



# Spring / Summer Programs

## Short 7 to 13 week Leagues

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# We offer leagues for bad, average & very good bowlers.



**FREE Bowling Ball for new league bowlers**

\*(A new league bowler is defined as a bowler that has not bowled in a League in the past 4 years.)



**\$100 Value**

(FREE Professional Fitting & Drilling ALSO INCLUDED)

Free Ball program applies to league 12 weeks or more.

**Text:- 815-978-6076 to reserve a spot**

## HOW to REGISTER?

In person at Don Carter Lanes 4007 East State Street Rockford IL 61108

or by email: [info@doncarterlane.com](mailto:info@doncarterlane.com) or by text 815-978-6076

# “But I’m not good enough for a league.”

# WRONG!

*Everyone is “Good Enough”  
for a League. Here’s WHY!*

Bowling Leagues use a Handicap Scoring System, to allow for bowlers of different ability levels to compete fairly within the same league.

For example a league that uses a 100% of 200 handicap system would work as follows. A bowler who averages 130 will receive 70 (200-130) bonus pins (pins of handicap) added to their score. A bowlers average and handicap will be adjusted each week based on the overall score and number of games bowled.

The computer scorers will calculate your average & handicap for you.

**Your job is to just have FUN!**

**Bowling is America’s  
#1 Participation Sport  
70 Million people per year**



# FREE Bowling Ball YOUTH League

## Summer 2026 - Saturday Youth Bowling



**Kids don't sit the BENCH in Youth Bowling**  
**Pre-registration REQUIRED - Save a spot today!**

**Register Now! Starts Sat. May 31st**

**Pre-Registration Required**

Saturdays @ 10:30 AM  
 Program Starts:  
 Saturday - May 30th  
 (12 week program)

Pre-Bowling is allowed when you can not make the regular session.



**Bowling Ball**  
 \$100.00 Value

If you are a new league bowler\* the bowling center is going to buy YOU a Ball. (FREE Drilling INCLUDED)

\*(A new league bowler is defined as a bowler that has not bowled in a League in past 4 years.)



**Ocean Reef**



**FUN, make new friends, learn a lifetime sport, exercise, gets kids off video games.**

You pick the ball of your choice.

**How Much?**

One time fee covers the entire program.

**The one time payment covers the entire program. Age Divisions & Program Fees:**

Bumpers - 3 per team - (Ages 3 to 7/8) Two games per wk - \$129 per bowler  
 Bantams / Preps 4 per team - (Ages 7/8 to 11) Three games per wk - \$169 per bowler  
 Junior / Majors 4 per team - (Ages 12 & up) Three games per wk - \$169 per bowler

**Includes ALL THIS!**

- FREE DCL Team Bowling Shirts
- FREE Shoe & Ball Rental
- Coaching
- Special Achievement Awards
- An award medal / trophy for ALL Bowlers
- End of season cosmic bowl awards party
- FREE OPEN bowling Practice Pass (20 games)

Can't Make it Every Week? - NO PROBLEM Pre Bowling is allowed.

### Why Youth Bowling?

- A FUN Sport
- Exercise
- Make new friends
- Lifetime Sport
- Builds Confidence
- Team Building

**Bonus #1**

**FREE BONUS** Over \$100.00 in Free Practice Games

Every Youth Bowler will receive 20 FREE Practice Games to use for the youth bowler whenever they wish. (\$5.50 x 20 = \$110.00)

**Bonus #2**

**FREE BONUS** FREE 30 min Private lesson with USBC Gold Coach Richard Shockley (\$45.00 Value)

**Register as a Full Team, Partial Team or Individual.**

We are a complete team: \_\_\_\_\_  
 We are a partial team, place us with another partial team \_\_\_\_\_  
 I am an individual, place me on a team \_\_\_\_\_

**Register Now! ONLINE**

## Registration Form

**Register in person or ONLINE - Registration Deadline May 25th**

Bowler's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Pre-registration required - Save your child a spot TODAY!**

**For ages 3 to 8**

# BOWLOPOLIS

## FREE Bowling Ball

**Register Now!**  
**ONLINE**

# Bumper Bowling Kids Club



### Who?

**Kids ages 3 to 8**  
Three bowlers per team.  
Sign-up as an individual,  
partial team or full team.

### When?

**Saturdays @ 10:30 AM**  
**Starting May 30th**



### Where?

Don Carter Lanes  
Rockford, IL 61108  
(815) 399-0314

## Value Packed Youth Program

- Two Games each club session
- FREE Team Bowling Shirts
- FREE Shoe & Ball use
- FREE Snack & Drink each week
- Coaching
- Special Achievement Patches
- An award medal / trophy for ALL Bowlers listing their personal high score.
- End of season cosmic bowl awards party

### Start Date?

**Saturday May 30th**  
**(12 week program)**

Very Flexible - Pre Bowling  
allowed when you need to  
miss a week.

**Pre-registration required**

### How Much?

**\$129 per bowler**  
(Covers the entire program)

**FREE** **FREE Bowling Ball**  
\$100.00 Value



Professional fitting and  
drilling included  
(Six ball color choices  
to choose from.)

## Why Youth Bowling?

Everyone plays all the time - No one sits the bench in youth bowling, It's FUN, make new friends, learn a lifetime sport, great exercise & gets kids OFF video games.

### Who gets a FREE Bowling Ball?

All bowlers that have not bowled in a club / league in past 4 years.



**Pre-Bowling Allowed**  
when you need to miss  
a week due to a conflict.



## What are Bumpers?

Bumpers are special rails that prevent the ball from going off the lane into the gutter. More Pins knocked down = More FUN. Bumpers are great for young beginner bowlers as they learn the sport.

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# Over \$10,000.00 in Prize \$\$\$\$

**Limited to first 32 teams to register.**

## Thursday Night Handicap

Save your team  
a spot TODAY!

# TRIO LEAGUE



- Short Season League ● Open to Men & Women
- Tons of Prize \$\$\$ (ALL Bowlers win \$\$\$)



The Thursday Night Trio league is a very well established league.

The league uses an exciting Playoff Format.

Teams earn prize \$\$\$ based on their regular season record & bonus \$\$\$ for how they perform in the playoffs. ALL teams qualify for the End of Season Playoffs.

See prize \$\$\$ distribution on reverse side based on 32 teams.



**3 bowlers / team**  
**- Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m.**  
**- Starts May 14th (12 week season)**  
**Week 13 is the Playoffs**  
**- Bowl 4 GAMES**  
**- Handicap Format (90% of 220)**  
**- Cost: \$20 / bowler / wk**  
**Lots of Prize \$\$\$**



**Over \$10,000.00**  
**in Prize \$\$\$\$**  
**to be paid out !**

**ALL TEAMS GUARANTEED PRIZE \$\$\$**  
**(Not just the Top Teams)**

Details on Prize \$\$\$ Payouts on reverse side.

**ALL Teams Qualify for the Playoffs**

We are a Full team of three \_\_\_\_ We are a partial Team of 2 \_\_\_\_ I am an Individual, place me on a team: \_\_\_\_

In case of waiting list scenario FULL teams take priority.

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FREE Bowling Ball**  
**for New League Bowlers**

**FREE** **Bowling**  
**Ball**  
**\$90.00 Value**

\*(A new league bowler is defined as a bowler that has not bowled in a League in the past 4 years.)

If you are a new league bowler\* the bowling center is going to buy YOU a Ball. (FREE Drilling INCLUDED)

Show Me  
The  
Money



While Bowling is FUN all by itself,  
It gets better when you get PAID!

SHOW ME THE MONEY BABY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

This league is one of the best paying  
summer trio league in the country!

**Regular Season  
Team Place \$\$\$**

- 1st - \$400.00
- 2nd - \$350.00
- 3rd - \$325.00
- 4th - \$300.00
- 5th - \$290.00
- 6th - \$285.00
- 7th - \$280.00
- 8th - \$275.00
- 9th - \$270.00
- 10th - \$265.00
- 11th - \$260.00
- 12th - \$255.00
- 13th - \$250.00
- 14th - \$250.00
- 15th - \$250.00
- 16th - \$250.00
- 17th - \$250.00
- 18th - \$250.00
- 19th - \$250.00
- 20th - \$250.00
- 21st - \$225.00
- 22nd - \$225.00
- 23rd - \$225.00
- 24th - \$200.00
- 25th - \$200.00
- 26th - \$200.00
- 27th - \$200.00
- 28th - \$200.00
- 29th - \$200.00
- 30th - \$200.00
- 31st - \$200.00
- LAST PLACE  
\$200.00**

**Thursday Trio  
League  
Summer 2025  
League**

In addition to regular season  
prize \$\$\$\$ for ALL Teams, teams  
then also can win Playoff \$\$\$\$

**GREAT PAYING  
SUMMER LEAGUE**

- \$50.00 - High Handicap Team Game
- \$50.00 - High Scratch Team Game
- \$50.00 - High Handicap Team Series
- \$50.00 - High Scratch Team Series
- \$25.00 - High Indiv. Handicap Game
- \$25.00 - High Indiv. Scratch Game
- \$25.00 - High Indiv Handicap Series
- \$25.00 - High Indiv Scratch Series
- \$25.00 - Top 3 Indiv. Averages

**Individual \$\$\$  
Weekly Awards**

High Handicap Game  
each week - \$10.00

High Scratch Game  
each week - \$10.00

Prize structure based on 32 teams.  
Prorated if more or less.

**Trio League Playoffs - ALL teams Bowl**

ALL teams in the league will qualify to bowl in the playoffs at the end of the season  
The top half of the league after the regular season will be in the upper division playoffs.  
Teams in the lower half of the league standings will go into the lower division playoffs..

**UPPER Division  
Playoff Prize \$\$\$\$**

- \$300.00 + Trophies
- 2nd Place - \$150.00
- 3rd Place - \$100.00
- 4th Place - \$50.00

**LOWER Division  
Playoff Prize \$\$\$\$**

- \$300.00 + Trophies
- 2nd Place - \$150.00
- 3rd Place - \$100.00
- 4th Place - \$50.00

**1st 300 Game shot - \$100.00**

(if more than one on same night -Split \$\$)

**1st person to convert the 7-10 Split - \$100.00**

**Most Clean Games**

**Pot: \$100.00**

Each time during the regular season  
you get a clean game, your name goes  
into the drawing.

On the playoff night one name will  
be drawn to win \$100.00

**What is a clean game?**

A game in which you have  
a mark in all 10 frames.  
An open in the 11th frame  
is still a clean game.



**Even the Last Place  
Team gets \$200.00**

So you don't think your team is that good??? No worries, the league uses a handicap scoring system so bowlers of different  
ability levels can compete within the same league. Plus EVEN LAST PLACE gets \$200.00 back in prize \$\$.  
And you get a chance at more prize \$\$ in the playoffs. ALL teams get to bowl in the playoffs.

**Plus lots of optional Pots & Brackets  
also will be run during this league.**

# The Rum Bucket - Beer - Pizza & Wing League



**Spring 2026 Season - Short 12 week flexible league**  
 Save your team a spot NOW! - Leagues start week of May 18th

**FREE Bowling Ball for New League Bowlers**

**Everything INCLUDED: Bowling, Food & Beverage**  
**- Short 12 week FUN League -**

Save your team a spot ASAP - spots fill fast each season for these fun non serious leagues.

**Designed for NON-SERIOUS / LOUSY / Just for FUN bowlers!**

**Text 815-978-6076**  
 to save your team a spot.  
 Don't Delay - Limited Open Spots



**How Much?**  
 Only \$20 per bowler per week

**How Long?**  
**Short 12 wk league**  
 Pre-Bowling Allowed for flexibility



**What is Pre-Bowling?**  
 Teams or individuals may come in any day before your normal lg night and bowl your 3 games to count toward your league.

## Who?

4 bowlers per team  
 (4 WOMEN, 4 MEN, OR ANY COMBO)

**EVERYTHING INCLUDED**

Every week each team gets:

- - 3 Games Bowling & Free shoe rental
- - A Large Pizza OR A Platter of Boneless Wings 
- - Two (60 oz) Pitchers of Beer or Two Pitchers of Margaritas or Four (32 oz) Rum Buckets or a round of mixed drinks. Teams may change drink selection each week. 

- Plus FREE Team Bowling Shirts

## When?

Pick the night that works best for your team.

- Sundays @ 5:30 p.m. (May 17th Start)
- Mondays @ 6:30 p.m. (May 18th Start)
- Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. (May 20th Start)
- Fridays @ 6:30 p.m. (May 29th Start)

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 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

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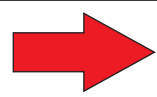
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**FREE to Save your team a spot.**  
 Register by text or online

**Text: (815) 978-6076**

**Register Now!**  
**ONLINE**



<https://bit.ly/LousyBowlerLgSignUP>



Bowling, Rental Shoes,  
Lunch & a Beverage  
for only \$15

**50 & Over Lunch & Bowl**

# **DROP-IN Format**

**ONLY Show up when you feel like it!**



**Must be 50 or older to participate.**

**Includes:**

**Thursdays @ 1 p.m. - Starting May 21st**  
Running every Thursday thru Aug. 6th

- **3 Games Bowling**

**Cost - Only \$15 per bowler**

- **Lunch**

Eat your lunch before, during or after bowling.

- **A Beverage**

(Up to YOU, we will make it for you when your ready.)

(**Coffee, Tea or Soda**)

## **Lunch Choices:**

- **Shoe Rental**

-**Hamburger**

- **Fun Prizes**

-**Cheeseburger**

- **Grilled Cheese**

-**Grilled Ham & Cheese**

-**Jumbo Hot Dog**

-**Boneless Wings**



# Special Needs (VERY FUN)



## Bowling Club

**Starting June 15th, 2026**  
**Save your athlete a spot now!**

**ALL Ages Welcome - Youth to Seniors**  
**Short & Fun 10 Week Programs**



**Schedule**

- wk 1 - 6/8
- wk 2 - 6/15
- wk 3 - 6/22
- wk 4 - 6/29
- wk 5 - 7/6
- wk 6 - 7/13
- wk 7 - 7/20
- wk 8 - 7/27
- wk 9 - 8/3
- wk 10 - 8/10
- Awards Night**

# Includes ALL THIS!

- 90 mins of bowling per week.
- Shoe & Ball rental Included.
- Program t-shirt for each bowler.
- Snack & Drink Included each week.
- Award Medal for all bowlers at end of program awards recognition banquet.
- Parent / Care giver involvement on the lanes is encouraged as you wish.
- DCL Coaches will also be helping each week.

**The body heals with play,  
the mind heals with laughter,  
and the spirit heals with joy.**  
-Proverb

Two programs to choose from  
Pick the one that works best for your schedule:

- Mondays @ 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (Starting June 15th)
- Mondays @ 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Starting June 15th)

**Program Fee:**  
**A one time fee of**  
**\$149 per participant.**  
**(Covers all 10 weeks)**

**Limited Spots Available**  
**Please Register ASAP**



## How to Register?

Contact Program Coordinator:  
Jori Peterson - Call or Text for more information  
or to save a spot in the program (815)-289-0309  
or **SCAN QR CODE for online registration.**

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# DW (Dan Winter) Wednesday Night Scratch Singles Match Play League



**Text 815-978-6076 to reserve your spot.**

Format: 4 Matches per night against 4 different opponents. 30 points for a win, 15 points for a tie, 0 points for a loss.

Then 1 pt for plus or minus for each pin over or under 200.

Example if you bowl 210 and win your match - You will receive 40 standing points. 30 for the win & 10 for being 10 pins over 200.

**Are you tired of losing to a bowler that gets 50 pins of handicap? That will never happen in this league. If you loose in this league it is all on you! No Handicap in this league, what you bowl is what you get.**



## Open to Adult & Youth

- One bowler per team
- Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.
- Starts May 20th (12 week season)**
- Bowl 4 GAMES against 4 different bowlers
- SCRATCH Format
- Cost: \$20 per bowler per wk

Adults win CASH

Youth win Scholarship \$\$\$ - USBC Smart Acct

Added Prize \$\$\$ & Scholarship \$\$\$ provided by Nick Sommer



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### Registration Form

League Choice: DW Wednesday Night Scratch

Bowler's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Kelly Dowda - Your most awesome league secretary. Thank You Kelly!!!**



# Short 7 Week League



Bat



Badger



Cameleon



Cheetah



Scorpion



Shark



Viper

Each week will be a different PBA animal oil pattern.

**Open to all level of bowlers. League open to Adult and Youth**

## Scratch Division & Handicap Division



Reserve & Pay  
for your spot  
online **HERE:**

<https://bit.ly/AnimalPatternLg>

**When?** Friday Nights @ 6PM  
Starting May 15th

Quick format - Finished by 7:45 PM

(Short 7 week League)



**Where?**  
**Don Carter Lanes**  
**Rockford, IL**

**Entry Fee? \$140**  
Covers all 7 weeks

**Why do I have to pay for the league all at once?**

We want only bowlers to join this league that are fully committed to finish. Not the bowler that is just wanting to try out these patterns for a couple weeks, then drop out when they find out they can't score as high as they normally would on a typical league shot. Bowlers should expect to average a lot less in this league.

**Who can bowl?** This league is open to adults and youth.

Youth bowlers must be middle school or higher.  
Adults will be awarded cash for the league prize \$\$\$.  
Youth will receive USBC Smart scholarship funds.

**Format:** One bowler per team.

Three Games per week, bowl three separate one game matches against three different opponents.

**League Schedule:**

- Week 1 - May 15th
- Week 2 - May 22nd
- Week 3 - May 29th
- Week 4 - June 5th
- Week 5 - June 12th
- Week 6 - June 19th
- Week 7 - June 26th

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# Join one of our Summer 2026 Leagues

**FREE Bowling Ball for New League Bowlers**

**FREE** *Bowling Ball*  
**Brunswick** \$100.00 Value

Bowlers will receive a FREE Brunswick T - Zone or similar.



Ocean Reef

If you are a new league bowler\*  
 the bowling center is going to buy YOU a Ball.  
**(FREE Professional Fitting & Drilling INCLUDED)**

\* A new bowler is defined as a bowler who has not bowled in a Viking Lanes, Park Lanes, Forest Hills Lanes, Cherry Bowl or Don Carter Lanes league in past 4 years.

### Upgrade Options

#### Upgrade to a Reactive Resin Ball:

**Why would I do this?** This type of ball will allow you hook the ball more. If you are a straight ball bowler and have no interest in learning how to throw a hook ball, then do not consider the upgrade.

**How?** The Pro shop will simply apply the value of the T-zone (\$100) toward any ball the pro shop offers.

**Example:** Upgrade to the Brunswick Rhino for an extra \$64 (\$164 - \$100)



### When do I receive my new bowling ball ?

New bowlers will be given their new bowling ball certificates at the mid point of the league. The bowler will then bring the certificate to the BowlersMart Pro Shop to get professionally fitted and to select the specific ball they want.

### What if I want my new ball sooner ?

No problem - Just pre pay for your league up front and you will be given the certificate immediately to bring to the Pro Shop at your convenience. You will get professionally fitted and your ball will be ordered right away if it is not in-stock. Your ball will arrive within 10 days.



Why do millions of people all over the country join leagues each year?

- "To have FUN!"
- "To meet new people"
- "To get out of the house"
- "To relieve stress"
- "An excuse to drink beer with friends"
- "To become a better bowler"
- "For the competition"

## League Registration Form

We are a complete team: \_\_\_\_\_ League Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

We are a partial team, place us with another partial team \_\_\_\_\_

I am an individual, place me on a team \_\_\_\_\_

Bowler's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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If registering a youth bowler please include age.

**6 ways to Register: In person, online, phone, email, text or postal mail**

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Online Registration Here

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