

**WPA WORLD 9-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP
FOR WHEELCHAIR PLAYERS**

JANUARY 31 – FEBRUARY 1, 2010

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION & REGISTRATION PACKET

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COMPETITION EQUIPMENT:

DIAMOND SMART TABLES (9 FOOT)

**TABLES AND TOURNAMENT SPACE PROVIDED COURTESY OF DIAMOND
BILLIARDS PRODUCTS OF JEFFERSONVILLE, INDIANA**

MANDATORY PLAYERS MEETING:

**ALL INVITED AND ACCEPTED PLAYERS MUST ATTEND THE PLAYERS
MEETING TO BE HELD AT 4:00 PM ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2010 AT
THE HORSESHOE CASINO OF SOUTHERN INDIANA. MEETING ROOM
LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED**

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TOURNAMENT DETAILS

1. FEDERATION PLAYER QUOTAS:

a. NORTH AMERICA	(BCA)	15
b. EUROPE	(EPBF)	15
c. ASIA	(APBU)	06
d. PANAMERICA	(CPB)	02
e. OCEANIA	(OPBA)	02
f. ALL AFRICA	(AAPA)	02
g. INVITED PAST CHAMPIONS		06

(BASED ON FORTY-EIGHT (48) PLAYER FIELD, MAXIMUM)

- THE FOLLOWING SIX (6) WPA WORLD WHEELCHAIR CHAMPIONS, 1999 - BOB CALDERON (USA); 2000 - FRED DINSMORE (IRE); 2002 -JOUNU TÄHTI (FIN); 2004 - SHOU-WEI CHU (TPE); 2003 & 2007 - HENRIK LARSSON (SWE) - AND AARON ARAGON (USA), 2008, ARE INVITED TO COMPETE WITHOUT PENALTY TO THEIR GROUP.
- PLAYERS MUST BE IN GOOD STANDINGS WITH THEIR NATIONAL AND/OR WPA FEDERATION IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR COMPETITION. EACH PLAYER, EXCEPT FOR THE AFORE-MENTIONED WORLD CHAMPIONS, MUST BE NOMINATED BY THEIR AFFILIATED CONFEDERATION, UTILIZING THE ATTACHED *FIRST ENTRY FORM – FEDERATION*, IN ORDER TO SECURE A PLAYER SLOT FROM THE QUOTAS LIST (ITEMS 1a – 1f ABOVE).
- ANY QUOTAS UNUSED/UNASSIGNED BY A FEDERATION BY THE FIRST APPLICATION DEADLINE (*DECEMBER 11, 2009*), MAY BE REALLOCATED TO FEDERATIONS WHO HAVE ASSIGNED THEIR FULL QUOTA AND HAVE REQUESTED ADDITIONAL PLAYER QUOTAS FOR ELIGIBLE PLAYERS OR FOR QUALIFYING TOURNAMENTS, PROPORTIONAL TO THE ORIGINAL ALLOCATION SCALE.
- ANY REMAINING UNASSIGNED PLAYER SLOTS MAY BE ALLOCATED, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE NWPA, FOR ASSIGNMENT TO ELIGIBLE USA PLAYERS WHO ACTIVE NWPA PLAYERS (2009 YEAR END RANKINGS WILL DETERMINE THE ORDER OF PLAYER SELECTION, FOLLOWED BY UNRANKED ACTIVE NWPA PLAYERS).

2. 2010 DERBY CITY CLASSIC (OPEN AMATUER/PROFESSIONAL EVENT)

- **DIAMOND BILLIARDS WILL BE HOSTING THE 2010 DERBY CITY CLASSIC IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE WPA WORLD 9-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR WHEELCHAIR PLAYERS.**
- **ALL EVENTS (9 BALL, ONE POCKET, AND 9 BALL BANK) WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HORSESHOE CASINO OF SOUTHERN INDIANA IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DERBY CITY CLASSIC, SCHEDULED JANUARY 22 – 30, 2010.**
- **DIAMOND BILLIARDS INVITES ALL WHEELCHAIR PLAYERS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE TO COMPETE IN DERBY CITY CLASSIC ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.**
- **SPECTATOR, HOTEL AND TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION INFORMATION, RATE CODES, AND RATES FOR THE DERBY CITY CLASSIC CAN BE FOUND AT www.dcctickets.com**

3. DEADLINES:

- a) ALL QUOTAS ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 11, 2009 (NUMBER OF PLAYERS)**
- b) NAMES OF SELECTED PLAYERS, DUE FROM EACH FEDERATION BY DECEMBER 11, 2009.**
- c) REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL PLAYER QUOTAS, ALONG WITH A NAMES OF ADDITIONAL PLAYERS, FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL QUOTAS DUE DECEMBER 18, 2009.**
- d) THE NWPA WILL CONFIRM QUOTAS AND ACCEPT/REJECT SUPPLEMENTAL QUOTA REQUESTS BY DECEMBER 22, 2009.**
- e) OFFICIAL ENTRY FORMS, PLAYER PROFILE FORMS, ENTRY FEES AND TWO PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS, DUE TO ORGANIZERS BY JANUARY 11, 2010.**

4. SCHEDULE: (ALL TIMES WESTERN STANDARD AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

AIRPORT PICK-UP FROM LOUISVILLE INTERNATIONAL-STANDIFORD FIELD AIRPORT (SDF), LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY TO EVENT HOTEL FOR THE ARRIVAL OF PLAYERS AND DELEGATES MUST BE PREARRANGED.

JANUARY 30, 2010; SATURDAY, 10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

TOURNAMENT CHECK-IN FOR REGISTERED PLAYERS AND DELEGATES (HORSESHOE CASINO; LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED):

JANUARY 30, 2010; 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

WELCOME PARTY, PLAYERS MEETING, REVIEW OF TOURNAMENT FORMAT AND SEEDING PROCESS, FINAL FORMAT/SEEDINGS, TOURNAMENT DRAW, AND DINNER (LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED)

JANUARY 31, 2010; SUNDAY; DAY ONE: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

INITIAL ROUND OF PLAY MATCHES 1 – 16; 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM (16 MATCHES)

ROUND 2; A SIDE MATCHES 17 – 32; 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM (16 MATCHES)

ROUND 2; B SIDE MATCHES 33 – 48; 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM (16 MATCHES)

ROUND 3; A SIDE MATCHES 49 – 56; 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM (8 MATCHES)

ROUND 3; B SIDE MATCHES 57 – 64; 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM (8 MATCHES)

ROUND 4; B SIDE MATCHES 65 – 72; 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM (8 MATCHES)

ROUND 4; A SIDE MATCHES 73 – 76; 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM (4 MATCHES)

ROUND 5; B SIDE MATCHES 77 – 80; 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM (4 MATCHES)

FEBRUARY 1, 2010, MONDAY; DAY TWO: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

ROUND 6: B SIDE MATCHES 81 – 84; 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM (4 MATCHES)

FINAL EIGHT – SINGLE ELIMINATION ROUNDS – RACES TO 11

ROUND 1: MATCHES 85 – 88 11:00 PM – 2:00 PM (4 MATCHES)

ROUND 2: MATCHES 89 - 90 2:30 PM – 5:00 PM (2 MATCHES)

ROUND 3: MATCH 91 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM (1 MATCH)

MEDAL PRESENTATIONS/ CLOSING CEREMONIES 8:00 PM – 9:00 PM

FEBRUARY 2, 2010, DEPARTURES (TO AIRPORT AS PREARRANGED)

**NOTE: TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE AND FORMAT SUBJECT TO CHANGE
BASED ON PARTICIPANT LEVEL AND OTHER FACTORS**

5. ELIGIBILITY:

PLAYERS WHO MEET THE WPA REQUIREMENTS FOR MINIMAL DISABILITY ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE, AS DEFINED BY WPA RULES OF PLAY, SECTION 7. COMPLETE ELIGIBILITY RULES CAN BE FOUND @ <http://wpa-pool.com/index.asp?content=rules>.

6. PAYMENT:

ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 11, 2010. INTERNATIONAL CHECKS AND MONEY ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED, ALONG WITH BANK TO BANK WIRE TRANSFERS, BUT PLAYERS/DELEGATES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SENDING THE FULL AMOUNT DUE IN US DOLLARS. IN THE EVENT A PAYMENT SENT BY A PLAYER IS NOT RECEIVED OR COLLECTABLE, FULL PAYMENT IN US DOLLARS MUST BE COLLECTED IN CASH PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF PLAY.

ENTRY FEE: \$150.00 USD PER PLAYER INCLUDES:

- A. REGISTRATION**
- B. MEALS – WELCOME AND FAREWELL FUNCTIONS ONLY**
- C. \$100.00 OF ENTRY FEE APPLIED TO PRIZE FUND**
- D. GIFT BAG.**

7. COMPETITION FORMAT (9 FOOT TABLES):

- a) DOUBLE ELIMINATION DURING PRELIMINARY ROUNDS**
- b) SINGLE ELIMINATION ROUNDS BEGINS WITH FINAL EIGHT LAYERS**
- c) UP TO 16 PLAYERS WILL BE SEEDED BASED ON RESULTS FROM 2008 WPA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FOR WHEELCHAIR PLAYER.**
- d) ALL PRELIMINARY ROUND MATCHES WILL BE A SINGLE RACE TO NINE (9) GAMES, ALTERNATING BREAKS.**
- e) THE SINGLE ELIMINATION PHASE WILL BE A SINGLE RACE TO ELEVEN (11) GAMES, ALTERNATING BREAKS.**
- f) MORE DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE PLAYER MEETING.**

8. MEDALS WILL BE AWARDED TO THE CHAMPION, FINALIST, AND SEMI-FINALISTS. PRIZE MONEY ALSO WILL BE DISTRIBUTED (100% OF \$100.00 USD PLAYER ENTRY FEES, WITH ADDED MONIES BASED ON SUCCESS OF SPONSORSHIPS AND CONTRIBUTIONS) TO THE FOLLOWING FINISHERS:

- a. WORLD CHAMPION (1ST PLACE)**
- b. FINALIST (2ND PLACE)**
- c. SEMI-FINALISTS (3RD - 4TH PLACE)**
- d. FIFTH AND SIXTH (5TH - 6TH PLACE)**
- e. SEVENTH AND EIGHTH (7TH - 8TH PLACE)**
- f. NINTH THROUGH TWELVE (9TH - 12TH PLACE) - PROVIDED THE TOTAL PRIZE FUND IS \$7,000 OR GREATER**
- b) THIRTEEN THROUGH SIXTEENTH (13TH - 16TH PLACE) – PROVIDED THE TOTAL PRIZE FUND \$8,000,00 OR GREATER**
- c) FINAL PAYOUTS WILL BE ROUNDED TO NEAREST \$50.00 USD**
- d) THE ORGANIZER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADD ADDITIONAL PRIZE AND ADJUST THE PAYOUT SCHEDULE AND PERCENTAGES AS IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE**
- e) PLAYERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL TAXES THAT MAY BE DUE AS A RESULT OF THEIR TOURNAMENT WINNINGS.**

9. HOTEL/VENUE TRANSPORTATION:

- a) AS THE HOTEL AND TOURNAMENT ARE ON THE SAME PROPERTY, THE ORGANIZER WILL NOT PROVIDE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLE(S) TO THE PLAYING VENUE FROM OTHER HOTELS. IF NEEDED OR DESIRED, PLAYERS AND DELEGATES ARE WELCOME TO PROVIDE OR ARRANGE THEIR OWN LOCAL TRANSPORTATION.**

- b) ALL LOCAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OUTSIDE OF PREARRANGED HOTEL/AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PLAYERS, DELEGATES, AND STAFF.
- c) THE ORGANIZERS ARE EXPLORING THE FEASIBILITY OF PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FROM AIRPORT/HOTEL (ARRIVAL) AND HOTEL/AIRPORT (DEPARTURE) ON A LIMITED BASIS. IF ASSISTANCE WITH TRANSPORTATION FROM/TO THE AIRPORT IN LOUISVILLE IS NEEDED, PLAYERS MUST PREARRANGE SUCH WITH THE ORGANIZER, AND PLAYERS MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OR PART OF THE COST THE TRANSPORTATION.

10. LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS:

- a) THE TOURNAMENT HOTEL (HORSESHOE SOUTHERN INDIANA CASINOHOTEL) HAS ROOMS SET ASIDE FOR THIS EVENT
- b) THE HOTEL HAS A TOTAL OF 8 ACCESSIBLE ROOMS (ALL HAVE ROLL-IN SHOWERS) AVAILABLE FOR BOOKING.
- c) ROOM CODE FOR BOOKING NIGHT OF JANUARY 30TH IS (SOIHDER RATE IS \$140 PLUS TAXES (SATURDAY NIGHT)); www.dcctickets.com
- d) ROOM CODE FOR BOOKING NIGHTD OF JANUARY 31ST AND FEBRUARY 1ST IS SOINWHE (RATE IS \$99 PLUS TAXES (SUNDAY AND MONDAY NIGHTS)); www.dcctickets.com
- e) TEAMS, INCLUDING PLAYERS, DELEGATES, AND STAFF, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THEIR OWN LODGING AND PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE TOURNAMENT HOTEL OR OTHER LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS OF THEIR CHOICE. THE ORGANIZER WILL PROVIDE A LIST OF ALTERNATE HOTELS IN THE LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY AREA UPON REQUEST. ALTERNATE HOTELS ARE APPROXIMATELY 10 – 15 MILES AWAY FROM THE TOURNAMENT VENUE AND PLAYERS MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN LOCAL TRANSPORTATION.
- f) THE ORGANIZER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURING HOTEL RESERVATIONS OR MAKING HOTEL PAYMENTS FOR ANY TEAM OR TEAM MEMBER/DELEGATE/STAFF.

11. RULES OF COMPETITION:

- CURRENT WPA WORLD STANDARDIZED REGULATIONS AND RULES, INCLUDING RULES FOR 9 BALL AND WHEELCHAIR COMPETITION
- ALTERNATING BREAKS
- FOULS ON ALL BALLS IN ALL MATCHES
- RULES GOVERNING EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL CONDUCT ARE OUTLINED IN WPA AND NWPA DOCUMENTS. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS DOCUMENT FURTHER DEFINES THE RULES COVERING CONDUCT AND PLAY DURING THIS EVENT.
- STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE CONDUCT AND DRESS CODES WILL BE FOLLOWED