AMERICAN CUESPORTS ALLIANCE INDIANA ASSOCIATION

Attention All Captains and Players,

The ACSIA State event April 21 to April 25, 2021 at the Quality Inn (BW) Hotel and Conference Center in LaPorte, is guaranteed to be the best yet. These are new dates that were announced in December as the February dates were cancelled due to State restrictions. The player’s entry forms are ready for you to register. There is still plenty of time for reserving rooms, too, but the hotel is filling up real fast. Some made their arrangements already. However, many players made them recently. So, get your rooms now as we do NOT want anyone to stay off premise as this does not support the event fully.

There has been a slight separation of rankings. As you know most organizations have gone to an Advanced division level within the last few years. We have been using the National lists in assisting with the State list. With the help of the player committee we have worked to designate the players in this division. Some that have been moved from Master to Open in recent years may be placed into this division. Some Masters, that have not recently cashed, may be placed into this division. Players that have qualified by place of finish in their respective 2014-20 singles divisions may be assigned there. Others may be placed with the use of known ability. The major change is the ease in creating your teams so that some players are not left off. Teams may have one Master ranked player in their line up or two Advanced players. Advanced and Master players will now participate together for singles play. As the event continues to grow the divisions will be separated. Notate this on the team form as there is an area to check off under each name that is placed on to the rosters. Players should know their skill level without a list to rely upon for entry into the correct division. However, any questions please inquire. If a player has not played for at least two years or is new to the event they must use their HIGHEST ranking from ACS (National or State) or ANY other (VNEA, IAMOA, APA, BCA-PL, TAP, etc billiard association when entering. The player committee is working on some changes for 2021 and the following years. The 2021 ACS Indiana ranking lists reflect a very small change from last year. Michigan players and select Illinois and Ohio players please use your existing state organizations, as described above, to place your entries into the correct divisions. Operators must assume full responsibility for their players. If placed into the wrong division, then discovered afterward, they will be forfeited out without refunds. (All times on entry forms are Central)

You asked! We listened!! It worked!!! So, we included a green fee for each event to avoid the costly coin amount charged per game. We have arrived at a number that we think will be sufficient for all. The green fees when registering for each are; singles event $20, Scotch $12.5 each, Men Teams $80, Women teams $65, and Youth/Adult zero. The best benefit is all other events such as Sportsman, Second Chance, Mini Tournaments, and practice time are covered as there will be no additional green fees. More players can now practice during down times. This is a great savings to the players. We encourage everyone to play at least two to three singles events as well as the team event. The State tournament only comes around once a year. We are looking to increase each operator’s numbers from the 2020 year. We will be inviting select IAMOA leagues again. We will also be rewarding four 2021 team entries and some hotel days for the ACS Nationals held in May at the beautiful Tropicana Resort and Casino. The women team and the men team that won the 2020 event will still get free entry and hotel at The Tropicana for ACS 2021 Nationals this upcoming May. So, the pandemic that caused last year’s cancellation will not affect the winning 2020 team’s’ awards.

You asked! We listened!! Yes, we will have more 50/50’s and raffles this year. Everyone will have a chance to win something. You asked-we listened!! Once again we will have the ACS Compusport tournament program in place. You asked-we listened!! More space to play! You got it!! We expanded!!

So, gather up your players and beat the entry deadline. Get ready for an enjoyable 24th Anniversary Billiard experience. Thank you so much for your continued support and participation. Make sure you contact your operator for details. You can always reach the State office by calling JulieAnn Mitchell 219-771-1174, e-mail; [Julie.mitchell@comcast.net](mailto:Julie.mitchell@comcast.net) or Cecil Messer at 219-465-8101, e-mail; [cmessermidwst@frontier.com](mailto:cmessermidwst@frontier.com).

Reminder; enter early! Don’t be left out!! When divisions are full, they will not be expanded. We only have so much time within the event for each tournament.

Due to current protocols regarding social distancing, all teams will consist of four players. In the case that the pandemic causes another Indiana state shut down and forces cancellation for the April event, we will notify all in plenty of time of the new rescheduled dates.

On behalf of the ACSIA Board of Directors, thanks again and we hope to see you soon.

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