

**2010 USBA Tour**

**September 10-12, 2010**

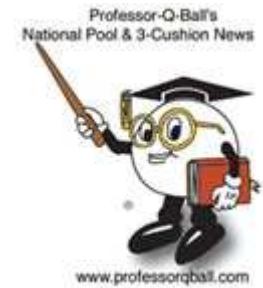
**Chris's Billiards, Chicago, IL**

**"Open" Tournament**

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**Luis Aveiga Wins At Chris's Billiards**

Twenty-four players came to Chicago's legendary Chris's Billiards to compete in the 2010 USBA TOUR 3-Cushion Billiards Open, held September 10-12.

The players were divided into 3 groups with 8 players each, round robin to 25 points. One player from the "B" flight dropped out, so the "B" flight only had 7 players. The top 2 finishers of each flight would advance to the finals along with the 2 best 3rd-place finishers (wild cards). There was also one auction and one lottery spot, making it a total of 10 players in the finals.

The finalists were divided into 2 groups with 5 players each, round robin to 30 points. The top 2 finishers from each finals flight would advance to a 4-player single elimination to determine the champion.

**Preliminaries:**

(Click on the name of the flight to view PDF Chart)

[Flight A](#): Hugo Patino (2003 & 2009 US Champion) wins the flight at 7-0 with a high run of 15. Luis Aveiga (Ecuador & PanAmerican Champion) finishes 2nd at 6-1. Local player David Camarena comes in 3rd at 5-2.

[Flight B](#): Mexican and PanAmerican Champion Luis Miguel Avila wins the flight at 5-1 and local player Alejandro Cruz comes in 2nd, also at 5-1. Jae Hyung Cho (2010 US Champion) comes in 3rd at 4-2.

[Flight C](#): Pedro Piedrabuena (2002, 2004 & 2007 US Champion) wins the flight at 7-0. Sonny Cho (2005 US Champion) comes in 2nd at 6-1. Adrian Viguera comes in 3rd at 5-2.

Adrian Viguera and David Camarena both finished with a 5-2 record. Viguera had more points scored, so he advanced to the finals. Camarena was 5-2 but Jae Hyung Cho was 4-2, having played one less game. In order to select the last wildcard, the two players played a 15 point match to determine who would go to the finals. Jae Hyung Cho won the match 15-9. Jim Shovak won the auction and Felipe Razon won the lottery to round out the group of finalists. The finalists were then seeded into 2 separate flights based on their performances in the preliminaries.

**Finals:**

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[Flight D](#): Hugo Patino finishes 1st and Luis Aveiga finishes 2nd. Patino had a run of 13.

[Flight E](#): Pedro Piedrabuena finishes first with a grand average of 1.644, a run of 12 and a best game of 30 points in just 8 innings (3.750 average). During that incredible 8 inning match against Adrian Viguera, Viguera ended up with 19 points in just 8 innings for an average of 2.375 and a run of 9. What a game! One of the most exciting matches of the tournament was the one between Luis Avila and Pedro. Avila was winning 27-20 and Pedro ran a 10-and-out to win the match. Adrian Viguera comes in 2nd in the group and also had a run of 10.

**Single Elimination Matches:**

Luis Aveiga vs. Pedro Piedrabuena: With Pedro winning 26-21, Luis Aveiga runs a 9-and-out to advance to the last round.

Hugo Patino vs. Adrian Viguera: Hugo wins 30-18 in just 19 innings.

**Final Matches:**

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Luis Aveiga vs. Hugo Patino: With Jim Shovak as the referee and Ted Olshansky keeping the score, Luis Aveiga averaged over 1.500 winning the match 35-21 in just 23 innings to win the tournament.

Pedro Piedrabuena finishes 3rd, Adrian Viguera 4th, Jae Hyung Cho ran a 15 to finish in 5th, Luis Avila came in 6th, Sonny Cho in 7th, Felipe Razon in 8th, Alejandro Cruz in 9th and Jim Shovak in 10th.

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Adrian Viguera (4th), Pedro Piedrabuena (3rd), Hugo Patino (2nd), Luis Aveiga (1st)

Bill Smith was gracious to donate his book and DVD, "**The Concise Book of Position Play**" which was won by a local patron.

Noel Mendoza of Schuler Cues also donated a beautiful Schuler Cue to the event which was won by a local patron.

A special thank you to Mike Melloy and Kevin, who worked very hard cleaning the tables and the balls throughout as well as handling the entry fee money.

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