

Jimmy Stone Classic 2024-2025 Bylaws

Schedule & League Formation:

The league shall be called the Jimmy Stone Classic, and will be sanctioned through the Huntsville United States Bowling Congress (HUSBC) Association. Membership is open to all USBC Sanctioned bowlers age 18 and above.

The league will bowl on Tuesday evenings with practice starting at 6:45 PM at AMF River City Lanes with a 36-week schedule beginning on August 13, 2024 and ending its regular season on May 6, 2025.

Dates not bowled are August 27, 2024, December 24, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

The 36-week schedule will be divided into three sections, defined as Thirds going forward.

League Competition Format:

The league will use a 30-point system. Individual games will be worth 1 point and individual series will be worth 2 points. Team game will be worth 2 points and team series will be worth 4 points. In the event of a tie in individual or team game or series the points are split.

The winner of each third along with a "wild card" will bowl in a roll off at the end of the league to determine the overall league winner and positions 2-4. All other positions will be determined by overall points won for the season.

In the case of a tie for each third (based on points) the teams tied in points for the third will bowl a one game roll-off the night of the scheduled third ending to determine the winner. The roll off game will be 1 point per individual and 2 points for the team game. The team with the most roll-off points will be declared the winner of the third. If a tie still exists the team overall Handicap pins for the one game roll-off will decide the third winner.

Roll-Off Format:

All 4 teams will compete against each other at the same time. Format will be the exact same as regular league night, except you will bowl against the 3 other bowlers in your position. (Lead off, 2nd, 3rd and anchor). With the following scoring.

1st Place each game each position: 3 points

2nd Place each game each position: 2 points

3rd Place each game each position: 1 point

1st Place Team game: 6 points

2nd Place Team game: 4 points

3rd Place Team game: 2 points

1st Place individual bowler series: 6 points

2nd Place individual bowler series: 4 points

3rd Place individual bowler series: 2 points

1st Place Team series: 12 points

2nd Place Team series: 8 points

3rd Place Team series: 4 points

Positions 1-4 will be decided based on how many total points each team has at the end of that night.

League Cost:

The amount to be paid by each member each week shall be \$30. With the following breakdown of \$14.75 for Lineage, \$1.00 for Secretary/Treasurer fee and \$14.25 for the prize fund.

The last 2 weeks of the season must be paid by September 24, 2024. All checks must be made payable to AMF River City Lanes.

Arrears:

Any team who is behind a total of more than \$240 (2 weeks league fees) will forfeit points for **THEIR ENTIRE TEAM**. The opposing team must bowl within 10 pins of their average to earn points, the same as bowling a vacant team.

Prize Fund:

No individual awards will be paid in this league there will be only team prizes. The prize list will be presented by the 5th week of bowling. The prize list will not be altered unless teams resign from the league. All teams will cash. Pay-off will be at 7 PM on the final night of Playoff rounds.

Averages and Handicaps:

Bowlers will use their entering average for the first 9 games based on the following:

1. Jimmy Stone Classic league avg for the 2023-2024 season with a minimum of 21 games.
2. Highest HUSBC book average for the previous season with a minimum of 21 games.

If neither of the above apply, the bowler will establish an average on the 1st week of bowling, this average will not be held to the 9-game rule. Handicap shall be 90% of 220.

Subs, League Lineup, Tardy Players, Absentee and Vacancy Scores:

A legal lineup consists of at least 2 members of the current team's roster. A legal lineup must be present at the start of each game in order to compete. Lineup will be Lowest average to Highest average, lowest being in position 1 and highest being in position 4.

Anyone can sub during roll off games this includes 3rd roll offs, and final roll offs if they have bowled a minimum of 1/4th the current season. For clarity: If a person wants to sub on week 12 roll off, they have to have bowled 9 games, 3 weeks total. If they want to bowl week 24 roll off, they must have 18 games, 6 weeks total. If they want to bowl week 36 roll off, they must have 27 games, 9 weeks total. These games have to be bowled **BEFORE** the roll off night.

Any team who wins a third will use the higher average (date of winning third average, or ending league average) in the playoff rounds.

Absentee score will be the absent bowlers average minus 10 pins plus handicap.

In the case of a vacancy the score will be 120 plus handicap.

Pre-bowl/Post bowl:

If you need to pre-bowl for any reason during the league President/Secretary or Treasurer first, and then the team you are bowling against to give them the opportunity to

A: bowl against you during the agreed upon time

B: be present and watch you while you bowl.

Excessive Pre-bowls will not be allowed. Post bowls will only be allowed during extreme circumstances, which will be determined acceptable by both President and Secretary of the league.

Lane Breakdowns:

If a lane breaks down and the teams have to move lanes for any reason during league, the President and Secretary can grant the teams 5 minutes of practice on the new lanes. If either the President or Secretary are on the lanes in question, the team captains will have a very quick meeting and majority vote makes that decision.

These bylaws were accepted and approved by a majority vote on 8/13/2024

Your officers

President: Matthew Clayton – 256-801-5375
Secretary: Rhonda Swaim – 256-990-6578
Treasurer: Michael McLamb – 256-476-4810