



LAUNCHING #WeCueAsOne



SPANISH POINT BOAT CLUB, BERMUDA



MEET LEVI MEILLER

PABSA Newsletter

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Launching PABSA's new initiative

#WeCueAsOne

The Pan American Billiards and Snooker Association is very excited to introduce its new initiative, #WeCueAsOne. This initiative will stand for diversity, inclusion and equality within cue sports by supporting and welcoming players no matter what their age, gender, sexuality, nationality, ethnicity, race, religion or ability. The Pan American Billiards and Snooker Association wants to have a positive impact on our players, our fans and the communities in our region.

The **#WeCueAsOne** initiative will have three principles which it will strive to follow and promote. These principles are to:

- 1. Improve the diversity, inclusion and equality within cue sports
- 2. Educate players, fans and cue sport communities about equality, inclusion and diversity
- 3. Provide a safe and comfortable playing environments for all players

The Pan American Billiards and Snooker Association is proud to launch this initiative to help and support its players, supporters and communities come together to enjoy cue sports. There will be more information and resources to follow soon. Thank you for your continued support.

#WeCueAsOne #WeArePABSA



Spanish Point Boat Club, Hamilton, Bermuda

In 1943 thirteen men banded together to form the Spanish Point Boat Club ("SPBC") which is now located on the shores of the Great Sound in Hamilton Harbor. As the name implies the principle activity at the Club is boating and in 1956 the club co-hosted the Western Hemisphere Snipe Championships and between 2015-17 provided facilities for Ben Ainslie's lead Land Rover BAR entry in the America's Cup.

SPBC is the only surviving founding member of the Bermuda Snooker Association that commenced play in 1952. The Club continues to be well represented in League, National Championships and International tournaments. In 2017, Paul Fedden brought the Open Singles Championship to the Club for the first time. Paul went on to represent Bermuda in the ISL (International Snooker League) tournament in Vancouver, 2017 (which he also won) and then the inaugural Pan American Snooker Championships in Houston in January 2019. Currently, the club's entries in the local League are holding down two of the top three spots in the standings and favored, by the pundits, to garner the lion's share of the silver ware.

Sourced by Paul Fedden



Levi Meiller Player Stats



Name - Levi Meiller

Nickname - Gladiator of Glencoe

Lives - Glencoe, Ontario, Canada

From - London, Ontario, Canada

Age - 42

Highest match break - 137

Highest practice break - 147

Achievements

3 x Ontario Snooker Champion

3 x Canadian Junior Champion

Semi finalist Mens Ontario Snooker Championship

2001/02 Professional Snooker Player 46th on the 2018/19 World Seniors Tour

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Snooker has been deep rooted in Canada for many years with home grown players such as Bob Chaperon, Alain Robidoux, Kirk Stevens, Cliff Thorburn and Bill Werbenuik all being able to shine on the main stage. Sadly since those heady days of the 1970s and 80s, general interest in Canada has declined with no further professional players being mooted. However out of the shadows, has emerged a player that has plenty of skill and potential. His name is of course, Levi Meiller.

Levi Meiller is a natural, having first picked up a snooker cue at the age of 14. By the age of 15, he had developed an all-round game and was taken under the wing of Cliff Thorburn, Kirk Stevens and Gary Baldrey for coaching sessions. As a result, he decided to attempt the tumultuous road to becoming a professional player. Using Stroker's Billiard's in London, Ontario as his base, Meiller can often be found here, practicing for 4-6 hours a day and also flits in and out of Corner Bank Sports Bar and Grill in Scarborough, Steel City Billiards in Hamilton and a private table in the basement of the home of Mike Millar.

Since turning professional in Canada, Meiller has taken part in many tournaments including the World Senior Snooker Tour and the PanAm Tournament in Houston, Texas. He has a number of titles under his belt including being three times Ontario snooker champion, three times Junior Canadian Snooker Champion, a semi-finalist in the Men's Ontario Snooker Championship and was ranked in the top 128 on the 2001/2 Pro Tour and was ranked 46th on the 2018/19 World Seniors Snooker Tour. He also holds records of making his first century (111) within six months of first playing, successfully completing 14 centuries in one day and made his first 147 break within two years of picking up a cue.

After a 15 year absence from snooker, Levi decided to return to the sport and make it a career. Traveling to Sheffield in 2019, he spent some time practicing and being coached at the Star Snooker Academy in order to take part in the Q School that year. As a result, he lost in round 1 to Alex Millington, 4-3, Aaron Hill, 4-0 and Daegyu Lee, 4-1. This effort was made possible by a fundraiser organized Steel City Billiards in Hamilton.

Away from the snooker table, Meiller is a family man, liking to spend time with his parents or his dog. He also loves writing poetry, playing darts and golf. A lover of good food and having a beer with his friends. Although serious on the green baize, in his home environment, Levi is funny, loyal, honest, caring and described by his friends as "goofy". A seasoned snooker player who still has the potential to be the first of many Canadian players to start a new snooker revolution in their homeland and globally.

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