



**Tournament Kit:** *Please read carefully as it contains all of the answers to the questions that you and your players will be asking!*

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# 2021 Charter Holder **Tournament Kit** February, 2021

Please review this material thoroughly as it contains important information and many critical dates for your response.

If you have any questions after reviewing this kit, please contact VNEA Headquarters at [info@vnea.com](mailto:info@vnea.com) or call (800) 544-1346 or write to: **VNEA Headquarters, 201 S. Henry Street, Bay City, MI 48706**

**CHAMPIONSHIP DATES:** May 27th - June 5th, 2021

**TOURNAMENT SITE:** Bally's Hotel & Casino • Las Vegas, Nevada

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## **IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ**



*R. Gregg Elliott - Executive Director*



*Judy Mehle - Tournament Director*

This years event will contain many obstacles and changes and will require a lot of **FLEXIBILITY** on everyone's part.

However, all of us at VNEA Headquarters promise to take every step to put on a Tournament that will be fun, fair, exciting and successful for all participants.

As we continue to make changes and implement safety precautions for requirements that won't be known until well into May, we want to inform you of our intentions as of today.

This booklet contains the information you need to plan your trip but knowing that our best intentions will be controlled by local Vegas restrictions and you must remain *flexible* if you plan to participate this year.

We all are anxious for a Major Championship and together we will come through these difficult times stronger and closer and lead OUR Association into amazing times ahead.

Stay safe and know that we are working hard every day to provide the **Best Vegas Championships** possible!

# Notice: Recent Tournament Changes

In an effort to get all of the 2021 Tournament details to you in a timely manner, enclosed is all of the information you need to prepare for this highly anticipated event.

However, there are many factors that could change the outlook of our 41st World Championships and we will stay in constant contact as things evolve around this Worldwide Pandemic.



**League Played Nights Qualification...** Due to the various league start dates, the possibility of league interruptions and other unknown situations, the number of league played weeks necessary for participation at the 2021 World's has been reduced to **4 weeks** for all Teams and Singles events.

**INTERMEDIATE TEAM DIVISIONS WILL COMPETE USING THE TRIPLE ELIMINATION FORMAT** and will begin Tuesday at 11:30am. (Finals are Double Elimination)

Masters Team Divisions will compete using the **Triple Elimination Format** & will begin Tuesday at 4:30pm. (Finals are Double Elimination)

Various "Rack Systems" will **NOT** be allowed. • **DEVICES ARE NOT ALLOWED FOR JUMP SHOTS.**

Tournament Entries received after May 7th, 2021 will be considered late and will be assessed a \$25 LATE FEE per entry.

**REGULAR DIVISION MEN'S CLASSIC & OPEN SENIORS WHO QUALIFY FOR THE SPORTS DIVISION WILL COMPETE IN A SEPARATE 8-BALL MEN'S CLASSIC/OPEN SENIOR SPORTS DIVISION AND A SEPARATE 9-BALL MEN'S CLASSIC/OPEN SENIOR SPORTS DIVISION.**



A separate, pre-registered **Classic 8-Ball Singles Division** is available for Intermediate & Master Players who are 50+ years of age in addition to their normal 8-Ball Singles event.

**A 3-Person Classic Division** will be conducted as a MINI with Registration On-Site. No Masters and only (1) Intermediate per team. Players do not have to be from the same Charter Holder. Play will begin on Sunday, May 30th.

**One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team.**

Open Master Team and Women's Master Team Divisions must consist of at least (2) Teams to qualify for participation and payout.

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**Scotch Doubles...** (consists of One Male & One Female) **Money will be ADDED to Scotch Doubles.**

The "Official Scotch Doubles" competition will start on Thursday, May 27th at 10:00am. Sign-ups for Regular, Intermediate and Master Scotch Doubles will take place on Wednesday, May 26th from 6pm-10pm and Thursday, May 27th from 8am-9am. FINALS will take place on Sunday, May 30th. Additional Scotch Doubles will take place, only in the mini format, during the rest of the week. (including Open Doubles)

## FEES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS...

**\$100 / Team • Race: 3 Games (Regular), 4 Games (IM & M) • Format: DOUBLE Elimination**

**Fees Include A \$25 GREEN FEE And A \$10 ADMIN FEE • TEAM MUST PLAY IN THE HIGHER RANKED PLAYERS DIVISION**  
(Participants must be sanctioned and can be from the same or different Charter Holders.)

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## Charter Holders Read Carefully

The VNEA offers numerous DIVISIONS at the World Championships in Las Vegas so all of your league players have the option of participating and competing at the annual extravaganza.

The VNEA takes very seriously the entrants in each Division by implementing computer audits to detect individuals that are incorrectly entered.

However, due to name changes, incorrect spellings, human error and other factors the system is not always 100% fool proof.

Therefore, the Tournament Committee is hereby notifying all Charter Holders that the VNEA will still strongly monitor all entrants but it is the ultimate responsibility of the Charter Holder to review the Intermediate and Master lists, prior to submitting entries, to be sure all of their players are entered into the proper Divisions.

Charter Holders found to have entered players in improper Divisions will be punished in accordance with the World Championships Policies & Procedures.

**Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter so that we will continue to provide the fairest, most equitable, competitive annual event for our sanctioned league players.**

# Registering **Your Players**

## **ON-LINE REGISTRATION IS EASY, FAST & SECURE!**

All Tournament Participants will be registered on-line, by Charter Holders, for the upcoming World Championships

*Every Charter will login, create their own password and enter their own secure registration section.*

*Once logged in, you will have access to your player base and can complete as many Certificates as needed.*

*All Stats and Payment will still be required to be mailed to VNEA Headquarters before entries are accepted.*

*You will be able to and must print copies of all Certificates for yourself and each Team Captain to take to Las Vegas.*

*Formal, easy, step-by-step instructions will be forwarded to all Charter Holders shortly.*

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### **Team Roster.**

**The “Official Team Roster” are the players listed on the scoresheet / computer.**

### **Forfeits.**

**Team...** If no team members are available within 15 minutes after their posted match time, the team will be forfeited. Tournament Committee will decide forfeits. However, in the event that enough team members, but less than the full team, are available when the match is called, then those present must begin shooting.

**Singles...** All players must be at their assigned table at their assigned match time. If a player is not at their assigned table **5 minutes** after their posted start time, the opponent will call a referee to the table and the missing player will be given **10 minutes** to show up at the table. At the end of **10 minutes**, the player who is present will recall the referee and the match will be forfeited if the missing player is not present. **If the table is not available, you must report to the control desk.**

**There will be no entry forms accepted after May 7, 2021 or at the Tournament site. (exception: Mini's & SD)**

**Classic & Senior Divisions:** Men's & Women's Classic and Senior Divisions will be offered for 8-Ball and 9-Ball Singles to those individuals who have turned the appropriate ages by May 28, 2021.

**Banquet Tickets:** The “Official Tournament Entry Form” includes a line for Banquet Tickets. If you are sending only one team, you must purchase five tickets. If you are sending two or more teams you must buy at least ten tickets. Four person women team requirements will be 4 and 8 tickets respectively. Be sure to complete this section on your form and include payment as Official Certificates cannot be accepted until Banquet Tickets have been purchased.

Banquet Tickets, purchased by Charter Holders with the “Official Tournament Entry Form,” will be available for all Charter Holders to pick up at the VNEA Booth in Las Vegas.

If you are unable to attend you must inform VNEA Headquarters by May 7, 2021 who will be designated to pick up the banquet tickets or list the person on the entry form or the banquet tickets will not be distributed.

**Room reservations must be received by BALLY'S Hotel by May 10th.**

After that date our room block will be released or earlier if our room block is filled.

# General Information For You & Your Players

**CHAMPIONSHIP DATES:** May 27th - June 5th, 2021

**EVENT SITE:** Bally's Hotel & Casino • Las Vegas, Nevada

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## General Tournament Information

### All participants in World Competition:

- must be deemed an active player by his/her Charter Holder.
- must be able to show an up-to-date sanction card and pictured I.D. for positive identification and prize money disbursements.
- are subject to random I.D. checks for eligibility purposes.

**There will be absolutely no tournament entries accepted at Tournament Site.**

**Exception:** Mini-Tournaments and Scotch Doubles.

*Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.*

### Tournament Dress Code

All participants in the World Championships must comply with the following Dress Code:

**No Halter Tops • No Midriffs • No Cut-Offs • No Swimwear  
No Tube Tops • No Tank Tops • No Improper Verbiage**

All shorts must be clean, neat, presentable, hemmed and of proper length to be allowed. Rugged cut-offs will not be allowed.

*All players, during their scheduled matches, will present themselves in a neat and clean appearance.*

*Tournament Officials will have the right to ask any player or spectator not properly attired to leave the playing area.*

### Age Requirement

All players must be of legal drinking age to play in the licensed establishment where the qualifying league is played **AND** are at least 18 years of age.

**All prize money winners must be 21 years old to cash their winnings at the Bally's Casino Cage.**

### Tournament Prize Money

Prize money of \$600 or more, per individual, will be reported to the IRS on form 1099. U.S.A. recipients must supply a Social Security number upon receipt of winnings.

## Featured Events

### Sports Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams

Women's 8-Ball Teams

Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

8-Ball Men's Classic/Open Senior Singles

9-Ball Men's Classic/Open Senior Singles 

*Some Events  
may be changed or  
eliminated based  
on participation.*

### Redemption Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams

Women's 8-Ball Teams

Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

### Regular Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams

Women's 8-Ball Teams

Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Men's Classic 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's Classic 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Open Senior 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Scotch Doubles

### Resurrection Divisions

\*Open 8-Ball Teams

\*Women's 8-Ball Teams

Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

### Intermediate Divisions

Open 8-Ball Teams

Women's 8-Ball Teams

Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Open Classic 8-Ball Singles

Scotch Doubles

### Masters Divisions

\*Open 8-Ball Teams

\*Women's 8-Ball Teams

Men's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Open Classic 8-Ball Singles

Scotch Doubles

*\* Two or more Teams required for participation.*



# 41st Annual Schedule of Events

**NOTE...** All times are approximate times only.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2021

3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Mini Tournaments

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Scotch Doubles Sign-Ups

## THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021

8:00 am - 9:00 am Scotch Doubles Sign-Ups

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

**10:00 am Regular Scotch Doubles Begins**

**Noon Intermediate & Master Scotch Doubles Begins**

1:00 pm - 10:00 pm Certified Instructor Seminar

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Singles questions, concerns, etc. Players listed in computer at control stage simply need to show at their scheduled match.

## FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2021

8:00 am - 8:30 am 9-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc.

**9:00 am 9-Ball Singles Competition Begins**

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm 8-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc. Players listed in computer at control stage simply need to show at their scheduled match.

TBA 9-Ball Sports Singles Begins

TBA 9-Ball Resurrection Singles Begin

TBA 9-Ball Redemption Singles Begins

## SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2021

8:00 am - 8:30 am 8-Ball Singles questions, concerns, etc.

**9:00 am 8-Ball Singles Competition Begins**

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Prize Money Available

## SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021

TBA 3-Person Classic Event

9:00 am 8-Ball Singles Competition Continues  
*(includes Sports)*

Noon IM/Master Classic Singles Begins

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

TBA 8-Ball Redemption Singles Begins

TBA 8-Ball Resurrection Singles Begin

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Prize Money Available

TBA Masters Singles Finals

TBA Scotch Doubles Finals

## MONDAY, MAY 31, 2021

TBA 8-Ball & 9-Ball Finals

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

10:00 am - 2:30 pm Artistic Finals Shootout #1

11:00 am - 1:00 pm Prize Money Available

2:00 pm Certified Referee School 

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Prize Money Available

Noon - 4:00 pm Cert. Inst. Recertification Class

Noon - 6:00 pm Team questions, concerns, etc.

Teams listed in computer at control stage simply need to show at their scheduled match. *(Annual patches, pins, luggage tags, programs can be picked up at the VNEA Booth)*

7:30 pm Opening Ceremonies

*Suds & Chips Mixer*

*Parade Of Flags*

*Hall Of Fame Induction*

*Singles Awards Presentation*

8:30 pm Free Beer, Pop & Snacks *(limited quantity)*

*Cash Bar til midnight & Entertainment*

## TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021

7:30 am - 8:30 am Team questions, concerns, etc.

**9:00 am Team Competition Begins**

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

**11:30 am Intermediate Team Begins**

Noon - 3:00 pm Prize Money Available

**4:30 pm Master Team Competition Begins**

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Prize Money Available

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm C-H / Coordinator

Cocktail Reception

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Hall of Famers Party

TBA Sports Divisions Competition Begins

## THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

9:00 am Executive Committee Meeting

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

Times Posted On-Site: Daily Raffle

TBA Redemption Team Division Competition Begins

TBA Resurrection Division Competition Begins

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Prize Money Available  
*(includes Team)*

7:00 pm President's Reception

*Meritorious Service Award*

## FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2021

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

Times Posted On-Site: Mini Tournaments

TBA Hardluck Competition

10:00 am - 2:30 pm Artistic Finals VNEA World Shootout

Noon Charter Holders Meeting

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Prize Money Available

5:00 pm Cues for Kids Giveaways @ VNEA Booth

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Prize Money Available  
At The Control Stage

TBA Team Finals

## SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021

9:00 am Team Competition Continues

10:00 am - Final Match Prize Money Available

5:00 pm - 8:30 pm Cocktails, Banquet, Awards, Constant Giveaways & Entertainment

8:31 pm Curtain Call & Goodbye's



# 6 Skill Levels For A Fair Playing Surface For ALL

**1) Sports Division...** Established to prove our commitment in creating competition and prize money for those not able to effectively compete in the Regular Division.

**2) Redemption Division...** Created to fill the void where players drop off the loser's side of the bracket after it is too late to enter the Sports Division and before they make any money in the Regular Division.

**3) Regular Division...** Targeted for the everyday, fun-loving league player who dreams of the opportunity to attend an World Championship to experience this pool frenzy with fellow pool players around the World and find a very fair and competitive playing surface. **(Intermediate & Master players will not be allowed to participate in the Regular Division)** *(Exception: One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team)*

**4) Resurrection Division...** A second chance for Master & Intermediate players to take home some cash in this highly competitive division.

**5) Intermediate Division...** Targeted for the average to above average league player who may have some Tournament level experience. Players looking for an awesome week of pool camaraderie with avid players around the World and an excellent opportunity, second to none, to compete against similar talented teams in an effort to earn great prize money, titles and incredible memories.

This awesome field and super payouts filled with spectacular matches right out of the gate eliminates those Regular Division early round scares and losses to less talented teams. **(With only one Master player allowed on a team, all teams will be equally favored.)**

**6) Masters Division...** Targeted at the accomplished pool players who want to test their skills against the best in the World and to gain valuable experience that is nearly impossible to obtain elsewhere.

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# Vegas Event Specifics

**Notes:** The Tournament Committee retains final discretion in placing players or teams in the proper Division.

**All Team Division Fees Include Green Fee & Administrative Fee**

## REGULAR DIVISION

(Double Elimination)


### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$535

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$275) (\$225) (\$35)

An Open Regular Team must be comprised of at least **2** original players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd, 4th and 5th players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System.

**All members of the team must have played a minimum of 4 separate league nights.** 

- A Regular Division Open Team may not have any Intermediate Men or any Master players.


- One (1) Intermediate FEMALE will be allowed to play on an Open Regular Team.

### 8-Ball Women's Teams

To Be Played With 4 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$410

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$220) (\$160) (\$30)

A Women's Regular Team must be comprised of at least **2** original female players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd and 4th female players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System. **All members of the team must have played a minimum of 4 separate league nights.** 

- A Regular Division Women's Team may not have any Intermediate or Master players.

**Team Note:** Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.

## INTERMEDIATE DIVISION


### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$635

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$375) (\$225) (\$35)

An Open Intermediate Team must be comprised of at least **2** original players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd, 4th and 5th players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System.

**All members of the team must have played a minimum of 4 separate league nights.** 


An Open Intermediate Division Team may have one (1) Master player.

### 8-Ball Women's Teams

To Be Played With 4 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$490

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$300) (\$160) (\$30)

A Women's Intermediate Team must be comprised of at least **2** original female players from the same league team and **both** original members must play every round. The 3rd and 4th female players may come from any team within the same Charter Holder's League System. **All members of the team must have played a minimum of 4 separate league nights.** 

- A Women's Intermediate Division Team may have one (1) Female Master player.

**Team Note:** Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.


## \* MASTERS DIVISION

### 8-Ball Open Teams

To Be Played With 5 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$760

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$500) (\$225) (\$35)

An Open Masters Team may be comprised of any 5 players from within their Charter Holder's League System so long as they meet the **4** separate league night requirement. 

\* Two (2) or more Teams required for participation and payouts.


**IM & Master Teams Will Be Via The Triple Elimination Format**

### 8-Ball Women's Teams

To Be Played With 4 Player Teams

#### Team Fee - \$590

(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)  
(\$400) (\$160) (\$30)

A Women's Masters Team may be comprised of any 4 female players from within their Charter Holder's League System so long as they meet the **4** separate league night requirement. 

**Team Note:** Players may be listed on more than one teams roster, for precautionary purposes. However, the first team that any player shoots for, in any division, is the only team that player is allowed to play for.

\* Two (2) or more Teams required for participation and payouts.

**SPORTS DIVISIONS (Double Elimination)** All Teams or Singles players eliminated in **(TBD)** rounds or less from the Regular Team or Singles Divisions, upon confirmation, will automatically be placed in the Sports Singles (Races TBD) or Team Division, pay no additional entry fee and share in the overall prize money. Classic & Senior participants, who qualify, will be eligible for the Sports Singles Divisions. Open Teams will consist of 5 players (25-game format) and Women's Teams will consist of 4 players (16-game format).

**REDEMPTION DIVISIONS (Single Elimination)** All Teams or Singles players eliminated in more than **(TBD)** rounds (and not yet in the money) from the Regular Team or Singles Divisions, upon confirmation, will automatically be placed in the Redemption Singles (Races TBD) or Team Division, pay no additional entry fee and share in the overall prize money. Also, any Teams or Singles players eliminated from the Sports Division by the posting of the "Redemption" Division will qualify if they confirm. Open Teams will consist of 4 players (16-game format) and Women's Teams will consist of 3 players (9-game format).

**RESURRECTION DIVISIONS (Single Elimination)** All Teams or Singles players eliminated before the money rounds from the Master or Intermediate Team or Singles Divisions, upon confirmation, will automatically be placed in the Resurrection Singles (Races TBD) or Team Division, pay no additional entry fee and share in the overall prize money. Open Teams will consist of 4 players (16-game format) and Women's Teams will consist of 3 players (9-game format). **Minimum Teams:** 2 Teams per Division and match must be played.

 **ALL Sports, Redemption & Resurrection team members MUST be listed on the Original "Official Team Roster".**

**Singles Division Fees Include A \$40 Men & \$35 Women Green Fee & A \$15 Admin. Fee**

### 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Race: Men - 5, Women - 4  
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)

All players must have completed the 12 separate league night requirement (exception: Seniors may have 8 weeks) and are subject to Tournament Committee approval as Regular Division players.

#### Singles Fees

**Men - \$155 Women - \$130**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)



### 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Race: Men - 6, Women - 5  
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)

All players must have completed the 12 separate league night requirement and are subject to Tournament Committee approval as Intermediate Division players.

#### Singles Fees

**Men - \$180 Women - \$150**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)

### 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles

Race: Men - 7, Women - 6  
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)

All players must have completed the 12 separate league night requirement. Participants need not be recognized Master players to participate in this event.

#### Singles Fees

**Men - \$205 Women - \$170**  
(Includes Entry Fee, Green Fee & Admin. Fee)

**All Singles Divisions Races are subject to change based upon Division Entrants.**



# Vegas Rules, Format, etc.

The governing rules of play are detailed in the 2020-2021 VNEA Rules Booklet and will be strictly adhered to along with the following:

## Team Format

The 25 game round robin format will be used in the Open Regular 8-Ball team events. The 16 game round robin format will be used in the Women's Regular 8-Ball team events. Each player will play each player from the opposing team once. The team with the most points at the end of the match will be declared the winner.

- All Regular team events will be played using a Double Elimination format in the qualifying brackets. Finals brackets will be re-drawn with participants starting with no losses and will also be Double Elimination.

- **The Sports Division will be Double Elimination and will consist of 5-Person Open Teams (25 Game Format) and 4-Person Women's Teams (16 Game Format).**

- **The Redemption Division will be Single Elimination and will consist of 4-Person Open Teams (16 Game Format) and 3-Person Women's Teams (9 Game Format).**

- **The Resurrection Division will be Single Elimination and will consist of 4-Person Open Teams (16 Game Format) and 3-Person Women's Teams (9 Game Format).**

- For Sports, Redemption and Resurrection Teams, all players MUST be listed on the **Original "Official Team Roster"**.

- Master and Intermediate team events will be using the **Triple Elimination** format. The Finals will be **Double Elimination**.

## Tie Breaker

If there is a tie in the Total Points at the end of the match, proceed as follows until a winner is decided...

- *Play last round again, with the same match-ups, on the scoresheet.*
- *Each Team will begin with zero points.*
- *Flip for first break and alternate thereafter.*

## Singles Format

(**exception: Redemption & Resurrection Divisions**)

All Singles events will be played using a Double Elimination format in the qualifying brackets. Finals brackets will be re-drawn with participants starting with no losses and will also be Double Elimination.

## Substitution Rule

A team may substitute players during a match if the following criteria are met:

The opposing team captain must be notified before the start of the round in which the substitution is being made.

A substitute player will not be allowed to play any opposing player more than once.

Once a player has played, he/she must keep that same position unless removed for a round and reinstated in a later round.

## Determining the Break

### Teams...

Team captains will flip a coin prior to making the line-up. The winner of the coin toss has a choice of being home or visiting team. The home team will complete their line-up first each round. The teams will then break in accordance with the scoresheet.

### Singles...

Flip a coin to determine the first break and alternate thereafter.

## Table Use

Teams will play on two tables at all times, until the 25th game (25 game format) or 16th game (16 game format). It will be the Tournament Director's discretion to play matches on more than 2 tables if time is a factor.

## Official Scoresheet

The Home Scoresheet is the official scoresheet and will be used to settle any disputes. Both captains are responsible for the accuracy of the Home scoresheet after each game.

## Devices Are Not Allowed For Jump Shots

## 8-On the Break

If the 8-Ball is pocketed on the break, the breaker may ask for a re-rack or have the 8-Ball spotted and continue shooting. If the breaker scratches while pocketing the 8-Ball on the break, the opposing player has the option of a re-rack or having the 8-Ball spotted before beginning to shoot.

## Rack Your Own Breaks

(**Various Rack Systems will NOT be allowed**)

## Call Pocket

In Call Pocket, obvious balls and pockets do not have to be indicated. It is the opponent's right to ask which ball and pocket if he is unsure of the shot. Banks and combinations are not considered obvious and both the object ball and pocket must be called. When calling the shot, it is NEVER necessary to indicate details such as the number of cushions, banks, kisses, caroms, etc. Any balls pocketed on a foul remain pocketed, regardless of whether they belong to the shooter or the opponent. If a shooter continually refuses to inform his opponent, even when asked, the captains or tournament officials should be informed. Continuous failure to verbally call the pocket can be ruled unsportsmanlike conduct.

## Calling the 8-Ball

Calling of the 8-Ball must be by the disc method in the following manner:

### Disc Placement

The disc must be completely within the first two diamonds on either side of the intended pocket. (A Referee will make a ruling if the disc position is protested)

It is not necessary to move or touch the disc if it is already at the intended pocket. If a player shoots at the 8-Ball and commits a legal shot and the 8-Ball is not pocketed, the game continues.

## Team Roster

**The "Official Team Roster" are the players listed on the scoresheet/computer.**

## Illegal Team Player

Any Team determined to have listed a Team Member on the Tournament Scoresheet, for any match that has begun, that is not listed on the "Official Team Roster" will be penalized as follows...

- *The Team will Forfeit any match in progress or any match completed before their next round begins and eliminated from any further Team competition.*
- *The Team will Forfeit any Prize Money.*

## Safeties

A Safety can be played within the definition of a legal shot.

## Start of Match

All matches will start at their posted time if the assigned table is available. If a player/players is absent, the match must still begin and the absent player/players will have until the end of that round to show up. If they are not there by the end of the round, the absent person/persons will lose that game 10-0. This rule is the same for all the rounds.

## Played Wrong Player

In the event that wrong people have played or are playing each other, the following procedure will be followed:

- *If the game is completed, that score will be forwarded to the proper place that they are scheduled to play. That score will not count until it falls into the proper place.*
- *If the game is not completed, the captains will get the proper people to the table and restart the game.*
- *If a game is played between the same opponents for a second time during the match, the score of the second time does not count as long as the scoresheet is filled out properly prior to the round beginning.*

*It is both team captain's responsibility to ensure that the proper players are playing each game before the round starts. Therefore, if one captain listed a player to play the same player a second time, the captains team who listed the wrong player will lose 10-0.*

- *Scoresheets may be filled out round by round.*

## End of Match

A match is considered over when a team can no longer mathematically win.

## Forfeits

**Team:** If no team members are available within 15 minutes after their posted match time, the team will be forfeited. Tournament Committee will decide forfeits.

However, in the event that enough team members, but less than the full team, are available when the match is called, then those present must begin shooting.

**Singles:** All players must be at their assigned table at their assigned match time. If a player is not at their assigned table **5 minutes** after their posted start time, the opponent will call a referee to the table and the missing player will be given **10 minutes** to show up at the table. At the end of **10 minutes**, the player who is present will recall the referee and the match will be forfeited if the missing player is not present. **If the table is not available, you must report to the control desk.**

## Protest Procedure

In the event a person or team wishes to protest a player's or a team's eligibility, the protesting team or person will be required to deposit \$100 with tournament officials. If protesters are correct in their protest, they will be refunded their deposit and the tournament officials will take proper measures in dealing with the situation. If protesters are incorrect in their protest, they will forfeit their deposit. Deposits will go into the general funds of the VNEA.

## Classics & Seniors

Entrants in the 8-Ball Classics or Seniors Singles cannot play in any other 8-Ball singles and entrants in the 9-Ball Classics or Seniors Singles cannot play in any other 9-Ball Singles.

Seniors can play in either Classics or Seniors - **not both**.

Listed Master & Intermediate Classic or Senior players are ineligible for Regular, Classic or Senior events. *However, a Classic Division is available for them in addition to their Singles events.*

**Classics:** (age as of event day)

**Age:** Men - 50 yrs. old minimum  
Women - 45 yrs. old minimum

**Seniors:** (age as of event day)

**Age:** Men & Women - 60 yrs. old minimum

## Scoring

**If a game ends without a group of balls being legally determined, the winner receives ten points and the opponent receives zero points.**

## Charter Holder Meeting At The Tournament.

The VNEA will hold its Annual Charter Holder Meeting during the "41st Annual" World Championships to be held in Las Vegas at BALLY'S Hotel. Each of you is urged to attend as several subjects of great importance will be discussed.

**DATE:** FRIDAY, JUNE 4TH

**TIME:** NOON

## Designated Voter.

It is recommended that you contact VNEA Headquarters prior to the meeting if you require a change to the "Designated Voter" we have on file from last year.

Only company Owners/Employees on record as "Designated Voter" attending the meeting are eligible to vote.

If you have any questions please feel free to call the Association Headquarters.

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## Cue Specifications:

**Width of Tip:** Not to exceed 15mm.

**Length of Cue:** 40 inches min.

**Certified Instructor Recertification Class:** This class is for those individuals who passed the Certified Instructor Seminar and would like to remain an active Certified Instructor and update their knowledge and skills.

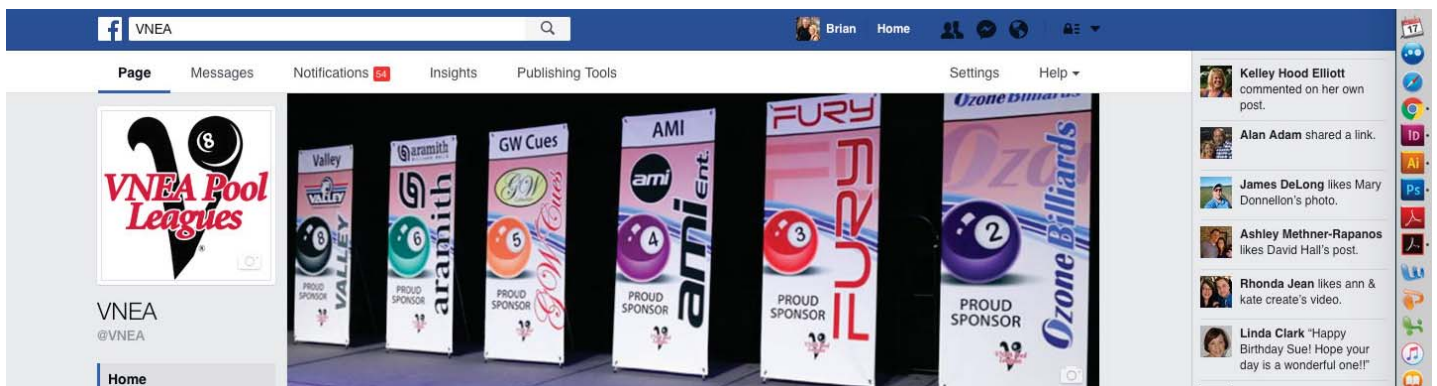
**Certified Instructor Seminar:** This seminar was created to educate players on developing their own skills in order to use these teaching techniques to further promote the game of pool in their local area by instructing beginners and lesser skilled players as well as upper level shooters.

**Certified Referee School:** This school teaches players the proper way to conduct themselves as a referee at the local, regional and state levels. Many tested and true officiating techniques are shared with the members of this class.

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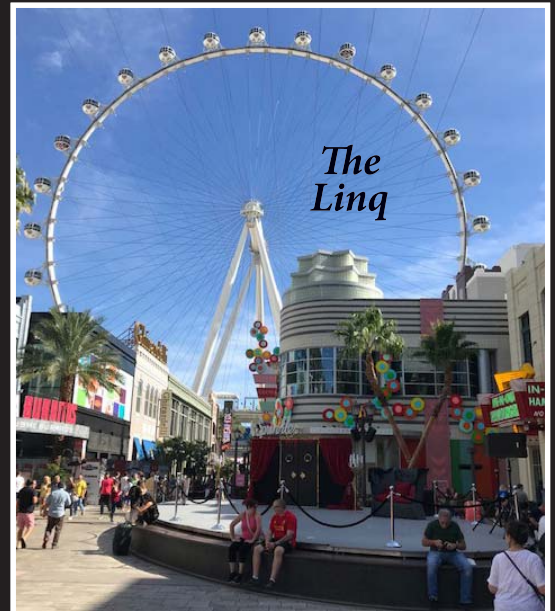




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## Mini-Tournaments, etc.

You must be a current VNEA Member to register for any mini-tournament.

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Mini's will be conducted every day from Wednesday, May 26th through Friday, June 4th. Daily Times will be posted on-site.

All Tournament Events subject to change based on participation.

- *Your current VNEA Membership Card is required.*
- *Photo Identification is required during play and again at cash payout.*
- *Only the person entering an event may register. No one may register for you. **NO EXCEPTIONS!***
- *You will have only a 15 minute "grace period" after your match is called or you will forfeit.*
- *All Tournaments are Single Elimination.*
- *If Master or IM players are found playing in the wrong divisions, they will forfeit all prize money and will not be allowed to participate in any future mini's.*
- *A 3-Person Classic Division will be conducted. No Masters and only (1) Intermediate per team. Players do not have to be from the same Charter Holder.*
- *All VNEA Rules are in effect at all times.*
- *Dress Code will be enforced.* • *No refunds of entry fees. **Play Mini's... It's Fun!***

## Special Events Throughout The Week!

- **Valley Pool Table Giveaways**
- **Incredible Opening Ceremonies**
- **Mini-Tournaments Galore**
- **Fun-Filled Awards Banquet**
- **40 Year History Pictorial Display**
- **9th Annual World Team Event**
- **Team Hardlucks**
- **VNEA Tournament Booth Specials**
- **40th Anniversary Logo'd Cuesticks**
- **Special Appearance by Worlds #1 Pro Player "Shane Van Boening"**
- **Exciting Daily Sponsor Giveaways**
- **Weekly Entertainment**
- **Artistic Pool Competition - Dr. Cue**
- **Instructional Pool School - Jerry Briesath**
- **Trick Shots / Instruction - Dave Pearson**
- **CompuSport Software Innovation**
- **Charter Holder Treasure Chest Giveaways**
- **Custom Valley Pool Table Raffle**
- **Memorabilia Giveaways & Daily Contest**

## Professional Player Rule...

Any player determined to have "Pro Status" is not eligible to play in any VNEA competition at the International Championships.

### Professional Player Criteria:

**Women & Men:** Tournament Committee discretion will be used to determine Pro status for all prospective participants. Ample notice is required by the Tournament Committee for all players of potential Pro ability in your league system.

*The VNEA thru the Tournament Committee reserves the right to disqualify any player or team, before or during the tournament or refuse any entry prior to the tournament.*



# Suds & Chips Mixer Band

## Bally's Rear Parking Pavilion

**TEAM OPENING CEREMONIES** is one of the most anticipated parties of the event! On the Monday before Teams begin, the VNEA throws a party to recognize the previous weeks Singles Champions and the upcoming Team competition. 3,000 excited pool players rock the rear parking lot of Bally's Hotel & Casino and celebrate and relax before another big week of play. The evening starts with our traditional **PARADE OF FLAGS** where each country in attendance marches to the stage for the playing of their national anthems. This is followed by the **SINGLES & SCOTCH DOUBLES AWARDS PRESENTATIONS**. Once all of the Charlie's have been handed out for the evening, the annual **HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES** are introduced. Shortly thereafter, the evening's entertainment kicks into gear and the **ICE COLD BEER** and good times begin! The players dance the evening away enjoying the time together with their teammates and making many new friends in the process. What a great night and wonderful tradition for the VNEA and its players!



*VIVA LAS VEGAS!*



**5.31.21**



**We are Staying Positive that this virus will be under control by May, 2021.**

**We will constantly monitor and stay in touch regarding any COVID related changes to our Opening Ceremonies.**

*But one thing is for sure... We sure have a great appreciation now for all the Fun Times and Events over the years!*

*Tons of Fun & Mega-Rewarding*  
**Awards Banquet!**

In BALLY'S Event Center

This years Banquet is once again going to feature a great **Meal**, an incredible **Awards Presentation**, some great entertainment and a **Drawing for an amazing, Custom Valley Home Pool Table**.

What makes this Banquet different than most...

**CASH DRAWINGS!**

**Every 15 Minutes** throughout the evening, VNEA is going to be handing out hundreds of dollars to lucky players in the crowd. These Drawings will accumulate to **THOUSANDS** throughout the night! If you didn't win anything throughout the week, this is one last opportunity to go home a WINNER! All Tournament Participants in attendance, at the Banquet, will be eligible for CASH DRAWINGS!

**Starts @ 5pm; Ends @ 8:31pm**

Saturday, June 5th



# Bally's Las Vegas!

**Room Reservations:** 3645 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89109

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*Go to [VNEA.com](http://VNEA.com) and click on **Bally's Room Reserv.** button to avoid any Daily Resort charges or Offline charges or Call...*

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**\$45**

**No Resort Fee  
When Booked Thru  
The VNEA Block**



## 800 634.3434

*(Be sure to mention "VNEA" when making your Room Reservations)*

**BALLY'S Hotel & Casino** in fabulous Las Vegas, Nevada is the host of the Annual VNEA World Championships. Please make your reservations as soon as possible.

**Please note:** Upon booking your reservation, your credit card will be charged, a deposit equal to one night's room and tax. To avoid forfeiture of deposit, please ensure all changes and cancellations are made at least 72 hours prior to scheduled arrival date. Payment will be accepted by check or major credit card. **Early Bird Room Rates as low as \$45 per night.** *We recommend immediately contacting BALLY'S as we anticipate our room block to fill up quickly.*

**Check-In: 4 pm • Check-Out: 11 am**

*All reservations subject to 13.35% room tax & suites subject to confirmation.*

**Early-Bird Rates are available until the Early-Bird block is full.**

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**Discounted Room Rates will continue to be available however until 5.10.21 and must be accompanied by a one-night room and tax deposit.**

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