

Diablo Valley Pool League

MINUTES OF PLAYERS MEETING (TUESDAY APRIL 2, 2024)

OPEN-MIX - FALL

LEAGUE STARTS APRIL 9, 2024

Welcome everyone to our 2024 – Fall Session.

These were the final standings from our 2023 Fall session:

TEAM STANDINGS			
	TEAM		ROUND POINTS
1ST	#03 - VINNIE'S - HT/ GEORGE		77.0
2ND	#04 - MR LEE CHICKEN - JOENAR		76.5
3RD	#21 - VINNIES - DENNIS		73.0
4TH	#18 - VINNIE'S - JASON		71.0
5TH	#07 - CUE 'N BREW - FAWN		63.5
6TH	#19 - THE OFFICE - RANDY		63.5
7TH	#10 - CUE 'N BREW - MIKE		61.0
8TH	#15 - VINNIE'S - CHUCK/ VINNIE		59.5
9TH	#14 - FARRINGTON'S - GARY MARCUS		57.5
10TH	#11 - MR LEE CHICKEN - TINA M		57.0
11TH	#06 - FARRINGTON'S - GARY MELANSON		55.0
12TH	#02 - CJ'S - JEFF		52.0
13TH	#09 - CLAYTON BOWL - ESTELLE		51.0
14TH	#13 - THE OFFICE - JIM		48.5
15TH	#01 - VINNIE'S - CARMEN		46.0
16TH	#12 - CUE 'N BREW - ANDY		44.5
17TH	#20 - CJ'S - DREW		41.5
18TH	#16 - ARTIE'S - TINA L		40.5
19TH	#08 - CLAYTON BOWL - SUE		40.0
20TH	#05 - RETRO JUNKIE - ELVIE		38.0
21ST	#17 - ARTIE'S - HEATHER		28.5

The difference between first (77) and last place (28.5) rounds = 48.5 round points.

1. We are adding the payout from last session vs this session to generate discussion with the group. At the captain's meeting last season, it was discussed and voted to distribute the money more evenly amongst all teams, as about 40% was going towards the top. Internally and with some suggestions from captains we came up with a projected pay was which was e-mailed to the league in 10/23. We received no feedback at all. This is the best time to get back to us with comments.

We suggest all players and/or the captain become involved in our communications, processes, and decisions. etc., so when the time comes you are not wondering what happened.

Do we want us to re-evaluate the payout we just issued?

- Yes, we will do a revised projected payout and e-mail to the league members for feedback.

2023 Spring Session Payout:

Total Team Payout			Top Male Shooter	
1ST	2,550	#19 - MR LEE CHICKEN - JOENAR	\$	100 JASON WILLIAMS
2ND	2,150	#12 - VINNIE'S - JASON		
3RD	1,800	#02 - VINNIE'S - HT/ GEORGE	Top Female Shooter	
4TH	1,550	#14 - MR LEE CHICKEN - TINA M	\$	100 SHAWN MODELO
5TH	1,350	#03 - ARTIE'S LOUNGE - LOUANNE		
6TH	1,250	#20 - THE OFFICE - RANDY	Most Improved Male	
7TH	1,100	#13 - VINNIES - DENNIS	1st \$	60 RANDY THEODORE
8TH	950	#17 - CLAYTON BOWL - FRANKIE	2nd \$	40 TIM HUDSON
9TH	850	#07 - CUE 'N BREW - FAWN	3rd \$	25 MICHAEL GLASS
10TH tied	700	#09 - THE OFFICE - JIM		
11TH tied	700	#01 - CUE 'N BREW - MIKE	Most Improved Female	
12TH	550	#15 - VINNIE'S - CARMEN	1st \$	60 SUE ROBICHAUD
13TH	460	#11 - CJ'S - DREW	2nd \$	40 ALISSA LINDQUIST
14TH tied	395	#16 - RETRO JUNKIE - GARY M	3rd \$	25 DARLENE YAZZIE
15TH tied	395	#18 - CUE 'N BREW - ANDY		
16TH	320	#08 - VINNIE'S - KEN		
17TH tied	260	#10 - ARTIE'S LOUNGE - BRIAN		
18TH tied	260	#06 - CJ'S - JEFF		
19TH	260	#04 - CLAYTON BOWL - SUE		
20TH	260	#05 - THE OFFICE - TINA L		
	<u>\$ 18,110</u>			

2024 Spring Session Payout:

Total Team Payout			Most Improved Male		
1ST	1,740	#03 - VINNIE'S - HT/ GEORGE	1st \$	60	JEFF MOORE
2ND	1,540	#04 - MR LEE CHICKEN - JOENAR	2nd \$	40	JEREMY GILBERT
3RD	1,440	#21 - VINNIES - DENNIS	3rd \$	25	MATT SANDERS
4TH	1,390	#18 - VINNIE'S - JASON	Most Improved Female		
5TH	1,315	#07 - CUE 'N BREW - FAWN	1st \$	60	HEATHER OUTLAW
6TH	1,315	#19 - THE OFFICE - RANDY	2nd \$	40	MICHELLE FRASER
7TH	1,240	#10 - CUE 'N BREW - MIKE	3rd \$	25	TINA LUX
8TH	1,190	#15 - VINNIE'S - CHUCK/ VINNIE			
9TH	1,120	#14 - FARRINGTON'S - GARY MARCUS			
10TH	1,060	#11 - MR LEE CHICKEN - TINA M			
11TH	1,000	#06 - FARRINGTON'S - GARY MELANSON			
12TH	950	#02 - CJ'S - JEFF			
13TH	900	#09 - CLAYTON BOWL - ESTELLE			
14TH	850	#13 - THE OFFICE - JIM			
15TH	780	#01 - VINNIE'S - CARMEN			
16TH	720	#12 - CUE 'N BREW - ANDY			
17TH	670	#20 - CJ'S - DREW			
18TH	620	#16 - ARTIE'S - TINA L			
19TH	570	#08 - CLAYTON BOWL - SUE			
20TH	510	#05 - RETRO JUNKIE - ELVIE			
21ST	460	#17 - ARTIE'S - HEATHER			
	<u>\$ 21,380</u>				

Blind log:

The Ruling - 7 singles. 1 double blind allowed.

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	CARMEN - VINNIE'S								
2	JEFF - CJ'S	12/19							
3	HT/ GEORGE - VINNIE'S	9/12	10/17	11/28	12/12	12/19			1/2
4	JOENAR - MR LEE CHICKEN	9/19	12/5	12/12					
5	BRIAN - RETRO JUNKIE								
6	GARY MELANSON - FARRINGTON'S	9/5	10/3	12/19					
7	FAWN - CUE N BREW								
8	SUE - CLAYTON BOWL	9/12	9/19	9/26	10/10	11/7	12/12	1/2	
9	ESTELLE - CLAYTON BOWL	9/26	12/19						
10	MIKE - CUE N BREW	1/2	2/13						
11	TINA M - MR LEE CHICKEN	12/12							
12	ANDY - CUE N BREW	9/12	1/2						12/19
13	JIM - THE OFFICE	9/5	11/7						
14	GARY MARCUS - FARRINGTON'S								
15	VINNIE/CHUCK - VINNIE'S	10/10							
16	TINA L - ARTIE'S								
17	HEATHER - ARTIE'S	10/3	10/10						
18	JASON - VINNIE'S	9/26							
19	RANDY - THE OFFICE								
20	DREW - CJ'S								
21	DENNIS - VINNIE'S	12/19	1/9	2/6	2/13				
	7 single blinds and 1 double blind								
	POSITION ROUND - PENALTY								
	DOUBLE BLIND								

2. Looks like blinds are being managed well. Only one team got close to penalty phase. No changes.
3. We have received communication from several captains to impose a **ZERO** tolerance to violence within our league. Anyone who raises a hand against a fellow player, will be expelled and will never be able to play in this league again, regardless of who initiated the altercation. The two players involved will be at fault.
 - **YES. Players who physically attack anyone will be expelled immediately. It will be up to the League Directors to decide whether it will be forever, for a year, for 6 months or for a season.**
 - **After the meeting we had a chat with a few captains, and it was suggested to call out emergency captains meeting when an incident occurs.**
 - **For the player instigating the situation, we will take (3) round points for the team.**
4. What does "home team advantage" mean?
 - a. If you are home team, you chose the tables you want to want to play on.
 - b. If you are at home team, you allow the visitor team to fill up the line up first.
 - c. If you are home team, the visitor team takes the envelope to Vinnie's bar at the end of the night.
 - d. If the captains do not agree on tables, cue balls, etc. a coin flip usually works. Work it out please.
5. Women participating on the open-mix league shall start with a 6.5 average. If we know a set skill set higher than that we will decide starting average based on Fargo, and knowledge of the player. Keep at 7.0?

- **YES. Women starting average will be 6.5 unless we know of the players skill level or if there is an existing average already.**
6. Some captains are not happy with the high handicap they are having to give up. It was suggested to add a **CAP** to the number of balls being given. **NO CAP.**
 7. Another solution to the high handicap will be to lower the handicap. **NO, we are keeping 150%.**
 8. Rather than drawing numbers for teams at the captains meeting, we will use the order which we finished the previous session. This works best for our internal scheduling.
 9. To qualify for most improved list, Players will have to play a minimum of 8 matches (32 games).
 - Due to the lack of accuracy with Fargo System files we receive from BCA, we are looking into joining the **LMS (league managing system)**. This process will allow players to input their scores at the end of the league play and all the information will be online. Are players interested in us trying it? If agreed on we will all go through a learning process as to how to navigate it. One of the advantages of the system is when we add a new player in the LMS database, they are also created in the Fargo Rate and CSI databases the following day.
 - **YES. We will use LMS and still use our regular in-house process while we learn how to navigate it.**
 10. We have **two** new teams:
 - a. Lee Atkins (new group of players) will be playing out of Farrington's Bar
 - b. Alissa Linquist (returning group of players) playing out of Arties.
 11. We also have a new Sponsor Pineda's Bar (Pittsburgh) with two tables. We have (1) team going there.
 - a. Estella's team
(<https://www.facebook.com/PinedasSportsBar>)
 12. **The Office Sponsor has expressed discontent with teams forgetting to pay for the table and has decided to only pay for a single team, we will go with the team who has been part of the league the longest. (Jim Avila's team).**

Teams listed, have confirmed participation:

1. Vinnie's Bar – HT – George (confirmed)
2. Mr. Lee Chicken – Joenar (confirmed)
3. Vinnie's Bar – Dennis (confirmed)
4. Vinnie's Bar – Jason W (confirmed)
5. Cue 'n Brew – Jennifer (confirmed)
6. Farrington's – Randy (confirmed)
7. Cue 'n Brew – Mike (confirmed)
8. Vinnie's Bar – Vinnie (confirmed)
9. Artie's Bar – Gary Marcus (confirmed)
10. Mr. Lee Chicken – Tina M (confirmed)
11. Clayton Bowl – Gary Melanson (confirmed)
12. CJ's – Jeff (confirmed)
13. Pineda – Estelle (confirmed)
14. The Office – Jim A (confirmed)
15. Cue n Brew Bar – Carmen (confirmed)
16. Cue n Brew – Andy (confirmed)
17. CJ's – Drew (confirmed)
18. Vinnie's Bar - Tina Lux (confirmed)
19. Clayton Bowl – Sue (confirmed)
20. Masses – Elvie (confirmed)
21. Artie's – Heather (confirmed)
22. Artie's Bar – Alissa's Linqvist (new team) (confirmed)
23. Farrington's – Lee Atkin's (new team) (confirmed)

Right now, we have available space at Pineda (1 team), Retro junkie (1-2 teams).

EXISTING GUIDELINES

1. Deadline to be under the limit of \$80 owed by ½ way point of the season. At that point we start charging the 1 round point penalty each week a team is over the limit.
2. If a team does not have an opponent on position rounds, they will get no free rounds, and no fees are due.
3. Forfeits – We will use the average round points +1 if the forfeit occurs within the last 8 weeks of league. Prior to the last 8 weeks the rule is automatic 5 rounds to the non-forfeiting team.
4. The players are to always show sportsmanlike behavior and never disrespect the bar, its patrons, or the players.
5. No new players after ½ point of season without approval. If they have played with us in the past, there is an existing average. We are bringing this rule back and will enforce it. Please remember to add full names on the score sheet.
6. Penalty from bringing a new player after half session without approval will be loss of any rounds scored by the player.
- ~~7. Women's best shooters pays top 3.~~
8. Cell phones are not allowed while watching a bad hit.
9. Handicap is 150%
10. We have two position rounds one in the middle of the session and one at the end.
11. The floater alternate concept will continue based on need. Alternate has no financial obligation unless agreed with captain. Contact us asap when in need.
12. Players to purchase a drink full prize to qualify for the half free drink from the sponsors who still honor it. Players, please tip your bartenders.
13. League starts at 7:30. If anyone wants to play before 7:00 pm they will have to pay sponsor's regular price.
14. We will continue to use the same rules whenever ties between teams are to be resolved. Position round matches are not used in resolving ties.
15. Tie breaker #1 - Whichever team won the most round points when they played against each other during the regularly scheduled match/matches. We will however split the money evenly between the teams.
16. Tie breaker #2 – To only be used if Tie Breaker #1 didn't resolve the tie. Count the number of games won between the two teams from the match/matches when they played against each other.
17. Tie breaker #3 – To only be used if Tie Breaker #1 & #2 didn't resolve the tie. Count the total number of games won by the teams that are tied for the entire season.
18. When it comes to selecting who plays a blind the team with 4 players gets to select who will play the blind. The blind shall always be on the 4th position.
19. End of year Tourney. Will do a blind draw, single round. Everyone will pay \$10 to enter plus the money saved from main payout. Handicap applies.
20. All returning players will use established averages where they left last session.
21. When you asked someone to watch a hit, no one else shall have a say on it. Also, we only want a single player doing it.
22. This is BCA sanctioned league, you play, you pay. One-time League Fees are as follows:
 - a) \$20 Scorekeeper fee
 - b) \$20 BCA
 - c) \$10 Towards the pot
 - d) \$50 Total
23. All Captains need to know the rules, posted on website. It is your responsibility to know DVPL's guidelines.

24. Unsportsmanlike behavior is not tolerated in our leagues. For a 1st offense you will receive one warning. For a second offense the player will be suspended for 4 weeks of play. For a 3rd offense you will be invited to go elsewhere.
25. No one is to e-mail the captains on their own. If there is something anyone wants to share it must go to league directors first.
26. Cue and Brew charges \$12/team, please pay in ADVANCE at the beginning of league to avoid anyone forgetting to pay. On league night balls will be available at 7:00 pm. If you want them earlier than 7:00 pm, the table fee is \$4.
27. Single blinds are 7 max and no double blinds, allowed. We will keep the single double blind for emergencies as I see they were used by some teams.
28. Score keeper appreciates the captains to continue to send the photos of the score sheets the same day of play or the next one.
29. All new male players will start as 8's and women's as 6.5's. They will play for 4 weeks before they can be established.
30. We play 3 weeks with the average of previous session. On week 4 we start using our adjusted average. All established players will carry their averages from previous session or the last session where at least 3 matches (12 games) were played if they did not play in the spring. Only new players will play for 3 weeks to get established.
31. We pay our most improved players, top 3 most improved men & Top 3 most improved women.
32. League plays 7:30 pm. 8:00 pm is the latest time for a player to show up. Captains, please communicate, coordinate, re-schedule etc.
33. We will continue to track sponsors payment. We received all payments for this session, so payout was not affected.
34. We thank the captains that get involved in the conversations with the sponsors.
35. When we hit an early 8 Ball and we have not made a solid or a stripe, The rule It's a loss of game and you get the most balls made added to your score.
36. The Office Sponsors only wants 1 team for this league.
37. Owner from Cj's and Farrington's wants (2) teams.
38. Retro Junkie sponsor in Walnut Creek wants (2) teams.
39. The time out is to be called by the player only.
40. We reviewed the payouts to distribute the money more evenly among teams.
41. DVPL reserves the right to refuse participation to anybody that we believe has a poor sportsman like behavior or owes money. Warnings will remain in effect for 1 year from warning date. We have established rules. Refer to master rules if needed, however the minutes take precedence.