



President's Message

John Cresswell

Yet another Summer has passed by and although the weather this year was not the best, it hasn't seemed to stop it from ending quickly. The total eclipse of the sun that was witnessed in its entirety in some of the U.S. states this Summer was spectacular. Although in Canada we only got to see a partial eclipse, it was still an amazing sight. So here we are at the beginning of the 2017/2018 bowling season. Hopefully everyone has recharged their batteries and are ready to take on the tasks at hand.

Once again I would like to thank Rhonda Gifford and Jackie Henriques for the duties they perform on behalf of you, our members, keeping us all informed and up to date on bowling related issues.

This year the government required that all sports re-apply to be granted PSO status. On top of this we had to apply to be part of the 2018 Ontario Winter Games. We worked diligently to get these two applications completed and submitted and were rewarded for our efforts by being granted PSO status and also participation in the 2018 Ontario Winter Games.

Base grant funding from the province of Ontario continues still to be a priority for this association. In April we were notified that we had less than 90 days to submit our grant application for sports funding. With more sports requesting funding from the government this year than before, we had our work cut out for us. We engaged the services of Judy Sutcliffe to assist and direct us with this application so it would be completed and submitted on time. Further details on the results of our efforts will be discussed at our SAGM in November. I would like to thank here, your Board of Directors for all of their time and effort in completing these applications by the deadline date. This could not have been completed without the assistance of the office staff as well.

At the AGM in June we presented a 3 year Strategic Plan, along with a 2 year Operational Plan for the O5PBA. We also conducted a seminar on Growth and Development of our organization. I would like to thank all who attended these presentations for their input and approval of these plans. It is imperative that these plans are in place to ensure that we continue to be a successful sports organization now and into the future.

At the Open Nationals in Sudbury, unfortunately the Southern Ontario contingent were not successful in their goal of bringing home the gold, but did obtain medals in the Men's team division (Central Ontario) with silver and the Men's singles (Matt Innis, Tri-County) with a bronze.

Your Board of Directors have been diligently working all Summer to get the 2017/2018 season in place, and are looking forward to seeing you all at our 40th Annual Hall of Fame Awards Dinner on November 4th in Hamilton, as well as the Semi-Annual General Meeting, also in Hamilton, on November 5th.

Have an enjoyable 2017/2018 bowling season on the lanes and hopefully will be seeing many of you at our Provincial Tournaments.



Tournaments

Executives 5 Pin Championships

Average Date – October 29, 2017

Entry Deadline – October 29, 2017

Zone/DC Finals End November 19, 2017

High-Low Doubles / Inter-Provincial Championships

Average Date – October 15, 2017

Entry Deadline – October 15, 2017

League Rounds – October 16 – November 19, 2017

Zone/DC Finals: On or before January 14, 2018

Youth Challenge

Average Date – November 12, 2017

Entry Deadline – November 12, 2017

Zone finals end November 26, 2017

Zone & DC Financial Agreements

All Zones and DC's **MUST** register a copy of their Financial Agreements with the Provincial Office. These Agreements are a condition under which local Zone and Decentralized Associations maintain their charter as members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association..

Copies forwarded to the Provincial Office **MUST BE DATED** and provide the names of both the Zone and DC Associations which are parties to the Agreement. They must be legibly signed by the Presidents of all Associations, which are parties to the Agreement. **(Members of the same family cannot sign both sides of the Agreement).**

Incentive points will be awarded to those Associations who submit their Banking / Insurance Forms on or before November 10, 2017. A loss of voting privileges will result if the form is not received by November 10, 2017.

Hall of Fame / Semi-Annual Weekend Sheraton Hotel - Hamilton

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR CERTIFICATION

We will be conducting a Tournament Director Certification Course on Saturday, from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel, at a cost of \$25.00. Please register for this course with the O5 office by October 27, 2017.

40th HALL OF FAME AWARDS DINNER

The Hall of Fame Awards Dinner will be conducted at the Sheraton Hotel this year in the Main Ballroom on the second floor. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. followed by Dinner at 6:45 p.m. Ticket price is \$85.00 and can be ordered at o5pba@o5pba.com or call the office at 416-426-7167.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017

SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2017 Semi-Annual General Meeting will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, 116 King Street E., Hamilton in the Main Ballroom on the second floor.

The meeting will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and will review the first two months of the 2017/2018 bowling season and what is planned for the balance of the season. The Ernie Roggie Grass Roots Coach of the Year and Dave Post Elite Coach of the Year awards will also be presented at this meeting.

Grass Roots & Elite Coaches

The "**Ernie Roggie Grass Roots Coach of the Year**" should come from those individuals who work directly with, and have a positive influence on, our youth bowlers. They should be nominated for their efforts up to and including the 2015/2016 bowling season.

The "**Dave Post Elite Coach of the Year**" should be recognized for their commitment to skill development of the 5 Pin game, as well as successful coaching experiences in competition. The Elite Coach of the Year nominations should be based on achievements in the 2016/2017 season.

Nomination forms have been sent to all Coaching Co-ordinators and can also be found on the O5 website. Nominations must be received in the O5 office by the deadline of **October 2, 2017**.

Intro to Competition Coaching Course

Location:

5 Lincoln Street, Welland

Date:

October 13, 14, 15, 2017

Time:

October 13 - 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
October 14 - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
October 15 - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Cost:

\$175.00 (\$100.00 non-refundable deposit)
Make cheques payable to O5PBA

Contact:

Brenda Fraser
bowlingnut@cogeco.ca

To register for this course, please contact the O5PBA office at 416-426-7167 or o5pba@o5pba.ca You can also contact Brenda Fraser at the above email address.



Incentive Awards

We are continuing again this year with having all documents for Incentive Awards sent into the O5 office electronically. Accepted formats are excel, word or pdf.

Details and forms for the Incentive Awards have been sent to all Zone and DC Presidents. The incentive forms will also be available for downloading from the O5 website. Please make sure your respective chairs in all Zones and DC's review the incentive program. If there are any questions regarding the incentive program, please contact the O5 office for clarification or the Incentive Chair, Winnie Spires at winniespires@o5pba.ca.

Electronic submission email addresses:

minutes@o5pba.ca

Meeting minutes and Agendas

results@o5pba.ca

Zone/DC round tournament winners

incentive@o5pba.ca

Any other items not covered above.

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