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CHANGES TO ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS LEADING TO 2020 NATIONALS

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in Ontario, the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Board of Directors have been constantly reviewing our options with respect to our Provincial calendar of events. Now, with the decision of the C5PBA to cancel their National Championships in 2020, the O5PBA Board of Directors have made the following decision with respect to events that lead to a National Championship.

The O5PBA Board of Directors acknowledge that there is no right answer to the situation we have been put in due to COVID-19. Whatever decision is made, not everyone will be happy with it. These decisions are based on many variables, our members' health, jobs and financial position, bowling centre availability, and all of the volunteers who have been and continue to be the backbone of our association.

2020 Ontario Open Team Championships

The event has been cancelled.

All current 2020 qualifiers will make up the teams that compete Easter weekend in 2021.

2020 Ontario Open Singles Championships

The event has been cancelled.

All current 2020 singles qualifiers will participate in the Singles competition Easter weekend 2021.

2020 Ontario Senior Open Team Championships

The event has been cancelled.

All current 2020 qualifiers will make up the teams that compete Easter weekend in 2021.

If someone is not available to participate (for whatever reason), they can withdraw on the appropriate form, with no repercussion, ie. they will be automatically suspended as per the rules, but will be automatically reinstated after the completion of the 2021 National Open Championships or 2021 Ontario Senior Open Championships. Individual monies that were submitted to the O5PBA for the Provincials will be refunded.

Fill the Field Provincial Event

This new event will be open to anyone who is not seeded to the 2021 Championships. This event will add 1 team to each of the 3 divisions of the Open and 1 team to the Senior Open and fill any vacancies in zone contingents who are not able to be backfilled from the 2019 zone qualifying round. Specific details about this event will be forth coming once they are finalized by the O5PBA Tournament Committee.

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2020 Inter-Provincial Championships - Cancelled

The participants who won at the 2020 Provincial High-Low Doubles will be seeded to the 2021 Inter-Provincial Championships.

2020 National Youth Challenge Championships – Rescheduled to Aug 19-23/2020

The 6 players and 2 coaches are scheduled to compete Aug 19-23/2020, final decision on this event will take place June 30/2020.

Thank you everyone for your understanding under these circumstances that we all have next to no control over. We can all help by staying home and social distancing away from those we do not live with.

Stay safe.