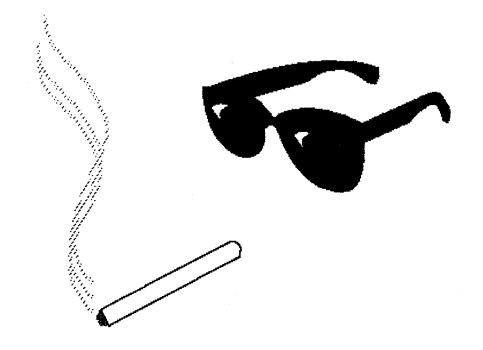
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#### 291-DART

Don't be like the invisible darter on the cover, be sure you make it to the GEM CITY OPEN THANKSGIVING Weekend!

## **Presidents Letter**

Here we are again at the halfway point of the Fall Season and things are running rather smoothly. No major problems or complaints over the new match format have occurred. There are a few runaway and few non-competitive teams in a couple of divisions which will hopefully be rectified when the teams are realigned for the Winter Season.

Probably the most frustrating thing I've had to deal with since taking office is the constant officiating and clarifying of items which are clearly stated in the DDA Rules of Play. Most common items include, the no sub rule, timely reporting of weekly scores, and the conducting of matches in a sportsmanlike manner. All I can ask is that the captains do their jobs and read these rules to alleviate some of my frustration.

Finally, the Gem City Open is upon us. We need volunteers to help make the biggest event the DDA has ever attempted a successful one. Come out Thanksgiving weekend and support your Association.

MARK LINK

#### CAPTAINS MEETING

January 4th, 1996 7:00 P. M. Mama Desalvos Banquet Room 1375 East Stroop Road

#### FALL LEAGUE - 1st HALF

Gem						
WILD BUNCH - HANKS	213					
	208					
9 INCH RICHARDS - BARTLES	192					
Gold						
	234					
	103					
Copper						
BAR-BARIANS - HANKS						
WILD BUNCH - HANKS 208 BULLIES - HANKS 208 9 INCH RICHARDS - BARTLES 192  Gold  ANONYMOUS - STOWAWAY 234 BURG BOYS - CUBBYHOLE 204 FU - THE SANCTURARY 183  Copper  WILDKATZ II - KATZ 155 STICKEMS - JC'S LOUNGE 146 BAR-BARIANS - HANKS 145  Blue  DESC ON THE MOVE - DESC 166 STOWAWAY - STOWAWAY 146 HIPPS KNIGHTS - MR HIPP 138  Maroon  HITMEN - ZACHARIAHS 191 BULLETS - THE SANCTURAY 151 BUENOS DARTOS - LITTLE YORK 146  Red  RAIDERS - THE SANCTURAY 151 BUENOS DARTOS - LITTLE YORK 146  Red  RAIDERS - THE SANCTURAY 180 SOUTHSIDERS - CUBBYHOLE 160 SNURB - BRUNS 138  Yellow  CRUSADERS - CUBBYHOLE 149 BAD GUYS - PB MUGGS 144 NUNYAS - BARTLES 142 INS & OUTS - THE SANCTURRY 142  Green  HAT TRIX - HUNT CLUB 184 RINGERS - HANKS 146 NCO CREW - DECS 145  White  FLYERS - KRAMERS 102 CHOSEN FEW - HUNT CLUB 102						
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### To All DDA Members

Our largest ever Gem City Open Weekend is fast approaching. As we hope you all know we have almost tripled the amount of prize money available to win. Several players whose names you might know yet have never gotten to see shoot will be in attendance. We encourage everyone to participate. You could ge a "PRO" as your partner in one of the 2 blind draws!!!

At this time we are looking for volunteers to help with the many tasks involved in running a MAJOR Dart tournament. Please be aware that we have tried to keep the shifts short so that even the volunteers will be able to participate and spectate most of the events. We really need people to fulfill the entire shift requested. Anyone who is not planning on playing is encouraged to volunteer. A Major toruney is an exciting place to be.

We would also like to have the names of several people willing to fill in at the last moment JUST IN CASE.

Please contact Brenda Matlock (278-1878) for additional information.

**Thanks** 

1995 Gem City Open Tournament Committee

# The All\*Star team would like to thank our coaches

Sharon Butler & Wayne Shell

## Congratulations 1995 Gem City ALL\*STAR TEAM

#### Women

Carey Breakfield Sara Flanagan Melissa Hunsbarger Kim Kardamis Nicky Lewis Patti Schauer Mary Toney Mary Ward Jann Christiansen Shell Hixson Janet Itzkowitz Jen Kazee Raelea Link Libby Staub Tereasa Wahlrab

#### Men

Ron Allyn Mike Applegate Craig Bishop Gil Brannan Larry Butler Steve Channell Larry Furrow Mark Grencavage Ron Harris Mike James Jumbo Jones Glenn Juillerat Jeff Keller Mark Link Lou Lovash Spanky Manger Dan Murray Ken Matlock Austin Partee Slate Paul Tom Poliquin **Grea Reed** Ray Siebel Kevin Tharp **Brad Wethington** Dick Yinger

This year it took 2,848 to make the womens top 6 and not have to participate in match play, and it took 4,022 to make the men's top 10.

#### **EDITORS PAGE**

Well it looks like I'm going to have to say something, because a totally blank page in a newsletter is even more boring than some of my ranting....first and most importantly, I'll repeat one more time how much help we need running this tournament... Brenda is organizing all the jobs, so call her NOW....

I would like to thank all who contributed to this newsletter, (they typos are mine, not the person signing the article), anyway, stuff you think should be included will be gladly accepted, but remember, this is not a democratic process.... I am still the editor (until I'm fired)...

The cold weather is just starting to kick in, so go out & get the new Buffet CD and have a little Barometer Soup.... it'll keep you warm...

Everyone is invited to a party we have every year to usher in the new; a scheduling party for the Winter season will be held at Mark & Raelea Link's house on January 1, 1996... (I'll be there and so will Mark... if you would like to contribute... or to bring some food or beverages, contact Mark for directions)

Monday night league is off and running again... we have more teams than this time last year, so we must not be upsetting too many players, it will restart in Febuary or March...

Well time to sign off for now... if you like the article from the Internet, I'll download some more and use them in future issues... if you leave it up to me, you may see a blank page for you to put your thoughts on... lets get 'em in Columbus... Lou

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al Al Rules, rules, rules. Why are there rules? I don't know. Probably some stone-age bureaucrat with too much time on his hands thought people should conform to certain standards in order for everyone to get along. Right. Obviously he never threw darts. Still his efforts were not wasted. Even today we all have certain lines we must not cross, namely the "Hockey Line". Wait! you say. A "hockey line" in darts. How can this be. This is where the Canadian influence crept into darting. You see back in 1723 the great Canadian darter Wilfred Howell was playing the then famous Moose Bullock in a finals match of the Great Outdoors tournament in Alberta. Everytime Moose took his turn he would step over the line when he threw his darts. Wilfred could stand this no more and loudly declared "Moose, if you step over that line one more time I will whack your toes with my hockey stick." It took a few whacks, but Moose finally learned his lesson and in doing so changed the history of darts forever.

For all you Monday Night Darters: "ODD CRICKET - TO TRIP OR NOT TO TRIP".

Let's say you're playing a game of Odd Cricket and you need a triple to close your triples and you need a few points to catch up. You stand at the "Hockey Line" (being careful not to cross over and possibly get your toes whacked) darts in hand and begin throwing. You get a triple 18 on your first dart, a triple 4 on your second dart, and choke and miss on your third dart. Now some people would like to use the trip 4 to close the triples and take the trip 18 for points. Unfortunatly that would be WRONG. The rule is, you must score your darts in the order thrown, (no matter how feeble they are) so the trip 18 would close the triples with the trip 4 used for points.

Mike Hadley

# Fall 95 Divisional Singles Champions

Gem - Jeff Keller
Gold - Doug Dietrich
Copper - Mike Hadley
Blue - Gary Culbertson
Maroon - Jason Pierce
Red - Dick Yinger
Yellow - Craig Bishop
Green - Dave Verschoore
White - Paul Newport

The above have earned a free entry in the City Singles Tournament held in May. Everyone will have another opportunity in the Winter season singles playoffs. Others may enter the Singles Tournament by paying an entry fee.

#### Cyber Darts from the Internet

Subject: Practice techniques From: darts@infohwy.com (RC Osgood)

Date: Thu, 22 Jun 1995 13:43:46 -0600

Message-ID: <AC0F2412966875D48@tty14.com1.infohwy.com>

Practice consists of repetition of a correct throw, not just chunking darts at a board for several hours...

As the average adult attention span is only about 8 minutes (intense concentration), it therefore makes sense to break up practice sessions into segments of 5 to 10 minutes each. This ensures that each dart is thrown with full attention.

Also, many novices get in the bad habit of practicing rapidly at home: thrown, pull darts, throw again quickly, etc. Then, when in actual competition, the pace is much slower, while one waits for opponents & team mates to throw. This often blows a darters concentration, and the fidgety, impatient player is an easy, and obvious, mark for experienced players.

Instead, practice at a slow pace, as though playing against an opponent. This is not necessary for all practice, but if you don't always have an friend to practice with, try to make at least 50% of your practice at "competition" speed. Take frequent breaks.

In my opinion, the very worst thing a darter can do is just throw darts steadily, alone, at a board for hours at a time. The first ten minutes are real practice; the rest is just "chunking darts" & practicing bad habits while tired.

Watch the pros at a tournament.. they practice 10 to 15 minutes, then take a break. You will rarely see a top pro just shoot darts for extended periods without a break.

Of course, the pros also know that the very best practice is actual competition.. always play against the best opponent you can find, as often as possible.

To REALLY improve your game... NEVER throw a dart "in vain". This means NEVER just toss a dart at the board. Every dart you ever throw must be thrown with the same intense concentration that you would put into the out-shot of a Finals match. A few minutes each day of truly intense concentrated practice will do you more good than hours of "chunking". Just a few darts tossed lazily or "just for fun" can undo hours of serious practice, by bringing back sloppy habits.

Are my ideas worth the bandwidth? Well, perhaps not, but I've run a darts shop for over 21 years, and have taught darts to several thousand people in that time. I do feel that it is important that teachers, or advisors, (of any subject) present their qualifications. Ideas are occasionally presented in this forum that are clearly contrary to accepted practice, but how can a new darter tell, on the faceless Internet?

Rick Osgood

CALENDAR				
NOV	19	Quad City All*Star Challenge		
		Columbus		
	2 1	DDA Board Meeting		
	23	Turkey Day, gobble it up		
	24-26	GEM CITY OPEN		
		\$21,000, Radisson Downtown		
		Bring your friends, shoot well		
DEC	19	DDA Board Meeting		
	20	DDA Last night of Wednesday League		
	21	DDA Last night of Thursday League		
	22	DDA Winter Team Applications DUE		
	25	Merry Christmas		
JAN	1	1996 has arrived		
	4	DDA MANDATORY Captains Meeting		
	10	DDA Winter Wednesday Start		
	11	DDA Winter Thursday Start		

## Scheduling

There have been a few questions from DDA members about how the scheduling is done. This is not something that is easily done or explained but I'll give it a try. Rule of thumb is that the first place team of each division is moved up one division and the last place team is moved down one division. There are always extenuating circumstances, such as, teams changing members, 1 or more run away teams in a division, 1 or more teams way behind, new teams, teams dropping out, number or members in a division, requests for a particular division, teams in a division finish within a few points of each other and divisions changing. It's a fact that not everyone is always satisfied but there are a lot of issues to consider. The ultimate goal of the scheduling committee is to try to create parity within the divisions.

Raelea Link

## Dayton Darting Association's 4th Annual

# Gem City Open

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	FRIDAY			SATURDAY				SUNDAY			
TIME	* 7:00	* 7:30	9:00	11:00	12:00	2:00	3:00	6:00	11:00	÷ 2:00	* 2:30
EVENT	MEN'S SINGLES CRICKET		LOTD FRI 501	MEN'S Doubles Cricket	LADIES' Doubles Cricket	MEN'S SINGLES 501	LADIES' SINGLES 501	MIXED DOUBLES CRICKET	MIXED DOUBLES 501	MEN'S DOUBLES 501	LADIES' DOUBLES 501
ENTRY FEE	\$21.00	\$21.00	\$10.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
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TOTAL	\$2900.00	\$1200.00	\$2100.00	\$2900.00	\$1200.00	\$2400.00	\$1000.00	\$2100.00	\$2100.00	\$2400.00	\$1000.00

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