

Meeting Minutes – North Country Dart League

Location: Trailhouse Lounge **Date:** August 25th 2026 **Start Time:** 7:00 PM **Adjourned:** 7:50PM

Attendance

Northland Interiors: **Marc Labbe**

Fagin's Pub: **Shauna Croteau**

Jericho Outdoors: **Tina Viens - Remote**

Flight Risks: **Greg Tabak**

Northern Pounders: **Nate Richard**

Just the Tip: **Not in Attendance**

Wizards **Logan Larocque**

Misfits: **Paul McKenzie**

Sharp Shooters: **Amy Lacasse**

BTA: **Will Croteau**

Bookworms: **Charlene Gallagher**

Northway: **Zuri Chambers**

- In accordance with the bylaws, an election of officers was held for the positions of President and Secretary. The role of League President is currently held by Dan Croteau. The role of League Secretary is currently held by Lucien LeVeille
 - Dan Croteau asked if there were any nominations for League President. Dan Croteau was the only one nominated and he accepted the nomination. Dan Croteau remains the League President.
 - Dan Croteau called for nominations for League Secretary. Lucien LeVeille was the only nomination and he also accepted the nomination. Lucien LeVeille remains League Secretary.
- It was previously mentioned in meetings that the elected officials (President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary) do not get a vote during votes held during the captain's meeting unless the captains votes were tied. It was said that If the captains votes were tied, the vote would then go to the elected officials with the President only having a vote in the event of a tie (which is not possible unless someone does not vote). The bylaws state "The board of directors will consist of Elected Officials and the Team Captains with each member having a vote except for the President, who will only vote to break a tie.
 - Due to the uncertainty of how the votes should proceed, a captains only vote was held on whether to keep doing the votes as captains only or to adhere to the written word in the bylaws and the entire board gets a vote except the president, who only votes if there is a tie. The vote was unanimous to allow the elected officials a vote.
- The team Bookworms will now be known as VCM Bookworms
- The team Bedard & Son Electrical Contractors will now be known as BTA and is captained by Will Croteau
- Logan Larocque will be taking over as captain of the team Wizards
- Kenny Nett will be taking over as captain of the team Northern Pounders
- Marc Labbe will be taking over as captain of the team Northland Interiors.
- Update to Dues

- At the February 2026 captain's meeting a vote was held to change how dues are paid. For the sake of keeping things easy, a "season" will be defined as the 2026-2027 season and the fall 2026 season will be referred to as a "half". Players will be responsible for paying dues by the 3rd week of the half and the dues are \$20 per half. If a player would like to pay for the entire season at the first half, they are more than welcome to but captains must write down who is paying for what. If a player submits \$40 we need to know their dues are paid for the season so it can be marked accordingly.
- Substitute Players.
 - During the February Meeting we decided to try out the idea of having substitute players. The new Roster forms have a check box to say that a person is a substitute player.
 - A substitute player will only have to pay \$5 before the start of their first match. Before the start of their second match, they will also have to pay \$5. Before the start of their 3rd match in any one half, they must pay \$10. Once a player has played 3 weeks, they are eligible for playoffs and are considered a full time player.
 - Substitute players must be designated as a substitute on the roster form (or on whatever you submit to Zuri by week 3).
- Random Hit Prizes.
 - During the April meeting we discussed random hit prizes. It was also spoken about on Facebook and received positive feedback from players and captains. During the off season, "Prime Day" came around and offered many of the items on our list at 20% off. Lucien LeVeille notified Dan Croteau about this and Dan asked if we had ever put this to a vote. There was no record of a vote being held so to try and get things approved and save money, Lucien reached out to all captains in a Facebook message asking for a vote. Shawn Lettre and Dan were added to the message so they could see the results.
 - The vote was 9-0 approving the project with only Northland Interiors, Just the Tip, and AE Sharpshooters not replying.
- Random Hit Drawings
 - Lucien asked Shawn to randomly pick 2 numbers without letting him know why. Shawn chose 3 and 7. These were applied to how many times Lucien would randomize a wheel to get the Random Hit number.
 - For the Fall 2026 half, the Random hit number is 64. This was chosen from a random number generated from 5-95. Any player that hits a total score of 64 during any 01 game will be entered into a raffle to win a set of Harrows Black Knight Darts. If a player hits the score more than once, they will be entered one time for each time they hit the score of 64.
 - For the 2026-2027 season, the random number came out to be 67. This was chosen from a random number between 10 and 100. Any player that hits a total score of 67 during any 01 game will be entered into a raffle to win a Portable Dartboard stand, a Target Tor Dartboard, and a Winmau

Blade surround. If a player hits the score more than once, they will be entered one time for each time they hit the score of 67.

- A Discussion was held regarding the Random Hit Prizes. Dan Croteau mentioned that he felt the random hit number should have not been revealed to players because now players can try to farm for entries to the raffle. We may adopt this in the future if the prizes continue past the 2026-2027 season.
- Just a reminder, if a player is shooting from a wheelchair, both rear wheels must be behind the Oche (throw line) during their shot.
- DartConnect has slightly increased its fees effective September 1st 2026. All season billed after that date will now be billed at \$24 per team (for teams of 4 or more) per season.
- The start date for our Fall 2026 season is September 7th 2026
- We will be forced to skip a week on November 2nd due to voting at the VFW.
- Team Sponsorships. It is currently stated in our bylaws that a yearly team sponsorship fee of \$40 is required for each team. A question was brought up by a player asking what the sponsors get in return for their donation. This was part of a question asking how to approach a business for a possible sponsorship. Currently, unless the sponsor also gets the team shirts or something to wear, there really isn't any advertizing or any sort of kick back for the businesses.
 - Clarification was asked of Kenny Nett on why the team sponsorships started. Kenny said it was because back in the day we had a lot more venues to play out of and a venue had to "sponsor" a team to have that team play out of their venue and it locked in the team's spot in the League.
 - After discussion regarding whether the league can take the financial loss of no longer requiring a team sponsor fee, a vote was held on whether to eliminate the team sponsor fees. The vote was 8-2 to eliminate the sponsor fees. We will revisit this next year to make sure the league is still able to afford the financial loss
- It was brought to our attention during the off season that some players are not going to rejoin the league due to late finishing times in the American Division. We have now lost players and Venues due to the late finishing times and it has been a subject brought up to us many times. The American Division was better last year and it is mainly the extremely long breaks holding matches back. We have tossed ideas back and forth and to try to keep things fair for both Divisions, we would like to change the match start times from 7:45 to 7:30pm.
 - Dan Croteau said that whether the choice was to remain at 7:45 or move the start time to 7:30pm, there is not going to be any more of the 15 minute grace period to the match start times without prior consent. In addition, he stated that we will not be finishing matches at a later date unless there is a very good reason for doing so.

- A Vote was held to change the match start times to 7:30pm or keep it at 7:45PM. The vote was 9-4 to change the match start time to 7:30PM. Darts must be flying by 7:30PM.
- Many of the boards in the league are shot and we have had many complaints about the quality. One of the things we should be doing is to rotate the boards periodically. This will assist in keeping our boards in as good of condition as possible. Since we also have a surplus of funds available to us, the idea of the league purchasing all brand new boards for all locations has been brought up. This would put all venues on the same page for the style of board and save the venues some money. Target tor is \$61.45 on amazon.com Blade 6 Dual Core is currently \$84.00 each. These prices are as of August 25th 2026 and subject to change.
 - A discussion was held mentioning that the bylaws state that the Venues are responsible for purchasing new boards. In the VFW, the purchase of new board has to go before a committee vote to be approved
 - As it stands, we have some teams using Gladiator boards, some on Alien Boards, and some on Winmau boards. The goal was to make it so all teams are using the same type of board with approximately the same amount of wear on them. It was also mentioned that this will be a onetime purchase and the league is not taking over the financial responsibility of purchasing boards.
 - A vote was held on whether we should purchase new boards or try and get the venues to supply us new boards. The vote was 9-1 to purchase new boards.
 - A Vote was then held on whether we should purchase 18 new Target Tor boards or Winmau Blade 6 Double Core boards. The vote was 9-0 to purchase Target Tor boards at \$61.45 each (or \$1106.10)
- Logan Larocque of the Wizards and Lucien LeVeille will be working together to try and get some footage of dart matches. The reason for this is to put darts out on social media like Snapchat and Tiktok to try and reach some of the younger crowds and maybe spark some interest and bring the younger crowd into the sport of darts.
 - It was asked that when getting footage, the cameras and people not be in a distracting position.
 - Dan Croteau also stated that if anyone does not wish to be in the footage to please let Lucien or Logan know.
 - It was not mentioned at the meeting but Lucien has a stand that will hold 2 cellphones to gather footage.
- There will be a Luck of the Draw tournament in Groveton on Saturday November 14th. This will be a fundraiser for Toys for Tots. There is a \$20 entry fee or \$10 if you also bring a new toy to donate. Signup is noon to 1pm. Top 3 teams are paid out. Location is at the Groveton American Legion.
- Dan Croteau opened the floor to the anyone present that had anything to bring up. No one else had anything to mention.
- Packets, tablets, chargers, a Notebook, cup, pen, and small gift were given out to the captains present at the meeting. The packets contained Match Report Sheet triplicates, a copy of the bylaws, a suggested 01 out chart, a team roster form, a card with the DartConnect login information, and schedules.

- Our next meeting will be Tuesday October 6th 2026, 7:00pm At the Trailhouse. Final rosters and dues will be required to be turned in to Zuri at this meeting.