



# ACME 2021 ACS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

**MAY 15-22**

**8 BALL & 9 BALL**

**SINGLES, TEAMS & SCOTCH DOUBLES**



**TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES**

# Tournament Guidelines

## May 15-22, 2021 Tropicana Las Vegas - \$42,000 ACS Added Money

**Postmarked Entry Deadlines: Early Bird: Jan. 30, 2021 // Regular: Mar. 22, 2021 // Late: April 5, 2021**

### SINGLES

Play in both 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles & 8-Ball Scotch Doubles play with no scheduling conflict. Open to any ACS/CCS league member with a minimum of eight (8) full matches played over a minimum of eight (8) weeks played in one sanctioned ACS/CCS league session. Amateur-only. No professionally-rated players: [FARGO-rated over 720/630(men/women)]

### EVENT FEES

	Early		Regular		Late		RACE	SCHEDULE
	Bird		Fee		Fee			
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No		
<b>Mens 9-Ball Handicapped</b>	85	135	100	150	125	175	5/7///7/9	May 15-9AM to May 16

Open to all eligible ACS/CCS league members. ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are eligible, but will be rated no less than "Open." **TWO SEPARATE DIVISIONS: 1). Standard/Open (races to 5/7) // 2). Advanced/Master (races to 7/9)**

**[2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Free sign-up onsite entry ("Money-added"/No greens fees)]** May 16-TBA

<b>Mens 8-Ball Standard</b>	125	175	150	200	175	225	5	May 17-9AM to May 18
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To be eligible, the player must have the equivalent (known ability) of a "7" average or less if using the well-known "10-point scoring system" and not be rated as an Open, Advanced or Master player on any national or state Player-rating lists. ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are NOT eligible.

<b>Mens 8-Ball Open</b>	145	195	175	225	200	250	5	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Player may have the equivalent (known ability) of an "8" or "9" average if using the well-known "10-point scoring system" and not be rated as an Advanced, Intermediate or Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] meeting the same ratings are eligible.

<b>Mens 8-Ball Advanced</b>	165	215	200	250	225	275	7	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Player may have the equivalent (known ability) of a "9" average or higher if using the well-known "10-point scoring system" or rated as a national Advanced, Intermediate or Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or from "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] meeting the same ratings are eligible.

<b>Mens 8-Ball Senior (55+)</b>	145	195	175	225	200	250	5	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Aged 55 or over as of May 18, 2021, player must not be rated as an Advanced/Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] meeting the same ratings are eligible.

### Mens 8-Ball

<b>Super Senior (65+)</b>	145	195	175	225	200	250	5	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Aged 65 or over as of May 17, 2021, player must not be rated as an Advanced/Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] meeting the same ratings are eligible.

**[2<sup>nd</sup> Chance in ALL 8-BALL SINGLES DIVISIONS/ Free sign-up onsite entry ("Money-added"/No greens fees)] May 18 TBA**

<b>Womens 9-Ball Handicapped</b>	85	135	100	150	125	175	4/5/6/7	May 15-9AM to May 16
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Open to all eligible ACS/CCS league members. ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are eligible, but will be rated no less than "Open." **TWO SEPARATE DIVISIONS: 1). Standard/Open (races to 4/5) // 2). Advanced/Master (races to 6/7)**

**[2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Free sign-up onsite entry ("Money-added" No greens fees)]** May 16-TBA

<b>Womens 8-Ball Standard</b>	125	175	150	200	175	225	4	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Player must have the equivalent (known ability) of a "7" average or less if in a women's-only league and using the well-known "10-point scoring system" and not be rated as an Open, Advanced or Master player on any national or state Player-rating lists or "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are NOT eligible.

<b>Womens 8-Ball Open</b>	145	195	175	225	200	250	4	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Player may have the equivalent (known ability) of an "8" or "9" average if in a women's-only league and using the well-known "10-point scoring system" and not be rated as an Advanced, Intermediate or Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] meeting the same ratings are eligible.

<b>Womens 8-Ball Advanced</b>	165	215	200	250	225	275	7	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Player may have the equivalent (known ability) of a "9" average or higher if in a women's-only league and if using the well-known "10-point scoring system" or rated as a national Advanced, Intermediate or Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or from "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members meeting the same ratings are eligible.

<b>Womens 8-Ball Senior (50+)</b>	145	195	175	225	200	250	4	May 17-9AM to May 18
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Aged 50 or over as of May 17, 2021, player must not be rated as an Advanced/Master player on any national or state Master Player-rating lists or "Known Ability." ACS Sanctioned Player Members meeting the same ratings are eligible.

**[2<sup>nd</sup> Chance in ALL 8-BALL SINGLES DIVISIONS/ Free sign-up onsite entry ("Money-added"/No greens fees)] May 18 TBA**

**SCOTCH DOUBLES** Play in both 8-Ball Singles and Scotch Doubles (Man/Woman) play with no scheduling conflict.

**COMPOSITION IN 2021:** Teams in Scotch Doubles divisions may be composed of one man and one woman from ANY ACS/CCS-sanctioned leagues (need NOT be from the same league) who have both played a minimum of eight (8) full matches over a minimum eight (8) weeks during one sanctioned session since June 1, 2020. **PARTNERS MAY BE FROM SEPARATE ACS/CCS LEAGUES!**

<b>EVENT FEES</b>	<b>Early</b>		<b>Regular</b>		<b>Late</b>		<b>RACE</b>	<b>SCHEDULE</b>
	<b>Bird</b>		<b>Fee</b>		<b>Fee</b>			
	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>		
<b>Staying at the Tropicana ?</b>								
<b>8-Ball Standard</b>	113	163	135	185	160	210	4/3	May 15-6PM to May 16
Both players must meet "Standard" singles eligibility. ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are <u>NOT</u> eligible.								
<b>8-Ball Open</b>	113	163	135	185	160	210	4/3	May 15-6PM to May 16
If one or both meet "Open" singles eligibility – no "Advanced/Master." ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are <u>NOT</u> eligible.								
<b>8-Ball Advanced</b>	145	195	175	225	200	250	5/5	May 15-6PM to May 16
If one or both meet "Advanced/Master" singles eligibility. ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are <u>NOT</u> eligible.								

**TEAMS** Play in both 8-Ball and 9-Ball team play with no scheduling conflict. Open to any ACS/CCS league member with a minimum of eight (8) full matches played over a minimum of eight (8) weeks played in one sanctioned ACS/CCS league session. All team members must qualify from the same local league operator's league system [**EXCEPTION IN 2021: ADVANCED TEAMS – SEE BELOW**]. ACS Sanctioned Player Members [non-league] are NOT eligible. Amateur-only. No professionally-rated players.

**Mens 9-Ball Standard** 195 270 225 300 250 325 14/10 May 19-9AM to May 22  
NEW! Each 3-person team may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league.

**Maximum one Open-caliber player on team. No Advanced or Masters!**

**Mens 9-Ball Open** 195 270 225 300 250 325 14/10 May 19-9AM to May 22  
Each 3-person team may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league. **No Advanced or Masters!**

**Mens 9-Ball Advanced** 255 330 300 375 325 400 14/10 May 19-9AM to May 22

**COMPOSITION IN 2021:** A 3-person **Men's/Mixed-Advanced 9-Ball Team** may be composed of any qualified players from ANY ACS/CCS leagues (can be from more than one) based within the same state or province! **There is NO restriction on the number of Advanced or Master-rated players that may play in a round.**

**Mens 8-Ball Standard** 285 410 325 450 350 475 13 May 19-NOON to May 22  
5-person Men's/Mixed Standard teams may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league. **Maximum one Open-caliber player on the roster. No Advanced or Masters!**

**Mens 8-Ball Open** 365 490 425 550 450 575 13 May 19-NOON to May 22  
5-person Men's/Mixed Open teams may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league.

**Maximum one Advanced-caliber player on the roster.**

**Mens 8-Ball Advanced** 445 570 525 650 550 675 13 May 19-NOON to May 22

**COMPOSITION IN 2021:** 5-person Men's/Mixed Advanced teams may be composed of any qualified players from ANY ACS/CCS leagues (can be from more than one) based within the same state or province! **There is NO restriction on the number of Advanced or Master-rated players that may play in a round.**

**[2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 8-Ball Free automatic entry in Open and Standard divisions (No greens fees)] 8 May 21-TBA to May 22**

**Womens 9-Ball Open** 195 270 225 300 250 325 10 May 19-9AM to May 22  
Each three-person 9-Ball team may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league.

**One Advanced or Master-rated player is allowed on the roster.**

**Womens 9-Ball Advanced** 255 330 300 375 325 400 14/10 May 19-9AM to May 22

**COMPOSITION IN 2021:** A 3-person **Women's Advanced 9-Ball Team** may be composed of any qualified players from ANY ACS/CCS leagues (can be from more than one) based within the same state or province! **There is NO restriction on the number of Advanced or Master-rated players that may play in a round.**

**Womens 8-Ball Standard** 260 360 300 400 325 425 10 May 19-NOON to May 22  
4-person Women's Standard teams may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league.

**Maximum one Open-caliber player on the roster. No Advanced or Masters!**

**Womens 8-Ball Open** 340 440 400 500 425 525 10 May 19-NOON to May 22  
4-person Women's Open teams may be composed of any qualified players (8 weeks) from the same local ACS/CCS-sanctioned league.

**Maximum one Advanced-caliber player on the roster.**

**Womens 8-Ball Advanced** 420 520 500 600 525 625 13 May 19-NOON to May 22

**COMPOSITION IN 2021:** 4-person Women's Advanced teams may be composed of any qualified players from ANY ACS/CCS leagues (can be from more than one) based within the same state or province! **There is NO restriction on the number of Advanced or Master-rated players that may play in a round.**

**[2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 8-Ball Free sign-up onsite entry in Open and Standard divisions (No greens fees)] 6 May 21-TBA to May 22**

# GOOD TO KNOW!

TO GAIN THE TROPICANA DISCOUNTED HOTEL RATES...AND...TO HAVE RESORT FEES DISCOUNTED TO \$15/DAY/ROOM (normally \$39.00), you MUST reserve online at:

<https://book.passkey.com/go/AmericanCueSports21>

- ACS STATE CHAMPION TEAMS QUALIFYING FOR FREE ENTRY THAT INITIALLY SUBMIT A COMPLETE ENTRY FEE MUST REQUEST A REFUND AT REGISTRATION PRIOR TO THE START OF THE TEAM EVENT PLAY!
- Match start times and table assignments will be posted on the online Tournament Charts at WWW.COMPUSPORT.US
- Any Men's/Mixed or Women's 8-Ball & 9-Ball Singles or 8-Ball Team that finishes 'out of the money' in the various divisions of 8-Ball Singles and Team Main Events need only enter by notifying the Tournament Director's Desk regarding each division's respective Second Chance, to be played for ACS Added Monies. No additional ENTRY FEE required !
- All Second Chance Events are Single Elimination and FREE...and NO GREENS FEES.
- All Main Events are Double Elimination. TABLES ARE OPEN FOR PRACTICE AND MINI-TOURNAMENTS FOR FREE!!
- Entries should be submitted by the League Secretary along with a copy of current league stats.
- League stats confirming eligibility must accompany each entry if mailed, and emailed, attached or faxed if entered ONLINE.
- Onsite Check-In is required for all Teams (League Operator or Team Captain preferred) to register any name or roster changes and to obtain player goodie bags. For safety reasons, face masks may be requested. ACS-logged masks will be on sale at registration.
- Singles and Scotch Doubles Check-In is not required but is encouraged in order to claim Player Goodie Bags.
- A player may only play on ONE 8-ball team and ONE 9-ball team during the Championships.
- There is no minimum age requirement.

[REGISTRATION FEES: \$10 is deducted from each Singles/Scotch Doubles entry // \$25 deducted from each team entry]

[GREENS FEES: \$25/player is deducted from each Singles and Team entry // \$25/team deducted from each Scotch Doubles team entry]

ARTISTIC POOL CHALLENGE \$5 Entry on site {Shot diagrams at [www.americancuesports.org](http://www.americancuesports.org)}

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## LATE ENTRY FEES

Singles/Scotch Doubles	\$25	If postmarked or entered online March 23 to April 5, 2021
Team	\$25	If postmarked or entered online March 23 to April 5, 2021

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All Fees are in US Dollars and may be paid by Check, Bank Draft or Money Order payable to 'American CueSports Alliance' and sent to 101 S. Military Ave., Suite P - #131, Green Bay WI 54303. Payments made by Credit Card or PayPal should include a 5% (7% if Canadian entry) of amount submitted service charge, and such entry forms may be mailed, or faxed to 920-662-1706.

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**ACS National Artistic Pool Championship:** Sun., May 16 – Fri., May 21, 2021 // **\$500 Added by ACS.**

In association with the "DR. CUE CLASSIC ARTISTIC POOL TOUR" / Details online at [www.americancuesports.org](http://www.americancuesports.org) after January 15, 2021.

### Official Host Hotel • Tropicana Las Vegas • Las Vegas, Nevada

Tropicana Las Vegas  
3801 Las Vegas Blvd. South  
Las Vegas, NV 89109

ACS discounted tourney Trop hotel rates only thru April 9, 2021  
TROPICANA LAS VEGAS RESERVATIONS: 1-888-381-8767  
ACS CONTACT: Tel. 920-662-1705 or [info@americancuesports.org](mailto:info@americancuesports.org)

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**AVIS:** Call 1-800-331-1212 (USA/Canada) // ACS Special Rate Code: **AWD# S015200**

**BUDGET:** Call 1-800-455-2848 (USA/Canada) // ACS Special Rate Code: **BCD# Z947000**

**For full 2021 ACS Vegas Tournament Info, go to [www.americancuesports.org](http://www.americancuesports.org).**

**2022 ACS National Championships – May 14-21 ! Tropicana Las Vegas !**

## REQUIRED READING !!!

- **2021 ACS Nationals: \$25/player GREENS FEES charged in every primary entry fee (exception = \$25/Scotch Doubles team)// All pool tables opened for all competition, practice, mini-tourneys and 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance events throughout the week! Primary divisions: Double-elimination**
- **IF YOU ARE NOT STAYING AT THE TROPICANA LAS VEGAS DURING YOUR COMPETITION DATES AT THE 2021 ACS NATIONALS, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE APPROPRIATE DIVISION ENTRY FEES UNDER THE “NO” COLUMN ON THE ENTRY FORM !!!**
- **For “ACS Nationals” discounted \$95 WEEKDAY/ \$149 WEEKEND TROPICANA HOTEL RATE: GO TO <https://book.passkey.com/go/AmericanCueSports21>. The discounted rate at the Tropicana Las Vegas is available through April 9, 2021, ...AND...YOU MUST RESERVE USING THE ACS-EVENT-SPECIFIC WEBSITE IN ORDER TO GAIN THE DISCOUNTED \$15 DAILY RESORT FEE! Resort Fee includes: Wifi; self parking; 2 bottles of water per day; 2 for 1 frozen drinks at Tropicana Pool; 20% off Trips at Zero1 Off Road Adventures; 20% off Grand Canyon Tours; Glow Spa- \$30 off services over \$140, 20% off retail products. [We recommend all attendees make their reservations prior to January 30, 2021!]**
- **“EARLY-BIRD” DISCOUNTED ENTRY FEE: Enter by Jan 30th, 2021, and you will save 20% on all Entry Fees (except Greens Fees)! That’s a savings from \$15 to \$35 on Singles entries, from \$22 to \$30 on Scotch Doubles entries and from \$30 to \$80 on Team entries. Take advantage; it’s good for you and good for ACS tournament planning. **Not 100% sure?** Go ahead and pre-buy. You can submit as a “TBA” if necessary and receive a refund later or provide Team Names / Rosters later, if needed.**
- **“STAYING AT THE TROPICANA” DISCOUNTED ENTRY FEE: Everyone is encouraged to stay at the Tropicana. Not only does it make for a much more fun and convenient tournament experience, the Tropicana itself is fantastic! Having completed \$150 million in renovations, the rooms are first-rate, the staff is unbelievably friendly and it has the best pool area in Vegas! Check them out at [www.troplv.com](http://www.troplv.com). **If you are entered into Singles, or a partner in Scotch Doubles or a Teammate in Teams, submit the entry fee in the appropriate “Yes” column, and write in the Tropicana Hotel Room confirmation # where specified on the entry form.****
- Providing a **FREE** Nationals Standard Division 8-Ball Team Entry to ALL ACS-sanctioned leagues per the following schedule based on member size:
  - 0 to 100 - 1 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entry (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 101 to 150 - 2 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 151 to 200 - 3 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 201 to 250 - 4 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 251 to 300 - 5 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 301 to 350 - 6 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 351 to 400 - 7 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 401 to 450 - 8 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 451 to 500 - 9 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**
  - 501+ - 10 Free Standard 8-Ball Team Entries (Team must still submit Greens Fee amount)**[ACS provides added money to the Standard Team divisions as well.]
- Providing a **free team entry** to the 8-Ball Team Champions from every primary team division of each ACS-affiliated State Association and the ACME 2021 ACS Midwest Championships. **(Team must still submit Greens Fee + a \$25 Registration Fee amount with an entry form specifying “FREE ENTRY,” and request a refund at registration BEFORE team events begin if a previous entry fee was submitted ! )**
- In addition in 2021, the ACS is providing '2 rooms for 2 nights' (weekdays only) at the Tropicana to the 8-Ball Team Champions from every primary team division of each ACS-affiliated State Association and the ACME 2021 ACS Midwest Championships. Eligible teams bring your receipt to the onsite ACS Registration desk.

## ➤ NEW CHANGES FOR 2021!!!

- **STATE CHAMPIONS:** State Champions who entered the 2020 ACS Nationals and were refunded their entry fees or authorized a transfer to the 2021 ACS Nationals will still collect their benefits at the 2021 ACS Nationals if they enter. But all players on such teams must still regain their eligibility by playing in a minimum of 8 full matches over a minimum of 8 weeks in one sanctioned 2020-2021 session of an ACS-sanctioned league (each player need not qualify in the same session as other team members and must be in good standing with the 2020-2021 ACS-sanctioned league). Entered team composition must still reflect the composition of the State Championship team whether from 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 league years.
- **REFUNDED 2020 TEAMS:** All teams that entered the 2020 ACS Nationals and were refunded may use their Free Standard Team entry perk for the 2021 ACS Nationals. They must re-enter – unless they authorized a transfer to the 2021 ACS Nationals and did not collect a refund. But all players on all teams – transferred or other - must still regain their eligibility by playing in a minimum of 8 full matches over a minimum of 8 weeks in one sanctioned 2020-2021 session of an ACS-sanctioned league (each player need not qualify in the same session as other team members and must be in good standing with the 2020-2021 ACS-sanctioned league). Example: if a league had a quota of two Free Standard Team entries for the 2020 ACS Nationals that was not conducted, it will now have a quota of two (2) Free Standard Team entries for the 2020 ACS Nationals + two (2) Free Standard Team entries for the 2021 ACS Nationals = four (4) Free Standard Team entries for the 2021 ACS Nationals!
- **ADVANCED TEAM COMPOSITION:** REMINDER: While all team members must qualify in the same league for Open and Standard Team divisions at ACS National/Midwest events, Advanced Team entries may be composed of participation-qualified players in any 2020-2021 ACS/CCS leagues throughout the same state or province. They need not be from the same ACS/CCS-sanctioned league. **Professional-rated players are ineligible** to compete in ACS-produced events. The ACS will recognize as “professional-rated” 1). those players already listed as “Professional” on the ACS ratings list; 2). any female player Fargo-rated over 630 or male player Fargo-rated over 720; 3). or any player adjudged by the ACS tournament committee to be “Professional” from “Known Ability (KA).” Players may contact ACS to lobby to be downgraded if they can show justifiable reasons. “Fargo rating” is only one of many resources ACS uses in determining the skill level of a player.”
- **EQUIPMENT:** 120 Valley 7-footers/ Mercury Ultra cloth/ Red Circle cue balls
- **DRESS CODE:** Sleeved shirts of polo/golf-style or button-down style with a conventional fold-over collar are required. T-shirts and sweatshirts are not allowed. Players may wear conventional-style hats. Hats/Visors/Caps are allowed with the bill facing forward. No knit hats, stocking caps, or any other headgear. Ear buds, cell phones, etc. are not permitted. Men must wear long pants or neat, clean, untorn jeans. Warm-up suits and jogging suits are not allowed. Women may wear dress pants, Capri-style pants, or neat, clean, untorn jeans, culottes, and skirts or sleeved dresses (of conservative length). Men and women must wear clean, neat, close-toed shoes at all times. Should a player require a footwear exception for medical reasons, the player must provide a letter on official letterhead from the player’s health care provider before the tournament (and keep a copy of the letter available for review by a referee at all times; if requested).
- Dress code must meet the Singles competition requirements in all divisions.
  - Scotch Doubles. Matching shirts are not mandatory, but preferred.
  - TEAM SHIRTS **ARE REQUIRED**. MUST BE MATCHING, COLOR, LOGO, ETC.