

## **Holy Name CYO Bowling Information—Winter 2008-09**

Holy Name Hurricane Club will again offer Bowling as a winter sport this coming season. Our inaugural season (2006-07) was a good start for this program and we are hoping that there will be strong interest among students and parents to continue to build the program into a new Holy Name tradition. This flyer is intended to answer some questions that we've gotten and to give parents an idea of what to expect.

**When does bowling start?** Practices will start late November or early December, one afternoon a week, shortly after school if possible.

**How does my child get to practice?** Parents are responsible for driving their own children or making car pool arrangements with other parents.

**Will there be JV and Varsity squads?** Yes, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are considered JV bowlers; 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are Varsity bowlers. JV bowlers are not eligible for the post-season tournament. Varsity bowlers with at least eight games are eligible for the tournament.

**Can I help?** Yes, we need at least one coordinator to lead the bowling team. Please call Jim Lovat if you are interested. We will also need parents to help supervise at practices, depending upon the number of bowlers who sign up.

### **When and where are the matches?**

- League matches begin on Saturday, January 10 and continue for 10 consecutive weeks.
- The Varsity tournament is on March 21
- CYO has not yet announced the location of matches for the 2008-09 season, but typically there's an east side site and a west side site.
- Exact locations and starting times are not available at this time.
- In each match, a Holy Name team will compete against a team from another school. If we have multiple teams, they may be competing at the same time, but against teams from different schools. Each of our teams will have its own "win-loss" record in matches.

### **How many bowlers are on a team?**

- A minimum of four bowlers are on each team.
- Four bowlers bowl for score and up to two additional bowlers (called pacers) can bowl on match day.
- 7/8th grade league will bowl 1 practice game prior to 2 regular games per meet.
- 5/6th grade league will bowl 2 regular games per meet.

Hurricane Club plans to register with CYO as many teams as needed to accommodate athletes that register for bowling. Everyone who registers will be placed on a team.

**How much will bowling cost?** Bowling is just like other sports at Holy Name in terms of registration process and requirements. Parents will fill out the same paperwork as other sports. Fees for this year are as follows:

- \$100 participation fee (covers CYO entrance fee and 10 league matches)
- \$100 uniform deposit
- \$50 Green & Gold membership (one per family, annually)

The costs of weekly practice games and shoe rentals are the responsibility of each bowler. Last year, we held our practices at Thunderbird Lanes, at a cost of \$3 per bowler per session. We do not anticipate the cost of practices will vary from last year's level by more than a dollar or two.

Athletes will need a Physical Exam Report, just like the other sports.

**Can my child bowl and play another sport at Holy Name?**

This is a very tough question. Hurricane Club plans to offer three CYO sports for the winter season—cheerleading, basketball, bowling. While the Hurricane Club doesn't prohibit multiple sport participation, ***we ask that parents and athletes seriously consider the commitment that they are making to the team on which an athlete is placed.*** Parents should also consider the potential conflict between the various practice sessions and games. Specifically:

- A number of our JV basketball games are scheduled for Saturday afternoons, and will present a direct conflict with bowling matches. This means that JV cheerleaders (who will be cheering for JV basketball games) may have a conflict with bowling also.
- Cheerleading competitions will take place on weekends, which will likely conflict with bowling matches.
- Our JV basketball teams have only 2 practices a week; Varsity teams have 3 or 4. If an athlete misses one JV practice for bowling, he or she has missed ½ of the practice time.

***Coaches have the authority to restrict (or eliminate) playing time for athletes who miss practice or games. At the Varsity level, coaches may also choose to cut athletes who have known conflicts with other sports.***

If an athlete tries out for basketball and does not make a Varsity team, we'll try our best to accommodate his or her second choice, cheerleading or bowling.

**What other information is available:**

Please visit the Hurricane Club web site and download:

- *Holy Name Athletic Dates 2008-09.PDF*. You can see the bowling weekends in this document.

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