



# Professor-Q-Ball's National Pool & 3-Cushion News



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## Rushville - The **SPRING 2016** Event is **ALSO** a **USBA National Championship Qualifier**

### Dates & Entry

**March 4, 5 & 6 - 2016**

**Entry Fee = \$145.00**

Director George Ashby  
(217) 440-0069

#### Event Location:

333 N. Monroe Street,  
Rushville, IL 62681

#### Area Lodging Options :

Green Gables Motel  
645 W. Lafayette St.  
Rushville, IL 62681

Other National Chain Lodging  
Options are in:

Beardstown, IL (12 miles)

Macomb, IL (28 miles)

#### Special Appreciation to:

Steve Jones, Carson Klitz  
Bates Allen, Gordy Hamlin,  
Noel Mendoza, Rick Shryack,  
George Ashby & Mickey  
Campbell, Dennis Dieckman,  
Dale Saunders, Bob Keller,  
Nam Cho, Paul Frankel,  
Los Charros Restaurant

# Rushville IL Linoiis

Population: 3.162

**Midwest's 3-Cushion Billiard Capital**



Host:  
8-Time National Champion  
George Ashby



### *Rushville Events Fill Fast*

**Please SEND ENTRIES NOW!**

**Make Entry Checks Out To:**

Gary Eake  
947 Trillium Trail  
Oshkosh, WI 54904

**Check Memo: Rushville Spring Event**

**Call or Text Gary at: 920.420.1304**

This event is **ALSO** a **USBA National Championship Qualifier** – See Next Pages for Details

**ANTICIPATED TOURNAMENT FORMAT:** Based on a full field of 28 Players:

Four round-robin brackets of 7 players each. Two players advance from each bracket plus two 3<sup>rd</sup> place players will advance to 10-player round-robin finals.

20-point Preliminaries and 25-point Finals.

Player Meeting: 8:00 p.m. Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

Preliminaries Begin: 9:00 a.m. Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Any aspect of the above is subject to change at the discretion of the tournament leadership.

The first **28 PAID ENTRANTS** will have a spot in the tournament.

### **The Professor Q-Ball Rushville Spring 2016 Tournament will be a USBA National Championship Qualifier as follows:**

One player in this event will qualify to play in the USBA Nationals.

This means that the Qualifying Player in addition to receiving the Tournament Prize money award based on their respective finish will also have a spot reserved in the USBA Nationals (i.e. the \$300.00 USBA Nationals entry fee will be paid on their behalf plus they will receive \$200.00 expense money from the USBA).

Former USBA National Champions **MAY** play in this event. However, because they are already qualified to play in the USBA Championship event they **ARE NOT** eligible to receive the \$300.00 entry fee or the \$200.00 expense money. These players **ARE** eligible to receive the tournament prize money based on their respective finish.

NOTE: Should a former USBA National Champion win 1st place then the 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher shall have the option to enter the USBA National Championship. If the 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher elects not to attend the USBA Nationals this option shall ratchet down to a maximum of the top 4 Non-National Champions only.

**A QUALIFYING PLAYER MUST BE PREPARED TO COMMIT TO ATTEND THE USBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP PRIOR TO THE AWARDING OF THE PRIZES AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE RUSHVILLE TOURNAMENT OR THE OPTION WILL BE OFFERED TO THE NEXT PLAYER IN LINE.**

(See USBA Nationals Details below)

If neither of those 4 elects to attend the USBA Nationals then the money allotted to the USBA entry and expense money shall become part of the tournament prize fund and allocated accordingly.

2) Because this is a USBA National Qualifier there will be **NO SEEDING** of players.

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3) I just found out it is highly likely a sixth billiard table may be added at the Rushville venue. **IF** that transpires then a maximum of 40 players could be entered and the format would be Five 8-man brackets with two players from each bracket coming out into a 10-man Round Robin finals.

4) The first **28 PAID ENTRANTS** will have a spot in the tournament.

The next 12 Paid Entrants will be on the **Primary Waiting List** and will have a spot in the tournament **IF** the sixth table is added to the Rushville facility and available for tournament play.

Paid Entries in excess of 40 will be on the **Alternate Waiting List**.

**PAID ENTRIES will be logged in the order they are received here:**

**Gary Eake, 947 Trillium Trail, Oshkosh, WI 54904**

**Players who have paid but are not able to attend will have their entry fee returned within two weeks after the event.**

### **Nationals Info**

**USBA National Championship**

**March 16th to 20th, 2016**

**Million Dollar Billiards**

**12135 Victory Blvd.**

**North Hollywood, CA 91606**

**818-763-9491**

### **Order of Entry Eligibility**

- 1) Former USBA National Champions
- 2) Winners of USBA Nationals Qualifiers
- 3) Played in a USBA Nationals Qualifier but did not win: \$300.00
- 4) Waiting Listed – First Paid – First Entered \$500.00

ALL players in the USBA National Championships are responsible for ALL their own tournament related expenses, including but not limited to transportation, food and lodging.

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**RUSHVILLE BILLIARDS:** Rushville Billiards is a privately owned club. The building is owned and maintained by Mr. Steve Jones of Rushville. To the amazement of many The Rushville Billiard Club features five (5) billiard tables. It would be difficult to find a major city (or state?) with this many tables collectively, other than the east or west coast.

**EQUIPMENT:** Three SAM heated slate tables, two Brunswick unheated with European rubber. Rushville Billiard Club also features four A.E. Schmidt 9 ft. pool tables, one 12 Ft. snooker table and two Valley bar tables. All tables feature Simonis cloth. George Ashby, a former multi-titled National Champion and owner of The Pool Table Doctor and Ashby Painting of Murrayville, IL meticulously maintains all the tables and setup.

**EVENT EXPENSES:** Because Rushville Billiards is a private club a reasonable fee is paid to the club to help offset club expenses such as heat, electrical, sewer and water, taxes etc. Payment of these fees will help insure the club will be available to the billiard community for years to come.

**SPONSORSHIPS:** Professor Q-Ball Publications is the primary sponsor of this event. Rushville businesses Green Gables Motel and Los Charros Restaurant have also supported these events financially. **SPONSORSHIPS ARE STILL AVAILABLE.** All sponsorship money goes to cover expenses and the balance goes to the prize fund. **To become a sponsor call or text Gary Eake at 920.420.1304 or EMAIL [ge@gebroker.com](mailto:ge@gebroker.com).**

**DONATIONS:** Rushville residents and Rushville Tournament Entrants have donated Thousands of Dollars. Noel Mendoza (Schuler Cue by Noel Mendoza) also made a generous donation to benefit the event. **All donations are appreciated.** Donations will first go to cover the balance of event expenses (rent, food related etc.) and the entire balance then will go to enhance the prize fund.

**PAYMENT ENTRY FEE:** Early Entry Fee is encouraged. The tournament director will determine the maximum number of entrants. All PAID entries will be honored in the order they are received.

**VOLUNTEERS:** If you love quality 3-Cushion competition we can offer you a ringside seat as a volunteer scorekeeper. Your help is always welcome and appreciated.



**USBA Sanctioned Event: United States Billiard Association Sanctioned**  
**Whether or not you are competing in the Professor Q-Ball 2016 Spring**  
**Event join the USBA and support the National Organization dedicated to**  
**the support of Three Cushion Billiards in the USA.**

[www.usba.net](http://www.usba.net) for membership details or join at the tournament

**To participate in this tournament All Entrants must be USBA Member as follows:**

<b>Active USBA Member Paid:</b>	<b>Annual Membership = \$50.00</b>
<b>or</b>	
<b>One-time Event Membership Paid:</b>	<b>Event Membership = \$25.00</b>