

PARKWAY MASTERS LEAGUE

2018/2019 SEASON

LEAGUE RULES

The name of this league will be Parkway Masters League.

The league will consist of 14 teams with not less than 3 nor more than 5 members; any mix male/female who must be sanctioned with the USBC. The league will also be sanctioned with TNBA. TNBA sanction is optional.

SCHEDULE:

The league will bowl for 32 weeks starting on August 27, 2018 and ending on April 22, 2019. The league will bowl four (4) eight (8) week quarters.

There will be 3 weeks off for holidays. Labor Day 9/03/2018, Christmas 12/24/2018 New Year 12/31/18

There will be 4 position rounds on weeks 8, 16, 24, and 32.

The league will begin at 6:50 p.m. for practice and competition at 7:00 p.m.

MANAGEMENT:

Management of this league shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which shall consist of the league officers and team captains.

PRESIDENT: MICHAEL PRICE

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VICE PRESIDENT: RANDALL REED

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FEES:

The amount to be paid by each member each night shall be \$23.00 broken down as follows:

Lineage: \$ 10.50

Sec/Treas: \$ 1.00

Prize Fund \$ 11.50

\$2.00 of prize fund fee will go to fund the 300 and 800 pots. At the end of the season, any money left in the 300/800 pot will be distributed equally between all teams except league champion team.

The bowling fees for the last 2 weeks of the schedule shall be paid in advance by each member by 8th week of the schedule.

Each team will turn in team envelopes to the Secretary/Treasurer by the beginning of the 2nd game.

No individual will be allowed to be behind more than 1 week in payments. After the 8th week, the individual will not be allowed to bowl, and a vacancy score will be used until all monies are made up.

The individual in arrears will still be responsible for the fees when not allowed to bowl.

No team will be allowed to win a quarter or participate in a roll off unless team fees are current.

If any fees are not paid by the end of the league, any arrearages will be deducted from the team prize award.

Team captains are responsible to see that all fees are paid each week.

LEAGUE FUNDS:

An account shall be opened in the name of this league in the BB&T Bank in which league funds will be deposited weekly. Withdrawals from the account shall be made only with the signatures of the President and the Secretary/Treasurer. The President shall audit the league account at least once a month. Secretary/Treasurer shall be paid at the completion of the league schedule.

SANCTION:

The league will be sanctioned with the United States Bowling Congress (USBC.) All bowlers must be sanctioned through the USBC.

Sanction fee is \$23.00.

Bowlers sanctioned in another association in Alabama must pay \$8.00 for local fees

Bowlers sanctioned in another state must pay \$10.00 for state and local fees

Bowlers are already sanctioned if they have a 2018/2019 sanction card or a receipt for fees paid in another league.

Sanction fees must be paid on the first night of bowling.

For those bowlers who wish to sanction with TNBA

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Sanction fee is \$21.00

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PRIZES:

The President shall appoint 3 members to draw up a prize list. The prize list must be approved by the Board of Directors and distributed to each team captain within 5 weeks after the start of the season.

This league pays team position prizes only.

Prize Committee: Max Duggan
Tyler Brennan
Kevin Harris

The league will pay \$50.00 for a 300 game bowled, and \$100.00 for an 800 series bowled each night. Only paying league members are eligible for the 300/800 prizes. These prizes are NOT available on the last night of bowling or in a roll off as all monies have already been distributed in the prize fund.

The league will pay \$300.00 to the team that wins each quarter of the schedule.

The league will conduct an optional Strike Pot each week. Bowlers may enter for \$2.00 per week. Only paying team members are allowed to participate in strike pot. All fees collected will be deposited in the league account. All fees left over at the end of the league will be carried over to the summer season and vice versa. The strike pot will advance in \$50.00 increments and \$50.00 will always be held in the pot. The available amount each week will be announced by the Strike Pot Coordinator.

AVERAGES:

Bowlers who bowled in this league the previous season will use their average from either the previous winter season or previous summer season, whichever is highest.

All other bowlers will use their highest book average from the 2017/2018 winter season for entering average.

Bowlers with no entering average will establish an average on the first 3 game session of bowling. Entering averages will be used for 3 weeks (9) games and thereafter established average will be used.

HANDICAP:

This will be a handicap league. Individual handicaps will be based on 90% of the difference in bowler's average and 220. There is a 40 pin maximum.

TEAM ROSTERS:

Team Captains will turn in rosters of the team members to the Secretary prior to the start of the schedule. Rosters will be limited to 5 players.

New bowlers cannot be added to the team roster in the final 2 weeks of the schedule or during position rounds without the approval of the Board of Directors.

A bowler withdrawing from the league must give a 2-week notice, in writing, to the Team Captain and Secretary and is responsible for the bowling fees for those weeks.

SUBSTITUTES:

No substitutes are allowed in this league. All bowlers become a member of the team they bowl for.

LEGAL LINEUP:

1 bowler from the team's roster will constitute a legal lineup for this league.

TARDY PLAYERS:

A bowler who arrives late may enter the 1st game provided 5 frames have not been completed. Frames missed may be made up. A bowler must be present before the start of the 2nd or 3rd games.

FORFEITURES AND/OR BOWLING UNOPPOSED:

When a game is declared forfeited, or a team is bowling unopposed because on uneven number of teams, the team present shall bowl as though the game was actually contested.

In order to win points the team must bowl within 30 pins of the team average and individuals must bowl within 10 pins of their average.

ABSENTEE AND VACANCY SCORE:

A blind score shall be based on the average of the regular team member absent and will be the absent bowler's average less 10 pins.

A vacancy score shall be 170 plus handicap. (40 pins)

POSTPONEMENTS OR PREBOWLED GAMES:

Requests to prebowl or postbowl (team only) must be approved by the Board of Directors except for bonafide emergencies. Individual pre bowling or post bowling is not allowed. Pre bowling or post bowling will not be allowed for position matches unless both opposing teams agree to pre or post bowl and bowl against each other

at the same time. The following times are UNAVAILABLE for pre or post bowl matches. Thursdays 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sundays 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL POINTS:

The league will bowl on a match play basis. There will be 2 points awarded for each game won and 4 points for total pins won for each team. Individual points will be 1 point for each game won and 2 points for each series won. There will be 25 total points per match.

ABSENT BOWLER RULE:

If a bowler is absent the opponent must beat the absent bowler's blind score to win the point for each game. If both opposing bowlers are absent, the point goes to the team that wins the game.

PLAYOFFS:

There will be a 4 team roll off to determine the winner of the league.

If 1 team wins all 4 quarters there will be no roll off.

In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken by a 1 game roll off on a different pair of lanes.

If 1 team wins more than 1 quarter, then the team that finishes 2nd will be determined the winner for that quarter. If there is a tie for 2nd place then total points won for the season will determine the winner.

For the 4 team roll off, Seed1 will bowl Seed4 and Seed2 will bowl Seed3.

Total points won in each match will determine the winner of each match. Bowlers will use their highest average of either, average as of end of quarter won or average at end of season, for the roll off.

If the top 2 teams in the roll off decide to split the prize money rather than roll off then they must bowl 1 game against each other with most points determining the league champion.

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Any situation not covered by this constitution will be governed by USBC rules.

This constitution approved by the league general membership at an organizational meeting held on August 27, 2018 at which time a quorum was present.