**SQUAW LEAGUE RULES 2021-22 SEASON**

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League will not bowl on: November 25, 2021 – Thanksgiving

Women’s City Tournament – date to be announced

1.      The squaw league shall consist of no more than sixteen teams with a playing strength to four bowlers and the league shall be sanctioned by USBC.  The league will bowl on Thursday nights starting at 6:30 p.m. beginning September 10, 2020.

2.      Weekly fees will be $12.00 for 30 weeks with $10.00 to cover the cost of bowling with $2.00 to be placed in a league account for the prize fund.  It’s the team captain’s responsibility to see that all league fees are kept current.  Any fees outstanding including sponsor fees at the end of the season shall be deducted from the team’s prize money.

 b. Baring any cancellations, the league season is projected to end on April 14, 2022

 with “Fun Night” being April 21, 2022.

3.      The sponsor fee shall be $30.00 and should be paid by October 7, 2021.

4.      Secretary’s pay shall be $285.00.  This is to be paid when the final averages have been submitted to the Association manager. The Treasurer’s pay shall be $75.00 and paid at the league spring meeting.

5.      3 games will be bowled each session, with 1 point awarded for each game won.  1 additional point will be awarded for high total pins in each match.

6.      This league will allow unopposed bowling.  If bowling unopposed due to an uneven number of teams or in a forfeit situation, the team must bowl no less than 20 pins per bowler under their current team average to receive credit for team points (ie 80 pins for 4 bowler teams).

7.      The individual method of handicapping will be used.  The handicap allowance will be 100% of the difference between each individual average and 220.

8.      3 games are required to establish an individual average.  For the 1st time of competition, handicaps will be based on the average established after 3 games have been bowled.  Thereafter, handicap will be based on the current average in this league.

 9. In determining the Most Improved Bowler year end award, this league shall first use last year’s established average. If the bowler does not have an established average for the last year, the average established at the end of 12 games shall be used.

10.  For teams without a full roster, the vacancy score will be 130 with the handicap based on that score.  A team may bowl with a vacancy for a time limited to the first 4 weeks of league.  The league prize fee of $2.00 for the vacancy must be paid by the team to the league.  Any vacancy not filled after the 4th week will be addressed at that time by the league board.  A team roster must be submitted to the league.

11.  The absentee score will be the absent members current average less 20 pins with the handicap based on the actual average.  An absent bowler must pay the full amount of regular bowling fees plus prize money; $12.00 total.

12.  The league shall maintain a list of roving substitutes.  Subs will not be eligible for league cash awards.  Subs may not bowl with more than one team for the regularly scheduled games each week.

13.  A minimum legal line-up shall consist of at least 1 member and 1 eligible player to complete the first frame or the game is subject to forfeiture unless pre-bowled scores are available. When a forfeit is declared, the team forfeiting receives no points but the team not at fault must bowl no less than 20 pins per bowler under their current team average to receive credit for team points ( 80 pins for 4 bowler teams).

14.  A bowler who arrives late may enter the game and makeup the missed frames provided 3 frames have not been completed.

15.  In the event of an emergency a bowler will be permitted to finish any 1 game of the series, before her teammates and opponents, with the knowledge and approval of the league officers.

16.  All weather postponements will be at the discretion of the center manager.

 a. Requests to postpone for reasons other than an emergency must be made at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled time of the match.  Team captains of the team or the individual bowler requesting to post-bowl are to personally contact President or Secretary, when requesting a postponement.  Team captains must also establish make-up arrangements with the manager/propriator and President and/or Secretary. It is strongly encouraged that all make-up bowling be done before the next scheduled night of league bowling unless an exception is granted by the board.

 b. this league shall allow either an individual or an entire team to pre-bowl. The team and/or

 bowlers are to make arrangements with the league sec/treasurer for the weekly lineage

 funds; scores are to be left at the front desk in the team envelope. If a team is pre-bowling,

 as courtesy, the opposing team and a league officer **s**hould be notified.

 c. there is no pre or post bowling allowed on Friday or Saturday evening.

17.  All regular team members are required to have shirts and/or patches, beginning after the 3rd week of bowling.  All regular bowlers not wearing their shirts/patches are to be assessed a $.25 fine.  The Sgt-at-Arms is to collect and turn this money over to the Treasurer for deposit into the prize

 fund. If virus protocols call for face masks, a team my choose to have “team”masks.

18.  In the event of a tie for 1st place, total points in a 1 game playoff shall determine the winner.  Another complete 10th frame shall be bowled if the playoff ends in a tie as well.  Team prize payoff will be according to wins.  Plaques will be given for the sponsor and all roster members of the league championship team. Plaques plus engraving can be up to $100.00 but no more than $100.00**.**

19.  The league secretary will send a sheet around the league 3 weeks prior to the end of the season to indicate whether the team captain wants to retain the franchise spot for the following season.  The franchise will remain with the captain until the fall meeting, which will be held at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the bowling season.

20.  A quorum for conducting league business during the bowling season will be comprised of one person from each team plus the league officers.

21.  Election of officers will be staggered terms.  Each office will be for 2-year terms, with the election of the President, Treasurer and SGT at Arms to be held in the even years and the Vice President and Secretary to be elected , in the odd years.

22. All League bowlers must be 18 years of age as of August 1, 2021

23. If any bowler falls more than 2 weeks behind in weekly fees, the league board (officers and team captains) will meet to discuss the situation and could result in a suspension of the bowler until delinquent fees are caught up.