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BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ASK FOR...

New year's is a time to reflect on the ups and downs of the past and dedicate ourselves to making the upcoming year even better! I believe we will all see some great changes in 2014 - and to help make it better, I took the opportunity to stop and ask "you know who" to bring us all a few more out shots and maybe a triple when we need it! (But we still have to practice).



Mark Needles
Newsletter Editor

It seems like time flies by - particularly around this time of year. And around the DDA, things are "flying by" as well. It seems like we have barely finished with the 2013 All Star challenge and we are already discussing ways to improve on every aspect of it for next year! It's a big deal for the DDA and after we finally got a taste of victory in '08 and '09, we are hard pressed to want to repeat that performance. This year's qualifiers went pretty well, with few complaints about locations, times or opportunities. The board members went out of their way to try and accommodate everyone who wanted to try out. The result in Columbus wasn't what any of us wanted, but we learned some lessons and (as I said) are thinking through some ideas to try and improve our chances for next year.

In general, steel darts seem to be riding the same gradual "return" as the economy, with players - old and new - showing renewed interest in trying out the sport. There appears to be more enthusiasm around and we are seeing more of our counterparts from electronic darts show up to give it a try. So encourage anyone you know - if they want to throw we'll try our hardest to find them a team and a sponsor. And speaking of sponsors, we have a new one opening in mid-January at 831 Miamisburg-Centerville Rd. (between Odd Lots and Flying Pizza).

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DEAD RECKONING ON [FINISHING]

Hey there.... hope everybody had a good holiday....

We played the quad city challenge in Columbus, just before thanksgiving.... there are 6 rounds for the guys and 9 rounds for the women... we started even and fell a little behind as the day progressed, but really fell apart the last round....

Not sure what happened for everybody else, but I struggled with doubles.... it looks like it's time to start playing more 27... always a good practice game....

I just read about a different solo practice game I'm calling "around the doubles". Basically, you shoot at "normal" doubles as well as all the other doubles while keeping track of how you do...

you start by making a list of all your "normal doubles" (here's mine) - D20, D16, D10 & D8, with the remainder (remember the bull) making up the rest of the list...now, print this list out and hang it beside the dart board...

You get up to 6 darts at each double....if you hit it within 6 darts, *circle* the number, pull your darts, and shoot at the next number....

If you do not hit the number within 6 darts, then *draw a line* thru the number and move on to the next one....

When you are all done, simply review the list & work on the numbers that you had trouble with.....

Keep tracking your progress and you will see improvement with practice!

Not rocket science, but a useful tool....

Lou

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- January 8..... WEDNESDAY
Fall League Begins
- January 9..... THURSDAY
Fall League Begins
- January 21..... DDA BOARD MEETING
7pm @ DEAD
- February 18 DDA BOARD MEETING
7pm @ DEAD
- February 24 Mon. Divisional Singles
7:30pm
- February 26Wed. Divisional Singles
7:30pm
- February 27Thurs. Divisional Singles
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Triples for Show - Doubles for Dough!

Being down first doesn't count if you miss the out!

World Champion Dennis Priestley offers this dart practice game. He uses various practice routines including this one called "One Dart Doubles." It's good practice for alone or with a friend for those crucial moments in a game.

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.

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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.

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BE CAREFUL WHO YOU VOTE FOR...- CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

It's to be called Mack's Tavern and will probably have 4 boards up for steel darts.

We are capitalizing on this general renewal and are working on several exciting ideas - some of which we hope we can reveal in the near future after a few details are ironed out. I would still like to hear from anyone with ideas on building a "youth base" and getting younger players to see the fun in learning a new skill set. We are finding new ways to reach out to the community, but could always use some fresh thinking. Personally, I cringe at the phrase "that's not the way we do it" (and it's many variations) and would love to hear any and all ideas (seriously).

One simple way to introduce new members to our sport right now is through our revamped website at www.daytondarting.com. Jason Pierce and Lou Lovash led the website team and we tried to include the types of features we thought made sense for our organization. There are schedules

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and forms (like you would expect) and a calendar for quick reference to important dates. But there are a lot of other treasures sprinkled throughout. One page is a "Darters in Business" page - a listing of dart players who offer their professional talents for hire. I mean, if you are going to spend money getting plumbing, carpentry or computer repairs done, why not do that with fellow DDA members? What goes around, comes around, right? Another page links you to our sponsors with pictures, maps and links to their websites. There's a page on everything ALL*STAR, and another that is filling up with archives of past newsletters and bulletins - just in case you need to do a book report or any genealogy research.

The website will not remain static - we have already realized that there are new features and apps that we want to add and we will be doing that

as time allows. And of course, if you have a suggestion, you can use the contact form to send it to us (or just email me anytime). And don't forget that we have a Facebook page for those that prefer that form of communication. Myself, I'm not a Facebook person, but I'm always amazed how many of our members find it to be a great way to stay current and connected. Mr. Hadley monitors the page regularly and it stays pretty current.

Another new feature I wanted to make you aware of is a change in our DDA score call-in line. Starting with the '14 winter season, you should be able to text your scores as well as having the option of using the voice recorder. You still need to fill out your sheet and leave it at a sponsor drop or mail it to us on time, but for calling in scores, this gives you the option of voice or text. The number is the same of course (937 431-1300) but make sure you enter it correctly - you don't want to send your text to someone else and lose points for not reporting in. And along that line (and after hearing some to the previous messages off of the recorder), I would think you would use the most sober (and civil) of your group to send in your match results.

The next big event after this season winds down is the DDA Banquet in May. We will be returning to the IUE hall to get a little more space again and we are switching it to Saturday for those of us that have a hard enough time facing Monday morning without being out late the night before! I would like to encourage all of you to attend - and if you have in the past and then quit - think about re-joining us this year. We'll try a few new things, keep some old ones and it really *is* the time to show up and be heard (through your votes).

Keep practicing, help each other as much as you compete, and remember that sportsmanship DOES count. Thank your sponsors and don't let your team members go out with their car keys if you think they shouldn't. Find a board member and well find a way to get them home safely.

Until next time.

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.



BUG BAILEY ON THE LINE

If you've been around steel darts in Dayton at all, you know this face. In fact, you may even see it when you open the DDA website. And that face belongs to none other than "Bug" Bailey. A Bill Bereda Sportsmanship award winner, former DDA board member and regular player for over 26 years, Bug got his start in the world of darts by hanging out in his youth at a video arcade Stroop and Marshall Roads in Kettering. One of the arcade employees, Tom McDonald, introduced Bug to throwing over at Katz and the hook was set. From there, Bug joined the Dart Dogs in the Brown Division and threw for the Shroyer Inn, then later at Hanks Pub. While there, he even got in the ground floor of Hanks' long running Sunday night in-house league where he started with Mark and Tamra Needles (and a fourth that we can't recall).

From 1987-92, Bug got neck-deep into the sport when he took a job at the Dartboard Shoppe and worked for Bill and Ellie Nicol. Everybody that was anybody, great or small, seemed to pass through that shop. Mr. Bailey also started going to tournaments around area and took first place in mixed trips at the Toledo Open. In 1993, he got invited to the Grand Prix D' Darts in Laughlin Nevada, an event he attended with Bill Nicol Sr. There Bug got the opportunity to shoot against throwers like the legendary Eric Bristow, Rudy Hernandez, Keith Deller and Peter Mills. And beyond even that, his adventures with "Nick" while driving around Nevada added another layer of experience all unto itself!

Years of going in and out of Hanks Pub paid off in a big way when he was introduced to Brittany Bitzer about 7 years ago. One thing led to another and today they are married and expecting their first child together, Alexis Renee. In fact, if things stay on schedule, she might be our newest potential member about the time you read this! Britt "Threw for Two" at the All Star challenge and even had her shirt embroidered to reflect that. Bug has two sons from a previous marriage, Jesse and Codi. Both stop in and throw from time to time.

So the next time you see that face around - congratulate him! And don't ask him why he has a "binky" in his pocket instead of his darts!



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Shawn Haacke-Co. Capt.
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Team: The Bull Starts Here
Daniel Reynolds-Captain
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Sponsor: King's Table
Team: Darts and Daggars
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Team: Cashin Out
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Team: Taylor's 22's
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Team: Treblemakers
Mike Cole-Captain
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Team: Nice Bust
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Matt Rylo



I was at the LOTD at Katz the other night and Dave Kinzeler approached me and said that our longtime member and friend, Dave Servis,

had been hospitalized for a serious problem that ended with a surgery. He went on to say that Dave is at home and recovering now and I'm sure that he would appreciate hearing from DDA members. I believe he has a Facebook page. All the best to you from the DDA!



As was reported in the last DDA bulletin, Christina Sexton had to resign from the board for medical reasons. What she didn't know then, but does now, is that she's expecting her first child in mid April. She's also celebrating her marriage to Patrick Himmleberg.



The DDA was fortunate that Greg Reed stepped up to take her place and is a welcome addition to the board. Congratulations all around!



The two LOTD's that were held on Katz on the 19 and Hanks on the 26 were not only profitable for many players, but absolutely fun for all. There were 40 people entered at each event and the play was really good. The DDA added \$100 to each, making both \$200 matches. The second event ran off of CW's new "bracket app" on his tablet and it worked like a charm. Congratulations go to everyone who won and we hope to see even more people at upcoming events.

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Here's Glenn warming up for his 30th consecutive Quad City Challenge. He's been in it from his first year in the DDA.



(l) Glenn recently celebrated his 50th birthday at Hanks Pub with Friends and family. (R) Glenn with Kelly out on the lake.

Glenn holds one of early shirts - he has the entire collection from 1983-2013. The Quad City Challenge was only created in 1982.

THIRTY YEARS AS A DAYTON ALL*STAR! Glenn Juillerat goes the distance

Some folks are glad to make the prestigious Dayton All*Star team at all. Others are proud of making it for a string of 5 or 10 years - but our own Glenn Juillerat has been on the Dayton team almost every year since the Quad City event was created. That's longer than any other member we have on the DDA roster!

Glenn was fresh out of West Carrollton High School and working for the Dayton newspapers when the owner of Bruns Tavern noticed his skill and asked him to join their DDA Brown Division team in the winter season of 1982. The following year, Glenn was in Bruns for some casual practice and two young ladies, Tamra Needles and Mary Toney, convinced him to throw a round or two of qualifiers for some sort of special team he had never heard of. Afterward, it never crossed his mind until two weeks later when someone called to inform him he was on the All*Star team. From that first time at a "non-league" match in Columbus, Glenn was hooked on dart events. Throughout the 80's he could be found almost every weekend at tournaments from Cleveland, to St. Louis, to Lexington Ky.

Taking influence and inspiration from locals like Bill Nicol Jr., Brad Wethington and Larry Furrow, Glenn went on to qualify for the All*Star team in the fall of every year. This year, at the 2013 event, he celebrated his 30th consecutive participation - marking a long and illustrious run in the standing challenge match.

When asked what he remembers the most from it all, the answer was quick, "The people." he said, "I have met so many nice people through darts - that's what I remember the most."



A lot of work - but an important job



The 2013 All Star final qualifier took place on October 19th at the Miami Valley Sports Bar. Eight boards, lots of drinks and lots of nerves as more and more players vied to see who would make it and who would get bumped off. The entire board was present and the event went off without a hitch. The 50/50 raffle was held at the mid-point and everyone got their chance to make the team.



(above) The reason we do all this! Here's Wayne Wells shooting for Dayton at the Challenge.



(left) Brandon Boggs won the 50/50 raffle and walked away with a nice payday. Several other members and friends also won food and gift cards in the raffle.

(below) A typical qualifier at King's Point Pub. DDA board members volunteer their time to take scores and run the events.



Make Sure You Take Your Best Shot in 2014!



DAYTON ALL STAR TEAM 2013



ALL*STARS 2013!!

Some years we just have to settle for being the best looking bunch at the Quad City Challenge!

As is written in the history books of the DDA, the years of 2008 and 2009 have been our high points in this event - both years saw us bring home the trophy over the best players from Cleveland, Cincinnati and Columbus. Unfortunately, the best we'll be able to say about this year is that we gave it our best shot and left with our heads high. Between some fierce competition and some gameday nerves (and quite a few missed outs), we didn't put up enough points on the board to win any honors. But from what everyone there observed, we did give quite a few folks a good run for their money!

The DDA wants to thank all the members and families who took the time to qualify, practice and turn out for the challenge. Our hospitality room was superb this year thanks to the wonderful contributions of many of our members with all sorts of food and snacks to help players get through the long day. Chairperson Jeff Fluty did a great job handling every aspect of the event and we hope he is able to help us out again next year. So start practicing today, qualify for 2014 and let's adopt a "can-do" attitude! We'll be back!

*(Upper Left) Dave Siefer and Judy Roush model our 2013 Budweiser All*Star team shirts. Dayton Embroidery, Elsa's and Taggarts were also corporate sponsors.*

Britt Bailey was throwing for two at the event - eight months pregnant!

Shawn Campbell lays out some "next-round" strategy with Chris Walhrab and Gary Duibley.

Kathy Lewis & Rhonda P'Pool share a laugh between throws.



Thanks to Kathy Williams (and Kelly Juillerat) for the excellent photographs!

(Upper Right) The Ramada Inn provided the hospitality room, but it was Chipotle and Subway who donated food along with all the snacks and treats prepared by our own members.

Brad Williams warms up at the line.

Tereasa Harris, Chris Duibley, Britt Bailey and Danielle Bliss pose for a picture between rounds.

Jeff Patterson and Gary Duibley prepare for their next round.