

## **A LETTER FROM THE LEAGUE DIRECTOR**

Congratulations to the 4 teams that won “The Masters” tournament last weekend. It was an incredible assembly of pool players. Every team was strong and had an opportunity to win. It was very exciting for me watching the various battles. These 4 teams will represent Phoenix in the T.A.P. Las Vegas Nationals the first week in November. I am proud to have these powerhouse teams on our side. I’m sure they will do well. Pictures of the winning teams are on our website. Check it out.

“Cool Arrows”                      “Ugly Styx”                      “Styx”                      “Hart Failure”  
Hector Garcia- Captain      Floyd Allen –Captain      Todd Gunderson – Captain      Keith Hart – Captain

We are also working on a plan to send some of our players to the Las Vegas Nationals to compete in the Singles events. We will be running qualifiers in the near future. Details to follow.

When dropping your packets, be sure the envelope is inside the box completely so someone can’t pull it out. For the last few weeks, several packets were sticking out slightly. Everything has been fine so far, but we don’t want any stolen packets. It helps if you put the flap inside the packet so it doesn’t catch on the slot in the box and put the flap end in first. Thanks.

We have three candidates for the new T.A.P. Board position. Over the next few weeks the Board will be conducting interviews with these three candidates. Once we have completed this process, the Board will decide which candidate is the most qualified. Our decision will not be an easy one. All three have the qualities we are looking for. When we have made our decision, the announcement will be made in the newsletter and on the website.

Robert

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## **Singles Tournament...Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>.**

Our next Singles Tournament will be held at SixShooters (35<sup>th</sup> Ave & Peoria) on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. This one is on the 9 foot tables. One board for 2-3-4’s...One board for 5-6-7’s .Entry fee is \$10.00 per players plus Green Fees: 2-3-4’s (\$6.00 each) 5-6-7’s (\$8.00 each)

Sign-up sheets were sent out in the packets last week. If you lost your sheet and want to play, include your Entry & Green Fees in the packet this week and write your name on the back of the score sheet. Walk-ons will be accepted if there are any bye spots left on the board. The number of pre-paid entries determines the size of the board.

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## **Phoenix T.A.P. Volunteer Program**

Over the last year, a number of T.A.P. players have volunteered to help us with the operation of the pool league. They were not looking for financial compensation, but rather offered their assistance in helping us grow the league because they enjoy the league and want to see it grow. I can’t tell you how appreciative I am of those offers. However, I’ve always felt guilty asking anyone to contribute his or her time for free. I know how valuable free time can be.

As the league has grown, the responsibilities have increased substantially and I now find myself having less time to accomplish some of the tasks required to continue growing the league at the same pace, while at the same time maintaining the standards that we have set for managing the league and giving deserved attention to all the players. For this reason, and at the suggestion of several players, we have developed a volunteer program for anyone that would like to become more involved in the T.A.P. organization. While we cannot pay you for your services, we will provide some perks along the way to show our appreciation. Below is a list of things we can always use help with. If anyone is interested, please contact Robert at 480-706-2889. I don’t want anyone to feel obligated to volunteer. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated and remembered.

- **Flyer Distribution:** We have close to 100 bars in the Valley that all need flyers. This helps us get the word out that T.A.P. is in town and helps increase the competition in your Division.

- **T.A.P. Posters:** The more posters we hang in local bars, the more exposure T.A.P. will get.
- **New Bars:** approach new bars that don't currently have T.A.P. teams. Speak with the owner or manager and give them my business card and information sheet.
- **Recruiting Players:** When you are out shooting on league night or any other night, talk to other players about joining the T.A.P. pool league. The more players that know about us, the players will join.
- **Recruiting Nights:** We schedule 15-20 recruiting or registrations nights every session to sign up new members. They are usually between 6 to 9 p.m. in various bars. We walk around, talk to players and try to get them to join.
- **Phone Calls:** periodically we need to make phone calls to the captains for various reasons.
- **Referees:** at tournaments is always helpful.
- **Trophy Deliveries:** At the end of the session we want the trophies available for the two teams playing in the finals. As the league grows this becomes more difficult to accomplish.
- **Rules & Scoring Seminars:** We hold mandatory trainings before each session for new teams and players. These are much easier, run smoother and are much more effective with more assistance.
- **New Teams:** Having a league representative with a new team their first night is helpful, even though they attended the seminar. The purpose is to insure they have a good experience and do understand the rule and proper scoring.

## One More Scoring Reminder

Many players have asked me how to mark an "early 8." Until now, I didn't have an answer. Now I do. If a player knocks in an "early 8," in addition to marking the correct ball count in the LOT box for both players, also write "E-8" in the LOT box of the player that committed that fouls/loss of game. Anywhere in the box is fine. There should be plenty of room. This will also help me to conduct player audits. Thanks.

## Pool Cues A Plenty

We recently received new shipments of Viking, Meucci and Lucasi cues. The selection is fantastic. If you are in the market for a new cue, give me a call to set up an appointment. Prices range from \$135 to \$600.

Don't forget to check out the latest story from our league writer, Sharkey.  
 "Rules...Rules...Rules" [http://www.phoenixtap.com/sharky\\_s\\_corner](http://www.phoenixtap.com/sharky_s_corner)

### Advisory Committee Members:

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### Participating T.A.P. Locations – Maps can be found at our web site at [www.phoenixtap.com/maps](http://www.phoenixtap.com/maps) :

1st Quarter	4729 E. McDowell, Phoenix	602-267-1010
480 Max & Teds	480 N. Arizona Ave., Chandler	480-899-2268
Allstar Bar & Grill	4929 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler	480-785-7827
Angelo's	10444 E. Apache Trail, Apache Junction	480-357-2057
Bar Nun	4142 E. Chandler Blvd.	480-706-5564
Brewski's	5235 S. Kyrene Rd. Tempe	480-345-8431
Chasers	8005 E. Roosevelt	480-945-4985

Chico's Paradise	1948 E. McKellips, Mesa	480-615-8636
Copper Canyon Brewery	5945 W. Ray Rd., Tempe	480-705-9700
Chuy's	1948 E. McKellips	480-615-8636
Dukes Sports Bar	7607 E. McDowell, Scottsdale	480-675-9724
Falcon's Roost	4731 E. Falcon Dr., Mesa	480-981-9064
Famous Sam's	430 N. Power Rd., Mesa	480-924-4403
Famous Sam's	720 W. Ray Rd., Gilbert	480-899-9804
Famous Sam's	2860 E. Main Street, Mesa	480-924-0305
Famous Sam's	2730 E. Baseline, Mesa	480-497-1252
Flicka's	2003 N. Scottsdale Rd, Chandler	480-945-3618
Garfield's	10123 E. Apache Trail, A.J.	480-380-0558
Hazelwood's	3626 E. Indian School, Phoenix	602-957-0462
Howies Bar	6045 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler	480-961-4488
Kay's Place	315 Alma School Rd., Mesa	480-833-0961
Main Street Sports Grill	260 W. Main St. Mesa	480-833-4240
Mesquite Sports Bar	75 W. Baseline Rd. #13, Gilbert	480-892-0807
Payton's Place	Chandler Blvd. & 40th St., Phoenix	480-759-4034
The Sets	93 E. Southern, Tempe	480-829-1822
Skip & Jan's	7700 S. Priest, Tempe	480-598-8611
Q & Brew	3400 S. Mill Ave., Tempe	480-968-3722
R. W. Pockets	1807 E. Baseline, Tempe	480-456-3876
Rack & Q	1328 E. Apache, Tempe	480-968-4346
R. T. O'Sullivan's	1010 W. Southern, Mesa	480-844-1290
SixShooter's	35th Ave. & Peoria/3337 W. Peoria	602-993-5035
SixShooter's	75 <sup>th</sup> Avenue & Thomas	623-247-8540
Stray Cats	2433 E. University Dr.	480-967-1040
Thunder Pass	9303 Apache, Mesa	480-986-5572
T.J.'s Bar & Grill	1734 E. Main St., Mesa	480-833-1950
The Bar	1212 E. Apache, Tempe	480-446-7468
The Friendly Irish Pub	1423 S. Country Club, Mesa	480-464-8030
The Sets	Southern & Mill, Tempe	480-829-1822
The Wild Hare	801 N. Arizona Ave., Chandler	480-857-3088
The Wild Hare	4910 W. Ray Rd., Chandler	480-897-6200
Thunder Pass	9303 Apache	480-986-5572
U B's	1911 W. Broadway, Mesa	480-962-9000

Uncle Bears

825 S. Cooper, #86

480-792-1945