

LRDA Captains Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2019

1. Attendance

The following teams had captains/representatives present:

From:

The Punishers	Mike Messer
Talk Darty To Me	Kassie Foshie
Dart Dynasty	Bill Owens
Honcho's	Tim Bartlett
Git-R-Dun	Joe Sturtz
We Trippin'	Kelly Fleming
Bulldogs	Teresa Hart
The Hitmen	Jim Meeker
Drunken Bulls	Jeremy Burge
Toro Rojo	Olivia Lieblong
Elkaholics	Lou Bearden

2. Announcements

The End of Season Party will be held December, 19 2019 at the Elks Lodge.

The board will provide Turkey, Ham, Dressing, Rolls, League members should bring side dishes such as Veggies (corn, green beans, peas, carrots, and such), Salads (green, pasta, fruit), Relish, veggie, fruit trays, or deserts.

There will be a Luck of the Draw it will cost \$5 and be single elimination The League will be contributing \$100.00 to the pot (as usual) it will pay 1, 2 and 3 place with a 50/30/20 payout. There will be a playoff for 3rd place with the losers of the semi-final round.

We are holding a raffle of a donated quilt with the proceeds going to Women and Children First (a shelter for victims of domestic violence in Little Rock) Tickets will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You do not have to be a league member to

purchase a ticket nor do you have to be present to win. The drawing will be done at the end of season party.

There is a new LRDA email address – littlerockdarts@gmail.com

All board members have access to this email address. All official notifications will be coming from this email address. It has been set up to carry over from one board to the next. Any board member can use it to send notifications-memos, etc. Because of captains miss-using the group email lists all stats going forward will be sent to division lists only. This means that A division will not see the matchups or division standings for B or C division. And so forth. All divisions will still receive the overall/team standings.

If league members wish to send a mass email out they need to save all email address to their personal address book rather than attaching their message to an official LRDA email. Doing the latter creates confusion.

Rosters for Spring Season. We are going back to the old roster forms. A hard copy was made available at the meeting. Also it will be on the LRDA.org website. It needs to be turned in by the end of season party on December 19. You may also e-mail the roster to littlerockdarts@gmail.com. However if we start having issues of too many teams trying to play out of the same bar, we will go back to requiring you to have the roster signed by the bar owner/manager.

Captains duties/responsibilities

A review of the captains responsibilities and duties was discussed.

- a. They need to have a working knowledge of the league rules and regulations (should have read the rules and regs cover to cover at least once to be familiar with them.
- b. Should strive to be the teams Manager (adult). You are the one the team should look toward to settle disputes within the team and with other teams. Captains should be the ones to reduce the drama not start or encourage it.
- c. Captains should know the proper procedure for solving issues. How to contact the board of directors to get answers, How to address the board directly if you do not like the answers you get. Under no

circumstances should a team captain (manager) be using social media to promote dissention/ill feelings within the league.

- d. Always keep in mind and remind their team when necessary. (THIS IS A FOR FUN LEAGUE) there is no money on the line. People only win bragging rights for a season at most. Everyone who pays their league membership dues and seasonal fees should be allowed equal play time. The league does not discriminate. If you do not want to play a person on your team for whatever reason you should suggest they find a different team to play on and help them do so.
- e. Fill out and turn in paperwork on time. Fill out rosters including Captains/Co-captains cell phone number and email addresses and team members E-mail addresses if they want to receive the weekly stats. Set the weekly rosters for your team, keep track of QP points scored and ensure they are recorded and tallied correctly on the sheet for that week. Make sure a copy of the weekly stats are available to the entire team either by having them placed on the distribution list or by printing a hard copy and bringing with you each week. You can even allow them access to your phone so they can look them up from your email (if you trust them that much)
- f. Attend Captain's and General Membership meetings to stay abreast of any changes that may affect your team.

3. League membership dues vs. seasonal fees.

To be a full member of the LRDA you must pay the \$10 annual membership dues.

Seasonal fees are Fall \$20 Spring \$20

We have been paying \$25 a season (Fall/Spring) \$5 is membership dues and 20 seasonal fees.

According to the LRDA by-laws we should be collecting the \$10 Membership dues in the fall so we can issue membership cards for the year.

Also Summer league is only free to those who have paid the full membership dues. If you have never played before or if you haven't paid your membership dues and want to play summer league it costs \$10 for the LRDA membership.

The board is discussing making the summer season a shorter version of the other seasons minus the division brackets, complete with a mini playoff and traveling trophy. The captains input on this idea are requested.

The board has also been discussing the possibility of dropping the Seasonal fees from \$20 a season (Fall/Spring) to \$15 a season, but requiring the membership dues be paid the first season a player plays, i.e. \$25 in the fall and \$15 in spring or \$25 in spring if they didn't play in the fall. Or if they want they could pay \$40 in the fall and be paid for the full year.

4. Score sheets.

If there are questions about the accuracy of the stats captains and/or league members can ask the league secretary to review the score sheets in question. The stats can be printed off and a sit down meeting arranged to go over any or all stats for a season.

Mailing them in vs. photos. While photos will never be as clear or concise as the original version, especially when taken in dimly lighted bars possibly by inebriated individuals, the board is looking into alternate methods of obtaining score sheets that doesn't involve snail mail. Keep in mind the LRDA laptop does not contain any photo imaging software so any photo sent in would have to be able to be read when printed as is. (it would need to be oriented correctly, not contain a large portion of boarder background. Be in focus and legible and provide the proper amount of room when printed for the league secretary to make the necessary notations. Ideally a scanned copy would be best.

Tim Bartlett (League President) stated that the snail mail method would be enforced for the spring season but that during summer league play we would pilot test other methods.

For example:

Those who want to continue to mail in the score sheets will be provided self addressed stamped envelopes and may do so. Those who want to scan and email to littlerockdarts@gmail.com may do so.

Those who want to photograph the score sheet and email it in may also do so providing it is a high enough quality that it can be printed as is. If it is not they will be asked to mail in the original and envelopes will be provided to them.

Lou Bearden and Olivia Lieblong volunteered to look into software that would take stats on league night and generate the necessary reports of individual/team standings and weekly matchups thus eliminating the need for paper score sheets all together. They will present their findings to the board of directors at a later date.

5. Other issues

Ideas for future charity events and ways to improve the league was mentioned. Anyone with suggestions was asked to send them to the board at the new email address.

It was suggested that the Captain's meetings be held 1 hour prior to the general membership meetings, like it was done in the past. Captains would vote on issues and then the board would present the results to the general membership (as the by-laws direct). The only thing the general members would need to vote on is the election of board members or the increase/decrease of membership dues and seasonal fees.

No other issues were discussed.

6. Adjournment