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STAR PLAYERS

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A New Year For New IDEAS!!

A note to anyone who expected to find the letter from the DDA President here. Sorry about your luck. Mike Hadley, our DDA President, does lots of things for our group, but writing a column just isn't one of them. So blame him for whatever you read here after this.

Mark Needles Newsletter Editor

As almost no one remembers from the last newsletter (judging from the complete lack of response) I asked all the

DDA members to send in ideas for freshening up our league. New games, new formats and most importantly - new ideas for getting people to try throwing darts for fun. So here are some starter thoughts. Discuss them in between matches over the winter months. Then let's act on them at the May DDA banquet.

The first idea might be this: Let's get rid of the divisions (Gem, blue, yellow, gold, etc) and go to a king of the hill or ladder format. Take Thursday night - rank every team in the order they finish (Gem #1 team - Blue #6) and then every team only plays up three and down three teams (suggestions please on what to do with the top and bottom teams). Everyone stays competitive and would only play people near your own skill level. Every 6 weeks we re-order the lineup based on results.

Another suggestion is to do like "gym class" and have the team captains draw teams - either they choose 3-4 players from everyone in their division or even blind draw from a jar. Or keep a core of three players on a team and draw for the other three.

Or keep the divisional structure and change the games - not as good for tournament practice but maybe better to relieve boredom.

Or let's raise the player fees and use the extra money to buy and install electronic scoring pads that work with bristle boards. "Fear of chalkboard/numbers" is the #1 reason given by non- players for not throwing.

We need to do something folks - our membership declines and new players aren't exactly breaking down our doors. If we want to have a league in Dayton, we all need to do things to keep it alive! Let's start with these suggestions and then get creative and email me anything else at: mark@linemarkcommunications.com *I'd love to hear your thoughts!*

WINTER 2013 IMPORTANT DATES

January 3 CAPTAINS' MEETING

	7:30pm @ Hanks Pub
January 7	MONDAY Fall League Begins
January 9	E III B 1
January 10	THURSDAY Fall League Begins
January 15	DDA MEETING 7pm @ DEAD
February 19	DDA MEETING 7pm @ DEAD
March 19	DDA MEETING 7pm @ DEAD

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Rules for One Dart Doubles.

Throw for double 1, double 2 & double 3 with the first three darts.

On your second turn, throw one at the double(s) you missed in the first turn, and then carry on for the next double in ascending order. i.e. If on the first turn if you hit D2 & D3, your second turn would be D1, D4, D5.

If you hit D1 & D5 your next turn would be D4, D6, D7 etc.

Carry on until all doubles have been hit up to the double bull.

New darters are always welcome!

Come in and talk directly to Hank!

MONDAY

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Toni Carmack, Sandy Manger and Rhonda P'Poole confer on strategy between rounds.





Nice Shirts Dayton Embroi











Dean Lucas was in charge of checking out the hotel accomodations - a tough job, but he was up to the task!

DDA SPOT-LITE

In every issue of the DDA Newsletter, we will highlight one darter from our Dayton Darting family. If you know someone that promotes darts, is interesting, or is just someone you want to know more about and you would like to nominate them for the next DDA Spot-Lite, feel free to contact me at mark@linemarkcommunications.com.



TONI CARMACK ON.THE.LINE

Darts in Dayton always starts and ends with friends. Toni Carmack knows better than most. Her own darting history started in the summer of 1999 when her friend, Patti Yinger (our DDA super secretary), asked Toni to play on her summer team.

Toni wasn't completely new to darts – not only had she played soft tip darts, but her husband, Frank Lovash, had joined the DDA in 1991 and was an active member and volunteer at many of the fish fries, banquets and other DDA functions. Toni came along to help and always ended up making new friendships as well. And as any stay at home mom knows, getting out is always a welcome relief (even if you end up cleaning).

After that first summer with Patti's team, Toni stayed with darts and found that not only was it fun, but she continued to make new friendships throughout the organization. As the only girl in a family of six kids, she was used to the mostly male competition and that never bothered her. In high school she was known as an excellent softball player with a wicked pitch, so darts was an extension of that skill set. By her second year she made the Dayton All-Star team and has thrown with them every year since, including this years' winning team.

All those years of making friends really paid back when cancer struck in 2002. Without the support of her dart "family", everything would have been a lot harder for her. "Darts gave me something to look forward to every day besides another four hours of chemo. It made things more bearable for me."

Fully recovered and throwing strong, Toni has brought her own circle of friends, relatives - and even her own daughter - into the family of darts. At least 8 additional players have come from the ranks of the Carmacks, and there are sure to be more over time.

A winner of the Bill Bereda Sportsmanship award in 2002, Toni is a welcome DDA member (and friend) wherever she goes.



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DEAD RECKONING ON [DART MATH]

As has been mentioned elsewhere, the fear of standing in front of a group and doing math at a chalkboard brings great anxiety to some folks...

I don't know about you, but sometimes, I have trouble with the math in 501 games.... so I use something I call Dart Math....

It works like this...let's just say you have 411 left and you score 85...subtraction in this case is messy....

But if you only had to subtract your 85 from 100, it's much easier...so you subtract 85 from 100 and get 15...

Now just add the 15 to your score (411 and 15 is 426) and subtract 100...you get 326.... which is the correct score and is much eaiser to do in your head...

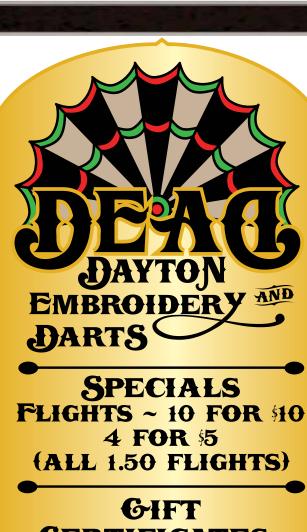
This usually works best for scores of 50 or more...

This may help you with some of the tough subtractions....

At first it seems too easy, but just trust it...

Lou





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