

CASTLE ROCKERS LEAGUE RULES

2023/24

General:

Each team can consist of mixed men and women, or all women or all men. All regular members must be at least 50 years old. This is a non-sanctioned league.

Line – up:

There will be three to four bowlers per team. At least one regular member must be present to bowl as a team, otherwise a makeup must be scheduled or games will be forfeited. You **MUST** schedule with the bowling alley ahead of time.

League Schedule:

The league will bowl each Monday with practice starting at 9:00 AM and bowling at 9:15. Bowling will begin September 11, 2023 and continue through April 1, 2024 (last day that team scores count). A “no tap” sweeper tournament will be held on April 8, 2024 followed by the awards banquet. No team scores or points will be kept during the sweeper. Individual cash prizes for the sweeper will be given at the banquet to bowlers with the highest scores including handicap.

These dates may vary if we have to make up snow days.

There will be no bowling on December 25, 2023 and January 1, 2024. Bowling will resume on January 8, 2024

Averages:

Averages are established the first week of bowling, no matter if you bowl one game or three games. They will be updated each time a bowler participates.

Also if you are going to be late, (past the 3rd frame) you will not be able to bowl the first game.

Handicap:

Handicap shall be 90% of the difference between 200 and the bowler’s average. Averages 200 or over receive no handicap.

Fees:

Total weekly fee to bowl for a regular team member is \$16.00. The breakdown is: Arapahoe bowling fee - \$11.00, prize fund - \$4.50 Secretary/Treasurer fee - \$0.50. If a regular bowler is absent, they will pay \$16.00 for each week missed, as Arapahoe Bowl charges for regular

bowlers whether they are there or not. Should you be able to get a substitute to bowl for you, they would pay the \$11.00 and you would owe \$5.00

Scoring:

All team scores are based on totals including handicap. Scoring is on a 4 point basis. One point each for each game won, and one point for series total for the high team. Tie scores will count ½ point each. Vacant positions will be given a score of 125 with a handicap of 67.

After a regular team bowler has been absent for more than 3 weeks in a row, a deduction of 10 pins per game from their average will be made until the bowler returns. The handicap will continue to stay as is (in other words, the handicap will not be raised when the bowler's average is reduced). After the bowler returns, their average will return to the level it was prior to their absence. This rule will not apply to substitute or vacant averages.

Vacant teams (no regular bowlers):

If the league has a vacant team, the team bowling against the vacant team must bowl within 40 pins of their team average (per game) to win that game. Example: a team with a 500 average per game must bowl at least a 460 to win that game, and 1380 total pins to win total.

Postponed or Pre-bowled games:

Teams must make arrangements to pre-bowl or post-bowl within 10 days of the scheduled match. The league secretary and opposing captain must be notified in the event of a pre-bowl or post-bowl match at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled match. If no regular team members of one team are present for a weekly match, the opposing team with members present may proceed to bowl blind. Any team that declines to pre-bowl or do a makeup shall forfeit the games.

Snow Day Cancellations:

The President/or Secretary and a team captain living in Castle Rock will determine snow-day cancellations. The President and Secretary/treasurer will then contact all team captains, who will then contact their team members. Generally, bowling will be canceled if Douglas County schools are closed. Notification will be given by 8:00 AM if possible.

Prize Fund:

Team prize money will be based on the number of games won by each regular team member.

With the exception of "Most Improved" and "Highest Average", an individual bowler may not receive more than one individual award. Additionally, no team may receive more than one prize for "Season High Scores".

Individual Categories:

The top two places in the following categories will receive prize money: high men's scratch series, high men's scratch game; high women's scratch series, high women's scratch game; high men's handicap series, high men's handicap game; high women's handicap series, high women's handicap game.

One prize awarded for women's high average and one prize for men's high average; also one prize awarded for women's "most improved bowler" and one prize awarded for men's "most improved bowler".

Team Categories:

High team scratch series, high team handicap series,

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Team Awards:

Prize money will be given to first thru twelve places according to games won.

Committee Luncheon Planning:

The team in first place at the end of the first half of bowling (December 18, 2023) will be responsible for planning and booking the bowling awards banquet luncheon held on April 8, 2024.

Officers:

Officers shall consist of a President, Francesca Kagele and a Secretary/Treasurer, Donna Munsie. The duties of each office are as follows:

President:

1. Preside at league meetings.
2. Enforce all league rules.
3. Review with the Secretary any changes to be made to the league rules. If needed, present these changes to the league bowlers at the league meeting on the first day of bowling. Provide copies of league rules to all league captains.
4. Confirm that the treasurer has set up an account for the league at a recognized bank, or with a service provided by the bowling alley.
5. Is responsible for planning and conducting a bowling sweeper at the end of the season.

Secretary/Treasurer:

1. Within one week of the start of bowling, open a bank account or an account with the bowling alley in the name of the League. Signatures of at least two officers are required for withdrawals.
2. Review the league rules with the President, and if necessary, make any needed changes. Give a copy of the updated rules to the league President.
3. All league funds to be deposited within two weeks of receipt.
4. Responsible for all accounting of all receipts and disbursements of league funds.
5. Determine each bowler's financial status each week.
6. At the request of the President or a team captain, furnish a current financial statement to each team captain.
7. Calculate and distribute all prize money one week after the end of league play.
8. Is responsible for the collection of all team money envelopes and verifying and balancing of all money received.
9. Collect all score sheets, indicating absent and substitute bowlers.
10. Is responsible at each league bowling session for settling up with the bowling alley for the bowling fees based on the number of regular bowlers and any additional bowlers substituting for a vacancy spot. Provide bowling alley with all league score sheets for recording.
11. Take minutes at all team meetings.
12. Turn over all financial records to any newly elected Secretary/Treasurer.

Next Year League Preparation:

This is a joint effort involving all league officers and captains.

1. Remind all team captains at end of season luncheon to check their team status in the fall and inform a league officer of any changes for the next season.
2. Any individual bowler may also contact any league officer regarding changes, or advise if they know someone who may want to bowl in the league.
3. At least 2 weeks before the start of next year's bowling league, the secretary/treasurer will contact all possible new bowlers and any current bowlers that have not responded prior to that time. Make all necessary changes to team structures based on results. If necessary, the secretary/treasurer has the authority to reduce or increase the number of teams in the league.

Directors:

The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the league and shall consist of the officers and team captains. In the event of questions in regard to the preceding rules, the Board of Directors shall advise and rule on such matters.

If you have any questions during the season please contact

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We are looking forward to another great season.