



### **Results and Information from the 80th Missouri 8 Ball Pool League Summer Session 80 ran from June 4, 2012 to August 30, 2012**

Also included are results of 5-Player and 4-Player Division Champs & Playoff Winners, Top Players, Runners-up, Ladies & New Player Stats. More results from the team Championships of the 5-Player and 4-Player boards, All-Star Singles tournament and Top Player Side Pot. Several player accomplishments include consecutive wins, 4 wins in a single match and others that come to light.

As usual we do our best to give positive exposure to as many of our members as possible. To recognize these men and women who would not ordinarily get credit for their Playing Abilities, Leadership, Sportsmanship and Team Spirit. Because Missouri 8 Ball is spread over vast areas both city and counties, perhaps you would like to familiarize yourselves with players from other Teams, Areas and Divisions.

Division # 1            Tuesday            11 Weeks

Wow, talk about closeness; check this out. The summer sessions are always open until the very end because only 10 or 11 weeks are scheduled. Not a lot of time to pull away. JP's Gravois ended 8-3, only one-game over the next four teams. Fandangos #2, Hotshots WC, Hotshots SC and Ivory Coast Bistro all tied at 7-4. And all four teams had games W-L percentages .500 or better. I'd say that was close.

Getting JP's there were four members hitting the All-Star sheet – Don Scott led their parade (18-11 .621) followed by Mike Mueller (16-12 .571), Brian Akridge (14-12) and Phil Galli (11-10 .524). Top Player was Hotshots WC's Jerry Terbrock. Jerry's 24-6 .800 edged out both Mike Renick and Scott Scholtz, 16-5 .762. Nice going Jerry. See you at the Singles.

Top female player is no surprise. Fandango's Ravishing Rhonda Bartram 10-8 .556. You go girl.

First playoff week saw Fandangos #2 get a 3-game head start from Ivory Coast Bistro and ran that into a 12-10 victory behind the 4-wins of Mike Devers. Over at Hotshots it was a double hill situation with Hotshots SC pulling out the 11-10 win over Hotshots WC.

For the shot at the big dance HSSC handed Fandangos 3-games on the wire. The match was as tight as Aunt Hattie's corset. After HSSC took all five games the first round it went back and forth the rest of the way. Tied 9-9 after three rounds, then 10-10 with a double hill game as the decider, well, it was too bad there had to be a loser. Johnny Moore closed the door as he took the 21st game sending his team to the big show. Four members of HSSC hit the hot sheet beginning with Mike Renick, 16-5 .762. Teammates are Elvir Fale (17-6 .739), Johnny Moore (17-9 .654) and James Goedeker (13-8 .619). It was great shooting and a great race for all teams.

Division # 2            Wednesday            10 Weeks

JP's Gravois #3 opened the season 6-0 and rode it out ending 9-1. It was only one-game over both JP #1 and Hotshots SC, 8-2, but that's all it takes. To get there only two members hit the hot sheet. Kevin Hayes was one and he also took out the Top Player title. Kevin's 29-6 .829 edged out JP's #1's Ken Pratt, 21-6 .778. Only two players led the Top Player spot. The first five weeks was Hotshots Fenton #2's Greg

Farnaham and the last five was Kevin Hayes. Kevin's teammate was Gary Frank, 21-12 .636. Kyle Warren from JP's #1 led all new players with a nice 14-10 .583.

JP's Gravois #1 gave JP's #2 two games on the wire and fought to make it a double hill situation. Darryl Anderson became the hero in the 11-10 JP's #1 win. Over on Union Hotshots SC doubled up on Hotshots Fenton #2 to the tune of 11-5 with Ken Mann's four wins. Second playoff week was another tough battle. JPs got one game up but HSSC was too tough and came back for an 11-10 squeaker. Five members from HSSC made the last sheet beginning with Ken Mann, 23-10 .697. Ken's teammates are Greg Newman (22-10 .688), Rich Parshall (18-10 .643), Nick Wanko (17-10 .630) and Bob Urberger (18-12 .600).

Division # 3      Wednesday      10 Weeks      Sophie's Place went wire to wire beating out The Wedge 9-1 to 7-3. Three Sophie members hit the honor roll led by Top Player Paul Edstrom. Tall Paul jumped into the cat-bird seat the 7th week and edged out teammate Slim Jim Stevens, 19-3 .864 to 22-6 .786. Teammate Jumpin' Joe Curlee was 9th at 15-9 .625. Nice race and nice shooting, guys!

A couple of blowouts took place the first playoff week. Wedge gave up 2-games to Pardella Club and knocked them out 11-5 behind the 3-win matches of both Jim Fried and David Starns. Over on Pestalozzi Street Filling Station gave Jefferson Bistro one game on the wire but took out an 11-4 win behind 3-wins of both Mel Winkler and Semir Ekic. Second playoff action saw Wedge, behind the 4-win match of David Starns, KO Filling Station 11-6 earning the second spot to the big show. Davis Starns went 7-0 for the two-week matches. Three members from Wedge hit the hot sheet beginning with Chris Nash, 23-8 .742. Others are David Starns (18-8 .692) and Chuck Hunter (17-14 .548). Nice shooting!

Division # 4      Thursday      11 Weeks

Here's another close one. Hotshots Fenton and Hotshots SC #1 came in at 8-3. And the games W-L Pct. was just as close. Fenton beat out SC#1 115-99 .537 to 114-100 .533, a difference of only .004. Notice the one win and one loss difference. That's close, bro!

Getting Fenton there were five members hitting the hot sheet. Rich Parshall led their attack by taking out the Top Player award, 23-5 .821. Teammates are Ken Mann (26-9 .743), Ben Pona (17-6 .739), Tom Davidson (20-8 .714) and Bob Urberger (14-11 .560).

Runner-up for Top Player was HSSC #2's Mike Bobbish, 29-8 .784. Nice race, guys!

Three ladies made the honor roll led by Fandangos Rhonda Bartram's 3rd place finish, 23-7 .767. Rhonda opened the season 10-0 making a bid for another top player title. She went 13-7 the rest of the way. Still, 3rd place out of 20 is a great season. Other ladies are Rebekah Katzenberger (Stan's Bar), 19-12 .613 and Marilyn Green (HSSC#2) 12-10 .545. Way to go ladies!

First playoff action saw Fandangos get a 4-game start from Hotshots SC #1 and held on for an 11-8 win. Even though Stan's Bar's Kevin Horne went 4-0 and teammate Ray Terry was 3-0 that wasn't enough to hold off sister team Hotshots SC #2. Stan's Bar went down 11-8. Leading HSSC #2 with his own 4-0 was Mike Bobbish. Marilyn Green kicked in three wins for the 11-8 victory.

For the final Fandangos beat out HSSC #2 11-7 behind 3-wins each by Rhonda and Mike Bartram. The third teammate making the hot sheet was Dan Riesmeyer, 19-14 .576.

Division # 5      Monday      11 Weeks

Two weeks into the season the guys from Aftershock got a shock. Nothing earth-shattering - just their walking papers! Seems Aftershock decided to close around 6 or 7 o'clock leaving the team like the troll under the bridge, homeless. So they packed up their meager belongings and relocated to Hotshots on the Rock Road. There Aftershock became Hotshots NC #2. Whether that was an advantage or not they managed to outlast Final Destination #2 for the team title, 8-3 to 7-4. Again, not saying that was an advantage, but going into the final week of play Jay Carlton and Kevin Torralba were tied 26-4 .867. Kevin went 3-1 the last week and Jay was 3-0. It was one of those situations where the very last game played determined the outcome. Had Jay lost his last game Kevin would have had the title. It is so surprising how many times the final game of the season determines the outcome. For Top Player honors it was only one loss that decided it; Jay 29-4 .879 and runner-up Kevin 29-5 .853. Great race, guys!

Two other Hotshot NC #2 members making the hot sheet are Jon Pecoraro (24-9 .727) and Mark Boswell (16-10 .615). Great season, guys! Congrats to Cathy Nickles for top female. This Cactus Inn gal also led with 19 wins. Good going, lady!

First playoff week saw Final Destination #2 give 5-games on the wire to Final D. #1 and come from behind for a great 12-10 win. Meanwhile, Cocktails KO'd Cactus Inn 9-3. Second week went to the final game. Cocktails received 3-games head start and barely pulled out an 11-10 win. Two Cocktail members hit the hot sheet led by Captain Rick Peters, 28-8 .778. Rick Zamarripa came in 19-11 .633.

Division # 6      Monday      11 Weeks      Valley Clubhouse took their first five matches before dropping one then went on for a 9-2 first place finish. That was one-game over Hazelwood Redbird's, 8-3. Four members hit the hot sheet led by Top Player Marland Choy, 22-2 .917. Marland outlasted Redbird's Mike Remiger, 25-3 .893. Other Clubhouse hitters are Dale Waters (18-10 .643), Matt Kiefer (also 18-10 .643) and Tony Gregory (17-14 .548). Nice session Clubhouse.

First week of playoffs saw Toni's Dellwood get 5-games on the wire but lost to Classics 12-9. Redbirds KO'd Fucifinos setting up the match between Redbirds and Classics. Classics received 3-games head start but the 'birds were too strong as they pulled out an 11-9 victory.

Three Redbirds made the honor roll led by Mike Remiger, 25-3 .893. Teammates are Wow'em Calvin Niehaus (26-10 .722) and Tom Dooley (18-10 .643).

Division # 7      Tuesday      11 Weeks

Classics was either tied for first place or there alone the entire 11 weeks. Their 9-2 record was only one game over Nuts' 8-3. Four members hit the hot sheet led by Leon Young's 18-4 .818. Teammates are Billy Wimberly (12-7 .632), LaJuania Henry (10-7 .588) and Shawn Kline (9-7 .563).

Top Player is Larry Hebold. This Charlack Pubster took over the top spot the 10th week edging out Leon Young, 25-5 .833 to 18-4 .818. Great race, guys!

Say hey to LaJuania Henry. Lou is the top female player again. She landed in the 11th spot out of the 20 that made it with a neat 10-7 .588. You go girl!

First week playoff action saw The Office in a real tough match with Charlack Pub eking out an 11-10 victory. Nuts had it a little easier by taking an 11-5 win over Chances 'R' with Frank Smith having a 4-0 night and John Chisholm kicking in 3 wins for the Nutter's. Second week was another tough match but Nuts came out on top of The Office with an 11-9 victory. John Chisholm was 6-1 for the playoffs.

Division # 8      Wednesday      10 Weeks

It was wire to wire for this Fandangos' turned Lehmann's gang. Because of the short summer session this team had to change divisions and play up north. As we see it made no difference to them where they perform their magic it comes out the same way. Jumping off to a 6-0 start certainly didn't hurt their chances. They proved they were human by dropping two matches but the 8-2 showing was good enough for a one-game lead over runner-up Valley Clubhouse's 7-3.

Getting Lehmann's #2 there was five members making the All-Star sheet. The top two are Bill Harwell and Marland Choy. They shot it out for Top Player and Bill edged out Marland 23-6 .793 to 17-5 .773. The others are Mike Devers (17-8 .680), Denis Dunbar (15-8 .652) and Ronnie Hansen (14-10 .583). First playoff week saw Clubhouse eke out a tight 11-10 win over Classics #2 behind the 4-win match of Mike Warfel. Joe Garger kicked in another three wins. Classics #1 had to give Ballard's 5-games start, overcame that and ran off an 11-8 win. Second week, in what some deem a surprising turn of events, Clubhouse KO'd Classics #1 to the tune of 12-5. It seemed like the planets were aligned and it was just destined to be for Clubhouse to qualify. The first playoff week Clubhouse was up 10-5 going into the final round needing only one win to close it out. Classics #2 came back with five wins to tie then lost the final game. This week Clubhouse got 3-games on the wire and then won 4 of the first 5 games played for a 7-1 lead. They ended it with five wins from the next nine games for the 12-5 go to the big dance victory.

Clubhousers making the honor roll are Matt Warfel (23-10 .697), Terry Konkle (13-10 .565), Joe Garger (18-15 .545) and Mike Warfel (18-16 .529). Way to hang in there guys!

Division # 9      Thursday      11 Weeks      The two-way tie of 9-2 for first place by Final D and Old Timer's #1 had to be broken by the games W-L Pct. Final D gets the nod 109-69 .612 to 94-78 .547. Four members helped get Final D to the top spot led by Tim Samples 3rd place finish, 26-6 .813. Teammates are Alex Ramon (19-10 .655), Sammy Carter (19-11 .633) and Bobby Carlton (18-13 .581). If you had money on Rich Sager for Top Player with his astronomical 20-2 .909 – YOU LOSE! It's not that Rich did not hit high enough, he did. It's just that from out of nowhere Marland Choy, who did not appear on one of the first ten weekly sheets, suddenly appears on the last sheet with a 19-1 .950. I mean it could not have been timed any better. Sorry Rich, you have to play Saturday. Marland's sneak attack may not rival Seal Team 6, but it got the job done.

Playoff matches went this way: Week one, after giving Nuts 5-games head start, Old Timer's #1 out-slugged them 12-6 for a 12-11 final. Hotshots NC got 5-games on the wire from Ballard's and (on paper) it looked as if they waltzed to a 12-5 victory. Not so. They had to earn every win as Ballard's has a Murderous Row lineup of six '6's and plays 30-points.

Week two the old timers were at it again, (notice no caps of o & t). They took an 11-6 win from Hotshots behind the 4-win shooting of Robert Zamarripa. Check this out. The first playoff week Robert Zamarripa sat out the match and the second week Rich Sager sits out. And they qualified. Me thinks there are shenanigans going on. But their plan worked. Five #1 Old Timers made the hot sheet beginning with Rich Sager's runner-up totals, 20-2 .909. He was followed by 'Oh my Gosh' Josh Lawson (18-5 .783), Robert Zamarripa (14-6 .700), Bill Millikan (16-8 .667) and Matt Meyer (14-10 .583).

Division # 10      Thursday      11 Weeks

The Race for Top Player was all about two teammates hounding each other the entire 11 weeks. As Andy Quinn missed last season's title short of a few percentage points, that certainly was not the case this time. Like Big Daddy Don Garlets, Andy revved the engine up from the start and not only traveled wire to wire but was unnnn-de-feated. And that's the only way he could pull it off. Andy's 28-0 1.000 is the best 'undefeated' season beating Steve Boucher's 27-0 from a few years ago.

How can anyone challenge that you may ask? Easy, check out runner-up Rolla Hoffman's 22-3 .880! Got to be a downer and somewhat of an upper at the same time! Heck of a race guys!

Other Redbird #4 members hitting the hot sheet are 3rd place Jeff Niebling (19-7 .731), 4th place Ken Pruett (16-7 .696) and 6th place Andrea Kohnen (18-9 .667).

Question: Does anyone recognize the pattern that resembled last season? Bet Ms Kohnen does. Yep, in spite of her 6th place finish on the honor roll, it was 5th best on her team. Andrea's got to be asking the burning question – what more do I have to do to beat out these guys? On the bright side Andrea again led all female players from this division. But if you ask her I'm sure she would like to (just once) beat out one of her teammates. Keep going and hang in there Andrea. Bear in mind that these guys are getting older. They can't get it up, oops, I mean, keep it up much longer. Congratulations again Andrea for a great session. Redbirds #1's Tonya Willmore also made it with her 18-18 .500. Nice going girls.

Now that we have that out of the way, check this out. Redbirds #4 with all their power did not hit .500 from the games won-lost department. The five members listed won 103 games and lost only 26 for a whopping .798. So if their totals were 119-131 .476 that means somewhere along the line there is another set of numbers that go 16-wins with 105-losses. That's a lot of games on the wire to give up. Yet they managed to pull off a first place 7-4 finish. After eight weeks of play they were 4-4 in last place showing at 81-92 .468. The final three matches they muscled up just enough to go 38-39 to win. It was the forfeit wins they received that put them over the hump. Talk about a weird session.

First week playoff winner was Aaron Kroll's RB #3 gang taking a 9-2 decision over Tonya Willmore's RB #1. Second week Brad Kuehl's RB #2 gave up 4-games to RB #3 and held on for an 11-9 win. Three members from #2 hit the hot sheet led by Captain Brad Kuehl, 19-9 .679. Teammates are Soumitra Saha (14-13 .519) and Chris Salvo (14-15 .483). Nice going gang.

Division # 11      Wednesday      10 Weeks

ABC Billiards kinda put a job on this division. They came in 9-1 or 3-games over the 2nd place teams, Side Pockets #'s 1 & 3 at 6-4. Getting ABC there were four members hitting the honor roll. Jason Helmholtz led the attack with his 3rd place finish, 17-6 .739. Teammates are Nick Fernandez (22-8 .733), Anne Carion (14-7 .667) and Ed Carion (14-14 .500). Wait, wife higher than... oooooops.

Top Player was Side Pockets #1's Walter Crane Senior. Walt came in at 22-5 .815 over taking Julia Gabriel the 9th week. Julia settled for runner-up spot with her 29-8 .784. Of the three ladies making the hot sheet Julia was numero uno again. She beat out ABC Billiards Anne Carion (14-7 .667) and teammate Donna Glascock (15-15 .500). Nice shooting, ladies!

Action from playoff week one saw both Side Pocket teams victorious. SP #1 gave Redbirds a 5-game head start and pulled out a very squeaky 12-11 win. Then SP #2 gave SP #3 one game on the wire and took the match 11-7 behind the 4-0 shooting of John Hefner 4th.

Week two SP-2 received a 2-game spot but SP-1 ran off from the start ending up an 11-5 winner. Four SP-1 members hit the hot sheet beginning with Top Player Walter Crane Senior, 22-5 .815. Teammates are Tommy Lowery Junior (14-9 .609), Ron King (13-10 .565) and Tom Vogt (12-12 .500).

Division # 12      Thursday      11 Weeks

Side Pockets #2 grabbed the lead the 8th week and held on for a one-game first place finish. Their 8-3 edged out both Rich's Place and Elmer's, 7-4. Helping to get SP #2 to the finish line were four SP-#2 members beginning with Top Player Kyle Kroeger's outstanding 19-4 .826. Teammates are Ed Carion (21-8 .724), Dan Klemme (15-8 .652) and Dave Smorado (15-10 .600).

As mentioned Kyle Kroeger won the Top Player title; it was Jon Williams (Side Pocket's #4) coming in second with another great season, 23-6 .793. Great race, guys!

First playoff week action we see that Elmer's KO'd Side Pockets #3, 11-5, and Side Pockets #4 beat out Rich's Place, 11-7. Second week SP-4 gave Elmer's a 2-game start and rallied for an 11-6 victory. And isn't it interesting to see that a '3' (Jake) won 5 of his 6 matches against three '6's, one '5' and one '4'. As they say in books, "Anything can happen in a race to one."

Jake did not make any of the 11 All-Star sheets, but three teammates did. Runner-up for top player is Jon Williams (23-6 .793) followed by Paul Hopfer (22-7 .759) and Andy Hurwitz (15-12 .556).

Division # 13      Thursday      11 Weeks      Hey look, ABC Billiards #2 won again – what a shock!

Hey look, Nick Evans (18-2 .900) won Top Player again – another shock!

Hey look, teammate Scott Carter (16-8 .667) is runner-up – not much of a shock!

Actually it was a tie for second place as Grady Hester was 14-7 .667.

There are many shocks in the 'Naked City' and this has been just a few.

Little Ricky Evans, brother Mikey and dad Buddy did not appear on the All-Star sheet. The rules say that you have to play to be there. Good reason.

ABC #2 came in at 9-2 to runner-up ABC-1's 7-4. Helping to get there were four members hitting the honor roll. We mentioned two, 3rd is Paul Hall (12-9 .571) & 4th Andy Lewton 12-6 .667.

Playoff action saw St. Peters' Redbirds receiving 5-games on the wire from ABC #1 and used some of them to advance to the next round with a 12-9 decision. We did not get the score from the Side Pockets match (2 & 3), all we know is SP-2 won. Because of that bit of info we learn that SP-2 met Redbirds and defeated them 11-7 earning the second spot at the big dance. Getting SP-2 there were three members on the final sheet – John McWilliams (14-9 .609), Jim Elschide (16-13) and Dean McDearmon (14-13 .519).

Division # 14      Thursday      11 Weeks

ABC Billiards #1 jumped the chute by taking their first 8 matches setting the stage for a 9-2 season. That was 3-games over ABC-2's, 6-5. Of the ten players making the All-Star sheet five are ABC #1 members. They were led by Top Player Andy Tebeau's 18-4 .818. Teammates are Big Ben Morehead (19-8 .704), Chunk Finch (19-9 .679), Mike Buster (16-9 .640) and Ann Roulston (14-16 .467).

Runner-up for top player was ABC #3's Jeff Davenport, 24-10 .706. Ann Roulston takes the prize for being the top female performer, 14-16 .467. Ann is also from RB #1. Nice going, guys!

First playoff week ABC #3 could not field a team and forfeited to ABC #4. The second match was a squeaker between numbers 2 & 4 with #2 taking the 11-9 win behind Keith Birch's 4 wins and Teresa Davis kicking in three wins. Other ABC-2 members getting recognition are John MacKiewicz (23-10 .697), T.J. Powers (18-10 .643) and Sam Eidson (15-15 .500). Nice season, guys!

Division # 15 Jefferson County – Champions: Kenny's #1, Captain Lisa O'Farrell  
 Playoff Winner: Kenny's #2, Captain Kenny Vaughn  
 Top Player: Tony M. Blackwood 23-7 .767 (Kenny's)

Division # 16 Eureka – Champions: JPs Corner #1, Captain Mike O'Rourke  
 Playoff Winner: JPs Corner #2, Captain Jerry Smith  
 Top Player: Jeff Scott 16-5 .762 (JPs Corner)

	<b>Top Player</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Record</b>	<b>Runner-Up</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Record</b>
<b>Div. #10</b>	<b>Andy Quinn</b>	<b>Redbirds #4</b>	<b>28 0 1.000 *</b>	Rolla Hoffman	Redbirds #4	22 3 .880
Div. # 9	Marland Choy	Ballard's	19 1 .950	Rich Sager	Old Timers #1	<b>20 2 .909</b>
Div. # 6	Marland Choy	Clubhouse	22 2 .917	Mike Remiger	Redbirds	25 3 .893
Div. #13	Nick Evans	ABC Billiards #2	18 2 .900 *	Scott Carter	ABC Billiards #2	16 8 .667
				Grady Hester	Redbirds	14 7 .667
Div. # 5	Jay Carlton	Hotshots NC #2	29 4 .879	Kevin Torralba	Final Dest. #2	29 5 .853
Div. # 3	Paul Edstrom	Sophie's Place	19 3 .864 *	Jim Stevens	Sophie's Place	22 6 .786
Div. # 7	Larry Hebold	Charlack Pub	25 5 .833	Leon Young	Classics	18 4 .818
Div. # 2	Kevin Hayes	JP's Corner #3	29 6 .829	Ken Pratt	JP's Corner #1	21 6 .778
Div. #12	Kyle Kroeger	Side P. #2	19 4 .826	Jon Williams	Side Pockets #4	23 6 .793
Div. # 4	Rich Parshall	Hotshots Fenton	23 5 .821	Mike Bobbish	Hotshots SC #2	29 8 .784
Div. #14	Andy Tebeau	ABC Billiards #1	18 4 .818	Jeff Davenport	ABC Billiards #3	24 10 .706
Div. #11	Walter Crane	Side Pockets #1	22 5 .815	Julia Gabriel	Side Pockets #3	29 8 .784
Div. # 1	Jerry Terbrock	Hotshots WC	24 6 .800	Mike Renick	Hotshots SC	16 5 .762
Div. # 8	Bill Harwell	Lehmann's #2	23 6 .793 *	Marland Choy	L.L. #2	17 5 .773
Div. #15	Tony M. Blackwood	Kenny's	23 7 .767	(No info given)		
Div. #16	Jeff Scott	JPs Eureka	16 5 .762	(No info given)		

\*= Teammates

### **Slick Chicks with Straight Shootin' Sticks**

Div. #11	Julia Gabriel	Side Pockets #3	29 8 .784	There were a few divisions playing
Div. # 4	Rhonda Bartram	Fandangos	23 7 .767	11 weeks this season while others had
Div.106	Mary Stillwell	Classic's #2	21 9 .700	only 10 weeks because of July 4th.
Div. #10	Andrea Kohnen	Redbirds #4	18 9 .667	I bring this up because Julia Gabriel
Div. #11	Anne Carion	ABC Billiards	14 7 .667	set another record. Her 29 wins is the
Div. # 4	Rebekah Katzenberger	Stan's Bar	19 12 .613	most won in a 10-week season by any
Div. # 7	LaJuania Henry	Classics	10 7 .588	female. Kudos and big ups again Julia.
Div.102	Lanny Wilson	AMVETS #1	15 12 .556	Many ladies played this summer.
Div. # 1	Rhonda Bartram	Fandangos	10 8 .556	Listed here are those who landed on the
Div. # 4	Marilyn green	Hotshots SC #2	12 10 .545	final two top player sheets. If you are
Div.108	Mary Stillwell	Classics #5	11 10 .524	not listed remember this is not an easy
Div. # 5	Cathy Nickles	Cactus Inn	19 18 .514	place to get. It takes time and a lot of
Div. #10	Tonya Willmore	Redbirds #1	18 18 .500	hard work to get here.
Div. #11	Donna Glascock	Side Pockets #3	15 15 .500	Some have been playing a few
Div. #14	Ann Roulston	ABC Billiards #1	14 16 .467	sessions while others 15 to 20 years.

There are no 'overnight' successes. Hang in there and continue to play Missouri 8 Ball. Your game will improve. Previous winners - Andrea Kohnen and Rebekah Katzenberger gave it a shot to repeat

as Top Female player. But like anything else it's no easy task with all the outstanding ladies we have in Missouri 8 Ball. Good luck and good shooting.

### **New Missouri 8 Ball Members**

Div. #101 '6'	Dave Dyer	Hotshots SC #1	23	11	.676	There were many new Missouri 8 Ball players this past season. Listed are a few that made the Top Player sheet. Congratulations to Dave Dyer for his outstanding session and being the leader in the New Player department.
Div. #109 '5'	Zack Fine	Hotshots #2	22	14	.611	
Div. #103 '5'	J.D. Diepenbrock	Mary's #2	17	11	.607	
Div. # 2 '5'	Kyle Warren	JP's Gravois	14	10	.583	
Div. #101 '5'	Kyle Warren	JP's Gravois #2	15	12	.556	
Div. #102 '5'	Richard Sutton	AMVETS #1	17	14	.556	
Div. #14 '4'	Sam Eidson	ABC Billiards #2	15	15	.500	
Div. #13 '4'	Bill Brown	Side Pocket's #3	14	14	.500	

### **Information from the 4-Player Happy Hour Divisions**

Division # 101      Monday      11 Weeks

Hotshots SC #3 jumped the shark the final week with a win that really was the difference. Had they tied for first place in match wins their games W-L percentage would have done'em in. But since they did win their 9-2 record was one game over runner-up JPs Corner Gravois #2's 8-3.

Getting HSSC #3 there were five members hitting the honor roll. Jason Huson led the attack with a neat 17-8 .680. Teammates are Mike Poitras (20-10 .667), David Poitras (also 20-10 .667), Anthony Trevisano (16-10 .615) and Tony Trevisano (13-12 .542). Nice shooting, guys!

The first name on the All-Star sheet is a familiar one, Jerry Terbrock. Jerry and teammate Jim Wanner raced to the finish line one-two. Jerry's 22-4 .846 edged out Jim's 26-6 .813. That's the good news. The bad news is – Jerry had to hit .935 for the title. As an '8' level player for this division Jerry was a little short. Jim just happened to be in the right place in the runner-up spot. Jim's .813 was good for the '6' level. Great shooting as always, guys!

From the 'New Players to M0-8' department we see that Dave Dyer (HSSC #1) had a great first season. Dave's 23-11 .676 led the new players parade and came in 6th place on the hot sheet. Kyle Warren (JP's #2) was runner-up in that department. Congrats, Dave & Kyle.

First playoff week saw both JP's teams victorious at the closest of calls; both at hill-hill. JPs #1 beat out Show Me's, 9-8 and JP's #2 outlasted Hotshots Fenton #2 by the same score. When both JP teams met it was a 9-5 decision taken by JP's #1. Both Jim Wanner and Jerry Terbrock went 5-0 for the two playoff matches. Nice shooting, guys!

Division # 102      Monday      11 Weeks

Two things happened the 6th week that made the difference in both the team and individual races. One: Shot Heaven took over first place to stay and came in 10-1, one game over Libby's 9-2. Second: John Snyder rallied taking over first place in the race for Top Player. At that time Tattoo John was 14-3, then muscled up going 14-1 the final five weeks for a great 28-4 .875. Runner-up was Stan's Bar #2's Rolla Hoffman. Rolla's outstanding performance was improving week after week that went from 8-4 to 21-5 .808 with a 13-1 surge. Unfortunately time ran out and Rolla had to settle for second place.

Aiding and abetting John were teammates Allan Ranay (17-6 .739) and Mike Polewski (18-7 .720).

AMVETS #1 Lanny Wilson was top female player, 15-12 .556. Also from AMVETS #1 was top new player Richard Sutton with his first season totals of 17-14 .548. Nice shooting, guys!

First week playoff winner Libby's had to overcome a 2-game deficit over Ivory Coast Bistro #1 for the 9-8 victory behind the 4 wins put up by Dennis Bullock. Jim Love also had 4 wins in Ivory Coast's losing cause. Stan's Bar #2 ambushed Friendly's Place. Giving up 3-games on the wire was just a courtesy. Because when the bell rang and the flag dropped the gang from Stan's put forth a class one felony. Only 10 games were played and Stan's fans was given quit a show to enjoy. All 10 games went to the victors for a 10-3 win. It was a little harder the second week but Stan's again came away winners over Libby's, 9-7. Tom McLaughlin (did not play the first week) came away with a 3-1 record to lead Stan's to

victory. Rolla Hoffman led Stan's-2 with his 21-5 .808. Teammates Making the final sheet were Jumpin' Joe Curlee (19-7 .731) and Chuck Hooper (16-13 .552).

Division # 103            Monday            11 Weeks                            G.E.D. won their last two matches taking over first place from both Mary's Blue Ribbon teams by a single game, 8-3 to 7-4. G.E.D. got'er done with three members hitting the hot sheet. Tom Downing led the attack with his runner-up totals of 28-8 .778. Teammates are Joe Oberkirsch (26-9 .743) and Matt Feeler (18-10 .643). Nice season guys. Todd Lamwersiek picks up another Top Player title. What is this Todd, number 25, 26? Once this guy gets on a roll he's like a runaway train. Remember Todd, after losing his first match at the All-Star event last session, came back to win his last 12 matches to take out the title. Nice going, Todd.

J.D. Diepenbrock was top new player with his 17-11 .607. Nice going J.D.

Kind of an odd first playoff week. Since Mary's Blue Ribbon has only one table, #1 got home advantage and #2 had to travel to Pardella Club for their match. Both Mary's teams knocked off both Pardella Clubs 9-7 & 9-6 respectively, and met for the right to go to the big show. Mary's #1 gave Mary's -2 three games on the wire. By taking the first five matches Mary's #1 took over the lead and ran off a 10-8 victory. Three Mary's #1 members hit the hot sheet, Jeff Treacy (21-9 .700), Jim Daum Jr. (16-7 .696) and Mike Roy Jr. (14-11 .560). Nice season, guys!

Division # 104            Thursday            11 Weeks

Team Libby's jumped out to a 5-0 lead and rode it to a 10-1 finish. It edged out Wedge's 9-2 by one game. Four of Libby's members made the honor roll including the first three spots. There's good news and bad news here. The good news is Ed Libby made the sheet on the final week; even took over first place. The bad news is as a '7' level player Ed had to hit .860. He missed by a scant .034 coming in 19-4 .826. Bummer! So who gets the photo-shoot? Justin Rea was in the right place at the right time.

Justin's 25-6 .806 was way ahead for his '4' level ranking. In fact Justin led the division for five of the 11 weeks and from the 6th week until Ed took over so I say it was justified that Justin won. Congrats, Justin. Now you get to do it as a '5'. In addition to Ed and Justin, Jerry Casey came in 3rd, 20-5 .800 and Nick Lopez was 9th, 15-8 .652. Great session, guys!

First playoff week showed a total blowout by Wedge over Pardella Club #2. The 11-0 in games played showed just how tough Wedge can be. PC-2 got 5-games on the wire making the score go in the books as an 11-5 win for Wedge. Pardella Club #1 gave Sophie's Place a 3-game lead but overcame that by taking a 10-8 win behind the 4-win match of Bob Jones. Second week proved that Wedge was still in punch as they spotted PC-1 two games and wiped that out the first round. Wedge went on to a 9-5 win with all six of their players winning at least one game. Matt Henne went 5-0 for the two playoff matches. Three Wedger's made the honor roll beginning with Mac McDonald, 15-5 .750. Others are Dan Finchem (13-5 .722) and Dan Wisdom (17-7 .708). Great going, guys!

Division # 105            Tuesday            11 Weeks            Redbirds In-house

Victor Day's #4 Redbirds did the chirping after the 8 ball was dropped on the final week of play. Going into the final match they were tied with Lisa Crosby's #2 team at 7-3. While Vic's guys pulled out a 10-6 win over John Shields' #1 club, Mel's #3 birds played the spoilers by knocking off #2, 10-7.

Mel's guys almost did it again the first playoff week but went down 9-8 to John's #1 birds. That brought the final playoff match between Lisa and John for the chance to go to the big show. John got three games on the wire but Lisa's guys were a little too strong this day. They came away 10-5 winners.

Four members from Redbirds #4 hit the hot sheet being led by Bullet Bob Pendergrass, 20-8 .714. Teammates are Kickin' Kenny Martin (16-7 .696), Say-hey Victor Day (16-9 .640) and Joe 'Cozy' Lombardozzi (18-11 .621).

Top Player is a Redbirds #4 guy known as Keith Grob. Keith was in 2nd place the 6th week behind teammate Jim Crosby 16-4 to 15-4. As Keith Grob (plug here) is in the insurance business, he knows how important it is to be covered. Keith changed gears making a charge the final five weeks going 11-4 to



Say congrats to Zack Fine. Zack led all newcomers to M0-8 from this division with a nice 22-14 .611. Zack also was Hotshots #2's only member to make the All-Star sheet. Nice going, Zack.

The road to the Top Player title culminated with four players in the running. Going into the final week Teachers #2 Al Hale led 17-5 .773. Derrick Schmuck (ABC #2) was second at 21-7 .750, two Teachers #1's, Pat Bredenkoeter 3rd, 19-7 .731, and Dennis Gallagher 4th, 21-8 .724. How things changed for the final week. First Al Hale went 1-1 dropping to 4th place. Derek went from 2nd to 3rd as he did not play. Pat went from 3rd to 2nd with his 2-0 night and Dennis shot 3-0 going from 4th to first. The windup in order are all four players Dennis, Pat, Derek and Al all having .750 W-L percentages.

Don't have to research this as it has never happened before. The only other thing to say about this race is that Dennis Gallagher's 24-8 .750 was not high enough for the win. As a '7' level player Dennis had to hit .770. That was .020 shy of the mark. Pat Bredenkoeter gets the nod over Derek Schmuck even as they both were 21-7 .750. In their meeting over the season Pat beat Derek when they met and therefore was awarded second place. Talk about a conundrum.

First playoff week Teachers #1 took a 9-4 decision over Elmer's with Lisa Crosby going 3-0. Over at Hotshots we see that HS #1 not only grabbed a 3-game head start but went on to grab a 9-7 win over Teachers #2. For the 'dance' showdown it was Walter Crane Jr. going 4-0 as Hotshots #1 edged out a tough 9-8 victory over Teachers #1. Three HS #1 members hit the hot sheet led by Walter Crane Jr.'s 18-11 .621. Others are Tommy Lowery (also 18-11 .621) and dad Tom Lowery (13-11 .542).

Div. # 110 Jefferson County – Champions: O'Aces #1, Captain Roy Traughber

Playoff Winner: O'Aces #2, Captain Brian Smith

Top Player: Ken Vogt 29-7.806 (O'Aces)

Div. # 111 Eureka – Champions: JPs Corner, Captain John Pedrolie

Playoff Winner: Fire & Ice, Captain Tim White

Top Player: John Pedrolie 26-3 .897 (JPs Eureka)

	<b>Top Player</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Record</b>	<b>Runner-Up</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Record</b>
Div. 111	John Pedrolie	JPs Eureka	26 3 .897	(No info given)		
Div. 102	John Snyder	Shot Heaven	28 4 .875	Rolla Hoffman	Stan's Bar #2	21 5 .808
Div. 103	Todd Lamwersiek	Pardella #1	32 5 .865	Tom Downing	G.E.D.	28 8 .778
Div. 106	Bob Pendergrass	Lehmann's #2	30 5 .857	Tony Gregory	Pirates Cove	24 6 .800
Div. 108	Dave Vaughn	Classics #3	20 4 .833	Steve Monko	Classics #1	20 5 .800
Div. 107	Rick Peters	Cocktails	25 5 .833	Brett Fallon	Suwallers #2	17 6 .739
Div. 101	Jim Wanner	JP's Gravois	26 6 .813 *	Jerry Terbrock	JP's Gravois	22 4 .846
Div. 104	Justin Rea	Libby's	25 6 .806 *	Ed Libby	Libby's	19 4 .826
Div. 110	Ken Vogt	O'Aces	29 7 .806	(No info given)		
Div. 105	Keith Grob	Redbirds #2	26 8 .765	Bob Pendergrass	Redbirds #4	20 8 .714
Div. 109	Pat Bredenkoeter	Teachers #1	21 7 .750 *	Dennis Gallagher	Teachers #1	24 8 .750
				Derek Schmuck	ABC #2	21 7 .750
				Al Hale	Teachers #2	16 6 .750

\* Teammates

Div. 101 – As an '8' Jerry did not hit high enough for this division. Had to hit .935 for Top Player.

Div. 104 – As a '7' Ed did not hit high enough for this division. Had to hit .860 for Top Player.

Div. 109 – As a '7' Dennis did not hit high enough for this division. Had to hit .770 for Top Player.

### **Results of the 80th M0-8 Singles Event – Payout \$3,660**

The action took place in St. Charles, Mo. at Side Pockets Sports Bar the weekend of September 29-30, 2012. One hundred six players signed up for this event. Considering there were two other big tournaments in the area 106 is a better turnout than expected. We were down only 20 players from last summer's shootout. So it wasn't as bad as first thought to be.

The following are the top 16 players and their weekend totals.

Pl.	Skill	Player	Sat.	Sunday	Record	Payout	+ Side Pot
<b>First</b>	<b>(8)</b>	<b>Andy Quinn</b>	<b>(TP)</b>	<b>6 – 1</b>	<b>6 – 1 .857</b>	<b>\$850 &amp; Trophy</b>	<b>+ \$150</b>
2nd	(6)	Nick Evans	(TP)	bye 9 – 2	bye 9 – 2 .818	635 & Trophy	+ \$100
3rd	(5)	James O'Farrell	3 – 1	bye 3 – 2	bye 6 – 3 .667	475 & Trophy	
4th	(5)	Tony Gregory	bye 2 – 0	bye 4 – 2	2 byes 6 – 2 .750	350	
5/6.	(6)	Jim Wanner	(TP)	bye 4 – 2	bye 4 – 2 .667	225	
5/6.	(4)	Danny Robinson	3 – 0	bye 4 – 2	bye 7 – 2 .778	225	
7/8.	(6)	Walter Crane Jr.	3 – 0	bye 4 – 2	bye 7 – 2 .778	150	
7/8.	(5)	Mick DeMello	bye 2 – 0	bye 3 – 2	2 byes 5 – 2 .714	150	
9/12.	(6)	Keith Grob	(TP)	3 – 2	3 – 2 .600	100	+ \$25 Side Pot
9/12.	(5)	Rick J. Peters	(TP)	bye 2 – 2	bye 2 – 2 .500	100	+ \$25 Side Pot
9/12.	(5)	Allan Ranay	3 – 2	bye 4 – 2	bye 7 – 4 .636	100	
9/12.	(4)	Tony Treffinger	3 – 0	4 – 2	7 – 2 .778	100	
13/16.	(7)	Mike Renick	(TP)	3 – 2	3 – 2 .600	50	
13/16.	(5)	Pete Hoffman	bye 3 – 1	2 byes 2 – 2	3 byes 5 – 3 .625	50	
13/16.	(5)	Casey Brown	bye 2 – 1	bye 2 – 2	2 byes 4 – 3 .571	50	
13/16.	(5)	Jim Stevens	3 – 2	bye 3 – 2	bye 6 – 4 .600	50	

There was only one '8' but two '4's on the list of 16 that cashed. One '7', four '6's and eight '5's rounded out the field. Of the 16 that took away money six were Top Players that got a free pass into Sunday's shootout. Odds & Ends: Every player lost one game or more. Nick won 9 games and Pete had three byes. Rick won only two games but cashed.

Top Player Side Pot was taken out by Andy Quinn (\$150), Nick Evans (\$100) and a tie for third, Keith Grob and Rick Peters (\$25 each). That is a total of \$1,000 for Andy, \$735 for Nick and \$125 each for Keith and Rick.

For those who were at Side Pockets Saturday and Sunday you witnessed exciting exhibitions of shooting. A plethora of outstanding matches as if on a big screen and Andy Quinn was the producer, director, co-writer and star. There were many co-stars in the close-ups, long shots, fade-ins and outs. But there was no editing of scenes. What you saw is what you got.

There were extras on the set of course, 105 extras to be exact, and they were doing their best to capture their 15 minutes of fame. Cameos from many of M0-8's top players were recorded not only from the higher '6's, '7's and '8' level players that qualified, but the '4's and '5' level players as well. It's no doubt these championship events certainly bring out the "A" game when trophies, cash and recognition are on the line.

It was only fitting that Andy Quinn won this Championship. To begin his run to the podium Andy bypassed Saturday's qualifying rounds when he won Top Player honors from Division 10. Andy set the season's 'undefeated' record by going 28-0 which edged out the old 27-0 season Steve Boucher put up a few years ago.

Andy won his first five matches from the Singles event to go with the 28 straight leading up to it. That's 33 wins in a row. Nick Evans interrupted the string with a 2-1 win sending the Championship match to its conclusion. Nick's age was on stage as this 16-year-old has done nothing but make a name for his self the last three years. But there are situations when experience takes over and in this final contest Andy began another streak by closing out the match with a fast two wins that lasted maybe two minutes. Hey, "When you're hot, you're hot", (Jerry Reed, 1971). And this session Andy Quinn was smokin'. Congratulations to Andy Quinn for another outstanding performance.

### **Team Results: 5-Player Board Oct. 6-7, 2012 – Payout \$9,200**

**First Place:** Side Pockets, St. Charles \$4,000 Captain: Brian Kroeger Members: Ed Carion, Div. Champs Paul Verhulst, Keith Grob, Kyle Kroeger, Dave Smorado, Dan Klemme & Jake Kline

- Second:** JP's Gravois, Sunset Hills \$2,000 Captain: Phil Galli Members: Todd Lamwersiek, Div. Champs Don Scott, Brian Akridge, Jeremy Alton, Mike Mueller & Allan Ranay
- 3/4:** Lehmann's Landing, Bridgeton \$1,000 Captain: Mike Devers Members: Tony Treffinger, Div. Champs Bill Harwell, Ronnie Hansen, Marland Choy, Denis Dunbar & Vernon Virgin
- 3/4:** Wedge, Lemay \$1,000 Captain: Jimmy Fried Members: Durwin Peterson, Playoff Champs Adam Bent, Chris Nash, David Starns & Chuck Hunter
- 5/8:** Kenny's, Barnhart \$300 Captain: Lisa O'Farrell Members: James O'Farrell, Mike Severs, Div. Champs Pat Blackwell, Johnny Corcoran, Tony & Tony M. Blackwood & Jim Rodgers
- 5/8:** JP's Corner, Eureka \$300 Captain: Mike O'Rourke Members: A.J. Huether, Div. Champs Mike Mitchell, Gordy Neihoff, Randy Wright, Victor Padilla & Jim Overman
- 5/8:** ABC Billiards, St. Peters \$300 Captain: Andy Lewton Members: Adam Fulkerson, Div. Champs Scott Carter, Cody Bramblett, Pall Hall, Nick Evans, Brian Hedrick & Neil Lewton
- 5/8:** Hotshots SC, St. Louis \$300 Captain: Mike Renick Members: Jenny Lenggenhager, Playoff Champs Johnny Moore, Tom Davidson, Elvir Fale, James Goedecker & Nick Dubrouillet

There were 32 teams that earned their way to the big shootout from the 5-player divisions. After Saturday's rounds were over only four teams remained for Sunday's finals, Side Pockets, JPs Gravois, Wedge and Lehmann's Landing, ironically from four corners of the M0-8 areas.

JPs Gravois got one game on the wire from Lehmann's and rode it out for an 11-7 victory as all five starters won two games apiece. Side Pockets gave up 3-games to Wedge then allowed them only two wins for a walk-over 11-5 beat-down.

The Championship match had JPs Gravois getting a 2-game head start but Side Pockets didn't allow JPs a chance to get rolling. Side Pockets won 9 of the first 10 games for a 10-4 lead. JPs came out of their shell the third round by winning the first four games. That took the match to 10-6. However, for all intense and purposes it was a little late. Their last ditch effort was short lived as Side Pocket's Captain Brien Kroeger finished off the match for an 11-6 Championship victory.

**Players with 4-win matches:** 3 times – Rolla Hoffman (Stan's Bar), 2 times Pat Blackwell (Kenny's) (Wedge) Ray Ridenour, (Redbirds) Bobby Mannecke, (JPs Eureka) John and **Amanda Pedrolie** (ABC Billiards) Mike Welker, Derek Schmuck and Nick Evans (Kenny's) Mike Declue, Tony M. Blackwood & **Vicki Narez.**

<b>Consecutive Wins</b>			<b>5-Player Teams</b>		<b>4-Player Teams</b>	
14	Rolla Hoffman	14 – 1 .933	Side Pockets	45 – 21 .682	ABC	40 – 18 .690
10	Pat Blackwell	10 – 1 .909	<u>gave up</u>	<u>0 - 8 .000</u>	<u>gave up</u>	<u>0 - 9 .000</u>
9	Joe Curlee	10 – 3 .769	Totals	45 – 29 .608	Totals	40 – 27 .597
8	Bill Harwell	11 – 1 .917				
8	Keith Grob	9 – 1 .900	Lehmann's	46 – 22 .676	Stan's	40 – 18 .690
7	John Pedrolie	7 – 1 .875	<u>gave up</u>	<u>0 - 6 .000</u>	<u>gave up</u>	<u>0 - 13 .000</u>
7	Bobby Mannecke	7 – 3 .700	Totals	46 – 28 .622	Totals	40 – 31 .563
7	Paul Verhulst	9 – 4 .692				
6	Nick Fernandez	6 – 1 .857	JP's Gravois	35 – 29 .547		
6	Dan Klemme	9 – 2 .818	<u>got &amp; gave up</u>	<u>6 - 5 .545</u>		
6	Mike Renick	7 – 2 .778	Totals	41 – 34 .547		
6	Derek Schmuck	10 – 5 .667				

### **Team Results: 4-Player Board Oct. 6-7, 2012 – Payout \$5,260**

<b>First:</b> ABC Billiards, St. Peters Div. Champs	\$2,760	Captain: Mike Welker Derek Schmuck, Scott Carter, Brian Hedrick & Pat Murphy	Members: Vicki Welker, Derek Schmuck, Scott Carter, Brian Hedrick & Pat Murphy
<b>Second:</b> Stan's Bar, St. Louis Playoff Champs	\$1,500	Captain: Chuck Hooper Pete Hoffman, Joe Curlee & Tom McLaughlin	Members: Rolla Hoffman, Pete Hoffman, Joe Curlee & Tom McLaughlin
<b>3/4:</b> O' Aces, Jefferson County Playoff Champs	\$500	Captain: Brian Smith Rick Roth, Tony Travis, Rick Jones & Shellie Downs	Members: Carol Kussman, Rick Roth, Tony Travis, Rick Jones & Shellie Downs
<b>3/4:</b> Nuts, Maryland Heights Playoff Champs	\$500	Captain: John Grisham Justin Smith, Tom Black, Jeff Chisholm & Zhoukan Li	Members: Frank Smith, Justin Smith, Tom Black, Jeff Chisholm & Zhoukan Li

There were 22 teams from the 4-player Happy Hour divisions that took part in the shootout for the trophy and for a piece of the \$5,260. After Saturday night's rounds were completed four teams returned Sunday for the finals, ABC Billiards, Stan's Bar, Nuts and O' Aces.

ABC gave up 6-games to Nuts and squeezed out a 12-10 victory behind the 4-win match by Derek Schmuck and three wins each by Scott Carter and Brian Hedrick. Across the room on table 8 Stan's Bar was giving up 7-games to O' Aces. It was tough but Stan's gang came out swinging and took the match 13-10. Rolla Hoffman went 4-0 with dad Pete and teammate Joe Curlee winning three games each. That set the stage for the Championship match with ABC Billiards.

Playing even, this matchup lived up to its billing. It really was an outstanding matchup as these two teams went to double hill before ABC got a break and came out victorious, 9-8.

The match was marred somewhat by a controversial decision to where there was no choice a decision had to be made considering the circumstances. The call was to replay the final game in order not to give either team the obvious ball-in-hand advantage for their player to run off their group, one with two balls left on the table and the other with four balls left.

It was obvious that both competitors would win the final game had they received ball-in-hand, thus the replay of the game was called for.

Both players, Derek Schmuck and Rolla Hoffman showed professional courtesy about the situation even after the contest was over. And that is what's called 'good sportsmanship.'

#### **Quips or Us:**

**Jay Carlton:** This is Andy Quinn's second M0-8 Championship Title. Go back to June 11, 2006, or six years 110 days ago, to the Buddy Evans' Planet 8 Ball establishment where Andy captured all eight matches he played. This gives him a 14-1 record and ironically it was Buddy's son Nick Evans giving Andy his only loss from his two championship titles

**I.Q. Jones says:** Andy Quinn holds down an 8-ball table like a man monopolizing a public phone. No matter how long you wait, pray or plead, he just ain't gonna give it up until he's damn good and ready. Get over it. Order a drink (make it two or three & doubles) and find a nice comfortable recliner and wait. Dial the recliner to vibrate because that will be the best feeling you have all day. If you wait long enough you might get a shot, but you will probably fall asleep before that happens.

#### **Speaking of yesteryear, Craig Ferguson said it best:**

The original "Dallas" series started in 1978. Back then, America was very different. We had an ineffective, one-term president. Double digit inflation. High interest rates. Gas prices were through the roof. Gas lines three blocks long just to be told we could buy only five-gallons. And we were in a stand-off with Iran. I'm glad those dark days are over.

## **Brian Kroeger – Genius? Or – or – or – what...**

A few words about the leadership of Brian Kroeger:

Okay, more than a few.

When the final matches are taking place I try to watch as many as I can to be in on events, good shooting, table runs, great safety plays - just anything that might be attention worthy and who knows, something I can use in later matches. The match on table 14 between Side Pockets and The Wedge caught my attention because it's not what I saw, as the team tournaments neared the end Sunday, it's what I didn't see. What I *did* see was Brian Kroeger eating lunch. I saw Brian Kroeger talking to teammates. I saw Brian peek at the big screen TV on occasion. What I did *not* see was Brian in the starting lineup. What, Brian Kroeger not playing. Round after round went by and Mr. Kroeger is what is commonly referred to as, the bench-warmer. He's the benchwarmer in this championship match? Huh! I thought that strange indeed.

So, after the conclusion of their 12-10 win over Kenny's Sports Bar, which advanced them to the next plateau, I had to ask, why did you not play? Brian's answer was, "They won't let me play. They say I'm not good enough." Heh, heh, heh! Of course I am taking this as a joke.

But wait. Hold it. Back this train up a little. I know Brian has a sense of humor but, not good enough? Brian is the captain here. Brian is an '8' level player. (But he's *not* good enough?) Like, give me a bunch of these 'not good enough' players anytime. Brian has won more Top Player titles than the sum of the entire team. Nope, I'm not buying this even if it's on sale.

I double checked the facts from previous matches from this weekend and there it was. Against Classics he played *none* of the four rounds and his team won 11-8. Following that, the match against Kenny's, Brian sat out all four rounds again and Side Pockets won 12-10. Hummmmm...

Then we go to the match with The Wedge. Brian watched from the sidelines the first two rounds but did get in the third round... and lost. When Brian did get his chance to play Side Pockets was ahead 10-4. One could argue no big deal because the next player, Dave Smorado, closed it out for an 11-5 victory. BK's totals for this event become one play, 10 no plays, and that one play was a loss.

For the final match, for the Championship, Brian was outvoted not to play the first two rounds. But then the team members thought... aah... since they were up 10-4, hey, why not. Let him in on the action. Brian goes in the third round and draws the number 5 pill. If it had not been for the first four players losing their games Brian would not have seen the green.

Railbirds were shocked. They were like, 'You guys actually let Brian play a second game?' But Mr. Kroeger got his chance (remember, this is only his second), and the old man showed he still had gas in the tank. He closed out the contest for an 11-6 win bringing the Championship with him.

So we go back to the opening line, Brian Kroeger: 'Genius – or what?' You decide.

One thing for sure – Brian Kroeger certainly is a team player – if you get my drift!

The End

**That's it.** That's about all there is from this session and for this report. Once again the Missouri 8 Ball Pool and Dart Leagues want to thank you for your steadfast loyalty and participating in another season. The 80th season is by the wayside and in the books. The second session of the 27th year is underway and hopefully we will see you and your team at the next Singles and Team events.

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