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**FIVE TRIAD AREA POOL TEAMS
TO COMPETE IN NATIONAL EVENT**

GREENSBORO – The Rabid Seamonkeys are among five pool teams from the Triad that will compete for the \$25,000 top prize in the American Poolplayers Association tournament in Las Vegas Aug. 21-Aug. 29.

The Seamonkeys, an eight-ball team that played out of Shooters Sports Bar and Billiards in Greensboro during the fall and spring sessions, includes four players from Guilford Technical Community College.

Each of the Triad teams received \$8,000 from the Triad Poolplayers Association for entering the national tournament at the Riviera Hotel and Casino after winning district championships.

Two other eight-ball teams from Greensboro, 8 Wheels, playing out of Breakers and Jakes Snipers playing out of Jakes Billiards, also will be going for the national stakes.

Among the contenders in the nine-ball division will be National Guards of Burlington, playing out of Rollin Thunder Saloon (formerly Korner Pocket), and The Team to NV of Greensboro, playing out of Gate City Billiards.

The Triad chapter includes players from Guilford, Alamance, Forsyth, Davidson, Stokes and Randolph counties.

The Seamonkeys have the distinction of having four members associated with the same place on their team. Captain Ryan Hucks and co-captain Jerome Phillips, both from Greensboro, are computer technicians at GTCC. Toni Bass-Manley of Climax works in the college's counseling center; and Aly Bumgarner of Greensboro is a student in the college transfer program.

The team has a variety of occupations with Mike Kohn of Jamestown, a postal worker; Adam Rich of McLeansville, who works for the Danville, VA Parks and Recreation Dept.; Arick Barrow of Winston-Salem, a Lowe's Co. employee; and co-captain Garland Ellison of High Point, who is self-employed.

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