



Thank You Sid

Bowler, Volunteer, Sponsor, all of these fit into the career of Sid Morris in the sport of 5-pin bowling.

Born in Toronto in 1929, Sid developed into an outstanding athlete in track, basketball, football, softball, hardball, billiards and 5-pin bowling. Setting pins to pay for his bowling, Sid saw the game from both sides.

Working in the accounting field and with the Ontario Government, Sid developed the first Ontario Sports Centre on Jarvis Street in the early Sixties. The Ontario Sports Lottery for amateur sports was another feather in Sid's cap. He contacted the Ontario Bowlers' Congress, which became O5PBA, and they became a major outlet for the lottery tickets. Thousands of tickets were sold, with the profits used to eliminate earlier deficits of the organization. He considers this process his greatest contribution to 5-pin bowling.

Sid has also excelled as a bowling columnist, association executive and coach. In addition, he grabbed the bowling limelight in 1960 when at the height of his on-lane career he averaged over 280 for 20 games and defeated Hall of Famer Billy Hoult to represent Toronto at O'Connor Bowl in the sportsman's Masters Championships.

As a volunteer Sid has worked with many groups within the sport of 5-pin bowling, O5PBA, MBOA, Metro Toronto 5 Pin and York Simcoe 5 Pin. All have benefitted by having Sid as a volunteer. From President to Treasurer to Publicity, Sid has done it all.

Sid firmly believed and still believes in promoting his chosen sport of 5-pin bowling, and over the years has contributed many articles to the Bowlerama Times, Scarborough Mirror, Ontario Bowling News, the Era Banner in Newmarket, and our own 5-pin publication, the Ontario Bowler. For his efforts, Sid has been a finalist in the publicity category at our Convention for several years.

Over and above these contributions, Sid fully realized that sponsorship was required for bowling to prosper. With the O5PBA, Sid has contributed high game awards and also sponsored five annual trophies, which will be used to record the tradition of our Ontario Championships for years to come.

With the Master Bowlers, Sid, under his company name of Sidney L. Morris Securities Inc., has sponsored tournaments, individual participation and the entire Seniors Program. Sid has also sponsored the Young Adult Bowlers' Association, the Youth Bowling Council and the Bowlerama chain. As well, in league play, more than 200 teams have carried the SLM name on their shirts.

This sponsorship effort was recognized provincially in 1991 by the Ontario Government as part of their corporate recognition of the Ontario Sports Awards Program. Of the 31 sponsors recognized, Sid was selected to thank the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation on everyone's behalf.

As Sid has now decided it is time to take a more relaxed role in his professional career, the sport of 5-pin bowling has been blessed by knowing Sid Morris. His contribution to the sport of 5-pin bowling will stand tall for years to come. 5-Pin wishes you, Sid, all the best in your new career, whatever you decide to do.

From all the bowlers, Thank you Sid!!

Tournaments & Events

High-Low Doubles

Zone/DC Finals End – January 6, 2013

Provincial Triples

League Rounds Begin Jan.7 to Feb. 5, 2013

Youth Challenge Provincial Championships

Oshawa

January 26, 2013

O5 Office Christmas Hours

The O5PBA Board of Directors and Office Staff, would like to extend to you and your families, a very Happy Holiday and a safe and prosperous 2013.

The Office will be closed from December 24, 2012 until January 2, 2013.

Zone & DC Websites

To ensure that we have all Zone and D.C.'s correct website addresses, we would ask that if your Zone or D.C. does have a website, that you send the website address to brendahamilton@o5pba.ca.

SNAP PUBLICATIONS

Please see the attached article that was included in the Oshawa SNAP publication regarding the Youth Challenge. As mentioned at the Semi-Annual, this was submitted by us and it was published verbatim.

We can't stress enough that this is an excellent tool for you to use for publicity. Visit their website at www.snapnewspapers.com.



[http://www.snaposhawa.com/?option=com_sngevents&id\[0\]=481043](http://www.snaposhawa.com/?option=com_sngevents&id[0]=481043)

Youth Challenge Provincial 5-Pin Championships

Date: Saturday Jan 26 2013, 9am-7pm

Location: Neb's Funworld

Address: 1300 Wilson Road North

Phone: 905-723-2631

URL: <http://www.nebsfunworld.com>

The finest youth bowlers from across Southern Ontario, between the ages of 13 and 18 years of age, will converge upon the city of Oshawa at NEB's Funworld on January 26th, 2013 to compete to represent Southern Ontario at the National Youth Challenge Championships, which will take place in Gatineau, Quebec from March 21 – 24, 2013.

These Championships will showcase the best youth teams encompassing 14 Zones across Southern Ontario, from Windsor east to Ottawa and north to Huntsville. Each of the 14 Zones will field a Men's Team, Ladies' Team and Mixed Team, along with coaches.

The Provincial Championships shall be comprised of, and declare champions in five events: Men's, Ladies' and Mixed team events and Men's and Ladies singles events.

Each team will bowl 5 games and all competitors shall have their scratch scores count in all games of the round robin. The top 3 men and top three ladies, based on scratch scores (no handicap) for all round robin games will form the Southern Ontario Team, which will advance to compete at the National Championships in Gatineau, Quebec.

The top man and top lady will also be declared as the Provincial Singles Champions.

It will be a high energy event with many of the competitors bringing family and friends to cheer them on.

The Durham Region Contingent will have some local flavour, including Oshawa residents Ashley Fallow, Samantha Barker, Dylan Wyles, Scott Hamilton and Daniele Linton.

NEB's Funworld is up to the challenge as it is the largest 5-Pin Bowling Centre in Southern Ontario – boasting 52 Five Pin Bowling lanes all along one side of the building. NEB's is also a unique entertainment centre -- besides 5-Pin Bowling, there is an indoor go-kart track, rock climbing, bumper cars and many, many more entertaining things for children and adults of all ages to do.

So don't miss the action – come out and watch Southern Ontario's finest Youth Bowlers strut their stuff on the lanes on January 26, 2013 in one of the finest 5-Pin Bowling Centres in the Province.



..... AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR