24th DFW Dartistry Championships

Friday, April 11th and Saturday, April 12th

\$2,600 total Guaranteed Payout

Payouts for Men's Blind-Draw was \$700 Payouts for Ladies' Blind-Draw was \$600 Payouts for Modified Blind-Draw was \$1300

Plus Side Pots = Mystery Outs, High Outs, or Honey Pots (\$535) Chalker Prizes (\$420)

(Funds for scorekeepers prizes came from the Eligible players entry fees and the Billiard Den.)

Add em all up = \$3,355 Paid Out

Held at The Billiard Den on Friday Night & ALL DAY Saturday Entry Fees were FREE for ALL QUALIFIED PLAYERS while it was ONLY \$15 entry fee per event for Eligible Players & \$5 for side pots for everyone.

THIS WAS THE <u>NINTH SEASON</u> WITH ZERO ENTRY FEES for QUALIFIED players. Plus, we again allowed players to be ELIGIBLE even though NOT Qualified (*cost to them was only* \$15 per tourney).. I believe we've found a winning format worth repeating, until we can come up with something better. Better didn't get this season, but Bigger \$\$ event. Hopefully, as the economy begins to improve (if at all), 'The Circuit' will see an increase in participation as a result. At least, for now, 'The Circuit' is still providing TWO 'DARTexciting' weekend event for everyone who DESIRES to take advantage of it.

This season we had a **MEN'S BLIND-DRAW TOURNAMENT** held on Saturday, April 11th which began at 1:00 pm with **40players.** Plus, we had a **LADIES' BLIND-DRAW**, also on Sat which began at 1:30 pm with **13**

players. Both were followed by a **HUGE MODIFIED BLIND-DRAW** that began at 7:30 pm with 50 players.

As <u>we have every season</u>, we held a **Dartistry Warm-Up Tournament** on Friday Night @ The Billiard Den with an Extra \$200 added on top of the clubs' normal \$5 pp Add. with 54 players. The total ADD was \$470 with a Payout of \$774 to the Top 4 finishing teams. See results below.

This was considered a Regular Circuit tournament and the results are Posted on the Circuit's Website. This tourney also counts toward the 24th Dartistry Season. 1st Place – Jon Forman / Schad Scott - \$193 ea. 2nd Place – Brice Wunsch / Gordan Goodwin - \$108 ea. 3rd Place – Lee Johnson / Nassar Alhamdani - \$54 ea. 4th Place – Big O Juarez / Danny Young Sr - \$31 ea. 1st Honey Pot – Becca Price / Benny Davis - \$40 ea. 2nd Honey Pot – Tammy Young / Hemi Wakwana - \$14 ea. High Out – Jerry Schlebach / Chip Buckner - \$27 ea. NO Mystery Out Winners this night. Number pulled was 114. >

Saturday Afternoon, April 12th, 2014 We started this season's Dartistry with a **MEN'S Blind-Draw**

It began at 1:00 pm - 40 Players **\$700 Paid Out** Paid the Top 6 Finishing Positions; Plus, we paid out \$200 in Side Pots winnings.

1st Place - Pito Mendoza / Nassar Alhamdani - Award \$ 160 ea.
2nd Place - Lynn Birchfield / Steve Gagnon - Award \$ 90 ea.
3rd Place - Keith Wilkes / Junior Young - Award \$ 50 ea.
4th Place - Robert Johnson / Jeremy Chase - \$ 30 ea.
5th Place - Danny Bartolome / Danny Young Sr. - \$10 ea.
6th Place - Tom Le / Phillip 'Trouble' Swett - \$10 ea.
70% Mystery Out Winners - Jerry McGlothlin / Shawn Kilbury # 20 = \$ 40 ea.
30% Mystery Out Winners - Junior Young / Keith Wilkes # 46 = \$ 20 ea.
70% High Out Winners - Kyle 'Sarge' Bunch # 60 = \$ 12 ea.

Other Teams Were:

Connor Schlebach / Chris `CC' Smith Thomas Bronte / Sam Chauhan Ben Hendon / Ricky Glancy Matt Offill / Steve Morris Jerry Schlebach / David Lloyd Gavin Smith / Roger Piacenti John Garcia / AZ Zapata Sr. Brett Burkett / Scott Powell Cary Mondon / Randy Piacenti Vick Jolliff / Glenn Feldman Tim Morales / Chip Buckner Ramin Najafi / Brice Wunsch There were 10 more players than last season. Good to see the increase. Everyone had a good time. >

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LADIES' Blind-Draw

began at 1:30 pm - 13 Players

\$600 Paid Out Paid the Top 4 Finishing Positions; plus we paid out \$70 in Side Pots winnings.

1st Place - Carrol Buckner / Suszi Gagnon - Award \$ 140 ea. 2nd Place - Terri Patterson / Tammy Young - Award \$ 80 ea. 3rd Place - Candace Neal / Silvia Colfrey - Award \$ 50 ea. 4th Place - Judy Curtis / Vanessa Pavicic \$ 30 ea. 100% Mystery Out Winners - Silvia Colfrey / Candace Neal # ? = \$ 20 ea. 100% High Out Winners - Suszi Gagnon / Carrol Buckner # 48 = \$ 13 ea. <u>Other Teams Were:</u> Jeanne Zabuska / Sara Lloyd Nelia Bartolome / Becca Price Come on girls let's do some networking net time and bring out 20+ ladies next time. > Saturday Evening, April 12th, 2014 **Modified Blind-Draw** Started at 7:30 pm - 50 Players Everyone was excited to see 54 players with quite a lot of Mixed Teams. Thanks for coming out to play.

\$1,300 Paid Out Paid to the TOP 8 Finishing Positions,

plus we paid out **\$250 in Side Pots winnings.**

1st Place - Ricky Glancy / Shawn Kilbury Award \$ 250 ea.
2nd Place - Vanessa Pavicic / Nassar Alhamdani Award \$ 150 ea.
3rd Place - Becca Price / Schad Scott Award \$ 100 ea.
4th Place - John Chambers / Jon Foreman \$ 60 ea.
5th & 6th Place - \$ 30 ea.
Cory Santmyer / Glenn Feldman
Jerry McGlothlin / Robert Johnson
7th & 8th Place - \$ 15 ea.
Suszi Gagnon / Vick Jolliff.

- Judy Curtis / Keith Wilkes

70% Honey Pot Winners - Vanessa Pavici / Nassar Alhamdani = \$35 ea.
30% Honey Pot Winners - Becca Price / Schad Scott = \$15 ea.
70% Mystery Out Winners - Ramin Najafi / D. J. Flanagan - # 6 = \$35 ea.
30% Mystery Out Winners - Suszi Gagnon / Vick Jolliff - # 20 = \$15 ea.
70% High Out Winners - John Chambers / Jon Foreman - # 117 = \$20 ea.
30% High Out Winners - Cody Albers / Pito Mendoza # 102 = \$10 ea.

Other Teams were:

Jeff Candalaria / Anthony Morones Ben Hendon / Kevin Cook Sam Chauhun / Danny Bartolome Lindley Vaughan / Steve Gagnon Candace Neal / Cary Mondon Carrol Buckner / Brice Wunsch Zach Vaughan / Jeremy Chase Ralph Martinez / Bud Worth Randy Piacenti / Jerry Schlebach Nelia Bartolome / Colton Mraz Ginny Hubbard / Chip Buckner Trina Scott / Brett Burkett Marah Richardson / Tim Morales Jason Ahmed / David Lloyd Brandi Flanagan / Connor Schlebach >

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DART-A-HOLIC Award

It was an exciting day for THIS AWARD. During this 24th Dartistry Season there were a number of NEW players to begin playing The Circuit. A few of them showed up to play so many times that they OUTSHINED everyone else in participation and EARNED this award. There was ONE couple and ONE Individual

Nelia & Danny Bartolome *earned their Dart-a-holic award by together participating in 109 tournaments.*

Nelia

Nelia is new to The Circuit. Her husband, Danny, pulled her back into DARTS when they moved to Dallas in Oct 2013. However, you can see she really enjoys the game and is a quiet yet a very skilled competitor that will steal a game from you the moment you relax. Nelia played in 51 tourneys this season, won 14 Honey Pots, and had a play/place ratio of 19.6%. She is quite an asset to The Circuit as she is not just a good dart player, but an awesome Scorekeeper and chalks more than her fair share. Welcome Nelia.

Danny

Danny's first tourney with The Circuit was in the middle of September 2013. He jumped right into playing almost every night and easily qualified in 2 weeks for the 23rd Dartistry Championships. This season, Danny's 'Love for the Game', skill, and consistency in play brought him out 58 times where he placed 'in the money' 22 times and earned him a respectable 37.93% play/place ratio. Having Danny, as your partner, gives a tremendous competitive edge to any team. When you throw in his Good Sportsmanship, attitude, and willingness to keep score, he is a tremendous asset to The Circuit and hopefully he will become a good friend, as well.

Together, Nelia & Danny played 109 times and are true Dart-a-holics. Thank You for your support. The 24th Dartistry Season October 2013 through March 2014

One of the NEWest players in The Circuit is a young man, Colton Mraz. He enthusiastically embraced this sport about a year ago. He, also, has EARNED this Dart-a-holic award.

Colton Mraz – Dart-a-holic Award

October 2013 through March 2014

It is always exciting to see a young player take to Darts like a fish to water. His enthusiasm for this sport initially outweighed his ability. However, the hours he spent in practice and the 84 tourneys he played this season, plus the hundreds of games where he kept score have improved his level of play & strategy to where he can now compete effectively and take a bite out of a shark from time to time. Many good times ahead. Thank You, Colton for your continued excitement and support.

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CHALKER & SCOREKEEPER PRIZES

I really like using the Eligible Players Entry Fees as scorekeeper/chalker prizes. It allows us to pay out in cash LOTS & LOTS of \$5 to \$10 chalker prizes throughout the day. This time

there were \$300 worth of CHALKER (*scorekeeper*) PRIZES WON during this Dartistry and awarded to those who worked to keep the tournaments moving quickly and smoothly. Plus, we had GRAND CHALKER PRIZES at the end of each tourney which were donated by The Billiard Den as a thank you for playing in this event.

There was \$100 handed out during the Men's and Ladies' Blind-Draw tournaments. This is how it worked ----- During the tourneys, after someone kept score, that person filled out a ticket and put it in the Chalker Bucket. About every 20 minutes we pulled a players ticket and **awarded them \$5** for their help & support. There were 20 winners during these first two tourneys.

WE ALSO HAD TWO GRAND CHALKER PRIZES of \$25 awarded after these two tourneys were over.

During the Modified Blind-Draw we awarded 20 - \$5 Chalker Prizes for \$200 & 1 GRAND CHALKER PRIZE of \$50 which went to Ben Hendon.

A BIG **THANK YOU** to everyone who participated in the Score Keeping. Your efforts helped keep the tournament running smoothly without any downtime. You, ALSO, earned your prizes and my respect. Thank You.

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Director's Notes:

There is just NO WAY, I could manage directing this EVENT every season without the help of my wife, **Sara** (by tolerating my working at night, helping me to prepare, and mostly for NOT getting upset when I take our personal time and use it to get ready for the Dartistry every six months.) Please give her a ANOTHER BIG THANK YOU the next time you see her. OK?

What can I say, but THANK YOU, CANDACE from both the players and myself. Candace makes this whole event so much easier for me to manage while she takes on most of the Directing responsibilities. Thus, allowing me to play and relax knowing the event is still

progressing smoothly. Besides, she prefers being in control and telling y'all what to do. LOL.

At this time, there is only ONE Venue in town which 'fits the bill' as the seasonal location for this event. The Billiard Den has everything it needs to handle this size of tournament and has been a very effective location for our semi-annual Dartistry Event for the last 7 1/2 years. The club IS STILL A SMOKING CLUB that has HIGH CEILINGS (so the smoke isn't too bad) and NOW has 12 'Dart Alleys', so temporary standards are no longer necessary.

A HUGE THANK YOU to the OWNERS, Marcy & Larry, for hosting our 24th DFW Dartistry Championships and to ALL THE STAFF - the bartenders, cooks,

and doormen (*if I try to name them all, I'll forget someone and I don't ever want to hurt anyone's feelings*) WHO SERVICED US so efficiently. I HEARD NO COMPLAINTS!!!!. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Another BIG THANK YOU goes to Tracy & Kim. They each put in a <u>double shift</u> to keep everyone happy and well served. Thank you for your hard work from all of us who were there.

Each season I'm amazed that The Circuit is still here and that I keep seeing y'all season after season. It's reassuring and a <u>reward unto itself</u> to know you wouldn't keep coming back if I hadn't earned and kept your trust, loyalty, respect, and <u>continued participation</u> in The Circuit's events for all these years. Thank You, for this event would have NO reason to exist without YOU.

As a reminder, The Friday Night WARM-UP tourney is actually a part of the overall Dartistry program and has been since the first 'Dartistry Championships' was established 11 years ago. I love the following phrase, so I'm repeating it. LOL. "*It ignites the 'BURN' and the 'YEARN' for a great weekend of 'DARTS'!*" Hopefully, you, the players, will continue to have fun and have the opportunity to enjoy these Dartistry Events for many seasons to come. Thank You for your Support and Encouragement.

See you on the boards! David Lloyd, Director