

FRIENDLY DARTS LEAGUE RULES

- 1.1 The league shall be known as the PAPHOS PUB LEAGUES,DARTS SECTION
- 1.2 The aim of the league is to foster friendship between pubs and clubs and to improve the standard of darts in the district during the winter months.
- 1.3 The league shall be sponsored by BUDWEISER
- 1.4 The league is an open league and shall have no allegiance or alliance with any other federation and shall remain wholly independent.
- 1.5 Participation in the PAPHOS PUB LEAGUES,DARTS by a team and its' registered member requires full acceptance and compliance with the rules of the PAPHOS PUB LEAGUES,DARTS SECTION.
- 1.6 Each team captain will be responsible for the behaviour of his players and supporters and any player found to be not behaving in the spirit of the league will be banned.
- 1.7 Any player persistently not behaving in the spirit of the league shall receive a lifetime ban sanctioned either at the end of season meeting or special meeting called.
- 1.8 Any venue owner that fails to comply with the spirit of the league shall have any venue where they have a financial interest refused entry into the league.
- 1.9 The league reserve the right to exclude any venue or person from the league should they feel it or they will cause disruption to the running of a friendly league.
- 1.10 Food will be provided by the home team.
2. FINANCE
- 2.1 Teams shall pay a registration fee of 40 euro per team registered.(any number of players)

3. PLAYER REGISTRATION.

3.1 Captains must complete a registration form, and submit it to the league on registration night including a digital photograph of the player and the team registration fee.

3.2 During the season a player may transfer from one team to another providing they have a release form signed by their existing captain, or landlord if the captain is involved. A transferred player who has played in the cup will not be eligible to play for their new team as they be deemed to be cup tied.

A player may be refused a transfer should it be felt that the player has been approached by another team to play for them. The LEAGUE should be informed, in writing, and action will be taken against the offending team should it be proven.

3.3 If another league is started within the Paphos pub leagues then both leagues shall be stand alone and should one league be considered a higher standard then a player may transfer up but not down within the season.

3.4 Out of season players may transfer from one team to another without restrictions.

3.5 Teams shall consist of no less than six players on a match night.

3.6 Additional players must be registered with a digital photograph of the player to the LEAGUE by email to darts@paphospubleagues.com. by noon on the Thursday before the match has been played.

3.7 Captains will be issued with a sheet with photographs and names of registered players in their team which must be taken to all matches.

4. TROPHIES

4.1 The winner of the league shall be presented with a perpetual shield which they shall keep until the end of the next season plus the winner and runner up and third will receive a trophy which they shall retain.

4.2 The winner of the cup and plate shall be presented with a perpetual shield which they shall keep until the end of the next season plus the winner and runner up will receive a trophy which they shall retain.

4.3 The winner and runner up in the singles and doubles competitions will receive a trophy.

5. MATCH RULES.

5.1 All games to be played on a standard size brush board with doubles, trebles, semi bull and bull. Height of the board shall be 5' 8" (1.73 metres) from centre of the bull.

5.2 Boards are to be of a good playing standard.

5.3 Any venue that has two written complaints about the quality of their match board, on separate weeks, shall be asked to replace it before their next home game should a member of the LEAGUE agree to the complaint after inspection. Failure to comply will result in a ten euro fine for each week the board has not been replaced. N.B this need not be a brand new board

5.4 The length of throw shall be 7' 9.25" (2.37 metres) the oche shall be at least .75 metre wide marked with a raised metal strip or moveable oche. A surround must be fitted to boards. A mat or board put down to prevent damage to darts. Score screens to be positioned in front of players.

5.5 The home team shall supply a scorer and each score is to be written down and deducted on scoreboards in a prominent position. The scorer must announce the score achieved after three darts have been thrown. Each team will be responsible for nominating a checker for each game and this person may ask for the score to be checked. From 170 down the last score and the previous balance should be struck through to leave the balance required only and must be expressed as e.g.. 32 and not 2x16. The last six scores must be recorded and retained on a computer so that the captains can view and decide when a shootout is required

5.6 No darts are to be removed from the board until the scorer has called the score.

5.7 A minimum of 24 hours must be given for any match cancelled. Any team that cancels a match will forfeit the match 0-15 plus 2 points win bonus.

5.8 Should an away team cancel a match at short notice in the first half of the season then the corresponding fixture shall be reversed. Should this happen in the second half of the season then a fine shall be imposed. Should a team not pay a fine by the due date they shall be deducted two points for each week overdue.

5.9 A game may be postponed due to e.g.:- a religious reason if notified to, and approved by the league 14 days before the proposed match was due to take place.

6 LEAGUE RULES.

6.1 The actual day of play shall be a Tuesday and teams are to arrive by 19.15 for a 19.45 start.

6.2 A fixture list will be supplied to all teams and this will also be available on the leagues website.

6.3 Each match shall be played as follows:-

three threes, four pairs and eight singles best of one game

order of play: - 3 x threes. - 701

4 x pairs. - 601

break for refreshments.

8 x singles. - 501

6.4 The start of a match will be determined by the throwing of a dart (home team first) nearest bull and the winner can decide if they wish their team or the opposition to start. The scorer will remove any semi or bulls eye from the board. Teams will then start alternately.

6.5 All games will be a straight start with double finish and the bust rule will apply.

6.6 A minimum number of players to make a match will be six

6.7 For a team playing with less than nine players the following shall apply:-

With eight players the captain of the team shall place the cards for their team face down and the opposing captain shall draw one player who will play twice.(The same player may not play in the same doubles or triples match)

With seven players the captain of the team shall place the cards for their team face down and the opposing captain shall draw two players who will play twice.(The same player may not play in the same doubles or triples match)

With six players the captain of the team shall place the cards for their team face down and the opposing captain shall draw three players who will play twice.(The same player may not play in the same doubles or triples match)

N.B This may only be done twice in a season

6.8 One point will be awarded per game won with a bonus of two points for a win and one for a draw.

6.9 Drawing of games singles matches will be drawn after the doubles have been completed.

Triples and Pairs. Each captain will select their teams and the team shall be drawn at random to decide which team will play one from the opposing side.

Singles. Each captain will select the eight players they wish to play in the singles and these will be drawn at random to determine the order of play. Or at the agreement of both captains players may be listed in the order they wish their games to be played due to players commitments. No reasonable request may be refused.

6.10 If a player selected fails to arrive then rule 6.7 will apply.

6.11 Result sheets must be signed by both captains and emailed to vic.hemming@paphospubleagues.com by midday on the Thursday of the match week.

6.12 Any alterations to the score sheet must be initialled by both team captains. Failure to do this will make alterations invalid.

6.13 It is the responsibility of the home team captain to make sure that the LEAGUE receives the result sheet by the time specified.

6.14 In the case of a disputed result then both team captains must sign the result sheet and indicate that the result is disputed. The reason for the dispute must be lodged with PAPHOS PUB LEAGUES,DARTS in writing through the website within 48 hours for consideration of the LEAGUE.

6.15 Where a complaint is made by a team other than that involved in the match then this complaint should be forwarded to the LEAGUE through the PAPHOS PUB LEAGUES,DARTS SECTION website within 48 hours of the date on which the match was played.

6.16 Should a team withdraw from the league then all their games will be cancelled and will be recorded as a 0-15 defeat plus a 2 point win bonus.

6.17 Should a singles game become protracted and both captains agree that the players cannot finish after equal darts have been thrown , the game can be finished with nearest to the bull

6.18 Should a doubles or triples game become protracted and both captains agree that the players cannot finish after equal darts have been thrown , the game can be finished with nearest to the bull with the first player in order of play throwing.

7 CUP COMPETITION RULES. - TEAM

7.1 All matches will be played on a Tuesday with teams arriving at 19.15 for a 19.45 start and shall take place after the league fixtures have been completed and be open to all registered players. All games will be played over two legs with the winner of cumulative score progressing to the next round.

7.2 In case of a tied result then the captains will nominate a player to play best of three to decide the winner. The start of the game will be determined by the throwing of a dart (home team first) nearest bull and the winner will start legs one and three and the loser leg two the scorer will remove any semi or bulls eye from the board.

7.3 The cup and plate draw shall be made after 11 league matches with the top 6 teams playing for the cup and the bottom 6 a plate. The draw will show all further rounds.

7.4 All rounds will be on a home and away basis

8. CUP COMPETITION RULES:- INDIVIDUAL AND PAIRS

8.1 All in house singles and doubles matches will be played on a night agreed by the team.

8.2 Each team shall play until a champion single and doubles representative has been reached.

8.3 Each team will forward their representatives names ,and reserves*, to the league by email to vic.hemming@paphospubleagues.com and these representatives will play in a knock out competition to decide the league singles and doubles champions.

* The reserves will be the in house losing finalists in the singles and doubles.

N.B Should one doubles player not be available then the reserve pair will play.

8.4 In house competition can be either best of three or one game whichever is agreed.

8.5 The league finals will be best of three.

8.6 The finals will be a random draw with no buy drawn against a bye in the first round.

8.7 Should a representative be unable to attend then the nominated reserve will take their place.(8.2)

9 DUTIES OF OFFICIALS AND PLAYERS.

PLAYERS

- 9.1 Players will conduct themselves in a proper manner and to maintain the aims of the league.
- 9.2 No member shall smoke anywhere near the oche while a dart match is in progress.
- 9.3 Players will reasonably assist in calling, scoring and checking matches.
- 9.4 To attend any meeting that they are personally invited to by the LEAGUE
- 9.5 In case of any dispute inform the LEAGUE through the team captain.

TEAM CAPTAIN

- 9.6 Register players (3.1)
- 9.7 Collect fees
- 9.8 Supply as many emails as possible of team members with a minimum of two email addresses and all team members mobile/landline phone numbers (3.1) to enable as many members as possible to be informed.
- 9.9 Study and know the rules.
- 9.10 Attend meetings, or send a representative, to meetings called by the LEAGUE(see rule 9.51)
- 9.11 Controlling the behaviour and actions of his players and supporters (1.9) (1.8)
- 9.12 Supply callers and checkers for events.

9.13 Make sure match sheets are completed clearly and correctly with full names and that any alterations are initialled by both captains and return to the league by the required date or they shall be deducted two points for each week overdue.

9.15 Forward any complaints or disputes in writing to vic.hemming@paphospubleagues.com within 48 hours of the incident for consideration by the LEAGUE