

Chattanooga Choo Choo Classic 2017

Council Attendees: Shane Childers, President; Randy Harvey, Vice President; Penny Stockholm, Treasurer; Tony Bernard, Secretary

League Representatives: Margie Leamon, GCDA; Anita Harvey, MNDL; Amy Fahey, PLD; Steve Mull, GKDA; Tabby Foster, KDC; Greg Petty, WWDL; Kevin Stockholm, SRDA

Not represented: CLDA, CDA, GTCDA, GTCDC, GNDA

Agenda:

BOSR 2017 Minutes read into record by Tony Bernard. Kevin Stockholm makes motion to accept minutes into record, Shane seconds. Motion carries and minutes approved.

Old Business:

1) Limiting number of teams to participate in Team State event. Proposal made by Shane Childers to change standards from:

• all TDO leagues allowed 2 men and 2 women teams for first 200 members and 1 men and 1 women team for each 100 members over the 200

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• Leagues with 50 members or less may send one men and one women team to state event, teams with 51 or more members allowed 2 men and 2 women teams. Also discussed possibility of capping leagues to 4 men and 4 women teams when over 200 members and no longer allowing additional teams per one hundred so send 5 or more men or women teams would no longer be allowed.

This led to a lot of good discussion around possibility of making state event an elite championship where each league sends one men and one women team for the state team championship and the current event changes to a new 4 player event using same format and round robin rules but allowing the greater of number of teams to come and compete with each other.

The major point made here is that the teams coming to State are coming to compete against good teams and try to make the top ten and prove themselves, even if they know they are most likely not going to win the event. Also, leagues would have to be willing to manage a new event as this would not fall under responsibility of TDO to manage. further discussion and a call to vote is expected to be made at the Players' State Championship in April, 2018.

Players' State Championship - format: Decided to add back the 4 player event and eliminate the Mixed Doubles Cricket event. Instead, the Mixed Doubles 501 event will become a Mixed Doubles event where players will play 501, Cricket, and cork calls for 3rd game when necessary. This was unanimously agreed upon by all present at meeting.

Question about hotel accommodations came up for Team State. It was explained that there will not be a darter's rate of specific hotel to stay and players should make their own accommodations.

New Business:

Blind Draw at Players' State Championship - request to split into Women and Men Blind draws by Tabby Foster. Discussion was brief and voted in to make the change. But then discussion raised by Amy Fahey after motion carried opposing the change. According to the vote, the blind draw is to be split into a all men draw and all women draw and if not successful or not received well may be changed back to one draw for all players in future.

Discussion came up around the definition of a league. Chattanooga Ladies Darting Association recently changed to a weekly blind draw and no longer has set teams, seasons, or anything else common to league play. They adopted same format of blind draw play as used by Just Us Girls (JUGS). JUGs was not recognized as a league by TDO so CLDA now faces losing their TDO standing for 2018. TDO council to look further into this topic and determine if these are truly leagues or not.