

JACKS & JILLS INVITATIONAL LEAGUE

2019 – 2020 BYLAWS

This league will bowl every other Saturday night at 6:20 p.m. (practice 6:10 p.m.) for 17 weeks, starting on September 7, 2019 and ending April 18, 2020. A team shall consist of two ladies and two men.

FEES Bowling fees will be \$60.00 per team or \$15.00 per bowler, \$9.00 for bowling and \$6.00 towards the prize fund. The team entry fee of \$28.00 per team or \$7.00 per bowler must be paid by the fourth week of bowling for new teams. The following year's Team Entry Fee will be deducted from a returning team's prize money, to hold their spot in the league for the next season. If a team does not notify the secretary that they are not returning before the league holds its annual meeting, the money will not be refunded. The league will be certified with USBC. All certification fees must be paid the first night a bowler bowls. The last two weeks bowling fees must be paid by the fourth week of bowling. The Secretary's fee will be \$15.00 per team. The Treasurer's fee will be \$9.00 per team.

ARREARS No team member may be more than two bowling weeks (four calendar weeks) in arrears. If they bowl, their team will forfeit the points for each game bowled until the arrearage is paid.

HANDICAP Handicaps will be 90% of the difference between the team's average and 725. All pins over 725 will be added to the opposing team's handicap at 100%.

POINTS This league will operate on a seven point system. Two points for each game won and one point for team high series per night in a match.

POSITION NIGHTS There will be three position nights: the fifth week, the eleventh week and the last night of bowling. The lanes used will shift one pair to the right each position round with the first round being on lanes 9 & 10. On the final position night, should first place be "locked up", the first place team will bowl the last place team, second place will bowl third and so forth.

ENTERING AVERAGES All bowlers returning from the previous year will enter with their final average (at least 21 games) from this league. All new bowlers will enter with their highest yearbook average (including youth and summer league averages) from the previous year's yearbook (using bowl.com). If not in the previous yearbook, the highest yearbook average from two years prior to the current year will be used. If no yearbook average in either book, new bowlers will use 130 for women and 155 for men. Six games will establish an average in this league.

LEGAL LINE-UP One rostered team member and one additional eligible bowler must be present to prevent a forfeit and constitute a legal line-up.

ABSENT BOWLERS In case of an absent bowler and no sub available, the absentee's average minus ten pins will be used. The entering average will be used for the absent average until they establish a current average.

VACANCY Should a team not have a full roster, blind scores will be 130 for the women and 155 for the men. After three consecutive weeks of using a blind score, a team must use 110 for a woman's and 135 for a man's blind score. In the event a bowler or an entire team drops out before the end of the season, every effort will be made to find replacements for them. The bowler or team dropping out will be responsible for two weeks fees, if necessary. If replacements are found immediately, the new bowler or team will pay the fees. Any losses will be absorbed by the entire league. Any prize money involved will be distributed to drop-outs and replacements according to percentage of points won by each following USBC rules.

SUBS & PACERS Subs or pacers may be used in place of absent bowlers. When subs are used, a man must sub for a man and a woman for a woman. New Subs must complete a Certification Application **BEFORE** they begin bowling. Subs used on the first position night must have an established average in this league or use their highest average in the previous year's yearbook. Subs used for the second or third position nights or on the 15th or 16th week of the season must have completed a minimum of 9 games in this league. Teams using a non-rostered bowler must notify the opposing team and the league Secretary of the bowler's status (sub or pacer) prior to the start of the match. Failure to do so will result in a **FORFEIT** of all games in which said bowler was used. If a sub or pacer bowls, it is the responsibility of the team captain to insure that the weekly fee is paid for that night.

TARDY BOWLERS

Tardy bowlers may bowl if they are **READY** (shoes on and ball in hand) to bowl before the leadoff bowler of either team starts for fourth frame. Tardy bowlers will be permitted to begin bowling from the first frame with the score to count.

FORFEIT

If a team fails to have a legal line-up by the completion of the first frame of any game, they will forfeit each game respectfully. If a team wins by forfeit, they must bowl (actual pinfall) within 40 pins below their team average in order to be credited with the win for each game and within 120 pins to win the series. Failure to do so means the points will be awarded to no one. If a team fails to begin scoring within five minutes from when the league began, they will forfeit the game. Normal starting time is 6:10 p.m. We are contracted to 9:00 p.m.

UNEVEN TEAMS

Should the league have an uneven number of teams at any point in the season, the team scheduled to bowl against the missing team will earn points based on the forfeit rule (Earn Points Method).

POSTPONE-MENT

Postponements will be granted, but must be made up **BEFORE** the next regular bowling night. Postponements are arranged through the league Secretary. Teams may bowl unopposed. When bowling unopposed, teams will not be allowed to see the other teams score until the end of the match. They will only be informed of their win/lost status at the end of each game. Teams granted a postponement will be allowed their first postponement without charge. Teams will pay a fee of \$10.00 for their second postponement and \$20.00 for each additional postponement granted (this fee is to be added to the prize fund). In order for scores bowled in a postponement to be counted (when an officer is not present), they must be accompanied by a computer printout of the games which has been signed by the Counter Person on duty at the time the scores were rolled. In addition, any corrections made to the score must be done by a Counter Person and be initialed on the printout.

TEAM CAPTAINS

Captains are responsible for all team monies. They will collect the money, complete, sign and turn in all team envelopes to the Treasurer before the end of the first game. All score-cards must be filled out correctly, completely, signed and turned in to the Secretary immediately following the third game. Each captain will be responsible for entering the scores of their team only; captains will not enter the scores of the opposing team. The Secretary will check all score-cards and will correct obvious errors. Anyone finding a mistake on the weekly sheet, team standings or individual averages, should call it to the Secretary's attention no later than the following week.

PRIZES

Prize money will be paid by points only. Bowlers must bowl two-thirds of the season (12 weeks) to be eligible for individual prizes. Subs are not eligible for individual prizes. Special money prizes are awarded to the first place team; to the first, second, and third Team Handicap High Game and Series winners; to the first, second, and third Women's Actual High Game and Series winners; and to the first, second and third Men's Actual High Game and Series winners.

TIES & ROLL-OFFS

In the event of ties for any position, teams will be listed based upon total team pinfall (high to low). In the event that two or more teams tie for the Championship, there will be a one game (with handicap) roll-off match immediately following our regular night of bowling. Averages will be recomputed to include the last night's scores for handicapping. A league officer not involved in the roll-off will select the lanes to be used such that no team is on the lanes they just competed on. Line-ups used on the final night must be used for any roll-off match.

IMPROPER CONDUCT

Improper conduct including, but not limited to, the dropping or throwing of bowling equipment or the abuse of the bowling centers equipment, will not be tolerated. Any infraction of this rule will be dealt with by the Board of Directors. If found to be in violation of this rule the individual will be subject to: 1st offense - a warning, 2nd offense - \$10.00 fine to be placed into the prize fund, 3rd offense - expulsion from the league.

RULES

Anything not covered in the above bylaws will be subject to USBC rules.

Above Bylaws voted on and approved at the League Meeting held on August 25, 2019.

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