

Illiana APA

A FRANCHISE OF THE AMERICAN POOLPLAYERS ASSOCIATION



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Area Served: Lake and Porter County Indiana & Southern Cook County Illinois

League Members: Approximately 900 members, on 140+ teams in 18 divisions and growing

League Year: Every league year starts on or around June 1st and ends May 31st

League Membership: The APA annual membership is \$25. Membership allows you to participate in all APA teams and events.

Sessions: Three sessions per league year.

Session 1: Begins in June for 16 weeks

Session 2: Begins in September for 16 weeks

Session 3: Begins in January for 16 weeks

Divisions: Generally, we structure the divisions so that the bars/locations that the teams play out of are within close proximity of each other in an attempt to keep travel to a minimum. The formats we offer for the divisions are: 8-BALL, 9-BALL, Masters, and Double Jeopardy (which is both 8-Ball and 9-BALL on the same night.). Division Playoffs, Tri-Cups and Cash Cups are at the end of the session.

Teams: Each division has about 6-16 teams with 5-8 players on a team. Only 5 players play each week and your team competes once a week against other teams in your division. You can play on more than one team but they must be in different divisions. The weekly team fee is \$40.

Skill Levels: 8-Ball players are assigned a skill level anywhere between 2 thru 7 with 7 being the better players. The skill levels are similar in 9-Ball. Skill levels, 2, 3, and 4 make up the majority of the League.

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| Approx. % of each Skill Level currently playing: | S/L 2 | 8% | (beginner) | S/L 5 | 22% |
| | S/L 3 | 27% | | S/L 6 | 14% |
| | S/L 4 | 26% | | S/L 7 | 3% (highly advanced player) |

Weekly Team Match-Ups: The skill levels of the 5 players that play their match each week cannot exceed 23. This way, teams are not allowed to have only strong players and dominate the league.

Example: Skill Levels 7,6,4,4,2 = 23 or 6,5,5,3,3 = 22 or 6,6,4,4,3 = 23

Tri-Cup Tournament: At the end of each of the three sessions, teams that do well during weekly play and playoff matches advance to the Tri-Cup Tournament and compete with top teams from other divisions.
Cash Cup Tournament: **Tri-Cup winners advance to Cash Cup with top teams receiving cash payouts. Also, top finishing teams from the Tri-Cup Tournaments compete in the Citywide Tournament.**

Citywide Tournament: This annual tournament is held in June. Teams qualify for this tournament by being the top finishing teams from the Tri-Cup Tournaments. **The Citywide Tournament winning teams advance to Las Vegas to compete in the APA National Team Championships.**

National Team Championships: **Winners of the Citywide Tournament compete in the National Team Championships in Las Vegas in August.** We have a Travel Assistance Fund that provides travel and lodging assistance for teams advancing to Las Vegas.

Individual Tournaments: Top players can also compete individually in the TOP GUN tournament held every session. Winners receive cash, trophy and advance to Singles Regionals (winners of Singles Regional advance to the APA National Singles in Vegas). Also, every session we hold Scotch Doubles Tournaments, in which the winning team gets cash or a trip to Vegas. We also payout out 25% of the field.

Have Fun...Meet People....Play Pool: The League is designed to provide an enjoyable night out with friends and family, whether you are a beginner player or a more advanced one.