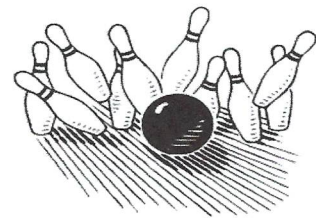
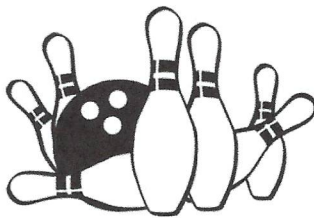


# Sports Programs

2024-2025



# **Sports programs for 2024-2025**

We will still have our four main events: Dart Ball, Bowling, Golf, and Cornhole for the next two years.

Remember that all our events are for all ages of the Grange and please remember that they are for fun. Also, use the sports events as a way of getting new members, as that is one of goals asked of all the departments by the State President -Work on getting new members!

## **DATES FOR SPORT EVENTS FOR 2024**

<b>Dart Ball</b>	<b>April 28, 2024</b>
<b>Bowling</b>	<b>June 2, 2024</b>
<b>Golf</b>	<b>July 7, 2024</b>
<b>Corn Hole</b>	<b>August 3, 2024</b>

## **DATES FOR SPORT EVENTS FOR 2025**

<b>Dart Ball</b>	<b>April 27, 2025</b>
<b>Bowling</b>	<b>June 1, 2025</b>
<b>Golf</b>	<b>July 13, 2025*</b>
<b>Corn Hole</b>	<b>August 2, 2025</b>

## **LOCATIONS**

<b>Dart Ball</b>	<b>Headquarters</b>
<b>Bowling</b>	<b>Cortlanes</b>
<b>Golf</b>	<b>Orchard Vly, Lafayette</b>
<b>Corn Hole</b>	<b>Headquarters</b>

**\*Moved to avoid conflict with the Holiday**

## DART BALL TOURNAMENT

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The Dart Ball Tournament is held on the last Sunday of April unless it is Easter Sunday which we will then move the Tournament to the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of May. Start time is 9:00 am sharp. We play a total of 9 games as we try to have teams from all the 4 regions playing. All teams must play a total of 3 games against the other teams. No position at the end of the day can end in a tie. If needed-a game will have to be played to determine who receives the higher position. The tournament uses the official NYS Grange dart ball board.

All teams must have at least 7 players and can play a max of 9 players at one time. Each team must field 2 members of the opposites sex at all times. An entry fee will be charged to each team that comes to cover the expenses.

All teams must call the State Director by April 15<sup>th</sup> each year so trophies can be ordered to be given out to the teams the day of the tournament.

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The State Bowling Competition is the first Sunday in June each year. The applications are sent out by the 1<sup>st</sup> of April each year. The price may vary as the cost of the bowling goes up and we have to adjust accordingly. Please note that the rules are enclosed on a separate page.

The bowling takes place at Cortlanes Bowling Alley in Cortland, N.Y. All fees are split to the winners after the bowling fees are paid.

We do a 50/50 raffle to help pay for running the tournament.

If you have any questions or need an entry form- please contact me.

We also have-a youth and special needs class to give them more handicaps. We have set up special prizes for Youth and Special Needs as we feel that it gives them a chance. We support all ages of the grange in our events. Also, teams members can be from anywhere from across the state.

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

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The State Golf Tournament is held on the first Sunday in July each year. We have a rule that we change locations every two years to allow all teams to have a chance to stay close to home. We would like teams from the east to join us as we now have northern, western and central regions that play.

This is a captain and crew team format that can be made up of two men and one woman. Or two women and one man. Any team can be made up from across the state and doesn't have to be from the same Grange. If you have any questions, please contact the Chairman.

## CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT

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The State Grange Corn Hole Tournament, now in its third year, is held on the first Saturday of August each year, at State Grange Headquarters.

The rules have been revised starting with the 2024 season and are printed in this handbook. If you have any questions, contact the Chairman.

The Sports Director must be advised by July 25 of the teams participating, to ensure a proper number of boards will be available.

## **RULES FOR NYS GRANGE BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

- Entrants:** All entrants must be members in good standing of a Subordinate Grange in NYS. Youth members must be at least 13 ½ years old and have parent's permission.
- Teams:** Teams are to be made up of one of the following formats, if possible (2) men & (2) women. (3) man & (1) women. (3) Women & (1) man. The last combination that we can use but prefer not to allow is (4) men or (4) women but if it means another team, we will allow it.
- Entry Forms:** Completed forms must be filled out and sent with the league secretaries' certification. Please try to send the form back by the date on the form so I can get the teams into the bowling alley on time.
- Lineups:** lineups should be made in the order you want your members to bowl. Please print the names on the form so I can get them loaded properly. If you need a sub after the form has been sent, we can change the day of the tournament.
- Playing Rules:** All team captains must report one hour prior to bowling to verify that your team is all there, and no subs are needed. All bowling balls must be of the standard size and weight.
- Averages:** Entrants will use their highest league average as of the previous season. All non-league bowlers will be given the following average. Men receive (150) and women (125). All youth under 17 and special needs will receive an average of (100). Please note youth and special needs on the entry form.
- Prizes:** Prizes will be paid at the rate of 100% of total entry fees collected less the expense of the bowling alley and mailing fees.  
**PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR SPORTS DEPARTMENT IS FOR FUN AND WE WANT TO HAVE ALL AGES INVOLVED IN OUR EVENTS.**



## **DARTBALL RULES:**

1. All players must be Grange members in good standing.
2. Dart ball Medical Rule: Anyone who has a medical problem (e.g., arthritis/injury) may stand 17 feet from the playing field. These persons should be identified early in the league play.
3. If your Grange doesn't have a team your members may join another team. A person can't join two teams in the same year.
4. Each league has a chairman who has final authority on all rules and regulations in that league. The state chairman has control over all regional and state playoffs.
5. NYS Grange Official dart boards and rules must be used. The center of the home run must be 54 inches from the floor. Second base must be at the top of the board. The distance used is 20 feet from the face of the board. Handicap distance is 17 feet.
6. All games must be played with at least 7 players and no more than 9. Of the 7 players you must have at least 2 women or 2 men playing at all times unless agreed upon by both teams.
7. All matches are to consist of 3 games of 7 innings each. No games can end in a tie. You must play extra innings to get a winner. All games will be reported to your league chairman. No games are to be forfeited. If games are not played, they cannot be counted.
8. Substitutions are allowed as the same as in baseball.
9. All Playoff are to be played in a neutral hall. Playoff consists of the best 2 out of 3 games.
10. Leagues shall be completed by March 31<sup>st</sup>. Regional must be played by April 15<sup>th</sup>.
11. All leagues need to play a total of 12 games to go to regional or state playoffs.
12. During playoffs you must keep at least 8 feet between teams. Each team is to set up a lineup with only the players in the lineup sitting in the row. A line-up change can be made at the beginning of each game but the players must change to sit in the new positions. Subs must sit in the spot of the person that they were subbing for. Only six darts per person can be thrown in warming up for playoffs.
13. Any team coming to the state will play a total of 9 games that day. The play offs start at 9.00 a.m. on the last Sunday of April. This is the same time every year.  
Each team must play each other for 3 games. If ties for any of the four places occur at the end of the day. A one game tie breaker game is played. The winner takes that spot, and the loser moves down one place.
14. Two identical State Grange dart ball boards will be used at the state playoffs.
15. Trophies will be awarded to all four teams at the state playoffs.
16. Each team must furnish their own equipment at all games.
17. All rules and score keeping are the same as baseball. Each team must furnish scorekeepers. Each team always needs 1 umpire at the board. Umpires must speak clearly so scorekeepers can hear!

## GAME RULES FOR DARTBALL

If a dart touches any line, it is a Ball.

If a dart is outside the playing board,  
It is an Out.

When a dart is in the stolen base and strike zone, all runners advance 1 base, except on the Third out.

When a dart is in the double play or ball area the runner closest to home and the batter are out. If nobody is on base the call is a Ball.

The Triple play or Strike zone counts as a Strike, Triple play or Double play depending on the number of runners on base. All runners and the batter are out regardless of the number of outs. If no one is on base, then the call is a Strike.

Each batter throws darts until on Base, has a Home Run or is Out.

Space marked Ball or Out, the call is a Ball unless a player is on base, and then the call is an Out.

When the Dart is in the Error Zone, batter is on 1<sup>st</sup> base and all runners advance one base.

Hit Batsman put the Batter on 1<sup>st</sup> base.  
Other players don't advance unless they are forced to.

Sacrifice or Strike, if there are base runners the batter is Out, but runners advance one base except on the third out. If there are two outs, the batter gets a Strike, and the base runners don't advance. A Strike is called if there are no runners on base.

Wild Pitch advances all runners one base, and the batters gets a Ball.

Safe Bunt all runners advance one base.

If a Batter has a Foot on or over the line.  
The Line Umpires call a Strike regardless of where the dart lands.

Darts that Hit the Floor after they hit the dart board in the "diamond shaped play area" are called a strike, and the Batter throws again. If the Dart drops after hitting the white area outside the diamond, it is called an out.

The game umpires are the only ones that are allowed at game board during the game.

If a dart is to hard to make a call on then they are to be called a BALL.

## **Rules of Cornhole**

### **The Cornhole Boards/ Court Layout:**

1. Should be placed on a flat surface 27 feet apart (front to front).
2. The cornhole board surface should be 2' x 4'.
3. The pitcher's box is the rectangle 4' x 3' at each end of the court, parallel and on both sides of the cornhole boards.
4. All adult contestants shall pitch from the pitcher's box adjacent to the cornhole board, foul line 27 feet from the front of the board opposite. Junior contestants, ages 12 and younger, may throw from a foul line 18 feet from the front of the board opposite. Physically impaired adults or seniors may, if agreed by all contestants, observe the 18-foot foul lines.

### **The Cornhole Bags:**

1. There should be 8 bags, 4 bags of each color, consisting of 2 teams.
2. Each bag should be 6 inches by 6 inches and have 1 pound of "corn" inserted into each bag.

### **Cornhole Game Play:**

1. Two teams of two people, termed partners, shall play. Partners shall stand at opposite cornhole boards on the same side, from the perspective of a third person, and face each

other, so there is no advantage given to one team.

2. Each cornhole team shall have 4 bags of one color.
3. All 8 cornhole bags begin at one end.
4. A coin flip shall determine which cornhole team has honors in round one.
5. One of the partners on the team that has honors shall begin play by throwing a cornhole bag at the opposite cornhole board.
6. Each contestant must remain in the pitcher's box while throwing the cornhole bag, unless observing the 18-foot foul line.
7. Game continues by alternating throws between the two opponent players until all 8 cornhole bags have been thrown.
8. If a cornhole bag hits the ground then bounces up onto the board, that bag shall be taken off the playing surface.
9. The next round starts when the other cornhole player on the team, which has honors, throws their first cornhole bag.
10. The cornhole game continues until one team reaches 21 or more points.

### **Fouls:**

1. A foul occurs when a cornhole player's foot goes past the foot foul line when throwing, or a player goes out of turn.



2. The player who caused the foul loses the throw when the foul occurred, and the bag shall be removed if it landed on the playing surface.

**Scoring:**

1. The score shall be taken after all cornhole bags have been thrown for a round.
2. Points shall be given as follows:
  - A. 3 points for a cornhole bag that goes through the hole.
  - B. 1 point for a cornhole bag that is on the playing surface.
  - C. 1 point for a cornhole bag that is hanging into the hole.
  - D. 1 point for a cornhole bag that is hanging off the edge but not touching the ground.
  - E. 0 points for a cornhole bag that is on the playing surface, but also touching the ground.
  - F. 0 points for a cornhole bag that is hanging off the front edge and is resting on a cornhole bag that is on the ground (unless the cornhole bag on the ground can be removed without making the hanging bag fall to the ground, then one point is given).
3. The cornhole team with the highest round score, adds the difference of the two scores to their game score.
4. The cornhole team who wins the round is given honors to throw first in the next round.
5. If both cornhole teams have the same round score, then the game score stays the same and honors stays with the team who had it the previous round.