

Diablo Valley Pool League

The Diablo Valley Pool league organized their yearly pool clinic at Farrington's Bar this past August 15, 2009. It was a two hour session which is offered to new recruits, returning players and simply those that just need a refresher course. D.V. Pool takes pride in the fact that not only do we invite and recruit new blood to our leagues, but also present them with the opportunity to learn the basic techniques of the game of pool by certified BCA instructor.

There were 7 women who chose to participate in the clinic for an economic fee of \$20 per person in exchange for a chance to get instruction with the expert and also learn about aiming tools, correct stands and other techniques that may help their game.



Here is some of the feedback that we received from some of the participants of the pool clinic.

“Larry was kind enough to give up part of his Saturday to give us pointers, to highly encourage all of us to set up a routine just prior to shooting so that we have a higher percentage chance of making our object ball, to show us a new rail bridge, two methods of aiming, and a way tell if the table is playing long or short. We were shown two methods of aiming. The first method (Ultimate Aiming System) is used more commonly among players, which is when the player aims on the object ball to locate the point of contact where the cue ball should hit in order to be pocketed. The other method is the S.A.M. which is where the ball is split into quarters and the roll of you cue stick from the center of object ball assists you in finding the point of contact. The best advice Larry gave to all is to practice and always try your best.”

Jess Quinata

Larry taught us two methods of aiming the cue ball. I have found one of the methods very useful and my ability to pocket balls has improved noticeably. I also appreciated the pep talk about not thinking negative thoughts (like I can't miss) right before a shot. Larry is my one-on-one instructor also and I appreciate his patience, skill and positive approach to keeping me practicing and improving.

Linda Henry