



Date: March 16, 2010
Place: Legion – Shorrt Street
Start time: 7:55pm

Present: Quorum was established – 34 members present

AGM Meeting called to order

- Introduction of the board and executive
- President's welcome and address
 - Moment of silent for members who passed away this year Dan Harris and Steve Leborgne.....

Explanation of the trophy nominations and request for everyone to complete the nomination forms provide and leave them with the board before leaving tonight.

- Gerry Strachan
- Minette Reid

Review of the Financial Statement (2008-2009)

- It was noted that prior year 2002 debt of \$642 was actually paid in this current year; after discussion it was agreed that this would be removed and recorded on next years FS

Discussion:

Dave Kucera – requested better break down of the admin costs \$800

It was explained by treasurer we are not presently in possession for all receipts; we have requested them and expected to receive them from prior treasure that now lives out of town.

Dan Lauzon was asked to perform an audit of previous year's books and commented that this has not yet been completed as he is waiting for addition information (receipts); he expects it can be completed before the end of this fiscal year, hopefully in time for the banquet.

Motion Ian Giggle

To accept the Financial Statements as discussed

Second by Elliott

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

Vote – carried

Review of recent tournaments & events (Rik)

- review of the various Affiliate Team Shoots results (details are on the website)
- review of 30th Anniversary tournament results, it was a great success; (details on the website)

There was an acknowledgement and round of applause for the two C division players that scored their first 180s during the 30th Anniversary tourney (details are on the website)

Affiliate Teams review

- ladies and second division (Rik)
- c division (Suzanne)
- first division (Joe)

Banquet Update (John)

- confirming location is again at Whistlers on May 15, 2010
- 90 tickets available at \$20 each
- Tickets available for sale now; contact executive members
- Door prizes, DJ and lots of fun to join in
- Details of the meal and venue will be available on the Website soon

Review Web site and Stats (Rik)

- Web still a work in process; thanks to members Mervyn and Josh for input and help
- Everyone welcome to please send in suggestions
- Stats are on the site; they are final – please provide any comments/forward to Rik within the next week
- Reminder - there are no all star points in the playoff (member discussion followed)
- Dan Lauzon suggested a 170 FINISH should be acknowledged (this will be moved to new business)
- Thanks and applause for Rik for his work this year

Elliott commented that in previous years, copy of the stats has been provided at the AGM, (for help with the playoff discussion later) Rik explained the information is on the website and there are no tie breakers this year;

New Business

Motion by Dan Lauzon

That any 170 finish or any perfect game should be recognized with a trophy at the banquet whether in playoffs or regular season

Second: Elliott

Friendly amendment: Dave K – that any 180 also be recognized – NOT ACCEPTED

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

Dave Kucera commented a motion was not recorded correctly from last years AGM minutes. Relating to the change Rules of Play - one player winning a game when playing doubles alone against 2 opponent players; the missing part was “when a team has less than 6 players at beginning of the night”.

Marian - The rules will be check and we will make necessary amendment to ensure this is accurate with the motion that was passed. Apologies extended from the committee for any oversight on our part.

Further discussion ensued regarding the leagues procedure documents (that is By-Law, Rules of Play, General Rules, Discipline...) not necessarily being updated with all changes that have been voted in over the last few years. This year’s committee have done a detailed review of all documents and discovered discrepancies between the Web site and our latest written documents; and also some changes that were voted in past years that were also missing. Rik and Marian are in the process of getting all of this updated so that next year will start with correct documents that will also be in sync with the web site.

Elliott commented that when rule that have been passed at the AGM can possibly be removed by the executive at a later date.

Rik – we reviewed Web site, league computer copy and found error in the By-Law.

Elliott commented any and all changes to the By-Laws must be presented in writing to the members for approval; Rik/Marian further clarified that the change that was made was a very minor typographical error in the document specifically, the word THAT was recorded incorrectly as TAT.

Marian – said she will highlight the changes made so as to make them obvious to the members/reader in the next printing and suggested this is something we should do in the future also.

Georgina expressed concerns about format playoff for the C Division team; there were only 3 teams in the section they played, therefore after traveling to Kitchener they only got to play 2 games and were knocked out.

Discussion – explained by the board that Darts Ontario (DO) set the standard we have no control; host team is told by DO the format and how to run it. One of the C players mentioned the president of the Kitchener host-club were heard to say he would have preferred a different format also (e.g., groups of 6); but DO had established it and they had to follow it.

The overall feeling was that if the team had known format they wouldn't have gone to the event.

Motion by Georgina

A letter of recommendation be sent from MTADL to Darts Ontario regarding the format of the Team Affiliate - C Division event that was held in Kitchener. Asking them to set a minimum standard format of play to be minimum of 4 teams per group ;(the executive may reword this in the letter so that the intent is clear)

Second: Dave Kucera

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

Adam (Bullwinkle's) – said he understands we were offered software that would do our stats and he requested more information about how we currently do ours.

Discussion - lengthy back and forth discussion around this topic

Rik - we do ours manually on a spreadsheet; asked captains at last meeting (Dec) if anyone was interested in writing a program to do this. NO replies received. Inputting data takes Rik 1.5 hours now, if program written successfully could give you more options and speed it up. Bottom line our web site costs us nothing.

It also mentioned that we had a free trial on Toronto Darts website and we have been entering our information there also this year.

John Crawford – brought up the topic of Toronto Darts software program available to leagues.

Ross asked to provide input to the league as he has been entering the data this year; takes him 2 hours to input all the teams but primarily because of PPDs; Toronto darts doesn't normally have PPDs in the program.

Question from the floor – if there were any benefits to using Toronto Darts? They provide more details available such as history and results of head to head play.

Dan L – we can lose control over how you do your stats; we have to fit their format

Ross/Rik – doesn't appear to be any benefit as no new player referrals from Toronto Darts website, but we got 9 new player referrals from our own web site.

Rik - we have programmers within our league, if any are willing to help; going the way of a data base is a good idea.

Josh – said he works for the company that provides MTADL WEBSITE hosting FOR FREE; if they (Toronto Darts) are willing to put their stats on our site, have the programmer contact JOSH directly so he can tell them the best way to do it.

Motion by Doug Pane

To keep the web site and the statistics in house

Second Rod

Friendly amendment

– We look into adding more information to the stats we provide such as head-to-head and history of player/game results; amendment to look into providing more information

– Georgina: that we form a committee to look into this and get back to the board with recommendations, accepted

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

Dave Kucera – questions that a team in south division forfeited more than 20 games
Were they brought before the board to justify continuation in the league as it stats in the rule?

Back and forth discussion commenced on this topic:

RIK - cannot count teams by teams that were forfeited against

- Brand new team
- Forfeited 4 matches per night
- Board did not officially talk to them as a board/team; Rik talked to them on behalf of the boards to express our concerns and try to find out what problems were (Dave that is not what the rules say)
- Rik talked when it first happened and they dropped players and got new players; there was an improvement and they forfeited less

Elliot - have we adjusted playoff format as we have in past years to accommodate this;

When asked again by Dave K why the team did not meet with the board as it stats in the Rules

Ross indicated that the board had made an error and apologized.

Dave – don't you think it skewed the results?

Rik explained he had compared all the results for all the teams and if you take the game wins from the forfeit the end results/stats do not change; everyone finishes in the same place. Exception; Swamprats; they end up in a tied position

Discussion – previous years, playoff seating have changed; further detailed discussion back and forth on previous year solutions.

As Rik explain previous, further details provided, he had review the results and they don't change e.g.

Swamprats - 165 pt
FF 165 pts

Liquid Assets 158
F Monkey 147

Question from floor: Is there a third place team in either division that would be higher?

Rik – NO

Ian Giggle – is there a point to continuing this discussion now that league has admitted it made an error.

Motion – Dave Kucera

To eliminate in the red from the playoffs

Second NO ONE

Vote by show of hands - MOTION DEFEATED

Georgina – how do we encourage new players to join the league; we need to address John Crawford – if we collectively as a group we research some bars and between now and a date set, we put up flyers etc, and we might get them;

Volunteers – Adam and Doug Pane volunteer to head and format a committee
Danny Lauzon willing to provide them with input – advising how to do this,
Alyson – do we need permission to hand out pamphlets etc, no but the content should be vetted by the executive through the committee

Motion – Georgina

A committee to work with the executive to solicit new members and bars

Second Adam

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

John Crawford – Suggested possible format changes to C league to freshen up incorporate something different, e.g., singles cricket in stead of “O1”

Motion – Adam

When a 401 singles game in C division reaches 75 darts thrown, that closest to the bull decides the winner of the leg; both divisions

Second: Andre

Discussion back and forth with several members
– Clarified that captain can still have “agreement” on how to end the game.
– mention 75 darts; but not

Friendly Amendment – Dave Kucera to add in “every division” and provided both players are on a double one, accepted by Adam

First Vote by show of hands – IN FAVOUR 15; AGAINST 15; Abstained - 4

Further general discussion back and forth on the floor about this motion

Second VOTE by show of hands - In FAVOUR 14; AGAINST – 15
MOTION DEFEATED

Further discussion and suggestion raised that “O1” game possibly be changed to cricket

Wayne B – pointed out scoring in cricket can make this game take a long time to play and it evening could go on until very late in the morning; response by Chris that some players find double outs take longer than cricket

Ian – why do we need to bull to finish a game when 2 captains can agree to end a game;
Andre – captains might agree or not

Motion on the floor John Crawford

in a singles game in C division only, that when both players are on double 1, and number of darts thrown are 72, the leg will be decided by closed to the bull

Second Andre

Friendly amendments

- Dave Kucera: to include all divisions REJECTED
- Ross: that the home team shoots bull first regardless of the order of play, ACCEPTED
- Andre: at least 72 darts for both players, ACCEPTED
- Edwin: and each play has thrown an equal number of darts, ACCEPTED

Further discussion regarding the pros and cons of this motion

Vote by show of hands: in FAVOUR 8

MOTION DEFEATED

Josh

Motion C division would like to have 401 scrapped and introduce Chicago

Seconded by Adam

Friendly Amendment – C league discuss this at a meeting in the summer, all C players come to a consensus and bring this to the board.

Discussion

- It was suggested that every div should play the same game; so as not to split the league
- It was explained that this approach has been taken in the past and worked very successfully (for example: some years back ladies division met in summer to make changes for their division including: changes included: order of games played, making team game last; reduce number of players per team to 6 from 8 so they could form additional teams and keep the division alive; change the team game to doubles cricket).

Motion withdrawn by Josh

Challenge Cup – an explanation of what this is requested

- MTADL teams play off against Queen street league
 - will be played after soon playoffs; Ross will advise where and when
 - usually home and away; or one night to be notified
 - usually takes place one week after the playoffs
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Elections

President

- **Ross S Elected**
- Edwin Mason D
- Marian Goyen D
- Peri Pop D

1st Vice must receive 50% +1 vote

- Elliot Y
- Rik
- Marian D
- **Edwin Y elected**
- Joe D
- Peri D
- Jeannette D
- Wayne B D

2nd

- **Elliot Elected**
 - Marian D
 - Ian D
 - Virginia D
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Directors – only those that accepted nomination

- Andre
- John C
- Rik
- Georgina
- Adam
- Susie
- Virginia
- Doug P
- Jeannette
- Peri
- Suzanne

Directors Elected: John Crawford, Rik B, Georgina, Suzanne, Virginia, Susie, Peri

Motion to destroy ballots David K

Seconded John G

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

PLAY OFFS

Discussion of the playoff structure

Top four teams play for the A division trophy

- 1 – swamprats
- 2 – friends
- 3 – liquid asset
- 4 – funkey monkey

Teams 4 to 8 play for the B division trophy

Playoff details are on our web site

Reminder:

- 170 finishes and perfect games must be marked on game sheet
- Do NOT track PPDs
- But remember number of legs must be recorded
- Additional score sheets are available on the website
- If there is a tie play one 4 man team of 1001

Moved to close meeting Rod

Second Elliot

Vote by show of hands - Motion CARRIED

Meeting ended at 11:55pm