
HAY & DISTRICT

DARTS LEAGUE

RULES



RULES of PLAY

- 1a Each League Match will start at 9pm prompt.
- 1b Each League Match will consist of 4 games in twelve legs.
- 1c Each game will consist of three legs.
- 1d Each leg will be pairs games of 401 "Double In" and "Double Out".
- 1e The make up of pairs for League Matches is entirely at the discretion of the Team Captain, providing that all the players are properly registered (See Rule 4). To decide order of play the selected pairs are drawn randomly.
- 1f Each pair will play three consecutive legs with the Home Team giving a bull guide.
- 1g The player with the closest dart to the bull will start each leg.
- 1h **ONE POINT** will be awarded to the winners of each leg.
- 2a Every League Match is a game for **EIGHT** properly registered players from each team. (See Rule 4) made up of **FOUR** pairs of players.
- 2b The full match can still be played with **SEVEN** players. The vacant spot is to be filled by the Opposition Captain giving the place number of one of the first three pairs of players as written on the team sheet. **ONE** point per leg won as normal.
- 2c In the case of a team having only **SIX** players the match can proceed with three pairs only. Three legs and therefore **THREE POINTS** will be awarded to the opposing team in Division One. **SIX** players can be used with a pair being drawn to make up the fourth pair twice in each half of the season **ONLY IN DIVISION TWO**.
- 2d Only **THREE** exemptions to Rule 2a may be claimed in each half of the season in **Division One** and **FOUR** exemptions in **Division Two**.

RESULTS

- 3a Home Team Captain is responsible for informing the Fixture Secretary of the result within **TWO** days and entering result on the website.
- 3b Home Team Captain is responsible for posting the result to the Fixture Secretary within **FOUR** days (By Tuesday).
- 3c **POINTS** will **NOT** be awarded to **EITHER** of the teams or to players unless the Secretary receives the Result Card within the **FOUR** days specified in Rule 3b **SIX POINTS** will be **DEDUCTED** from teams in breach of Rules 3a and 3b.
- 3d **TIED LEAGUE** In the case of a points draw for first place at the end of the season in any division, a deciding match under League Rules will be played between the drawing teams. This match will take place at a neutral venue decided by the Officers of the Committee. In the event of a tie at the end of the match a Single Sudden Death Leg will be played. The pairs in this game are to be nominated by the Team Captains. These must have played as a pair in the drawn match.
- 3e **PAIR** of the **YEAR TROPHY** Each leg one by a pair of players will count towards the "Pair of the Year" award for Division One and Division Two. This can only be calculated if the Result Cards are **RETURNED** to the Secretary within the time limit specified in Rule 3b

REGISTRATION

- 4a There is no maximum to the number of players registered.
- 4b Proper registration means that ALL Registration, Competition and Transfer Fees as well as the Late Cancellation Compensation have been paid and all penalties imposed by the Committee have been accepted.
- 4c These Fees are currently :-
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| Team Registration | £30.00 |
| Players Late Registration | £01.00 |
| Players Transfer Fee | £02.00 |
| Late Cancellation Compensation | £05.00 |
- 4d Once a Player has played for a team he is committed to that team for the remainder of the season unless a **TRANSFER** is agreed by the Secretary Chair or Vice Chair **BEFORE** the player plays a game for the new team and the **TRANSFER FEE** is sent in with the Result Card.
- 4e Transfers are only allowed before the start of the second half of the season.

- 4f Any transferred players remain eligible for the second rounds of the Competitions and may play in the Knock Out Cup for their new team.
- 4g Any **NEW** players for a team should be noted on the bottom of the Result Card **BEFORE** playing a game mid the Late Registration Fee sent to the Secretary with the Result Card.

NEW TEAMS & VENUES

- 5a Any new teams wishing to enter the League should approach an Officer of the Committee before the A.G.M. and present their case for inclusion. The A.G.M. will decide on their inclusion or otherwise. This task may be delegated to the Officers of the Committee for further investigation and approval.
- 5b Any teams wishing to change venue or any venues wishing to change their pitches should approach an Officer of the Committee before the move and present their case for the move. The Officers of the Committee will decide on their inclusion or otherwise.
- 5c Any new venues entering the League will be inspected by at least two Officers of the Committee. They will only accept the venue into the League if the Pitch, the Board, the Lighting, the Room and View for the audience are acceptable. (All to B.D.O. Standards within reason?) These standards must be maintained and all venues are subject to repeat inspections by the Officers of the Committee.

LEAGUE MAKE UP

- 6a There is a **MAXIMUM of TEN** teams per Division
- 6b Normally there will be one **UP** one **DOWN** Promotion and Relegation
- 6c The placing of the teams within the respective divisions is entirely at the discretion of the Officers of the Committee who will take into account of the players registered.
- 6d A Third Division may be set up if there is sufficient interest. This Division will play only three games in nine legs. All other Rules apply

POSTPONED GAMES

- 7a The Secretary **MUST** be informed of any postponed games by the Tuesday of the week the game is due to be played.
- 7b If notice is not given of postponement of a game, the Team and

KNOCKOUT CUP/ PLATE

Four Pairs drawn at random.
Each pair to play one leg at a time 501 Flying Start in the order they were drawn. Winning team is the first to seven legs won.
In the case of a six all draw at the end of twelve legs, draw again from the eight players of each team to find the fifth pair to play the thirteenth leg as a tie breaker, which will be a sudden death leg.

- 1g All Competition Matches follow a similar format:-
Best of Three Legs
First name drawn to give the guide in each leg
Bull each leg
Closest to bull gets the off
- 1h **SUBSTITUTION of PLAYERS** is allowed only if
1) It is the first Round of the Competition
2) The substitute Players are eligible to play
3) The Secretary has been notified and agreed to the change
The Secretary will agree the change if the substitute Players were not already drawn at another venue. (Unless in the case of Pairs and Fours, where the other Players drawn with that person do not play on the night)
4) If the Secretary cannot be contacted, all Players present at the venue must agree to the inclusion
- 1i **RESULTS** must be submitted to the Fixture Secretary by the person in charge of the Board any omission of the duty may Result in the winners on the night not being entered in the next Round

REGISTRATION

2a	MEN's SINGLES	£1.00
	LADIES' SINGLES	£1.00
	25 CILGWYN' CUP	£1.00
	BOB BEAZLEY IN HOUSE SINGLES	£8.00 per team
	PAIRS	£3.00
	FOURS	£6.00
	JOHN SMITH CELEBRATION CUP 55 & OVER	£1.00

- 14b In the case of disqualification there will be no refund of the Team or Player Registration, Transfer, Competition or Entry Fees
- 14c The result of any E.C.M. will be sent in writing to the Home Venue of the Team within seven days of the Meeting.

APPEALS PROCEDURE

- 15a Any Appeal against a decision made by a Committee Meeting or Emergency Committee Meeting must be made in writing to the Secretary of the Chair within 14 days of the decision. An Appeals Panel will be then set up consisting of the Officers of the Committee and at least **THREE** non Officer Committee Members from at least **THREE** different pubs.
- 15b The decision of the Appeals Panel will be sent in writing to the Home Venue of the Team within seven days of the Panel Meeting.
- 15c The decision of the Appeals Panel can only be rescinded at a NI 1 Annual General Meeting and only if Notice of Appeal is given in writing at least ONE MONTH before the date of the A.G.M.

COMPETITION RULES

- 1a All Players entered must be properly registered (Rule 2) and have played a League Game for your Team before submitting the form.
- 1b All Players must arrive at the venue at the time stated on Notices.
- 1c All properly entered Players who are at their venue at draw time will be put in the draw.
- 1d Late arrivals (if they have notified the venue of the fact that they will be late) are allowed in, only if the play has not yet started and all Players present agree to the inclusion.
- 1e Draw once for each venue. Do not re-draw for each round
- 1f The Competitions consist of :-

MENS SINGLES	501 FLYING START
LADIES SINGLES	401 FLYING START
25 CILGWYN CUP	501 FLYING START
BOB BEAZLEY IN HOUSE SINGLES	501 DOUBLE START
PAIRS	401 DOUBLE START
FOURS	501 DOUBLE START
JOHN SMITH CELEBRATION CUP	501 FLYING START

(Five Players may be signed on for the Fours Competition Any four to play in one game, the best of three legs. The other Player can then play the next round in the same venue. If only three Players are present the game may be played but the Team that is a Player short will miss one pitch in four).

individual players cancelling are liable to pay up to £5.00 in compensation to the Landlord of the Home Venue. The award of this compensation is to be confirmed by the Officers of the Committee.

- 7c All postponed games should be played within two weeks of the original date.
- 7d The Team responsible for the cancellation are to be given two dates by the other team. These dates **MUST** go through the Secretary.
- 7e The Officers of the Committee will then nominate a date on which the game **MUST** be played and have the authority to have the game played at a neutral venue if necessary. If for any reason a match that has started cannot be finished, it will be replayed as a postponed game.
- 7f All postponed games in the first half of the season should be played before the start of the second half.
- 7g All postponed games in the second half **MUST** be played **BEFORE** the last League Game.
- 7h If the non offending team complain about a late cancellation, the Executive Committee have the right to allocate points and impose a deduction of up to **TWELVE POINTS** against the offender's.
- 7i No players from teams with outstanding fixtures or compensation payments, will be allowed to take part in the competitions and may be excluded from the league in the future.

TEMPORARY RULES

- 8a The Committee has the authority to bring in Temporary Rules to cover any contingencies not covered by these rules.
- 8b Any Temporary Rules introduced must be brought to the next A.G.M. of the League to be ratified.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 9a An A.G.M. open to all previously registered players will be called each summer by the outgoing Officers of the Committee. If the Officers fail to call an A.G.M. then any other Committee Members may do so, by giving two weeks notice to all the teams that competed in the league in the previous season.

THE COMMITTEE

- 10a The Officers of Hay & District Darts League are the Chair, the Vice Chair, the Secretary and the Treasurer, as elected at the Annual General Meeting preceding any season.
- 10b The Executive Committee of the Hay & District Darts League are the Officers and any other members as elected at the Annual General Meeting preceding any season.
- 10c The Committee of Hay & District Darts League are the Officers and Captains or properly nominated representatives from each team.
- 10d All Officers and Executive Committee Members stand for re-election at each Annual General Meeting.
- 10e If any of the Officers or Executive Committee Members resign in the period between A.G.M.'s, the Committee can co-opt anyone to fill the vacant post.

THE SIGNATORIES

- 11a The Signatories for any Accounts held in the name of the League or orders made in the name of the League will be the Treasurer and one other Officer to be decided at the A.G.M. or at a subsequent Committee Meeting.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 12a Committee Meeting or an Emergency Committee Meeting must have a minimum of THREE Committee members present. The Chair; and/or Vice Chair and a Committee Member from a least one different pub must be present. The Secretary must be present.
- 12b Any of the Officers, can call an Emergency Committee Meeting at short notice, to discuss League matters. All Officers must be informed of such a Meeting.
- 12c If the Chair is unable to attend a meeting, the Vice Chair can be delegated to preside over the Meeting.
- 12d The Chair (or Vice Chair in the absence of the Chair) will have **NO VOTE** but will have a **CASTING VOTE** in the event of a **DRAWN VOTE**. The Vice Chair will have **ONE VOTE**, in the absence of the Chair when he will **ONLY** have the **CASTING VOTE** as above. The Treasurer will have **ONE VOTE** except where the role of Secretary and Treasurer are combined when he she will have **NO VOTE**. All other properly elected Committee Members will have **ONE VOTE**.
- 12e The Secretary is an Officer of the Committee, not a Committee Member and therefore will have **NO VOTE**.

RULE BREACHES

- 13a If the Officers of the Committee become aware of, or are notified of any breach of the Rules , an Emergency Committee Meeting (E.C.M.) may be called by either the Secretary or the Chair.
- 13b The Offending Team will be informed in writing seven days before the date and time of the E.C.M. and the reason for calling it. A Representative from the Offending Team should be witness and give the Team's case.
- 13c A Representative of any Team notifying the Committee of the Rule breach will be asked to attend and give evidence. Written evidence may be accepted at the discretion of the Chair and/or the Secretary.
- 13d The witnesses will be asked to leave the room during discussion and voting.
- 13e Any Committee Voting Officers and Members from the Offending Team and the Team notifying the breach of Rules will not have a vote and may be asked to leave the room during discussion and voting. This includes Members of both Teams.
- 13f If both the Chair and Vice Chair are excluded by Rule 13d the Meeting will be chaired by a Committee Member from another Team The Temporary Chair will be voted for during the Meeting, by those Committee Members not excluded by Rule 13e.

PENALTIES

- 14a After listening to the evidence available at the Meeting the E.C.M. can:-
 - (1) Choose to deduct some or all of the points won by the Offending Team in that Match and in any other Match. in which the Offending Team was proved to be in breach of any of the Rules.
 - (2) Choose to award some or all of the points deducted from the Offending Team to their Opponents in that Match, and to their Opponents in any other Matches in which the Offending Team was in breach of the Rules.
 - (3) Choose to expel the Offending Team and the individual Players from the League for the remainder of the Season.
 - (4) Choose to disqualify the Team individuals and the Home Venue from taking part in the Hay & District Darts League and its Competitions . The length of such disqualification is entirely at the discretion of the Committee.