

Hello Players....

A few items of interest for you. First....we held a great 2016 State Tournament in a Great facility...the Grand Casino in Shawnee, Ok. For those of you that attended, I hope you took advantage of all the casino had to offer (did you find the free ice cream?) And...all the extra space we had for tournament play.

So...it is will great pleasure I share with you our 2017 Black Gold State Tournament dates. April 17th-23rd. Location will again be in the Grand Casino in Shawnee, Ok.

Ric Jones & BadBoys will be back with us and so will the Diamond Tables.

So start talking to your league operators about jumping on a league and getting qualified...information about events and requirements will be coming out as we go along.

I want to thank each of you that attended our 2016 event. I know that we put players at a disadvantage losing Monday play and also by flyers having incorrect start times for Wed. This did throw many events and start times behind. I do not want to place blame on anyone. Our tournament director, John did a great job and so did everyone else. No matter how many hands are in the pot....I am your President and 'The Buck Stops Here'...So I do take responsibility and offer each of you that might have been effected by this or any other incident that took place a 'sincere apology'.

What I have to offer, is a thank you for sticking things out and know that I am ready to move forward with the other board member's to make any changes necessary to eliminate these problems. As you can see...we have started early this year which will help us give you a bigger and better tournament in 2017.

Thank you,

Mary Griffin