

2018 CLUB 55 CUP

NATIONAL FIVEPIN CHAMPIONSHIP

The CLUB 55 CUP is a fun 4-Player Team event where each team is made up of any combination of men and/or women. Teams advance through House, Zone and Provincial Championships, and the event culminates in a Spectacular National Final as part of the CANADA CUPS Championships, which includes the National Finals of the Bowl Canada Cup and the Bowling World Cup.

STEP # 1 - QUALIFYING ROUND - January 1 to February 28

The CLUB 55 Co-ordinator, in co-operation with the management of the bowling centre, will establish a suitable time and date for the qualifying round during the time period listed above. The qualifying round must be 3, 4, 5 or 6 games at the discretion of the proprietor/Co-ordinator and can be held either during regular league play or as a separate roll off(s).

All CLUB 55 members 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER at the commencement of the qualifying round are eligible to compete providing they have bowled a minimum of 21 league games.

The Qualifying Round must be scored on the pins over average basis with each bowler using his/her highest average at **DECEMBER 31ST** in ALL BOWLING CENTRES, IN ALL LEAGUES, CLUB 55 OR OTHER. Example...John Doe bowls in a CLUB 55 league out of "Luxury Bowl". He has an average of 170. He also bowls in another Club 55 league at "Diamond Lanes" and averages 175. He also bowls in a non-Club 55 league at "Diamond Lanes" and averages 180. The average John Doe will be required to use for ALL qualifying rounds of the CLUB 55 National Championship is the 180 "Diamond Lanes" non-Club 55 league average, which is the highest of the 3 leagues.

At the conclusion of the qualifying round, the bowlers having scored the most pins over their average will have qualified to advance to the next round of competition. The team will be comprised of the bowlers with the 4 highest qualifying scores (POA). Remember, it's the scores that determine the team members, so your team may be comprised of 3 women and 1 man (for example). Leagues may opt to send more than one team to the next level of competition thereby advancing more bowlers to the next level of competition.

STEP # 2 - ZONE FINALS (OPTIONAL) - March 15 to 31

In provinces that do conduct a Zone Final the following will apply, otherwise skip forward to the next step (PROVINCIAL FINALS):

Zone Finals will be scored on the pins over average basis with each bowler using his/her highest average IN ALL LEAGUES, IN ALL BOWLING CENTRES at **DECEMBER 31ST**. The bowlers' averages will be totalled up to determine the team average.

The team(s) scoring the most pins over the combined team average will be declared Club 55 ZONE CUP CHAMPIONS and will advance to the Provincial Finals.

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STEP # 3 - PROVINCIAL FINALS - April 15 - May 15

The Provincial Finals will be scored on the pins over average basis with each bowler using his/her UPDATED HIGHEST AVERAGE IN ALL LEAGUES, IN ALL BOWLING CENTRES at **APRIL 1st**. These averages will be totalled up to determine the team's average.

The team scoring the most pins over their combined team average will be declared CLUB 55 PROVINCIAL CUP CHAMPIONS and they will advance to the National Finals.

STEP # 4 - NATIONAL FINALS - July 7 & 8

Provincial Champion Teams will compete in the CLUB 55 CUP NATIONAL FINALS to be held on **July 7th & 8th** (Edmonton, AB). Travel days will be July 6th and 9th.

Travel and accommodation for all competitors at the National Finals will be paid by CLUB 55. The provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Northern Ontario and Southern Ontario will be represented.

The National Finals will be conducted as a Double Round Robin, based on 100% handicap with scores being carried throughout the schedule. Team will also receive 40 bonus points for each game won and 20 points for a tie. Each team will bowl two games against each province...(5 shifts x 2 games = total of 10 games). Each bowler will compete using his/her highest average IN ALL LEAGUES, IN ALL BOWLING CENTRES at **APRIL 1st** (same average as used in the Provincial Finals).

Example...A basis score shall be set based on the averages of the teams competing...example 670. In the first game, Alberta with a team average of 600 will receive 70 pins handicap for each game bowled (670 basis less 600 actual average). Team Manitoba's average is 630 and they therefore receive 40 pins handicap each game. In game 1, Alberta bowls 610 to Manitoba's 620. With handicap the match is actually 680 (610+70 handicap) for Alberta to Manitoba's 660 (620+40 handicap). Alberta wins the match and counts 680 pins + 40 Bonus pins for game 1.

The winning team will be declared CLUB 55 CUP NATIONAL CHAMPIONS and they will be suitably rewarded for their accomplishments.

National Finals Format subject to revision at the sole discretion of Bowl Canada.

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ADDITIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

1. A CLUB 55 member is entitled to qualify for the Club 55 National Championship out of each bowling centre he or she is registered at. A bowler who qualifies more than once for the Championship must, for all subsequent steps, represent the bowling centre in which he/she has the highest league average at the end of the qualifying round.
2. Bowlers must be 55 years of age or over at the commencement of the qualifying round in order to participate in this National Championship.
3. If there is a tie at the end of an event, one complete game must be rolled to decide the winner.
4. All bowlers will pay lineage fees as established in their province for the Zone and Provincial Finals.
5. The general playing rules and conduct rules of the Canadian 5-Pin Bowlers' Association will be in effect where CLUB 55 rules are not specified.

