Northland Classic Bowling League Rules 2024-2025

- 1. The Pines Northland Classic Bowling League shall be sanctioned with the ABC/USBC. The League will bowl for 32 weeks at 7:30PM, commencing September 6 th, 2024.
- 2. The League will bowl on a 30-point system, with three segments to the season. Each segment will be 10 weeks long, with the 10th week being a position round. On the 31st week, the three segment winners and on wild card team will compete head-to-head in a playoff. The segment winner with the highest total points will bowl against the wild card team, with the other two segment winners bowling each other. The winner of these matchups will compete against each other the following week for the championship. Teams not involved in the roll off will still compete in high/low doubles and singles tournament in the two respective weeks. Roll off will be conducted on a 30 point basis. In the event of a tie, there will be a one game roll off, with highest handicapped total pinfall used to break the tie. If a team wins multiple segments, another wild card team will be added. This wild card team would be the second most total points for the year that did not win a segment. However the team that wins each segment will collect the cash bonus for winning.
- 3. The management of the league will be vested in the board of directors, consisting of officers and team captains. The board may adopt league rules/change league rules through a quorum vote.
- 4. The amount to be paid each week is \$17.00 per bowler, \$11.50 of which covers lineage and the remaining \$5.50 to be placed in the league treasury.
- 5. The league has voted Jeremy Moore as the league secretary/treasurer. Clay Keeler is the president, and Rick Keller the vice president.
- 6. To qualify for individual awards, a bowler must have completed 60 scheduled games. Bowlers and teams may win any awards they qualify for. Prize money will be paid according to total points.
- 7. Averages will be established after 3 weeks of bowling (9 completed games) Last year's Cadillac association average will be used for the first 3 weeks of bowling. Any bowler that did not bowl the Northland Classic league must use their highest book average of at least 21 games from the Cadillac Area Bowling Association. All others will establish an average on their first night.
- 8. Handicap will be 90% of the difference of the bowler's average and 220.
- 9. No new bowlers (less than 9 games in the league) may compete in any position rounds without consent of board of directors.
- 10. The Pines will maintain a list of floating substitutes. No one may bowl with more than one team for any regular scheduled games.
- 11. Rostered and floating subs count toward a legal lineup. A legal lineup shall be 3 bowlers, 3 of which must be on a team roster, Present by the completion of the 3rd frame. Non-roster bowlers cannot be added in the final 5 weeks of bowling.
- 12. If a game is declared a forfeit, the team bowlers must bowl within 10 points of their individual average to win a game point.
- 13. Absentee score shall be taken from the team member with the most games bowled (teams more

than 5 man rosters). The score shall be the absent players average less 10 pins. The vacancy

score shall be 150. When bowling against an absentee, the bowler must bowl within 10 pins of his own average in order to win the point. If both teams have an absent bowler, they must be pitted against each other and the team winning the game gets the individual match point.

- 14. Postponements may be granted in the event of an emergency in which a team is absent. The makeup must be done before the next scheduled night of bowling. Pre-bowling is also an option in the event of an entire team being absent. Please call the Pines (775-7752) to schedule a makeup. No pre-bowling will be allowed on a position round. A team can pre-bowl only once per season.
- 15. Pre-bowling or post-bowling requires the whole team to be present. No individual can pre-bowl.
- 16. If a team pre-bowls, the team that bowls them are allowed to enter their games into scoring the night of, to see their scores and keep play competitive.
- 17. A tardy player must arrive before the completion of the 3rd frame to make up frames and finish the game. If a player cannot complete a game, He may use 1/10 his absentee score for the frames missed. This is only applicable for injury or emergency. A player simply quitting will be awarded zeroes for all missed frames. Partial games cannot be credited to the players average.
- 18. The league will bowl on a 30 point system. 9 points for each game, 5 individual head to head points and 4 for total pins w/handicap for that game. 3 points will be awarded to the team who wins grand total pins with handicap for the 3 game set.
- 19. Each team is allowed 7 roster bowlers. Extras request to attend banquet will be paid for in cash.
- 20. Sanctions fees are \$22.00 and are to be paid the 1st night of bowling. Cadillac Association fee is \$6.00.
- 21. Sponsor fee is \$50 and must be paid by the third week of bowling.
- 22. Northland League is an all-men league.
- 23. All other ABC/USBC rules apply.
- 24. Strike tickets will be sold by the league secretary. Tickets are 20 for \$10.00. Half of the proceeds going directly to the strike pot, the other half of proceeds from strike pot tickets will be raffled off in envelopes at the banquet. A bowler must roll a strike in order to win the money. No money will be awarded for anything less than a strike. The strike ball pot is capped at \$599. Any money above this amount will be carried over to the next drawing the following week. In the event that it is the last night, we will draw multiple tickets until the entire pot is gone
- 25. No bowler can be allowed to bowl if they are more than 2 weeks behind on bowling league fees. After 2 weeks behind the bowler will forfeit all of his points for that week until he is paid in full.
- 26. Week 31 is doubles
- 27. Week 32 is singles
- 28. Odd Teams have first choice to pick high top tables each night.
- 29. Position Round Lane Assignments
- a. Lane Assignments for Positions Rounds:
- i. 1 st third will start on lanes 1 &; 2 with 1st place on lane 1 and continue in order through lane 12,

ii. 2nd third will start on lanes 3 & 4 with 1st place on lane 3 and continue in order through lane 12, with the 11 th and 12 th place team on lanes 1 and 2.

3rd third will start on lanes 5 & 6 with 1st place on lane 5 and continue in order through lane 12, with the 11th and 12th place team on lanes 3 and 4.

- b. Lane Assignments for Roll Offs:
- i. Week 31 Roll offs will be held on lanes 3 and 4 for the teams that finish in position 1 vs 4. Lanes 7 and 8 will be used for the teams that finish in position 2 vs 3.
- ii. Week 32 roll offs will be on lanes 5 & 6 versus the winners of week
- 30. Last Night will Be Either April 18th. We will take the week of the Soo tournament off. Banquet will be April 25th, 2025
- 31. No matter what there will not be any exceptions of subs for roll offs. Must be on the roster with 21 games.
- 32. The pines will not allow any bowler to cause harm to any bowling alley property. If a bowler is found doing so, it could be a 2-week suspension from The Pines.
- 33. Pre-bowling or post-bowling requires the whole team to be present. No individual can pre-bowl.
- 34. If a team pre-bowls, the team that bowls them are allowed to enter their games into scoring the night of to see their scores and keep play competitive.