

2020 APBA Regional Tournament schedule

The 2020 APBA Regional Tournament schedule is as follows. Please mark your calendars accordingly and be sure to attend and participate in one of these fine events. You will not regret the experience of face-to-face gaming and tournament gathering.

Saturday February 22, 2020 - The 2020 APBA Scenic City Shootout will be held in the Hamilton Room of the Embassy Suites by Hilton located at 2321 Lifestyle Way Chattanooga TN 37421. The cost will be \$20 with the event scheduled to start at 8 am. The tournament theme is The Expansion Era 1961-Present with teams having a Winning Percentage between .475 - .525. Team selection will begin on November 30, 2019 at Noon. The rules will be similar to the 2019 Shootout. APBA Hall of Famer Charlie Fouche was the Inaugural Scenic City Shootout Champion. Email Mike Kehrer (mike.kehrer.66@gmail.com) or Steve Ryan (Festsgrber@aol.com) with any questions or to register.

Saturday March 7, 2020 - The 6th Annual Greater Michigan APBA Baseball Tournament at The Loomis Park Baptist Church, 2301 North Elm Road, Jackson, Michigan 49201. There is a \$20 Entry Fee (\$10 Cancellation Fee if you cancel after August 16, 2019). The tournament theme is any MLB team from 1901-2018 with winning % of less than .600 %. This tournament still has room for participation (capping at 72) and plenty of good teams remain available. Please contact Pastor Rich Zawadzki at pastorichz@yahoo.com if interested in attending or with your team selection by December 31, 2019.

Sunday March 15, 2020 - The Inaugural Rocky Mountain APBA Baseball Tournament will take place in Boulder, Colorado at a location to be announced. For this year, teams will be selected from the 1993 season (birth year of the Rockies) until present. No designated hitter will be used when an NL team plays at home. Please contact Ryan Strauss at RockyMountainAPBA@gmail.com to sign up today!

Saturday March 21, 2020 - The 2nd Annual Far West APBA Baseball Tournament. The tournament is open to any team from 1908 to present PROVIDED that 154 or more games were played in that season. Last year's champion 1930 Philadelphia A's may not be used. The tournament play is the basic game using the advanced fielding option. Boards and dice will be provided, bring your lucky dice tower or shaker (They have APBA shakers available). Cost for tournament is \$40 and includes lunch, drinks, continental breakfast, trophy, and a day of great fun and camaraderie. If interested please contact Steve at mrsteve50@hotmail.com for more details.

Saturday March 28, 2020 - The 3rd Annual Heartland Apba Tournament is scheduled for Saturday March 28, 2020 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. The tournament the is any team with a .500 record or worse. The DH will be used. You can give Earle your team when you commit. Three-man rotations will be used and starters must go a minimum of 5 innings unless yielding 5 runs. Relieve pitchers can pitch one inning

each game. The cost to participate is a \$10 entry fee. Trophy and APBA. gift card to the winner! Hope to see you there! For more info contact Earle Shamblin at Stillvill44@gmail.com

NEW TOURNAMENT LISTING - Saturday March 28, 2020 - The 5th annual Prairieland APBA Baseball tourney will be held in Springfield Illinois. If interested, please contact Eric Berg at ebjornaas@hotmail.com for information.

Saturday April 4, 2020 - Old Dominion APBA Baseball Tournament - The Old Dominion APBA Baseball Tournament will be held at Jim Saska's home in Richmond, Virginia. The team theme is any APBA issued team that finished with a regular season record of .500 or below. The event will begin at 9 am. The tournament cost and prizes are to be announced. Please contact Jim Saska via email at jamessaska@gmail.com to register and give him your team selection.

Saturday April 4, 2020 - The 13th edition of the Twin Cities APBA Baseball Tournament (TCABT-XIII) will be held Saturday, April 4th, 2020, at the usual location in Maple Grove, MN. Interested parties can contact Jim Fraasch at jwfraasch@mchsi.com.

June 25-28, 2020 - The APBA National Convention in Alpharetta, Georgia. Details are still being worked out and will be available sometime after the new year.

Saturday July 18, 2020 - The Florida APBA Baseball Tournament will be held at Lake Hills Church in Clermont, Florida. The tournament theme is the Expansion Years 1961-1998 -- (Retired teams 1980 NY Yankees, 1998 NY Yankees -- past winners of FL Tournaments). The entry fee is \$20 which includes refreshments and prizes. If interested, please contact Tony Stevens at AandTStevens@Gmail.com.

NEW TOURNAMENT LISTING - Saturday August 8, 2020 - Chicagoland Tournament is currently at a capacity of 48 participants but it working on a reserve list. If interested, please contact Rob Spatz at Robspatz@gmail.com

August 14-16, 2020 - Houston APBA Baseball Tournament - The Houston APBA Base Tournament will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn Clear Lake/NASA, 750 West Texas Ave., Webster, Texas. Currently a block of 20 rooms is being held for tournament participants: \$104 plus tax per night for a single King room and \$109 plus tax per night for a double Queen Room; room rates include free breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday mornings—the hotel is now accepting reservations. The tournament entrance fee is \$85 per player, which covers a dinner on Friday night (when you will meet, submit rosters for the tournament, set the brackets, and go over the rules), a lunch on Saturday during the tournament, trophies, and a

partial defraying of the facility costs. The hotel is near the Johnson Space Center (close to Hobby Airport and about equal distance between downtown Houston and Galveston Island). The tournament format is open with any teams from 1946-1972, with no DH, and up to 25-man rosters (if you have an old version of a team with only 20 players, it will also be allowed). The tournament will follow the APBA Annual Convention Tournament rules (see: <http://apbagames.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/APBA-2019-TOURNAMENT-RULES.pdf>). Like the APBA Convention Tournament, check-in and an organizational meeting will be held on Friday evening with the tournament played mostly on Saturday through either the quarter final, or semi-final round (depending on how many players are actually participating); and the finals (and possibly semi-finals) played on Sunday morning, followed by a trophy presentation and discussion for planning for a 2021 tournament. The tournament will conclude by noon on Sunday—early enough for everyone to catch flights or head home by mid-afternoon. Although they have met their minimum number of players to move forward with the tournament, they still have room for more. So, if you are interested in participating in this inaugural tournament, please contact Ed Hubbard at greyghosts2016@gmail.com, and provide your name, email address and phone number.

NEW TOURNAMENT LISTING - Saturday, August 29, 2020 - The 6th annual Toledo Glass City APBA Baseball Tournament (GCABT-VI) will be held at the Maumee Elks Club located at 137 West Wayne Street in Maumee, OH 43537. The tournament will start at 9:00 and the cost is \$15. The tournament theme is any team from 1920 thru 2019. This is a 'Back to Basics' year as prior years had more restrictions on what teams were allowed. A 3-pitcher rotation, basic fielding, and the Rare Play and Error Randomization charts will be utilized.. There will be a draft for teams on June 1st, for players who have signed up by that date. Please contact Ron Emch via email at rce@emcher.com or text/call at 419-349-0649 if you are interested in playing and/or want to sign up.

Saturday October 17, 2020 - The Linda B. Schulz Memorial APBA Baseball Tournament VI will be held in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania. The tournament theme is any APBA issued MLB teams from seasons 1901-2019 that had a winning percentage under .585 (approximately less than 95 wins in 162 game season and less than 90 wins in 154 Game Season). Teams are first come first serve. Retired teams are not eligible (1909 Pittsburgh Pirates, 1929 Philadelphia A's, 1974 Los Angeles Dodgers, 1975 Cincinnati Reds, 1977 Philadelphia Phillies). If interested or to register please contact Ken Schulz at schulzka02@yahoo.com

If your tournament is not mentioned above and you are planning a Regional APBA Tournament in 2020 please forward me your tournament and contact information at apba66nyslp@yahoo.com and I will be sure to promote your event in APBA's company electronic newsletter. Remember all APBA game tournaments are welcome.

Potential APBA Tournaments

POTENTIAL TOURNAMENT IN SEATTLE AREA - There is an effort underway to conduct an APBA Baseball Tournament in the Seattle, Washington area. If interested, please contact Dave Bednarek at dbedrock@comcast.net with you name, contact information, and a preference for a Spring or Fall tournament.

POTENTIAL TOURNAMENT IN NEW ORLEANS - Are you tired of only seeing tournaments on the East Coast and Mid-West?? If there is enough interest, a small group of New Orleans players are looking to set up a regional in the NOLA area in 2020, please contact Randy Tabor at rk_tabor@yahoo.com (note the underscore “_” in email address).

ALS CHARITABLE SUPPORT

IMPORTANT UPDATED INFORMATION - EACH TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR OVER THE NEXT YEAR IS REQUESTED TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE ALS FOUNDATION IN THE NAME OF RANDY WALKER - 2019 APBA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE. RANDY IS IN LATE STAGE OF ALS BUT CONTINUES TO FIGHT THE DISEASE AND ENJOY PLAYING APBA WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF HIS WIFE LISA. THE DONATION CAN BE COLLECTED THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT BY PASSING A HAT OR BY INCREASING THE TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FEE. APBA WILL AWARD A PRIZE TO THE DIRECTOR AND TOURNAMENT RAISING THE MOST MONEY FOR ALS. REMEMBER IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE BENEVOLENT WHEN AN APBA BROTHER IS IN NEED. I KNOW I CAN COUNT ON YOUR SUPPORT. MORE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW IN THE COMING WEEKS.

DONATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE ALS ASSOCIATION WEBSITE WWW.ALSA.ORG/DONATE. ; DONATIONS CAN BE MADE VIA PHONE, CHECK, CREDIT CARD, OR PAYPAL. PLEASE REFERENCE THE DONATION IN YOUR WRITE-UP. RANDY AND LISA WALKER THANK YOU FOR THE APBA COMMUNITY SUPPORT TO A VERY WORTHY CAUSE.

and further promote brotherhood within our beloved hobby of APBA gaming.