

Sarnia Lawn Bowling Club

Wednesday Night League Proposal (2026 Season)

Prepared for Board Approval *revised prior to start Pairs League

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Overview

The committee proposes reinstating the Wednesday Night League for the 2026 season. The program is structured into **three six-week sessions**, each featuring a different format of play. The goal is to offer competitive, organized weekly bowling while generating revenue for the Club and providing meaningful prize incentives for participants.

Session Dates & Formats

Wednesdays, 6:00 pm – 8:00pm pm plus setup and tear down time

- **Triples:** May 20 – June 24
 - **Pairs:** July 8 – August 12
 - **Singles:** August 19 – September 23
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Fees & Payment

- **\$30 per person per session**
 - Payment may be made:
 - All at once, or
 - Per session, **Registration** no later than NOON the day before the session begins
 - **Payment due not later than the start of the first game**
 - **No refunds** will be issued.
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Prize Distribution

60/40 split of total funds (registration + sponsor donations, if applicable)

- **60%** paid out in prizes to **1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams** per session
- **40%** retained by the **Club**

Registration Options

Participants may register as:

- **A full team**

- An **individual** seeking team placement, team is not guaranteed but dependent on numbers
- A **spare**

Spares

- No fee for spares
 - Contacted directly by players needing substitutes
 - May only play on scheduled League Nights
 - **Not eligible** for make-up games
 - Spares **cannot** play in Skip position (as per Crystal Mark section 32)
 - Spares will not be allowed for Singles Play
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Conditions of Play

Laws of the Sport Crystal Mark (4th edition) will govern play and these conditions as follows:

Team Assignment & Scheduling

- A **draw for team numbers** will take place on the first night of each session.
- A full **game schedule** will be posted in the Clubhouse.

Weather & Cancellations

Play will be cancelled for:

- Thunderstorms
- Extreme heat
- Other unsafe conditions

* In the event a regularly scheduled game is cancelled due to the weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances those games may be played as a make-up game.

Make-up games

Teams may arrange **make-up games independently**, provided:

- All players agree
- **Spares may not** participate in make-up games

In the event that all parties cannot agree to a makeup game both teams will receive a tie 1 Point each 7 shots for, 7 shots against

The make up games must be completed before the next regularly scheduled game.

No-Show Policy

If a team does not attend or cannot field a full roster and does not secure a spare:

- They record a **Loss 0 points *7 points for, 14 points against**
- The opposing team records a **Win 3 points *14 points for, 7 points against**

Game Format

- **14 ends**, no trial ends
 - Time limit of **2 hours**
 - Bowls per player:
 - **Triples:** 3 bowls
 - **Pairs:** 3 bowls
 - **Singles:** 4 bowls
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Ranking System

Teams will be ranked based on:

1. Number of Wins ***win points***
2. Cumulative Points For and Against over the 6 week period
3. If tied, point differential will be calculated manually

Wins calculated:

Win – 3 points

Tie – 1 point

Loss – 0 points

Summary

This proposal outlines a structured, revenue-positive, and engaging Wednesday Night League for the 2026 season. The format supports competitive play, encourages participation across skill levels, and provides clear administrative guidelines for scheduling, fees, and rankings. A brief confirmation from the Board will allow the committee to begin preparing registration materials and promotional communication for members.