

13th DFW Dartistry Championships

Friday, October 3rd, Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th, 2008

\$7,000 total Guaranteed Payout

(With a minimum of 64 players per event).

We had less than required minimum players – and more credits were used than anticipated, so payout was \$5,800 plus Chalker Prizes (\$350) and Side Pots (*Mystery Outs, High Outs, or Honey Pots* (\$960).

Add em all up = **\$7,110**

Held at The Billiard Den in Richardson

Entry Fee was only \$15 per event - \$5 for side pots

There were a total of 1,604 "Participation Reward Credits" earned throughout last season, with 960 of them used.

This season we had FIVE (5) TOURNAMENTS held over 3 days. All were Double Elimination tourneys - totaling \$5,780, total payout during the event.

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Modified Blind-Draw – ALL 501

Friday Night, October 3rd

started at 8:00 pm - 64 Players

\$1,700 Paid Out Paid 12 Positions

1st Place - Benny Davis / Ben Hendon - Award \$ 270 ea.

2nd Place - Christina Medina / Roger Piacenti - Award \$ 180 ea.

3rd Place - Daniel McElwain / Don Gleghorn - Award \$ 120 ea.

4th Place - Silvia Colfry / Marty Freais - \$ 80 ea.

5th & 6th Place - \$ 45 ea.

- Kevin Cook / Scott Cummings

- Michael Johnson / Ernesto Castanheira

7th & 8th Place - \$ 25 ea

- Val Long / Scott Powell

- Mandy Johnson / Bobby Weber

9th - 12th Place - \$ 15 ea.

- Laura Goyen / Craig Manning

- Matt Hayes / Mike Davidson

- Tom Le / Jeff Kratz

- Jennifer Bryant / Nassar Alhamdani

70% Honey Pot Winners – Christina Medina / Roger Piacenti = \$ 45 ea.

30% Honey Pot Winners – Silvia Colfry / Marty Freais = \$ 20 ea.

70% Mystery Out Winners – Laura Goyen / Craig Manning #68 = 45 ea.
30% Mystery Out Winners – Suszi Gagnon / Rudy Estrada #4 = \$20 ea.
70% High Out Winners – Jennifer Bryant / Nassar Alhamdani #113 = \$22 ea.
30% High Out Winners – Benny Davis / Ben Hendon #86 = \$10 ea.

Other Teams Were:

Jennifer Raiford / Ken Price
Corey Bucy /Richard Moore
Shannon Whyte / Steve Terry
Candace Neal / Corey Harris
Becky Price / Tom Jones
Jennifer Harris / Mike Lee
Raylene Gleghorn / Sean O'Connor
KC Adamcewicz / Rocky Hoy
Terri Patterson / Cary Mondon
Joe Price / Steve Gagnon
Kim Wilson / Tip Crosswhite
Donna Guterrez / Chris 'CC' Smith
Lisa Castle / Elic Knight
Terry Toth / David LLoyd
Greg Colfry / Danny Mitchell
Leann Jones / Mike Reynolds
Miriam Perez / Robert Johnson
Kira Ralston / Jeff Bigelow
Floyd Waits / Bill Johnson

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SATURDAY –

The THREE tournaments on this day were the MEN'S & LADIES' Blind-Draw tourneys and a Modified ALL Cricket Blind-Draw.

The Men's & Ladies' Blind Draws started at 1:00 & 1:30 pm and finished around 5:30 / 6:00 pm.

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MEN'S ONLY Blind-Draw

Saturday, October 4th started at 1:00 pm - 32 Players

\$780 payout Paid Top 4 Positions

1st Place – Mike Davidson / Marty Freais - \$ 160 ea.
2nd Place – Rudy Estrada / Michael Johnson - \$ 110 ea.
3rd Place – Scott Powell / Jeff Bigelow - \$ 70 ea.
4th Place – Sean O'Connor / Mike Killion - \$ 50 ea.

70% Mystery Out Winner – Richard Moore / Tom Jones # 6 - \$ 33 ea.

30% Mystery Out Winner – Scott Powell / Jeff Bigelow # 72 - \$ 15 ea.
70% High Out Winner – Sean O’Conner / Mike Killion # 142 - \$ 22 ea.
30% High Out Winner – Rudy Estrada / Michael Johnson # 115 - \$ 10 ea.

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Ladies’ ONLY Blind-Draw

Saturday, October 4th started at 1:30 pm - 18 Players

\$700 payout Paid 4 Positions

1st Place – Val Long / Mandy Johnson - \$ 150 ea.
2nd Place – Raylene Gleghorn / Donna Guterrez - \$ 100 ea.
3rd Place – Kira Ralston / Joan Bullard - \$ 60 ea.
4th Place – Shannon Whyte / Becky Price - \$ 40 ea.

70% Mystery Out Winner – Joan Bullard / Sara Lloyd # 48 - \$18 ea.
30% Mystery Out Winner – Kira Ralston / Mabelle Mull # 20 - \$ 10 ea.
70% High Out Winner – Donna Guterrez / Raylene Gleghorn # 88 - \$ 12 ea.
30% High Out Winner – Val Long / Mandy Johnson - # 70 - \$ 6 ea.

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Modified Blind-Draw – ALL CRICKET

Saturday Night, October 4th
started at 6:00 pm - 40 Players

\$1,300 Paid Out Paid 8 Positions

(We were 24 players less than the anticipated minimum of 64)

1st Place - Christina Medina / Gordon Goodwin - Award \$ 250 ea.
2nd Place - Val Long / Ben Hendon - Award \$ 150 ea.
3rd Place - Rocky Hoy / Scott Powell - Award \$ 100 ea.
4th Place - Suzanne Castanheira / Michael Johnson - \$ 50 ea.
5th & 6th Place - \$ 30 ea.
- Bobby Weber / Tom Jones
- Sean O’Connor / Scott Powell
7th & 8th Place - \$ 20 ea
- Candace Neal / Jason Dutton
- Donna Guterrez / Ernesto Castanheira

70% Honey Pot Winners – Christina Medina / Gordon Goodwin = \$ 28 ea.
30% Honey Pot Winners – Val Long / Ben Hendon = \$ 12 ea.
70% Winners’ Cricket Pot – Candace Neal / Jason Dutton #97 = 42 ea.
30% Loser’s Cricket Pot – Corey Harris / Corey Bucy #97 = \$18 ea.

Other Teams Were:

Karen Duncan / Ken Price

Floyd Waits / Kevin Cook
Jennifer Harris / Steve Gagnon
Mandy Johnson / Rudy Estrada
Raylene Gleghorn / Roger Piacenti
Becky Price / Don Gleghorn
Laura Goyen / Danny Mitchell
Kira Ralston / Jeff Bigelow
Greg Colfry / Tip Crosswhite
Lisa Castle / Mike Perry
Suszi Gagnon / Mike Davidson

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SUNDAY, October 5th

We had ONE tournament on Sunday - The 'SHUFFLE'. This tournament has been in the Circuit's arsenal of events for quite a while and we brought it out of moth balls just for an element of 'FUN' and something different to this Dartistry. We were again surprised with only 38 players instead of the anticipated 64. Whether that was due to the players' unfamiliarity with the event or the time of day, it's difficult to say. Those who were there, all seemed to have a good time (*except those who lost their first rounds of course*). After every full round of play -WE REDREW Partners- winners' bracket and losers' bracket. The tournament lasted until 8:00 pm. Here are the results of the 'Shuffle'.

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The Shuffle

Sunday, October 5th - started at 2:00 pm - 38 Players

\$1,320 Paid Out Paid 8 Positions

1st Place - Christina Medina / Jason Dutton - Award \$ 250 ea.
2nd Place - Scott Cummings / Marty Freais - Award \$ 150 ea.
3rd Place - Raylene Gleghorn / Nassar Alhamdani - Award \$ 100 ea
4th Place - Elic Knight / Scott Powell - \$ 60 ea.
5th & 6th Place - \$ 40 ea.
- Heather Farrar / Ken Price
- Mandy Johnson / Cary Mondon
7th & 8th Place - \$ 30 ea
- Sean O'Connor / Mike Davidson
- Suszi Gagnon / Ernesto Castanheira

70% Honey Pot Winners - Christina Medina / Marty Freais = \$ 26 ea.
30% Honey Pot Winners - Raylene Gleghorn / Nassar Alhamdani = \$ 12 ea.
70% Mystery Out Winners - Nassar Alhamdani / Jason Dutton #99 = \$26 ea.
30% Mystery Out Winners - Christina Medina / Marty Freais #20 = \$ 12 ea.
70% High Out Winners - Nassar Alhamdani / Jason Dutton #99 = \$ 13 ea.
30% High Out Winners - Mandy Johnson/ Jason Dutton #80 = \$ 6 ea.

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Dartistry Chalker Prizes

Chalker Prizes were \$5 every 20 to 30 minutes with of \$200 awarded+

THREE Grand Chalker Prizes of \$50 each. One winner after each series of events. **donated by The Billiard Den**

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Score Keeper Prizes went to: Raylene, Michael Johnson, Cary Mondon, Val Long, Joe Price, Christina, Candace, Becky, Steve Terry, Suszi, Austin Knight, Sean O'Connor, Floyd Waits, Roger Piacenti, Donna Gutterez, Wayne Everitt, Ken Price, Corey Harris, KC, Rudy, Estrada, Ernesto, with some of them winning more than once. The GRAND CHALKER PRIZES of \$50 went to Austin Knight (*Elic's son who chalked lots of games even he didn't play*) ; Corey Harris, and Suszi Gagnon . Thank you everyone for helping to keep the tournament moving.

The DARTAHOLIC Award for this season went to ROGER PIACENTI who set a record of individual tournaments played (*by a non-director*) with **107 tournaments**. That's unbelievable. All his efforts to improve his game have been worth it, as he doubled his Play/Place Ratio this season and has become 'A Contender'. Watch out for Roger. LOL

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Director's Notes:

This 13th DFW Dartistry season saw a downturn in player participation of about 30% as the economy with increased gas prices kept a lot of players from traveling too far from home to become qualified. We only had a total of 130 players who qualified and about 50% of them showed up throughout the weekend. This LOW participation percentage always confuses me. For why would someone take the time to QUALIFY for the EVENT and then NOT SHOW UP TO PLAY for at least ONE Tournament. Of course there will always be the unfortunate individuals that will be 'out of town'; 'have to work'; 'have family functions'; 'are sick' or 'broke'; but I can't see a reasonable excuse/reason for at least not having 70 or 80%. After all, the EVENT IS PROMOTED for SIX MONTHS and is held in APRIL & OCTOBER every year. If you qualify for it, arrange your time accordingly.

We held two less events this season – NO SINGLES (*regular or rated*) because there have been too many complaints of 'sand-baggers' who ABUSED the 'Rating system' & the 'DQSL program' to keep their % low in order to play in a lower singles Division; AND that it was always the same people who were winning the Regular Singles and most of the qualified players didn't believe they could compete, so they stopped coming. The participation rate for each of these events kept spiraling downward every season, so WE ELIMINATED THEM. Instead we decided to MAKE ALL THE TOURNAMENTS BLIND-DRAWS, but different and varied type of formats.

We had 192 total entries throughout the weekend; and the anticipated total to meet the \$7,000 Guarantee was 256. And I thought last season was down and that we could only go up. Guess I was wrong. This year, PSP did NOT payout what was promoted as a \$7,000 guarantee, because we did not meet the 64 player minimum per event (*with Men's & Ladies' BD considered ONE event*) . We still kept the TOP finishing positions with a HIGHER PAYOUT than last season, but dropped the lower finishing positions. **TOTAL PAID OUT FUNDS was \$7,110, (including \$350 in Chalker Prizes, plus \$960 in Side Pots).**

We INCREASED THE PAYOUT for 1ST, 2ND, 3RD, & 4th PLACES (*by 30% over last year*) and only paid the TOP 4 to 8 teams (*based on participation*). We had been getting complaints that we paid out too far and therefore, the TOP finishing teams were not getting paid enough. Someone (*usually those who lost just before the money or won in the lower finishing positions*) always seem to whine and BLAME THE PAYOUT or THE PROGRAM for their losses and dissatisfaction. FRANKLY, I'M TIRED OF IT. Plus, they always complain to someone other than THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR and WON'T PUT THESE THOUGHTS AND FEELINGS IN WRITING (*as complaints and suggestions*) WITH THEIR NAMES ON IT, instead they mumble and mope and use these excuses for not playing more or being unhappy. When in fact, it is their lousy throwing that kept them from the money (*it was increased because we heard the MURMURS and WHIMPERING after last season*).

WE, the directors of The Circuit, and I, 'David Lloyd' Kuntze, (*owner/manager/bookkeeper/website manager/director/salesperson/complaint department head/CEO/financial manager/personnel coordinator/advertising manager/publicity dept/etc. etc.*) TRY OUR BEST to make each of these EVENTS as FUN, PROFITABLE, and overall as ENJOYABLE as possible with the funds available and collected throughout each season. 90% of the FUNDS collected every season ARE PAID OUT in the tournaments to the finishing positions or as CHALKER PRIZES. The other 10% is used for Awards and Advertising (*paper, ink, posters, flyers, gas and miscellaneous expenses*) to PROMOTE and IMPLEMENT these season-end events every SIX MONTHS. Since, this is a FOR PROFIT business, I could (*as ALL THE POKER SITES do*) keep almost 20 to 30% of these funds; **BUT I DON'T.** It goes back to you, the players, in the best way possible – tournaments to play in and enjoy.

Please help us to LEARN WHAT YOU WANT; and WHEN YOU QUALIFY – COME OUT TO PLAY. Only when you play do I GET PAID by the SPONSORING CLUB, thereby making it worth my time (*to some extent*) to do this year after year. If you don't play – I don't get paid. Not your problem, right? YES! It is, because if it's not worth my time to plan, organize, prepare, implement, and direct, NOT ONLY will these season-end tournaments get smaller, but the nightly tournaments could and probably will disappear, as well. Just like so many of the sponsoring clubs have in the past. Then, what would you do?

I'm not trying to complain – just explain how CAUSE & EFFECT (*the domino theory*) works. I know that 'The Economy' and 'OUR government' are screwing with OUR livelihoods and making it harder and more difficult for of US to survive, let alone, have the discretionary

funds to go out and have a good time whether that be playing darts, drinking, fishing, movies, and more. However, it ONLY TAKES 64 PLAYERS to commit to playing ONCE A MONTH at EACH CURRENT SPONSORING CLUB (*that averages to 16 players a week*) and this WHOLE PROGRAM WORKS and CREATES FANTASTIC RESULTS for EVERYONE. Last season we had a total of 487 different players. That averages out to enough players for SEVEN (7) nights a week and SEVEN (7) different clubs with a 16 player average every week. It works, but you have to work the plan. Some of the nightly tournaments could use your help and participation in order to keep them going. Keep playing.

The Billiard Den laid out very nice with plenty of room to move, as usual. We actually had 3 extra standards which kept the tournament moving steadily. I LOVED the layout. I liked being able to move around without bumping into someone's face especially behind the Director's area and the HIGH ceilings (*less smoke*). However, where the Dartistry will be held next time is still pending – feel free to put your input on 'The Forum'.

I didn't hear of any problems with SERVICE this season; and NO complaints about liquor or food prices. There were plenty of servers (*probably too many from the wait staffs' point of view*) and I felt 'The DEN' worked out very well again this season. The staff did an AWESOME JOB. Thank You LARRY, MARCY and all the waitresses, bartenders and other servers.

All in all it was a Fun tournament with fantastic competition, acceptable pay-outs, and lots of exciting darts thrown. Thanks everyone for playing, score keeping, and making this weekend so much FUN for ALL.

A special thanks goes to my co-directors (*in NO particular order*), Raylene Gleghorn, Candace Neal, Shannon Whyte, and of course my wife, Sara. The TEAM did a great JOB allowing each of us directors to enjoy playing in the tourneys, also. Thanks everyone.

Let's all have a great time this next season and **'See you at the 14th DFW Dartistry Championships'**. Please watch the Circuit's Forum and for handouts telling you WHERE the NEXT DARTISTRY will be, when it will take place (*anticipated for the THIRD WEEKEND in April 2009, the weekend AFTER Nascar and Easter*), how much it will cost, what the payout will be, and any FORMAT changes to the EVENT.

In the meantime, get your 10 tourneys and ONE "Place in the Money" in EARLY.

See you on the boards!
David Lloyd, Director