



## PRESS RELEASE FINDER DARTS MASTERS 2017

Egmond aan Zee, Friday the 18th of August 2017

Finder Darts Masters rankings are now completed.

With the results of the Antwerp Open, held last Saturday, 12th August, all the events building the Finder Darts Masters ranking are played. Based on this ranking, 16 men and 2 ladies will receive an invitation to play in the Finder Darts Masters held 8/9/10th December at Hotel Zuiderduin, Egmond aan Zee.

Of the 16 directly-placed men, the top 8 are seeded and are the first players in the group. The women's tournament has two groups and the numbers 1 and 2 on the Finder Darts Masters rankings are placed the number one in each group.

Beside the players that have qualified from the rankings the champions of Finder Darts Masters, 2016 and the winners of HAL Masters 2017 are invited for this event.

The winner HAL Masters 2017 is Kyle McKinstry who will make his debut this year on the Finder Darts Masters stage. Finder Darts Masters 2016 champion, Glen Durrant ended 10th in this year's ranking but is already invited so his spot in the list of players for this year's event now comes back to the organisation as a wildcard.

In the coming period, the list of participants will be added with players who receive a wildcard from the organisation or qualify through the Champions League of Darts tournament. The Dutch Darts Bond also has a wildcard for a Dutch player.

The tournament, which begins on Friday the 8th of December, starts with 24 participants. Of these 24 participants, the first 8 players will be seeded as group heads and the remaining 16 players will enter one of the 8 groups of 3 players by draw. After the group matches the winner of each group qualifies for the quarter finals.

The women's tournament has six participants with the top 2 as group head. The remaining 4 ladies will be divided by draw over the two groups, and the winner of each group after the group stages will play the ladies final.

For this tournament Finder Darts Masters ladies champion 2016, Anastasia Dobromyslova and HAL Masters 2017 winner Lorraine Winstanley are already invited and this field is complemented by the two ladies on top of this year's ranking, the winner of the Champion League of Darts 2017 and a wildcard available to the organisation.

There is also a Youth tournament with 6 participants. No seeding for this event but the boys are divided into two groups by draw where the winners of each group will play on Sunday in

the Youth Final.

Wessel Nijman , the HAL Masters 2017 boys champion has received an invitation and also the Champions League of Darts will receive one, the remaining 4 spots are chosen by the organisation.

### **Finder Darts Masters Men**

#### **Seeded Players:**

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| 1: | Mark Mc Geeney   | England     |
| 2: | Geert De Vos     | Belgium     |
| 3: | Wesley Harms     | Netherlands |
| 4: | Willem Mandigers | Netherlands |
| 5: | Danny Noppert    | Netherlands |
| 6: | Jamie Hughes     | England     |
| 7: | Martin Adams     | England     |
| 8: | Ross Montgomery  | Scotland    |

#### **Other qualifiers**

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| 9:  | Andy Baetens                     | Belgium          |                  |
| 10: | Glen Durrant                     | England          |                  |
| 11: | Scott Mitchell                   | England          |                  |
| 12: | Jim Williams                     | Wales            |                  |
| 13: | Conan Whitehead                  | England          |                  |
| 14: | Darius Labanauskas               | Lithuanian       |                  |
| 15: | Dean Reynolds                    | Wales            |                  |
| 16: | Richard Veenstra                 | Netherlands      |                  |
| 17: | Wildcard for Organisation        |                  |                  |
| 18: | Kyle McKinstry                   | Northern Ireland | HAL Masters 2017 |
| 19: | Winner Champions League of Darts |                  |                  |
| 20: | Wildcard Organisation            |                  |                  |

- 21: Wildcard Organisation
- 22: Wildcard Organisation
- 23: Wildcard Organisation
- 24: Wildcard Nederlandse Darts Bond

**Finder Darts Masters Ladies**

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**Seeded Players**

- 1: Deta Hedman England
- 2: Aileen de Graaf Netherlands
- 3: Anastasia Dobromyslova Russia
- 4: Lorraine Winstanley England HAL Masters 2017

**Other qualifiers**

- 5: Winner Champions League of Darts
- 6: Wildcard Organisation

**Finder Darts Masters Youth:**

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- 1: Wessel Nijman Netherlands HAL Masters 2017
- 2: Winner Champions League of Darts
- 3: Wildcard Organisation
- 4: Wildcard Organisation
- 5: Wildcard Organisation
- 6: Wildcard Organisation

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