

Welcome to the 2024-25 Bowling Season

Attention Association Managers:

Enclosed is information regarding BVL donations for our CA Veterans. **Please make a copy of this packet for your BVL Chairman and President.**

BVL Donations submitted by <u>MARCH 1</u> from Local Associations will be recognized for the 2024-25 season and will allow their finalists to be eligible to participate in the **2025 California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament.**

The California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament will be held at **NAPA BOWL** on **Sunday, March 30, 2025**. Please list the BVL finalists from your association on the enclosed entry form. That form plus BOWL.com average profiles and any current league sheets as of February 15 (if applicable) are also due <u>MARCH 1</u> along with the BVL donation. Associations may decide how their representatives to the BVL Tournament will be determined. You may use league scores or hold a separate tournament to determine your local qualifiers – as long as the same rules apply to everyone and that the event is certified through USBC. Each association is eligible to send your top male, female, boy and girl finalists – a maximum total of 4 bowlers. The State Finals format is a singles handicapped event.

<u>Youth bowlers</u> in California will continue to be a part of the Fundraising as well as participating in the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament. We will be awarding a \$500 scholarship for the two youth champions as well as \$50 scholarships for all youth finalists entering into the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament.

The California USBC will recognize the top three highest donations for the season. **Please** make BVL donation checks payable to "CUSBC" and postmark by MARCH 1. Mail to: California BVL, 3673 Industry Ave #102, Lakewood, CA 90712. If you have any questions, please contact us at (562) 449-4527 or email <u>info@calusbc.com</u>. Donations received after March 1 will be accepted – associations just won't be able to send finalists to the tournament.

We will also be inviting local CA Veterans that we support to the tournament, so be sure to see a vet center representative or a veteran at our tournament! Thank you for your continued support. It will be a festive event for sure and we look forward to seeing everyone there. Visit us at CALUSBC.com to see past tournament results and donations figures.

Thanking you in advance, California USBC

2024-25 BVL Donations

The Bowlers of California have proved yet again that "**WE ARE THE BEST**" when it comes to supporting our Veterans. Since 1950, with the strong support of our Local USBC Associations, the California BVL Fund has donated a total of **\$9,930,350.20** to our veterans. The committee **THANKS** all of you on behalf of the Veterans of California.

As you know, these funds are used to purchase recreational equipment, field trips, coffee, and office equipment for use by the veterans, and to help with social events and special outings. The California BVL Fund has been recognized in the past by the National BVL Organization for making the largest donation by a State Association at the USBC Convention. We know none of this would be possible without your continued dedication, resourcefulness, hard work and again, **We Thank You**.

We are again asking for your continued support and assistance in helping our veterans return to the way of life they left. We urge you to remember the BVL Creed, as follows:

"For the good things of life at hand for millions of us, thousands gave their lives. In our service and Veterans Administration Hospitals are other thousands who escaped death fighting with the same spirit for the same cause. Our debt to them is profound. The least they might expect is that all of us accomplish everything within our means to restore them to normal existences."

The bowlers of California have kept the promise made to our Veterans in 1950, "**We won't forget you**".

Amounts collected and payment distributions can be viewed online at CALUSBC.com. Awards will be provided to the top three local associations that donate the highest amounts. Awards for those donations will be presented at the California USBC Awards Banquet on Saturday, May 31, 2025 in San Jose.



BVL Dangle Lapel Pins will be available for purchase for \$5.00 each at the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament



BVL bowling ball raffle will be held at the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament



CALIFORNIA USBC HELEN DUVAL VETERANS TOURNAMENT

Sunday, March 30, 2025

10:30am

(Check in at 10am)

NAPA BOWL

494 Soscol Ave Napa, CA 94559 (707) 224-8331



Mail BVL DONATIONS and ENTRY FORMS with BOWL.com average profiles by MARCH 1 to: CALIFORNIA BVL 3673 Industry Ave #102

Lakewood, CA 90712

Paperwork may also be emailed to: info@calusbc.com and donations can be Zelled to lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com.

Associations may decide how their representatives to the BVL Tournament will be determined. You may use league scores or hold a separate tournament to determine your local qualifiers, as long as the same rules apply to everyone and that the event is certified through USBC. Finalists must be submitted on the BVL entry form with bowlers entered in their appropriate category and division.

The State Finals format has been modified into a handicapped event with 4 categories: men, women, boys and girls. The champions in each category will receive a BVL watch, BVL medal and a custom BVL jersey from Strike12Creations.com.

Donations and entry forms must be postmarked by **MARCH 1** in order for your finalists to be eligible to participate in the 2025 California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament.

Thank You for all YOU DO for our California Veterans!

2024-25 LOCAL ASSOCIATION DIVISION WINNERS STATE BVL ENTRY FORM

Send completed form by MARCH 1 to:

California BVL 3673 Industry Ave #102 Lakewood, CA 90712 Email: info@calusbc.com

| Local USBC Association | ו: | |
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| BVL Committee Chairm | an: | |
| Cell Number: () | E-mail: | |

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LIST THE NAMES OF THE <u>FOUR</u> BOWLERS WHO WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE HELEN DUVAL VETERANS BVL TOURNAMENT BELOW. Please include BOWL.com profiles and league sheets dated as of FEBRUARY 15.

| WOMEN'S DIVISION | USBC | Highest USBC Avg (Rule #7) | |
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| Name | Membership # | FEB. 15 | Other |
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| MEN'S DIVISION | USBC | Highest USBC Avg (Rule #7) | |
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| Name | Membership # | FEB. 15 | Other |
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| GIRLS DIVISION | USBC | Highest USB | CAvg (Rule #7) |
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| Name | Membership # | FEB. 15 | Other |
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| BOYS DIVISION | USBC | Highest USBC Avg (Rule #7) | |
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| Name | Membership # | FEB. 15 | Other |
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(Check-in at 10:00am)

- 1. A donation must be received from local associations by **MARCH 1** in order for finalists to be eligible to participate in the California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament.
- BVL finalists <u>must</u> be current members of the local association they are representing. PLEASE PROVIDE BOWL.COM PRINTOUTS WITH ENTRY FORM.
- 3. There <u>must be a rule</u> regarding <u>tie scores</u> in determining the BVL representative from local associations. Only one entrant per category (men, women, boys, girls) can attend the State Finals per local association.
- 4. **Format:** Three games bowled on the same pair of lanes. Total pins + applicable handicap in each category will determine the champions.
- 5. Adult Handicap: 90% of 220. Youth Handicap: 90% of 200
- 6. Entry fee: There is no fee for the BVL finalists.
- 7. Averages:
 - a. Highest USBC certified current league average as of **FEBRUARY 15, 2025** (league sheets required; min. of 21 games for adults/15 games for youth). If none,
 - b. Scratch

Bowlers are responsible for verifying their own average. If a "sport/challenge" average is the bowler's only verifiable average, it must be marked with "SP/CH" and will be adjusted per the USBC sport chart. Rules 319a2 and 319d will be waived. Rule 319c will be applied for current averages that are 15+ pins higher than last year's book. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, an alternate can be submitted per rule 9. Bowlers on the USBC re-rate list must report the re-adjusted average or be subject to disqualification.

- 8. Bowlers must check in one hour prior to scheduled squad time with USBC membership card or bowl.com printout.
- 9. Replacements must be processed at least 45 minutes prior to the squad time.
- 10. Late bowlers shall start in the frame currently being bowled. Missed frames shall be credited with a zero. Bowlers not present to bowl when it's their turn will be credited with a zero for that frame.
- Prizes/Scholarships: Strike12Creations.com jerseys, BVL watches and BVL medals will be awarded to each Champion. Scholarships will be awarded to all youth BVL representatives and will be held with USBC SMART Account #10717, (800) 514-2695 x3343.
- 12. **Dress code:** Dress appropriately for a tournament. All shirts must have sleeves. NO halter tops or short shorts of any kind allowed. Tournament management shall determine the validity of any complaints.
- 13. ONLY A DRY TOWEL FOR CLEANING MAY BE ONCE COMPETITION BEGINS. ELIMINATION OF BALANCE HOLES: Bowlers may have up to five holes for gripping purposes and all holes must be used on every delivery. If only fingers are used, the thumb hole must be plugged and an "X" marked for the palm position. Any bowling ball that does not meet USBC specifications will subject the bowler to disqualification of all tournament scores. We reserve the option to do random spot checks and we may be reported to check equipment by another bowler. Visit BOWL.com to download the Non-conforming Bowling Ball List.
- 14. This tournament will be certified by USBC. The tournament director shall be the authority to interpret USBC and tournament rules, policies and procedures in deciding disputes. If deemed necessary, the tournament director shall consult with the board of directors of the GLAC USBC.



CALIFORNIA USBC BVL DONATION FORM

The bowlers of California have kept the promise made to our Veterans in 1950, **"We won't forget you".**

Thank you for your support to BVL and our California Veterans.

| LOCAL ASSOCIATION | |
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| ADDRESS | |
| CITY, STATE, ZIP | |
| EMAIL | |
| PHONE | DONATION ONLY – NO FINALISTS FOR THE TOURN. |

Donations and BVL Finalists paperwork submitted by <u>MARCH 1</u> will be recognized for the 2024-25 season and allows the Local Association to send their finalists to the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament on March 30, 2025. Please make checks payable to: CUSBC.

Mail this form and donation check to: CALIFORNIA BVL 3673 Industry Ave #102 Lakewood, CA 90712

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