

## "Get More People to Play More Darts, More Often"

Ten years ago, Apple revealed the first iPad, and we envisioned a darting platform that would allow friends to stay connected, even when separated by life events and geography. Our initial product focused on the ability to compete 1:1 over the Internet. Since then, leagues and tournaments have continuously challenged us to evolve the formal competition functionality, to speed up match play, reduce reporting and promote participation in the sport.

Unfortunately, the current health crisis severely restricts in-person darting. Entire communities, even countries, are now faced with "Social Distancing". This threatens the very social fabric that all sports offer, both as competitors and fans. Darts, however, has a unique characteristic: We do not occupy the same playing field while competing. With darts, we can still *Connect*.

While scrimmaging against the computer is always an option, we encourage you to use this opportunity to **Connect** with others. Whether its **in-person** with family or roommates or **on-line** with relatives and friends, we can all use darts to minimize social isolation. Don't let varying skill levels be an excuse, take advantage of the handicapping feature.

In addition, we challenge the entire Darting Community to join DartConnect in the fight against the Novel Coronavirus. The World Health Organization has established the **COVID-19 Solidarity Response Fund**, to aid the most at-risk communities. Find out how you can make a difference while doing something you love, at DartConnect.com.

**Note:** The DartConnect on-line play function is significantly more resource intensive than in-person matches. The DartConnect Team has spent the last week developing and investing in a new infrastructure. We ask for your patience as we continue to evaluate options that will allow us to host as many players as possible.

As always, thank you for your support.

We hope this crisis passes quickly. In the meantime, reach out, **Connect** and support others as you can.

- David, Gregg, Richard and the DartConnect Team