

Current Season

The current season Humilau Gym began 12 Aug, 2013 and will run through 15 Sep, 2013.

Shiny Dialga, Palkia, and Giratina will be available at GameStop stores!

A trio of incredible Pokémon from the Sinnoh region are coming to your game! Get the Legendary Pokémon Dialga, Palkia, and Giratina at participating GameStop stores starting on August 19th, 2013, for your *Pokémon Black Version*, *Pokémon White Version*, *Pokémon Black Version 2*, or *Pokémon White Version 2* game. What's more, the three Pokémon will be Shiny Pokémon, making them even more rare and desirable!

The three Pokémon will be available one at a time, and for a limited time each. You can get Shiny Dialga until September 8th, followed by Shiny Palkia from September 9th through

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The Captain Hampton Memorial Pokémon League meets every Thursday from 5:30pm until 8:30pm. Watch the League Facebook page or League Update Flyers for updates.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/EasleyPokemonGym/>

League Halloween Party

October 31st we will have our Halloween party in the main meeting room of the library. We will have all sorts of Pokémon happenings at this event. We are looking to play movies, play games, and of course the Pokémon TCG and video games, all in some sort of a Pokémon theme. Being this close to Halloween we need your help to make this event a success. We are looking for the following items:

- Candy Donations (All sorts and individually wrapped.)
- Pokémon Theme Halloween Party Decorations
- Snack, drinks and treats commitments
- Volunteer Sign Ups

As we get closer to this event we will be giving out more information with an update flyer.



Changes to the Play! Pokémon Modified format for the 2014 tournament season have been announced.

Effective: 8/28/2013 –

(http://www.pokemon.com/us/pokemon-news/op_2014_format_rotation-2013-07-16/)

In the interests of maintaining a healthy tournament environment, Pokémon Organized Play begins each new tournament season by removing older expansions from Modified format competition. Each annual rotation challenges existing players to create new strategies while enabling new players to get into Organized Play with minimal investment.

The 2014 season started on July 9th, 2013, so players could get an early start on working towards the 2014 Pokémon World Championships. However, we will rotate expansions on August 28th, 2013.

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September 29th, and then Shiny Giratina from September 30th through October 20th.

Remember that when you visit GameStop stores beginning on August 19th, you'll be able to preorder your copy of *Pokémon X* or *Pokémon Y* while you're there! Learn more about these upcoming games at [Pokemon.com/XY!](http://www.pokemonxy.com/en-us/root/) Go to <http://www.pokemonxy.com/en-us/root/>.

Badge Cases:

If you have ordered a badge case and have not received yours as of yet please see Jeff or the other League Leaders. We have some badge cases in and others are being delivered to the league.

Be sure to sign up online for your Pokémon Trainer account to get in on future events and other great Pokémon stuff.

Pokémon Resources

- **Pokémon** – <http://pokemon.com>
- **League Facebook Page** - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EasleyPokemonGym/>
- **Pokebeach** - <http://pokebeach.com/>
- **Bulbapedia** - http://bulbapedia.bulbagarden.net/wiki/Main_Page
- **Sixprizes** - <http://www.sixprizes.com/>
- **How to Build an Effective Pokemon Deck** - (For Beginners) - [http://www.wikihow.com/Build-an-Effective-Pokemon-Deck-\(TCG\)](http://www.wikihow.com/Build-an-Effective-Pokemon-Deck-(TCG))
- **How To Play – (Great for Parents)** - <http://www.pokemontcg.com/tutorials>
- **Pro-Pokemon** – (Great Articles) - <http://www.propokemon.com/> - (Read the Strategy Article)

If you would like to receive a Pokémon League e-newsletter please email Jeff at easleypokemongym@gmail.com.

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The 2013 Pokémon World Championships being held on August 9th–11th in Vancouver, BC, Canada, will use the 2013 format and rules as are currently listed.

The Modified format for the 2014 season will consist of the following expansions:



Black & White—Next Destinies



Black & White—Dark Explorers



Black & White—Dragons Exalted



Black & White—Boundaries Crossed



Black & White—Plasma Storm



Black & White—Plasma Freeze



Black & White—Plasma Blast



Black & White—Dragon Vault



Black Star Promo Cards BW33 and higher.



McDonald's Collection

Additional expansions become legal as they are released into a market.

A New Format for 2015

In addition to announcing our 2014 rotation, we are also pleased to give players a sneak peek at one of the changes that they will see after next year's expansion rotation.

Starting in late 2014, a new TCG format will be joining the familiar Modified format as a legal option for sanctioned Pokémon events of all sizes. Because this new format will allow players to use *all* sets from *Black & White* on, players will have even more options when designing a winning deck!

We will provide more details as we near the end of the 2014 tournament season!