

Argonne Pool League (APL) Pool Classes
5 - 2 hr classes (including up to 10 extra hours of table time)
Illinois Billiards Club
8446 Archer Ave, Willow Springs, IL 60480
Instructors: Drs. Dean Bass and Ron Shepard
Space is limited - Sign up @ deanbass@mac.com

Beginning/Intermediate Pool Class

Saturdays; November 3 – December 1, 11am to 1pm

Cost: \$100 APL members; \$125 non-members

Illinois Billiards Club (IBC) is a private club in an historic pool and banquet hall. We have special arrangements with the club to use the facility for the class. It will be taught on 9' tables but they have a 10' billiards table and pool table. This class will focus on fundamentals and is perfect for beginners and a great review for more advanced players. Don't forget friends and family that might be interested in learning. There will be lots of one on one time with the instructors and the class will be highly interactive. It will include at least 10 hours of structured instruction time and an additional 5 to 15 hours of practice/ warm up time before and after the classes where the instructors are available to the students. A syllabus will be available to all students.

Topics include:

Equipment (table, cues, tips, balls)

Fundamentals (Pendulum swing, stance, bridges, etc)

Shot making techniques

Shot selection

Types of shots (bank, kick, carom, throw, limited: masse, jump, trick)

Position play (limited)

English (limited)

Strategies (8-Ball; 9-Ball; 14.1; handicap play when you're playing better players)

Games (8 Ball, 9 Ball, 14.1, Cut-throat, Billiards)

Intermediate/Advanced Pool Class

Session 1: Saturdays; November 3 – December 1, 2 pm to 4pm

Cost: \$125 APL members; \$150 non-members

This class will follow a similar teaching pattern to previous beginner classes, but in much more depth. In particular, more complex shots and shot making/aiming techniques, using

English to get shape, and pattern play. Strategies will be discussed for 8-ball; 9-ball; 14.1 and handicap play when you are much better than your opponent and when they are much better than you. And yes, we will be learning Carom Billiards. Learn the “Diamond System”! This will add another dimension to your pool game and teach you a fun new game at the same time. There will be lots of one on one time with the instructors and the class will be highly interactive.

Another round of classes will be available in March as well.