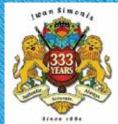




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The 15th annual American 14.1 Straight Pool Championship being held at Q Master Billiards, Virginia Beach, VA, Oct. 22-26, 2019, is considered by many experts to be among the world's premiere pool tournament events. Tournament founder Peter Burrows of Annapolis, Maryland notes: "Straight Pool is considered to be the truest test of pool tournament skill and attracts the best-of-the-best from around the globe. This year's field includes players from USA, Asia, and Europe competing for the \$42,000 prize fund." Hall of Fame legends and world record holders who cherish the skillful nuances of Straight Pool such as Thorsten Hohmann, Darren Appleton, John 'Mr. 626' Schmidt, Niels Feijen, Ralf Souquet, Johnny Archer, Mika Immonen and three dozen others will gather in Tidewater Virginia for a five day Straight Pool tournament combining round robin and single elimination formats. Feature matches and the finals will be live-streamed free throughout the championship courtesy of Jake Lawson and Billiard Sports Network. Q Master Billiards, the legendary room of the late Berry Behrman and long time host of the U.S. Open 9 Ball Championship, now turn their sights to the father of all games, 14.1, as they are hosting the American Straight Pool Championship for the first time. Tournaments details and highlights can be found at www.americanstraightpool.com/



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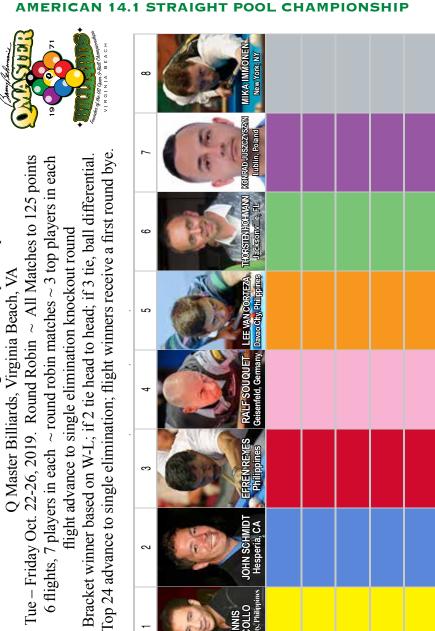


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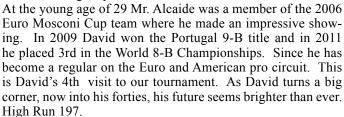
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## David Alcaide, Salamanca, Spain

b. 1978, Malaga, Spain





Darren Appleton, Whitehall, PA "Dynamite" 2012 & 2014 World 14.1 Champion; 2014 World Cup Champion; 2012 World 9-Ball title; 2x World 9 Ball Champion; 2015 World 8 Ball Champ. 2014 & 2015 American 14.1 Champion; World Games Champion 2013; 2010 & 2011 US Open 9 Ball title; 2009 US Open 10 Ball title; 2009 World Masters Champion; 2008 World 10-Ball Champion; 2009 & 2012 Ranked #1 in the world;

b. 1976, Pontefract, West Yorkshire, England



It seems like yesterday that Darren arrived here in the US, and since then he has become a regular on the cover of every industry magazine, and his name on the winner's trophy of almost every tournament he enters. Darren has twice won the World 14.1 title, and in 2016 made it once again to the finals of the World 14.1 before losing to Thorsten. Darren won our American 14.1 Championship in 2014 & 2015 This is Darren's 5th visit to our championship and we thank him for fitting us into a busy schedule. He is founder of one of the major pool tours now, WPS World Pool Series. **Sponsors: Predator Cues; Rasson Billiards; Cueworld.** See pg. 16



Johnny Archer, Acworth, GA, "The Scorpion" 1999 US 9-Ball Champ; BCA Hall of Fame; 4x World 9-Ball title; 12x Member of US Mosconi Cup





Johnny began playing pool at 12 and turned pro in 1986. Today he is recognized around the world as one of the game's supreme players. His credits are truly legendary and he has won more than seventy professional tournaments, so naturally Johnny won our 2011 MD Tournament in his very first try! Among his many top honors: Winner US. OPEN 9 Ball Title in 1999; 7x Player of the Year and 1990s Player of the Decade! 12x member of the prestigious USA MOSCONI CUP TEAM. In 2009 Johnny was inducted into the BCA Hall of Fame and in 2011 Johnny made his 1st visit to our tournament and he showed his stripes besting John Schmidt in the finals. This year will mark Johnny's 7th visit to us and it is an honor to have you, Johnny. Sponsors: Universe Clothing, CueStix International & Scorpion Cues.







## Radoslaw Babica, Rokietnica, Poland. 2017 Poland 10 Ball Champion

b. 1979, Poznan, Poland



a pool room, Akademia Bilardowa Rokietnica, in his native city. On the 20th anniv. of the Polish Billiard Assn. Radoslaw was voted the top player and he has long been a strong competitor on the Euro tour., but, as we now see his countrymen are yapping at his heels! He has made numerous appearances in 14.1 tournaments and the U. S. Open 9 Ball. Radoslaw is 12x Polish national champion and his high run is 124. In the World Cup of Pool 2006-2010 Radoslaw was part of the Polish team and in 2005 he made it to the World Championship 8-Ball quarter-finals. He was the former coach for the Champion Women's Polish team and today operates QUAY Rokietnica Open, the largest tournament in Poland. 2019 is Mr. Babica's 5th trip to our Championship. Thanks, Rad!

Radoslaw is married and has two young daughters and owns





# Mike Badstuebner 'Fingers', Bethpage, NY

b. 1968, Bethpage, NY

Sponsor: **QUAY** 



Mike has been around the NY pool circuit for years and is one of the top amateurs in the state, winning over 50 in regional tours. In August 2018 'Fingers' finished 3rd in the Dragon Promotions 14.1. Mike is married and this is his 2nd shot at our championship. Good luck, Mr. Fingers.

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# Danny Barouty, Salinas, CA, World 14.1 Hall of Fame

b. 1956, New York City



In 2014 Danny moved to Calif. after long years in Queens where he was a regular winner of many NY 14.1 titles in addition to being the consummate League director in NYC and one of the most astute of pool commentators. Danny has played in all our championships since 2006, twice finishing 2nd quite a record. As he enters his 60s his formidable skills have not diminished and he remains one of the top 14.1 players in the country, always ready and willing to compete with the young guns. Best of all, his pool is a close match for his wonderfully whimsical personality. Thank you once again, Danny, for making a long journey to support the great game of 14.1 and for being the very best commentator on the planet. Sponsors: Easy Street Billiards, Parawire.







# Peter Burrows, Annapolis, MD "Peter Pool" Tournament Founder & Chmn.

b. 1938, Chicago, IL

As a youth Peter played with Willie Mosconi in Chicago and later in a college exhibition with the great Willie. Following graduation from the Univ. of Colorado where he was 3x time winner of the CU 14.1 tournament and after a decade of travel and pool as far away as Johnson City, in 1968 Peter Pool hung up his old Rambow and followed his beautiful bride, Pam, from Chicago to Maryland. Times along the shores of the Chesapeake Bay have been good and today Peter is still active and Pres. of Severn Insurance Ltd. He was Director of the 2006 14.1 World Championship Tournament and founder and Director of Maryland 14.1 Open which now enters its 15th year as the American 14.1 Straight Pool Championship. Peter played as an 'honorary' in many past World 14.1 Championships and the Sang Lee Three Cushion Billiard Invitational. A lover of opera, golf and bridge, Peter & his wife Pam have three daughters & six grandchildren. High run 81 and still trying for that mystical 100! There is no other game but 14.1 . . . just ask him. **Sponsors: Pam, Becky &** Erik, Kelly, Katie & John . . . God Bless them!



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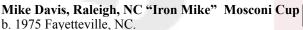
# Ruslan Chinahov, Moscow, Russia "Siberian Express" sian Junior World Champ; 2018 Derby City 14.1 title



b. 1996 Moscow, Russia

Just 26, young Mr. Chinahov is single and one of the top players in Russia and has set his sights high. Last year he won the 2018 Derby City 14.1 Challenge, finished 5th in the World 9-Ball and 3rd in the World 10-Ball tournaments, plus both the VA & TX 10 Ball Titles. Welcome back to our tournament for the 3rd time Ruslan. Sponsors: Kaspersky Internet Security, Mezz Cues, Zan Tips, Clutch Shot Apparel.







Mike is a longtime top player on the pro circuit and is among a select group who has played in most of our 15 tournaments, finishing 2nd in 2007 behind Mika Immonen. Mike finished 2nd in 2011 World 14.1 demolishing a field of the world's top players before losing in the finals to Thorsten Hohmann. 2014 Mike again had a great showing getting to the single elimination round. He has a high run of 239. Mike is a past member of the prestigious US MOSCONI CUP TEAM and his pool credits are endless; he plays in a tournament somewhere virtually every weekend and usually wins. We congratulate Mike on his 1st wedding anniversary to lovely Shannon. Great job, Mike, but I remind you we have just reached 51!! Thanks for your long and loyal support, Mike.







## Maksim Dudanets, Moscow, Russia

b. 1999, Saint Petersburg, Russia



Wow! This young phenom is setting the entire pool word aglow. Wait until you see him play! Only 21, Max has recently come to the US to play and everyone is buzzing. Max is making his 3rd visit to our 14.1 and so now we have yet another "Max" to worry about defeating and this young man will not be easily sent to the canvas. In 2016 Maksim finished 7th in the Turning Stone Classic. С возвращением, Max! Sponsor: Alex Borukhovich, New York City.



#### Pascal Dufresne, Weehawken, NJ

b. 1976, Montreal, Canada



Pascal started playing when he was 16 and after college moved to NYC in 2006 where he began to play seriously. Today Pascal is a software engineer and a regular at Amsterdam where he is one of the top amateurs and a 14.1 league winner in 2017. His HR is 84 and Pascal has won numerous Predator & Tri State Tour events. Welcome to your 1st American 14.1.

Pascal. Photo credit: Edionisio.





# Max Eberle, N. Las Vegas, NV "Mad Max"

b. 1969 on the moon . . . where else!



"Mad Max" brings a flair and smooth style to our sport like no other. He is 3x National 8-Ball Champ and was voted the UPA Sportsman of the Year. He has played around the globe & authored numerous books and articles for billiard periodicals. Max is health conscious and outspoken in his ideas on improving our lives and making the world a better place and has worked in Hollywood performing and assisting with movies and commercials with Michael Jordan and Matthew Perry. Max is an art lover and award winning artist whose popular work has a unique blend of meaning, beauty & impact. Along with his passion for art 'Mad Max' has played pool since 12. He has long been one of the top players on the Pro circuit and has many appearances in the Dragon 14.1 Tournament, making a strong run in 2015 reaching the semi-finals against a star-studded field. This is Max's 5th trip to our 14.1. Thanks, Max!











# AMERICAN 14.1 STRAIGHT POOL CHAMPIONSHIP Q Master Billiards, Virginia Beach, VA October 22-24, 2019 Table 30 Live Stream - Matches to 125



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Niels Feijen, Osted, Netherlands, "The Terminator" 2008 World 14.1 Champion,

2014 World 9 Ball Champion;

2016 American 14.1 title; 2013 & 18 World Pool Masters

b. 1977, The Hague, Netherlands

Another of the true greats and featured many times on the cover of BD (Apr & Aug 2014) highlighting his illustrious career. A terrific player, true gentleman and at his side an absolutely gorgeous lady, Kat, and a perfect little daughter, Lina. The things that make one's life. My own ancestors long ago lived at Leiden, Holland before coming to America; no doubt they were Pilgrim pool players. Niels needs no intro from me, just check every issue of BD, AZ and other industry mags over the past two decades. What a career! And you know what? I am going to leave my entire wardrobe to this handsome gent! Seriously, why can't we all dress up this game a bit. Niels surely does in every way. Niels 'The Terminator' Feijen is the first Dutch pool player to become World Champion and is consistently ranked Top 10 in the world. His prowess at the 9 foot table is legendary and formidable; evidence 9x Mosconi Cup team! So just how many have you played on? I have watched! Twice Niels was 2nd in World 8 Ball tournament and half a dozen x in the top five at the US Open 9 Ball. Niels is making his 4th appearance in our American 14.1 Championship. Thank you Niels, and I do mean that. This great Champion and pool ambassador is sponsored by Katrina Feijen, Longoni, Gabriels, BET and Kamui.



## Tom Gleich, La Jolla, CA

b. 1958. North Carolina



Tom is a devotee of 14.1 and our tournament not only as a player, but in his very generous support of our Prize Fund. Like all of us he stands in awe of Mr. 626 and extends his hearty plaudits to John for his remarkable record and achievement. I believe Tom speaks for all of us. "Congratulations to John Schmidt for his high run!" Thanks, Tom, for playing and for your support.



# Earl Herring, Maybrook, NY

b. 1955



Earl had been one of the strongest amateur players in the Hudson Valley for four decades. Winner of the New England Open. 14-1; Winner of the 14-1 tournament of Champions. 4th at the 1978 World open; 5th-6th U.S. Open 9 Ball. Earl is married and has 3 children and 4 grandchildren and is making his 2nd visit to our tournament.









Thorsten Hohmann, Jacksonville, FL "The Hitman" World 14.1 Champion; 4x Dragon 14.1 Champion 2011, 2013, 2015; 2018; World 10-Ball & World 9 Ball title 2015; MD Open 14.1 Champion 2013.

b. 1978 Fulda, Germany

We are honored again have Thorsten as one of our tournament's premier participants. There are few who would deny that he is the finest 14.1 player of our era if not the best allaround player in the world. In 2015 Thorsten won the Dragon 14.1 Championship for the 4th time as well as the World 10-Ball Open. In Aug. 2018 Thorsten won his 5th Dragon 14.1 World 14.1 title. Congratulations to Mr. Thorsten. In 2006 Thorsten won the last officially sanctioned World 14.1 Title and the IPT 8-Ball Open, 1st prize \$350,000! 2005 he was BCA Open 9 Ball Champion & European Straight Pool Champion. 2004 he won the German National 9-Ball title. His titles around the world are legendary. Thorsten has played in our Championship a dozen times and we realize that his tour schedule is jam packed and we appreciate his long & loyal support to us. Thank you, Thorsten!

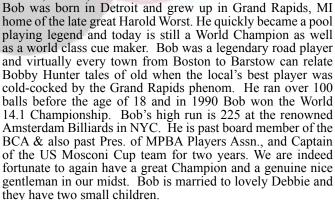
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Bob Hunter, Prospect Heights, IL., Straight Pool Hall of Fame

b. 1953, Detroit, MI



Sponsor: Hunter Custom Cues, Prospect Heights, IL





# Mika Immonen, New York City, NY "The Ice Man" 4x World 14.1 Champion; World 10-Ball Champ; 2x US Open 9-Ball Champion; BCA Hall of Fame





b. 1972 of Finnish descent, born in Paddington, England. Mika, born near London, was raised in homeland Finland. Elected in 2014 to the BCA Hall of Fame, Mika needs no introduction and is known across the globe as one of the finest players to ever play this beautiful game not only in our generation, but for all time. A legendary player of every game, and a true ambassador of pool around the world. Mika has played in our tournament many times was the European 9-Ball Tour's No. 1 player at 20. Four years after capturing his first major international title — the 1996 Peace Cup in Taiwan, Mika settled in New York City. A year later he won the World Pool Championship in Cardiff, Wales, topping a star-studded 128 player international field and grabbing what was then pool's richest top prize, \$65,000. Mika was a dominant player throughout the 2000s, winning 10 pro titles in the U.S., including backto-back U.S. Open 9-Ball crowns in 2008 & 2009. He added his second world title when he won the 2009 World 10-Ball Championship. Billiards Digest named the Ice Man "Player of the Decade" in 2010. He has added a handful of major titles since 2010, including the World Cup of Pool doubles crown in 2012. He has been a 14x member of Team EUROPE in the Mosconi Cup and was MVP in 2008. In Sept. 2016 Mika won his 4th World 14.1 title at Steinway Billiards in NYC. Mika has been a long and loyal supporter of our 14.1 and we appreciate it, Mika. Sponsor: Mezz Cues, Taom Chalk & Tips.



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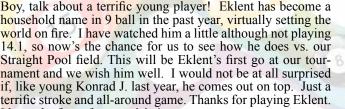
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# Eklent Kaci, Albania

b. 1998, Albania



I hope the first of many visits!





# Maximilian Lechner, Innsbruck, Austria, 'Mad Max'

b. 1990, Innsbruck, Austria

Max is still single and just this year turned Pro. With a HR of 294 what took him so long? He has many major accomplishments including 2x 3rd Euro tour; 2x 17th China Open; European Team Champion & Vice Champ.; 13x Austria Champion; 10 x high Euro high rankings. In 2008 young Max was the junior WPA World Nine-ball Champion. Welcome, Max, to your 1st crack at our 14.1. Sponsors: OEPBV (Austrian federation); Die Waescherei; Yesca; Sporthilfe.



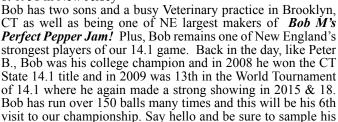
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## Bob Madenjian, DVM, Brooklyn, CT

b. 1958 in New Jersey





## Petri Makkonen, "Petu", Hyvinkaa, Finland

b. 1988, Hyvinkaa, Finland

iam! You'll love it.

Petri is making his 3rd visit to our Championship, hoping to follow in the footsteps of his countryman, Hall of Fame Mika Immonen, winner of our 2007 tourn. Petri has begun to make a name of his own, winning the World Cup of Pool 2012, and semi-finalist in 2013&14. He has won on the Euro tour and is a Silver Medalist in the Euro 10 Ball Championships. With a high run of 270 Petri is surely one of the young favorites to reckon with. Sponsors: Suomen Biljardimyynti; M3 Logistics; Taom Billiards; Musta Kasi; 777 RR Sports; Saarijärvi-infra; Zan Tips; Mezz Cues.



## Steve Matthieu, Salem, NH

b. 1953, Derby, CT

Steve began playing at 10, fell in love with straight pool at 12, ran 50 by age 15 and 100 at 18. He played on the Joss Tour in the 70-80s against the likes of top NE players, Larry Johnson, Tom McGonagle & Nick Vlahos. Steve has a HR 159 and first played in our 14.1 in 2014 when he was an alternate and had to wait until World Champion John Schmidt dropped out. So now Steve can always tell the grandchildren that he subbed for Mr. 626 in the American Championships. Sort of like Lou Gehrig subbing! Thanks for returning Steve. Watch out, this little chap can play!



## Jerry McWorter, Ventura, CA, 1998-2000 Pres. American Cuemakers Assn.

b. 1964 Ventura, CA

After dabbling in magic as a teenager, and then embarking on his Mormon Mission sabbatical in the early eighties, Jerry began to explore the artistry of cue making. In 1988 he sold his first cue, \$200 for what was then the No. #1 Jerry McWorter Custom Cue. A decade later his cues were prized around the world and Jerry became President of the Amer. Cuemakers Assn. Stop and visit with Jerry, a highly interesting chap with countless old time pool tales, and even more of the most beautiful cues you've ever seen, rivaling those of our other player-cuemaker, Bob Hunter. Jerry just might have the perfect cue for you, not only handsome, gorgeous, perfectly balanced, but have your first 100 ball run written all over it! A bit more than his Cue #1 of course, but worth every penny. And by the way, Mr. Jerry can play, just watch him. Sponsor: Jerry McWorter Custom Cues.

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Petri Makkonen



Alex Pagulayan



Konrad Juszczyszyn



Shaun Wilkie

















Sean Morgan, Astoria, NY "Alaska" b. 1974, Unalakleet, Alaska



"Alaska" is proud to tell you he's American Indian, Alaska native and half Italian-American. Quite a combo! Sean took up pool when he was 16 and was twice Alaska State 9 Ball Champion. He moved to 'Big Apple' in 2000 and has become one of the most prominent names in pro pool in New York where today is one of the very top players. As a dedicated student of the game, Sean left his home state of Alaska to continue his pursuit of mastering the table. He has been highly successful as evidenced by his numerous regional titles, in addition to competing nationally at high profile spots such as the Derby City Classic and the U.S. Bar Table Championship. Sean also teaches lessons and is a league director at Amsterdam Billiards. Among his accomplishments, 'Alaska' is a 2003 NYC Mayor's Cup 9-Ball Champion, 4x NYC Super Tournament 9-Ball Champion, and has won titles on The Mezz Tour, Tri-State Tour, and the Predator Pro/ Am Tour. Now 'Alaska' has added straight pool to his repertoire.

Sean again returns to our 14.1 classic and we are excited to have our first player ever who was born in Alaska playing in our 15th





## Dennis Orcollo, Quezon City, Philippines b. 1979, Philippines

tournament! Sponsors: Molinari; Attitude Tattoos.



Little can be said that is not already known of the prowess of this great modern-day Champ from the Philippines. 2015 he won the US Open 8 Ball, the SBE Players Championship, 4th in the DC 9 Ball, 10th in the US Open 10 Ball, 9th at the Dragon 14.1 and 5th in DCC 14.1. In 2014 Dennis finished 2nd in US Open 9 Ball, 1st in DCC 14.1 and 1st in US Open 1 Pocket. Congratulations, Dennis, and thank you for making your 5th visit to



our tournament. Sponsor: Bugsy Promotions; Tiger Products.



## Albin Ouschan, Maria Saal, Austria. 2019 World Cup of Pool; WPA World 9 Ball Champion 2016



b. 1990, Klagenfurt, Austria



Along with his playing partner, Mario He, 29 year old Albin won the World Cup earlier this year. Young Mr. Ouschan follows closely in the footsteps of his illustrious sister, Jasmin, and 2016 he was 1st in World Cup and 5th in the China Open. Albin has been a member of the Euro Mosconi Cup team and in 2016 defeated Shane Von Boening to win the coveted WPA World 9 Ball Title. This is his 2nd visit to our tournament and Albin promised me that if he wins this year he will make sure that comely Jasmin comes over to play in 2020! Hope you win, Albin! And by the way, hats off to Albin, who along with Michael Yednak, was one of the very first players to sign up and commit to our tournament; makes my life a lot easier! Thank you, Albin. Sponsor: Predator.







# Alex Pagulayan, Toronto, CAN "The Lion" 2004 World 9 Ball Champion; 2005 US Open 9 Ball Champion.



b. 1976, Cabagan, Philippines

Alex is a Canadian professional pool & snooker champion, born in the Philippines where else, and now makes his home in Toronto. The Little Lion is known for his relaxed demeanor even during the most intense competition and is admired for his great game, charm and interaction with fans and his comic impersonation of other players is always entertaining. But little Alex's pool credits overshadow all else: 2013 DC 9 Ball title, 2011-2012 Canadian Snooker Champion. Lion has won dozens of titles around the world including half a dozen high finishes at the World 14.1 where one year he even had to "struggle" to beat old Mr. Peter Pool. Welcome back once again, Alex, for your 4th visit.



## Don Polo, Bridgeton, NJ b. 1953, NJ



Don recently retired after a 37 yr. career with the NJ Hwy. Dept. and is married with two adult children and grandchildren. Don has been a regular at our Championship playing every single time beginning our 2nd year, 2006 and has been one of the Philadelphia area and NJ's strongest players for three decades. His love of pool began at the age of ten and his High Run is 184. Don's wife, Olga is his biggest fan and always comes along with him to our tournament. They recently sold their family summer business, LaTorre's Belly Buster in Wildwood, NJ, known for their great specialty sandwiches, burgers and pizza. Don wouldn't miss this tournament for the world and like Peter B., 14.1 is the only game, along with the other beauty, Three Cushion Billiards, which Don has recently fallen in love with. He is still in love with beautiful Olga, of course. She just has even more green cloth competition, now on the 5x10s with no pockets!



# Francisco Sanchez Ruiz, Murcia, Spain



b. 1991Spain



One of the top young players in Europe today and in 2016 Fran finished 17th in the World 9 Ball tournament and has finished high up in many Euro events in the past few years. This will be his 3rd crack at our American 14.1. Welcome back Francisco.



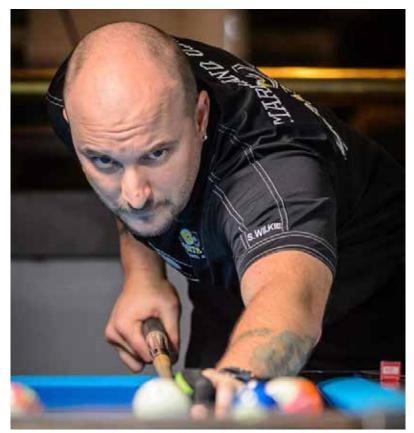


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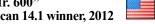
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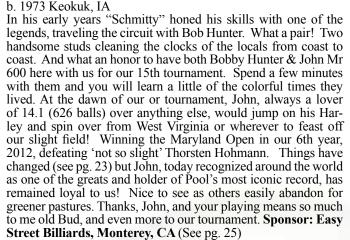


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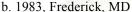


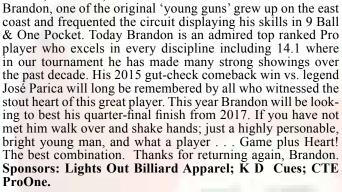
John Schmidt, Hesperia, CA "Mr. 600" U.S. Open 9 Ball title 2006. American 14.1 winner, 2012





# Brandon Shuff, Richmond, VA













## Jani Siekkinen, Helsinki, Finland

b. 1987, Helsinki, Finland



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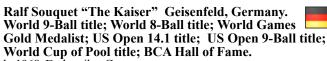












b. 1968, Eschweiler, Germany

This is Ralf's 2nd visit to our tournament and if my memory serves me he has been playing pool since before he learned to ride his tricycle along the banks of the Meuse over four decades ago. In the intervening years the little German with the huge smile has won more than 300 tournaments around the world and today Ralf is recognized everywhere as one of the legends of the game we love. In 1996, he won the WPA World Nine-ball Championship & reached the finals of the same event in 2001 & 2006. In 2002 he won the US Open 9-B title. In 2008 Ralf won his 2nd World title, the World 8 Ball Championship. Let's not forget 14.1 and Ralf has been one of the finest Straight Pool players in the world for three decades including winning the US Open Straight Pool title in 2000; High Run 285. Please welcome a delightful man and articulate polished champion. Thanks for returning Ralf! And I mean that sincerely as one who loves and appreciates 14.1 and tries diligently to continue its beauty to the new young guns, it is important that players like Ralf Souquet support our efforts. The Kaiser has done exactly that and we all should applaud. I stand and clap. Sponsors: Simonis Cloth; Aramith Balls, Universal Cues, Predator Shafts, Kamui Chalk and Tip, Veith KG, Zento Breaktip, Atom Billard, Dynamic Billard Organisation.



# Lee Vann Corteza, Davao City Philippines 'Van Van' 2007 Philippine Nat'l Champion



b. 1979, Davao City

Another of the great Philippine players following in the footsteps of Efren, Bustie, Warren Kiamco, Dennis Orcollo & Alex P. Lee started playing pool in 1993 and has won four Gold Medals and one Silver Medal at the Southeast Asian Games, and was the winner of the 2004 tournament in the Philippines defeating fellow countryman Francisco Bustamante in the finals. In 2007 Corteza won the Philippine National Championship. This is his 3rd visit to our 14.1. Welcome back Lee!



## Tom Walter, Great Neck, NY

b. 1954, NY



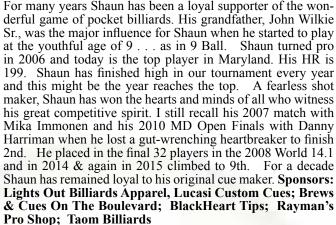
We are pleased once more to drag Tom in off his favorite golf course to come to play. 2016 Tom made great run in our tournament, knocking off the likes of Alaska Morgan & Mike Davis to finish in the top 8 before losing to eventual runner-up Karen Corr in the semi-finals. If you want to know how strong Tom plays just watch, and ask Mike Davis, who said that he learned more in his match with Tom than with anyone else. Or better yet, ask me about his perfect 125 and out vs. Efren Reyes in our 2018 tourn! Tom has appeared in the World 14.1 tournament many times and has been one of NY's top 100 ball runners for three decades. And helps our funding too! Thank you, Tom, for playing and for your support.





# Shaun Wilkie, Havre de Grace, MD "Get Some"

b. 1981. Havre de Grace, MD





## Michael Yednak, Brooklyn, NY

b. 1976 in Arizona.

Michael has played in our 14.1 many times since the early years at Billies. What progress since those days and today Michael is one of the top players in NYC and a regular at regional NY area tournaments as well as making a solid showing in recent World 14.1 Championships. He is currently a manager at Amsterdam Billiards in NYC and one of the city's strongest 14.1 players, with a high run of 124. Mike is married to beautiful Ms. Kristine Jagdeo Welcome once more Michael.

Sponsors: Kamui, Jacoby Custom Cues. Predator, Amsterdam Billiards.











## Zion Zvi, Flushing, Queens, NY

b. 1978 in Tel Aviv, Israel

Zion was 2nd in 2005 MD 14.1 Open with a sterling win over Ryan McCreesh. Since then he has played in many of our tournaments as well as the World 14.1 Championships and virtually all NY area 9 ball events. Zion frequently finishes near the top of the leader board and is always a threat to carry off 1st prize! ZZ is truly one of the top players and a real threat in any game. This just might be his year! High Run 190, so it is nice to have this great talent back once more. Good luck ZZ. Sponsors: High Rock; Molinari; Steinway Billiards.

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## Mika Immonen

Mika was born in London, England, beside his twin brother, while his Finnish parents were living there. Back in Finland he played ice hockey (of course!) and virtually every sport well. But it was Snooker, where he amassed more than 100 century breaks, and pool that quickly took over. Easy to see why. Today Mika remains single and lives in New York City, where his is among the top players in the world.

## Major titles

2001 World 9-Ball Champion

2001 US Open 9-Ball 2nd

2002 UPA International 10-ball Champion

2003 Philippine Open Champion

2007 Derby City Straight Pool Champion

2008 US Open 9-Ball Champion

2008 IPT Pro-Am Champion

2008 Mosconi Cup MVP

2008 All Japan Champion

2009 US Open 9-Ball Champion

2009 World 10-Ball Champion

2009 Pro Pool Player of the Year

2009 Qatar International Open Champion

2010 International Challenge of Champions

2013 Ultimate 10-Ball Championship

2014 BCA Hall of Fame inductee

2016 World 14.1 Champion

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## **Thorsten Hohmann**

Thorsten was born and raised in Fulda, Germany and at a very young age had always been interested in sports playing soccer, table tennis, and badminton. At the age of nine Thorsten's father took him to a local pool hall. On his 10th birthday Thorsten received a miniature pool table. By age twelve Thorsten was visiting local pool parlors. At 16 he won his first open adult tournament with 128 players in the State of Hessia. In 2003 he became the 3rd German (after Oliver Ortmann & Ralf Souquet) to win the World 9 Ball title. Thorsten lives in Jacksonville, FL and at times in Germany.

#### Major Titles

2003 WPA World 9-Ball Champion

2003 German 9-Ball Champion

2003 German 14.1 Champion

2003 New Jersey State 14.1 Champion

2004 German 9-Ball Champion

2005 World Pool League Champion

2005 BCA Open 9-Ball Championship

2006 World 14.1 Champion

2006 IPT North American Open 8-Ball Champ

2007 European 9-Ball Champion

2008 Accu-Stats 14.1 Invitational

2008 Asian 10-Ball Champion

2008 Lucasi Hybrid 14.1 Champion

2009 China Open Champion

2010 All Japan Championships Champion

2011 World 14.1 Champion

2011 World Cup of Pool Champion

2011 Philippine Open Champion

2013 Maryland 14.1 Champion

2013 World 14.1 Champion

2013 WPC World 9-Ball Champion

2014 WPBL Bonus Ball Champion 2014 Manny Pacquiao Cup Champion

2015 Archer Cup Champion

2015 World 14.1 Champion











John Schmidt
Hesperia, CA
"Mr. 600"
U.S. Open 9 Ball title 2006
American 14.1 winner, 2012
b. 1973 Keokuk, IA
Sponsor: Easy Street
Billiards, Monterey, CA



John and his wife, Felicity, are avid campers and bike touring enthusiasts (besides being passionate about pool). John grew up playing golf, after discovering his love for pool, John dreamed that one day it would be as big as golf. Mr. 400 (his well-deserved moniker prior to 05/27/2019) was given that nickname after his legendary high runs of 400 and 403 balls during practice sessions. In the years that followed, he would add more 'over 400's' to his resume. A 407, 421, 434, 464, 490. As he achieved each of those milestones, his friends and fans constantly pushed for him to challenge his own increasing numbers, and of course Willie's 526 ball run (which was set 65 years ago). So, John, always one to set and accomplish goals, did exactly that. A couple of years ago John and his wife started on their own, doing their 'Challenges' at Easy Street, when they had a few weeks open on John's schedule. They drove their motorhome to Easy Street Billiards, gave lessons and used the extra time to do the 1st challenge. At this point in time Doug Desmond entered their lives, and he was a die-hard Mosconi fan. He had recently taken a lesson from John, and offered to help rack for them (to let John rest momentarily between racks). It was a perfect fit. Little did they know that their new 'Rack Master' was driving an hour and a half daily (each way) to do this. From that point on, Doug helped them in so many ways. This began a great friendship and their 'Team Schmidt'. A new momentum emerged. Two more challenges came and went with Johns runs reaching 490. The latest challenge was #4, and with only a few days remaining, Johns focus and pressure were mounting (as he told his wife and Doug that beating the record was maybe too daunting a task). John continued on his quest. Needing 527 to be the new record holder, John caught lightening in a bottle on 5/27 2019 at Easy Street Billiards of Monterey, CA (Johns Official Sponsor). He not only achieved 527, he bested Willie's 65 year record by 100 balls, running 626 balls without missing. A New World Record was born. He did it, breaking a record that most of us thought could never be achieved. Comparable to DiMaggio's 56 game hitting streak which has stood since 1941. Congratulations on behalf of all in our game, John. It makes me proud to have known you over these past fifteen years. To quote Billiards Digest august editor, Mike Panozzo "I certainly hope there are rewards to be reaped, because Mr. 600 certainly deserves them. He broke a record that stood for 65 years. It was, perhaps, pool's most recognized record. And he didn't do it banking on a big payoff. He did it because he wanted to see if he could." Spot on, Mike! Thanks for returning, John, for the umpteenth time, and we are in awe of your skills to say the least.



**Thorsten Hohmann** 





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## 2019 American 14.1 Straight Pool Championship Day 4-5 - Fri. & Sat. Oct. 25-26, 2019 - Single Elimination

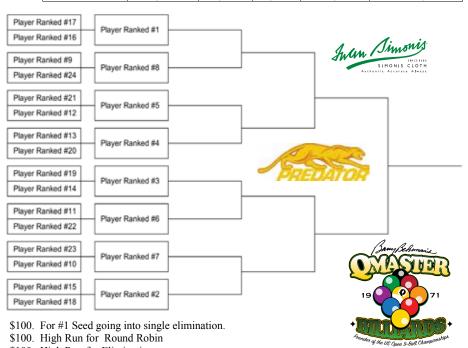


Thurs. a.m. 8 RR Flight winners are seeded 1-8 & get 1st round bye Round 1 - 2nd & 3rd place from RR. are Seeded 9-16 play 17-24 2nd round. Winners of Round 1 play the 1-8 seeds

Thur & Fri match times; Prize fund 48 players \$ 42,000						
			17-24 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 700 *		
1st round	11:00 am	125 pts	9-16 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 1,000 *		
2 <sup>nd</sup> round	2:00 pm	150 pts	5-8 <sup>th</sup>	\$1,500 *		
Quarter Finals	5 & 8:00 pm	150 pts	3-4 <sup>th</sup>	\$3,000 *		
Semi Finals	12&3:00 pm	150 pts	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$6,000 *		
Finals	7:00 pm	175 pts	Winner	\$10,000		
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\* Payment to losing payer in each round . . . winner advances.

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\$100. High Run for Elimination

\$100. High Run best HR among players who do not advance to Elimination

\$200. Entry fee credit blind draw among 16 players who do not advance to Saturday.

\$42,000 Total prize Fund





# Past Champions

Konrad Juszczyszyn 150 def. Dennis Orcollo 87 Oct 21, 2017
Niels Feijen 150 def. Mika Immonen 114. Oct 16, 2016
Darren Appleton 150 def. Thorsten Hohmann 94. Oct 25, 2015
Darren Appleton 150 def. Karen Corr 28. Sep 14, 2014
Thorsten Hohmann 150 def. Johnny Archer 111. Sep 16, 2013
John Schmidt 150 def. Thorsten Hohmann 21. Aug 18, 2012
Johnny Archer 150 def. John Schmidt 74. July 24, 2011
Danny Harriman 150 def. Shaun Wilkie 94. June 20, 2010
Danny Harriman 150 def. Dave Daya 28. June 28, 2009
Bob Maidhof 150 def. Danny Barouty 140. July 12, 2008
Mika Immonen 150 def. Mike Davis 59. June 10, 2007
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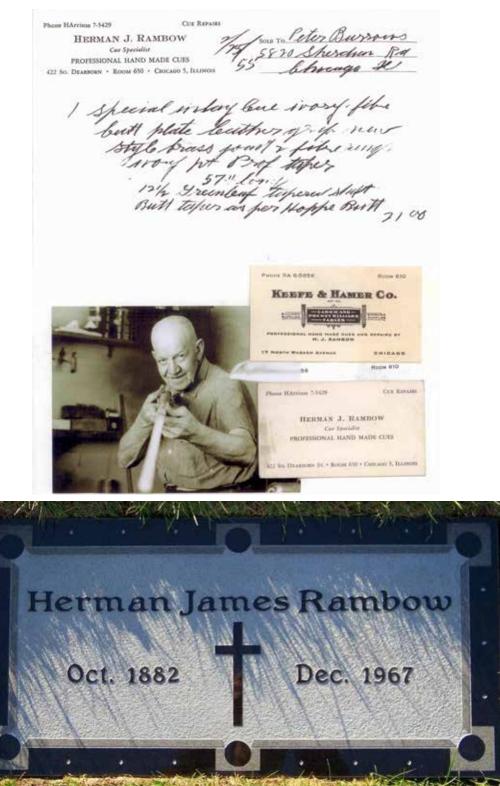
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