Dallas Dartistry Championships Saturday, October 4th, 2003

\$5,000 Add + \$1,860 entries = \$6,860 total Payout

Men - Kelly's Private Club & Ladies - Drinks Saloon Only \$10 entry fee per event - \$5 plus side pots

Men's ONLY Blind-Draw started at Noon						
40 Players \$700 Add + \$400 entries = \$1100 Payout						
	Paid 8 Positions					
2nd Place - 3rd Place - 4th Place - 5 th & 6 th Place	- Chris Kirchmeyer / John Soto	\$ 176 ea. \$ 121 ea. \$ 82 ea. \$ 60 ea. \$ 36 ea.				
7 th & 8th Place	 David Vick / Kent Johnson Evan Raap / Pito Mendoza 	\$ 22 ea.				

Ladies' ONLY Blind-Draw started at NOON

20 Players \$500 Add + \$200 entries = **\$700 payout** Paid 8 Positions

1st Place	-	Raylene (Glegho	orn / Pam Dzendolet	\$ 1	15 ea.
2nd Place	-	Karen Lov	we / Ta	ammy Crosswhite	\$	77 ea.
3rd Place	-	Cathy Kin	tsley /	Suszi Gagnon	\$	52 ea.
4th Place	-	Denise "N	looody	/" Davis / Scottie Belyeu	\$	35 ea.
5 th & 6 th Place	ce	- Ama	anda Ŵ	/hite / Preshelle Clay	\$	21 ea.
		- Gler	nda We	ebber / Cindy McGaughey		
7 th & 8th Pla	ice	- Sha	nda Ko	ozak / Nicole Davidson	\$	14 ea.
- Gloria Albright / Lisa Brinson .						
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70% Mystery Out Winner - Suszi Gagnon / Cathy Kintsley #2						
30% Myster	y Oi	ut Winner	-	Preshelle Clay / Amanda V	Vhit	te #40
70% High O	ut V	Vinner	-	Preshelle Clay / Amanda V	Vhit	te # 52
30% High O	ut V	Vinner	-	Preshelle Clay / Amanda V	Vhit	te #40

Men's Super Singles Shoot-Out started at 4:00 pm

29 Players - \$700 Add + \$290 entries = **\$990 payout** Paid 8 positions

1st Place -	Eric Pope	\$ 320	Plaque
2nd Place -	Mike Davidson	\$ 220	
3rd Place -	John Knowles	\$ 150	
4th Place -	Glen Merrifield	\$ 100	
5 th & 6 th Place	- Chris Kirchmeyer	\$ 65	
	- Evan Raap		
7 th & 8 th Place	- David Lloyd	\$ 40	
	- Terry Toth		

Ladies' Super Singles Shoot-Out started at 4:00pm						
25 Players - \$500 Add + \$250 entries = \$750 Payout						
	Paid 8 positions					
1st Place - Amanda V	White	\$	247	Plaque		
2nd Place - Pam Dzer	ndolet	\$	165	•		
3rd Place - Raylene C	Gleghorn	\$	112			
4th Place - Suszi Gag	gnon	\$	75			
5th & 6th Place - Cath	y Kintsley	\$	45			
- Elair	ne McDade					
7 th & 8 th Place - Lisa	Brinson	\$	30			
- Tam	my Crosswhite					
70% Mystery Out Winner	- Raylene Glegh	orn	# 30			

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30% Mystery Out Winner	-	Amanda White	# 26
70% High Out Winner	-	Karen Lowe	# 78
30% High Out Winner	-	Denise Davis	# 58
Extra Placement Pots			

1 st Place -	-	Pam Dzendolet
2 nd Place -	-	Raylene Gleghorn
3 rd Place -	-	Suszi Gagnon

Dartistry Rated Blind-Draw started at 9:00 pm

72 Players - \$ 2,600 Add + \$720 entries - **\$3,320 Paid Out** Paid 24 Positions (48 players

1st Place 2nd Place 3rd Place 4th Place 5th Place 6th Place	- - -	Steven Akin / N Rob Bryant / K Cathy Kintsley Annette Steffe Cathy Davidso James King / D	ient Jol / Mike n / Erno n / Jeff	nnson Kasper esto Caste Allsop	Plaque Plaque enhiera	\$ 2 \$	365 250 164 116 83	ea. ea.
7th & 8th Pla	- ace	- Mooody I	Davis /	Jon Dilley / Pito Mei		\$	67	ea.
9th - 12th Pl	lace	e - Bobby W - Pam Dze - Debbie B	eber / endolet endolet	Gene Bulla / Rick Jun / Bruce Ge Sperfslage	ard neman erlach	\$	50	ea.
13th - 16th F	Plac	ce - Amanda - Karen Lo - Joe 'Taz'	White / we / Jo Carde	/ Harvey Ti hn Presle nas / John avis Snide	ijernia y Soto	\$	33	ea.
17th - 24th F	Plac	ce - Gloria All - Mike Sch - Mark A. S - Jarred Be - Cindy Mo - Art Gonz - Shanda P	oright / iirf / Ch Smith / elyeu / cGaugh ales / N Kozak /	Kay Dunc ris Kirchm Eric Pope partner lef ney / Elaine /ark Albrig / Joan Bull Alex Mena	an eyer t e McDade ht ard	\$	16	ea.
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Dartistry Chalker Prizes

<u>Prize</u>

<u>Winner</u>

- Grand Chalker Prize \$100 Cash donated by Kelly's 1st Chalker Prize - Stars Tickets -2nd Chalker Prize - \$50 Cash -Everlast Hexagon Duffle Bag donated by Drinks Coloso Cooler / Sports Bag donated by Drinks \$ 5.00 Cash Envelopes -Roy Bacon - 2, John Presley, Susan I
 - Annette Steffen
 - Mark A. Smith
 - Derek Melton
 - Cathy Davidson
 - Denise 'Mooody' Davis
 - Mark A. Smith four

Roy Bacon - 2, John Presley, Susan Dixon, Kent Johnson, and lots of other players whose names I forgot to write down.

Director's Notes:

This was an extremely interesting day for everyone involved. First off, these tournaments were held at TWO different clubs

Drinks Saloon hosted both the Ladies Blind-draw & the Ladies' Singles Tournaments. Sara Lloyd and Elaine McDade were the tournament directors. Drinks staff (all of them) had totally prepared the club for this event with new lights, new boards, plenty of sharpened pencils, great afternoon snacks and their usually awesome service. Terry & Sue provided two wonderful chalker prizes for the Ladies and had their staff insure everything was ready. Many thanks to Terry & Sue and ALL the Drinks staff.

The Ladies' Doubles started right on time (Noon) and lasted about 3 hours & 45 minutes with Raylene Gleghorn and Pam Dzendolet edging past two newcomers, Karen Lowe & Tammy Crosswhite. Everyone cooperated in scoring and started their matches quickly. Thanks ladies.

The Ladies Singles started on time, but lasted an hour later than anticipated. Lots of darts were thrown. There were quite a few new women players that joined this season's-end Dartistry. One of them, Amanda White, had a FANTASTIC day. She won the Singles winners' bracket, over a previous Singles champ, Pam Dzendolet, and then won again in the finals. Awesome darts Amanda. Now you have a <u>'crown to defend'</u> and you can bet the ladies will be ready for you next time.

Kelly's Private Club was the HOST for the MENS EVENTS and the FINAL RATED DRAW. As usual, the waitresses and bartenders wore themselves out trying to service everyone's needs. The players' thanks and mine go out to the WHOLE Kelly's staff for their extra efforts. Thank you JC and Ron for again hosting this event and for the \$100 Grand Chalker Prize.

The Men's tournaments at Kelly's were filled with awesome rounds of darts from most everyone. Although a few will probably think they threw terrible. Wins were obtained more because of GREAT darts being thrown then they were by mistakes and it seemed like everyone had a wonderful time.

The Men's Doubles started on time, ended on time, and had a few surprise upsets along the way. The eventual winners were Don Gleghorn and BIG JOHN Knowles just edging past Mike Davidson & Max Simpson. The Men's Singles ENDED with an **AMAZING "158 OUT" thrown by Eric Pope** to win his first Circuit Title over Mike Davidson. Mike was really on, too. Congratulations Eric.

The Rated Draw sign-ups started an hour later than my target time because of the length of the Ladies Singles, but we got everyone involved that wanted to play. After the draw was complete things got kicked off with the first match being called up at 9:30pm. The last dart was thrown at 2:15 AM. Fantastic. I was figuring on 3 AM or later. Somewhere in between, Steven Akin *(newcomer)* & Vince Steffen threw their way to and through the FINALS finishing FIRST over Rob Bryant and Kent Johnson. Cathy Kintsley & Mike Kasper came in third after squeaking past Annette Steffen and Ernesto Castnhiera letting them settle with fourth. Thank You, Everyone, for your constant score keeping and cooperation in starting matches quickly. It Could NOT have gotten over that fast without your help and it surely couldn't have happened AT ALL without your support during the last six month season. Thanks. KEEP COMING!

Speaking of HELP. Thank You, Bill Sperfslage, Ron Williford, Mark Albright, Elaine McDade, my daughter Adria and especially my wife, Sara and a few other players, *who jumped in there from time to time when needed*, for your help in making this DUAL LOCATION Event WORK.

NOW for an important and quick critique.

The RATED DRAW !!!!????!!!! What do you all think?

See NEW article on the Circuit Forum

I liked it. But, then <u>I'm am advocate for equalizing the playing field</u>. Its great to win, but not RUN all over everyone. I prefer the excitement of NOT knowing who is going to win the tourney before it actually starts and LOVE an equal playing field with NO OVER POWERING TEAMS. Almost half of the TOP players (that didn't show up) (in my mind) "Chickened Out" figuring in advance that if they couldn't draw a good player they couldn't win. Don't mind saying I'm really disappointed in their attitudes. This was for FUN! And to MOST OF US that were there, IT WAS! As usual, a few players weren't happy with their draws and blame it on the Rated system. But, they could have drawn that same person in a regular draw, too.

Because so many of the TOP players chose NOT to PLAY, it moved the MIDDLE of the RATIO down to 25% and put a few players unexpectedly in GROUP "A". Those that ended up placed in that bracket handled themselves admirably.

Should and Will the RATED DRAW be repeated NEXT SEASON?

You can ask my children, I'm not one who likes to reward whining; crying, complaining, temper tantrums, etc, with anything. And since so many of the TOP players didn't show up because of attitude, it makes me WANT to DO this ALL the time. These top players (who refused to join the rest of us) earn the winnings they receive at a nightly tournament because of the less talented or less experienced individuals <u>constant participation</u>. Then they "slap them in the face" and have an "attitude of ungratefulness" when they refuse to come to the season-en tourney, just because they CAN'T DRAW someone of their equal ability and JUST TROUNCE ALL OVER the less experienced players at the BIG TOURNEY. THAT ATTITUDE REALLY UPSETS ME. AND IT IS that attitude that makes me WANT TO KEEP the RATED draw, forever. Quite frankly ALL the tournaments are more FUN without the premadonna's bitching, whining, and constant demands for everything being in their favor.

I LOVE YOU ALL, some of you as friends, but some of you as if you were my kids (because I have to treat you as a child). Grow UP. Recognize that if you don't make these tourneys fun for the novices and beginners and give something back to them, they will stop coming and lining your pockets with their money.

After FIVE YEARS of doing this, the Circuit has lost more players because of a regular players BAD treatment of a beginner than for any other reason. This SPORT cannot and will NOT continue if these uppity attitudes do. It is difficult enough trying to keep STEEL-TIP darts going in Dallas with MADD and other anti-drinking groups putting pressure on companies NOT to support a BAR RELATED sport.

Soft-tip is still trying to push their way into town as they have done in the outskirts and are finally succeeding in Ft. Worth. The soft-tip tournaments EQUAL-OUT the playing field with point systems based on ability. THIS BRINGS MORE NOVICES, which in turn increases the PAYOUT POTS size. Yes, it means the better players have to throw well, but no one likes playing in a tourney when they KNOW they don't have a chance to win. That is easily seen by the fact that 95 men qualified for the season-end event but only 29s showed up to play in the Singles Event. Why? Because they predetermined in their minds that they could NOT win, so they didn't play. The same holds true for the novices on a nightly basis. If they don't believe they have a chance, they will stop playing.

SO, THE CIRCUIT HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO DESIGN ITS PROGRAM TO GIVE AS MANY PLAYERS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO WIN FROM TIME TO TIME. IF YOU'RE GOOD, YOU WILL WIN YOUR SHARE, NO MATTER WHAT. THIS SPORT IS SUPPOSED TO BE FUN, IT'S NO FUN LOSING ALL THE TIME. IM SORRY IF THE MOST COMPETITIVE PLAYERS DON'T LIKE LOSING AT ALL. BUT GET OVER IT, QUIT WHINNING AND PLAY FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE GAME. YOU WILL STILL WIN YOUR SHARE, BUT AT LEAST THERE WILL BE PLAYERS TO PLAY AGAINST.

And finally, but NOT LEAST, a great round of applause for ALL the PLAYERS, THAT DID COME OUT, for their continued and exuberant support of "The Circuit". Without you, this program would not work. THANK YOU! Keep it up!

The Next DFW DARTISTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS will be held in April of 2004. Exact dates, places, and times are still to be determined. This new season started on October 2nd and will end on March 31st with the Dartistry being within 2 weeks of that date.

Remember, this NEW season will be a combined DFW Neighborhood Event. The players from all three Neighborhoods can QUALIFY for this next season-end Dartistry <u>by playing in ONLY 10 tournaments and</u> <u>"Placing in the Money" ONCE at any combination of Circuit location</u> <u>tournaments during this SIX-MONTH season.</u>

There is also, a **PARTICIPATION REWARD PROGRAM** in effect. This program is designed to reward the individuals who play OFTEN. There will be a \$10 entry fee per event at the season-end tourney. Once you have played 10 times, then EVERY tourney played thereafter during the qualification period LOWERS YOUR TOTAL ENTRY FEE COST BY \$1.00. Example - Play 27 times and you are qualified to play in ALL THREE Tournaments, but you only have to \$23 and NOT \$30. The discounted dollars are applied to the FIRST tourney you decide to play in that day. So, if you only play in ONE and skip the other two, then it would only cost you \$3.

David Lloyd, Circuit Director