



The Greater Nashville Darting Association (GNDA) is an organization that promotes the sport of steel-tip darts through **league play**, **blind draws**, and **tournaments**. The association is composed of individual members and **sponsor bars** and is governed by a board of directors.

The GNDA is a member of the **American Darts Organization (ADO)**, a national organization that provides its members the opportunity to compete at the local, regional, national and international levels by participating in qualifying events throughout the year. By joining the GNDA, our members automatically become members of the ADO.

### **League Play**

- League is played on Wednesday nights at 7:30.
- Games played are cricket, 501 and 1001. There are singles matches, doubles matches and a team game.

League play is organized into teams and divisions. Each team has 4-6 players and each team is placed into a division of 4-6 similarly-skilled teams based on players' statistics and/or ability. No experience is necessary to join the league and all skill-levels are welcome. You may form your own team with a group of friends or co-workers, or, if you are an individual looking for a team, the board of directors can assist you. Another suggestion for either finding a team for yourself or seeking individuals to complete your team is to attend the blind draws (see Blind Draws).

Each team selects a "home" bar. Half of the ten-week session is played at your "home" bar and the other half at "away" bars.

Each team has a captain whose responsibilities include: signing-up the team, deciding who will play which matches on league night, keeping the stats for the home and away teams, mailing stats to the statistician, and disseminating news and information to the team.

The GNDA's fiscal year (September – August) is divided into three sessions:

- Fall – September through November
- Winter – January through March
- Summer – May through July

Teams sign-up and pay fees before each session at an event called "Final Signups." The annual membership fee is \$15 and is due at the beginning of our fiscal year. If you join the league after the fall session, your membership fee is pro-rated and is based on which session you are joining the league in (\$10 for winter; \$5 for summer).

In addition to the membership fee, there is a \$15 session fee for each session you play.

<b>Joining Session</b>	<b>Membership Fee</b>	<b>Session Fee</b>	<b>Total</b>
Fall	\$15	\$15	\$30
Winter	\$10	\$15	\$25
Summer	\$5	\$15	\$20

### **Blind Draws**

During the weeks between sessions, the GNDA sponsors blind draws at various sponsor bars. During the session, you will be notified when and where the next group of inter-session blind draws will be played. These dates and locations can also be obtained from the website calendar or from a board member. Signups for blind draws start at 7:30 and play begins around 8:00. The entry fee is \$5 and the payout depends on the number of participants.

In addition to the GNDA-sponsored blind draws, various sponsor bars hold their own weekly blind draws. Although these are not sponsored by the GNDA, many of our members participate in these draws. Blind draw dates, times and locations can be found on our website calendar.

### **Tournaments**

The GNDA hosts an annual dart tournament called the Music City Classic that attracts players from the US and Canada and pays out \$15,000 in prize money. This is an "open" tournament, meaning anyone may participate. In addition to prize money, winners receive our famous champagne-bottle trophy and recognition in the ADO's publication "Double Eagle" and the international publication "Bull's Eye News."

### **Sponsor Bars**

Bars located in Davidson County are welcome and encouraged to join the GNDA. The bar must have at least two dart boards (preferably four or more) and provide appropriate space and lighting in the playing area. (More details can be obtained on the website under "Rules and Bylaws".)

If you're a bar-owner who has customers playing on your dart boards, you might want to see if they're interested in building a team and joining the GNDA. Sponsoring a team is a way to bring recognition to your establishment and possibly attract new customers. Bars pay a \$25 sponsorship fee per team, per session.

To discuss joining the GNDA and sponsoring a team, contact a board member.