



“Half-way to St. Patty’s Day” Irish Road Bowling

Saturday, September 20, 2014

Check in starts at the Ireland Sportsman Club at 12:00 Noon
“Best Dressed” and “Best Decorated Cooler” Judging at 12:45
Team Captain Meeting at 1:00
Road Bowling immediately following

**Rolling Back!!!
Original Route!!!**



Here’s how we roll:

Each team consists of 4 players** in 3 Divisions:

Men’s, Women’s, and Co-ed: (2 Men and 2 Women)

** (No one under 21 is permitted to enter—if in question, bring ID)

Prizes will be awarded at the end of the tournament as follows:

** Lowest 3 team scores in Each Division ** “Best Dressed” Teams

** Best Decorated Coolers (be creative with how you tote your drinks)

- * Irish Road Bowling is lots of fun and easy to learn---a great way to have some fun and get some exercise
- * Irish Road Bowling is NOT a race—go for accuracy and distance, not speed
- * The rules are simple—“Bow!” a small cannonball as far as you can down a country road
- * Scoring is on the honor system---about like keeping score for golf
- * The 4 team members rotate turns---hurling the ball down the road as far as they can
- * The throw is done underhanded---similar to bowling
- * Team-mates are 20-30 yards down the road—watching where their team’s ball stops
- * A chalk mark is made on the road—where the ball stops rolling (on or off the road – Team members cannot stop the ball while it is in motion)
- * Sometimes the hardest part of the game is finding the lost ball---misguided balls can sometimes end up in ditches, cornfields, creeks, etc.
- * How do you win?—The team with the fewest number of “rolls” at the end of the course wins.
- * Prizes will be awarded at the end of the tournament—1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded for the lowest scores in Each Division
- * Entry Fee is \$120 per team which includes a \$20 deposit for the ball---\$20 will be returned at the end of the course when the ball is returned.
- * Entry Fee includes---food and music (Souvenir hats will be available for purchase)
- * Every player **MUST** wear tennis shoes---For your safety, sandals and flip-flops will not be permitted
- * Parking and Check-In time starting at Noon at the Ireland Sportsman Club—Players ONLY and their coolers will be transported to the starting point. The bowling course is closed to through traffic.
- * Bring your own beverages for the day—No motorized vehicles are permitted on the course, but pull wagons and coolers with wheels are allowed. (Don’t forget to decorate them!)—NO LITTERING!
- * There will be port-a-potties along the course---Please use them!
- * “Playing through” is allowed---please be respectful of the other teams
- * **For Safety Reasons – “Lofting” of balls is not allowed.**

Irish Road bowling has been played for decades in the country of Ireland. It is older than baseball or football—dating back to the 1600’s. In 1995 it came to Ireland, West Virginia in the United States, and is gradually spreading across the states. Irish Road Bowling is brought to Dubois County courtesy of Ireland’s St. Patrick’s Celebration Committee.

If you have any questions, please call one of the committee members:
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