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## President's Message

Happy Fall everyone! Lots to discuss this month. First, I hope everyone is enjoying the new teams format. If you have suggestions, please let board members know and we can discuss. I have proudly witnessed a higher level of interactions between players coaching and supporting those that are new and/or working on their game. Lots of positivity and seeing some great matches.

Our next board meeting, Monday the 30th @ 7:30pm, is rapidly approaching, as always we carve out time for member concerns so please dial in if you are interested. One reason we went to zoom is to make it as easy as possible for everyone to hear what's going on and what our positions are on the issues. We want ours to flourish, to do that I truly believe transparency is paramount and all members have a voice. Link to the meeting is in the Facebook group. We are working on strategies to do better to get the word out. Bert is doing an amazing job with our website and that should always be your first stop for information. Social media still needs to pick up but we need your help. When playing in matches, please take pictures of Ton80s, rounds of nine and other bigticket items with your smiling, proud face. Also, let's make sure we post pictures of winners of our monthly tournaments. The more we advertise how much fun we are having the more we will entice others to join.

We have the 1st Sunday tournament coming up and we're going to be making it into a memorial for our long-time VCDA member and friend, Clem Watts who passed on recently. If you knew Clem, or played with him, please come and share your stories, whether you decide to play in the tournament or not, you are welcome.

Oct 12 we will be throwing a tournament style Fundraiser for Victor's traveling Ventura High's Girls Wrestling team. I will be holding a practice session strategies clinic starting at Noon - 1pm, prior to the tournament.

Then on October 18-20th Tim and I will be driving out to Lake Havasu for the London Bridge Tournament. Let me know if you are interested in coming with us. Big tournaments like this are always a spectacle, so we hope you will come.

Please plan to attend both the Memorial for Clem and the VHS Fundraiser and show your support for VCDA. Shoot Well everybody!



## **MEMORIAL FOR CLEM**

It was with a heavy heart that we recently reported that VCDA had lost one of its long-time, and very prized members, Clem Watts. With Clem's devotion to the sport, and our league in particular, his legacy lives on in our efforts to build the best league possible. Clem served the league in many capacities, most notably as our Webmaster from 2005 - 2018, and he held other positions on the Board as well. Clem was also a Captain and a very decent shooter, winning a ton of Blind Draws and President Cup matches. Win or lose he was always there to support whatever was going on. He loved the sport of Darts, no question. We would all do well to live by the example he set, and he was one of the kindest people you would ever meet. That is why it is only fitting that we pay tribute to the years of service that Clem contributed to this league. We will be turning this October's 1st Sunday into a memorial for our dear friend. Please come and share any stories you have with the group and raise a toast to one stellar individual.

Board meeting: The next board meeting is Monday the 30th at 7:30pm Online. Board Meetings are open to Anyone.

All information can be found on our website VCDA.ORG questions and concerns can be sent to vcda@vcda.org