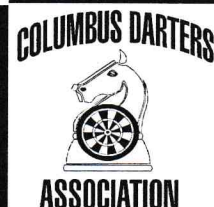
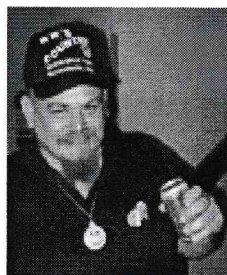


# Newsletter



## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



Hello, fellow darters! It's been a while since our last newsletter. A lot of changes have happened and will continue to happen as we keep striving to enhance your darting experience.

Hopefully you all enjoyed the Bloodshot Open. It was our biggest one ever! Thank you, we couldn't have done it without you! I want to thank the CDA board and the countless number of volunteers who helped set up and tear down.

Two things that are upcoming for our darters are: The All Capital Open—we are proud to be co sponsoring this event with our friends from First Capital Dart League. And, we'll have a free blind draw at Dimarco's on June 5th.

The new Cricket ladder starts July 1st (more info inside). This is just the beginning! My goal for the CDA is to bring back fun to the game. I like to think that this is where it starts. Change is coming! Little, subtle changes at first but then larger holistic changes later. Good things are on the horizon. I can feel it! Thanks for taking the time to read this newsletter.

Shoot them well!  
> Joel

## FREE BEER

When you become an official CDA Board member, your first beer is on the CDA. Contact a current board member if you're interested.

Board meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at DiMarco's. The last half hour is reserved for CDA member feedback and ideas.

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The CDA is proud to be a part of **The Royal Cup Open!** The Royal Cup Open is an All Star event where the best darters from 6 Dart organizations get together for a fun day of all star darts. The format for the Royal Cup Challenge is Cricket!

**How do I qualify for the team?** Qualifying has never been easier. Just sign up and participate in the CDA Cricket Ladder and your on the team (up to 20 men and 10 women). The rest of the team will be hand picked by the CDA selection committee. Ladder participation **guarantees** you a spot if you want it.

**What other dart organizations will be participating?** The Gold Coast Darters, Lake Erie Dart Association, Southern Ohio Darters Assn., Youngstown Darters Assn., and Akron Canton Dart Club.

**Why should I play?** The roughest competition there is. So you want to play the big boys? They are all here. Some of the top rated darters in the country play for the above mentioned dart leagues.

The CDA will also feature a hospitality room where drinks and food will be provided. So come up play darts and join the CDA in some fun, food and libations! See you there!

## WINTER 2005 LEAGUE RESULTS

### Monday Night Campus Dart League

A Division 1st place—Like Butter Baby X  
2nd place—Real Nasty  
B Division 1st place—Smooth & Easy  
2nd place—Git-R-Done

### Tuesday Night Women's League

1st place—Susie Basso \$90  
2nd place—Laura Caudill \$60  
3rd place—Becky Gerhart \$30  
Tons—Susie Basso 10  
High Outs—Angie Mazzone 5  
T80—Susie Basso

### Ledo's Thursday Night In-House League

1st place—Thrown Together  
2nd place—Shockers  
MVP—Todd LaManna  
Bucket Club Winners—The Spanish In Question

# Thank You

Two words hardly seem adequate to express our sincere gratitude to the individuals who volunteer their time and talents to the Columbus Darters Association. The CDA thanks the following people for pitching in and lending a hand: Pam Brannock, Web Mistress; Craig Wickman, Ladder Chief, Scott Merritt, Monday night league; Laura Caudill, Women's League; Todd Lamanna, Thursday night league; Becky Gerhart, Friday blind draw; Justin Queen, Saturday blind draw; and last, but not least, Loggy, Sunday blind draw.

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Event	Mix Trips 701	Men's Singles 01, Ckt, Choice	Wmn's Singles 01, Ckt, Choice	Men's Doubles Cricket	Women's Dbls Cricket	Mix Doubles 501
1	105	100	50	80	50	80
2	75	60	25	50	25	40
3/4	45	30	10	20	10	15
3/4	45	30	10	20	10	15
<b>Totals</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>150</b>

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Event	Mixed Trips 601	Men's Singles 501, Ckt, Choice	Wmn's Singles 501, Ckt, Choice	Men's Doubles Cricket	Women's Doubles Cricket	Blind Draw 501, Ckt, Choice
1	105	100	50	80	50	81
2	75	60	25	50	30	40
3/4	39	20	13	23	17	15
3/4	39	20	13	23	17	15
<b>Totals</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>151</b>

Scott Merritt/Tournament Director phone: 614-554-0361 email: [indoortemp@yahoo.com](mailto:indoortemp@yahoo.com)

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## COMING AUGUST 21st



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## What's Your Excuse?

You've all heard 'em before and you've probably used one or two yourself. But, just incase you're looking for a few new ones, here are a few to choose from:

- I can't seem to keep my elbow up.
- The board is too close to the wall.
- They overkill in points.
- Dart hit my glasses (hat, ear, chin, cheek, hair, etc....) .
- I forgot to look at the score.
- My arm is sore from....
- It's too quiet in here.
- Two words "warm beer"!
- I think there is something wrong with my tips (points, darts, flights, etc.).
- I forgot my glasses.
- Did someone say my name?
- My girlfriend keeps talking to all the other guys here.
- I didn't like that out anyway.
- Someone sneezed during my follow through.
- Who's pager or cell phone went off while I was throwing?
- I think the board might be a little high (or low).
- I locked my keys in my car.
- That guy keeps farting when I'm trying to double-out.
- Is it hot in here?
- The color scheme of the board is backwards.
- There's "Meatloaf" on the jukebox.
- I didn't realize it was my turn.
- I can't concentrate/throw when I have to pee.
- The dart gods must be angry with me.
- I forgot my darts and had to use bar darts.
- I misplaced my beer.

# HELP!

## Tension

*This article has been copied from Karlheinz Zoechling" kh@dart.base.com*

Dart players often complain that they have been very tensed at crucial points of a match and have therefore been unable to take what after all seemed to be a big opportunity for a win or a good chance to fight back.

You all know these ugly situations of being on this nice double 16 in the deciding leg, three darts in your hand, but it simply must be in 'cause you are down and out if you fail. Nerves are coming in. Your hand is shaking, your knees feel like melted butter in the sun, and you praise God or Buddha for just this dart to go in - but God is out for dinner at the moment, Buddha is having a meditation on his own, and so you blunder.

Your opponent goes on with a smile on his face and kills his dirty 60 points left with two straight darts. Later you think what was going on with you. If you would have been up with two legs you would have hit that double 16 nearly blind. Bloody nerves you say, and you are right. It's all a matter of thinking.

If you go there with the thought on your mind that you **HAVE TO HIT** 'cause else you will be lost, the chance is big that you will miss. It's that simple and that hard: Don't think of winning or losing. Simply think of **PLAYING**.

When I got to such an important point in a match I quietly said to myself: simply play. Don't waste one single thought in the whole match on losing. Strike out this word in your mental dictionary, you won't need it in play.

Learn to control your thinking. Whenever you get aware of such a \*negative\* thought during a game give yourself a short mental rest and say "Stop!". Raise your shoulders, take a breath and stand up the ochy in full concentration with only one thing on your mind: Play. That's enough for most situations where you feel tensed.

But sometimes your hand won't stop shaking and you can't find a focus on the board. If the situation is that hard I want to introduce you to a simple relaxation exercise which only requires a little practice. It is called "The Quiet Place".

Take yourself ten minutes of time, as often as you can. The best would be each day, at least once a week. Sit down and relax. Now with one hand press the thumb of the other hand. Think about a quiet place you like.

This can be a tropical island where you lay down in the sun, that comfortable chair in your living room or anything else you find quiet and relaxing. Keep this thought for about five or ten minutes, and keep your thumb pressed during this time.

If you repeat this exercise regularly you will later only need to press the thumb of your hand at these nerve - shaking moments in a match and all tension will be gone.

# Weekly Blind Draws

Be matched up randomly with a partner for fun and a chance to win money!

*All levels of dart play welcome!*

\$5.00 Entry Fee • Format: 501 (side), cricket, choice • Bull Pot with 8 or more

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### **Crest Tavern**

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## **SUNDAY 8:00 PM**

### **Dimarco's**

5240 Godown Rd.

(Corner of Bethel and Godown)

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## **FREE BLIND DRAW—JUNE 5th!**

Dates and times of additional FREE draws will be announced randomly!

Check the CDA website often! [www.cols-darters-assn.com](http://www.cols-darters-assn.com)

See you at the line!

# BLIND DRAW POINT STANDINGS

Each year, the top three men and top woman in blind draw points earn free entry to the BloodShot Open. The points are cumulative and once a person receives free entry, his/her points are zeroed out so all CDA members have the opportunity to play for free at the BloodShot Open.

**Congratulations to Rich (schmoopy) Strayer, Paul (jonzie) Jones, Dave (tadpole) Eckert, and Shari (A-Bomb) Abrams!**

Due to board turn-over, the CDA has experienced major delays in updating the standings. To the best of our ability, we have identified the top-50 CDA member points.

We are in desperate need of a statistician to keep an accurate record of the blind draw points and volunteers to help run the draws. If the blind draw points are important to you, please consider volunteering your time and talents so we can continue to be fair to all of our valued members!

Name	AKA	Points	Name	AKA	Points
Criss Hancock	Brutus	1273	Scott Merritt	Doom	523
Tony Mitchell	Ton Tony	1199	Ed Riddlebaugh		511
Mike Hislope	Rooster	1105	Chad Hersman		504
Bryant Cave	Cave	1067	Dave Thompson		487
Matt Gallapoo		1061	Gordon Dixon		471
Jim Cramer	Bubba	1018	Joel Isaacson	Smiley/C Bass	459
Justin Queen		954	Scott Luck		449
Al Leach		863	Mike Delligatti	Dragon	419
Rob Tuel	Tuelman	863	James Teinert		418
Jeff Lose	Magicman	840	Mark Larosa		404
Tony Baron	T-Bone	766	Mike Houdley		404
Marcus Thompson		765	Jim Passon		392
Tony Trowbridge		747	Jon Anderson	Professor	392
Todd Lamanna	Bankroll	711	Karen Snider		385
Pam Brannock		676	Brian Blain	Sn8ker	368
Craig McClelland	Mack	659	Amy Hoffner		363
Dave Lagerberg	Loggy	652	Greg Foltz		360
Beth Huhn	Buzzsaw	616	Doug Heath	Heathbar	343
Anne Strayer		602	Bill Ingram		337
Mike Mayo		586	Brett Winemiller		337
Jay Thimmes		585	Bruce Deitrick	BullsEyeBruce	337
Mark Bishop		564	Lynley Gerken		331
Brett Medici	Hurricane	550	Laura Caudill		303
Kelly Unger		527	Ron Overstreet	Slut	301
Harry Romell		526	Tom Markenson		287

# Columbus Pro League

In 2005, The Columbus Pro-League will be paying \$120 to the first place winner of the 13th. week singles tournament. This is intended to cover the entry fee to an ADO regional qualifier and \$10 in expenses. If you choose not to go to a qualifier we will give you \$100 in cash instead. The \$7 entry fees will go to other "place" finishers.

We have joined the ADO in 2005 and our Ton 80's, 9 counts and Dead Eyes (3 double bulls) will be reported after each season and awards will be given out when received from ADO. These stats will also be printed in the Double Eagle, a newsletter seen by darters around the world. This is just a part of our league becoming more of a "Pro" League. Our members who choose to go to tournaments and represent our league should be recognized and given support from the league.

Starting in 2005 if there are 18 players or more, Pro-League will add \$100 to the season payouts. This means two more money positions will be added also! 8 positions for 18 players, 9 positions for 19-21 and 10 positions for 22-24 players. More players will share in the winnings!

After playing 7 seasons of Pro-League, besides being rewarded with a glass mug to keep at the Crest Tavern, every season you play and do not finish in one of the "money" positions, you will have your \$7 entry fee into the 13th. week singles tournament paid for by the league. This is 14% of your season dues

After 15 seasons we plan on replacing your mug with one that is done with silver lettering. And after 25 seasons, one that is done in GOLD!

Each time you get a new mug, the old mug is Yours to take home as a keepsake from Pro-League.

Here are some of the money winners from 2004 that you may not have heard about:

- Chuck Hoffner - Mystery Out \$130
- Chuck Hoffner - High Out \$56
- Steve Payne - High Out - \$54
- Justin Queen - Bull Pot \$162
- Susie Basso - Mystery Out \$158
- Susie Basso - Bull Pot \$114
- Bruce Deitrick - Mystery Out \$115
- Criss Hancock - Bull Pot \$60
- Roger Roush - Bull Pot \$96
- Mike Book - Bull Pot \$84
- Jim Brown - Bull Pot \$72
- Amy Hoffner - Bull Pot \$78
- Craig Wickman - Bull Pot \$62
- Bryant Cave - Bull Pot \* \$238

Winter / Spring season 2005 results.

- 1st: Bruce Deitrick \$250
- 2nd: Chuck Hoffner \$175
- 3rd: Craig Wickman \$100
- 4th: Steve Payne \$75
- 5th: Paul Jones \$50

In 2004, as a league, we threw 70 T80's, 44 RO9's (9 counts) and earned a total of 114 Pro-League bucks!

In our league, the Bull-Pot paid out more than \$1000! Well over \$5500 was won at Columbus Pro-League in 2004!



# 2005 In-House City Championship

Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005 featured the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Columbus In-House League Championship. This year's event saw the addition of two new teams; one from Gahanna Lanes and the other from the On Tap Pub, bringing the total number of teams involved to ten.

Tons of good darts were thrown all day long with four teams separating themselves from the pack. These four teams, Gahanna Lanes, Kacy's, Ledo's, and Tony's moved into the semi-finals where they continued to do battle. Ultimately it was the team from Ledo's that was victorious, making that particular league the first to win this event twice. Kacy's, who was last year's champion, finished second, with Tony's close behind in third, and Gahanna Lane's just out of the trophies in fourth.

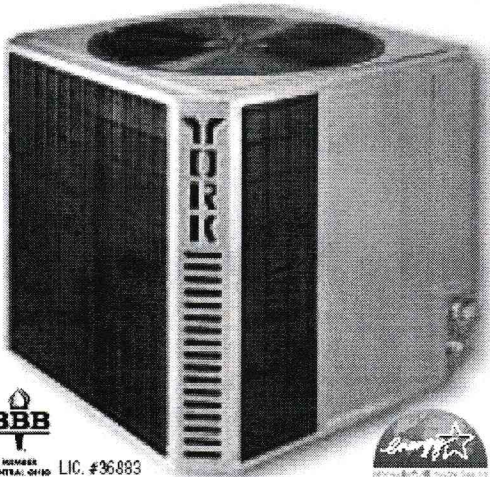
Thank you to all of the darters involved. We hope that you enjoyed participating in this event. A special thanks to all of the league coordinators who kept the leagues up and running!

Without you and your leagues, this event would not be possible. The leagues involved include:

- Byrn's Pub
- Gahanna Lanes
- India Oak
- Kacy's
- Ledo's
- Mama's
- On Tap Pub
- Shamrock Club
- Tony's
- Zuey's

As with everything the CDA is involved in, we are always looking for ways to improve. If any of the individuals involved in this event have suggestions on how it might be improved, please present your ideas to any CDA board member.

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# Ellen & Tammy's Draw Zuey's Annual Cancer Benefit

What can I say that hasn't been said in the past, over and over again? Thank you just doesn't seem to do justice to the appreciation that I have for the CDA and it's members. Once again, you have stepped to the line and shown what caring, generous individuals you are. The 2005 edition of Ellen & Tammy's Draw raised \$2,038, putting our grand total just short of \$10,000 for the 7 years that this event has been in existence. And, year after year, the CDA and it's members have been an integral part of our success. This year approximately 75% of the darters in the blind draw were CDA members.

I would like to thank those of you who have done so much, year after year. Scott and Beth have always been a driving force in this endeavor, and others who always seem to be there when we need them include: Todd Lamanna, Doug Lamanna, Kelly Unger, Tammy & Don Young, Laura Caudill, Bryant Cave, Brad Clucus, Shari Abrams, Brian Blain, Chuck Medley, Joel Isaacson, Chris Hancock, Doug Heath, Pam Brannock, Mark Larosa, Rob Cave, Mike Hislope, Bruce Deitrick, and Rich & Anne Strayer.

I would also like to thank some of the newcomers, like: Tom Ayers, Val Palmer, Becky Gerhart, Phil Stevenson & Scott Murdock. It is always nice to welcome new darters to this event! Finally, I would like to offer my congratulations to this year's champions: Mark Larosa and Phil Stevenson!

Thank you all once again, and we'll see you next year!

Throw Well!!

Ron Overstreet

## Columbus All-Star Qualifier Dates

All qualifiers are scheduled at the **Crest Tavern**, 397 Crestview Road, on the corner of Indianola & Crestview, from 2 pm to 6 pm.

**June: 11th and 18th**

**July: 16th & 23rd**

**August: 13th & 20th**

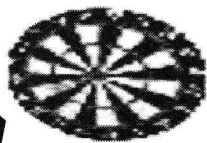
Format: Two games of 501 side. Shoot every odd-numbered double (no more than 3 darts). If you hit it, you get 1 point. If you hit it with your first dart, you are done with that number; max per double is 1 point. Same out shots as last year, with the 170 valued at 6 points.

A special forum for questions and answers has been set up on the CDA message board.

Contact Chuck Hoffner or post your question to the message board on the CDA Website at:

[www.cols-darters-assn.com](http://www.cols-darters-assn.com)

# CDA LADDER NEWS



The 2005 Ladder is underway!

If you have not joined or paid to keep your position yet, please do so soon!

Exciting changes are happening to the CDA ladder!

The first big change is that on July 1st we start the 2nd season, and this time it will be cricket. We will alternate cricket and 501 from season to season.

The second big news is that the CDA dart ladder will become

the official qualifying platform for two CDA All-Star events; the Top Dawg Challenge and the Royal Cup Open.

Watch the rules section on the CDA message board for updates on the format change to cricket and sign up soon.

If you want to know more, read the rules and information section on the message board or talk to **Ladder Chief, Craig Wickman** or someone in the ladder.

See you on the ladder!

## Women's League

Ladies, it's that time again... sign ups for season three will be held **Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at 7:30pm** at DiMarco's Lounge, 5240 Godown Rd. The entry fee is \$30 and you may purchase a jersey for \$25..

*A \$5 blind draw will follow at 8:00PM. Men are welcome to play in the blind draw.*

Official league play starts on May 24th at 7:30 and the format remains the same; singles 301si/do and Cricket.

Questions? E-mail Becky at [scrltbgona@aol.com](mailto:scrltbgona@aol.com)

## VFW Tourney

### May 21st - Malta, OH

Sign up at noon. First event starts at 1:00 pm.

Events: mixed trips, men's doubles, women's doubles, blind draw.

Cost: \$6.00 per person per event plus mystery out and high ton pots.

DJ to follow and camping available.

For more information call (740) 962-4451 or email [biggin10@hotmail.com](mailto:biggin10@hotmail.com).

Get 'er done!

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MAY 2005

17—Women's League  
Blind Draw & sign ups  
*Guys & Dolls welcome!*

21—VFW Tournament

28—All Capital Open IIII

29—BOARD MEETING

### JUNE 2005

5 — FREE DRAW

11—All Star Qualifier

18— All Star Qualifier

25—Disaster Relief

### JULY 2005

? — FREE DRAW

16—All Star Qualifier

23—All Star Qualifier

### AUGUST 2005

? — FREE DRAW

13—All Star Qualifier

20—All Star Qualifier

21—Summer Splash!

### SEPTEMBER 2005

? — FREE DRAW

Thirsty City

### OCTOBER 2005

? — FREE DRAW

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