

Darts501TM

Darts Quiz written by David King

QUESTION ANSWERS

1) Where was the first BDO World Champions held?

A: Heart of Midlands Club, Nottingham

2) Name the three darts players who have received an MBE?

A: Eric Bristow, Trina Gulliver and John Lowe

3) Which PDC dart player walks onto 'I'm too sexy' by Right Said Fred?

A: Andy Fordham

4) What is Dennis Nilsson's nickname?

A: Iron Man

5) Who had the first 100 plus televised average score?

A: Keith Deller, scored an average of 100.29, 1985 BDO World Championship Qty-Finals

6) Over the last 100 years, dartboards have been commercially made and sold using four different types of material. Excluding, the plastic used in the construction of soft-tip dartboards can you name four?

A: Wood (Elm or Poplar count as one), Clay (Modelling Clay or Plasticine) Paper (Paper coil), Sisal (Bristle not accepted unless explained the bristle is sisal!)

7) What is the highest three-dart average that can be scored in a single leg of 501 double finish?

A: A leg of 501 can be completed in 9 darts $501/9 = 167$

8) James Wade holds a World record for hitting the most inner and outer bullseyes in 60 seconds on a standard dartboard, throwing from a normal oche length 2.37M. He achieved this record in 2016. How many did James manage to hit?

A: James hit a total of 15 Bullseyes. The achievement was recorded at the Motorpoint Arena on the 23rd September 2016

9) Nine-dart legs are becoming more common thanks to Blade construction dartboards. But who first hit a televised nine-dart leg and an extra point if you can name the year?

A: John Lowe MBE, achieved the first televised nine-dart leg on 13th October 1984

10) To date (2019) who is the only player to have hit a nine-dart leg in the BDO World Darts Championships? An extra point is you can also name the year and a further point if you can name who he was playing?

A: Paul Lim, 1990. Paul achieved the nine-dart finish in the second round of the BDO World Professional Darts Championships against Jack McKenna

11) James Wade's nickname is 'the Machine' but what was he known as before changing his old nickname?

A: James was known as 009 for hitting nine-dart legs!

12) In what year were the darts recognised as a sport by the English Sports Council?

A: 2005

13) How many scoring segments does a dartboard have?

A: Easy question I expect any dart player to know, however, the detail here is in the question, first of all, there is an inner and outer bullseye (2) then each number has four segments to it: A double, large single, treble, small single. Some people may argue that the large and small single is one, not two, but as a segment, they are two separate areas which have the same value. Therefore $1-20 \times 4 = 80$ + the inner and outer bullseye 2 answer: 82!

14) Beside Oche or Throw-line / Toe-Line, what was the Oche first known as?

A: The Oche was originally called the 'hockey'.

Hockey was the original name for the Oche and can be seen in print in many dart books dating back to the 1920s and in the News of the World Championships (Now). At some point during the (NoW), the name was changed. It is believed to have been a mistake, possibly a journalist misunderstanding or miss heard the word 'hockey' and wrote 'Oche' the name seems to have stuck ever since!

15) Toe the oche is a phrase dart player of old may have heard, but is it essential for a player to have the foot on the oche line?

A: NO, in fact, this can seem as overstepping the mark.

Placing your foot on a correctly marked line or raised oche, the player's foot is allowed to be adjacent to the oche line but not on it. A player can if he or she wishes to stand further back than the measured distance; therefore, the answer is NO!

16) Are you allowed to play with different weight darts or should all three be of the same weight?

A: The answer is yes, you can play with different weight darts. However, this is not usual practice, and most players use the same weight.

17) are you allowed to change your darts mid-match?

A: Yes, you are, nothing in the rules to say you can't. A player getting used to a new set may find they are just not working and can change them if they wish. Good, practice is also to have a second set of the same darts just in case a point breaks (unlikely) or a shaft breaks and requires a repair longer than is allowed between throws.

18) The Manchester Log-End Dartboard has its unique numbering system. Although it does have 20 numbered areas plus an inner and outer bull. There is only one number 1-20 that is in the same location as a London or standard clock dartboard, what is it?

A: 19

19) Why does Trina Gulliver MBE have a nickname 'Golden Girl'? Is it:

A) Name given to her because she has golden blonde hair.

B) Name given to her because she won three gold medals at the World Cup.

C) Name given to her when she won her seventh consecutive World Darts Championships.

A: B. Trina has used the name after Darts World Magazine dubbed her 'Golden Girl' for winning three gold medals at the World Cup in Durban.

20) Who first said, "Keith Deller is like Long John Silver – He's badly in need of another leg!"

A: there is only one person that this could be and it is the late and great 'Sid Waddell' Known for his one-liners and educated Geordie accent he was the commentator's commentator! Sid was unique, and his enthusiasm for the sport of darts shone through.

21) How many players have won the BDO World Professional Darts Championship and the PDC World Darts Championships? For an extra point, name them.

A: To date 2019, there have only been four players that have completed this feat.

(Extra point) Dennis Priestly, Phil Taylor, John Part and Raymond van Barneveld

22) Who was the first player to win the BDO World Professional Dart Championship and the PDC World Darts Championship?

A: Dennis Priestley

23) The World Disability Darts Association held their first team World Cup in 2019, which country won?

A: Team England (A) they beat Wales in the final 9-7, the Netherlands and Belgium were joint in third place.

24) What is the recognised dartboard height for a wheelchair user measured from the ground to the centre bullseye?

A: 1.37 or 4ft 6ins. The normal height for a dartboard is 1.73m. The wheelchair dartboard height is lower and is relatively easy to remember the three digits are the same standard height just in a different order!

25) Who originally hosted the darts Gameshow 'Bullseye'?

A: Jim Bowen was the original host 1981-1985. He was replaced by Dave Spikey when it returned for a new series in 2007.

26) Most darts are made from a Tungsten Alloy, but what is the chemical name or symbol for Tungsten?

A: Wolfram or W. Tungsten in Swedish means 'heavy stone.'

27) Slang terms in darts have always been part of the pub game, but what does 'Bed and Breakfast' mean?

A: Bed and Breakfast is a term given to a score of '26'. The term comes from a typical price for paid bed-and-breakfast in times gone by! 2 Shillings and Sixpence, or two and six in old English money.

28) What is the highest score that can be obtained with one dart on a quad dartboard?

A: 80! The quad dartboard has a quadruple ring, therefore, $4 \times 20 = 80$

29) What is the longest dart you are allowed to use in a BDO / PDC organised darts match?

A: 12 " / 30.5cm. This may seem rather long, and it is! Most darts measured from the point to the end of a flight are between 6-7."

30) In which Country is Winmau Based? England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland?

A: Bridgend in 'Wales'

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