

Coffee and Donut Ladies 2025-2026

1. The Coffee and Donut Ladies league shall consist of teams with **3 women** per team and the league will be certified by USBC. The league will be governed by the Board of Directors, which includes the league officers and team captains. **No one under 18 (as of August 1st) will be permitted to bowl in this league (safe sport issue).**
2. Standings shall be determined on a point system with one point awarded for each game won and one point for highest total pins in the match.
3. The league will bowl on Thursday, promptly at 12:30pm. The league shall be divided into halves. The league will be bowled for 32 weeks. The first half will begin on August 28, 2025, and end December 18, 2025. The second half will begin on January 8, 2026, league to end April 30, 2026. The banquet will be 2 weeks after the league ending date. The league will not bowl Thanksgiving Day (Nov 27) and December 25th. (May 7th or May 14th for banquet.)
4. If two teams are tied for first place in either half, a roll off will decide first place. There will be no new subs in the roll-off; an absentee score will be used. A roll off for the first half must be bowled within 3 bowling weeks. In the event of a roll off, the winner will be determined by total pins in a three-game series. League will pay for all roll-offs.
5. Handicap will be based on 90% of the difference between 600 and the team average. Vacancy score is 125, with the handicap based on 125. Absentee score for a player is 10 pins less than her average with the team's handicap based on actual average. The secretary must be notified of absentee scores. Make a special note of these on the recap sheet. Three games are required to establish an individual average. Handicap will be based on the current average in this league.
6. League fees must be paid by each member each week. Cost per week is \$16.00; \$11.75 bowling fees and \$4.25 prize fees. There shall be no arrearages. Games shall be forfeited by any team whose participating members are not current in the league fee payments. The League will use Suburban Bowlerama secretary and treasurer's services at no charge. **Pay for season in full, \$512.00, payable by week #2.**
7. A list of roving substitutes shall be maintained by the league. All subs must be members of USBC. Ask to see their membership card before bowling. No one may bowl with more than one team for regularly scheduled games each week. Subs have no voting rights at any meeting. They are eligible for USBC awards but not league awards. Each member is responsible for finding and paying for her sub. Notify your captain at least one day ahead of time unless it is an emergency.
8. The last three weeks of each half, you cannot have a new sub. You must use someone with an established average in this league.
9. The prize committee shall consist of all the officers. A tentative prize list is to be distributed to each team captain within five weeks after bowling begins. Each captain is to show the prize list to each member of her team. The vote will be by the team captains.
10. A bowler must bowl 1/3 of the season to be eligible for individual prize money. If a sub becomes a regular member, her games as a sub count towards the 1/3 games of the season. This will be a money league. No team or individual can win more than one prize in any group of prizes. League champions are not included in any group. The team or individual will be awarded the prize with the highest dollar value. Anyone can qualify after 7 weeks of bowling with an established handicap.
11. A tardy bowler has until the end of the fourth frame to begin bowling or the team must take an absentee score for that game. A legal lineup for a 3-member team is one regular member. Any bowler can bowl out after the fifth frame of the third game with both team captains' consent (urgent reasons only).

12. Members may not come during open bowling on the same day as bowling and practice on the same lanes they will be using during league play. It is the bowler's responsibility to check. If a member does bowl on the same lanes she will use during league play, her games will be forfeited. No vacancy or absentee score can be taken. The team will bowl with only two members, using only their total pins and handicap against the other team.
13. Unopposed bowling will be permitted by a team only and only the handicap of the team bowling will be revealed. Requests to bowl unopposed must be approved by the board. Games must be rolled two weeks before or the day before the originally scheduled date or be forfeited. When bowling unopposed, obtain printout of scores.
14. To earn points when bowling against the bye, a team must bowl at least the team average plus handicap, minus 10 pins for each bowler on that team. Scores will count toward team and individual prizes.
15. Children are the responsibility of the bowler. If the person responsible cannot control the child, the bowler cannot bowl. This includes subs.
16. Team or individual withdrawal must be in written form and be given to the secretary at least two weeks before the last date of their bowling. Resigning members or team is responsible for 2 weeks of league dues unless team or individual is replaced sooner. After 2 weeks, dues are waived until a new member or team is replaced.
17. Team captains will be notified by 10am of the day of bowling if there will be a snow cancellation. It will be up to them to notify their team. Decision to be made by the league officers.
18. Election of officers will take place at a special meeting, two weeks before the end of the season with no absentee ballots accepted. (First week in April)
19. A captain may not replace any player at any time during a game.
20. Remember to use common courtesy while you are on the approach and/or bowling.

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REVISED DURING 8/21/2025 MEETING