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PRESS RELEASE

Subject: Ernie Roggie Grass Roots Coach of the Year and Dave Post Elite Coach of the Year for 2022-2023

Every year, we present one coach with the **Ernie Roggie Grass Roots Coach of the Year** award. These are individuals who have dedicated their time to their programs over the years, working at all levels and can only be won once in a lifetime.

This years recipient has been coaching for over 25 years, working at all levels, from YBC and Youth Challenge to Masters and the Open. They have coached Youth Challenge 4 times, including once at Nationals, the Youth Bowling Championships (formerly 4 steps) 11 time, including once at Nationals, the Ontario Open 17 times, with 4 National appearances and Masters Nationals 3 times. They are also an active coach in baseball & basketball, including 8 years coaching varsity baseball.

It gives me great pleasure to announce that **Geoff Dunn**, of the Hamilton 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, is the Ernie Roggie Grass Roots Coach of the Year for the 2022-2023 season.

Every year, we present one coach with the **Dave Post Elite Coach of the Year** award. These are individuals who are recognized for their day-to-day commitment to basic skill development and their success in competition. This award can be won multiple times.

This year's recipient was no stranger to coaching and shows their support both on and off the lanes. Their success dates back to 2015 when they coached the Ladies team to a Provincial Open Gold. Last season they coached the MBO Tournament Ladies to a National Silver Medal and the Niagara Ladies to a gold medal at the Ontario Open.

It gives me great pleasure to announce that **Kevin Smith**, of the Niagara 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, is the Dave Post Elite Coach of the Year for the 2022-2023 season.

Thank you,

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