

A photograph of the exterior of Sharky's club at night. A large, illuminated sign above the entrance reads "SHARKY'S" in a stylized, bold font. The sign is lit up, and the background shows the building's facade and some outdoor lighting.

BEWARE OF SHARKS!

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As I walked into Sharky's I was quite surprised at how the place looked. It was not the same 'ol place I remembered from several years ago. This used to be a favorite haunt for pool and dart players. They had leagues or you could simply play a social game with friends and acquaintances. The first thing you notice is a most impressive hand-crafted, rustic cedar bar. They also now have Shiner and Fosters on tap with a pitcher running you \$9.

There is a small, multi-use lounge area at the front. It's away from the games and music. To the left of this, which you can see as you enter, are five new dart boards and comfortable tables and stools. The interior has a warehouse look with freshly painted exposed trusses, new carpet, and the overall appearance is very clean.

The hockey table that once stood in the center of the club is gone. It has been replaced by at least seven different video/arcade games, including Golden Tee '09 and Big Buck Hunter; a shuffle board table; and three pool tables. They have also added a bandstand complete with a hardwood dance floor at the far end of the club. Sharky's provides a great sound system and they are looking for great local bands. If you have talent or know a group that is looking for a new audience, contact Sharky's for booking info.

The most noticeable changes are the nine strategically placed high definition TVs. You can catch a game from any seat in the house. They also have two huge projection



bandstand. It offers a great view of the creek and trees lining it.

My second visit to Sharky's was on Saturday, the day after Christmas. There was quite a crowd. Kim Younkin (who plays every Wednesday) was performing and he was in rare form with his Chomp-Chomp nicky-nicky-nicky (set them puppies free) song. This is a part of his show you just have to see to enjoy and once you see it you will want to come back to see it again and again. Not only do the women bare the breasts but he offers equal opportunity and lets the guys show a little ass. Some women show more than others and some don't show any at all. You never know what is going to happen or how many will be

screens that provide a life-sized broadcast experience. Last but not least, as you go outside there is a huge deck just beyond the

getting up on the stage.

Sharky's originally opened its doors in 1981 and is the longest running club on Greenville Avenue. This area was formerly a part of Vickery a small community that was literally wiped off the map when it became incorporated into Dallas. At one time this was part of a 28-acre park featuring a small amusement park, miniature golf, shade trees, and a softball diamond. Then the shops were built along the creek which ran through the park. This creek also gave the liquor stores further north on Greenville Avenue the name "The Creek" when liquor stores were harder to come by. Sharky's is located on the NE corner of Pinehurst and Greenville, in the corner of a strip of shops.

In October 2009, Tommy Kemp and Richard Hendrix took over management of Sharky's and the changes surely show. Since the club has such a rich history the owners thought it was time to make a few updates, and boy do they have an exciting new atmosphere for you to enjoy. I am ready to start hanging my hat at this club. They provide live music, karaoke, poker, and of course, a whole host of shark-themed drinks. Until they get their kitchen up and running, you can bring or order in food.

Weekly events include:

- 7-Day-A-Week Happy Hour – 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays - \$2 U-Call it
- Wednesdays – Kim Younkin live
- Thursdays – \$2 Cocktails for Ladies
- Fridays & Saturdays – Live

music.

- Steel Tip Darts – League play Tuesdays & Wednesdays; \$2,500 Mystery Jackpot tournaments on Thursdays, Saturdays & Sundays.
- AHL Poker Tournaments – Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Leisurely play the many games Sharky's offers. But if you need something a little more competitive, join a league or test your skills in one of Sharky's tournaments. For more information, visit them online at SharkysOnGreenville.com



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