

WEDNESDAY SUMMER MIXERS 2022

LEAGUE MANAGEMENT

The league Board of Directors, which consists of league officers and team captains, shall manage the league. The full membership shall elect league officers and adopt the league rules. A majority shall constitute a quorum. This league is open to men and women of the age 18 and older and in good standing with USBC.

LEAGUE INFORMATION AND LEAGUE SCHEDULE

The league will be sanctioned by the Huntsville USBC Association and National USBC. The name of the league shall be Wednesday Summer Mixers, which will consist of ____ teams with a playing strength of 4 bowlers per team. The teams shall consist of any mix. Team rosters will be limited to 6 members. Any team joining the second week has the option of making up missed games. New members cannot be added to the team roster the last two weeks of the league. NO pacers will be allowed. The names of the players as well as any changes in the roster during the season are to be reported by the team captain to the league secretary before a player competes. League practice will start at 6:20 PM and league play will begin at 6:30 PM . The league starts on May 4, 2022 and will end on July 20, 2022.

We will bowl a total of 12 weeks with week 12 being the position round.

LEAGUE FEES, SALARIES AND FUN

League fees must be paid by each member each week. All checks shall be made out to Wednesday Summer Mixers. Any returned check fees charged by the banking institution to the league account will be the responsibility of the person who presented the check and a **\$35.00** fee will be added. The weekly fees shall be **\$15.00** of which **\$ 9.50** covers the cost of bowling, **\$ 1.00** is for the Secretary/Treasurer's fee with a balance of **\$ 4.50** to the prize fund. All funds will be placed in the league account at Redstone Federal Credit Union with the signatures of the President and Secretary.

Funds must be verified monthly by the league President. **The Secretary/Treasurer shall not receive his/her salary until the prize fund is distributed and Final Averages have been turned into the Association Manager.**

Bowling fees for the last two (2) weeks of the league schedule must be paid by each member **BY THE 5TH WEEK** of the schedule. It is the **Team Captains** responsibility to collect fees from his/her team members and to ensure the pay envelope is **MARKED PROPERLY**. It is the team captain's responsibility to turn in the pay envelope to the league Secretary/Treasurer no later than the end of the 1st game. **NO TEAM MEMBER WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE MORE THAN**

2 WEEKS IN ARREARS. Anyone in arrears more than 2 weeks will be considered an **ineligible bowler** and will not be permitted to bowl until arrearage is made up. Any team bowling with an ineligible bowler may forfeit any games bowled with that bowler.

Any person or persons dropping out of the league will be required to give a 2 week written notice **to the Board of Directors** and pay 2 weeks of fees if the last 2 weeks of the league schedule have not already been paid.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

The league President shall appoint a prize committee of 3 bowlers no later than the 2nd night of bowling to compose a prize list(s) to be presented to teams for approval no later than the 5th night of bowling.

Voting shall be by team with each casting one vote. A majority shall determine the prize list approved. The standing sheet and weekly standings will be changed to reflect the prize fund.

Individuals can only qualify for one individual award and teams can only qualify for one team award.

Series awards will have priority over game awards and handicap awards will have priority over scratch awards. Individuals must bowl at least 24 games to qualify for individual awards. Most Improved Bowler awards will be based on the individuals final average compared to their average at the end of 21 games. A bowler *cannot* win the most improved and the high average. Team handicap awards will not be computed until after the completion of 12 games. Scratch awards will begin with the first game of the league schedule.

In case of a tie for any position, the place money shall be combined and divided evenly.

All USBC Sanctioned bowlers will qualify for National USBC awards and the local Huntsville USBC awards.

ENTERING AVERAGES AND HANDICAP

All bowlers will establish averages and handicap will be computed at the completion of their first 3 game set in this league season. Handicap shall be **90%** of the difference between a bowlers scratch score of **220** of all bowlers. There will not be a maximum handicap.

SUBS, LINEUP, TARDY, ABSENT AND VACANT SCORES

Substitutes will be permitted. A list of roving substitutes will be maintained by the league Secretary. A substitute may be **male or female**, no subs for pre-bowl or post bowl games. All substitutes must fill out a USBC sanction application card and Bowling Center information sheet.

The absent bowler is responsible for weekly fees. The minimum legal lineup of 1 bowler on a roster must be present at the beginning of the first game. Regular members count as a legal lineup, substitutes do not. Absentee scores will be allowed when a team has a legal lineup, but less than a full lineup at the start of any game in a series. The absentee score will be the absent members average minus 10 pins. Handicap will be figured on the average of the absent member. **Tardy players may enter the first game provided they are present at the start of the game.**

When a team has a vacancy, a score of 120 shall be used with a handicap of 90 pins. In the event of a vacant team, the team bowling the vacant team must bowl within 40 pins of their current team average (scratch) to earn the point(s). A team bowling against a forfeiting team will automatically win 4 points.

POSTPONED OR PRE-BOWLED GAMES

League games must be bowled at scheduled times unless postponed. The Board of Directors shall determine what sufficient cause is to grant a postponement. Pre-bowled games shall be subject to the same conditions that apply to games postponed. A postponement shall be granted if a team is unable to field a legal lineup. A postponement must be requested at least 48 hours before the scheduled time except emergencies. The league must grant a postponement when a team cannot appear for reasons beyond its control. Postponed games must be bowled prior to the next league session. No pre-bowls or post-bowl will be granted the final week of the season. All post-bowls must be by Sunday prior to the position round.

When a postponement has been granted, the following procedures shall apply:

1. The league secretary or designated representative shall notify the bowling center of the change in schedule and arrange to have a pair of lanes available.
2. The captains of teams involved shall agree to a date for bowling the postponed match. If the captains cannot agree on a date; the league secretary shall set a date and notify both team captains of the date and time. This notification is to be given at least 3 days before the date set if possible.
3. Postponed games must be bowled under the same rules and conditions governing USBC play.

The games can be bowled on any certified pair of lanes. In bowling postponed or pre bowled games the handicap is figured as of the date the games are bowled. All games bowled prior to the pre-bowled or postponed match shall be included in determining handicap.

POSITION ROUNDS AND PLAYOFFS

We will bowle a total of 12 weeks with week 12 being a position round for the season. A no-tap will be held on July 27, 2022; pay out night.

In the event that teams are tied on the position rounds, the team with the higher handicap pin total assumes the higher position for the purpose of lane assignment.

Team position round standing shall be determined on a point basis, with 1 point awarded for each game won and 1 point of each series won.

In the case of a tie for first place at the end of the season, a playoff between the teams that are tied will be conducted the night of the No Tap tournament. The winner will be determined on a point basis, with one point awarded for each game and two points for the high team series.

Scores bowled in a playoff shall not count toward individual or team averages or special prizes awarded by the league.

Substitutes are not allowed during position rounds!

NO TAP TOURNAMENT

The cost will be \$15.00 per bowler with \$5 for lineage and \$10 to a prize fund for that night. Payout will be based on Men's Division and Women's Division. A person **can only win 1 spot.**

RULE DISCREPANCIES

All rules not covered in these bylaws will follow the current USBC rule book. The League Board of Directors will resolve any conflict in accordance with current USBC Rules.

RULES APPROVED BY LEAGUE AND VOTED ON MAY 4, 2021

PRESIDENT:

VICE PRESIDENT:

SECRETARY/TREASURER: