

Play the Table



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Editorial:

Welcome back Leaguies and with that we are back in full swing :-) Roll on 2010.

This year sees Az heading up the All Stars & overseeing the venue, the amazing Melmoe running the Leagues, and introducing the lovely Andrea Turner taking care of the days & phones & of course super Kid Stewie, Azza's right hand man/slave. With this more than capable crew the busy year ahead should be a breeze for me.

Finishing off 2009 was just one big party for some with staff & volunteers having a blast of an Xmas Party & the Leaguies taking full advantage of their drink cards at their Xmas Presentation. For others it was a month of intensive training & assessments with the All Stars reaching the halfway point of their program, they finished off the year with two renowned guest coaches, Jim Bonner helping with the finer arts of cue sports & James Mills teaching the ins & outs of the game rules and giving them refereeing accreditations. Finally Aaron gave each player individual progress assessments reflecting on their progress to date. The Christmas Cup was up next with a great result going to young Luke Anglesey beating Chris Rusk for the Cash. That was the end of a jam packed year of Cue Sports & entertainment at Miss Q's.

Kicking off the new year saw 17 of our up & coming juniors attempt to qualify for the Junior State finals though Miss Q's Peel Region Trials, check the results on pg.3 & stay tuned for the AMAZING Finals results next issue. Then the All Stars were off to Geraldton for the return Challenge Match, a very exciting & educational journey for the crew & very special thanks to Adrian Lancaster for a superb event. Next the Australia Day Cup Cash comp was very exciting with Paul Dickenson scooping the pool over Ben Dougherty in a very exciting final (revenge is sweet hehehe).

On Feb 6th, come along to the all important 13 Hour Fundraising marathon & help raise funds to get our Juniors to the Nationals, just hiring a table with friends on the day means you have contributed, grab an information flyer and be there!!! The following weekend is Gossies Challenge qualifying on Feb 13th with the all important home challenge here on Feb 21st, should be heaps of fun so try not to miss it. Cheers Until next month.

Happy Potting Kez



Cash Comp Champs



L-R: All Stars Challenge Cash Comp Champs Luke Foster & Runner Up Jarrad Nagtegaal.

Geraldton ALL STARS Challenge

The 23rd January was the date of the second ever Geraldton Challenge and this time it was on Geraldton's home turf. The Miss Q's All Stars Team travelled in a convoy of sorts late Friday afternoon on the six hour journey to the home of the Great Northern

Ball Association, Geraldton. We arrived at our accommodation at about 11:30pm after what for most was a very uneventful drive, whilst for others the feat was unmistakably death defying. After some convincing we achieved quiet and settled in for the night, some sleep was required in preparation for our big day which was set for an early start, 8am for breakfast. After a hearty brekky of bacon and eggs and some pep talk of various sorts, we headed off to find Adrian Lancaster and his team at their headquarters the Geraldton Italian Club. With everyone onsite we had a bit of a warm up and at 10:30 we got down to business, the first round saw some solid match play from both sides which showed promise for the All Star side, the score at the end of round one was 9 - 8 Geraldton's way, (this might be real close if we can keep that sort of scoring going). Round two played out a little differently with Geraldton getting the upper hand on us 14-3 (guess I spoke too soon). After a few more rounds we broke for lunch, the progressive score 99-54 in Geraldton's favour. After eating our fill of pizza we returned to the tables to have one last go at cracking the Geraldton team, the matches were quality, but the team with the home ground advantage came up trumps in the end some 83 frames ahead of on a total of 169 wins verses our 86, almost double our score. Having said all of that the score line does not always reflect the match play and that Saturday this was definitely the case with most matches going all the way to the wire, in what was some very different match play compared to the last time the All Stars met Geraldton on the tables, testament in my opinion to the persistent training,



Challenge Champions - The Geraldton All Star Team

coaching and guest coaching the members of the All Stars team have been subjected to over the last six months. Following the teams event we could all relax a bit we had a few social games, then presentation, Geraldton All Stars, the victors and owner of Man of the Match Adrian Lancaster with 15 from 15, a huge effort. Top scorer for the Premier All Stars was Damien Bulldog Baldock with a score of 12 from 15. With that out of the way it was getting dark and time to start the Singles Knockout which everyone played in the matches were intense, the semi final saw an interesting sight with Geraldton's Coach (Adrian) being knocked out by his one of his juniors (Luke Foster) which I thought amusing, until I myself was knocked out by one of my juniors in the semi, congrats to Jarrad Nagtegaal in what is his best result so far in a cash comp, the final between Luke Foster & Jarrad Nagtegaal, in the battle of the Juniors, while the coaches stood by and watched



Adrian Lancaster Player of the Match

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Mandurah's Premier All Stars Challenge Team



ALL STARS

Geraldton Challenge

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ha ha ha, Luke was the eventual winner in well played matches. I am glad to report that as a general rule the majority of All Stars conducted themselves superbly both on and off the tables, and as a result hopefully made some friends within the Geraldton ranks. In closing there's a few things people I'd like to recognise, firstly our own Damien Stenhouse who was unfortunately, so ill that he couldn't compete, but he did get to see the inside of Geraldton Hospital for a day. Secondly Nerrida Nagtegaal bringer of cake and cookies and temporary ambulance for Stenhouse, the cake and paramedic service was appreciated by all thank you very much. Thirdly Jarrad Ward for helping cook breakfast both mornings, and finally Sasha & Tegan for acting as our substitutes on the day. Lasts but not least congrats to Adrian Lancaster and his Geraldton team for hosting an awesome competition, your great sportsmanship and facility and just for being so damn friendly, you guys rock, thank you very much. I look forward to seeing you all again later this year in July for our next challenge, this time on our home turf.

That's all. Az



Premier Academy of Cue Sports

Well it's been another action packed couple of months for the All Stars, with two guest coaches and a challenge match or two. The tail end of November saw the legendary Jim Bonner come and put the All Stars through their paces, sharing his knowledge and skills with everyone in attendance and I know many of the All Stars took a lot away from the experience. Jim has played & coached for many years in many disciplines of cue sports and reached the top level in Snooker representing Australia at 3 world titles and twice representing Australia at world level in 9 Ball, just to mention a few of his many credentials.

In December we saw another guest coach in the form of James Mills, James is responsible for accrediting referees at state and national levels and came to coach, test and accredit the All Stars who did exceptionally well given many of had never even played in an adjudicated match let alone refereed one. James found himself astounded by the All Stars willingness to learn and apply newly acquired knowledge and he was pleased to accredit everyone

as either "B, C or D Grade" Referees, quite an accomplishment for the All Stars Team. I'd like to extend a big thank you to both James and Jim for their efforts on behalf of the All Stars team and myself and wish them both well until we see them again in 2010.

The change over of year also saw not one but two Challenge Matches for the All Stars to play in, one at Gosnells and one in Geraldton, and challenges saw their share of wins, losses, up's and down's, but as a general rule I was happy with the way that the team conducted themselves regardless of wins or losses. Gosnells saw a tough match up between both sides, the mixed All Star / Miss Q's team fought all the way to the end but sadly came up dry with a respectable score line of 177-143 Gosnells favour. The Geraldton Challenge was time for the All Stars to get serious having suffered a serious beating last time both teams faced off, and with Geraldton having the home ground advantage and us travelling it was always going to be a big ask, you can find the full story of our big adventure on the front page of this edition of this newsletter.



Top: All Stars Group with Jim Bonner
Bottom: All Stars Group with James Mills



L-R: All Star Shalako Isabeth being guided by Jim Bonner
James Mills running through the rules with the All Stars

League Update

Hey all Melmoe here, welcome to another year at Miss Q's. It's going to be a great one, I am now the Leagues Coordinator and I hope to make your league experience an awesome one :-). I have some new leagues starting up over the next couple months so if you're interested come and let us know at the bar.

Thursday Purple League – 12 Teams of two – Starts January 28th – Strictly Social

Wednesday Purple League – 12 Teams of two – Starts February 17th – Strictly Social

Tuesday Purple League – 12 Teams of two – Starts February 23rd – Advanced Level

Tuesday Blue League – 12 Teams of two – Starts March 9th – Strictly Social

Razzlers Carnival Experience 2009



Team Razzlers 2009 Elite Carnival Runners Up
L-R: Evan Briggs, Colin Fender, Simon Gray, Capt. Michael Sammut, Dan Rucci, Vanessa Doll, Trevor Gray & Manuel Sammut

The 2009 Winter Premier Elite Competition this year was a very good competition. We were defending the title as the 2008 winners but we knew from the start that it was going to be a lot tougher this year. All of the competitors from the previous year was there but they all had improved which brings the standard of the competition up to

a whole new level. This I think had a lot to do with the Premier All Stars Coaching that is going on through Miss Q's and you can see that there is a lot more strategy and thought going into the games.

The winners of this years competition – The Neil Barton's really did deserve it. For the whole competition they remained on top and they really showed what they could do. We tried to keep the pressure on but it just wasn't enough.

Being a Perth team it is hard to come down every week to Mandurah but we through we'd give it another shot. I'd like to thank Miss Qs for holding the competition and to Kerry for the smooth seamless running of the competition, and always having freshly brushed and ironed tables. Congratulations to all of the players in the tournament as you all played well and have improved noticeably each time we come up against you. Best of luck to The Neil Barton's in New Zealand! Michael Sammut - Razzlers Team Captain.

Peel Region Junior State Trials

Saturday January 16th saw Miss Q's host it's first ever Junior State Trial and was home to a day of very solid play, all of our expected juniors showed and a few you wouldn't expect making it a great day for all involved. There was a decent field in all age groups, and all played well, with a few surprise results thrown in for good measure. The top two from each age bracket qualified for their chance to compete at the finals held on the 30th of this month results will be known just after this goes to print. Under 18's saw an old Midget Assassin in the form of Kyle Van Zon come runner up to one Miss Q's most feared juniors Luke Anglesey who took out 1st place by just one frame, well done Luke. Under 15's saw Danyl Brown come runner up to Jarrad Nagtegaal who was in fine form after a break from the tables during a recent holiday, form which carried on till the Geraldton Challenge the following weekend, well done Jarrad. Under 12's saw Mikey Read & Scott Brownrigg last years U12's champs face off in a long awaited match. Mikey just getting pipped at the post by the defending title holder Scott Brownrigg. Well done Scott. As for the rest of our many juniors, all of them bar a couple went on to compete in other qualifiers around the city and as far north as Geraldton, thank you to Adrian Lancaster for allowing Jasmyn and Tegan to compete and qualify during our recent Challenge. And well done to all our juniors who persisted and qualified in other venues. See you all at the State Final on the 30th. Best of luck. Az.



Under 12's



Under 15's



Under 18's



L-R: U12 Champ Scott Brownrigg with Runner Up Mikey Read



L-R: U15 Champ Jarrad Nagtegaal Runner Up Danyl Brown



L-R: U18 Champ Luke Anglesey with Runner Up Kyle Van Zon



After an exciting spate of money match challenges amongst the WA Top Line players the relatively unknown Miss Q's member & Web Site designer Ben Dougherty beat Paul Dickenson 11/10, Ron Kelly 11/9 and was beaten by Justin Sajich 11/8. This amazing result inspired Miss Q's Leagues to form the 'Who The F#*k is Ben Dougherty Anyway' Cheer Squad. Special thanks to Sherrie of Geraldton for the T Shirt idea & well done to all the competitors involved in making Top Quality 8 Ball match play a talking point. Good luck players, for the second round of games, we look forward to the results.

Junior Update



L-R: Junior Comp Runner Up Jasmyn Brown with Champs Scotty Brownrigg & Third Danyl Brown

Hello all once again and for the last time you will hear from me (Melmoe) with a Junior Update as I no longer work the weekends. Your new junior comp man is Az.

Anyways December was a very quiet month for our juniors as everyone was busy but we had Danyl, Jasmyn and Scotty who were eager to play as they had state tryouts coming up soon and they wanted as much practice as they could get. It didn't take them too long to finish their games with Scotty placing 1st, Jasmyn just beating her brother by 1 point earning herself 2nd place and Danyl placing 3rd. Well done guys for coming down and playing and good luck in states :-)

Also Happy 12th Birthday to Ben Thomson (pic.right) who celebrated his big day with friends at Miss Q's. Great Cake!!! Well that's it from me for now but you will still hear from me in the League Updates. Ta ta for now - Melmoe



Meet Andrea Turner



Hey Everyone, I'm Andrea, the newest member to join the Miss Q's crew. Most of you would know me as 'Ma'.

I've been playing pool here for 4 years so it's something I'm familiar with, however working behind a bar is an all new experience for me! Not only will I be your daily bar wench but I'll also be your Miss Q's call girl. I'll be contacting you from time to time for updates, subbing, league & comp info. Please be gentle with me while I'm settling in & I look forward to the challenges both behind the bar & on the tables. Cheers Andrea/Ma

The 'Ben Dougherty' Pheer Squad...

This Months Champs



L-R: Gossies Qualifier Champion Evan Briggs with Runner Up Scott Brownrigg



2009 Premier Pool Champion of Champions

L-R: Champ Evan Ray with Runner Up Simon Gray



L-R: Sunday Elite Singles Champion Ben Dougherty with Runner Up Neil Barton



L-R: Australia Day Cup Cash Comp Champ, Paul Dickenson with runner up Ben Dougherty



Australia Day Cup Cash Comp Top Junior Shane Vaelua placing 3rd



L-R: Thursday Purple League Singles Runner Up Kristian Dix with Champ Luke Schneider



L-R: Thursday Purple League Team Champs Jack Collins & Luke Schneider with Runners Up Team 'Grey Power', Hans Pedersen & Gary Kalbus

Gossies Challenge



L-R Gosnells Challenge Team Champs with the Miss Q's Challenge Team

Hi, Az here reporting on another Gosnells Challenge, and finding myself one challenge closer to dressing in drag (YES AGAIN!) only serving in a different bar in a different pool room next time. C'mon guys pick up your game! Reckon this is just how Antonio from Gossies felt leading up to the very memorable chest waxing incident. That's right readers, the latest Gosnells Challenge has been and gone and much to my dismay we are no closer to seeing Antonio dressed in drag and serving drinks in our bar, quite the opposite in fact. The qualifier held at Miss Q's showed promise with Evan Briggs & Scott Brownrigg the top qualifiers, heading up a pretty strong side for Miss Q's. Evan going on to become the top player from Miss Q's at the challenge on 12 from 15 just behind Dave Barker, the Player of the Match on 14-15, leading Gosnells to their fourth consecutive win. In the end the score was close 177-143 in Gosnells favour, leaving us to return to Mandurah trophyless yet again. A big thanks to Antonio and crew for hosting another successful event, we all had a blast and look forward to seeing you again at our next challenge on the 21st of February where I look forward to putting Antonio's dreams of seeing me in drag at his bar to ruin. Till February. Az



Xmas Party Fun & Games

Right: Premier Pool Players Celebrating at their Christmas Presentation Party.
Below: Miss Q's Staff & Volunteers making the most of the patrons generous Tips from 2009 and enjoying the MASSIVE Bar Lollypop



MPF Update

Total MPF Balance to the end of November 2009 - \$1468.61
 * Income – Champion of Champions - \$65.40
 * Income – Christmas Cup - \$24.00
 * Income – Australia Day Cup - \$27.50
 * Income – P Raines Uniform - \$54.00
 * Expense – James Mills Coaching - -300.00
 * Expense – Jack Halligan Coaching - -400.00
 * Expense – Geraldton Accommodation - -1200.00
 * Expense – Geraldton Fuel & Meals - -443.61
Total MPF Balance to the end of January 2010 - -\$704.10



**LABOUR DAY CUP
 Cash 8 Ball Competition
 Monday March 1st.
 Double Elimination Knockout
 Entries make up the Prize Fund.
 \$25 Entry - 1pm Start.**

Upcoming Events

MPF 13 Hour Fundraising Marathon
8 Saturday 8
February 6th
From Midday to 1am
Come & support the Miss Q's Players Fund and help raise much needed funds for our Juniors who made the WA State Team to get to Tasmania for the Junior National 8 Ball Championships
Pool Comp from 7pm - \$30 entry - 50% to the prize fund & 50% to the MPF & State Juniors. PLUS
Loads of great giveaways & activities like:
Pot the Lot - 25 Mtr Pot Car Wash - Sausage Sizzle Challenge a Midget Raffles & much more.....
 Miss Q's will be donating All Table Hire Takings to the MPF so you can do your bit for a great cause by having an awesome day of pool & fun with Family & Friends



Gossies Challenge

The Gossies have thown down the Gauntlet & the Duel Dates have been set in Stone.

Miss Q's Leagues come one come all, your skill is required to win back our Challenge Champion Status!

Team Qualifying Knockout Comp, Date: **Saturday 13th February @ 7pm.** \$20 entry includes all day Night Play & the Gosnells Challenge Match Play. Top 20 players will make the Challenge Team.

Challenge Match Date: **Sunday February 21st at Miss Q's on Home Turf.**