

Great time playing darts



It was a very cold day on February 20, 2019, with a wind chill of minus 25. Still that did not discourage the CBC pensioners in St. John's from heading to the Royal Canadian Legion Club on Blackmarsh Road for an afternoon of darts and doughnuts.

The air was hot inside as some of the pensioners wrestled with such important questions as how to throw a dart, what part of the board should they hit and how to record scores on the new digital boards. For Dave Quinton, who said he hasn't thrown a dart in 25 years, the room was extra hot because he wore his long johns. Sweating with constricted movement he felt he was throwing javelin instead of a dart.

Doreen Coady said it took quite a while to learn the rules but when things finally got underway darts were flying everywhere. So many darts hit the wall instead of the board we may get a repair bill from the club. The wall was described as looking like it was attacked by a flock of woodpeckers.



A few organized games did go ahead and in one, men versus the women game, the score was really close until rookie Ellen Maher hit a score of 100. George Noseworthy almost got the men back in the game but rookie Barb Hanlon and pro Joan Hann sealed the game for the women.



After the action everyone was treated to soft drinks and doughnuts and sat around enjoying each other's company. Kevin Hanlon said it was so much fun we should do it again.

A similar comment came from other pensioners so now the pressure is on the executive to make that all important decision.

A quick decision is needed because some of the pensioners want to get into training for any future dart games. Dave Quinton is among them and says the next time he will be invincible since he'll be wearing his lightweight Stanfields.

