



As in past seasons 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, Leadership, Sportsmanship and Team Spirit. Because Missouri 8 Ball is spread over vast areas both city and counties perhaps you would like to familiarize yourself with players from other Teams and Divisions.

Listed are results and information about the 85th M0-8 Spring Session that began our 29th year, January 21, 2014 to May 20, 2014. Information includes 5-Player and 4-Player Divisions, Top Players Male and Female, All-Star Singles and Tournament Winners, plus other asides you might find interesting.

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Div. #1 16 Weeks Tuesday

If you had Hotshots SC #2 taking the division's top spot after jumping out in front 9-0 – YOU WIN. Their 12-4 was only one game better than Hotshots WC #1's and Arnold's 11-5, but that's all that is required. With five members landing in the top nine spots on the All-Star sheet, well, I'd say it was certainly a team effort. The placing's are 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 9th, Bill Harwell (28-9 .757), Coty Harlan (33-11 .750), Chris Collins (23-9 .719), Jim Wanner (33-13 .717) and Denis Dunbar (28-13 .683).

Top Player is Mike Renick again. Mike's team, HSSC #1 missed the cut but Mike did not. He did not enter the top 10 until the 5th week, at 10-4, and then took off going 20-3 the rest of the way. It was the penultimate week when Mike's 30-7 .811 slipped past Fandango's Jay Pettlon, 36-9 .800.

There were a couple blowouts the first playoff week. Hotshots WC #1 gave One Eyed Willie's one game on the wire then allowed them only two little wins for an 11-3 walkover. This led to one of Willie's players to intone, 'next time we should shoot outta both eyes'. They may have lost the match but not their sense of humor. Leading the division in 'sense of humor' is nice but not helpful getting to the big show. Over in Arnold Hotshots allowed Fandangos #1 a three-game head start then went to work to take a 12-5 victory with all five players winning at least two games.

The second week Arnold's Ko'ed Hotshots WC #1, 11-7. Getting Arnold there were Mike Devers (35-15 .700), Joe Evola (33-16 .673), Matt Auclair (21-12 .636) and Scott Scholtz (27-19 .587).

Div. #2 16 Weeks Monday

There's nothing like a close race to heat up a great ending. Schmitt's and Hotshots NC #1 tied at 12-4 only to be broken by their games W-L Pct. Schmitt's 165-129 .561 was a measly .002 over HSNC #1's 160-126 .559. Five Schmitt's players hit the hot sheet led by Top Player Matt DeBarr, 26-6 .813. Teammates are Kevin Torralba (33-10 .767), Rick J. Peters (23-9 .719), Dan Young (22-11 .667) and Steve Williams (22-12 .647). Who said they didn't know Schmitt? Way to go guys!

The battle for the number five spot was also decided by the W-L Pct. as Classics #1, Final Destination #1 and Fucifinos came in 9-7. Classics' .518 beat out Final D's .513 and Fucifinos .502.

The race for Top Player was like - now you take it, no - now you take it. Matt DeBarr and Don Johnson changed off more times than a Hollywood party. It was finally settled the 16th week when Matt's 26-6 .813 squeezed out Don's 41-10 .804 by a scant .009. Great race, guys!

First playoff week was a battle of 4-0 matches. Classics #1 edged out HSNL #1 11-10 with Jeff Taylor going 4-0 for Classics while Seth Pecoraro did the same in a losing cause. Over at Final Destination Redbirds showed up and gave Final D a 3-game head start. After round one Final D was forced to go on with only four players giving the visitors two forfeit wins. Redbirds flew to a 9-7 (11-7) win behind the three wins put up by Tom Dooley. The battle for the big show, depending on your point of view, was a surprise. Classics #1, who barely made the 5th playoff spot then Ko'ed Hotshots, came back the second week and took a 12-8 win from Redbirds. Of course the 5-games given them on the string played a big part but, still, the birds had their chances, just couldn't get outta the nest.

Helping Classics #1 pull off this Cinderella playoff was Jeff Taylor (31-16 .660), Frank Randazzo (18-15 .545), Steve Wood (18-16 .529) and Rich Henningsen (20-19 .513). Way to hang in guys!

Div. #3 16 Weeks Tuesday

After 16 weeks of play Classics and Nuts ended 12-4. The games W-L Pct. gave it to Classics 138-120 .535 to 124-112 .525. It was a double win for Classics as Billy Wimberly took the Top Player crown again. Billy took over the 13th week barely beating out stiff competition. Billy's 34-5 .872 topped Lehmann's Bob Ackley (36-9 .800) and Acapulco's Danny Llamas (28-7 .800). Great race, guys!

First playoff week Nuts doubled up on Redbirds 11-5 with Brian Alexander's 4-wins leading the way. Acapulco had to give Lehmann's five games on the wire, but received four forfeit wins in return as Lehmann's played one player short. It goes in the books as a 12-9 win sending the Acapulco Agents to the next level and Lehmann's home. The second week Nuts jumped out heavy and didn't let up until the final '8' ball was dropped. Nuts earned the second spot with an 11-3 win behind Brian Tucker and Rick Cwiklowski having 3-0 matches. Getting Nuts to the big dance was Rick Cwiklowski (28-9 .757), Frank Smith (29-12 .707), John Grisham (17-18 .486) and Brian Alexander (16-18 .471). Nice going, guys!

Div. #4 16 Weeks Wednesday

Lehmann's #1 landed in a tie the 12th week then two weeks later took over to stay ending the season 13-3 to Classics' 12-4. Four members hit the final sheet beginning with Top Player Tyler Jones, 34-11 .756. Tyler captured the lead spot the 13th week holding on to beat out Uncle Pete Mocca's 23-10 .697. This is the second consecutive session Uncle Pete finished second while trying to break the record for oldest Top Player set by Walter "Red" Penrod a few years back. Other Lehmann's making the sheet are Mike Kiwala (27-14 .659), Brandon Schowengett (23-17 .575) and Kurt Bauer (22-17 .564).

First playoff week Classics pulled off an 11-6 victory over Acapulco with Bret Sneller and Rick Nadal going 3-0 while Danny Llamas was 3-0 in a losing cause. The second match saw Streiler's take an 11-8 decision from Clubhouse #1. In another losing cause Nick Neiman was 4-0 winning half of Clubhouse's games. The second playoff week some might call an upset; but not from Streiler's rooters. They turned it up a notch and took an 11-8 decision over Classics. Even though Tim McCasland had one of his best nights his four wins couldn't get Classics over the hump.

Helping to get Streiler's there was Jim Davis (29-16 .644) followed by Allen Lewis (28-19 .596) and Bucky Bastien (24-17 .585). Way to hang in and congratulations, guys!

Div. #5 16 Weeks Wednesday

Hotshots Arnold #1 stayed close the first 13 weeks, pulled even the 14th, and landed in a 12-4 tie with Hotshots SC at the end. The games W-L Pct. was also close as Arnold beat out SC 161-124 .565 to 166-138 .546. Getting HS Arnold #1 there were four members hitting the hot sheet led by Denzil Smith (31-17 .646) then Gary Henley (24-14 .632), Kevin Hayes (33-20 .623) and Mike Lashley (30-20 .600).

The race for Top Player didn't heat up until the 7th week. Hotshot Arnold #2's Tony M. Blackwood (a.k.a. LT) was the front runner from day one. The first six weeks Greg Newman was hot on

Tony's heels but the final ten weeks the challenge came from Hotshots SC's Jody Zeni. Jody tried closing in when time ran out. Tony held on coming in 34-6 .850 to Jody's 28-8 .778. Nice race, guys!

The lineup for the playoffs was also decided the 16th week. When HS Fenton #1 and JP's Gravois #1 met the last week it was for 5th place. JP #1 took the 11-7 match coming in .002 higher.

First playoff week JP's Gravois #2 got a 3-game head start and needed all of them in their 12-9 win over HS Fenton #2. Meanwhile HS South County gave up four games on the wire to JP's #1. That was made up when they took all five games in round one. Five more in round two put them on the bubble for a 10-4 lead. HSSC closed it out the third frame for an 11-1 (11-5) winner.

The second week JP's #2 received three games on the string then rode it out for an 11-4 win over HSSC. Getting JP's #2 there were Ken Pratt (34-14 .708), Charlie Bellers (24-15 .615) and Ron Smith (23-16 .590). Way to hang in guys!

Div. #6 16 Weeks Wednesday Filling Station pulled off a double victory. The team went wire to wire ending 13-3, two games over Shot Heaven and Wedge's 11-5. And taking out the Top Player award again is Semir Ekic. Semir's 33-8 .805 outlasted Ed Libby (23-7 .767) and Jerry Casey (21-8 .724).

Getting the Station guys there were, in addition to Semir, Bob Follis (22-15 .595), Tim Finnegan (21-15 .583) and newcomer John Mayer (20-16 .556). Nice shooting, guys!

Wedge Bar gave up three games to Stan's Bar then evened the score the first round with four wins for a fast 4-4 tie. Four wins in the second frame and three from the third ended the match 11-2 (11-5) moving Wedge onward. Over at Shot Heaven the Halos gave up two games to the Pro's, but the Pro's, who edged out Foley's South County by .021 to get to the 5th spot, couldn't handle Shot Heaven's shot-makers and went down 11-4 (11-6).

The second playoff week the Halos got a game from Wedge but really didn't need it. Spirits from Heaven were running high as Halos glowed while firing off an 11-5 win. Allan Ranay's 6-0 for the playoffs makes him the MVP. Getting Shot Heaven there were three members, Bill Day (30-14 .682), Reco Gibson (25-17 .595) and Allan Ranay (19-14 .576). Nice going guys!

Div. #7 16 Weeks Wednesday Teachers #2 moved into a 3-way tie the 15th week and tied at 12-4 the 16th with Side Pockets #2. The games W-L Pct. came up Teachers #2's favor by a skinny .020, 123-99 .554 to 135-118 .534. Getting the wisdom bringers there were three heavy hitters, Jess Napoli (18-11 .621), Lisa Crosby (20-15 .571) and John Bissell (13-14 .481). Lisa Crosby also led the female parade, 20-15 .571. Second was Teachers #1's Anne Carion, 15-12 .556. Nice shooting, ladies!

The division leader for Top Player was Side Pockets #2's Kent Keiser. Kent fought his way up for 13 weeks, taking over the lead the 14th. Kent's totals were also skinny over ABC Billiards' runner-up Jeremy Zink, 31-9 .775 to 28-9 .757. Another great race, guys!

Playoff action saw ABC give Teachers #1 two games on the wire then knocked them out 11-8 behind the 3-0 shooting of both Derek Schmuck and Jeremy Zink. Over at Side Pockets their #2 gang offered up two games to SP-1 then pulled out an 11-9 victory behind three wins each by Ed Chier and Walter Crane, Jr. For the second spot Side Pockets #2 stayed ahead of ABC by going 3-2 the first three rounds for a 9-6 lead. The 2-2 in round four closed it out for an 11-8 win for the Side Pockets gang. Captain Kent Keiser led the attack with four wins plus three by Walter Crane Jr. For the session Kent was Top Player (31-9 .775), Ed Chier was fourth (21-11 .656) and Ryan Saffer (20-15 .571).

Div. #8 16 Weeks Thursday

Week #5 was when Wedge Bar grabbed the lead and had a heck of a time holding on to the point had they not actually came in first place they would have lost out by games W-L Pct. Wedge's 13-3 was one slight game over HS Fenton's 12-4. Fenton's .558 was .009 higher had they tied. Five members hit the final hot sheet led by Harold Fuqua, 32-9 .780. Teammates are Phil Jordan (24-8 .750), Jimmy Fried (28-13 .683), Mac McDonald (25-14 .641) and Adam Bent (20-17 .541). Way to hang in guys!

It was also musical chairs for Top Player. Phil Jordan had the banner for six weeks, then five weeks for Ben Pona. But the last one is the one that counts and that's the only one Tom Davidson

occupies. The final week Ben went 2-1 while Tom was 3-0. Ben dropped to second place, 24-5 .828, while Tom edged ahead of his Hotshots Fenton teammate, 34-7 .829, or only .001 difference. Great, great race, guys. And while we are at it, say hey to Marilyn Green. This Stratford Inn lady led all females with 22 wins and a .524 percentage. Nice going, Marilyn!

First week's playoff winners are Stratford Inn 11-6 over HS Arnold #2 behind three big wins put up by Cindy Bobbish. Brother-in-law Mikel also kicked in three wins. Over in Fenton that Hotshots gang played host to Fandangos. The good news for Fandangos is the eight games head start. The bad news for HS Fenton was they couldn't overcome it. Going into the match the fantastic Fandangos visualized six wins needed to advance and got them for a 14-8 win. Fandangos vision lasted another week as they outlasted Stratford Inn making it to the big dance. Getting Fandangos there was a lot of luck, a few prayers and several games on the wire because no 'dangos made the hot sheet. Talk about timing. As they say in books, 'don't need no stinking 'dangos making the hot sheet, dawg'.

Div. #9 16 Weeks Thursday If you had Cotters #1 getting past the post first after starting off 9-0 – YOU WIN. Cotters #2 was hanging on at 8-1 but went into a nosedive as Cotters #1 waltzed off to a 15-1 record that was five full games over Cotters-2's and Stacked Burger Bar's 10-6. Leading the four members that made the hot sheet was Top Player Lonnie Hanneke. Lonnie's 35-8 .814 was .116 higher than runners-up (C-2's) John Jimenez and teammate Randy Heisner, 30-13 .698. Two other Cotters #1's teammates making the sheet are Paul Bulus (28-14 .667) and Kurt Hansen (17-10 .630).

First playoff week Stan's Bar gave three games head start to Stacked Burger Bar, then behind three wins each put up by Jim Emery, Kevin Horne and Brett Swanstrom took the match 12-9. Meanwhile Sophie's Place invaded Cotter's. (Nice to see Dawn Froesel back in action) Dawn's second win put Sophie's Place on the bubble setting up Sean McElrea to close it out. John and Greg O'Farrell put up three wins each on their way to the 11-6 victory.

Sophies clipped Stan's Bar 11-9 to make it to the big show with four members making the All-Star sheet. Sean McElrea led the attack, 19-13 .594, followed by John O'Farrell (21-17 .553), Big Jim Stevens (20-17 .541) and Jimmy O'Farrell (15-14 .517). Way to bring it home, guys.

Div. #10 16 Weeks Thursday Classics pulled into a first place tie the 10th week, took over the 14th and rode it out for a first place finish, 14-2 to Redbirds #1's 12-4. This Classics gang placed five members on the hot sheet beginning with Top Player Joe 'Mealticket' Mele. Even though Joe opened the season 10-0 he was constantly peeking over his shoulder. It wasn't until the final week's results were in that Joe's 33-6 .846 edged out Fucifinos #1's runner-up Leon Young, 36-9 .800. Great races, guys!

Aiding and abetting Joe were Wayne Turner (30-12 .714), Guy Tinker (19-13 .594), Dan Tucker (22-16 .579) and Steve Monko (20-15 .571).

First week's playoffs saw Redbirds #1 make it final for Final Destination with an 11-7 win with both Rolla Hoffman and Jeff Niebling going 3-0 each. Fucifinos #1 got two games on the wire and with Lorenzo Casey's three wins, knocked Redbirds #3 off the fence, 11-10. The second week Redbirds #1 get even as they flew all over Fucifinos 11-8 making their way to the second spot. Helping Redbirds #1 get there were five members. Ken Pruett led the way 31-13 .705 followed by Rolla Hoffman (29-14 .674), Denny DeMello (21-13 .618), Pete Hoffman (22-14 .611) and Chris Salvo (18-13 .581).

Div. #11 16 Weeks Thursday The Ballard's Brigade jumped the line week nine riding out the season at 13-3, one game over Redbirds, 12-4. Four members led the way beginning with Al Smith, 30-12 .714. Teammates are Jon Robertson (22-10 .688), Joe Corey (30-14 .682) and Tammie Corey (22-15 .595). Tammie also is the leading female from this division. Nice shooting Tammie.

Say hey to Redbird's KC Juengst for his very first Top Player title. KC ended 24-6 .800 just a little over runner-up Final Destination's Doug Gibbons, 34-12 .739. Nice shooting, guys!

First playoff week Redbirds Ko'ed Foley's NC 11-8 with Kris McManemy and Chris Westerhold kicking in three wins each. Just Bill's Place got five games on the string from Final Destination. It could have held up if they had five players but had to go with four and that allowed Final D four forfeit wins in

return and that is what carried Final D over the line for a 12-10 win. For the showdown Doug Gibbons went 4-0 and Dave Harton added three wins leading Final D to another 12-10 victory. In addition to Doug Gibbon's 34-12 .739, teammates helping out along the way are Dada Harton (24-10 .706), Dan Abrams (29-13 .690) and Sean Murphy (21-14 .600). Way to hang in guys.

Div. #12 16 Weeks Thursday

Of the 16 weeks Side Pockets #4 was ahead of Teachers #1 ten of them. Teachers #1 led the other six weeks. The final week was the one that counts 12-4 to 11-5. Four educator's made the All-Star sheet beginning with Brian Kroeger, 24-11 .686. Teammates also there are Paul Verhulst (23-11 .676), Kyle Kroeger (26-13 .667) and Ed Carion (22-14 .611). Way to go gang.

The race for Top Player changed six times as each leader was limited to two or three weeks at the helm. It culminated the final week as Matt DeBarr went 0-2 and John Snyder was 3-1. But Nick Evans came in 3-0 to edge out Tattoo John, 36-14 .720 to 29-12 .707. Nice race, guys!

Playoff action saw John Snyder, John Bissell and Lovey Lisa Crosby kick in three wins each as Teachers #2 pulled off an 11-8 win over ABC Billiards. Some are saying that was an upset by pointing to the three wins put up Lisa Crosby. All she did was win matches against Mikey Evans, Nick Evans and J.R. Simmons. Was it an 'up-set', or was it a 'SET-UP'? You be the judge.

Side Pockets #4 got three games on the wire then outshot Teachers #3, 8-4 for a final 11-4. Wow, the bookies would have lost beau-coup bucks on these two matches.

Lisa continued her onslaught the second playoff week with two more wins. The second put Teachers #2 on the hill setting up Tattoo John for the 12-8 closure. Based on Lisa's five wins (two '5's, one '6' and two '7's), I think she deserves the playoff's MVP award. Nice going, girl! Lisa didn't make the All-Star sheet, obviously saving it for the playoffs, but those who did are John Snyder (29-12 .707), Jim Crosby (25-19 .568), Jeff Ayers (16-13 .552) and Tim Mislark (22-18 .550). Way to go gang.

Div. #13 16 Weeks Thursday

The St. Charles Redbirds rode roughshod over the field. The tipoff comes when you notice they were the only team over .500 at 12-4. All others were under .500. I will go out on a limb here and say it was a wire to wire cake walk. I just checked, it was, coast to coast to the winner's circle. A couple Redbirds raced to the wire for Top Player status, Jason Roman edged out teammate Darien Wills, 37-18 .673 to 36-18 .667, only one win difference. That is close. Other Birds are John Speraneo (21-10 .677) and Mike King (26-22 .542). As you can see John Speraneo led the team but was one game short for the title. Say congrats to Nikki Pagoria for leading the female contingency. This Rich's Place lady came in 8th on the All-Star sheet, 17-15 .531. Nice going Nikki.

First playoff match was an 11-7 victory for Side Pockets over Duchesne B&G. Ross Hammond and Chris Hagen dropped three '8' balls each. The second week Rich's Place outlasted Side Pockets 11-9 behind the 4-wins put up by Ron Griffin. All-Star makers for Rich's Place are Ron Griffin (26-22 .542) and Nikki Pagoria (17-15 .531). Way to hang in guys!

Div. #14 16 Weeks Thursday

Salvatore's #2 took the lead the 7th week and outlasted five other teams that finished in double digits. S-2 was 14-2, still 3-games over the next three teams. With five members landing on the All-Star sheet and three of them in the top four spots, no surprise here. The leader is Chuck Humburg. Chuck also takes the Top Player title 26-4 .867 over runner-up S-1's Kyle Wagner, 35-11 .761. Chuck's teammates are Jeff Maxville (31-10 .756), Kent Keiser (27-9 .750), Dan Frawley (22-17 .564) and Ernie Braidlow (18-16 .529). A double whammy put on by Salvatore's #2. Great season, Guys!

Of the 33 making the All-Star hot list only Side Pockets' Vanna Leavy made it from the women's side. Vanna ended 22-20 .524. Congrats, girl!

There was plenty of action the first playoff week. Tom Seeker and his four wins led KT's #2 over Rich's Place, 11-10. Two players went 4-0 the second match. Newcomer Ches Heitimeyer won half of

Redbirds' eight games, but that wasn't enough. Jason Uttley's 4-0 was enough which aided Salvatore's #1 crew to an 11-8 win.

Kyle Wagner's 4-wins led Sal-1 to an 11-6 win over KT's #2. Kyle's 6-1 and Jason Uttley's 7-1 share MVP honors for Sal-1. Getting Salvatore's #1 there are Kyle Wagner (35-11 .761), followed by Jason Uttley (31-11 .738) and Sean Kelly (24-16 .600). Way to hang in guys!

Div. #15 16 Weeks Thursday 7 Team In-house Division @ ABC Billiards

Skip the first four weeks and ABC #6 came away far ahead of the field. ABC-6 was 3-games over #'s 7 & 2. The four leading 6'ers are Pat Murphy (31-5 .861), Brad Broke (24-11 .686) with Alex Reeder (16-12 .571) and Eric Hall (16-16 .500). Nice session, guys!

Little Ricky Evans picked up one of Matt DeBarr's 'hiding in the shadows' tricks. Ricky appeared on the All-Star sheet the 13th week, disappeared the 14th and 15th weeks, then like Blackstone the Magician, re-appeared from the shadows the final match just in time to capture the Top Player award. The old Geronimo sneak attack pays off again.

No one could have been more surprised than Pat Murphy. Pat, by all intents and purposes had it wrapped up, or so it seemed. Pat led the parade for seven weeks until boom, heeeerrrrreeesssss RICKY! The final three matches Pat was 2-2 while Ricky went 6-0. Ricky came in 26-4 .867, only .006 over Pat's 31-5 .861. More surprises coming around the corner. See 'Odds & Ends' at the bottom of report.

First playoff week newcomer girl Rachel Wayer was backed up by Ricky as they led ABC #7 with three wins each to the 11-8 victory over ABC #3. Across the room Jeff Davenport dropped three '8' balls in leading ABC #2 to an 11-6 win over ABC #4. For in-house playoff bragging rights #7 pulled the plug sending #2 down the drain to the tune of 11-8.

Getting there were three members making the hot sheet led by Tricky Ricky Evans, 26-4 .867, and teammates Ted Eads (24-10 .706) plus Ricky's 13-year-old nephew and newcomer to M0-8 Vince Evans (26-14 .650). More and more it's hard to stop those Evans' kids. Nice shooting guys!

Div. #16 Champs Kenny's B&G, Barnhart Captain: Mike O'Farrell

Top Player: Mike Devers Kenny's B&G (No record available)

Div. #16 Playoff Winner Route 30, Jefferson County Captain: Larry Sauer

Div. #17 Champs JP's Corner, Eureka Captain: Mike O'Rourke

Top Player: (No record available)

Div. #17 Playoff Winner JP's Corner, Eureka Captain: Fred Roulx, Jr.

	Top Player	Team	W	L	Pct.	Runner-Up	Team	W	L	Pct.
Div. # 3	Billy Wimberly	Classics	34	5	.872	Bob Ackley	Lehmann's	36	9	.800
						Danny Llamas	Acapulco	28	7	.800
Div. #15	Ricky Evans	ABC Billiards #7	26	4	.867	Pat Murphy	ABC #6	31	5	.861
Div. #14	Chuck Humburg	Salvatore's #2	26	4	.867	Kyle Wagner	Salvatore's #1	35	11	.761
Div. # 5	Tony M. Blackwood	HS Arnold #2	34	6	.850	Jody Zeni	Hotshots SC	28	8	.778
Div. #10	Joe Mele	Classics	33	6	.846	Leon Young	Fucifinos #1	36	9	.800
Div. # 8	Tom Davidson	HS Fenton	34	7	.829 *	Ben Pona	HS Fenton	24	5	.828
Div. # 9	Lonnie Hanneke	Cotters #1	35	8	.814 *	Randy Heisner	Cotters #1	30	13	.698
						John Jimenez	Cotters #2	30	13	.698
Div. # 2	Matt DeBarr	Schmitt's	26	6	.813	Don Johnson	Fucifinos	41	10	.804
Div. # 1	Mike Renick	Hotshots SC #1	30	7	.811	Jay Pettlon	Fandangos #2	36	9	.800
Div. # 6	Semir Ekic	Filling Station	33	8	.805	Ed Libby	Libby's	23	7	.767
Div. #11	KC Juengst	Redbirds	24	6	.800	Doug Gibbons	Final D	34	12	.739
Div. # 7	Kent Keiser	Side Pockets #2	31	9	.775	Jeremy Zink	ABC Billiards	28	9	.757
Div. # 4	Tyler Jones	Lehmann's #1	34	11	.756	Pete Mocca Sr.	Classics	23	10	.697
Div. #12	Nick Evans	ABC Billiards	36	14	.720	John Snyder	Teachers	29	12	.707
Div. #13	Jason Roman	Redbirds	37	18	.673 *	Darien Wills	Redbirds	36	18	.667

Straight Shooting Ladies

Division	Player	Team	W	L	Pct.
Div. #103	Donna Pope	G.E.D. #2	26	16	.619
Div. #106	LaJuania Henry	Redbirds #1	28	19	.596
Div. # 11	Tammie Corey	Ballard's	22	15	.595
Div. # 7	Lisa Crosby	Teacher's #2	20	15	.571
Div. # 7	Anne Carion	Teacher's #1	15	12	.556
Div. #108	Julia Gabriel	Side Pockets #1	30	26	.536
Div. # 13	Nikki Pagoria	Rich's Place	17	15	.531
Div. # 8	Marilyn Green	Stratford Inn	22	20	.524
Div. # 14	Vanna Leavy	Side Pockets	22	20	.524
Div. #109	Jackie Rehklau	Teachers #2	15	14	.517
Div. #109	Anne Carion	Teachers #2	13	13	.500

Congratulations go out to Donna Pope for another great session. This gal is one of M0-8 Ball's top female players and always in the thick of things when it comes to her teams making the playoffs.

Newcomers to the Top Female list are Tammie Corey and Vanna Leavy. Nice to see more ladies in competition.

Keep up the great shooting Donna. We know you will continue to bring your team to the big shootout. Congrats again.

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Div. #101 16 Weeks Monday

JP's Gravois #1 went coast to coast bringing in a perfect 16-0 season. They finished five games ahead of second place and their games W-L Pct. was .605. It was like each week the other teams lined up to be guillotined. Oh, there were a few close matches along the way but not enough to really bother them.

Four members hit the All-Star sheet beginning with Mike Lashley, 26-6 .813. Teammates are Denis Dunbar (28-7 .800), Dennis Bullock (31-12 .721) and Ken Mann (20-10 .667).

Going into the last week Mike Lashley led the parade for Top Player, 26-6 .813. Unfortunately for Mike his team had a bye the final week and he did not have a chance to increase his lead. Pat Blackwell's team, however, played and Pat won the two games needed to overtake Mike and ended 27-6 .818. That one extra win was all Pat needed. As they say in books, 'it's not a good idea to have a bye the final week when the Top Player title is on the line'. One of the longest lines in that book!

First playoff week Coty Harlan put SC Hotshots #1 on the hill with his third win in the 9-5 victory over HS Arnold. Pat Blackwell wrapped it up. Across the room the gang from JP's Gravois shot it out with HSSC #2. John Legens led JP's attack going 4-0 in the 9-7 win. The second playoff match, well, the word 'brutal' comes to mind. After the gang from Gravois got four games on the wire, and the match began, it was the hot-shots from Hotshots doing all the hot-shooting.

It wasn't this one-sided since Santa Anna overran the Alamo. The four game-spot was made up the first round. It was doubled the second and only one game was needed the third round for a 9-0 whitewash. It goes into the record books as 9-4, but, as they say in books, 'whether you lose by one game or a hundred, it doesn't matter, a loss is a loss'. Hey, that's another long line in that book.

Getting Hotshots SC #1 through the hot season were five on the hot-shots hot-sheet led by Top Player Pat Blackwell, 27-6 .818. Hot teammates are Bill Harwell (25-7 .781), Jim Wanner (28-8 .778), Coty Harlan (26-9 .743) and Chris Collins (21-10 .677). Great 'HOT' session, Guys!

Div. #102 16 Weeks Monday

If you had Friendly's Club getting first past the post after opening up at 6-0 – YOU LOSE! Whoever said 'timing is everything' might have been thinking last week of pool seasons. This is another situation where both team's fates was riding on 'who was hot and who was not' the final week. Friendly's Club and AMVETS #1 met the final week tied 11-4. After the 16th '8' ball was dropped on this 16th week AMVETS #1 showed a 9-7 win. It was something they had to do as was the previous meeting on week 11 when AMVETS #1 also took a 9-7 victory to close the gap to within two games. Ironically on their first meeting it was a 9-7 win going to Friendly's. But from that point on Friendly's Club went 5-5 to AMVETS #1's 9-1 for the one game that decided the divisional title.

Getting AMVETS #1 over the hump were Rob Worley, 29-17 .630, newcomer Geno Duranseau (27-17 .614), Dan Johnson (27-21 .563) and Richard Sutton (24-20 .545). Nice comeback, guys!

Even though they missed the team title much can be said for the race for Top Player. Kevin Hampton did lead all the way from the opening bell and right behind most of the way was teammate Allen Barnhart. Kevin's 46 wins led the division and his 46-13 .780 beat out Allen's 38-17 .691. Allen's 38 wins were second highest. Nice shooting, guys!

First playoff week Elmo's decided not to go against Friendly's Club and forfeited their match. Over at the American Legend Hall they hosted Stan's Bar. The Legionnaire's found their selves in a bad 4-7 situation with time running out. Faced with elimination AM muscled up and took the last five games for a nice come-from-behind 9-7 win. Their luck continued the second week when Friendly's visited for the showdown. The two games on the string paid off as the match went all the way for a 9-8 AM win. Getting American Legion 111 there were Ron Nisbet Sr. (20-12 .625), George Janssen (25-17 .595) and Vic Weidhaas (24-17 .585). Way to hang in guys!

Div. #103 16 Weeks Monday

Only two of the nine teams led throughout the 16 weeks, Wedge #2 for five and GED #2 the other 11. Final results show GED #2 13-3 to Wedge #2's 12-4. Ironically GED #1 and Wedge #1 tied for third at 11-5. Helping Git'er Done #1 past the post was runner-up for Top Player Alex Brown. Alex led the team, 37-13 .740. Teammates are Dave Hunter (27-13 .675) and Donna Pope (26-16 .619). Donna also was the leading female for this division.

Top Player was Pardella Club #1's Todd Lamwersiek. Todd took over the 11th week to stay coming in 32-8 .800. Congrats Donna, Todd and gang!

From the playoff side Wedge #2 outlasted Pardella Club #1, 9-7, when Ryan Schaefer dropped the winning '8' ball. Over at GED their #1 team needed the two games on the wire they got from Wedge #1. Joe Oberkirsch pulled out the double hill match with his third win. The second week's match went a little smoother as GED #1's Andrew Feeler (4-0) was backed up by Joe Oberkirsch (3-0) for a 9-4 victory. Getting Git'er Done #1 over the hump was Matt Feeler (33-15 .688), Andrew Feeler (also 33-15 .688) and Joe Oberkirsch (21-12 .636). Nice season, guys!

Div. #104 16 Weeks Monday 4-Team In-house @ Hotshots Manchester

As Joe 'Cozy' Lombardozzi often says, "sometimes you get the bull, and sometimes the bull gets you". In this case time ran out and the bull got Misfits. The race didn't really heat up until the 5th week. Cameltoes opened with a 5-week winning streak. Misfits lost their first four matches before winning their first. From there to the end Cameltoes went 5-6 while Misfits was banging out a 10-2 run. The 10-6 tie had to be broken by games W-L Pct. Here is where the bull went against Misfits. Cameltoes 127-116 .523 barely edged out Misfits' 120-112 .517. Misfits made one of the best comebacks only to be one week short. As far as Cameltoes is concerned, the session ended right on time. Great race, guys!

The Top Player title goes to Dan Luebbert. Dan showed up the 10th week than disappeared for five weeks. When he did reappear it was the final week just in time to take over first place. Dan made it a double header as he is from Cameltoes. His 26-6 .813 overtook Wolf Pack's Drew Nolen, 38-15 .717. Other Cameltoes on the hot sheet are Matt Dwyer (27-11 .711) and Jim Withington (19-17 .528).

The one playoff match wasn't much competition as Not Rated had only three players against Wolf Pack. The three games on the string didn't help as Not Rated managed only one win in the 10-4 (8-4) loss. As great a comeback Misfits put up to end the session they just ran out of steam for this match. The Wolf Pack gave up one game to Misfits then ran off with a 9-5 win. Drew Nolen and Mark Miller kicked in three wins each for the Wolves. Drew Nolen was the only Wolf to make the final hot sheet with his runner-up top player stats, 38-15 .717. Not bad for a team that finished last, 5-11. Congrats, guys!

Div. #105 16 Weeks Thursday

There are a couple stories here beginning with Stan's Bar #2. They had it wrapped up the penultimate week but in sixth place was Hotshots SC who had to pull a rabbit outta their hats. HSSC was in 6th place, needing a last week win and got it to overcome Libby's #2. So getting out info for the

playoffs goes this way. As mentioned, Hotshots SC moved into 5th place the last week in time for the playoffs. They met and got three games on the wire from One Eyed Willie's and rode it out for a 9-5 upset. Phil Henderson led the attack with three wins. Elmo's also gave up three games to GED. It made no difference as the 10-6 score shows. Roger Monroe and Tim Powers punched out three wins each.

The second week is another story unto itself. Never in the history of M0-8 has a team qualified with a 3-3 score. Of course you know what happened. Elmo's, unfortunately, played two members short. Their chances of winning with two players (and having to forfeit two games per round) were about as good as Obama's ratings going up; nevertheless, a slight chance. After all Hotshots SC won (only) three games on their own. It goes into the record books as a 3-3 (9-3) win for HSSC.

The race for Top Player is another chapter. On his way to the title Stan's Bar #2's Ray Terry led 11-0 after five weeks, 20-6 after 10, and ended 35-9 .795. Ray was never a shoe-in as he and Elmo's Frank Gross both were hanging tight. Frank went 2-0 the last week but Ray went 4-0 to overtake him. Frank ended 29-8 .784, only .011 short to Ray's 35-9 .795. Great race, guys!

Getting Stan's Bar #2 there was led by Ray Terry's 35-9 .795, followed by newcomer Kyle Terry (20-10 .667) and Jeff Breitenfeld (also 20-10 .667). Getting HSSC through the playoff hard times were Phil Henderson (37-14 .725) and Larry Reifsteck (25-20 .545). Nice going, guys!

Div. #106 16 Weeks Tuesday Morning Six Team In-house @ Redbirds Hazelwood

It would take two pages to cover all the stories from this 106 division's session. I'm reminded of two statements of the obvious, one: 'Start at the beginning' and two: 'Just the facts, ma'am, just the facts'. Sergeant Joe Friday made the second one a household cliché.

So we'll go with just the facts, ma'am. Redbirds #4 jumped off by winning their first six matches and looked like a waltz-to-the-wire winner. But then, like Alice falling thru the Looking Glass, went 2-8 the rest of the way finishing up in 4th place. Meanwhile other teams were climbing their way up as RB-3 took over, then RB-1 had the lead. But the story is RB #2. They were 2-3 after five weeks, lost two players when they were fortunate enough to gain employment and they had to be replaced. Like the movie, the replacements stepped up sending Redbirds #2 on a 10-1 streak toward the winner's circle, a slight one-game edge over RB-3, 12-4 to 11-5. It was a great come-from-behind season for Redbirds #2. And winning the last week was as important because RB-3's game's W-L Pct. was higher .572 to .542.

Getting Redbirds #2 to the winner's circle was Top Player Jay Carlton, 38-13 .745, followed by teammates Mike Warfel (28-22 .560) and Terry Zlepper (23-21 .523). Howard Lentz replaced Jacob (5-6) Austin and came in 11-8 .579 and Mandi (2-1) Tebeau subbed for Rick (14-13) Peters.

Another part of the story is for those same five weeks RB-2's Jay Carlton was a so-so 7-7 .500 mired in 11th place on the All-Star sheet. A slow weekly climb brought him closer overcoming heavy hitters Keith Grob, Jim Crosby, Bob Pendergrass and Victor Day who held the top spot for six weeks. Not only did the final week determine the team winner but the outcome for Top Player. Jay's 38-13 .745 edged out Victor Day's 40-18 .690. Two very tough and tight races! Nice shooting, guys!

Say hey to LaJuania Henry for taking out the top female spot. This Redbirds #1 gal came in 8th on the hot sheet with a neat 28-19 .596.

First playoff week was no different than regular weekly matches. Lisa's #3 gang edged out John's #6 team, 9-8. Across the room Kenny's #4 beat out Lou's #3, 9-7. The second week bad luck once again fell on RB-4. Kenny's team was up 8-5 after the first game was played the fourth round. Lisa's guys came back with the last three of the fourth to tie the match 8-8. Jim Crosby and Victor Day got the number one pill and when it looked like Jim was getting out, he scratched the cue ball giving Victor ball-in-hand. Victor ran five then the cue ball found its way into the side pocket allowing Crosby another chance for the double-hill win. Keith Grob led Redbirds #3 attack, 33-17. 660, followed by Jess Napoli (35-20 .636), Jim Crosby (35-21 .625), and Lisa Crosby (28-29 .491).

It was kinda weird session in many ways. And this is just the short version.

Div. #107 16 Weeks Tuesday

If you take off the two weeks Lehmann's #1 was tied for first place they led the parade crossing the finish line two games over Hotshots NC #2, 13-3 to 11-5. Getting Lehmann's #1 there are four members hitting the All-Star sheet led by Bullet Bob Pendergrass, 33-21 .611. Teammates are Gentleman Jim Harrison (26-17 .605), Mighty Moe Teimoortagh (19-15 .559) and Wild Bill Sago (23-19 .548). And none were lower than 9th place; a perfect example of what's called a 'team' effort. Great season, guys!

The race for Top Player was closer. Only three players led, Rich Sager twice, Ken Pruett four times and Tony Gregory ten times. The spotlight goes on HSNC #2's Ken Pruett. Ken edged out Streiler's Tony Gregory the 15th week and held on by a slight .008 difference. Totals are Ken's 34-12 .739 to Tony's 38-14 .731. Nice race, guys!

First playoff week Hotshots NC #2 gave Classics #1 three games head start then allowed them only one win as HSNC #2 waltzed to a 9-1 (9-4) victory as Tommy Webb led with three wins. Over on Page Avenue Schmitt's gave two games on the wire to Classics #2, then overran them 9-5 (9-7) with Rich Sager and Kevin Torralba kicking in three wins each.

Hotshots NC #2 played host to Schmitt's on the Rock Road where the big guns showed their stuff. After the smoke cleared it was obvious that, as the 9-6 score shows, Hotshots really did know Schmitt. Hotshots NC #2 was led by Ken Pruett (34-12 .739) followed by Tommy Webb (29-17 .630) and Dave Downing (25-18 .581). Way to come back, guys!

Div. #108 16 Weeks Tuesday Considered 2nd Toughest Division

Side Pockets #2 never occupied first place alone anytime this session. They were tied with other teams several times but even at the finish line they had to go to the games W-L percentage to break the tie with two other 10-6 teams. Of course had SP #1 not lost their last match to SP #3 then SP #2 couldn't take the two-week vacation. Everything clear as mud? SP #2 edged out the others .533 to .527 & .520. Tattoo John Snyder led SP #2's attack, 36-18 .667 followed by teammates Gene Rader (23-14 .622) and Rick King (21-17 .553). Way to hang in gang.

Here's that gal again. Julia Gabriel led the ladies from this second toughest of all M0-8 divisions, 30-26 .536. Nice going, Julia!

Another part to the playoff story is Moudy's. This team held up the division all the way to the final week when they bumped HS Wentzville to the cellar. Only one Moudy's player, Mike Emerson, made the hot sheet but fell off the 10th week never to be seen again. I cannot remember a team riding last place the entire session only to pull out a playoff spot the final week. Kinda like the Cardinals down to their last strike (twice) in the last inning of the 2011 World Series. Gotta give BIG ups to Moudy's (and the Cards) for hanging in!

Moudy's luck continued the first playoff week. They got one game on the string and held on for a 9-8 win over a very tough Side Pockets #1 team. Across the room Side Pockets #3 knocked off Teachers to the tune of 9-5. For the big match Moudy's got a game head start but it wasn't nearly enough as Side Pockets #3 brought home a 9-5 winner. Leading the way for SP-3 were Ed Carion (20-12 .625), Dan Klemme (26-17 .605) and Brian Kroeger (22-18 .550). Nice session guys.

Div. #109 16 Weeks Tuesday

Side Pockets #3 fine-tuned the radar, pointed it toward the finish line then proceeded to lead coast to coast. A couple heavy hitters the likes of Dennis Gallagher (34-8 .810) and Rich (Teacher) Schenck (21-5 .808) can't hurt adding to their cause. Dennis took over the Top Player spot the 6th week and held on for another title. Because Rich did not have enough games, Side Pockets #1's Steve Lewis gets the runner-up spot, 28-11 .718. Nice going, guys!

First playoff week the entire Teachers #2 team ganged up on Steve Lewis from Side Pockets #1. Steve did his best to bring home a win with a 4-0 match, but it just wasn't enough. Teachers #2 took the match 9-7 behind the 3 wins put up by Dennis Gallagher and another 3 by Teacher, Rich Schenck. Meanwhile Side Pockets #2 invaded Allstars' domain and behind the 4-0 shooting of Mike Moore took a

9-5 decision that increased their good fortune. The second week fortune was unkind to SP-2 as Teachers did the teaching behind the 3-wins of Rich Schenk and four wins by Dennis Gallagher bringing home the 9-7 winner. Gallagher was 7-0 and Schenk went 6-0 for the playoff matches. Oddly enough Dennis was the only member to make the All-Star sheet with his Top Player totals of 34-8 .810. Nice going guys.

Div. #110 16 Weeks Thursday

Some may call them nuts, if so then this team of Nuts showed when they put their game on the line they are anything but. Pulling off a double win made their critics stand up and take notice this was not just any ol' team of nut-cakes. The team jumped the line week ten and rode it out for a 10-6 first place finish that was led by Top Player Ron King, 37-11 .771. Ron's teammates helping out are Frank Smith (24-12 .667) and Biff Barieter (30-19 .612). Nice going, guys!

As mentioned Ron King (37-11 .771) was Top Player but it wasn't a cake-walk. Runner-up Randy Pohlmann led the parade for six weeks and hanging close when time ran out, 30-14 .682.

First playoff week Dorsett Inn got a 2-game head start and needed both as they pulled out a tough 9-8 win thanks to Jeanine (JD) Dunn who won the double hill game. Can't sell this gal short! Over at Lehmann's Landing their #3 gang edged out another 9-8 squeaker over Dorsett's Hotshots #1. For the big show match Dorsett Inn continued to pull out the close ones. It was 9-7 over Lehmann's #3. Bob Shamel (28-22 .560) led Dorsett's attack followed by Ralph Kuehn (27-22 .551). Nice going, guys!

Div. #111 16 Weeks Thursday

If you had Classics #2 first past the post after opening up an 8-0 lead, – YOU WIN; and so did they. However, and there's always a 'however' - they were caught and tied the final week by Classics #4. But that's about as far as they got. Because the games W-L Pct. still was in Classics-2's favor 140-97 .591 to Classics-4's, 124-110 .530.

Five C-2 members hit the hot sheet led by Tim Kopecky, 27-13. 675. He was followed by Tony Zerillo (28-16 .636), Pat Cody (29-18 .617), Winston Mayes (28-18 .609) and Rudy Riva (27-19 .587).

The road to Top Player took many turns. It was Joe Branstetter, Tim Kopecky, Bobby Goss and back again. The final week Tim went 0-2 dropping from first to 3rd, Joe went 3-0 moving into 2nd as Bobby also was 3-0 and moved into the top spot for the title. Bobby's totals are 25-9 .735, to runner-up Joe Branstetter's 35-14 .714. Great race, guys!

Ron King took his Classics #6 guys to Streiler's, got two on the string then shot their way to a 9-8 double hill victory. Over at Classics Ron Deloney's #4 posse hid in the shadows and waylaid Kenny's Korner to the tune of 9-1 (9-3). Kenny's received a 2-game head start but that one win was nowhere near the heavy guns Classics fired at them. Rick Nadal and Deloney's newest undercover agent, Tom McCasland, ran off three wins each.

As they say in books, 'this is why the games are played'. Classics #6 clearly was out of their league but as someone once said 'stuff' happens; especially when you are given a 5-game start. Classics #4's Rick Nadal did what he could going 4-0, but it just wasn't enough. C-6 got the six games needed to capture the second spot with a double hill 11-10 win. Incredible as it may seem only one C-6 player made the All-Star sheet the entire session. Dave Gase was 15th at 26-18 .591. Nice going, Dave!

Div. #112 16 Weeks Thursday

If you had Marley's leading coast to coast although there was a mixup the 8th week – YOU WIN. There are those in control and then there are those in 'total' control. When one team ends the campaign five full games ahead of second place, I'd say that Marley's 14-2 over Chances-R's Pub's 9-7 was in 'total' control. Of the 12 players making the All-Star honor roll five are Marley's members. Chance Chadwell led the team 27-9 .750, followed by Cory Sotolar (23-10 .697), Jeff Niebling (30-15 .667), Jason Bequette (23-17 .575) and Bryan Oligschlaegen (20-17 .541).

The race for the Top Player title was more competitive than the team race was. Brandon Grbcich led from week six to week 14. The final two weeks Brandon went 8-7 while Chance Chadwell shot at 6-1 and Mike McGhay was 8-2. Mike and Chance tied for first place at .750. The tie was first broken because Mike played more games than Chance then reversed based on their last meeting.

This is usually the determining factor when a tie occurs. Clubhouse #1's Mike McGray was 33-11 .750 and from Marley's Chance Chadwell came in 27-9 .750. Brandon finished 3rd, 34-14 .708. Nice race and nice shooting all the way to the end, guys!

Clubhouse #2 outshot Clubhouse #1 the first playoff week while Chances-R edged out VFW, 9-7. Danny Robinson went 4-0 for the winners and Ron Gottschalk was 4-0 for VFW. The second week Chances-R showed how badly they wanted to get to the big dance. Their 9-4 decision over Clubhouse #2 was good enough to get them their first appearance. Sending Chances-R to the next level was Danny Robinson (28-14 .667), Mike Carico (28-22 .560) and Dan Zensen (24-22 .522). Nice going, guys!

Div. #113 Champs JP's Corner, Eureka Captain: Fred Roulx, Jr.
 Div. #113 Playoff Winner JP's Corner, Eureka Captain: John Pedrolie
 Top Player: Bob Johnson JP's Corner, Eureka (No record available)

Div. #114 Champs Hillsboro Billiards, Hillsboro Captain: Larry Sauer
 Top Player: (No record available)
 Div. #114 Playoff Winner Hillsboro Billiards, Hillsboro Captain: Jamie Kohn

	Top Player	Team	W	L	Pct.	Runner-Up	Team	W	L	Pct.
Div. #101	Pat Blackwell	Hotshots SC #1	27	6	.818	Mike Lashley	JP's Gravois	26	6	.813
Div. #104	Dan Luebbert	Cameltoes	26	6	.813	Drew Nolen	Wolf Pack	38	15	.717
Div. #109	Dennis Gallagher	Teachers #2	34	8	.810	Steve Lewis	Side Pockets #1	28	11	.718
Div. #103	Todd Lamwersiek	Pardella #1	32	8	.800	Alex Brown	G.E.D. #2	37	13	.740
Div. #105	Ray Terry	Stan's Bar #2	35	9	.795	Frank Gross	Elmo's	29	8	.784
Div. #102	Kevin Hampton	Friendly's	46	13	.780	* Allen Barnhart	Friendly's	38	17	.691
Div. #110	Ron King	Nuts	37	11	.771	Randy Pohlmann	HS Dorsett #2	30	14	.682
Div. #112	Chance Chadwell	Marley's	27	9	.750	T Mike McGray	Clubhouse #1	33	11	.750
Div. #106	Jay Carlton	Redbirds #2	35	13	.745	Victor Day	Redbirds #4	40	18	.690
Div. #107	Ken Pruett	Hotshots NC #2	34	12	.739	Tony Gregory	Streiler's	38	14	.731
Div. #111	Bobby Goss	Classics #4	25	9	.735	Joe Branstetter	Streiler's	35	14	.714
Div. #108	Eric Rackley	Side Pockets #1	31	15	.674	John Snyder	Side Pockets #2	36	18	.667

* Teammates **T** Tied for Div.112

All-Star Singles Results – Paid out \$3,550 +\$390 Top Player Side Pot = \$3,940

Winner:	Jason Roman	'6'	\$1,000 + Trophy + \$200 from Top Player Side Pot = \$1,200
Second:	Ken Pratt	'5'	700 + Trophy
Third:	Ron Deloney	'5'	500 + Trophy
Fourth:	Tyler Jones	'6'	350 + \$120 for second place Top Player Side Pot = \$470
5/6:	Mike Renick	'6'	240 + \$70 for third place Top Player Side Pot = \$310
5/6:	John McWilliams	'4'	240
7/8:	Joe Mele	'6'	140
7/8:	K.C. Juengst	'5'	140
9/12:	Rich Sager	'8'	60
9/12:	Pat Murphy	'5'	60
9/12:	Colby Hinch	'5'	60
9/12:	Tom Seeker	'4'	60

The 85th Missouri 8 Ball All-Star shootout was down in numbers this session but was successful in other ways. 89 members were on the board to begin play Saturday. At the end of the day 24 qualified for Sunday's bang. Top Players and qualifiers totaling 51, put their sticks together for Sunday's opening bell. Listed here are the final results.

Saturday June 21, 2014 was the qualifying rounds to see who would be Sunday's finalists. When Sunday's matches began there were eight '7 & 8' level players followed by 17 '6' level, 16 '5' level and ten '4' level players for a total of 51. From the top quarter of the board Nick Evans knocked over to the left side Lonnie Hanneke and Matt DeBarr before being sent over by Rich Sager, who just bumped over

Pat Blackwell. Sager went next after his match with Jason Roman who dispensed such heavy hitters as Dennis Gallagher, Mike Devers and Ed Chier.

From the second quarter Tyler Jones did some heavy shooting against more heavy hitters the likes of Pat Murphy, KC Juenjst, Bryan Davis and the ever tough Mike Renick. Renick knocked over top players Byron Devrouax, Joe Mele and Semir Ekic before being sent over.

The third quarter saw Ron Deloney land in the top four with runs over Ron Claggett, Todd Lamwersiek, Mario Parro and Ken Pratt. The fourth quarter final four player was John McWilliams. John outlasted Allen Bragga, Chris Westerhold and Tom Seeker.

Jason Roman won over Tyler Jones and Ron Deloney defeated John McWilliams for the final two spots. They had to play the waiting game for the one-loss side to catch up. Joe Mele bumped Rich Sager then was outted by Mike Renick who took it on the chin from Tyler Jones.

Ken Pratt was coming back with wins over Colby Hinch, KC Juenjst and John McWilliams. Ken sent Tyler Jones home with fourth place money then met Ron Deloney who had just lost to Jason Roman. The rematch with Deloney went Pratt's way and Ron gained third place.

At this point Jason had lost only two games all day. And it didn't stop there. Ken put up a good match but Jason took the Championship match 2-0 for six consecutive wins and his first All-Star Title.

We want to congratulate Jason Roman for his first win and all members for participating in the 85th All-Star Singles Tournament and hope to see you next time.

5-Player Board Final Results - \$16,512.00 Payout (34 teams)

Winner: Teachers, St. Charles, Mo. Div. #12 Champs \$6,000 + Trophy Capt: Brian Kroeger
Members: Kyle Kroeger, Paul Verhulst, Al Hale, Keith Grob, Matt White, Ed Carion & Dan Klemme

Second: Hotshots, South County Div. #1 Champs \$3,400 + Trophy Capt: Chris Collins
Members: Coty Harlan, Jim Wanner, Bill Harwell, Denis Dunbar, Tony Treffinger & Jerry Casey

3/4: Hotshots, Arnold Div. #1 Playoff \$1,756 Capt: Mike Devers Members: Matt Auclair
Ricardo Bellido, Scott Scholtz, Mark Wieland, Joe Evola & Mohammad Jalali

3/4: A.B.C. Billiards, St. Peters Div. #15 Champs \$1,756 Capt: Pat Murphy Members:
Ashley Sullivan, Alex Reeder, Alex Keaton, Eric Hall, Barbara Hall, Steve Bagnard & Brad Bocke

5/8: Salvatore's, St. Charles Div. #14 Playoff \$900 Captain: Kyle Wagner
Members: Sean Kelly, Ryan Wagner, Matt Apollo, Tom Yaeger, Jason Uttley & Randy Tourville

5/8: Side Pockets, St. Charles Div. #7 Playoff \$900 Capt: Kent Keiser Members: Ed Chier
Chuck Humburg, Ryan Saffer, Nick Volansky, Tom Zivic, Dan Frawley & John Schneider

5/8: JP's Corner, Eureka Div. #17 Playoff \$900 Captain: Fred Roulx, Jr. Members:
Bob Brannon, Derek Gordon, Joe Brown, Jim Higgibothum, Jennifer Higgibothum & Steve Wolf

5/8: A.B.C. Billiards, St. Peters Div. #15 Playoff \$900 Captain: Rob Evans
Members: Ricky Evans, Vince Evans, Rachel Wayer, Rob Ross, Doyle Brown & Ted Eads

The Road to the Championship

Friday June 27, 2014 opened first rounds of the 5-player team tournament at Side Pockets Sports Café, St. Charles, Mo. From the top of the board Chris Collins and his South County Hotshots' gang gave up 5-games to JP's Corner. Down 11-9 going into the final frame Collins' Clobbers rallied with the three games needed to pull out a great come-from-behind 12-11 victory. Their second match wasn't any easier. Playing even with the Hazelwood Redbirds was another tough battle. Up 10-9 with one game to play Rolla Hoffman defeated Denis Dunbar to even the score for the 'birds for a double hill situation. Denis and Rolla drew the #1 pill for the final match and this time Denis won for the maxed out score, 11-10.

From the bottom of the tournament board Brian Kroeger and his Teachers crew opened up against another Teachers' gang. Son Kyle Kroeger led with four wins sending his Dad's team to the next round with an 11-7 victory. Speaking of the next round there was a flaw that entered into the picture. Teachers had to give five games on the wire to Classics making the match a race to 12. In the third frame Classics played one point over their limit and had to allow Teachers an extra win for the round. That extra win put Teachers in the lead 11-10. Classics tied it 11-11 the fourth round, but Brian Kroeger's third win of this match put Teachers over the hump 12-11.

There was 'good' news and 'bad' news to open Sunday morning play for Chris' South County crew. They were under the gun from the git-go. The bad news, having to give Salvatore's a 7-game head start. The good news, it would be a race to 13. Not a very auspicious way to begin a pleasant Sunday.

The hotshots from Hotshots took four wins the first round, and five the second overtaking Salvatore's, 9-8. Another four wins in round three closed the doors for a 13-9 (13-2) Hotshots victory.

Across the room Teachers was having their own problems. They too had to offer up five games to JP's Eureka. After being down 7-2 in the first frame, Teachers came back with nine wins of the last ten games for another great come-from-behind 11-8 (11-3) win.

The 3pm matches opened up with HSSC vs HS Arnold. On paper it looks like Chris's crew had an easy time knocking off Arnold. That absolutely is not the case. Although the score shows 11-5, it is misleading as both teams played 30-points and battled all the way.

Teachers' 3pm match with ABC Billiards was also tough but in another way. They had to give ABC 8-games on the string extending the race to 13. ABC took two wins the first frame for a big 10-3 lead. Teachers settled down taking all five the second round and four of the five games the third for another outstanding come-from-behind match, 13-11 (13-3). No one can say Brian Kroeger plays favorites. All eight members were in action and all eight won at least one game. Eight ties a record.

The 6pm Championship match began with both teams playing 30-points. Entering this match HSSC was 47-23 .671 and Teachers was 46-19 .718, which means the two best teams were where they belonged. It was another one of those 'on paper' matches. The 11-4 score shows Teachers winning by a lot but the match was much closer. Congrats to Teachers, HSSC and all for their fine performances.

4-Player Board Final Results - \$10,845.00 Payout (28 teams)

Winner: JP's Corner, Sunset Hills Div. #101 Champs \$4,545 Captain: Jim Musiol, Jr.
Members: Denis Dunbar, Dennis Bullock, Ken Mann, Mike Lashley & Charlie Bellers

Second: Side Pockets, St. Charles Div. #108 Champs \$2,300 Captain: Gene Rader
Members: John Snyder, Keith Kreder, Kyle Wagner, Jason Uttley & Rick Kin

3/4: JP's Corner, Eureka Div. #113 Playoff \$1,000 Captain: John Pedrolie
Members: Bob Johnson, Jeff Scott, Tylor Bower & Todd Kippenberger

3/4: Side Pockets, St. Charles Div. #108 Champs \$1,000 Capt: Tommy Lowery Members:
Walter Crane, Walter Crane Jr., Nick Lowery, Tom Lowery, Mark Voerg & Robbie Banden

5/8: Hotshots, South County Div. #101 Playoff \$500 Captain: Chris Collins
Members: Jim Wanner, Dave Collins, Bill Harwell, Coty Harlan & Pat Blackwell

5/8: Hillsboro Billiards, Hillsboro Div. #114 Playoff \$500 Captain: Jamie Kohn
Members: Jeremy Hurtgen, Tiffany Mell, John Kite & Mitch Rhodes

5/8: AMVETS, St. Louis Div. #102 Champs \$500 Captain: Kym Worley
Members: Rob Worley, Dan Hanks, Richard Sutton, Dan Johnson & Geno Duranseau

5/8: Nuts, Bridgeton Div. #110 Champs \$500 Captain: John Grisham
Members: Frank Smith, Biff Barieter, Justin Smith, Steve Roper, Zhoukan Li & Ron King

Results from the 4-Player Tournament

Action began 3pm Saturday June 28, 2014 and concluded Sunday evening the 29th. From the top of the board Gene Rader and his gang outta Side Pockets opened with a 9-5 win over Lehmann's Landing. From the lower half Jim Musiol and his JP's Corner from Gravois' guys shot the Hazelwood Redbirds outta the air to the tune of 9-1.

At 6pm Side Pockets gave 6-games on the wire to Classics extending the match to a race to 12. Saying Rader's Raiders went to work immediately would be an understatement, like saying Shane Van Boening is just another pool player. I think this is the match where Captain Gene Rader announced that the first person to lose had to buy of buckets. The members obvious took him serious as they won all four games the first round, all four the second round and the first three the third round. With the score 11-0 (11-6) Gene was at the table to make it a perfect match when, gee, guess what... he blew it, and he had to spring for the suds. Hey Gene, your team, your rules; pony up. Kyle won the next game to close it out.

JP's Gravois continued their fine performance by knocking out Classics, 9-5. Denis Dunbar won four of the nine games extending his Saturday record to 6-0.

Opening up Sunday's matches Side Pockets once again had to offer up 6-games on the string to their opponent, Hillsboro Billiards. When the match began Gene made the same 'first loser pays' announcement and then sat himself out the first round. Tattoo John Snyder drew the number four pill and went down to Hillsboro's Jamie Kohn. Since that was over and long-necks now were on the table, Gene put himself in for the second round. How smart is that! Again the match had to be extended to 12 and Side Pockets lost only four games for a 12-10 (12-4) final.

It was almost a carbon copy for Jim Musiol and his JP's Gravois match. They gave AMVETS five-games on the wire extending the race to 11. They won the first three games in round one, lost the fourth, then ran off the last eight for an 11-6 (11-1) victory.

There was excitement at the 3pm matches. Playing even, John Pedrolie and his JP's Eureka crew almost pulled off a great match over Rader's Raiders. Splitting the first three rounds for a 6-6 score, Eureka won the first two games in the fourth frame to get on the hill. Playing under pressure Side Pockets came back winning the third and fourth games for the tie. Keith Kreder pulled pill numeral uno for the final game and escaped 9-8 giving Eureka a tie for third place.

While that was going on JP's Gravois pulled off a 9-5 win over Tommy Lowery's Side Pockets team with Denis Dunbar, Dennis Bullock and Ken Mann winning three games each. That finished this Side Pockets gang in a tie for third place.

For the 6pm Championship match it was Gene Rader's Side Pockets and Jim Musiol's JP's Gravois. Two excellent teams playing even at 22-points. Coming into this match JP's was 38-12 .760 and Side Pockets, 42-16 .724. JP's jumped out of the gate by winning the first five games. Side Pockets rallied with four of the next six closing the gap 7-5. The gritty Gravois guys won two of the three in round four closing out the contest 9-6. It was a great matchup for the Championship and well played by both teams.

We would like to extend our congratulations to all the teams and players that earned their way here and for your outstanding sportsmanship.

4 Wins in a Single Match

Side Pockets: Ed Chier, Kent Keiser & Tommy Lowery

JP's Corner Eureka: Bob Johnson & John Pedrolie

Route 30: David Moore & James Oldham

Salvatore's: Kyle Wagner

Stan's Bar: Jay Pettlon

JP's Corner Gravois: Denis Dunbar

A.B.C. Billiards: Pat Murphy

Teachers: Kyle Kroeger

Wedge: Phil Jordan

Redbirds: Rolla Hoffman

Consecutive Wins

12	John Pedrolie	JP's Eureka
10	Joe Evola	Hotshots Arnold
7	Dennis Bullock	JP's Gravois
7	Kent Keiser	Side Pockets

Tournament Wins

Denis Dunbar	14 - 3	JP's Gravois	*
John Snyder	13 - 5	Side Pocket	
John Pedrolie	12 - 2	JP's Eureka	
Ken Mann	12 - 4	JP's Gravois	

7 Jason Uttley	Side Pockets	Kyle Kroeger	11 – 4	Teachers
6 Denis Dunbar	JP’s Gravois	Joe Evola	10 – 2	Hotshots Arnold
6 Robert Evans	ABC Billiards	Paul Verhulst	10 – 3	Teachers
6 Ken Mann	JP’s Gravois	Bob Johnson	10 – 4	JP’s Eureka
6 Ken Pruet	Redbirds	Jeff Scott	10 – 4	JP’s Eureka
6 Scott Scholtz	Hotshots Arnold	Denis Dunbar	10 – 5	Hotshots SC *
6 Jeff Scott	JP’s Eureka	Mike Lashley	10 – 7	JP’s Gravois
6 John Snyder	Side Pockets	* Denis Dunbar is highest for 2-team players 27–8 .750.		

How the Teams Finished - 5-Player

Champions – Teachers

W.	L.	Pct.	
57	– 23	.713	Actual Games Played
0	– 18	.000	Games gave on the wire
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57	– 41	.581	Combined totals

Runner-up – Hotshots South County

W.	L.	Pct.	
51	– 34	.600	Actual Games Played
0	– 12	.000	Games gave on the wire
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51	– 46	.526	Combined Totals

3/4 Tie – Arnold Hotshots

W.	L.	Pct.	
40	– 21	.656	Actual Games Played
0	– 18	.000	Games gave on the wire
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40	– 39	.506	Combined Totals

4-Player

Champions – JP’s Corner Gravois

W.	L.	Pct.	
47	– 18	.723	Actual Games Played
0	– 5	.000	Games gave on the wire
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47	– 23	.671	Combined Totals

Runner-up – Side Pockets

W.	L.	Pct.	
48	– 25	.658	Actual Games Played
0	– 14	.000	Games gave on the wire
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48	– 39	.552	Combined Totals

3/4 Tie – JP’s Eureka

W.	L.	Pct.	
40	– 18	.690	Actual Games Played
0	– 10	.000	Games gave on the wire
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40	– 28	.588	Combined Totals

Mike the Spike: No one can say that Joe ‘Mealticket’ Mele has no sense of humor. When finalized that Joe won Top Player again, he asked the question, “Do I get to go down to a ‘5’ now?” As you may recall last session Joe was a ‘7’, won Top Player, then was lowered to a ‘6’. So it would be only natural to assume that should he again take the title he should go down another notch. In words of the Bard of Avon: “Me thinks there may be something amiss in Joe’s reasoning.” (But... a... nice try, Joe)

HOW OLD IS RICKY! The word is out. Use to be when people saw Buddy Evans and little Ricky out together they would say ‘there goes Buddy and his little son’. Now, because he is more recognizable, they say ‘there goes Ricky with his dad’.

Ricky Evans has become the youngest Missouri 8 Ball player to capture the Top Player title. When March 23, 2014 arrived Ricky celebrated the 13th anniversary of his birth. It’s rumored that Buddy has ulcers older than that. Anyway, add the 46 days to the final week of play and a brand new record was established. This ‘youngest’ M0-8 member adds his name in the archives of M0-8 history.

Another important part of the story is ‘whose record did he break’? It was his older brother Nick’s. It’s just one of those ‘Evans’ things. By the way Ricky and Nick took out their respective divisions making it the first time teenage brothers captured the Top Player titles the same session, or any session.

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Total payout for these Tournaments was - \$31,637

4-Player team: \$10,845

All-Star Singles: \$3,940

5-Player team: \$16,512

Top Player Side Pot: \$390

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Our Joke de jure

Our story for this report strangely enough includes President Obama and Hanoi Jane Fonda. It's a story about President Obama who was flying by Air Force One from Europe to the United States. And with him, with President Obama, was the pilot of course, and Hanoi Jane was on that flight. And there was a little old man who also was in government of some sort... and at the last minute they were about to take off in Air Force One... a... President Obama, the pilot, Hanoi Jane and this little old man... there was a fella there with a back pack. This young fella hiked around Europe and now was trying to get back to the United States because school was about to begin... and President Obama said, well... I think we ought to give him a ride in the plane, too... and the plane takes off.

Well, they get half way across the Atlantic when the plane develops problems. They are in serious trouble. Hoo boy! The engines stop... someone forgot to fill the gas tanks... or something... and they are in deep, deep trouble. The pilot comes over the intercom and he says... a... to the passengers, I'm afraid we're gonna have to bail out of the airplane... he said... we have a serious problem. Here there are five of us on board... unfortunately we have only four parachutes. But, he said, being the pilot, I'll be called upon to file the necessary reports and papers on this thing, so I'm definitely taking one of the parachutes... and with that the pilot put on one of the parachutes and jumped out the window.

And next was President Obama... who had a little difficulty... but he explained why he was important, too, by being only the second black President of the United States, Clinton being the first, of how he increased the totals of states from 50 to 57, allowed the poor and under-privileged to have one and many have two cell phones, free medical, etc, and he quickly put on a parachute and he jumped out. That's two guys and two parachutes. And that left Jane Fonda, the little old man and this kid hitchhiker.

And the next person to stand up was Jane Fonda... and she went into great detail about how she was a famous movie star, a member of a very famous family. And if anything happened to her nobody would know what to do with the medals awarded her by the Viet Cong... or the helmet she wore when she met and had pictures taken with communist leaders while American prisoners were being tortured and murdered at "Hanoi Hilton".

Or the 200 photos for Viet Nam Generals she autographed because she was their favorite U.S. traitor... even more so than John Kerry. Given the name Hanoi Jane because how she was the brightest star ever to shine on Communist soil... and how she wasn't quite ready to meet other great actors or traitors like John Wilkes Booth, Benedict Arnold or Lee Harvey Oswald on face to face bases.

And she ended that by saying how she was one of the wisest women in the world which has been proved many times by erudite T.V. personalities like Barbara Walters, Whoopi Goldberg, Oprah Winfrey as well as Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi and the drive-by media who voted her one of the most people we will never forget... and consequently... she says... I'm certainly entitled to one of the parachutes. And with that she raced to the window and jumped out. And that left the little old man and the college student that was hitchhiking.

The little old man turned to the young hitchhiker and he said... a... listen, he said... I'm old and I already have great grandchildren... and I've seen about everything in my life that a man could see... been everywhere a man can go, and done just about everything there is to do... and since there's only one parachute... I want you to take it... because... son... your whole life is before you and it isn't as important that I live as it is that you live.

And the young fella put his arm around the gentle old man and he said... don't worry, sir... we're gonna be all right. We can both take a parachute... because you see... Hanoi Jane, the wisest woman in the world, as she told us when she jumped out... she put on my back pack.

I.Q. Jones says he had a nightmare the other night. I was going to the tattoo parlor with members of my pool team to get my shoulders done when over in the corner I saw **Rich Sager**. Men in white coats were sewing his mouth shut. Some nightmares have good ends.

That's about it for the 85th session. Try to stick around for the 86th and let's keep Missouri 8 Ball the front runner in local Pool League play. As always, your participation is much appreciated.

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