



## President's Message

John Cresswell

By the time this newsletter is published, we will be getting into the Fall months, although the weather isn't giving up on Summer just yet, as we are still experiencing Summer-like temperatures. We have had record-breaking temperatures and very little rain all Summer. Where did Summer Go? It certainly flew by way to quickly. It won't be long until we see cooler temperatures at night and the leaves changing into their spectacular red, orange and yellow colours, which is already happening in some northern areas.

All Zones and DCs who submitted the appropriate forms and paperwork have been sent the beginning-of-season supplies. If you have not received your supplies or require additional information, please email Rhonda Gifford at [rhondagifford@o5pba.ca](mailto:rhondagifford@o5pba.ca).

During the 2023-2024 season, we completed all our Provincial Championships as face-to-face events. Thank you to all the proprietors who took on our events for the Provincial Championships and the local Zone and DC finals. Along with our Provincial events, the O5PBA hosted the Youth Challenge Virtual Nationals at Mountain Lanes in Hamilton and the 2024 C5PBA Open Nationals in Ottawa. On top of all of that, Ontario participated in the 2024 Winter Games in Thunder Bay. It was indeed a busy year tournament-wise. A big shout-out from me to the proprietors and volunteers who gave their time to ensure the success of our events.

We had another successful face-to-face Annual General Meeting at Fern Resort in June. The meeting saw great discussion and collaborative changes from the field to ensure the future of 5 pin bowling is solid in the coming years. To this end, the most significant change was that the number of Zones has been reduced from 13 to 12, with Western Ontario being dissolved. This was a difficult decision for them to make, but they could not foresee themselves being viable in the upcoming season. The O5PBA wants to thank all volunteers, proprietors and bowlers for their support over many years as a Zone in our province. Western Ontario will become a part of Middlesex Elgin. Parts of Middlesex Elgin and Huronia have been moved to Grand River.

Other changes are with the Bay of Quinte. Hastings becomes part of Kawartha Lakes, The updated boundary changes can be viewed on the O5PBA website at <https://o5pba.ca/locations/>.

The O5PBA Board of Directors has three new directors and one returning director. Lori Beesack, Mike Connerty, and Dan Vogler were elected to three-year terms, and Dave Post was elected to a two-year term. I look forward to working with each of them during their tenure as part of the O5PBA, and it is encouraging to see so many new people come forward to run for the Board of Directors.

The Open will again be at two bowling centres – Echo Bowl in Brantford and C&D Lanes in Woodstock. The Senior Open teams will again be bowling at Mike's Lanes in Stratford. New this year for the Senior Open, the winning team members and coach will each receive \$500, as well as the Men's and Ladies' Singles Champions. The finals on Saturday will see all teams bowling at Echo Bowl in Brantford for the stepladder Saturday morning, with the Singles stepladder following in the afternoon. The Victory Banquet will be held in Brantford on Saturday evening for all competitors. A schedule of events is published on our website and Facebook page.

On a personal note, I can't thank our volunteers enough. You are the strength and backbone of this organization and without your dedication to our sport of 5 pin bowling, this organization would not exist. I would also like to thank our office staff, Rhonda Gifford and Jackie Henriques for their work and for keeping us all on track.

Please ensure your bowlers fill in the Membership form completely for starting leagues. Failure to do so will delay becoming a member of our Local Associations.

Fall brings another wave of COVID and seasonal viruses, so please stay safe everyone and take the necessary steps to ensure the safety of others around you.

Please have a great 2024/2025 bowling season. I hope to see many of you on the lanes at our Provincial tournaments.

## Hall of Fame / SAGM Weekend November 2 - 3, 2024

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024

#### Tournament Director Seminar

We will be conducting a Tournament Director Seminar at the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel, Hamilton in Suite 1818 on Saturday, November 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All tournament directors and/or anyone performing the role of judge of play or scorekeeper, must complete this course before running any O5PBA event. The registration fee is \$25.00 per person. The deadline date to register for this course is October 18, 2024. **The seminar will require a minimum of six registrants to run.**

Please follow the link <http://o5pba.ca/news/> to download the registration form and return it together with a cheque, to the Provincial Office, or e-transfer to [payments@o5pba.ca](mailto:payments@o5pba.ca). Indicate on the e-transfer that it is for the Tournament Directors course.

**Please Note: After October 18, 2024 there will be no refunds issued for cancellations unless the course has been cancelled due to lack of registrations.**

#### 43<sup>rd</sup> Hall of Fame Awards Dinner

The dinner will be held at the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel in the Main Ballroom (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor). Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m. with dinner to commence at approximately 6:45 p.m.

We will be inducting two Builders, four Players, two Legends and one individual for Dual Induction.

#### BUILDERS:

John Cresswell – Richmond hill  
Denis St.Onge – Ottawa

#### LEGENDS:

Ralph Pittaro – London (dec)  
Bill Williams – Stevensville

#### PLAYERS:

Linda MacLean – Bowmanville  
Gail Matis – Windsor  
Rob McGregor – Toronto  
Elizabeth Nicoll - Milton

#### DUAL INDUCTION:

Claudina Sula - Mississauga  
(Builder)

Ticket price is \$100.00 (HST included). We were able to negotiate this price by offering each person attending the dinner, the option to select their choice of protein for the meal. The choices are:

- Fresh Brie & Herb Stuffed Chicken Breast w/Cabernet Jus
- 8 oz. Top Sirloin of Beef, au Jus
- Vegan/Gluten Free option

Simply indicate your choice and any dietary restrictions on the Ticket Order Form, which can be downloaded from the link below. Return it together with a cheque to the Provincial Office or e-transfer to [payments@o5pba.ca](mailto:payments@o5pba.ca). Indicate on the e-transfer that it is for the Hall of Fame.

<https://o5pba.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/2024-HOF-Zone-DC-Ticket-Order-Form>

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

#### Semi-Annual General Meeting

The 2024 Semi-Annual Meeting of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association will be held on SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024 at the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel, in the Main Ballroom (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) located on the 2nd floor and will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. This meeting will review the first two months of the 2024-2025 bowling season, and what is planned for the balance of the season.

Please complete the "Voting Delegate Registration Form" and e-mail it to [incentive@o5pba.ca](mailto:incentive@o5pba.ca) on or before **OCTOBER 18, 2024**. In order to ensure that voting delegate privileges are not revoked, the 2024-25 Association Insurance Registration Form **must** be filed with the Provincial Office.

This form can be found under the Incentive Package on the website at <https://o5pba.ca/forms>

## Ernie Roggie Grass Roots & Dave Post Elite Coaches of the Year

The coaches we wish to honour for the **Ernie Roggie "Grass Roots" Coach of the Year** are individuals who are dedicated to their programs identified with their youth bowlers, and bring a positive learning experience to the coaching process. The individual should be nominated based on their LIFETIME achievements.

The coaches we wish to honour for the **Dave Post "Elite" Coach of the Year** are individuals who are recognized for their day-to-day commitment to basic skill development and for their occasional success in competition. The individual should be nominated based on their achievements for the past 2023-2024 season.

Nomination forms should be emailed to [incentive@o5pba.ca](mailto:incentive@o5pba.ca) on or before OCTOBER 5, 2024.

Nomination forms for both Grass Roots and Elite coaches can be found on the website at <https://o5pba.ca/coaches-corner>.

## Ontario Open & Senior Open Declaration Clarification

Reminder that at the AGM in June of 2022, a motion was approved regarding the declaration rule:

***“Remove the Declaration Rule. Bowlers will be eligible to bowl in a zone if they have a rolling average in that zone with a minimum of 50 games over 4 years, as published in the average book and on the O5PBA site every year”.***

***If you purchase a membership card in the zone that you wish to bowl in and meet the average book requirements as stated above, you may bowl where you choose.***

***Coaches put on the list to be chosen as a coach for the current season, must have purchased a membership card for the Zone they are representing by October 31, 2024.***



**Welcome Back  
Everyone**  
*From the Editor*

Hope you all have had a fantastic Summer and are ready for some great bowling this season.

**Remember, this is your newsletter.** Please send in any articles you would like to have included. There are incentive points awarded for articles sent in. They should arrive in my inbox by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month to ensure placement in that month's newsletter. Send all submissions to [brendahamilton@o5pba.ca](mailto:brendahamilton@o5pba.ca).

The O5PBA reserves the right to review all items received before publishing. If it is determined that an article should not appear in the newsletter, you will be advised of this decision and the reasons why.

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*Ron Roeder*

## Upcoming Tournaments & Events

### 43<sup>rd</sup> Hall of Fame Awards Dinner

*Saturday, November 2, 2024*

Sheraton Hamilton Hotel, 116 King Street, Hamilton

### Semi-Annual General Meeting

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### Executives 5 Pin Championships

*Average Date & Entry Deadline – October 20, 2024*

*Zone/DC Finals: On or before November 17,, 2024*

*Provincial Championships – February 22, 2025*

### High-Low Doubles / Inter-Provincial Championships

*Average Date & Entry Deadline – October 20, 2024*

*League Rounds – October 21 – December 1, 2024*

*Zone/DC Finals: On or before January 12, 2025*

*Provincial Championships – February 23, 2025*

### Youth Challenge

*Average Date & Entry Deadline – November 10, 2024*

*Regional Finals – November 24, 2024*

*Provincial Championships – January 12, 2025*

### Ontario Open & Senior Open

*Zone finals begin November 3, 2024 to January 26, 2025*

## York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

### Strike 13 Fundraiser Saturday, October 26, 2024

**Location:** Bradford Underground Bowl  
**Time:** 4:30pm Registration – 5:00pm Bowl  
**Entry Fee:** \$250.00 per 5 player team  
**To Register Contact:** Diana Fendley  
[diana.ys5pba@gmail.com](mailto:diana.ys5pba@gmail.com)

See attached poster

See Facebook Event Page for Rules & Regulations



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