



LEAGUE 27 WINTER 2024 ROTATING DOUBLES LEAGUE

#12 WALTER & #6 SCOTT K PUT TOGETHER A SOLID PERFORMANCE IN WEEK 7 TAKING (13) POINTS~~WALTER REMAINS IN 1ST AND SCOTT K MOVES UP A SPOT INTO 2ND, ONLY FOUR POINTS OUT OF TAKING OVER THE TOP SPOT!!!

**CURRENT STANDINGS
AFTER WEEK 7**

Walter Wnuk	78
Scott Kroll	74
Clyde Hughey	72
Paige Conner	68
Linda Kujat	68
Ray Ressler	68
Paul Cueny	67
Andy Gadowski	58
Dale Dexter	53
Mike Cadarian	51
Scott Sharp	50
John Killett	49



Next week will be our second position round of the season. The Standings and Newsletters and Rules are all online on the our website:

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Table #7: #12 Walter Wnuk & #6 Scott Kroll vs #3 Scott Sharp & #4 Paige Conner:

This turned out to be a one sided match as Walt & Scott found a multitude of chances to finish off games. Scott K got things going with a very positive start in the **8 Ball Set** as he started the team off with a game one winner. As the opponents continued to miss, a great couple of safety's by Walter gave Scott K his second chance to end the game which he promptly did with a three ball run. Things continued to go to the home team as Walter stepped up with a 5 ball run to cap off a 3-0 start for the team. Both Paige and Scott S were continually kept from getting into any type of shooting groove through the first three games. A missed shot gave Paige a chance to notch a game and she nailed two nice shots to close out game 4 with a win for her



and Scott S, finally getting on the scoresheet. Scott K and Walter continued to dominate this set and Walter strung together 4 nice shots with great position to take game 5. Walter continued to get good chances and with another nice run capped of a win in game 6 as he and Scott K took a 5-1 lead into **9 Ball Set**. Scott S had been fairly quiet throughout the first set, finally got his chance to close out a game. He ran three and out to take game one for him and Paige. Scott K continued to keep Paige and Scott S from getting any momentum in this set as well. With a few misses by their opponents, Walter closed out game 2 to even up the set. Paige ran four an out, to put Scott and her back on top in the set. That would be the last time they would get on the scoresheet in the set. Walter and Scott K continued



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to keep them from any momentum. Walter finished of games 4 and 5 with back to back four ball runs and then capped off the final game with some great shot making and perfect position play. Scott K and Walter take a 6 game lead into the **10 Ball Set**. Just like the opening game of the 9 ball set, Scott S put together a nice run and posted the opening win for the team. Walter continued to shoot well and continued to stay in focus. He nailed down the wins in the next three games, not only with



great shot making but perfect position play. Paige admitted that she seemed a bit off her game, but put together a great run in game 5 to cut the lead to one game in the set. Walter posted a three ball run capping off the win in game 6 with a great bank shot on the 10. Good try by Scott S and Paige. Very nice shooting by Walter & Scott K.

Walter & Scott K (13)

Scott S & Paige (5)

#10 ANDY GADOWSKI & #1 PAUL CUENY BOTH MOVE UP THE LEADERBOARD AFTER A TOUGH MATCH AGAINST #9 JOHN KILLETT & #5 LINDA KUJAT~~IT WAS A SOLID COMPETITIVE MATCH BY ALL FOUR PLAYERS!!!

TABLE #16: #9 John Killett & #5 Linda Kujat vs #10 Andy Gadowski & #1 Paul Cueny:

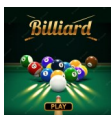
Linda started the match off with three good shots to post the opening win in the **8 Ball Set**. Paul continues to shoot well as he also got a great opening shot and put together a nice run to post a win in game 2. With a couple of missed shots, Linda finished off her group of balls and nailed the 8 ball for the win in game 3. Paul continued to get close out games and after a few



misses by the opponents finished off game 4, to even up the set at two games each. John and Linda were gifted the win in game five as their opponents pocketed the 8 ball in the wrong pocket. John seemed to feed off the last win and after nice bank shot to get position on the 8 ball, finished off game 6 as he and Linda took a 4-2 win in the set. This turned out to be the most evenly match of the night. Linda started the **9 Ball Set** just like the eight ball set as she made two nice shots to cap

the win in game one. Then it turned into a drought for her and John as every mistake seemed to lead to a loss. Both Andy and Paul seemed to step up in the set with adroit focus on the games at hand. Paul got things even when he capitalized on a miss by the opponents that opened the door for a four ball run to win game 2. The momentum had changed quickly for Linda and John as Andy put a great run together in game 3 with a superb long shot **Continued below left**

on the 9 ball to close out the game. It seemed like Paul and Andy were taking turns on finishing off games. It was Paul with a great bank to get perfect position to win game 4. It was Andy again getting a nice starting shot to continue the onslaught in the set and take game 5. The final game went back and forth with several safety shots played to keep each team from getting any easy starting shots. Andy finally got an opening and nailed the 8 ball in game 6 as Paul and he took the lead in the match with a 5-1 win in the set. Andy coming off back to back wins to close out the nine ball set, continued his winning ways as he polished off the rest of the balls to win game 1 of the **10 Ball Set**. Linda and John had their struggles in the previous set and came into this set trying to get back to their winning ways. A few missed chances by Andy and Paul opened the door and Linda grabbed the glory with a nice finish to capture game 2. Paul made it two to one in the set as he ran 5 balls to close out game 3. John who was very quiet in the previous set stepped up in game 4 putting together a 3 ball run and evened up the set with their opponents. Paul continued to play well, with great focus and some pinpoint shot making took game 5. Too many missed shots by John and Linda kept Paul and Andy in the drivers seat. Paul finished off game



6 to take the match by four shots. It was a very complete contest with all four players showing great shot making and shooting ability throughout the match. Good effort by Linda & John and very nice shooting by Andy & Paul.

Andy & Paul (11)

John & Linda (7)

A **“golden break”** is where you pocket the 9 “on the snap” for an early game victory. Sometimes, this occurs due to blind luck, but there are several techniques that can improve your chances with skill and knowledge. Below, I summarize all the approaches demonstrated in my recent YouTube video (NV L.5) covering this topic. First, let’s take a brief look at standard 9-ball break strategy from online video NV J.74. As shown in Image 1, with no special rules in effect, most pros use a side break, where the cue ball (CB) is placed close to the side rail. With a good rack and a square hit, you will pocket the near wing ball (the 8 in Image 1). With the right speed, it is easy to get a look at

the 1 in either upper corner, based on break speed. Image 1 Standard 9-ball break strategy As illustrated in Image 2 (on pg 3), one golden break approach is a cut break, where you hit the 1 non-square to send the CB off the side rail into the stationary 9, to pocket it in the corner or side. Obviously, this approach works only if the balls are racked tightly, ensuring the 9 doesn’t move much or at all with the initial hit on the 1. For advice on how to get a tight rack, see the “how to get a tight rack” break resource page at billiards.colostate.edu. As demonstrated in online video NV L.5, the 9 can go in the corner or the side, the CB can carom off another ball and still pocket the 9, and the 9 can be banked cross-side or cross-corner. See page 3 for illustration #2.



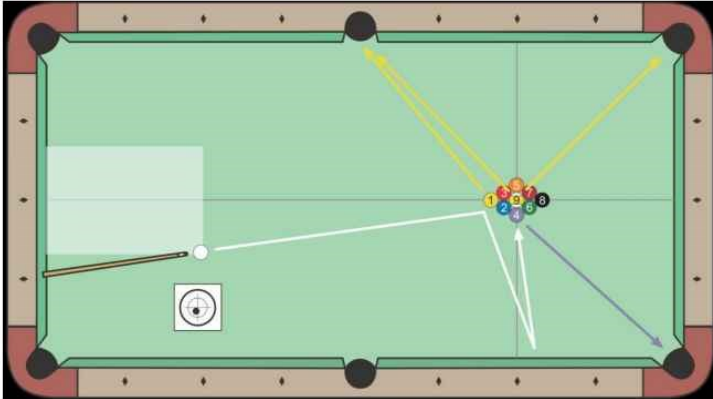


Image 2 Cut break from the box

These drawings and tips are from of Dr Dave Billiards - billiards.colostate.edu. This drawing is illustration #2.

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#8 CLYDE HUGHEY REMAINS THE ONLY UNBEATEN PLAYER AFTER WEEK 7 AND MOVES INTO 3RD PLACE AS HE AND #11 RAY RESSLER WIN THE MATCH BETWEEN #7 MIKE CADARIAN & #2 DALE DEXTER !!

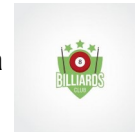
#7 Mike Cadarian & #2 Dale Dexter vs #8 Clyde Hughey & #11 Ray Ressler: This could have been a closer match than it turned out. Clyde got the team on the scoresheet first in the **8 Ball Set** with some very nice shot making abilities. Dale & Mike would make some good shots but had a tough time finishing off the racks. Ray stepped up after a miss by the only two remaining opponents with a nice cut shot to take game 2. Ray continued to get some good starting position and put game three on their scoresheet to give him and Clyde a three game lead in the set. A few missed chances gave Dale a good shot to start with. He closed out his three balls and then made a nice cut shot to take game 4. Ray continued to get enough chances and made game 5 history with a nice shot to pocket the eight. Dale took his time and put a four ball run together to finish off the set winning game 6. Clyde and Ray headed into the **9 Ball Set** with a two game lead in the match. After a few misses by Clyde in game one of the set, he put it all together and nailed a game winner. Mike continued to get left without any good chances but Dale did get the opportunity and took full advantage notching the win in game 2. Clyde went back to work in



game 3 and made it happen with, a nice shot to finish the game. This gave the team a 2 to 1 lead in the set. Ray again was the recipient of another easy start and closed out game 4, giving him and Clyde a 3-1 lead in the set. Mike, who has been kept off the table most of the match finally got his chance to get into stroke. He made three excellent long shots to set up an easy nine ball for the win in game 5. Ray finished off three balls to take game 6 as he and Clyde took a 4-2 win and now led in the match by four games as they headed into the **10 Ball Set**. Ray opened the set making a long shot to get started and then methodically pocketed the next three balls and the 10 ball to win game one. Both Dale and Mike had been kept from getting good starting shots, but in game 2 it changed. After a miss by Ray, Dale got his game going making a four ball run to close it out and put he and Mike on the scoresheet. Ray got another chance after an opponent miss to pocket the winner in game 3 and he and Clyde went up 2-1. Mike had been kept off the table most of the night, not giving him the easiest shots to manage, but stepped up in game 3. He put



together a nice run that include a bank shot to get position on the 10 ball. He was near perfect for the set up and closed out game 4 to even up the set at 2-2. Clyde finally got a good start-shot and together put some nice cut shots and pounded in the game winner in game 5. After a back and forth rack and a missed shot by the opponents, Clyde was able to finish off game 6 for a 4-2 win over the opponents in the set. All in all it was a tough night for Mike and Dale as they were continually kept from getting any momentum in the match. Great effort and try Nice shooting by Clyde and Ray.



Clyde & Ray (12)

Mike & Dale (6)

