



59th Annual Friendship Tournament Rules 2025

Eligibility: This is a Southern California 600 club Friendship tournament from San Luis Obispo County and South. Current active clubs are opening tournament to any female with USBC certification in good standing (2025-26 Season).

- a) If the local 600 Club requires a uniform, that uniform must be worn at tournament.
 - i. No Short-Shorts, Spandex-type garments, tank tops, halter tops, hats or caps of any kind will be allowed. Exception: hats and caps for medical purposes must be approved by the tournament committee.

USBC Certified Tournament

Tournament will be held at [Forest Lanes, 22771 Centre Dr, Lake Forest, CA 92630](#)

Tournament Format: This is a 4-game, singles, handicap, and USBC-certified tournament, to be held on Sunday October 12, 2025. **Entries close on October 9, 2025**

- a) Subs are allowed if bowler unable to attend.
- b) No walk-ins are allowed.
- c) Check-in time is one (1) hour prior to squad time.
- d) Handicap will be 90% of 220 per game.

Averages: Highest USBC average from bowl.com to be used in order given:

- a) 2024-25 highest published average of 21 games or more. If none,
- b) 2023-24 highest published average of 21 games or more. If none,
- c) Current (2025-26 season) average of 21 games or more. **Verification must accompany entry.**
- d) If a certified "Sport" league average is the bowler's only average, then it will be adjusted per the chart in the USBC rulebook to determine the correct entering average. USBC Rule 201a-c will apply.
- e) If none of the above, bowl scratch.
- f) USBC Rules 319a-c will be in effect. (Waived 319a2 and 319d-f)

Re-Rating: The average of a bowler may be adjusted upward before she participates. If assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, entry fee will be refunded (USBC Rule 319c).

Entry Fee: Cost of tournament will not exceed \$50.00, of which expenses will be \$3.00, with the hosting club (Prize Fund \$25.00, Expenses \$3.00, Linage \$22.00). There shall be no refund of entry fees, except per rule #4 (see above). Return checks bowler will be responsible for the amount of the check plus any bank fees.

- a) Optional scratch division for those interested \$10.00
- b) Optional Side Pots \$4.00 Each (Handicap & Scratch)
- c) Optional Brackets \$5.00 Each (Handicap & Scratch)

Prize Fund: One (1) cash award for at least every six (6) entries. First place prize money \$325.00, with a minimum of 45 entries. Prize fund will be returned 100%, USBC Rule 309(a)1-2 will apply. All finance charges arising from the distribution of prize funds shall be the responsibility of the hosting club.

- a) Optional Scratch will be based on participation.



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Squad: One (1) squad will be scheduled to bowl at 12:00 PM. Bowling will be four (4) games across eight (8) lanes [odd lane moves left and even moves right]; a limit of three (3) bowlers on a lane, unless number of entries exceed lane availability. Hosting club will assign lanes. Substitutes will be permitted to bowl if they meet eligibility requirements. Tournament Bowlers only allowed in bowlers area.

Entry Form will include: USBC ID number; Bowlers Name; 600 Club and Membership # (if applicable), mailing address; city, state, zip, mobile number and email.

Absent or Blind Scores: will not be allowed. Tardy bowlers will start in the frame being bowled and receive zero (0) for frames missed. No pacers will be allowed.

Awards: One (1) award to be presented to First Place Handicap Series. In case of a tie for first place, co-champions will be declared. Host club will furnish the award(s) and prize money will be presented on tournament day during the banquet.

Hosting Club: San Diego and Orange County will switch off hosting tournament until further notice. The “Toots Cochrane Perpetual Trophy” will also pass between San Diego and Orange County board of directors.

Host Club will present awards and the trophy at the banquet following the tournament. Except for the perpetual trophy, all engraved nameplates will be mailed to the winners within thirty (30) days of tournament completion. The hosting club will be responsible for having the perpetual plaque engraved. Cost not to exceed \$20.00.

Annual Meeting: The hosting club of the current year’s tournament will arrange annual meeting to review rules, any changes in cost, and discussion on tournament’s successes and concerns.

Banquet Shall be arranged by the hosting club to follow the completion of tournament.

- e) Location: Forest Lanes banquet room
- f) Cost will be \$15.00 per person
 - i) Appetizers and drinks



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Official Entry Form

Visit us online at www.600club.net to submit entry online

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TOURNAMENT DATES

Sunday October 12, 2025
Check-in: 11:30 AM
Bowl: 12:00 PM

TOURNAMENT SITE

Forest Lanes
22771 Centre Dr
Lake Forest, CA 92630
(949) 770-0055

ENTRY FEES

\$50
Optional Scratch Div \$10

Entries close **October 9, 2025** – No Walk-Ins Permitted

ENTRY SELECTION:

- ☐ Tournament Entry - \$50
Handicap Singles Tournament – Four (4) games across eight lanes. Handicap 90% of 220 tournament certified by USBC.
- ☐ Optional Scratch Division - \$10

SIDE POTS

- ☐ Handicap - \$4.00
☐ Scratch - \$4.00
☐ Brackets - \$5 each, # of brackets: _____ x \$5

OPTIONAL BANQUET:

- ☐ Appetizers and drinks - \$15 per person, please indicate # of people attending (including yourself) = _____

AVERAGE INFO

Averages: Highest USBC published average or composited based on Bowl.com used in order given:

A. 2024-25 season highest book of 21 games or more.
If none;

B. 2023-24 season highest book of 21 games or more.
If none;

C. If no average Scratch

D. If bowler is in a sports/challenge league average will be re-rated per USBC Rule 201a-c

E. USBC Rules 319a-c will be in effect. (Waived 319a2 and 319d-f)

PAYMENTS

Make all checks payable to: **O.C. 600 Club**
Mail to:

OC 600 Club, Attention: Ladine Jones Sec./Treas.
1331 N Minot Street, Anaheim, CA 92801

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ENTRY INFORMATION

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State Zip: _____
Phone: _____

TOTAL FEES: _____

USBC #: _____
USBC Association: _____
Name of 600 Club: _____
Average (see rules above): _____
E-mail: _____

Prize winnings will be mailed to address listed above if recipient is not present to collect after tournament

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

RECEIVED: _____ AMOUNT: _____ ☐ CHECK # _____ ☐ CASH ☐ ZELLE ☐ VENMO

The Friendship Tournament

By Betty Reunion

In the 50's and 60's, bowling tournaments of any size were held in Los Angeles or points north. We were told it was because San Diego was considered a "town" not a "city".

One day our San Diego 600 President, Mary Nickason, asked, "Why can't our 600 club have a tournament and invite other 600 Clubs to come here?" So, a little seed was planted and on April 26, 1964, the first Friendship Tournament was held at Frontier Lanes.

Mary had two prerequisites: 1) pay off the day of the event (most tournaments did not in those days), and 2) make first place payoff interesting enough to draw bowlers, but low enough to pay down many places. After all, it was to be a Friendship Tournament.

Our first tournament brought 111 entries, 36 from out of town. Clubs from Southern California as far north as Bakersfield were invited. We felt the driving distance should be within reach for a one-day overall trip. The four games went fast! While Tex Cornwall, Jerry Beary, and Betty Reunion checked scores for winners, Mary Nickason played hostess in the Sunset Room, having talented members' stage their own floorshow. Everyone had so much fun a second tournament was set for October 4, 1964,

Clairemont Bowl was the site of the second tournament. After bowling, the management gave us a buffet luncheon. This idea was well received and born to be a part of the tournament. It was also decided to have the winner's home 600 Club host the next Friendship Tournament.

The spouse of Toots Cochran, President of the Los Angeles 600 Club, donated a perpetual trophy. So our wonderful Friendship Tournament was well underway and is still going strong today.

By Ladine Jones

The Orange County 600 Club is proud to host the 59th Annual Friendship Tournament. While bowling has evolved, the Friendship Tournament remains a valued tradition. We continue to reach out to sister clubs from San Luis Obispo to Imperial Valley and maintain a full squad each year. This year, the tournament is open to all USBC female bowlers.

FRIENDSHIP TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Year	Month	Date	Winner / Location	Club
1964	April	26	Bernice Hunter Frontier Lanes, San Diego	Los Angeles
1964	October	4	Evelyn Hillman Clairemont Bowl, San Diego	San Diego
1965	October	10	Jean Munson La Mesa Bowl, La Mesa	San Diego
1966	October	9	Ivy Woodard University Lanes, San Diego	San Diego
1967	October	1	Betty Pappas Covina Bowl, Covina	San Gabriel
1968	October	6	Maybelle Sander Covina Bowl, Covina	San Gabriel
1969	October	5	Delores Johnson Covina Bowl, Covina	Los Angeles
1970	October	4	Dot Hammer Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim	Los Angeles
1971	October	3	Nat Hartman Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim	Los Angeles
1972	October	1	Shirley Sinclair Parkway, El Cajon	San Diego
1973	October	7	Marge Herbert Clairemont Bowl, San Diego	Los Angeles
1974	October	6	Elaine Clay Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim	Los Angeles
1975	October	5	Johnnie St Julian Wonder bowl, Downey	Loa Angeles
1976	October	3	Willa Grable Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim	South Bay
1977	October	2	Lois Emery Palas Verdes, Torrance	Long Beach
1978	October	1	Onetta Marlowe Cal Bowl, Lakewood	Long Beach
1979	October	7	Jacquelyn Hester Cal Bowl, Lakewood	Avocado
1980	October	5	Frances Conrad Eagle I, San Marcos	Los Angeles
1981	October	4	Shirley Burton South Bay Bowl, Redondo Beach	San Gabriel
1982	October	3	Pat Birnbaum Covina Bowl, Covina	Avocado
1983	October	2	Betty Saienni Eagle I, San Marcos	Orange County
1984	October	7	Linda Stevens Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim	Citrus Belt

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1985	October	7	Carol Coelho Upland Bowl, Upland	Citrus Belt
1986	October	5	Mary Ellen Naipo Town Square, Riverside	San Diego
1987	October	4	25th Anniversary Dawn Sherman Clairemont Bowl, San Diego	Long Beach
1988	October	2	Tie Stephanie Steiner Bev Boyd Cal Bowl, Lakewood	San Diego Long Beach
1989	October	1	Roberta McNaught Kearny Mesa Bowl, San Diego	Long Beach
1990	October	7	Betty Salvato Clark Center, Bellflower	Avocado
1991	October	6	Susie Tardie Eagle I, San Marcos	Orange County
1992	October	4	Kathy Allen Regal Lanes, Tustin	All Cities
1993	October	3	Nancy Henderson Palas Verdes, Torrance	All Cities
1994	October	2	Betty Frace Frontier Lanes, San Diego	Avocado
1995	October	6	Helly Cutts Eagle I, San Marcos	Avocado
1996	October	6	Penny Valle Camp Pendleton	Los Angeles
1997	October	5	Dixie Rusk Gable House, Los Angeles	Avocado
1998	October	4	Lupe Burke Vista Entertainment Center, Vista	Los Angeles
1999	October	3	Dixie Rusk Gable House, Los Angeles	Avocado
2000	October	1	Katrena Whitmore Vista Entertainment Center, Vista	Orange County
2001	October	7	Mary Vale Torrence Regal Lanes, Tustin	Avocado
2002	October	6	Doris Seese Vista Entertainment Center, Vista	All Cities
2003	October	5	Jennifer Schroeder Sunset Bowl	San Diego
2004	October	3	Jean Munson	San Diego
2005	October	2	Karen DeSoto	Orange County

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2006	October	1	Roberta Dale Saddleback Lanes, Mission Viejo	Imperial Valley
2007	October	7	Joyce Ingram Fantasy Springs Center, Indio	Imperial Valley
2008	October	5	Faye Douthitt Fantasy Springs Center, Indio	Imperial Valley
2009	October	4	Alanna Veach Parkway Bowl, El Cajon	Avocado
2010	October	3	Alanna Veach AMF Eagle Lanes, San Marcos	Avocado
2011	October	2	LaWana Clark Parkway Bowl, El Cajon	Orange County
2012	October	7	Alanna Veach Tustin Lanes, Tustin	Avocado
2013	October	2	Elaine Goodman Vista Entertainment Center, Vista	Orange County
2014	October	5	Theresa Prutch Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley	Avocado
2015	October	4	Sheila Sarain AMF Eagle Lanes, San Marcos	Orange County
2016	October	2	Sheila Sarain Linbrook Bowl, Anaheim	Orange County
2017	October	1	Kathy Hall Forest Lanes, Lake Forest	Orange County
2018	October	7	Ladine Jones Parkway Bowl, El Cajon	Orange County
2019	October	6	Margaret Vassar Forest Lanes, Lake Forest	Orange County
2020			No tournament	
2021			No tournament	
2022			No tournament	
2023			No tournament	
2024	October	6	Michelle Oliva Irvine Lanes, Irvine, CA	Orange County
2025	October	12	<i>This could be you!!!!</i>	