

Darts Alberta Highlights

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What's New?

2015 Team Alberta (Adults)

The Adult Provincial Championship was held in Edmonton on February 14 – 16, 2015. Below are the results.

Men's Results

- 1st – Rick Arnott
- 2nd- Shawn Burt
- 3rd- Shane Harvey
- 4th- John Hannon
- 5th- Dion LaViolette
- 6th- Keith Giles
- 7th- Deon Grandy
- 8th- Shawn Currie
- 9th- Jim Edwards

Ladies Results

- Ivy Wieshlow
- Angelina Palumbi
- Crystal Chiasson
- Wenda Carter Picard
- Nicki Rolls
- Sandra Milne
- Arlene Reuer
- Darlene Howarth
- Trish Pelechosky



In Memoriam

JACQUES LESSARD

On February 28, 2015 many of us learned the sad news of the passing of Jacques Lessard.

Jacques meant many things to different people and we know that he will be greatly missed.

As a 6-time member of Team Alberta (1998-99, 2011-14), Jacques will always be remembered by his coaches, his teammates and his opponents for being a gentleman on and off the board. **His smile and his zest for life was contagious!**

On behalf of dart players everywhere, we offer our sincere condolences to Jacques' family in this difficult time. May they find comfort in knowing that his was a life well lived and that he touched the lives of so many.

GEORGE MACKEN

Just prior to this news, many Alberta players were equally impacted by the passing of George Macken from BC. George bravely fought his battle with ALS. He will be missed by not only all of his BC dart family, but by his Alberta dart family and many other dart players across Canada. Our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.

LEN WORRELL

In October, ironically during the Klondike Open that he was instrumental in creating and running for many years, Len Worrell passed on to a better life.

We are all certain that Jacques and George are already in the process of starting their own Universal Championship and have recruited Len, tuxedo and all, to officiate!



Upcoming Events

[Medicine Hat Open](#) (DA) – April 3 – 5

[Rodeo City Open](#) (NDFC/DA) – May 15 – 17

Youth National Championships – May 15 – 17

[Ontario Open](#), St. Catherine's, Ont (NDFC) June 13 – 14

Adult Nationals, St. Catherine's, Ont (NDFC) June 16 – 19

[Canadian Open](#), St. Catherine's, Ont (NDFC) June 19 – 20



What's New Con't

2015 Youth Team Alberta

The Youth Provincial Championship was held in Calgary on February 21-22, 2015. Below are the results:

Junior Male Results

- 1st – Roan Hebert
- 2nd – Riley Osmond
- 3rd – Mathew Patten

Senior Male Results

- 1st – Logan Crooks
- 2nd – Ericson Dalangin
- 3rd – Nate Sheppard

Junior Female Results

- Courtney Kane
- Tori Doughty
- Ashleigh Kelly

Senior Female Results

- Jessica Weatherly
- Shelby McNair
- Jenna Kane



Improvements made to Calgary Ranked Tournaments

The **2015 Rodeo City Open** [poster](#) is now available on the Darts Alberta website. Darts Alberta is pleased to announce that the new CPDA Executive has embraced the feedback that the players have provided from their last few tournaments. The survey results showed five major themes of concern that are being addressed:

1. Quality of the boards and lighting
2. Lack of a public address system
3. Tournament Director Professionalism
4. Knowledge of and compliance with NDFC
5. Inconsistency of registration cut-off

Both Darts Alberta and the CPDA Executive appreciate the feedback that has been provided by past participants.



Recognizing Excellence

Darts Alberta Awards...

...Coming soon to a league near you!

One of the benefits of being a Darts Alberta Member League includes a series of awards that are presented to the league members.

[Grassroots Development Awards](#) are presented at each adult member league banquet. This program has undergone a lot of changes since its creation in 2004 in the spirit of continuous improvement. Compliments of Darts Alberta, each nominee receives:

- An NDFC Membership Upgrade for the following season
- Entry into a singles event at a DA Ranked Tournament
- Eligible to participate in the next Pro-Am DART Shoot

Darts Alberta values volunteerism within the sport of darts. Without volunteers, our Member Leagues would not exist and without our Member Leagues, we would not be the thriving organization that it is today.

That's why Darts Alberta created its [Member League Volunteer Recognition Award](#). Recipients are recognized at their respective annual league banquets and each receive a certificate of recognition and DA logoed gift for their volunteerism and contribution to the sport of darts.

For the players, we have the [Member League 180 Recognition Program](#) to recognize our members for achieving a perfect score of 180 when competing in their league programs and events. All members of a DA member league are recognized for their 180s achieved during weekly league play, and special events and presented with a 180-pin at their League Banquet, compliments of Darts Alberta.

Do you know someone worthy of being recognized with a Grassroots or Volunteer Award? If you do, tell your Dart League Executive. They can't be in all places and see everything. So your feedback is extremely important in recognizing your worthy fellow dart colleagues.



Darts Alberta wants your News!

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