

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: President: Doug Daye
Vice President: Doug Kari
Treasurer: Ernie Valente
League Coordinator: Amber Gilmore

HBA CONVENORS: Monday Night: Michelle MacDonald
Tuesday Night: Greg Watt
Wednesday Night: Lara Rumscheidt
Thursday Night: Sue Dupuis

VNEA CONVENORS: Monday Night: Doug Kari
Tuesday Night: Brandy Titus
Wednesday Night: Amber Gilmore

Welcome to the 2011-2012 winter season. Any questions regarding *league rules and regulations* during the season should be directed to Ernie Valente, Doug Daye or Kim Longpre.

Start Dates:

Tuesday September 6th 2011 to Monday September 12th 2011. League play starts at 7:30pm sharp. Monday, September 5 will be re-scheduled for Saturday, September 24th, 2011.

Sanctioning:

All league members are required to pay a sanction fee of **\$15** for HBA and VNEA. This is due by the end of October, 2011 at the latest!

League Fees:

All players are required to pay a weekly fee of **\$13 for HBA** and **\$14 for VNEA**.

Holiday Scheduling:

- ⦿ Matches scheduled for Monday October 10th 2011 (Thanksgiving) are re-scheduled for Saturday, October 15th 2011 at 1:30pm.
- ⦿ Christmas break will run from Monday, December 26th thru Friday, December 30th 2011.
- ⦿ League play will resume on Monday January 2nd 2012.

Playoff Dates:

Playoff dates will be posted no later than the end of September 2011.

Placement Money (regular season):

Each team will receive a cash prize for their placement at the end of the regular season. This will be awarded at the year-end banquet.

Ball Money(regular season):

Each player will receive 10¢ per ball pocketed in ball money. *This is based on an 8 for the win not 10.* Ball money is awarded at the year-end banquet.

Cash Prizes:

A cash prize is awarded in each division to the player who accumulates the most ERO's over the season (1 per division). This is awarded at the year-end banquet.

Playoff money:

All teams will receive a cash prize for their placement in the year-end tournament. These are awarded as teams are eliminated from the tournament.

Trophies:

There will be trophies (for each night) for the following:

1st place – 5 individual* + names on large in-house trophy

2nd place – 5 individual*

Top player – one male, one female**

Sportsmanship – one male and one female per division

All trophies will be presented at the year-end banquet.

* ***The league will pay for five individual trophies for the winning teams. If you finish in the top two positions, and have more than five players you will be required to pay for any additional trophies.***

** ***Top player may miss no more than 2 weeks.***

General Regulations:

- ⊗ All matches are to start at 7:30pm sharp. Under extreme circumstances, there is a ***15-minute grace period*** allowed.
- ⊗ League fees are due to your convenor by 7:15pm.
- ⊗ All players must be a minimum of 18 years old to play in the HBA league, and 19 years old in the VNEA league.
- ⊗ Jump shots and masses more than 45 degrees upward are allowed in VNEA but NOT allowed in the HBA league.
- ⊗ All teams are required to sell 50/50 tickets. ***All money raised goes back into the league prize fund.***
- ⊗ Handicaps will start after the third week of league play.

Team Regulations:

- ⊗ Each team will consist of a minimum of five full time members, and a maximum of eight players.
- ⊗ If you have a player starting after the first week, leave their average blank and it is calculated using their score for the night.
- ⊗ All players (including spares) must have a minimum of ten weeks (HBA), and eight weeks (VNEA) of regular season play on one team to be eligible to play in the playoffs. Players may not combine their weeks from other league nights to meet the requirement. (E.g. A player who has five weeks in Monday night and five weeks on Wednesday night would not be eligible to play).
- ⊗ All teams are subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Team Regulations (HBA Tuesday/Thursday only):

- ⊗ The League Executive will authorize a team for league play as long as they can field a team of five (5) players whose ***total average does not exceed 41.5 points for Tuesday and 42.5 for Thursday.*** The averages will be based on a player's HBA average at the end of 2010/2011. If a player did not play in the league last year, his or her average will be set at nine (9.0). A team may appeal this average to the League Executive.
- ⊗ These averages will be set as a **baseline for the rest of the season and playoffs.**

- ⑧ All teams must be able to submit a roster for play on any given night that does not exceed the above limits based on their player's **baseline** averages. If a team exceeds the limit, they must substitute a player with a **baseline** average low enough to bring their total **baseline** average in line.
- ⑧ For example, a Thursday team with a **baseline** total of 43.0 points for five (5) players must replace a player with one that has a **baseline** average that reduces the team total to 42.5 (41.5 on Tuesday) or less. **If the team is unable to do so for that evening's play, then the highest average player will be required to take a 5 for each round of the match.**

Spare Regulations:

- ⑧ A team must have a minimum of three players to play their match.
- ⑧ Teams may use one of their players to play for only one missing player. Provided that the average is the same or lower. A player with 7.5 average or lower can play for anyone (HBA ONLY).
- ⑧ Teams may use one of their spares in place of a missing player, regardless of averages.
- ⑧ Any player who regularly plays on one night and occasionally plays on another night must use the highest average of the two nights. Occasionally means anything **LESS** than ten weeks. Anyone with ten weeks or more will be considered to have an established average and may keep it. Any player who plays only as a spare and has many averages posted must use the highest average posted for the night.
- ⑧ Teams may take a forfeit for a missing player, but the missing player's average will be adjusted to equal the highest average on the opposing team (unless the missing player's average is higher). A forfeit score is a 10-5 loss for each game in HBA, and a 10-6 loss for VNEA.
- ⑧ A team may only use two different of the above options on any given night.

Spare Regulations (playoffs):

- ⑧ If one of your team spares does not have enough weeks on your team to play in the playoffs but has more than ten weeks on another night (same division) you may still use that player, provided that their average is the same or lower than your missing player.
- ⑧ A team may have eight players in rotation during the playoffs providing extra players have ten weeks or more and that the opposing team captain is informed by the start of the next round. Averages are to be adjusted according to the incoming player.
- ⑧ ***Handicap Rule: All handicaps will remain the same regardless of team standings. For example if a 5th place team is playing a higher place team and their averages are higher then you are still giving up handicaps.***

Scorecards:

- Ⓢ No team will receive a scorecard until their league fees are paid.
- Ⓢ The home team is responsible for completing and handing in the score sheet.
- Ⓢ A sheet with the players' averages will be attached to each scorecard; **DO NOT REMOVE THESE.**
- Ⓢ Both team captains must sign all scorecards.
- Ⓢ All “feats” (wins, ERO's) **must be circled or blacked out.** They must be marked at the time they are scored. If they are not marked, or marked incorrectly, they will not be scored.
- Ⓢ If your team is using one of the spare options (excluding option #3) the missing player's name must appear on the scorecard, crossed out and the spare's name and average is written in.
- Ⓢ Once the scorecards are handed in they are official and will not be changed.
- Ⓢ In case of a tie during a league match the team with the most games won will receive the win. (VNEA ONLY)

Weekly Stats:

- Ⓢ Stats will be updated & posted within 48 hours. The website will be updated as available.
- Ⓢ If you think there is a discrepancy in you stats you will be required to place a \$10 deposit to get it looked into. If you are right you will get your money back, and if you are wrong the League Coordinator keeps it.

Re-scheduling matches: It is permissible for re-schedule a match during the season if the following guidelines are followed:

- Ⓢ A minimum of 24 hours notice is given to the opposite team and they agree.
- Ⓢ A minimum of 24 hours is given to Hustlers.
- Ⓢ The re-scheduled match takes place **BEFORE** the next scheduled league match.
- Ⓢ NB: If the match cannot be re-scheduled in time, the league must be informed.

Sportsmanship:

This is very important part of our league. **Poor sportsmanship will not be tolerated.** This means win or lose you treat your opponents and all other league members with courtesy and respect.

Disciplinary actions:

To guarantee good sportsmanship a team or an individual may be suspended or expelled for unbecoming behavior, poor sportsmanship, or any other good reason considered harmful to the league.

- Ⓢ Any player/team that has been suspended or expelled may request a hearing before the Disciplinary Committee.
- Ⓢ Any player/team that has been suspended will not collect any money earned while serving that suspension.
- Ⓢ Any player/team that has been expelled forfeits the right to collect any money owing to them.

Captain's Duties:

- ⊗ Make sure that your players know and understand all the rules and regulations of our league.
- ⊗ Make sure your team's fees are paid to the convenor by 7:15pm.
- ⊗ Make sure the scorecards are filled in completely and correctly.
- ⊗ Sign the nightly scorecard.

Player Responsibilities:

- ⊗ Know all the rules and regulations for our league.
- ⊗ Show up on time for all of your games.
- ⊗ Make sure all of your scores are marked on the scorecard correctly.

Membership Benefits:

- ⊗ Nightly: The tables will be open for practice from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. You must practice on the table your match is scheduled for. Please remember that your opponents want to practice as well. The tables will also be open for free pool after league. (This only applies to the night you play on)
- ⊗ Every Sunday from 11am to 1:30pm the tables (9' tables only) will be open for free pool. This is for league members only.
- ⊗ Winter Special: All league members are entitled to ½ pool starting in September until end of April from 11am till close every day including weekends only when tables are available.

Year End Banquet:

This year's banquet for the Hustler league players will be held at Brookside Center on Saturday May 5th 2012.

Website:

All information pertaining to the league (stats, schedules, tournament info, etc) will be posted on our website at: www.hustlerbilliards.com