



03/26/2025

Hello, Bowlers!

END OF SEASON REMINDERS

Believe it or not, the end of the spring session is quickly approaching. There are just two weeks of regular league play remaining, followed by the position round on April 4, and sweeps on April 11. Remember, no *new* substitutes are allowed to bowl on the last night of regular season (3/28) – established subs are permitted.

- **Position round? What's that?** The position round is the last week of competitive team bowling. Teams are paired based on their league rankings – first place bowls against second place, third bowls against fourth, and so on. For teams that are neck-and-neck in the rankings, position round can make a significant difference in the final standings for the season. **No subs are allowed; if a team member is absent, record their average in the scratch score column, without deducting 10 pins.**
- **And what're sweeps?** Sweeps night is the final night of the season. While you still bowl with your team, we award cash prizes based mainly on pairs determined by average (highest average bowler is paired with the lowest average bowler, second highest with second lowest, and so on). Sweeps prizes will be delivered at the season-end banquet on Sunday, April 13. **As with position round, no subs may bowl and do not deduct any pins from the absentee's average when recording scores.**
- **And then it's over?** Yes, but only for two weeks! We are taking a break for Good Friday/Easter, and then for the California Spring Classic (see below) the following week. But don't fear! The summer season begins on Friday, May 2. The summer league is "no tap", a variation where knocking down 9 pins **on the first ball** is scored as a strike. This format is a great way to have fun and hopefully increase your scores!

CALIFORNIA SPRING CLASSIC

The 43rd California Spring Classic is right around the corner! Open to all age 21 and over, the CSC is an LGBTQ bowling tournament tradition in Southern California. The dates are Friday, April 25 to Sunday, April 27, 2025, at Forest Lanes in Lake Forest. Friday Night Trios will be in-between seasons that week, so whether you are a first-time tournament bowler or a veteran, here's your opportunity to meet new people, have some fun and potentially win cash prizes! Registration is now open, and base registration fees are **discounted through March 31**: visit www.californiaspringclassic.org for details and online registration.

RECAP FUNDAMENTALS

Here are a few tips for completing the weekly recap sheet. The easiest thing to do is to simply copy the information on the screen exactly as you see it. You can do this game-by-game, or wait until the end of the night and use the "RECAP" function to see all the scores. The league officers and the league secretary use the weekly sheets as a backup to the information recorded in the scoring system, and also to determine side pot winners. **As always, please don't hesitate to ask a league officer any questions – we're glad to help!**

- For each individual game, record each bowler's *scratch* score (do not add the bowler's handicap) in the column (1, 2 or 3) for that game.
- At the end of the night, record each bowler's *scratch* series in the "Scratch" column to the right, and the total series (scratch plus total handicap) in the "Total" column.
- If a teammate is absent that evening, record their average minus 10 as the score for each game, and *circle* the bowler's name and each score. The circles denote their absence.
- If you have a substitute bowler, cross out the name of the absent bowler, and write the sub's scores on a separate line. If the substitute hasn't established a league average yet, then the only information you need to record are their *scratch* scores for each game, and the total *scratch* series.
- Place an X in the boxes under each game to indicate the winner (unless you have a bowler who hasn't established their average yet – in that case leave it blank). Each game won is worth 2 points, and the team winning total pins at the end of the session gets 1 additional point – you can record this information in the spaces provided as well.

NEED TO CONTACT A LEAGUE OFFICER? Text or call 714-794-8273!

Please save the FNT league contact number (714-794-8273) and text or call if you need to reach us during the week. If your entire team is going to be absent for any week's league, be sure to inform us prior to the start of that week's league play at 8:30PM if you plan to pre-bowl or makeup the session. We don't want you to accidentally forfeit the week. Thank you!

WEEKLY SIDEPOT RESULTS

Congratulations to Week 10's sidepot winners! Will your name be in the next newsletter? You can't win if you don't play!!

Average up to 131 (\$15/game) (all games - scratch score plus handicap)

Game 1	Kelvin Mcadory	264
Game 2	Chris Alvarez	269
Game 3	Barrie Fitzgerald	236

Average 132 and above (\$15/game)

Game 1	Don Green	243 (scratch score plus hdcp)
Game 2	Chris Chacon	234 (highest scratch score)
Game 3	Mike Ekstrom	+38 (scratch score over average)

IMPORTANT DATES

- 3/28/2025** Final week of the regular season. No new subs are allowed, and any make-up sessions must be completed by this date.
- 4/4/2025** Position round (determines final team results for the season – no subs permitted)
- 4/11/2025** Sweeps (no subs permitted)
- 4/13/2025** Spring season banquet at Lamppost Pizza Fountain Valley (start time 12:00PM)
- 4/18 & 4/25/2025** Spring break! No league bowling these weeks
- 5/2/2025** Summer no-tap session begins! Pre-meeting at 7:30PM.

LEAGUE SECRETARY

Have you been to the League Secretary site yet? League Secretary tracks your average, your team's latest ranking, and many other league statistics: [click here](#) to be taken directly to the FNT page, and bookmark it for future reference. You can also register to receive an email when Fountain Bowl has updated the information in the system. Please note that updating League Secretary is Fountain Bowl's responsibility, and the site is typically updated on Thursday nights for the prior week.

March Birthdays

Mike Balzer	10 th
Syndie Kahl	15 th
Niko Innis	17 th
David Beard	31 st

April Birthdays

Barbara Argent	6 th
David Taing	7 th
Noel Vestri	10 th
Jerry Osborne	13 th
Sebastian Porteous	16 th

Friendly reminders!

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- When filling out the recap sheet please circle the scores of absent bowlers.
- If you have an absent bowler, let the front desk team know to mark them as absent (aka "blind") in the scoring system or tell the desk team if have a substitute bowler.
- If you have a sub, record their scores on a blank line on the recap sheet, not the same line as the bowler being subbed for and use the sub's full name. For further instruction you can **click here.**
- When you finish bowling on Friday evening, **give your recap sheet to a league officer** (you do not need to take it to the front desk).
- If you are pre/post bowling, please get a copy of the recap sheet or take a picture and send it to FridayNightTriosOC@yahoo.com. This may be the only proof of your scores if Fountain Bowl loses the recap sheet.

Upcoming Tournaments

Go to WWW.IGBO.ORG to find LGBTQ tournaments anywhere in the U.S.

League Housekeeping

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Get in touch with us!

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Basic Information

League Secretary: [click here](#)

Recaps instructions: [click here](#)

Bowling Etiquette: [click here](#)

Pre-bowl/Post-bowl instructions: [click here](#)

Bowling Instruction and Other Services

Bowling Instruction

Not on your game recently, in a slump or just want to be a better bowler! Fountain Bowl offers a clinic for only \$ 20.00 from 12:15 PM – 2:00 PM most Saturdays. It's suggested you call to confirm they don't have a scheduling conflict.

Champions Pro Shop in Fountain Bowl

The Pro Shop offers all league members a 10% discount on items bought from their shop.

Services offered by league members:

This newsletter is for the use and information of league members only. If you would like to advertise your business, having an upcoming garage/house/yard sale, an anniversary, or anything else you would like to share with the league, just send the information to us and we will be happy to add it to the newsletter. Please support league members who offer their services through our newsletter.

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