

## MAIN EVENT SCRATCH LEAGUE SUMMER 2024 BYLAWS

This league is the Main Event Scratch League.

This league will consist of 8 teams of 3 adult bowlers per team of any mix w/ NO AVG CAP.

### 1. Schedule

League will start on 05/15/2024 and bowl for 12 weeks.

There will be 2 position rounds scheduled for week 6 & 12.

We will NOT bowl on July 3, 2024 (Independence Day Holiday)

Final week of league will be on 08/07/2024.

Practice will start at 6:50 pm. Bowling will start at 7:00 pm.

### 2. Management

Management of this league shall be vested in league officers and team captains.

**President:** Larry Swanson - Phone Number: 256-527-1961

**Vice President:** Jeff Heath - Phone Number:

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Michael Price - Phone Number: 256-603-8385

### 3. Fees

The amount to be paid by each member each night shall be \$30, broken down as follows:

**Lineage:** \$12.15

**Sec/Treas:** \$1.00 (to be paid at the end of the league)

**Prize Fund:** \$16.85

The bowling fees for the last 2 weeks of the schedule shall be paid by each member before completion of the 6th week. (On Week 6, pay \$90). Each team shall turn in team envelopes to the Secretary no later than the end of the 1st game. A bowler who is behind more than 1 week in payments will not be allowed to bowl and a vacancy score will be used until all monies are made up. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

### 4. League Funds

An In-Center League Banking account shall be opened with AMF Pin Palace Lanes in the name of this League, in which league funds will be deposited weekly. The President shall audit the league account at least once a month.

### 5. League Sanctioning

This league will be sanctioned with the USBC. USBC memberships are \$25 for full and is good through the end of this league schedule. If you sanctioned at the start of the 2023-2024 winter league season, you are already sanctioned through July 31st and/or til the end of our league schedule. Bowlers will be required to fill out a USBC sanction form even if they have already sanctioned in the previous winter season.

## 6. Prize Fund

The prize list shall consist of only team cash prizes. No individual cash prizes will be awarded in this league. President shall ask for at least 3 volunteers to draw up prize funds that will be voted on by no later than week 4. If no volunteers, the President will choose the prize fund committee. Please note that other than first place, in the event of any ties that money will be distributed evenly among teams that tie at the end of the league schedule.

Prize Fund Committee: Michael Price, DJ Skeen, Kyle Harris

## 7. Averages

Bowlers will use their highest winter 2023-2024 book average based off 21 games. If no previous season average, bowler will establish average that night. Averages will be used to determine team line up order (lowest average to highest average). True average will be used after 1 week of bowling.

## 8. Team Rosters

Team Captains will turn in rosters of team members to league Secretary prior to the start of the schedule. This is a three (3) person team league. A legal line-up consists of only one (1) member from a team's roster. Rosters will be limited to 5 players per team. There will be NO floating subs. All bowlers will be members of the team they bowl on. No exceptions! There is NO average cap for this league. New bowlers cannot be added to any team rosters in the final 2 weeks (week 11 & week 12) of the schedule without unanimous approval of all league officers and team captains. A bowler withdrawing from the league must give a 2 week notice to their Team Captain and league officers and is responsible for paying the bowling fees for those weeks.

## 9. Tardy Players

A bowler who arrives late may enter the first game provided first ball of the 4th frame has not been bowled. Missed frames may be made up. Bowlers must be present before the start of the second game or the third game to bowl.

## 10. Forfeitures

When a game is declared forfeited, the team present shall bowl as though the game was actually contested. When a team fails to have a minimum legal line-up, the opposing team must bowl within 30 pins of their current combined team average in order to win the team point. Individual points must be earned by bowling within 10 pins of their average.

#### **11. Absentee and Vacancy Scores**

Teams without a bowler or who have a bowler behind more than 1 week in league fees shall use a 200 vacancy score. A bowler who has an established average, the absentee score shall be the bowler's average minus 10 pins.

#### **12. Points**

League will use a 25 match point system. Team Lineups will be based on lowest average to highest average. Individual games are worth 1 point each, while Individual series is worth 2 points. Team points are worth 2 points each, while Team series is worth 4 points.

#### **13. Pre-bowled or Post-bowled Games**

All pre-bowled or post-bowled games must be approved by league officers and opposing team captains, except those caused by bona-fide emergencies. It is highly recommended that teams planning to pre or post bowl notify the opposing team and offer them the opportunity to pre or post bowl at the same time. Individual pre and post bowls are NOT allowed. It is the team's responsibility to coordinate with the bowling center to schedule a pre/post bowl session.

#### **14. Roll-Offs**

In the event of a tie for 1st place at the end of the league schedule, a 1 game Roll-Off shall be conducted on a different pair of lanes than where each of the teams bowled on. If a tie remains after, teams will bowl an extra game to break the tie. There MUST be a league champion.

15. For rules not covered herein, the league will abide by the USBC rule book.