After PABSA launched its new initiative #WeCueAsOne back in January to support equality, diversity and inclusion in cuesports, we are now pleased to share the next stage of this initiative. Introducing the #WeCueAsOne mission emblem!

This mission emblem has been introduced to help the growth of cuesports in the pan-American region by acknowledging that no matter who you are or where you are from, cuesports in the pan-American region will welcome you. The Pan America Billiards and Snooker Association wants to grow equality, diversity and inclusion by introducing this mission emblem.

No matter your:
• Ability
• Age
• Culture
• Ethnicity
• Gender
• Nationality
• Race
• Religion
• Sexuality
• Skill
• Talent

Or whether you are:
• Coaches
• Players
• Referees
• Supporters

You are welcome to PABSA and #WeCueAsOne

With the recent announcement of a potential women’s and juniors tournaments in Costa Rica later this year, PABSA will continue to push forward and continue to be the leading organization in creating equality, diversity and inclusion in cuesports.
FIGUEIREDO REACHES 2021 WORLD SENIORS SNOOKER SEMIFINAL

After he successfully secured a place on the WST for another two seasons after a fantastic run at the World Championship qualifying in April, Igor Figueiredo was invited to play at the 2021 World Seniors Snooker Championship at the Crucible Theatre between the 6th and 9th of May.

Igor was drawn against 1991 world champion John Parrott in the first round. After a solid performance, Igor came out a 3-0 winner. This meant that Igor would face a fantastic match against seven-time world champion Stephen Hendry, one of Igor’s snooker heroes.

In this quarterfinal match, nerves didn’t get the better of Igor as he prevailed over his hero, winning the match 4-1 with a pot success of over 92 percent. A composed clearance in the last frame secured the match and a place in the semifinals against another legend of the game, Jimmy White.

In the semifinals against “The Whirlwind,” Jimmy White, Igor lost 4-1 but represented Brazil and Pan America with pride. With this appearance at the World Seniors, Igor became the first player from Brazil and the first from South America to play at the Crucible Theatre. This was a great moment of history for Igor and for all South America.
THE REAL CHARLIE BROWN

Charlie Brown currently lives in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada, but is originally from Campbellford in Ontario. He has two children, Chas and Jack, and has been working with cryptocurrency for the past five years. Charlie used to be an amateur boxer, a sport in which he won many titles including Provincials, Kids Gloves, Diamond Gloves, and Golden Gloves. Charlie actually fought on the same card as British boxer Lennox Lewis. Boxing was going to be his career, but after taking a year off the strict regime, Charlie discovered snooker and never looked back.

Charlie first played snooker in his local pool room where Jim Jones was his inspiration. He moved to Oshawa in 1988 to play snooker, and in 1989 his dedication to the game paid off when he won the Canadian Under 21 Championships. In 1997 Charlie reached the final of the Canadian Championships, another great achievement, though he lost that match to former professional player Kirk Stevens.

In other achievements, Charlie won the British Columbia Snooker Championships in 2018, played in the 1997 World Amateur Championships in Africa, and played in the 1989 World Under-21 Championships with the likes of Ken Dorothy, Peter Ebdon, Jason Ferguson and Peter Lines. Along with Kirk Stevens and Ken Dorothy, Charlie has had the chance to play against the likes of Cliff Thorburn, Mika Immonen and Johnny Archer over the years, and he is also proud to call Cliff Thorburn and Kirk Stevens close friends of his. Charlie has a high break of 141.

In his time as a snooker player, Charlie has been lucky enough to travel to Iceland, China, Japan and Africa. He is looking forward to competing on the Seniors over 40 tour going forward.