



2023-24 Flag City Pool League Minutes

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STARTING TIME: 7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY night with a 15-minute grace period. This is not a per-game grace period. Once the match has started play is to continue uninterrupted until completion.

Teams must go to the "NWOHIPOOL.com" website to look at the weekly standings sheet and players' handicaps each week. No weekly standings will be handed out. Any smartphone can look up handicaps and standings. Please help each other out. This will save the league weekly copy fees and that will put more money into the prize fund.

WEEKLY COST: \$8.00 per player plus table quarters. Breaker pays the extra quarter. The secretary will get paid \$.75 per player per week. \$.75 per player per week to the Regional Tournaments in Napoleon. \$1.00 per player to the kitty for our end-of-league tournament for our league only. The balance - \$5.50 goes to our league prize fund, (except for incidental expenses like awards and MVP cash prizes, copies, etc.).

ROSTER: 8-player roster. Once your roster is full, you must get ***one-half*** of the captains' approval 24 hours in advance to drop a player and add a new player. No new players can be added last 4 weeks of league. If a player leaves a team, he/she cannot play the rest of the season with any other team. ***The women's teams may have a maximum roster of 9 players IF they plan to split their team into 2 teams for the Napoleon Ladies tournament.***

HANDICAP: Max 3 per player per round. Players will carry over averages from last year for each player for 3 weeks. Starting their 4th week, you will use their handicap from the weekly standings. (***You must have played 3 nights in our league last season to carry over an average.***) A list of players and averages is included in each captain's folder. ***New players will establish their average at the end of their first night of play.***

FORMAT: 15-game round-robin. ***Players must be lined up from lowest to highest average. When adding a new player without a carry-over average, that new player must be placed in the 3rd position. The 2nd new player goes into the 2nd position and the 3rd new player goes into the 4th position.***

SANCTION FEES: All fees are due the first night of play. \$15 per player for Ohio Valley plus \$2 for Indiana. If all fees are not paid, that player will be deemed an illegal player and their games will not count. ***If***



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you add a player after Nov. 30, Valley sanction fees will be \$17 and after March 31, 2024 the Valley sanction fee will be \$25. If you were already BCA sanctioned in 2023, your BCA Sanction fees are already paid through December 31, 2023. All NEW players that were not BCA sanctioned anywhere in 2023 will pay \$20.00 for the remainder of 2023 then everyone will pay \$20 for 2024.

SOFTWARE FEE: \$3 per player due the first night of play. This is a 1-time fee that applies to all players in the league.

DROP-OFF POINT: ?? by 10:30 pm Wednesday. If the envelope is late, one winning round point will be deducted from the team and the captain will be horse-whipped, tarred and feathered, drawn and quartered, shot, stabbed and forced to watch 24 hours of My Pretty Pony.

SCORE SHEETS: Only the white (home team) score sheet has to be turned in. When both Captains sign the score sheet, they each guarantee that the sheet is complete and correct. Make sure that all of the addition is correct as well as all awards like EROs and 8-on-the-breaks, etc., are included and correct. The home team is responsible for making sure that the score sheet is complete including the date, both team names and ALL addition is complete. Please check your handicaps too. **Mark each ERO and 8BB and circle the correct game.**

AWARDS: 1st place sponsor and individual trophy or plaque
2nd place sponsor and individual trophy or plaque

MVP AWARDS: 6 awards...1 for highest points and 1 for highest average – Male and Female. 2 additional awards for the highest winning percentage for the top Male and Female players. MVP awards - a plaque and a \$25 money prize for each. You must have played two-thirds of the season.

- If a player has a question about a rule during the game, he/she must ask the opposing player or opposing captain with his/her captain present.
- ✓ If you scratch on the 8-ball and the 8-ball remains on the table, this is not a loss, but it is a ball-in-hand foul.

PROTEST FEE: \$10.00 (See rule book for procedures)

8-on-the-break is not a win or a loss. 8-on-the-break is the "breaker's choice" of spotting the 8-Ball and accepting the balls where they are or re-rack all the balls and break again. If the player scratches and makes the eight on the break, then it is the "opponent's choice" of spotting the 8-Ball and accepting the balls where they are or re-rack all the balls and breaking the balls his/herself.

CANCELLATION DUE TO BAD WEATHER: *Locations and captains* will be notified by the president, vice president, and/or the secretary by 5:00 pm. The captains will have to notify their players. We will also try to contact 100.5 WKXA Findlay radio station to have them announce it as well.

- ✓ League will pay for 1 open team spot (\$125.00) for the Ohio State Team Championships in Canton, OH.

Regional and Invitational Tournament Info:

- To qualify for Regional and Invitational Tournaments, you must have played 4 nights and 12 games by December 31.



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➤ Officer Obligations and Responsibilities:

- The President is the official member of the board for the Northwest Ohio Pool Players Association. He/she represents the Flag City Pool League and all of its players to the association. He/she is expected to attend all Association meetings which are held at the American Legion in Napoleon, Oh. They are usually on Sunday afternoons.
- The President, or whoever is the officer that represents us at that meeting, should come back and pass the information from the Association on to the Secretary so that the Secretary can pass it on to the Captains of all of our league teams. The Captains will pass the info on to all of the league players.
- The President, or whoever is the officer that represents us at that meeting, will take any of our league concerns to the association. He/she will always act or vote in the best interest of all of the league players.
- If the President cannot attend, then he/she is expected to notify the vice president and/or Secretary/Treasurer and have one of them be the representative for our league at that meeting.
- All of the officers are expected/required to assist in the planning, organization and/or running of the regional and invitational tournaments.

➤ League Rules:

- Findlay Flag City Pool League follows the rules as provided by Valley International with the following additions and exceptions:
- If either team captain chooses to use the Aramith Valley cue ball, then that is the cue ball that will be used for that match. No discussion.
- No team wants to win or lose because a team is short a player so we have added specific ways to help prevent that from happening:
- If a team is missing a player, then that missing player does not forfeit the 1st round until the 2nd round is finished. That player will also forfeit the 2nd and 3rd round at the end of the 3rd round if that person has not shown up by the time that the last available player has completed the game in the 3rd round. There is one addition to this rule. If there is a teammate available that is not already playing in the current match, that teammate can play for the missing player until the missing player arrives. Under this circumstance, the highest handicap between those 2 players will apply for the entire match. Each player will get credit for the games each one has actually played. This is a voluntary substitution rule so no one can be forced to substitute for the missing player no matter how many players are available. If this rule is misused or taken advantage of in any way, the league officers will review any complaints and determine if a captain's meeting needs to be called and the rule reviewed.
- We try to have 3 floating subs in our league. If your team is short a player then your captain needs to contact the Secretary (Gene Cook @ 419-674-7594) and he will supply the names and phone numbers for each floating sub. Floating subs will play for any team that contacts them if they are available. Please don't wait until the last minute to try to get a floating sub. They may not be available.
- If a team member leaves a team on good graces, with no disputes, then that person may become a floating sub. However, that player cannot join another team in that same season.
- A team may only use 1 floating sub per night of play and a team may only use the same floating sub 2 weeks in a row.



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- All floating subs must be willing to play for any team when they are contacted. If this is violated then that person will be dropped from the floating sub-list and the league for the remainder of the season.
- A floating sub may be picked up by a team, and at that time they must repay the sanction fee to the league.
- No one may add a floating sub except the 3 league officers. No exceptions.
- Full player names are to be used on score sheets. No more “Just Initials”. No Exceptions.
- It was voted to cap the league at 25 teams.
- The League pays Sanction Fees for all 3 officers since they go to the Association meetings in Napoleon each month to get the Divisional Tournaments ready.

Notes:

NEW For August 9, 2023 Meeting:

- 21 players attended the organizational meeting at Ave Cue on Wednesday, August 9, 2023.
- 17 teams were represented.
- We elected officers for the 2023-24 season. Motioned and 2nd to keep the same. Passed. The officers are listed at the beginning of this document.
- We elected a new Vice-President – Kevin Rogers.
- We ended the Covid player substitution rule. If you are short a player, get a floating sub.
- Our league will start on September 27, 2023, and end on March 27, 2024.
- We will continue the End-Of-Season Flag City Pool League divisional tournaments instead of a potluck dinner.
- Nights off this year: Thanksgiving week -11-23-23, Christmas week – 12-27-23, BCA State – 10-11-23, Indiana State week – 4-3-24, & Ohio State week – 4-25-24
- ALL tournament entries go through the league secretary to be verified and additional info added.
- BCA State – October 11-15, 2023, Indiana State – April 3 - April 7, 2024, Ohio State – April 25-28, 2024, BCA World Championships – February 21 – March 2, 2024, Valley World Championships – May 23 – June 1, 2024.
- Napoleon Regional Tournaments – Scotch Doubles Weekend January 12-14, 2023, Women’s Division – January 19-21, 2024, Junior/Senior Tournament – January 21, 2024, First Division- January 26-28, 2024, 2nd Division – February 2-4, 2024, 3rd Division - February 9-11, 2024, Invitational Tournament – February 16-18, 2024
- Qualifying weeks for the Ohio State tournament by March 15, 2024.
- It was motioned and 2nd that “Women’s teams can have players on their roster but cannot use the floating subs. Passed
- Referee class will be offered by Bob Glenn, National Valley Ref, October 21-22, 2023. The flyer with details is posted at www.NWOhioPool.com/tournaments.

NEW Since August 9, 2023 Meeting:

Avenue Cue has closed its business and 12 teams were displaced. 7 teams were offered positions in the Chalky’s in-house league and moved to Chalky’s. Chalky’s also has allowed us to use 2 of their tables for our travel league. 4 teams will play out of Chalky’s and the remaining team moved to the Am Legion