

# Meeting Minutes – North Country Dart League

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**Location:** Fagin's Pub **Date:** March 4<sup>th</sup> 2025 **Start Time:** 7:03 PM **Adjourned:** 7:35PM

## Attendance

Northland Interiors: **N** Lockness: **Y** Jericho: **Y** Northway: **Y** NC Bowling: **Y**

Northern Pounders: **Y** Berlin City: **Y** Just the Tip: **N** Wizards: **Y** Misfits: **Y** Sharp Shooters: **Y**

Bookworms: **Y** Berlin Spring: **N**

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- Dan did point out to the captains that Kenny was able to get the trophy plates completed and put on the Trophies. Thank you Kenny!
- A discussion was held regarding what to do for the annual league T-shirts. Some people have been saying that they already have a lot of shirts and have expressed interest in other items. Some alternate items that were mentioned were Pajama Pants, Beanies, Zippered Sweatshirts, soft coolers, dart cases, and the normal t-shirts. Dan asked the captains to meet with their team and present the top 2 selections from each team. Lucien was also asked to make a Facebook poll asking the same thing.
- Meeting Fines for Berlin City, Northland Interiors (2), and NCBC (2) were turned in.
- Currently we are limited on where we can hold events like the annual banquet. Dan asked about the possibility of purchasing portable stands and boards from the White Mountain Shootout so we can expand to places like the White Mountain Chalet who has expressed interest in having our banquet there.
- We have been told that the VFW will be essentially making it so the back room is no longer available for use to darts. We will need to most likely move the Wizards team to the 2 boards closest to the gambling machines. The VFW has said they will be putting up lights over those boards to illuminate them better.
  - At this time, the date is still unknown as to when they will be changing things.
- Some of the boards around the league do have horrible lighting. The right hand board at the VFW that Lockness Painters and Northern Pounders play on is one that comes to mind. Should the league look into purchasing lights for the dimly lit boards, or possibly all boards we use to keep things more even?
  - Over the past few weeks, Lucien has brought his personal dartboard light to test it out at the VFW and it has been met with very positive reactions. The lighting system greatly helps.
  - Dan requested a vote for the league to purchase lighting for all boards to make it so all boards have the same lighting. The vote was unanimous, it was agreed that we should purchase lighting.
- A brief discussion was held recommending a "High Marks Club" being implemented. In cricket, our Rounds of 7+ are almost useless despite being a really good throw. The high marks club would take high rounds and award a player points. A round of 7 would be worth

7 points and a Round of 8 would be worth 8 points. These points would be totaled across the league and the top 3 in each division would receive the award (cash payout most likely).

- This is still in the works and details have not been completely hashed out yet. Do we include Rounds of 5+ or only 7+?
- Captains were asked to discuss this with their players and we will revisit this idea at a later time.
- A discussion was held regarding the End of Year banquet. It was agreed upon that we should hold the Banquet at the VFW. Tentative date is Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 3:00pm. Dan will look into the availability of the VFW and will let everyone know.
- During the Week 9 matches a player at the VFW was throwing and another person chose to walk between the tables and the throwing line. This resulted in the person who was actively throwing to be run into during their throw. Please be courteous to players who are throwing and either find a safe way around or most venues are fine with us moving the tables a little to create better pathways.
- Over the past 2 weeks we have had a match (one in each week) not finish before the bars closed down. So far this has only happened twice but the singles matches seem to be a big part of the issue. One of the matches took 81 minutes to complete 2 legs.
  - Dan stated that this is a perfect example of why the league not only is okay with but also recommends using a 3<sup>rd</sup> tablet and board when space allows. He also mentioned that there is no such thing as “plenty of time” as a reason to not use an additional tablet to move matches along.
  - It was also stated that we had a system in place to assist with sets like this. Sudden Death would kick in after a certain number of rounds and tell the players to shoot for bull to determine the winner. Dan stated that if a match has gone on long enough and both players feel they want to shoot for bull to determine the winner, they are more than welcome to do so. If using this method, players will shoot for bull then the losing player will forfeit the leg.
  - If matches continue to run this late, we will look into the option of having only one leg of singles for the American Division. Whoever has the star would have option for bull. The winner of the bull throw would call the game (301 DiDo or cricket) and start the leg.
- Lucien and the Berlin NH Singles League donated a basket towards the Ding-A-ling Bingo.
- Shauna Croteau thanked everyone for the baskets for the 2025 Ding-A-Ling bingo. She was very happy with the effort and creativity that everyone put into their baskets.

**The next Captain's Meeting will be April 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. The meeting will be held at Fagin's Pub at 7:00PM.**