



# North Country Dart League Meeting Minutes

## Call to order

A meeting of the North Country Dart League was held at Fagin's Pub on May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023.

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05pm

Meeting Adjourned: 7:54pm

## Attendees

Attendees included: Dent Guys, Lockness Painters, Northern Pounders, Jericho Outdoors, BBC, Northway, Round of 9, Just the Tip, Dube's Bulldawgs.

## Late to the Meeting

Late Attendees include: Misfits (7:18) Sharp Shooters (7:30)

## Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included Ridiculous 6.

## New business

Regular Season is completed.

First Round of National Playoffs will be as follows.

(1) Ridiculous 6 - Bye Week

(2)Dent Guys - Bye Week

(3)Lockness Painters Vs (6) BBC @ VFW

(4)Northern Pounders Vs (5) Jericho Outdoors @ Pub

Second Round of National Playoffs will be as follows

(1) Ridiculous 6 Vs Lowest Remaining Seed @ Pub

(2) Dent Guys Vs Higher remaining seed @ Pub

National Division Finals will be as follows.

Highest Remaining Seed Vs Lowest Remaining Seed @ Highest Seed's Home Court

First Round of American Playoffs will be as follows

(1) Northway - Bye

(2) Round of 9 - Bye

(3) Just the Tip Vs (6) Dube's Bulldawgs @ Ming House

(4) Misfits Vs (5) Sharp Shooters @ Legion

Second Round of American Playoffs will be as follows.

- (1) Northway Vs Lowest Remaining Seed @ Legion
- (2) Round of 9 Vs Higher Remaining Seed @ Legion

American Division Finals will be as follows.

Highest Seed Vs Lowest Seed @ Highest seed's home court.

-A situation was brought up where a player threw 2 darts, went to look at the thrown darts, touched and moved the darts in the board then went to finish their turn. The player's captain said they could not do that which resulted in an argument.

-Ruling: A player may not touch the darts in the board. If they do, this signifies the end of their turn. Section 9C of the NCDL Bylaws States: Before a shooter can remove his/her darts from the board, he/she must call out his/her score and the score keeper must acknowledge and post the score. A shaky dart may be held, but touching of a dart in the board will constitute the end of his/her turn.

- Clarification was asked for regarding the fines from Ridiculous 6's missed meetings. Since they were not in attendance tonight, this makes 3 meetings they have not attended and fines are due. (\$15 total)

- The way we handle fines for missed captain's meetings needs to be reviewed and revised. More communication needs to happen. Dan and Lucien will brainstorm ideas and come to the next meeting with ideas to vote on. Kenny mentioned possibly printing the weekly stat sheet on a different color paper for captains who owe fines.

- Kenny notified us that the new owners of Mr. Pizza in Gorham is interested in hosting teams out of their business.

- Smoke breaks were brought up again. Players need to pay attention to when they are playing and need to be courteous to other players and make every effort possible to not hold up the games. This may result in a new rule being instated where players forfeit matches if not able to begin a game within a set time limit.

- A match between Dube's Bulldawgs and Just the Tip was played under protest on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Players from Just the Tip left the venue to deal with a situation at one of the player's homes. After being looked into by Dan and Lucien, it was found that the player's absence did not cause any games to be held up. The players did return before their next scheduled match and no actions were taken by the league. Dube's Bulldawgs were thanked for bringing this up and handling it the proper way. The opposing team was notified that the match was being played under protest due to a potential bylaw infraction. It was written on the Match Report Sheet that the match was being played under protest. Dan was notified of the situation. Both teams were cooperative and the ruling was accepted by both teams.

- We will need rosters for the Fall 2023 season 2-3 weeks prior to the start of the season so players and teams can be added to DartConnect in a timely manner. Kenny asked if all players are required to sign up for a DartConnect account. It is not required though it is strongly recommended that players do sign up for an account. Jen Theriault asked if the accounts will

cost anything. No, DartConnect offers a free account which will work perfectly for what we will be doing. They do also offer a paid membership but that is not required.

- Shauna Croteau asked if players will still be able to be added to the roster after everyone is put into DartConnect. Yes, we will still allow players to be added and dropped from the roster until week 3 as we have done in the past. Rosters and dues will still be turned into Zuri as we have done in the past. Rosters for DartConnect are only being asked for early to negate us entering in 90+ people the night before we start playing.

- At 7:34pm Dan received the Match Report Sheet from Amy for the match between Sharp Shooters and Misfits. He noted that neither team would move in ranking if the final 2 singles matches were played (Match was not finished Monday night and had 2 singles matches left) and the Ton club was unlikely to be affected if the matches were played so the match was called finalized with Sharp Shooters earning 5 Match Points and Misfits earning 8 Match Points.

- The American Division seems to be having issues finishing matches on Monday night. An option was brought up to help move matches along. For Singles, players shoot for bull and the winner picks either Cricket or 301 Double in, Double out. The singles matches would be only one leg instead of a Best of 3. This idea will be tabled for now pending the results of DartConnect's effect on speeding up Game play.

## Discuss with teams

- Captains were asked to discuss adding in a rule with their players. We have sort of advised players to do this but we would like to vote on adding it into the bylaws. Should we institute a rule where names for the next match are put up and if a player can not be found, a captain is notified and the player has 5 minutes to report to the match or they forfeit the match? DartConnect has the ability to send notifications to players that they are scheduled to play a match. Captains, please discuss and be ready to vote at the next meeting (Next season).

## Announcements

End of the year Banquet is June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ VFW. The Banquet starts at 2:00pm. Awards and prizes will start about 3:00pm. A Luck of the Draw will begin about 5:00pm and we will be using the tablets and DartConnect to score the matches!

The Banquet will be a PotLuck event. A post will be made on the Dart League's Facebook page with a list of things people will bring so we can avoid possibly duplicating dishes.