



# The London and District Men's Dart League



## EXECUTIVE MEETING

September 2, 2015

### Attendance:

Member's Name	P/A	Member's Name	P/A
(President) Richard Duke	P	(Vice President) Brian Lonsbary	P
(Treasurer) Dave DeGroot	P	(Scorekeeper-web) Andrew Ferguson	P
(Director) Peter McClung	P	(Director) Ed Lewanick	P
(Director ) Ben Garner	P	(Director) Dave DesChamp	P
(Secretary) Dan Riley	P		

### Chair:

Richard

### Called to Order:

19:37

**Team Issue:** The President starts this meeting off by telling Board that there is an issue with a team in the twelve (12) game format, Richard now asks the Secretary to inform the Board with the information he has on the team issue.

The Secretary now informs the Board that he has heard from a player (Wayne M) in the twelve (12) game format telling Dan that he has been released from his team before the season even starts. Dan carries on by telling the Board he has also talked to Rick M (the team captain) who has said that the player in question can leave or stay. If the player leaves the captain will reimburse the player's \$55.00 registration fee and that this matter is a personal matter between the captain and player.

The Scorekeeper also states that he had also talked to Wayne, with Wayne expressing his wishes to leave the team. Andrew also states that this seems to be a team issue.

The President now invites Wayne M and his teammate Kevin S and their friend Ken V enter the meeting at this time.

Wayne M now speaks to the Board about this matter that brings him before Board tonight.

Wayne states that he had found out last weekend from his team captain (Rick M) that Wayne was being kicked off the McMac's before the first night of play. Wayne states that this is all over something childish and that Wayne will be happy to leave the team and not deal with the games the captain is playing.

Kevin S states that this is so much of a childish issue and that he also wants to leave the team and also not deal with the games the captain is playing.

Director Pete asks that if Kevin does leave the team does he or doesn't he get any money back?

The Secretary states that he did hear the team captain (Rick M) state that he would give back the \$55.00 in registration fees that Wayne had paid, but the team captain is not aware of Kevin's wish to leave the team and Kevin may not get his registration money back.

Wayne and Kevin state that they only joined the team so they could play together and if they do get to play on the McMac's or another team, they only wish to still be together. Wayne also states that the McMac's has four family members on it and Wayne and Kevin are the only non members of that family.

The President states that the Board cannot guarantee that we can place both men on the same team.



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**Team Issue:** The Scorekeeper states that usually if a player quits a team, that player is done for the season.

Wayne is willing to walk away (with his registration money) but he will stay if the captain also keeps Kevin and Wayne states that he would not make any issues.

Both members express that they only want to play darts in the League.

The President now ask the members to leave while the Board discusses this matter and Wayne, Kevin and Ken leave the meeting at this time.

The Board discusses this matter and the different issues that are included after hearing from the members.

After a long discussion the Board agrees that we will let both Wayne M and Kevin S leave the McMacs. Both Wayne and Kevin will have to pay \$60.00 each if they get on another team and Kevin will have to be released by the captain of the McMacs. It is noted that Wayne has been promised his registration money (\$55.00) back from the McMacs, but there is no guarantee that the captain will repay Kevin's registration fee.

Both members are welcomed back into the meeting.

The President now informs Wayne and Kevin that the Board will allow both players to be placed on the players looking for teams list. Richard also tells Wayne that his old captain has promised to repay the \$55.00 registration fee, but there is no guarantee Kevin will get his release from the team or even get his registration fee back to play with another team. Kevin must get his release from the team for Kevin to possibly play on another team for this season.

Both Wayne and Kevin thank the Board and apologizes for having to bring this matter before the Board.

The President states that it was better to have this happen now at the beginning of the season, other than later when neither player could play on any other team.

Before Wayne and Kevin leave the meeting, the Scorekeeper asks them which format Wayne and Kevin wish to play in.

Their answer is the six (6) game format, so they do not have any way of playing their old team for this season. Wayne, Kevin and Ken leave the meeting.

**Past Minutes:** The minutes from the July 22 (Aug) meeting were emailed to the Board by the Secretary last weekend for their approval at tonight's meeting. With the Board noting a couple spelling mistakes and the Secretary motions to accept the minutes, seconded by Director Ben, carried.

**Financial Report:** The Treasurer states that we currently have \$30,554.50 in the bank account. Dave now hands out his monthly report to the Board and explains that both team and singles registration is under the membership dues.

The President asks the Treasurer if he could change how Dave places these items differently, so it could be easier for the Review Committee to follow the registration of the membership.

Dave agrees and he will change the way which deposit and total (Teams & Singles) is noted in his reports.

A question from the Vice President about the \$380.00 League start up has been asked.

The Treasurer answers the Vice President by saying that the cost he sees is from the deposit for the start up of the League and Dave will have it finalized for the next meeting.

The Treasurer motions to accept Financial Report and seconded by the Vice President, carried.



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**Reports of Officers:** The Secretary starts by handing over \$114.00 and the paper copy of the Bell bill to the Treasurer. This is a two (2) month payment and Dan states that there is an extra fee in the bill which Dan paid the extra \$4.00 for. Dan also hands over all the receipts from Staples he has.

The Secretary also hands over the first new/replacement players list to the Treasurer with a total of \$420.00 in cash and cheques.

The Secretary now reads an email from Howard J asking for a refund of \$40.00 for the unused banquet tickets that Howard didn't use.

The Treasurer states that he did agree to repay Howard the \$40.00, but that was last season before the banquet and Dave states that he will issue a cheque to Howard for the \$40.00 only if the Board now agrees.

After a long discussion Director Ben motions that the League refund the \$40.00 to Howard (in a cheque), seconded by the Vice President. Motion is carried with three against.

The Secretary now reports that all of the charity cheques have been given out to the respective charities.

The Secretary now reads an email from Nicole at Sanders Pro requesting that the unused players' cards be returned to Sanders for use for next year. Dan states that he is against this request since Dan has never been asked for the membership cards are returned before. But Dan's main opposition is that Dan will not be going back to Sanders every time he runs out of player cards due to the signing of new or replacement players which happen all season.

Dan reads his email response to the original request for the cards with Dan noting in that email that the Board was going to make changes to the membership cards, but Sanders had already had the cards printed for this year. Dan carries on by stating that the new players cards do not say if there is any discount for League members (last year had 13% off on them), only the logo from British Darts.

The Vice President states he went to Sanders to purchase some new dart boards for the Moose 1300 and didn't receive any discount for his purchases.

After some discussion the Board agrees that the President will contact Sanders about both the 13% discount and the returning of the unused player cards.

The Treasurer now reports that he has \$215.00 in player registration from the Singles League and that Dave also has \$180.00 in player add on which the Secretary has included those players names on his new/replacement players list.

Dave also hands over the \$40.00 cheque for Howard J to the Secretary for Dan to deliver to Howard. Dave notes that he also has a thank you letter and receipt from the Boys and Girls Club (one of last year's charities).

The Vice President states that the pens (180's) should be placed into the League lock up plus the apparel that Brian has as well.

The Treasurer now does a quick count of the toques that the Vice President had.

Brian also reports that the Secretary's cell phone is not working, which Dan states there is nothing wrong with his phone and wonders if a simple mistake was made when dialing Dan's cell number or the number for the League.

There are no reports from Director's Dave and Pete at this time.



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**Reports of Officers:** Director Ed reports that the last tournament did finish late and hands over the paperwork to the Scorekeeper and the registration sheet to the Treasurer. Ed notes that all monies taken in at registration were paid out to the top two winning teams. Ed also notes that he hasn't done anything on the League pens yet, due to an illness, he will get the pens ordered ASAP.

Director Dave suggests that we change the name of the last tournament from the Capt-Co-Captain/Memorial to another possible name for next year. Dave says that he doesn't think the name of this tourney is proper since it is open to everyone that played last year and the players that are playing this year.

Director Ben reports that the Inspection Committee has all but finished their inspections and hand over the reports from every venue to the Secretary. The venues that don't have inspection sheets for are Lambeth and Byron Legions and Black Diamond. These venues will have the inspection reports before the next meeting and that Ben has also given out all of the venue schedules to the venues for this season.

The Scorekeeper reports that the website is ready and the Singles League schedules are done and will be posted online with some name corrections. Andrew states that there are 12 players in the Intense format (Duchess), 24 players in the Intermediate format (Victory) and 20 players in the Intro format (Corps).

Andrew strongly suggests that we start looking for other possible venues for the Singles League for next season if the Singles League keeps growing and the Board agrees with this suggestion. A small 10 minute break is now taken (20:52-21:04).

**Old Business:** The computer issues are now brought up by the Secretary, which both the President and Director Ben will look into and report on for the next meeting

The President now discusses the new Executive shirts and shows the Board the design that we will go with and asks if everyone is okay with the final design. After some discussion the Board agrees on a final design and the President reminds everyone that the Board all agreed to pay an extra \$20.00 each from our own pockets that will go towards the costs of the shirts.

The Scorekeeper suggests that these shirts should note that the League started in 1946 and that this should be noted on the shirts, the Board agrees.

The President states that the shirts will cost \$75.75 (per shirt taxes and shipping included), which are comparable with the costs from the last season with the extra \$20.00 from the Board members and that the shirts will be ready for the October meeting.

Director Ed also notes that the costs of the League pens have gone up to 40 cents apiece. The original price was a sale price and Ed is asked to make sure that the ink in these pens will be black. The Board is okay with the different price.

The Treasurer asks if the 180's shot at the last tournament count.

The Board discusses and agrees that the 180's will count for only the League members that are playing this season.

**New Business:** The subject of the GIC is now discussed with the Board agreeing to get a GIC for this season.

Director Dave motions that \$25,000.00 be placed aside in a GIC for this season, seconded by Director Ben, carried.

The President will meet the Treasurer at the bank when Dave is ready to get the GIC.



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**New Business:** The President now discusses the banquet banner and the mistake on it and the mistake is the year the League started. This mistake is in the year (1945) the League started.

The Scorekeeper will look into getting the mistake fixed from 1945 to 1946.

The tournament signup sheet is now brought up by the Secretary, so we know who will be running what tournaments. Dan states it is natural to have the members that play in Premier, 18, 12 and 6 game formats run those tournaments, but there should be Board members assigned to every shoot to end any confusion.

It is agreed that we will address this matter and will be tabled until the next meeting.

The Secretary now talks about the Ombudsman and the questions he was asking Dan at the last tournament. Dan states that John was mainly questioning Dan if he had fixed Rule 7.3 and this happened in front of Director Ben. The Ombudsman insisted that Dan didn't fix the Rule 7.3 concerning any references towards team play.

Director Ben (immediately) pulled out his team copy of the Rulebook and noted that Rule 7.3 was fixed and wondered why Dan was being questioned by the Ombudsman.

Dan personally doesn't care for John's questioning of him in this matter. Dan states that he had already fixed that mistake and if the Ombudsman would have read the last minutes, John would see that the issues around Rule 7.3 were taken care of. Dan also notes that if John would have read the Rulebook in his own team package, he would have seen the change was addressed.

The Scorekeeper suggests that the Ombudsman must be looking at an old version of the Rulebook online and John just hasn't refreshed his page yet. Andrew thinks that John wasn't attacking Dan on this matter, but he wasn't there to hear the conversation between Dan and John.

The Secretary now asks if John will be this year's Ombudsman.

The President states that he has already asked John to be this year's Ombudsman and John agreed.

The Secretary notes that he has seen that one or more players have not paid their registration fees for the Singles League.

The Treasurer notes that all members of the Singles League are now paid up in full.

The Scorekeeper now states that Val W will be the convener for the Intense format, Dave D (Treasurer) will be the convener for the Intermediate format and that Andrew (himself) will be the convener for the Intro format.

Director Ed asks about a possible eighth team being placed into 6D, with all the extra six game format players looking for a team.

The Secretary notes that he believes that with the League starting tomorrow night it is too late to make up a team and with no home venue and the schedules being already done, it's just too late to get this team together. If we had another week or so to possibly fix this matter, it could have been done, but not now.

The Board agrees with the Secretary and will let the 6 D format keep its bye round.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Made by the Vice President, next meeting is October 7 at 19:30.

Meeting closed at 21:35

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