## Copper Hardluck

- 1st Stroke & Pray
- 2nd Eagle Eye

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## Bronze Hardluck

- 1st Get Mad'r
- 2nd Four-Tified

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**Bronze Team:** 2nd - Angle Management



**Bronze Team:** 3rd - Crispy Bacon



**Silver Team:** 1st - Got Caught Strokin'



**8-Ball Women's Bronze Singles:** 2nd - Lorraine Elijah



**9-Ball Bronze Singles:** 1st - Tyler Terashita



**Women's Bronze Team:** 1st - Deadly Strokin' Aunties



**Silver Team:** 2nd - Pickle Juice



**Gold Team:** 1st - Out In 60 Seconds



**Bronze Team:** 1st - Balls Deep



**Hardluck Team:** 1st - Get Mad'r

# ONTARIO TEAM 8-BALL



Junior Minor Winners (l-r): Chris Diavolitis, Nathan Colver, Drake Van Houston



Junior Major Winners (l-r): Brier Dawson, Desiree Pollard



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# FOCUS ON THE RULES

## What's Your Call?

By Fred Johnson *Veteran VNEA Referee*



Snooker and Carom, two old dogs at the pool games, are playing each other in league play. Carom is breaking. As she is addressing the cue ball for the break, and is making forward stroke motions, Carom accidentally taps the cue ball forward with her stick. As the cue ball is moving forward, Carom hits the cue ball a second time, hitting the racked balls hard, and breaks the rack wide open. Snooker declares a foul, and much to his surprise, Carom acknowledges the Foul. However, they do not know what the options are for Snooker. You are the referee called to the table. **You make the call!**

There could be a number of options here. Under Rule H. 10, a double hit on the cue ball is a foul. Under Rule I. 1, in the event of a foul on opening break or immediately after a foul on the break, the cue ball has to be behind the headstring. Under Rule B. 9 involving jumping an object ball off the table on a break shot, the incoming player has the option of (1) accepting the table in position and shooting, or (2) taking cue ball in hand behind the headstring and shooting. Should this be an option? Under Rule B. 2, if a player fails to make a legal break by not pocketing a ball or not driving four or more numbered balls to a rail, opponent can accept the table in position and shoot or have the balls re-racked and shooting the break himself or have the original breaker re-break. It can also just be considered an illegal break and be treated as if the 8-ball was pocketed and the breaker scratched the cue ball. Lots of options and the Rules do not make a specific reference to an occurrence as set out above. **The call** to be made is to consider that the player (breaker) has failed to make a legal break, and the opponent is to have the same options that an opponent would have under Rule B.2. Therefore, the opponent can (1) accept the table in position and shoot, or (2) have the balls re-racked and assume the break himself or have the original breaker break again. Even if an object ball was pocketed, Snooker would have one of the options as set forth above under Rule B.2.



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## **AGE GROUPS:**

Youth Division: **Ages 7-11**

Minor Division: **Ages 12-15**

Major Division: **Ages 16-20**

**AWARDS:** With the recent additional awards in the form of Plaques and Certificates for the Redemption and Sports Divisions, the additional acrylic Charlie Awards for the popular and highly contested Scotch Doubles events, the beautiful ACME Cases, the 34th Annual event will also present **a nice overall payout of the Singles &**

**Team Awards** from our *Major Sponsors* (see enclosed pages). Players will travel home with a meaningful award 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!



# VNEA JUNIORS SET THEIR SITES ON SIOUX CITY, IOWA FOR THE 2024 JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

July 18-21, 2024 • Sioux City, Iowa

## Sioux City Convention Center

### The World's Largest Junior Pool

**Tournament** will draw around 400 Sanctioned VNEA Junior League Players from 12+ States, Canadian Provinces, Bahamas and New Zealand. Dozens of Charter Holders will be represented in Sioux City where 80 Beautiful Valley Tables will be set for this Annual Extravaganza! When the doors open at noon on Thursday, 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, 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!

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### THURSDAY, JULY 18 • 2024

Noon	Room Opens for Practice
Noon - 2:00 pm	Singles Check-In
Noon - 11:00 pm	Regular Singles Begins

### FRIDAY, JULY 19 • 2024

TBD	Sports, Redemption & Regular Singles Matches
(Posted on Thursday Night)	
TBD - 11:00 pm	Mini-Singles Competition
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Team Events Check-In
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Players Reception
7:00 pm	Top Cat Challenge

### SATURDAY, JULY 20 • 2024

8:30 am	Opening Ceremonies - <i>Singles Trophy Presentation</i>
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	E2P Challenge
7:00 pm	Jr. Scotch Doubles Begins

### SUNDAY, JULY 21 • 2024

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 34th Annual Int'l Junior Pool Championships.***

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

# DRESS CODE

**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.*

## 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, 2024** to compete in that division at the "34th Annual" 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”!**

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2nd Place  
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### MALE SINGLES

*(Approximately 80% Of Field)*

1st Place  
2nd Place  
3rd Place  
4th Place  
5-6th Place  
7-8th Place

**\$250** & Charlie  
**\$175** & Charlie  
**\$125** & Charlie  
**\$100** & Charlie  
**\$75**  
**\$50**



### FEMALE SINGLES

*(Approximately 20% Of Field)*

1st Place  
2nd Place  
3rd Place  
4th Place

**\$100** & Charlie  
**\$75** & Charlie  
**\$50** & Charlie  
**\$40** & Charlie



### SCOTCH DOUBLES

1st Place  
2nd Place

Cuesticks & Individual Charlies  
Individual Charlies

# PRIZES & AWARDS

## REDEMPTION DIVISION

### TEAM

**Finish****Award**

1st Place

Individual Championship Plaques

2nd Place

Individual Championship Plaques

### MALE SINGLES

1st Place

Championship Plaque

2nd Place

Championship Plaque



### FEMALE SINGLES

1st Place

Championship Plaque

2nd Place

Championship Plaque



## SPORTS DIVISION

### TEAM

**Finish****Award**

1st Place

Individual Championship Certificates

2nd Place

Individual Championship Certificates



### MALE SINGLES

1st Place

Championship Certificates

2nd Place

Championship Certificates

### FEMALE SINGLES

1st Place

Championship Certificates

2nd Place

Championship Certificates

# 2024 JUNIOR PREVIEW

VNEA is once again bringing the **34th Annual International Junior Championships** back to the Midwest to Sioux City, Iowa. The Sioux City Convention Center is where all of the exciting Tournament action will take place!

The Host Hotel is the Courtyard by Marriott. Conveniently located in the heart of downtown Sioux City, Iowa, the Courtyard is connected to the Sioux City Convention Center. The Courtyard Sioux City Downtown / Convention Center features a Bistro, comfortable guestrooms, complimentary high-speed WiFi, indoor pool, and a fitness center overlooking Historic 4th Street. The outdoor Patio and Fire Pit overlook the Promenade Theater and several downtown restaurants and shops within walking distance.

**Here's just a glimpse of the surroundings...**

**Photo Tour Of This Property:** <https://tinyurl.com/5eejxz3d>



*Courtyard by Marriott - Host Hotel*



*Courtyard by Marriott - Pool Area*

**Area Information:** <https://exploresiouxcity.org>



*Sioux City Convention Center*

# 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, 2024** 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, 2024 to compete in that division at the 34th Annual International Championships.

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

There will be no Entry Forms accepted after **July 1st, 2024** or at the Tournament site.

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

## 2024 HOTEL INFORMATION: GO TO VNEA.com

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2024 VNEA JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Shane Van Boening

## Room Reservation Link (see below)

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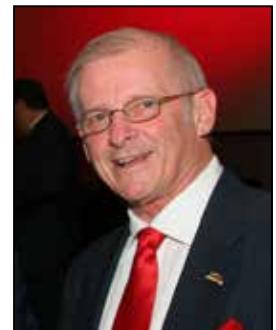
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## LIVE STREAMING

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 "**2024 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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# THE DOCTOR'S IN

## DR. CUEISMS - VICTORY QUOTES / QUIPS TIPS / SHORT STORIES

### **Edition #10**

Many years ago, a person at one of my shows asked me if they could buy my lines – the “funny little” things I was saying during the performance. I knew they were funny since this person was the only one laughing. I was humbled and honored to give my lines away at no extra charge with the hope that this person would make one other person laugh: someday, somewhere, somehow! In over 50 years of entertaining, I have developed a rather lengthy list of “Dr. Cueisms,” which are used to accent points of instruction and / or entertainment shows.

This is the tenth release of many editions, so to speak, that I want to present now and via future VNEA articles. When finished you will have a total of 70 “Dr. Cueisms” that I included in my 2016 mental / heart manual entitled Student of the Game and Life! May each line give you a little bit of “joy” to brighten your day. Please share them with others!

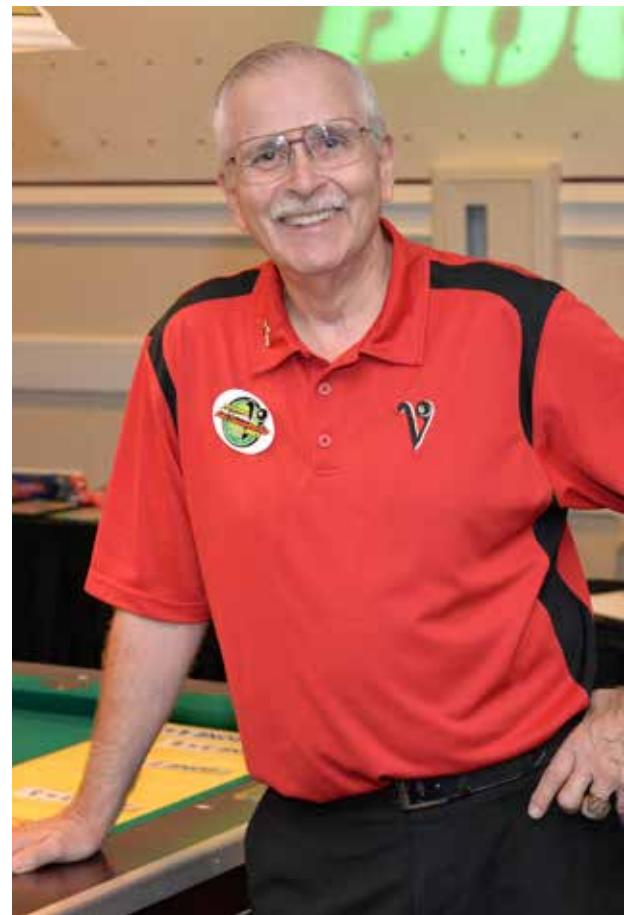
**Note:** You may download a “free” copy of the aforementioned manual at our website – [drcuepromotions.com](http://drcuepromotions.com)  
(click on the “products” menu tab – then on 1st graphic window).

#### ***Continued from prior article...***

57) *My favorite cue is a “Ms. Cue.” My name is “Dr. Cue” and my wife’s name is “Ms. Cue” – I am the “doctor” and she is the nurse. We have specific job descriptions as follows -- My wife “drives” 95% of the time and “schedules” the shows, so her combined function is “wheel and deal”; I “perform” the shows and do the “books” of the company, so my combined function is “show and tell.”*

58) *I get two tries on ESPN, three tries in a World Championship, and twelve tries at the venue I am at!*

59) *I haven’t missed a shot in 30 years – if the object ball hits a cushion, when I am trying to make it literally, I simply sit down and internally say “safety” – my right brain then calms the left brain, which can get upset or have a “pity party” for the literal miss. The right brain hears the word “safety” and puts a mental bandage on the pain of the*



*miss, since the right brain has been programmed to know what a “safety” is. If the ball doesn’t hit a cushion, it is still not a miss to me, since the ball stops somewhere on the planet – there’s a new shot I’ve never seen before – that is the hardest thing to do (stop the ball right there – table or on the floor); thereby creating a new shot – I become an artist with a cue stick, creating new shots, all the time – Awesome mental technique and a GREAT crowd pleaser!*

*60) I spent five years as a freshman in college; seven years as a sophomore; did a proficiency exam for clear sailing through my junior year; earned a B.D. (Degree Of Billiardology), which is the study of spheres, projectiles, and planes; collected an M.S. (More Spheres); and finally, received a P.H.D. (Pool Hall Degree). I am still trying to get out of college – just kidding! “Ms. Cue” continues to get me in to them for shows, etc.*

#### ***To be continued...***

Laugh and enjoy, always...on your personal billiard and life journey to “victory” until next time when...

#### **The Doctor's In**

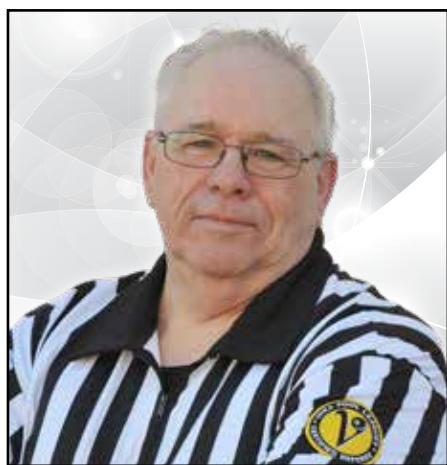
# 2024 VNEA Hall of Fame Inductees

The latest inductees into the prestigious VNEA Hall of Fame have gone through an extensive review process and the following individuals were selected...

## Rich Arendts

D & R Star • Rochester, MN

Years In VNEA: **40** Years Playing Pool: **45**



## Nigel Bennett

Wal-Mac Amusements • Edmonton, AB

Years In VNEA: **20** Years Playing Pool: **20**



## Jeremy Fedkenheuer

Bullseye, Inc. • Madison, WI

Years In VNEA: **19** Years Playing Pool: **23**



## Rob Mattson

Dean Vending • Minneapolis, MN

Years In VNEA: **20+** Years Playing Pool: **40+**



## Janis Ogawa

Inglis Coin Machine • Boise, ID

Years In VNEA: **35+** Years Playing Pool: **50+**



Nominations were received by player members and Charter Holders throughout the entire world.

**The Awards Committee reviewed each nomination carefully and extensively and after many months of hard work chose the individuals listed herein based on the following criteria:**

- *Good Sportsmanship and Professional Attitude.*
- *Promoter and participant in the development of pool and the VNEA.*
- *Active participant in the many affairs of their local, regional and state VNEA programs over an accomplished career.*
- *Various accomplishments in local, state, regional and international competitions.*

The nominations were presented to the VNEA Executive Committee who offered their unanimous approval.

**All members will receive their Official Certification and Award at the Induction Ceremonies to be held at the  
44th Annual VNEA World Pool Championships Opening Ceremonies.**

# Awards



1. **VNEA Sanction Patch/Pin**
2. **League Champion Chevron/Pin**  
This is available for the members of the first place team in each league.
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 10/0 Games Pin**
5. **Most 10's In A Season Pin**
6. **Most 10's Consecutively Pin**  
Those players who accomplish the Most 10s, Most 10/0 Games and Most 10s Consecutively in a season will be awarded these unique Most 10 Pins. These pins are great additions to anyone's award collection.
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**  
VNEA offers to its players this very attractive 8-Ball Run-Out pin for their individual effort.
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 sportsperson 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 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**



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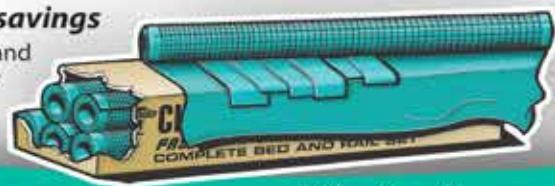
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# 2024 VNEA WORLD POOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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# Recent Tournament 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 10 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.**

Various “Rack Devices” will **NOT** be allowed. • **DEVICES ARE NOT ALLOWED FOR JUMP SHOTS.**

**REGULAR DIVISION MEN'S CLASSIC & OPEN SENIORS WHO QUALIFY FOR THE SPORTS DIVISION WILL COMPETE IN A SEPARATE 8-BALL MEN'S CLASSIC/OPEN SENIOR SPORTS DIVISION AND A SEPARATE 9-BALL MEN'S CLASSIC/OPEN SENIOR SPORTS DIVISION.**

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.

**A 3-Person Classic Division will be conducted as a MINI with Registration On-Site. No Masters and only (1) Intermediate per team. Players do not have to be from the same Charter Holder.**

**One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team.**

**Open Master Team & Women's Master Team Divisions** must consist of at least (2) Teams to qualify for participation and payout.

**3-Person Open Team Events** will be conducted as Mini's with registration on-site. Any combination of males and females from ANY Charter. No Masters and only (1) Intermediate per team.

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

The “**Official Scotch Doubles**” competition will start on Thursday, May 23rd at 10:00am. Sign-ups for Regular, Intermediate and Master Scotch Doubles will take place on Wednesday, May 22nd from 3pm-10pm and Thursday, May 23rd from 8am-9am. Additional 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 And A \$10 ADMIN 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.*

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

# General Information For You & Your Players

**CHAMPIONSHIP DATES:** May 23rd - June 1st, 2024

**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:

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

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

**Exception:** Mini-Tournaments, 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  
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  
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  
Scotch Doubles

\* Two or more Teams required for participation.

# 44th Annual Schedule of Events

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

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024

3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Mini Tournaments  
3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Scotch Doubles Sign-Ups

## THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024

8:00 am - 9:00 am Scotch Doubles Sign-Ups  
Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments  
**10:00 am Regular Scotch Doubles Begins**  
**10:00 am Interm. & Master Scotch Doubles Begins**  
*New Time* **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 Scotch Doubles Finals

## FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2024

8:00 am - 8:30 am 9-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc.  
**9:00 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 Begin  
TBA 9-Ball Redemption Singles Begins

## SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024

8:00 am - 8:30 am 8-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc.  
**9:00 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 Available  
TBA 8-Ball Sports Singles Begins

## SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024

TBA 3-Person Classic Event  
9:00 am 8-Ball Singles Competition Continues  
*(includes Sports)*  
TBA IM/Master Classic Singles Begins  
Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle  
TBA 8-Ball Redemption Singles Begins  
TBA 8-Ball Resurrection Singles Begin  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Prize Money Available  
TBA Masters Singles Finals  
TBA Regular Scotch Doubles Finals

## MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024

TBA 8-Ball & 9-Ball Finals  
TBA World Team Competition  
Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments  
10:00 am - 2:30 pm Artistic Finals Shootout #1  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm Prize Money Available  
2:00 pm Certified Referee School  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Prize Money 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 til midnight & Entertainment*

## TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024

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

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024

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 Available  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Hall of Famers Party  
TBA Sports Divisions Competition Begins

## THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2024

9:00 am Team Competition Continues  
9:00 am Executive Committee Meeting  
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 31, 2024

8:30 am - 11:00 am CompuSport Seminar  
9:00 am Team Competition Continues  
Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments  
TBA Hardluck Competition  
10:00 am - 2:30 pm Artistic Finals VNEA World Shootout  
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, JUNE 1, 2024

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



# Vegas Rules, Format, etc.

The governing rules of play are detailed in the 2023-2024 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. The 2 Original Team players will be identified and must play every round.

## 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.



**Room Reservations:** 3000 Paradise Road • Las Vegas, NV 89109

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**"44th Annual"**  
**VNEA World Pool Championships**

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## 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 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.

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.

# 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 & Administrative Fee

## REGULAR DIVISION

(Double Elimination)

### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$535

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$275) (\$225) (\$35)

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. 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 - \$410

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$220) (\$160) (\$30)

A Women's Regular Team must be comprised of at least **2** original female players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd and 4th female players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System. Three members of the team must have played a minimum of 12 separate league nights and the fourth member must have played a minimum of 8 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.

**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 \$15 Admin. 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 - \$155 Women - \$130**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. 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 - \$180 Women - \$150**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. 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 - \$205 Women - \$170**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)

# 44th Annual Vegas Championships

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

## **REGULAR DIVISION**

At the 44th Annual World Championships, participants finishing in the **Top 4 Open 8-Ball Teams, Top 2 Women's 8-Ball Teams, Top 8 Men's 8-Ball Singles, Top 4 Women's 8-Ball Singles, Top 4 Men's 9-Ball Singles and Top 2 Women's 9-Ball Singles** will be Intermediate for the 45th Anniversary Championships

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

## **INTERMEDIATE DIVISION**

At the 44th Annual World Championships, participants finishing in the **Top 2 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 45th Anniversary 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 44th Annual 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 45th Anniv. 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, 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.*



**Visit VNEA.com for the most up-to-date list of Master & Intermediate Players.**

## **2024 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, 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.*

# 2024 Las Vegas Master & IM Players...

- If you are a listed **INTERMEDIATE PLAYER**, 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**, 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.
- Regular Classic Singles and Regular Senior Singles are only available for Regular Division players of proper age. There is a separate Classic 8-Ball Division for Master & Intermediate players of proper age.

**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 lists are not all-inclusive as the Tournament Committee retains final discretion, in all cases, in placement of individuals and teams in the various Divisions. Also, those wishing to voluntarily move up to a higher Division are welcome.

## Many VNEA Sanctioned Players have earned higher rankings for their participation in the Las Vegas World Pool Championships. CONGRATULATIONS!

After an individual has been moved up to a higher division, if they do not win any prize money (exception: Mini's, Scotch Doubles & Senior/Classic Divisions) for the next 3 years, they may have the opportunity of returning to the next lower division.

**PLEASE REVIEW THE LINK AS MANY NAMES HAVE BEEN DROPPED FROM M TO IM OR REMOVED FROM IM LIST**

[https://www.vnea.com/rules#tabs\\_tab-72](https://www.vnea.com/rules#tabs_tab-72)



**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



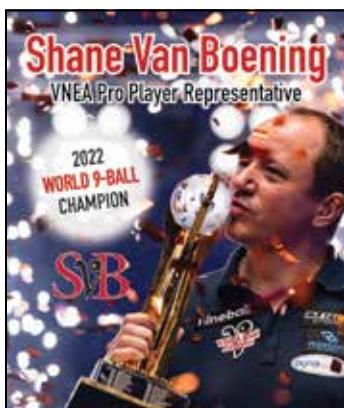
**JERRY BRIESATH** has long been considered the very best Billiards Instructor in the business. His decades of experience make Jerry one of the most sought after teachers in our sport today. Jerry has also recently released a "3 DVD Set" which contains 4.5 hours of priceless pool lessons which he shares 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!

# 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.

## 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.
- All VNEA Rules are in effect at all times. • 3 Person Open
- Dress Code will be enforced. • No refunds of entry fees. **Play Mini's... It's Fun!**

## Special Events Throughout The Week!

- Valley Pool Table Giveaways
- Incredible Opening Ceremonies
- Mini-Tournaments Galore
- Fun-Filled Awards Banquet
- 40 Year History Pictorial Display
- 11th Annual World Team Event
- Team Hardlucks
- VNEA Tournament Booth Specials
- Gary Benson "Opening Worldwide Break"
- Hundreds of Beautiful New Valley Pool Tables
- Special Appearance by Worlds #1 Pro Player "Shane Van Boening" (Tr. Schedule Permitting)
- Charlie's Lounge Constant Contests & Events
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- Trick Shots / Instruction - Dave Pearson
- CompuSport Software - Featuring Paperless Event
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- Custom Valley Pool Table Raffle
- Memorabilia Giveaways & Daily Contests
- Players Slot Tournament

# Suds & Chips Mixer Band

## Westgate Parking Pavilion

**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 & 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!***



**5.27.24**



# 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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# 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...

## **CA\$H 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 2025 FREE Singles Entries!**

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

Saturday, June 1st



# New For 2024!

## Added Payouts!

**Increased Payouts In (8) Divisions...** VNEA appreciates **ALL** of our tournament participants from the top Master players to those that battle in the lower divisions. To show that appreciation, we have added deeper payouts in the 8-Ball & 9-Ball Men's and Women's Redemption Singles competition and the Men's & Women's Redemption Team events. We are also going to pay deeper in the 9-Ball Sportswomen's Singles Division and the Sportswomen's Team events!

## Opening Ceremonies D.J., **FREE BEER, POP & CHIPS!**

Although the VNEA has a proven blueprint for our Vegas Championships, we are always looking for ways to improve our event and keep it as fresh and fun as possible. So we've decided to make a couple of changes this year at our Team Opening Ceremonies "Suds & Chips" Mixer! For one, we have hired a "world class" D.J. to entertain the crowd throughout the evening. Your wish will be his command when it comes to music selection when the time comes to hit the dance floor. The plan is to wake up Southern Vegas from the North side of the Strip! And to add more incentive to get those dance moves flowing... we will be offering **FREE BEER beginning with the nights Opening Ceremonies!** No longer will you have to wait for the official Free Beer Countdown! *The countdown starts when the program begins!*

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

### **GET YOUR TEAM SHIRTS...**

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## 44th Annual VNEA World Pool Championships

# LAST MINUTE PLAYER CHECKLIST

- Make your reservations** by going to the [VNEA.com](https://VNEA.com) homepage and clicking on the **Westgate Room Reservations** button to avoid any Daily Resort charges or Offline charges. **Discounted Room Rates expire on May 2, 2024 or earlier if block is full.**  
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- Familiarize yourself with the VNEA International Rules** by visiting VNEA.com and clicking on the Rules tab. You will find 8-Ball, 9-Ball and Scotch Doubles Rules of Play along with helpful videos.
- Review the VNEA Dress Code.** *No Halter Tops • No Midriffs • No Cut-Offs • No Swimwear  
No Tube Tops • No Tank Tops • No Improper Verbiage.*
- Be sure to visit VNEA.com the week prior to the Championships** to ensure you are registered and to see your first match(es). Also, download the **FREE CompuSport App** on your Smartphone to avoid congestion at the Control Stage, follow your matches and get match-alerts from wherever you are.
- When you arrive in Vegas, **stop by the VNEA Booth and say hi!** They will supply you with information flyers, post card, event patch and pin, tournament program and more. Many valuable items will also be available to buy or win so get there early!



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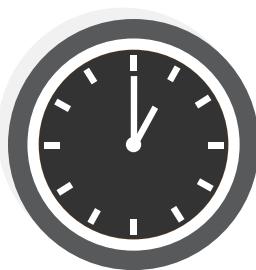
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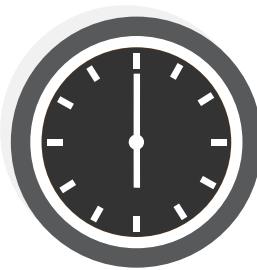
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**At precisely 9a (USA: PST) on Tuesday, May 28th,  
the playing of the “44th Annual” VNEA World Team  
Pool Championships officially kicks off!**

Tell your family and all your friends back home to tune into VNEA's Professional **LIVE STREAMER**. Details at [VNEA.com](http://VNEA.com) to stream the *ceremonial, simultaneous “Break Shots”* *for the whole world to see... and hear!*

We are conducting the “**11th 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 OZONE**” Finals Arena (Monday, May 27th) 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)

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