

Monday Night Gardners Women's League Rules

2025-2026 Bowling Season

1. The MNG Women's bowling League shall consist of up to 12 teams with the playing strength of 3 bowlers. (2013) The league will be sanctioned by USBC, and bowl on Monday night, beginning Sept 8, 25 for 31 weeks. The season will be split into 2 halves (2018) 15 weeks each with a playoff of the winners for Champion on approximately April 13, 26. Start time for bowling will be promptly at 7pm.
2. Each bowler will pay a weekly fee of \$17(2025) - \$12 (2025) to cover the lane fees, \$4.00 to be placed in the league account for prizes and \$1.00 to be placed in the league account to pay for the season end banquet. Total per team per night will be \$51.(2025)
3. Weekly fees must be paid to the league sec/tres by the end of the first game or the team will subject to forfeit all points until payment is made.
4. Sponsor fees will be \$25 (2018) and are due by the 3rd week of bowling, or the team may be subject to forfeit. The sponsor fee will go toward the cost of the team event in the Association tournament. If a team chooses not to participate in the tournament, the sponsor fee shall remain in the league account.
5. 3 games will be bowled each session with 18 points awarded each night. 1 pt. each individual game, 2 pts. for each team game & 3 pts. for total pins. Odd lanes enter lineup first, then even lanes. (#100e1a)
6. A bowler establishes an average after 3 games of bowling.
7. The individual method of handicapping will be used. The handicap will be 90% and shall be figured on the difference between each bowler's average and the scratch figure of 210.(2017)
8. A vacancy score shall be 120 plus the handicap (81), with the vacant spot to be filled by the 3rd week of bowling & all monies must be current or the team may be subject to forfeit. USBC rule 119
9. A bowler who arrives late may enter the game, provided 3 frames have not been completed by both teams. The bowler may make up the frames missed by alternating appropriate lanes. A late bowler may enter the 2nd game & finish the series.
10. An absentee score shall be the regular bowler's average minus 10 pins, plus handicap. If 2 members are absent & only 1 sub is present, the absentee bowler is the one with the most games bowled, if tied, the bowler with the

- lowest average. (rule 112e2b) If there are absent bowlers on both teams, they must be slated against each other. (#100e1d)
11. One regular member and 1 substitute shall constitute a legal team line-up (a regular member is one who is listed with your team on the roster sheet.) If no legal line-up, individual bowlers may bowl for individual awards only. Pacers will not be allowed on the MNG league.
 12. MNG will allow 5 member teams (2018), as long as it is listed on the team roster and all bowlers pay their own bowling fees. Permanent roster changes must be made 1 week in advance. (2010)
 13. Bowling unopposed will be allowed in cases of emergency and then USBC rules will prevail. Cases of emergency will be determined by the league Pres. and Sec. If a team is bowling unopposed on league night, the team will not have to have a scorekeeper and will be eligible for league awards. If the team is bowling unopposed on a non-league night, a league officer need not be present to verify scores within 30 pins per game including handicap.
 14. The league secretary must be notified of any new bowlers prior to the start of bowling (subs or regulars). Ask for a sanction card.
 15. Snow days will extend the end of the regular schedule.
 16. The Sec/Tres. Salary shall be \$20 per team, to be paid at the end of the season out of leagues money, following presentation of the final average sheet to the CABA Mgr. Pines will be doing the standing sheets.(2018)
 17. No new bowlers will be allowed on position nights and on the last 3 nights of bowling.
 18. There will be 2 positions nights, the 15th week (Dec 15) & 30th week (April 6). Playoff between the 1st and 2nd half winners for league Champion will be April 13. The same team can win both halves. (2025)
 19. There will be no mobile children past the poles of the bowling area.
 20. A bowler must have attained the age 18 to participate on the league.
 21. The last weeks' lineage fees, \$432, will go towards High/Low Doubles on the last night of bowling.(2025) You must be present at the banquet to win drawings, unless there are extenuating circumstances.(2022)
 22. Toys for Tots gifts should be turned in by Nov. 24, 2025. There will be a Christmas treat night Dec. 22, 2025. Those that wish to may bring a \$10 gift to participate in an exchange. (no liquor)
 23. Each team is responsible for their score sheet and should only be totaled by that team.

24. Prize distribution will be determined by the league vote of the proposals offered by the Prize Committee
25. There will be a High/Low Doubles event bowled on the last night of bowling. Cost to be determined. See rule 21
26. Make-up games must be made up before the NEXT SCHEDULED night of bowling or can be pre-bowled. The league Sec. must be notified.
27. MNG will award the bowler that bowls the most pins over her average of at least 21 games scratch and the most individual match points. In case of a tie, the bowler with the most games wins. If this happens to be the same, there will be a 1 game roll off.
28. If there is a position tie, MNG will use total pins to determine the position, except for 1st place ties. USBC rule #118 states, "There will be 1 game bowled to break the tie."
29. Lane 5 will be responsible for the 50/50 ticket sales and drawings. 50% of the money goes into the league account to be used for drawings at the end of the season banquet & the other 50% will be split for 2 drawing each night. (2011) Subs can buy 50/50 tickets.
30. Coyne Propane team will be in charge of strike ball tickets. Only team members listed on the roster can buy tickets. If your ticket is drawn and you roll a strike, you get the whole pot, otherwise you get \$1 for each pin down, and the rest is carried over to the next week. When the strike pot reaches \$200, we will keep drawing till someone strikes. At the end of the season, only if you get a strike will you win the money. (2019)
31. Village Grille team will be in charge of the Mystery Game. Up to 3 numbers will be drawn for the 1st 2 games. If no-one has the winning score the money will carry over to the next week. At the end of each month, numbers will be drawn until someone wins. (2016) Only roster bowler, no subs.
32. During Assoc. board selected charity months, 2 weeks of 50/50 money will go to a designated charity. (Oct/Nov 2025 Veterans)
33. If you must leave your lanes between games, please return as quickly as possible so no one has to wait for you. (2018)
34. Mike's Home Improvement team has volunteered to be in charge of the end of the season banquet. (2025)

OFFICERS FOR THE 2025-26 SEASON

President	Christina Baker	878-3182
Vice Pres	Michelle Barnette	878-0520
Sec/ Tres	Barb Dore	499-0708
Sgt. at Arms	Michelle Little	920-9398

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Audit	Maddison Barnette & Pres	
Prize Proposal	Four D Trucking	
Banquet	Mike's Home Improvement	
Weather	Karen Straight	920-7290
	Barb Dore	499-0708
	Michelle Barnette	878-0520

SNOW DAYS

Your captain will be notified by 5pm if bowling has been canceled.
Captains, please call Barb Dore if you feel we should cancel.