Dear Bowlers, based on recent events and the bowling centre’s re opening it is time for us to consider restarting the Wednesday League. With this in mind, I’m proposing we have a Team Captains meeting at the bowl on Wednesday the 20th October at 8pm. If a Captain is not available to attend then please arrange for at least one representative to come please.

Please read through all of the items and share with your team before the meeting and be prepared to feedback anything about the proposals.

**The restart date will be 12th January 2022**

I had a meeting with the bowl last week and a number of topics came up so here is some of the items brought up.

1/. League Bowling Code of Conduct – The following was distributed, and we will need to ALL understand these points.

* Any aggressive behaviour or swearing towards Tenpin staff is not acceptable. Bowlers will be warned once if this occurs, any further occurrence will result in that bowler being removed from the session and told to leave the premises.
* Be respectful when reporting any lane faults at reception, if staff are currently serving a customer do not shout across to them, as soon as they are free, they will help.
* All bowlers use their own equipment at their own risk. Tenpin accept no liability for any damages.
* Lane faults will be dealt with in the order that they have been reported to the technician, league lanes will NOT take priority over any others.
* Any feedback regarding lane performance or general feedback is to be given via the league secretary.

2/. Lineage at present for all Leagues will be **£7.00 for 3 games**. This is lower than we were paying previously and is not guaranteed not to go up in the future. Therefore, we propose to keep the weekly fees as **£10.00** per bowler per week. Thus giving **£1.00 for Lucky strike** and **£2.00 for Prize fund**. Should the lineage go up in the future we can revisit weekly fees.

3/. There will be **NO** reduced rates for Food and Drinks at the bowl.

4/. Our current Treasurer will not be returning when we start so we are looking for a new one. Debbie Law has agreed to assist me in collecting the money each week and I can act as Secretary and Treasurer in the meantime, as long as no one has any objections to this.

Post meeting note: No issues with Debbie as acting Vice Treasurer and myself being Secretary & Treasurer.

5/. We may not be able to have our Doubles event during the season as we may not be able to bowl on the School Summer holiday weeks. This is subject to the October school holiday where the bowl will review this. Should it be available for us to use those 6-7 weeks in summer we will do doubles as previously.

**Post Meeting Note: Doubles knockout WILL NOT be held this season due to the bowl stopping us from bowling on school Half term weeks.**

6/. It is becoming increasingly difficult for us to sustain this League as a trophy league due to difficulties and time to get these purchased. We would keep the perpetual trophies going for League Winners, Scratch League shields etc. We would like to change this to a “Money” league.

I have inserted a proposed list of Prize money based on all players present to pay every week. This would be much easier for us to maintain and support going forward. Based on these values we may have to drop the Fun Night or it will need to be a self-funding event i.e. £10.00 minus lineage leaves £3 prize fund per person, so if 20 came £60.00 can be split across top 3 Triplex scores. No spot prizes for coloured pins. Or we could reduce some of the other prizes to accommodate more. Let’s discuss.

**Post meeting Note: No objections to changing to a money league.**

7/. I have enclosed a Team sheet for you to update and give back at the meeting. I would also like every team to provide me one e-mail address that I can use to send notifications to make my job a little easier. Currently I’m having to either SMS Text, WhatsApp, Messenger & E-mail not ideal and very time consuming for me. I may also forget to get in contact with some of you with this current method.

Post meeting Note: Not all teams had a representative at meeting

**Teams who were represented below**

Ab Fab - Will not be returning, some players moving to JoJo’s

Barbarians. Looking for Players.

JoJo’s

Red Hot Chilli Bowlers – Changing name to Sandbaggers

RAC Breakdowns

Tornados

Out for a Laugh

Who Gives a Split

**Teams not represented at meeting**

Great Spares – Mike Webber to confirm team.

Thunderballs R Go – Dave Crimes confirmed they will be returning.

So, this all means minus Ab Fab we have 9 teams and a pacer team unless Great Spares cannot get a team and merge with Barbarians then we will have 8 teams.