

67th Yonex Dave Freeman Open

May 2-4, 2025

Prospectus

The 67th Yonex Dave Freeman Open 2025, A Event is a USA Badminton sanctioned Classic Series Tournament with \$14,000 prize purse.

Cash prize, Yonex and other sporting merchandise will be awarded to B, C, D and Senior events.

REGISTRATION:

<https://bit.ly/DFOpen2025>

1. **Presented by:** San Diego Badminton Club
2. **Venue:** Balboa Park Activity Center
Address: 2145 Park Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101, U.S.A.
(15 courts, sprung wood floor, high ceiling and dark walls.)
3. **Events and Eligibility:**

USAB Ranking "A" level events are open only to the current members of USA Badminton or another country's BWF Affiliate. Proof of membership is required at registration. Seeding will be handled by USAB and/or its delegates. It will be done per latest USAB Adult Rankings posted on USAB website.

'A', 'B', 'C', 'D' Singles, Doubles, Mixed Doubles. Players may only participate in two adjacent event levels. (i.e. you can play A and B but NOT A and C).

Senior Singles 40+ & 55+, Combined age Senior Doubles and Mixed Doubles (80+ and 110+)
Senior Events Age Eligibility: As of 01/01/2025

To maintain fairness to other participants, Tournament Director/Referee reserves the right to adjust or deny entry (entry fee to be refunded) by a player to an event that is not suitable for his/her play level. Events with low entries may be combined or canceled. Each player is limited to three (3) events.

"A" events will not have consolation matches. Consolation matches (1 game to 21) may be played for all other events with elimination draws if time permits. Players losing their first match in a main draw will be placed into the consolation draw.

Yonex tournament grade shuttle Aerosensa AS50 is the official shuttlecock. If those shuttlecocks are not available, comparable shuttlecocks will be used. Shuttles will be provided for A event matches. 2 shuttles will be provided for all non A matches. Additional tournament grade shuttles must be provided by the players.

Draws will be published on tournamentsoftware.com. Results and match time will be updated periodically.

4. **Tournament Director:** Shannon Huang, SDBC – davefreemanopen@gmail.com
5. **Tournament Referee:** Yi Wang, yiw2000@gmail.com

6. REGISTRATION FEES:

A Events:

First event = \$75; (at the [Extra's] section, you need to click "Yes" to the "A Events" box and pay the additional \$25 A event fee).

Second event = \$35 each.

Please also enter your USAB membership # in your Profile under "Sport Information"

All Events except for A:

First Event = \$50

Second event = \$35 each.

Payment is required before the entry deadline. Unpaid entries will NOT be placed into the draw.

For doubles events, each player must register and pay separately. You will NOT receive a refund if your partner does not register and pay by the entry deadline, but you may play with another registered player if available.

Registering at the tournament desk is required prior to the start of a participant's first match.

7. DEADLINES/REFUNDS:

Monday, April 21, 2025, 11:59pm pacific time is the deadline for entry, withdrawal and payment.

NO LATE ENTRIES.

For all withdrawals (Before or after the entry deadline), the following persons must be notified of the withdrawal by email:

1. Tournament Director: – Email: DaveFreemanOpen@gmail.com
2. Tournament Referee: For A Events only - Yi Wang, yiw2000@gmail.com

Players who withdraw before the entry deadline will have their entry fees refunded, minus the \$5 Admin fee.

A player will receive a refund after the withdrawal deadline ONLY if

- (1) an Event was canceled by the Tournament Director & Referee;
- (2) a partner request cannot be fulfilled.

Absolutely NO REFUNDS after the draw is published.

8. Schedule:

3:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Friday

9:00 am to 9:00 pm on Saturday

9:00 am to 8:00 pm on Sunday

'A' events and events with 16+ player/teams in a draw start on Friday. Please do NOT register unless you can start playing on Friday at 3pm. Senior events may start on Friday.

'A' event finals will be held on Sunday starting 11 am.

(The schedule is subject to change without notice.)

9. **Scoring:** Current BWF scoring system (3x21 rally points).
10. **Rules:** BWF Rules will be used for the tournament with the exception that for all events including Open A events, Fixed Service Height Device will not be used. Alternative Service Laws will apply.
11. **Default:** Players not present when their match is called may be defaulted after ten (10) minutes.
12. **Coaches for "A" Events:** Only certified BWF/USAB coaches with a valid 2024/2025 Coaching Pass will be allowed to coach and sit on the coaches' chair.
 - a. One coach per side is allowed on court during a match.
 - b. Persons not sitting in the coaches' chair are not allowed to coach during a match.
 - c. Coaches MUST visibly wear the approved USAB Coaching Pass at all times
 - d. The Coaching Pass CANNOT be shared with others. Anyone caught sharing the Coaching Pass and/or using a fake Coaching Pass will have their Coaching Pass confiscated by the tournament referee or technical officials.

13. **Awards/Cash Prizes:**

Medals will be awarded to winners, runners up and either third place or consolation winners in all events.

A player/pair needs to win at least one match to win any cash/merchandise prize.

\$14,000.00 prize purse for A events.

Cash prizes and badminton merchandise valued up to \$7000 will be awarded to B, C, D and Senior events.

Each participant entering a **MINIMUM** of 2 events will receive a commemorative T-shirt.

14. **RELEASE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE:**

By submitting an entry to the Dave Freeman Open (hereinafter "the Event"), participant and parents/guardians if participant is of minority age (hereinafter "Entrant") affirm having read this agreement and understanding its purpose and agree to be bound by its terms.

Entrant agrees to waive any and all claims which may arise from participation in the Event. In consideration of Entrant being permitted to participate in the Event, entrant releases and discharges the Event sponsors, USA Badminton, San Diego Badminton Club ("SDBC"), USA Badminton Region 5, Southern California Badminton Association, Balboa Park & Morley Field Recreation Council, San Diego Park and Recreation Department, the City of San Diego, their employees, contractors, agents, officers, members, heirs, assigns, executors, administrators and any and all participants in the Event from any and all liability from property damage, personal injuries, death or other claims arising from or in connection with Entrant's participation in the Event including claims that are known and unknown, foreseen and unforeseen, future or contingent.

Further, Entrant grants SDBC, its licensees and contractors including photographers, television and motion picture companies, full photography, television and motion picture rights including authority to photograph, film

or videotape Entrant during matches, narratives, personal interviews or comment thereon and use for any and all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer or grant their rights to others, all without remuneration or compensation to Entrant whatsoever.

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