

## GTCDC Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 12/19/2012

**Location:** Boone Dam VFW

**Subject:** Annual Rule Change Meeting

**Active Members Present:** Steve Moore, Tony White, Derik Smith, Jon Barnett, Shannon Barnett, Allen Clyburn

**Non-Active Members Present:** BJ Long, Jamie Norwood

The following is a summary of the rule changes made at the meeting. This was the only item of business discussed at the meeting. The numbering references the rule change proposal document that is located on the website.

1. Gold Division will now play 21 games: 7 games each of 501, Cricket, and 301. Bronze Division will now play 11 games a match: 4 games of 501, 4 games of Cricket, 3 games of 301. This change was made to shorten the time Bronze Division matches are taking. Silver Division did not change.
2. No change, higher seeded player in the playoffs still chooses the location of play until the finals. The finals will still be played at a neutral location or a location to which both players agree (must be a GTCDC sponsor location)
3. Dues are now \$30 per season instead of \$40. After 3 consecutive seasons in the league, dues will drop to \$20 per season for every consecutive season in the league. If a player takes a season off, the dues will go back to \$30 per season until the 3 consecutive seasons are reached again. The league will pay the other \$10 of the entry fee as a reward for continuing support of the GTCDC.
4. The top 50% of each division will receive payout during the regular season. For example, if there are 10 people in a division then the top 5 players that season would be in the payout. There is no longer a \$5 minimum payout for every player. This change was made to offset the lower dues for the season.
5. Players must now play at least 2 out of 3 seasons each year in order to be eligible for the state team event. This change was made to ensure that players receiving sponsorship money from the GTCDC were players that have sponsored the league during each year. The league has 3 seasons per year, so players wanting to "take a season" off are still eligible.
6. Everyone still makes the end of season playoff for each division. However, all "play-in" matches must be played between the end of the season and the next Wednesday (start of playoffs). All make-up matches will have to be played by the make-up Wednesday night. Players will be notified on Thursday if they are involved in a "play-in" match. The alternative was to only allow the top 8 players to make the playoffs. The members present felt like this was a better alternative than limiting the number of players in the playoffs.
7. No change, members still must be present in order to vote on issues in the GTCDC.

8. Dues must now be paid before the season starts in order to eliminate confusion around dues and large debts owed to the league.
  
9. Playoffs now consist of 3 game sets. Players play 3 games of 501, Cricket, and 301. Then the 3 game rotate sets begin where the winner of the cork has the choice between 501, Cricket, and 301. Each set must contain all 3 games. The winner of the match is the first player to 12 games. Players no longer have to win by 2 games.