**From the President:**

Welcome to the SDPL Spring 2026 season!  The League continues to improve your Monday night pool experience. We've grown by 2 new teams and 24 new players.   We will use electronic scoresheets, simplifying the match scoring. All SDPL members are now BCA members as well. SDPL results will automatically update your Fargo rating. The West Coast Challenge will be held in Palm Springs and for the first time, the Palm Springs Pool League will participate.

Special thanks go out to Jay Wunderl, Brooke Hall and Josh Watson for the hard work of loading our teams and each player's info into the BCA Pool League system. Please join me in thanking them for pulling off this significant accomplishment!  For anyone that has suffered through a software transition, you can appreciate that system changes are never easy and seldom go smoothly. There is always a learning curve and there will be questions no one anticipated. I appreciate your patience if you encounter problems.  We will work with you to resolve issues as quickly as we can.

The SDPL provides a safe place for the LGBTQ+ community and our allies to build camaraderie and skills.  We recognize that LGBTQ+ spaces are under assault by some who oppose our values, diversity, who we are and what we represent.  They seek to turn back the clock to 1978 when we formed this league out of fear and necessity. While we are a sports league, we are beneficiaries of a larger effort that saved us from AIDS, recognized our families, and ended much of the shame and ridicule heaped on us. I'd like to thank our Allies that join us every Monday for some competitive pool. And I encourage all our LGBTQ players and Allies to live your values not only in the safe spaces, but in all aspects of your lives. Let's play pool and have some fun.

**Curtis Moore**

# President, San Diego Pool League

**Links / attachments included:**

- ✓ SDPool.org  (Official website)
- ✓ SDPL Facebook page
- ✓ SDPL Documents page
    - o SDPL-BCAPL Scoring App Guide
    - o FargoRate Player App Guide
    - o SDPL Match Play Guidelines & Rules effective 01-2026 (attached)
    - o SDPL bylaws effective 01-2026
- ✓ Board & Captains contact directory (attached)


## WHAT'S NEW

1. **The SDPL is now BCA Pool League (BCAPL) sanctioned.**  Our players are members of the BCAPL and will begin to be ranked with a Fargo Rating.  All players are encouraged to download the FargoRate Player App from Google Play or the Apple App store.  Click this link for information about FargoRate scores.  The App's are free.  A separate email will go out to all players with FargoRate App information.

2. **SDPL - BCA Pool League scoring:**   Instructions are attached.
    a. Downloading the FargoRate Player App (Step 1) that shows match play calendar 4 weeks out.
    b. Downloading the BCAPL scoring App (Step 2)
    c. Using the Scoring App to run the match and submit scores
    d. You can also confirm your team players via the scoring App.

3. **SDPOOL.ORG:**   We will no longer use League Republic.  While Fargorate provides an individual's information and some divisional info, League-wide schedules, results, histories and notices are located at sdpool.org.

4. **1.10 SCOREKEEPERS** – Both team captains (or designee) shall use the BCAPL Scoring App each night. Both home & visiting teams use the BCAPL scoring App to manage match play and keep score.  Both verify score accuracy including wins/losses, table runs, etc. at the end of the match.  Both submit your results via the App at the end of the match.
    a. **Recommend you open the match while you have Wifi.  If the bar doesn't have Wifi you will still be able to score the match as opening in advance**

> **downloads the match to your device.  You then submit when you do have wifi.**
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> b. **Consider having players on your team download and use the scoring App also.  This will take some of the pressure off you.**

5. **Break Rotation**:   The break rotation changes from last year, to rotate by round, and not by player.
   **1.11 ROTATION OF BREAKS AND PLAYERS** - The break will rotate with home team breaking in the 1st and 3rd quarters, visiting team breaking in the 2nd and 4th quarters.

6. **Adding new players night of play** – With the scoring App it's important to have new players in the BCA system <u>before they play</u>.  And there's a $20 fee for each player new to BCAPL.  To add a new player night of play you must:
   a. Call **&** Text Brooke Hall & Josh Watson to have them entered.  They'll get to it as soon as they can given they are also playing their matches.
   b. Pay the $20 member fee with your $40 nightly dues.

   **Reminder:** Team rosters cannot exceed 7 players.  If you have 7 players, you must identify the player to be removed before your new player can be added.

**REMINDERS & HELPFUL HINTS**

1. **SUPER CRITICAL – DOWNLOAD THE APP'S AND READ/UNDERSTAND THE BCA SCORING APP GUIDE BEFORE PLAY ON MONDAY!**
2. **Contact all of your players** and remind them where you play on Monday!  It is in the FargoRate App.
3. **Key Phone Numbers:**   Please save the Board members phone numbers on your phone, as well as those for your division's captains.    See attached directory.
4. **Table Fees:**    Both captains are strongly encouraged to submit $40 weekly table fees and any $20 BCAPL new player fee in full via **Venmo to the Treasurer (Russel Mortenson Boyd@Russm92107)** at start of match & no later than end of match. (Avoid the late fee!)
5. **Team Fees**:   One-time $25 Team Registration fee due along with the $40 weekly dues on January 12th payable via Venmo to the Treasurer (Russel Mortenson Boyd@Russm92107).
6. **Paper Scoresheets:**   If you must use a paper scoresheet, the home team captain must text the score sheet to the Statistician (Brooke Hall) immediately at the end of the match.

7. **1.2 MATCH POSTPONEMENT** – Every effort should be made to avoid a match postponement. A 24-hour notice must be given to the opposing team captain and the Vice President if a match must be postponed.
8. **1.16 DISPUTES** – Team captains should amicably resolve disputes using the SDPL Guidelines and Rules of play. Unresolved disputes may be submitted by both captains to the Vice President via email.
9. **2.4 8-BALL POCKETED ON THE BREAK –** Pocketing the 8 ball on the break is neither a win, nor a loss of game. See rule 2.4 in the Guidelines & Rules
10. **BR's** – Break and Runs are table runs completed from the break.
11. **TR's** – Table Runs or TRs are defined as a player legally pocketing all possible object balls <u>in their first inning</u>. In the Scoring App use the TR button to record this event.
12. **League Republic will no longer be used**.