

Thursday Night Guys & Gals

League Rules 2016-2017

Tony Arbuthnot, President

John Villasenor, Vice President

Carl Swan, Secretary / Treasurer

1. The Board of Directors will consist of League Officers and team Captains.
2. The League starts bowling at 7:00pm (practice at 6:45pm) every Thursday.
3. The season runs 33 weeks, from September 1, 2016 thru April 20, 2017. Off November 24, 2016 (Thanksgiving)
4. Handicap will be 90% of 210 with 75 pins maximum handicap.. New bowlers will bowl for average for the first 3 games and handicap will be determined. Bowlers who have bowled in house and have an established average will use that average for the first three weeks otherwise, bowlers will use last years final average for the first 9 games.
5. New teams will be allowed to join up until the 3rd week of bowling. The new team will have to pay the prize money for previous weeks, but will not pay for the bowling lineage they missed. Any new team will be given win/loss points equal to the last place team in the week they are joining.
6. A Team roster will consist of a maximum of seven (7) bowlers of which 4 bowlers will bowl each week, of which at least one, must be of the opposite gender. No new bowlers may be added after January 1, 2017 without the approval of the Board of Directors.
7. The season will consist of 2 sessions. Bowlers must have a required number of games bowled before bowling Position rounds. 1st Half, 12 games, 2nd half, 24 games.
8. Blind (Vacant) bowlers will receive a score of 150 with 54 pins handicap.
9. The League point system gives a team two (2) points for winning a game and one (1) point for the series.
10. The season will be a split season with 2 sessions (Halves). Each session will have 2 position rounds. Weeks 8, 16, 24 & 31 are position rounds. Week 32 will be the Championship Roll-Off between the wins of each half.
11. No team can win both halves. Second place for second half will be considered the winner if first place for second half won the first half.. The team with the most year to date wins will have choice of starting lane for roll-off. The two teams will bowl 3 games with the best of three being declared the League Champion. If there is a tie, a one game roll-off will be bowled.
The 33rd week will be the nine-pin no tap tournament with all prize money dispersed on this night.
THERE IS NO PRE-BOWLING ON POSITION ROUNDS –or- ROLL-OFFS.
12. There is a 10 pin deduction for absent bowlers.
13. The League fees are \$ 20.00 per week, with the last two (2) weeks being paid in full by December 18, 2015. Any bowler more than two (2) weeks in rears, will not be able to bowl and will be dropped from the league & suspended form the USBC unless other arrangements are made with

League Officers. Checks will be accepted except for the last 2 weeks of bowling, payable to Laraway Lanes.

14. The Secretary & Treasurer position will be handled by the house at no cost.
15. The League will be certified (Sanctioned) through the USBC. Certification (Sanction) cards need to be completed and paid by each bowler before bowling. Certification (Sanction) fees are \$ 19.00 for Men's Association and \$ 20.00 for Women's Association, \$ 9.00 if certified in another association other than Joliet.. If you are certified in another league in the Joliet Area, for the 2016-2017 season, you need not pay you MUST fill out a sanction card with the name of the league and house in which you certified.
16. You MUST be certified (Sanctioned) to bowl in this league. This includes substitutes and pacers.
17. Late bowlers must arrive and be ready to bowl by the end of the fifth (5) frame in order to bowl that game. Otherwise, they will have to sit out until the next game.
18. Payment envelopes must be brought to the Treasurer by the start of the second (2) game.
19. Pre-Bowling will be allowed. A person will be allowed to pre-bowl as many times as needed. League fee must be paid at time of pre-bowling. A bowler must check ahead of time with the house for lane availability. Post bowling will only happen in emergency situations per Board of Directors vote. No pre-bowling on position dates or roll-offs.
20. In case of an uneven number of teams, the team bowling unopposed shall bowl their averages less ten pins per person (40 pins per team), scratch, per USBC Rules. This also applies to bowling against a forfeit.
21. A team must have at least two (2) bowlers present at the beginning of each game to have a legal line-up. A person who pre-bowled plus another bowler is considered a legal line-up.
22. The President will present a prize list that must be submitted for approval by the League Captains within the first 6 weeks of league play.
23. A bowler or a team can only qualify for one (1) special prize for High Series or Game. When a team or individual qualifies for high series or game, the series prize will be awarded over the game. Bowlers must have bowled 2/3 (64 games) of the season by the 32 week to qualify for awards.
24. All complaints are to be brought to the President's attention before or after bowling, NOT during a game.
25. For all rules not mentioned, USBC rules will prevail.
26. League standings will be posted on www.LarawayLanes.com/Standings.