WEDNESDAY MIXED DARTS LEAGUE

RULES 2021/22

1. Format:

- 1.1 Teams to consist of 3 men and 3 Ladies, but teams may play more than this if they wish to do so.
- 1.2 Games should commence at 8.30pm Players sign in by 9pm at the latest.
- 1.3 Home team to throw for nearest the Bull first for start of each game.
- 1.4 Flying start and double finish.
- 1.5 Ladies/ Men's Trebles, 3 Mixed Doubles, 3 Mens Singles+3 Ladies Singles(alternate), 1 Team Game.
- 1.6 All games 1 leg/701.
- 1.7 County Players- this means a player who is actually playing for a county side this season and not one that has just been selected. County League runs from September to May only. A team may sign on any number of county players but may only play one male County player and/or one female County player in a match.
- 1.8 The order of players for the evening match does not need to be drawn but the Singles matches may be drawn if both Captains wish to do so.

2. <u>Signing of Players:</u>

- 2.1 All players to sign on at the first match.
- 2.2 Registration of players to be handed in after your first week's match, but if this is not possible you have 4 weeks to comply. If registration of players is not received by the date stated then the players will not be signed on and will be treated as illegal players, you will lose your match with 0 points and your opponent will receive 7 points or an average of their total points gained prior to the last 2 games of the season, whichever is greater.
- 2.3 New players during the season should sign the back of the result sheet before they play and the captain is also to post the name on our Facebook page. (This does not apply to any cup games. when players have to play a league game before they can play a cup game.)
- 2.4 There is no closing date, but once players have played for a team in this league they cannot play for another until the new season starts unless they have adhered to the transfer rule.

3. Cancellation of matches:

- 3.1 Teams cancelling a game must first inform a member of the committee(preferably the Secretary), the committee member will then make sure that the opposing captain is informed. If cancelling the week of the match the cancelling team should also inform the venue.
- 3.2 A team cancelling 3 games in a season will be expelled from the league.
- 3.3 Rearranging games- teams to try to rearrange games later in the season when both teams are available and to then inform the league secretary. If a game cannot be rearranged then the cancelling team will lose the match with 0 points and the opposing team will receive a win and 7 points or an average of their total points prior to the final 2 games of the season -whichever is greater.
- Cancelling teams should be aware that if they cancel on the afternoon or evening of the match then the Landlord/ Landlady may have a financial loss as the food may have been prepared. The cancelling team can be fined £10.00 payable to the Landlord/ Landlady. Please contact the Chairman, Louis Yates if you wish to claim the £10 after a cancelled game.

4. Points:

- 4.1 A point will be awarded for every game won except for the final team game which is worth 2 points- giving a total of 13 available points.
- 4.2 Teams which are given a walkover will be given a win and 7 points or an average of their total points prior to the last 2 games, whichever is greater. and their opponents a loss and 0 points.
- 4.3 The winner of a league will be the team with the most points at the end of the season. In the event of teams tying on points in the final table the committee then look at the most games won, if this is equal the committee then consider the points gained when the tying teams played each other

5. Results sheets:

- 5.1 Winning team to post the result plus any 180s and HSOs on the Wednesday Dart League Facebook page and send the results sheet to the League Secretary Dot O'Shaugnessy, 15 warleigh Avenue, Keyham, Plymouth, PL2 1NW by the Wednesday of the following week. Teams failing to send in sheets on time will be listed on the Group Facebook page. Following 2 listings a team may have 2 points deducted for any subsequent late sheets.
- 5.2 Please ensure that every player's name appears **printed** once on the sheet- first name and surname, not nickname.
- 5.3 Both teams to keep a record of match score.

6. Registration of team:

6.1 Fee £35.00 per team, cheques made payable to Wednesday Mixed Darts League

7. Age limit:

- 7.1 The age limit is 16 or over, but players under 18 are on their honour not to drink alcohol. Also Captains should check with the venue for their permission for the player to enter the premises.
- 7.2 Please note the following venues do not allow under 18's;

Kings Arms, Kings Tamerton Social Club and Bull and Bush.

8. <u>Dartboard and Oche:</u>

- 8.1 Dart Throw: 5 foot 8 inches from the floor to centre of the Bull's-eye.
- 8.2 Throw line- 7 foot 9 and ¼ inches.
- 8.3 Removable or fixed raised Oche must be supplied.
- 8.4 Any complaints about a venue's oche, dartboard or lighting should be sent to the Vice Chairman, Andy Hoskin for investigation.

9. Marking and calling:

- 9.1 Please leave your darts in the board until the caller has called the score.
- 9.2 Any irregularities arising from the marking and calling must be put right at the time of the incident, once the next player has thrown there cannot be any alteration to the score.
- 9.3 No call or information shall be given to a player once they are at the oche except by the Marker/ Caller. The Marker/ Caller may inform the player of the total of the score required to finish the game, only if they are asked, but should not inform them of the Double required. They may also inform the player of the position of the dart in the dartboard if a player asks.

10. <u>Complaints:</u>

- 10.1 Any complaints must be in writing to the Committee within 7 days of the match being played, NOT posted on our group Facebook page. Any committee decision to be final. Any derogatory comments about a venue or player posted on our Group Facebook page will be removed by the administrator and the writer removed from the Facebook Group.
- 10.2 Captains should take responsibility for the conduct of the players i.e. swearing, bad behaviour which could cause offence or the use of mobile phones.

11. Disqualification:

- 11.1 Should any player/ team misconduct themselves or commit an offence they will be dealt with by the Committee and could be banned from the league.
- 11.2 Any player found deliberately falsifying result sheets will incur a penalty of being banned from the league for 12 months and only be reinstated if the Committee agree.
- 11.3 Any player/players found to be abusing a Committee member/ player verbally or physically will be brought before the Committee to explain themselves and could be banned from the League.

12. **HSOs and 180s:**

12.1 The HSOs and 180s will count in all League matches, cup matches and individual competitions except for the finals. If the names are not written in full the scores will not count.

13. **Smoking breaks:**

13.1 If players could use some thought, then smoking should not interfere with the flow of the evening. Please go out well in advance of your games so that players are not on the oche waiting for you.

14. Changing venues:

- **14.1** Changing mid season: Teams will be able to move venues with the consent of the Landlord/ Landlady but they must re-pay the league fees, in full if in the first half of the season and half the fees in the second part of the season. But if the Landlord/ Landlady can sign on players to replace the team that wants to leave before the end of the season they are within their rights to do so.
- 14.2 **Changing before a new season**: Teams may hold their place in the League if they choose to move to another venue, with the consent of the Committee. But the Landlord/Landlady has the right to replace that team with new players. Then the current team will only be able to hold their place if there is a vacancy in the Division.

15. <u>Transfer of Players:</u>

- 15.1 All applications to be dealt with by the Committee.
- 15.2 It is permissible that a player registered for one team may transfer to another if their team withdraws from the League.
- 15.3 If a player wishes to transfer to another team then they may apply to the Committee in writing with their reason why and this will be considered. All applications to be in writing

to the League Secretary at least 7 days before they play for the new team. Only 1 transfer per player will be accepted within the season unless the team withdraws from the league. A £5.00 transfer fee will be charged and has to be paid before the player can transfer.

- 15.4 Any player who plays a player who has not complied with the above rule shall forfeit all points obtained by that player.
- 15.5 No transfer of players will be considered by the Committee after 1st April.

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