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Where the Shooters play in Sedalia

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2009 MO-KAN ACS Pool & Billiards Assoc. Championships

M. Allee



2009 MO-KAN ACS Pool and Billiards Association Championship Held at Sharky's Billiards in Sedalia, MO

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Teams from across the state converged in Sedalia at Sharky's Billiards March 13-15 to shoot it out for the 2009 MO-KAN ACS Team and Singles Championship Tournament.

In double-elimination men's singles Cory Smith, Sedalia, fought his way back to first place after being placed in the losers bracket his first match. Brad Blankenship, Sedalia, came through the winners bracket only to be defeated by Smith twice in a row to determine who claimed first. Coming in third was Willie Schrader, Jr., fourth was Josh Blaylock, and fifth was Jeff Paxton, all of Sedalia, MO.

In the women's round robin competition, Amanda Boles, Sedalia, won 23 out of a possible 35 games against the other female competitors to take first place. Caron Schrader, Sedalia, won 21, taking second; Audra Dean, Sedalia, came in third, winning 17. Marilyn Damman, Warsaw, MO, who placed second last year, came in fourth this year. In women's team competition, Sedalia's Beautiful Bees went unchallenged to claim first place for the second year in a row.

Team competition was tough and it came down to three Sedalia Sharky's Billiards teams battling it out for first place.

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Finishing third was Shoot to Thrill, Sedalia, fourth was Barlow's Bunch from Marceline, MO, fifth was Want Some, Get Some, from Brookfield, MO, and sixth was the Beautiful Bees, Sedalia.

Keith Hayden, Sedalia, MO, earned the Men's Spectacular Shot Award for the tournament in his first match against the Stokers in the play off. The cue ball was behind the eight ball when Hayden approached the table for his shot. In order to make a good hit,

Hayden had to jump the cue ball over the eight ball and into a three-ball combination shot to make his legal ball. With his opponent, himself, and most of the audience laughing at the leave, Hayden remarked, "Well, I guess I'll just have to pull out my jump stick and make a three-ball jump combination."

Hayden then proceeded to do just that.

Mellody Allee, Sedalia, MO, earned the Women's Spectacular Shot Award with two shots. Her first shot she had to bank the six ball the length of the table to hit four more balls lined up from first diamond past



Women's Team Champions – Back Row L to R: Kat Lackman, Audra Dean, Tiffany Johnson. Front Row L to R: Caron Schrader, Nicole Stock, Amanda Boles, all of Sedalia.



Women's Singles Winners – L to R: Amanda Boles - 1st, Caron Schrader - 2nd, Audra Dean - 3rd, all of Sedalia. Not pictured: Marilyn Damman - 4th, Warsaw.

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the center pocket to put her two ball in the corner pocket. Calling the shot, she stepped to the table and made the shot. Her second award-winning shot, Allee had to kick the cue ball two rails to hit a two ball combination into the side pocket, which she did.

Shaking her head in disbelief, her opponent, Audra Dean, wanted to know when Allee was starting her Trick Shot career.

Sharky's Billiards will host the Missouri State All Leagues 10-Point Handicap 8 Ball team tournament April 18-19. For more information go to www.sharkysbilliards.com.



Men's Singles Winners: L to R: Jeff Paxton - 5th, Josh Blaylock - 4th, Cory Smith - 1st, Brad Blankenship - 2nd, all of Sedalia. Not pictured: Willie Schrader, Jr. - 3rd, Sedalia.



Men's Team Champions - L to R: Brent Haile - Blairstown, Cory Smith - Sedalia, Kevin Kares - Sedalia, Frank Parratt - Clinton, Gary Wallut - Deepwater.



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Men's Runner-Up Team - L to R: Josh Blaylock, John Blaylock, Brad Blankenship, Shannon Ward, Keith Hayden, Jeff Paxton, and Steve Allee, all of Sedalia.