



# Dayton Darting Association

Fall Newsletter 2014

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## TRENDING UPWARD...

*Just like the economy is making a slow, steady comeback, darting in Dayton is also on the upswing. More teams, returning players and more boards going up is a good indicator of a resurgence of interest. Your DDA board is working hard to help continue this trend with new ideas, responsive changes and increased communications. Let's play darts!*

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**Mark Needles**  
Newsletter Editor

First of all, welcome to all new and returning members to the Fall 2014 season of darting in the DDA. We have a good mix of teams, well balanced schedules and some additional choices in sponsor locations ready for you.

While darts typically takes a bit of a backseat to outdoor sports in the summer, this summer has been a hotbed of activity for the darter community. We started off with the annual DDA banquet in May, always a fun event with lots of great food and free drinks, cornhole and games of chance. This year we went over the top by raffling off a new ipad tablet - quite a prize for a \$1.00 entry ticket! But then things stepped up another notch with the return of an event that has been dormant for over a decade - The Gem City Open tournament. Gary & Chris Duibley introduced the idea to the board and then recruited Randy Wright to become the third Tournament Director. They worked diligently on finding sponsors, secured a location and put in hours and hours of work on organizing and preparing for the event. Other members also jumped in to help and the results were spectacular. You can read details and see pictures elsewhere in this issue.

This newsletter also marks the end of my first full year as President (my other hat besides newsletter editor) and it's been more difficult and more fun than I thought it would be. The DDA board is a group that is passionate about darts and that shows in many of the discussions I listen to at meetings. But

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## FALL 2014 IMPORTANT DATES

August 18 .....	MONDAY
	Fall League Begins
August 19 .....	DDA BOARD MEETING
	7pm @ DEAD
August 20 .....	WEDNESDAY
	Fall League Begins
August 21 .....	THURSDAY
	Fall League Begins
September 16 .....	DDA BOARD MEETING
	7pm @ DEAD
September 20 .....	SATURDAY
	First ALL STAR Qualifier (BOGO)
September 29 .....	MONDAY
	Second ALL STAR Qualifier (BOGO)
October 7 .....	TUESDAY
	ALL STAR Qualifier
October 12 .....	SUNDAY
	ALL STAR Qualifier

## FALL 2014 FEES

Monday .....	\$20 Team
	\$15 Sponsor
Wednesday .....	\$50 Team
	\$25 Sponsor
Thursday .....	\$50 Team
	\$25 Sponsor



## DAYTON DARTING ASSOCIATION

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**Captains - send us the email addresses & phones for ALL team members.**

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## Seeing a Better Way

A different, but effective practice technique

Would you like to change your throwing technique or handle stress better? Then let's look at the mental technique of visualizing. The basics of visualizing sound easy: sit or lie in a comfortable chair or couch, close your eyes and imagine yourself in the situation you need to practice. That's it.

"Bull\*\*\*\*" you might say - but it's not! Every star in any sport has used - and is still using - this technique. But the key to effectiveness is in the intensity. Here's how it works:

Let's say you have trouble doubling out against an opponent who's better than you. Ok, lets visualize it. Close your eyes and see yourself standing in front of the line. Imagine as much detail (color, sound) as possible. Hear the noise around you. Imagine your opponent standing behind you. Feel the weight of your throwing arm, feel your dart in your hand. Even smell the chalky odor of the scoreboards- the more details you can imagine, the more you will benefit. Now in your imagination step forward, aim, and kill the double. Could you see it? Feel it? Did your dart catch the edge of the double or stick the middle? With practice, good visualizers can "throw" in their imagination and "feel and see" their throw. And if you can truly imagine that feeling and remember it, you gain the confidence that makes all the difference when you face the "real life version". This is the big advantage: If you experience the feeling of a "perfect" throw in visualizing sessions, it's much easier to reproduce it in practice - and then in matchplay. Sounds bogus - but it works!

# KATZ Lounge

*Katz is a fun, casual place to enjoy watching sports, play darts or pool, listen and dance to Dayton's finest live music, or just kick back and relax with a drink.*

*We have dart leagues every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday night. If you're interested in joining a Katz team, stop in and ask any bartender or waitress!*

**Katz Crazy Hours Mon - Sat 3 - 8pm**

**\$1.75 Favorite Domestic Beers**

**\$2.50 Well Drinks.**

### Katz Lounge

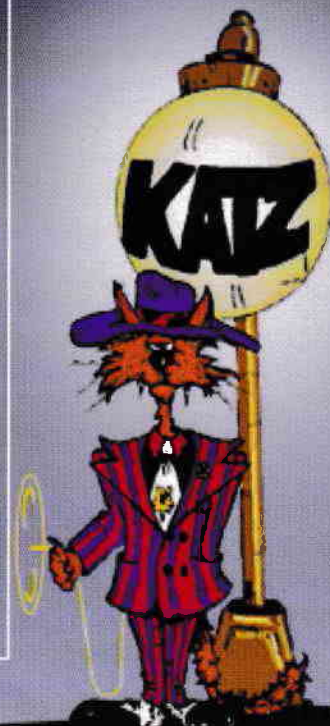
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Monday-Saturday 11am-10pm [Closed Sunday]

# ALL STAR QUALIFIERS

## The Challenge Has Been Issued NOVEMBER 23 - COLUMBUS

Become a member of Dayton's All\*Star team and join us for the Quad City Challenge when we meet the best players from Cincinnati, Cleveland and Columbus to see who's the best in Ohio! Soft Tip, Steel Tip - *we need you all!* No DDA dues required to make the team. Every team member gets an embroidered personalized shirt and some cash back - top ranked players even more.



### SIX CHANCES TO MAKE IT

9/20 Sat.	King's Point (BOGO)	2-9:00
9/29 Mon.	Patterson Pub (BOGO)	7-9:00
10/7 Tues.	Katz Lounge	7-9:00
10/12 Sun.	Kings Table	2-7:00
10/14 Tues.	Katz Lounge	7-9:00
10/18 Sun.	Hanks Pub (Final)	2-10:00

Embroidered shirt for every team member  
Top 12 Men & top 6 Women - \$100.00 each  
Next 16 Men & 9 Women - \$50.00 each

3 games per sheet - \$5.00 per sheet  
First two nights are Buy One-Get One Free  
Players must live in a 50 Radius of Dayton

No DDA dues required to play

2014 Team Sponsor:



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**DARTS ARE ON THE UPSWING AGAIN...- CONTINUED FROM PAGE**

that passion also makes those same people the ones that you count on to do what's best for the sport and the association by getting out and tackling all the jobs that keeps this volunteer organization afloat. Bookkeeping, scheduling, resolving disputes and issuing results; maintaining our website, our Facebook page and our posters - all of that takes time. But the result is the seamless way our seasons flow, the information you continually receive, and the many opportunities that are presented for you to enjoy a night out with friends throwing. I've seen first hand that your board is truly working for you.

The next big event on our horizon starts soon after you read this: The annual Quad City Challenge (a.k.a. the ALL\*STARS). The big news this year is that we are able to offer a sweet package of rewards to *each and every player* that makes the team, thanks to a generous donation from our 2014 sponsor, Stolle Machinery. They are the people that make all the equipment that makes those 1,000's of beer and soft drink cans we go through each year. So the next time you pick up a can (of anything), say thanks for their support! We are offering from \$50.00 up to \$100.00

***"...we may be the "little dog" in this fight, but we have the biggest bite!"***

per player so it will pay to rank higher! Even if you have passed on this opportunity in the past, this is the year to jump in with both feet. We are encouraging our brothers and sisters in the soft-tip community to come out and join us to help Dayton show the other Ohio cities that we may be the "little dog" in this fight, but we have the biggest bite! Again, look deeper in this issue for the list of qualifier locations and times (different this year) to plan your attempts. Practice will pay you back in several ways this time!

To switch subjects again (my ADD kicks in sometimes) I wanted to point out to those of you who missed the banquet and business meeting in May that we put it to a vote of membership on whether or not to move the

start time of league play to 7:00 from 7:30. It missed passing by 1 vote! The push behind this is the persistent issue of players dragging in at the last minute before forfeit time and then hustling about getting drinks, talking to friends, grabbing a last smoke - well, you get the idea. Many players need to get to bed a bit earlier than others and don't really want to stay out a whole lot later than is necessary to play. So captains - it falls on you to "police" your team (or yourself). Try and make sure that your team is there and ready to play on time this season - it will cut down on complaints and make things run smoother for everyone. Thanks.

**Soft Tip Players**

"Darts is darts" you might say. While personally I don't play in the electronic dart arena, many of our players do. So this year we are reaching out to the soft tip men and women that are interested and asking them to help with our annual challenge match in Columbus. With the smaller population of Dayton versus the other large Ohio cities, it becomes a game of numbers - and we are on the losing side with a much smaller (albeit talented) pool of players to draw from. So why exclude any good throwers from our town just because they choose soft tip as the main outlet for their talents? Qualifying is the same for everyone, but we've waived the DDA dues requirement this year to make it easier to join us for the challenge. Yes, it will add competition to make the All\*Stars, but there's never been a better reason to get out and practice - or a bigger incentive to claim a spot on the team. It will be a challenge for every player who wants to represent our town - soft tip or steel - but I am confident we can stand against Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland and show them we are the best in the state!

I hope you enjoy all the photos in this issue - we had some really good times so far this year and hope you will get some friends to join us by this time next season. We always welcome new teams!

**PATTERSON PUB**  
(Formerly Taggarts)

**TUESDAY NIGHT**  
\$9 BUCKETS (5 DOMESTICS)

4 Steel Boards  
2 Soft Tip Boards  
Karaoke

Patterson Pub is a fun, lively neighborhood bar - the kind where the bartenders are friendly and there's always something going on.

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# The DDA Banquet!!

**Our Annual Summer Get Together is Always a Good Time.**

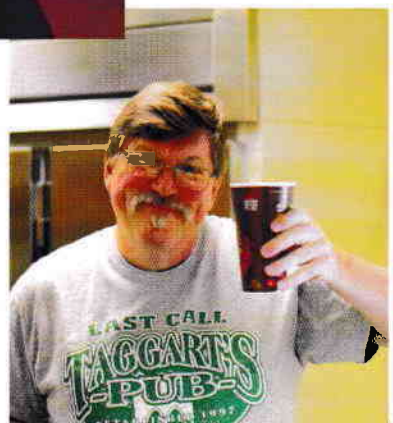
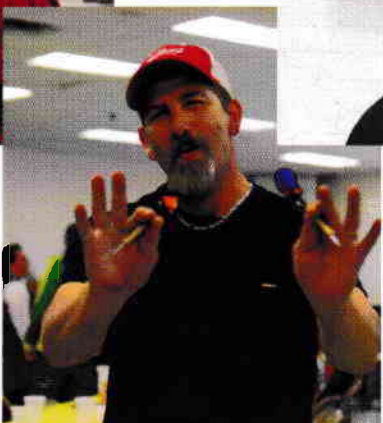
Corn hole, plates heaped with food, rows of trophies and lots of free drinks says you are at the annual DDA summer banquet and business meeting. Officer elections were held and members voted to retain the 7:30 start time over 7:00 (it was a close vote). The raffle went big-time this year with the inclusion of a new \$400 ipad tablet - won by Tom Haller for his \$1.00 ticket!

Belmont catering provided the food and Michelle Seibel and Tereasa Wahlrab contributed some additional goodies. Good friends, good food, and good times!



**The I.U.E. Hall on Woodman was the place to be!**

**Our newest member can't quite stand at the line yet!**



**A Huge Thanks to all the Volunteers that made this event possible - a lot of work made easier by many willing hands!**

# Handing Out The (Well Deserved) Trophies



# Is Always A Good Part of Our Annual Meet



2014 Officers Elected:  
Vice President, Randy Wright  
Trustees; Lou Lovash, Toni Carmack, Gary Duibley & Vern Ross  
Bill Bereda Sportsmanship Award:  
Brad Williams



*"See you there next time!"*

**DAYTON DARTING ASSOCIATION  
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# Darts and Tradition.

Hank's Pub has been a lifetime supporter of  
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come to throw darts at Hanks.  
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traditions created by each one of you.

## Wednesday Night

### \$2.00 Beer Special

We have open boards for:

- Practice
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- Team gatherings
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**EVERY TUESDAY 1-9 PM**

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# New darters are always welcome!

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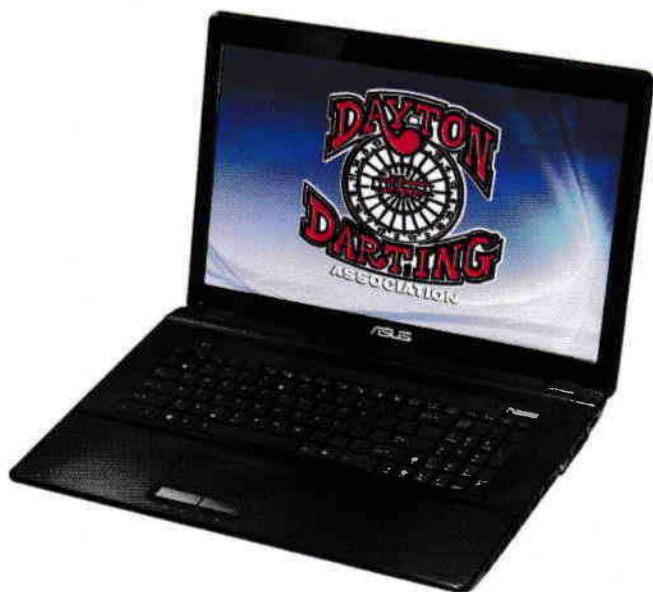
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Gem City Open Tournament Directors  
Gary Duibley, Chris Duibley &  
Randy Wright



The task of collecting money and sorting  
out entries was handled by our DDA  
Treasurer, Patti Yinger



# \$3000.00 Worth of SUCCESS!

## The re-birth of the Gem City Open is an Epic Win!

At first, the idea of a dart tournament in a bowling alley seems strange - but once players walked in, they fell in love with it. Pla•Mor Lanes on Linden Ave. hosted our Gem City Open Tournament and it could not have

gone better. Open space, good lighting, great food and plenty of bar drinks made for a fun couple of days - not mention over \$3000.00 in prize money and raffles. *The Dart Guys* set up shop for those that needed supplies and the tournament directors kept things running on the published schedules. The response from tournament throwers was universally positive - many commented that *THIS* was the way they should all be run!

Kudos to Gary, Chris and Randy - they tackled the lions' share of making this event work. Thanks also to all the volunteers that helped as well those that came out to throw. Next year is already scheduled with a little more prize money and a few more matches to win. *Be there!*



**The D.D.A. Thanks  
Our Generous Sponsors:**

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Dart Guys**



**Winners included:**  
Left to right: **Tim Nicoll and Steve Brown, Mens Doubles 501 and Doubles Cricket.**  
**Julie Nicoll, Womens Singles.**  
**Steve Brown, Mens Singles.**  
**Mandy Lindsey and Rhonda Perkins, Ladies Doubles 501 and Doubles Cricket.**  
Center: **Tim Nicoll, Julie Nicoll, and Brad Wethington, Mixed Triples.**

**Be sure to leave room in your schedule for next year - early June will be the date!**  
**More money, more events, and even more fun is what we have planned!**

## DEAD RECKONING ON [ PRACTICE ]

Here's something I like to do regularly... it's a long match of pretty much continuous darts.... choose how many games you want to play, (we usually do a race to 11 or best of 21)... and diddle to determine who starts. The first game is 501, then Cricket, back to 501, Cricket - and so on. Each time the loser of the previous match starts - no diddle - until somebody has won 11 of the games...

This usually takes 2-3 hours depending on how long the cricket games go.... and since the format allows the loser to start each game, it is pure darts.... I have found that this format is long enough that you go from shooting well, to not so well, then back to shooting pretty good again.... and when shooting an equal opponent, you have to push yourself a bit to get ahead & stay ahead till you win....

This format also makes it tough to have a really one-sided match, since the losing player always starts & has the advantage...

Which reminds me of something else...a single fat dart in a scoring number in cricket can really change a game....

I was shooting at triples in cricket & not hitting so well, so I backed off & shot my first dart just outside the triple into the bigger part of the number.... from there, adjusting to the triple was easier... plus I found that those extra points every throw add up and can help until the trips start hitting again....

In my mind, shooting at the single instead of the trip is also good practice for those times that you need a single (like setting up an out shot)....

Enough rambling for now.... the most important thing is to find a practice partner (or two or three) and get out there & play.

Lou



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