

NORTH CAROLINA LADIES' CUP - 2009

Director and Captains

The captains and a Director will govern cup play. A Director's term will be one season from beginning to end. A Director will be voted in by the North Carolina Ladies' Cup captains. Responsibilities of the Director's position will include: scheduling for upcoming season, receiving score sheets and keeping league stats, producing a newsletter with standings and a players list prior to each match date (individual statistics required a minimum of 4 times during the year, no later than mid-season), reporting on NC Ladies' Cup finances, updating rules and regulations as voted by captains, and ruling on any problems. Director's responsibilities must be met to qualify for payment by the NCDO.

Season and Scheduling

A season will run from January through December. Dates are picked to not interfere with local, state, and national tournaments based on the ADO calendar. If there is a conflict between two teams, they must make up their match before the next match. In the case of a captain wanting to change a match date, please contact opposing captain as soon as possible with the change. Once agreed, notify the Director of the change. If no agreement can be reached between captains, the Director will make the decision on the rescheduled date. Based on the number of teams in a given season, teams may be divided into geographic divisions; teams will play either a single or double round-robin schedule, chosen to provide a sufficient number of matches without increasing the number to more than one match per month.

Standings and Statistics

Standings will reflect wins, losses, and total points won from matches. Win/loss ties will be decided by the total points against all competition, then win/loss record against each other, and then total points among all tied teams. Individual win/loss stats will be kept to determine a High Win % in Singles.

End of Season Tournament for NC State Champion

The winner of this tournament will be deemed NC State Champion for that year (season) and host next year's tournament. Seeding for the tournament will be based on final standings of that season. If a team is going to forfeit the first round at the tournament, all teams below them will move up in ranking and the next highest ranked team, not originally qualifying for the tournament, will be given the option to participate. The top eight teams for the season will play a single-elimination tournament on one weekend (Saturday and Sunday). Quarterfinals at 12:00 noon (Sat.), Semifinals at 5:00 PM (Sat.), and Finals at 1:00 PM (Sun.). In multi-divisional seasons, tournament seedings will be placed such that if all better seeds advance in their matches, all tournament matches will be inter-divisional.

Player Eligibility

All members of participating teams must be bona fide members of a North Carolina darting association. Any player can change teams between seasons. Players may not change teams once they have thrown a dart in a given season. A player HAS TO PLAY IN HALF THE POSSIBLE MATCHES during the season (one game of each match) to be eligible to play in the tournament.

Match Play

Visiting captain confirms match with home captain (calls) at least 5 days before scheduled match date. Matches start at 2:00 PM. If a team does not have the players necessary to play the match by 2:30 PM, they forfeit the match. Format for play of a match is as follows in the following order: 6 Singles 301 DIDO, 1 point each = 6; 6 Singles Cricket, 1 point each = 6; 3 Doubles 501 FIDO, 2 points each = 6; 3 Doubles Cricket, 2 points each = 6; 2 Triples 701 FIDO, 2 points each = 4. Total points = 28. In the event of a tie, a team match (6 players) of 1001 FIDO - will be played to determine the winner of the match (no points - please indicate the winner of the match on the score sheet). All play is best of 3 except the 1001 tiebreaker, which is one game only. Three dartboards will be used for the match. ADO rules apply for the middle. All sections of play are "blind-list", and must be completed prior to the first game of each section. Should a team have less than 6 players but not less than 5, the match can still be played. Example: Team "A" has 5 players. They immediately forfeit a singles game from both singles sections. In doubles, one doubles team will be listed with only one player, meaning that player shoots one turn to the full team's two turns. A win in doubles, no matter how many played, still is two points. If both teams are short (5 players) then only 5 points can be scored per section. A team with less than the required number of players has to forfeit the match receiving a loss and 0 points. The "full" team receives a win and the average winning score from all of the previous season's matches. If a team forfeits a match, its team is still responsible for meeting its tournament eligibility requirements. The team receiving the win by forfeit gets a one-match reduction in tournament eligibility. Regardless of whether the match was played or forfeited, the winning team is responsible for mailing a copy of the scoresheet to the League Director. Scoresheets mailed with a postmark more than 7 days after the date of the match will cause the winning team to lose all of its points from that match. Also, if the losing team doesn't have a copy of the scoresheet, in the case the winning team loses theirs, the losing team will lose its points from that match as well.

Team Fees and Awards

A team fee, to be decided by the NCDO each season, will be needed to support administrative costs (copying, postage, and paper) and purchase trophies. Trophies will be awarded to tourney winners "State Champions" (limit of 9 trophies for players). Tourney winners take home NC Ladies' State Cup for a year until the next tourney. Individual trophies will be awarded for High In (301) and High Out league wide, and High Win % - Singles Leader for each division. For an individual to win a High Win % trophy she must play in 50% of the singles games possible during the season. Certificates will be awarded for Ton 80's, Ton 171's, 9 Marks and 6 Bulls.

Miscellaneous

The NCDO's role will be to collect fees, distribute expenses as needed and rule a team ineligible for play based on non-payment of dues. A team will be eligible for play when its association has been a paid NCDO member for the calendar year prior to the year being scheduled for NC Cup play. The one-year waiting period to participate in NC Cup play may be waived with a vote by the current participating captains. If a team's dues are late they must cease play for the season. When a delinquent team does pay dues they will automatically be reinstated for play during the next season. If a team forfeits one quarter or three (3) of its matches, whichever is less, including the End of Season Tournament, they will be removed for the rest of the season and all their remaining matches will be scored as forfeits. The team must petition the captains at the NCDO/League meeting to ask for reinstatement for the next year in which they intend to play. The current captains will vote on accepting new teams to the schedule. A team wishing to join the Ladies' schedule that is affiliated with an association already an NCDO member must indicate their "intent to play", in writing, at the NCDO Board meeting held at the NC State Dart Championship Tournament in the fall. A roster of players will also be required at this time.