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## BONNIE DOON BOWLING LANES LEAGUE INFORMATION

- **TEAMS-** Teams are made up of 5 “Regular” Bowlers and may have as many subs as they want but a max. of only 5 people per night
- **SUBS-** Take the place of the “Regular Bowler” but need to inform the Control desk when a sub is playing as subs require their own average and name
- **WHAT-** Play 3 games each night and play the same team for all 3 games .
- **TIME-** “Practice starts at 6:30pm until 6:45. At that time weekly announcements are done. During practice time, you can pay for your bowling fees & shoe rental at the control desk – there are also “Standings” boards that show what lane you’re on, weekly points won and your average.
- **ALTERNATING LANES-** Your team will alternate lanes. (i.e if you start on an ODD number lane the 1<sup>st</sup> frame . Then the next frame you bowl you play on an EVEN numbered lane your league plays only once a week. )
- **SEASON –** The leagues start in Sept. and play for 30 weeks and end in late March or early April with a break around Christmas. Ensure someone on your team fills in the score on the White Recap sheets and turns them in at the control desk. Any spelling corrections, line-up changes and team name changes can be made on those sheets as well
- **WINDUP-** All leagues have some sort of Final Wind up either at a Banquet Hall or at the Lanes. Many leagues also have a Christmas Party/Funbowl Night during the Holiday season
- **POINTS-** You play against ALL teams each Game. Each team you beat, your team wins 1 point. Results for your league can be found on line at [www.leaguesecretary.com](http://www.leaguesecretary.com) and your league ID will be provided
- **PREBOWLING-** You can come in any day prior to your bowling time and pay for bowling and prize money at that time. When you pre-bowl, those scores will be used even if you bowl poorly. You may also choose to “Prebowl” and leave the date to be used at a later time or “Bank” the scores. A prebowl must be declared upon receiving your lane and those scores must be held.
- **LANE COURTESY-** You will hear other people talking about Lane Courtesy often but basically you do not want to bowl your turn at the same time someone on your adjoining lane is bowling. Treat your turn as a driver reaching a 3 way stop sign. First bowler on the approach bowls 1<sup>st</sup>. If two bowlers arrive at the same time, the person on the right bowls 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **PERSONAL BALLS-** Many Players have their own Bowling Balls and shoes and can be purchased at the lanes. Please do not bowl with some ones personal ball.
- **PRIZE MONEY-** Or “Kitty Money” is necessary to operate the league and varies from league to league. EVERY League requires you pay the prize money even if you miss an evening without prebowl. Some leagues will collect the Prize Money all at once at the start of the league. The prize money amount is decided by the league executives early in the bowling season.
- **LEAGUE EXECUTIVES –** A President, Vice President and Secretary are voted in by teams in the beginning of the season.
- **APPROACH –** The area before the lane and foul line where the bowler rolls their ball.
- **FOUL LINE –** Every league has a foul line rule. Every time a bowlers foot, hand or ball crosses the line, 15 points are deducted every time.
- **PRIZES –** Bonnie Doon awards weekly prizes throughout the season. High single, high triple, most pins over average are among some of the prize. Winners are announced during the announcements before bowling. EVERY league bowler is eligible. Winners are also featured in our weekly newsletter on your scored desks.
- **COACHES –** We have a Youth League that bowls every weekend and within that league we have Certified Bowling Coaches. Every season we have a “Coaching Clinic” open to all league bowlers and it takes place in mid-October.

Please feel free to call us at 780-466-9047 or email [bdbowl@shaw.ca](mailto:bdbowl@shaw.ca) if you have any more questions.