

Granada Bowl Match Club

BY-LAWS

Granada Bowl Match Club is a sanctioned organization which bowls matches with other match clubs, typically one match at Granada Bowl and one match at their home bowling center. When bowling at Granada Bowl, each member bowling is required to provide food that is suitable for feeding at least eight persons. Participation in tournaments (other than the two tournaments sponsored by Granada Bowl Match Club) is encouraged but is optional.

Bylaws shall be reviewed and amended annually. Alterations shall be submitted to and reviewed by the Board of Directors at the January Board meeting, and presented to the Match Club members at the February general meeting. Approval is by a majority vote of members, by ballot, to be counted at the March meeting. Approved changes will become affective immediately after the March meeting unless otherwise specified, at that meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Match Club members must have a current verifiable average for 21 games or more and have a league average at Granada Bowl. Match Club membership shall not exceed 80 members and will consist of approximately 40 men and 40 women. All club members must be at least 18 years of age. A prospective club member must be sponsored by a current club member. Members must be in the club six (6) months or more before they can nominate a prospective member. Special membership drive(s) may be called at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Membership approval is by a 2/3 majority vote of the Board of Directors at the meeting. The membership committee will report at the meeting following nomination and the Board will vote at the meeting following the prospective member's completion of the bowling and meeting requirements. During screening, each prospective member will be asked to bowl two (2) matches, one home and one away, and attend one (1) club meeting prior to being voted upon. Prospective members will be expected to pay all fines for series and mark frame.

The Board of Directors may terminate a membership by a 2/3 majority vote. Justification for such action shall be based upon (a) non-attendance of meetings, (b) failure to sign up for and bowl matches, (c) failure to pay Match Club dues, (d) failure to bowl in an established Granada Bowl Fall/Winter league, and (c) inappropriate conduct detrimental to the Match Club.

MEETINGS

Match Club meeting will be held on Saturdays or Sundays at approximately monthly intervals. The time and date will be posted on the Bulletin Board. One member can represent their spouse (or significant other) at any meeting. Members missing three (3) consecutive meetings without good cause can be dropped from the club. The Board of Directors will meet monthly prior to the general meeting. Special meetings can be called at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

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AVERAGES

Match Club members must have a current verifiable average for 21 games or more or have a winter league average at Granada Bowl. Match Club average will be based on the Blue Book average first. If no Blue Book average exists, the Match club average will be the current verifiable average based on 21 games.

DUES

Dues are \$30.00 per year and are due by the February meeting. There will be no refunds. If dues are not paid by the March meeting, membership will be terminated. Dues will be prorated for new members joining the Match Club and reinstated members after the February meeting. Members shall have a current USBC card.

Each member of the Match Club is required to bowl in our two (2) FUN DAY tournaments, and is required to contribute food and raffle prizes per member, and help in the club fundraisers. All members are obligated to pay the Entry Fee, whether or not they bowl. If a members Entry Fees are not paid within thirty (30) days after the tournament their membership will be terminated.

The Match Club will hold a Club Championship once a year. Date determined by the Board of Directors. To be eligible to bowl, a member must be in the match club at least sixty (60) days before the championship. All dues are to be paid in full. Format: All bowlers will bowl three (3) games and the top eight (8) men and eight (8) women will go into brackets to determine the Men's champion and the Women's champion. Board of Directors will determine the cost of bowling and the prize fund.

LEAVE OF ABSENSE

A written request must be submitted to the Board of Directors. Said leave shall be granted by the Match club officers. The member will then be removed form the club roster, allowing a new member to join the club. This is to maintain a maximum number of active members. When the member wishes to rejoin the club, they will be placed at the top of the waiting list and reinstated, subject to approval by the Board of Directors, when an opening is available. A leave of absence shall be limited to one (1) year and subject to Officers' review. A leave of absence shall only be granted to those who meet all of the requirements of membership.

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TREASURY

The Match Club treasury shall not be allowed to drop below \$500.00 at any time. If the treasury is less the \$500.00 each member will be assessed as needed to reach this minimum balance.

GRANADA BOWL

Granada Bowl will advise and assist the Club whenever possible. They will provide a meeting room for the monthly meeting. Dennis Fanucchi will serve as advisor to the Board of Directors in a non-voting capacity.

OFFICERS

Match Club officers shall be elected for a term of one (1) year. Officers will consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Officers shall not be limited to a specific number of terms in office in their present capacity. New officers shall begin their terms in January of the following year. Membership in the Match Club for at least one (1) year is required for all officers.

Officer's duties shall be as follows:

PRESIDENT

The President shall preside over all regular and special meetings of the organization; shall appoint or re-appoint officers, standing committees and special committees at the regular business meeting of their term of office and shall be an eligible co-signer of all organization checks. The President shall carry on the duties in such a way as to promote effective operation of the organization. In the event of vacancies in elective offices, the President shall appoint temporary replacements until special elections can be held. The President shall be a consulting member of all committees. The President shall preside over all Board of Director meetings and shall participate in them and have the tie-breaking vote. The President shall verify bank statements with the Club Treasurer on a monthly basis.

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VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President shall perform all duties of the President in their absence; shall attend Board of Director meetings and participate in discussions. The Vice President shall be the chairman of all Fund Raising Tournaments for the Match Club.

SECRETARY

The Secretary shall record and preserve the minutes of all regular, special and Board of Directors meetings; read, or distribute copies of the minutes of the organization for correction and approval and shall be responsible for all Match Club correspondence. The Secretary shall record attendance at each Match Club meeting.

All records of the Match Club shall be kept for seven (7) years and are the responsibility of the Secretary.

TREASURER

The Treasurer shall be responsible for the collection, safe keeping, and expenditure of all funds of the organization and for keeping an accurate financial record. The Treasurer shall report briefly on the finances of the organization or distribute copies of the financial statement, at each membership and Board of Directors meeting and answer any questions on financial matters. The Treasurer shall normally be the primary signer of all organization checks. The Treasurer collects and distributes funds only as directed by the law, the bylaws, the membership, the Board of Directors or other authority provided for in the by-laws, and shall be responsible for filing necessary records pertinent to this office and retain records for seven (7) years.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall make sure the club policies are carried out.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, three (3) Directors at Large, the immediate Past President, the Matchmaker, and the Food Chairperson. Any board member missing three (3) consecutive meetings without good cause shall be removed from office and a replacement appointed by the President.

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MATCHMAKER

The Matchmaker will schedule all matches. The President shall appoint the Matchmaker. The Matchmaker shall serve a one (1) year term and may serve additional terms if desired by the President and confirmed by the Board of Directors. If desired, the President shall also appoint an Assistant Matchmaker.

FOOD CHAIRPERSON

The President shall appoint a Food Chairperson. The Food Chairperson shall serve a one (1) year term and may serve additional terms if desired by the President and confirmed by the Board of Directors. The Food Chairperson shall contact members that are bowling each HOME match to coordinate the food to assure a balance within the food groups. The Food Chairperson shall procure all utensils, condiments and other staples that are needed to compliment the foods provided by the members.

STANDING COMMITTEES

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The members of the Membership Committee will be appointed by the President and will serve a term of one (1) year. The Membership Committee will interview all prospective new members and report to the Board of Directors at the first available Board meeting

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - (Nominations)

The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee at the August meeting prior to the election of Officers. This committee will seek recommendations from the members and contact potential candidates for Officers and three (3) Directors at large. At the September meeting this committee will present a slate of candidates for each office and Directors at large within the match club. At least one (1) candidate shall be offered for each office and at least three (3) candidates for the Directors at large. Nominations from the floor will be opened at the September and October meetings. No nominations can be made after the October meeting. This committee will be disbanded at the meeting for election of Officers.

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ELECTIONS

Ballots will be prepared one (1) week after the October meeting and distributed to each member of the Match Club. Ballots can be submitted to any Board of Director in a sealed envelope with the member(s) name on the outside of the envelope. Ballots can also be cast at the November meeting with the member(s) name on the outside of a sealed envelope. The President shall appoint at least two (2) members to count the ballots.

DRESS CODE

Uniforms will consist of Match Club shirts and black pants, black skirts, skorts (no more than 2 inches above the knee), or black shorts (no more than 4 inches above the knee). Only solid black or white shirts, long or short sleeves may be worn under Match Club shirts. Match Club shirts are to be worn only during all Match Club functions. They may not be worn during league play unless directed by the Match Club President. Discontinued Match Club shirts can be worn during league play only. Spandex or sweats are not allowed. Hats shall not be worn while bowling Match Club games. A \$5.00 fine will be charged for breaking the dress code. New members must order their shirts within thirty (30) days of joining the Match Club.

LATE ARRIVAL AND NO SHOW

Bowlers not showing up for a match in which they are scheduled to bowl will be fined \$5.00. If there is an emergency or if you have called ahead of time to notify the Matchmaker of a problem about being on time this rule will not apply. All members bowling in a match shall check in with Matchmaker (or alternate) prior to the match. Check in time shall be thirty (30) minutes earlier than the scheduled match time. If members scheduled to bowl do not call in or arrive within fifteen (15) minutes of the check in time, they will be fined \$5.00. Whenever a match is bowled (in or out of town) and a member does not show up to bowl that vacancy will be filled with that member's average, less ten (10) pins.

MATCHES

Matches shall be on a scratch basis. We will handicap 100% over ten (10) pins. Team averages will be agreed upon by the Matchmakers from both clubs. Members are required to bowl in one (1) out of every six (6) matches, and are also required to bowl one (1) out of town match per quarter.

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FINES

Any Match Club member bowling a Match Club match in which he/she does not bowl their average for the three (3) games shall be fined \$5.00. Any Match Club member bowling a Match Club match in which he/she bowls more than one hundred (100) pins below their average for the three (3) games shall be fined an additional \$5.00. Any member missing the mark frame will be fined \$0.25 per game.

DISSOLUTION

The Match Club may be dissolved at any time by a ballot vote of the members. In the event of the dissolution, other than for the purposes of reorganization whether voluntary or involuntary, none of the property, proceeds, or assets of the Match Club shall be distributed to any member(s). After payment of the debts of the Match Club its remaining property, assets, and proceeds shall be donated to a local charitable organization and/or youth organization as designated by a membership vote.

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