

# **ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

## **CONVENTION 2009 - GENERAL MEETING #1**

**Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**President:** Dave Post

**Secretary:** Mike Wilson

<b>Directors:</b>	John Cresswell	Rheal Champagne
	Harold Stoddart	Mike Kyte
	Mickey McNeil	Terry Macdonald
	Brenda Hamilton	

<b>Office:</b>	Al Hong	Rhonda Gifford
	Jackie Henriques	

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Dave Post called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Mike Wilson did roll call. There were 67 voting delegates present.

### **II PRESIDENTS REMARKS**

Good evening and welcome to General Meeting #1.

To say this year has been a difficult one for all of us would be a big understatement. With more bowling centres closing, membership on the decline, loss of tens of thousands of jobs we have all been fighting an uphill battle.

Last year's new criteria was a big change for everyone and we hope that with strong discussions tomorrow we can find a solution to any problems that have occurred and hopefully everyone will have a better understanding of the process.

I would like to thank Terry and John for all the time they have spent on this over the past year.

Our provincial tournament schedule kicked off in Welland with our Youth Challenge Provincials. York Simcoe won the men's gold medal, while Hamilton won the ladies division and Middlesex Elgin capturing the mixed team gold.

Tri County's Cameron Flannigan captured the men's single title averaging 283.5, while Krysten Cripps of Middlesex Elgin captured the ladies singles title with a 258.8 average. Ontario hosted the Nationals again this year and our Southern Ontario team captured the silver medal.

Krysten Cripps was selected to the All Star team and captured the ladies high average with a 259.3 winning a \$1,000 scholarship.

Easter saw our elite bowlers head to Hamilton and the Ontario Open championships. Hamilton's Brenda Walters bowled the second consecutive perfect game for a lady and collected \$4,140.00. In singles competition Hamilton's Martin Talbot and Tri County's Karole McDonnell captured gold.

Hamilton Men won gold as did the Tri County in the ladies, while Hamilton captured the Mixed honors. In the Seniors Open Western Ontario captured the gold medal.

Team Ontario headed for Saskatoon with one goal in mind and that was to give Ontario a back to back aggregate championship. Our ladies team won gold, while both our men's and mixed team placed fourth. Both Karole McDonnell and Martin Talbot won silver medals in the singles competition. This gave Ontario its 12<sup>th</sup> Aggregate win.

Karole McDonnell was selected as the female rookie of the year. She was joined on the All Star team by Casey Ramey and Christine Mair. Hamilton's Jeff Young was selected to the men's All Star team.

The highlight of this seasons Open occurred on Thursday when Jay Young of Conception Bay Newfoundland rolled a perfect game collecting a cool \$66,171.25.

This year the first National Inter Provincial tournament was held in Regina. Southern Ontario was represented by our High Low Double winners Mike Eversfield and Terry Sommers from Kempview and Ryan Sturgess and Mark Bailey from Blue Mountain. I had the opportunity to coach this team and although we did not win any medals it was great to see a National Championship that was devoted entirely to the average bowlers who represent 85% of our membership.

All provincial tournament winners can be found on pages 118 to 120 in the convention book.

Before we begin I would ask you to please stand for a moment of silence to recognize some of the great volunteers and friends that we have lost in the past year. Volunteers such as Iris Locke, Marj Moore, Lea McBeigh, Jim Hoult, Mau Mori, Ruth Homan, Marilyn Haggerty, Jane Schroeder, Rita Brioux, Wally Dance,

Jean Knauff, Danny Beringer, Dick Thompson and Marg Cowan.

### III REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM 2008 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

The minutes for the November 2008 Semi-Annual Meeting were reviewed for content and accuracy.

**MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY HEATHER CRESSWELL, SECONDED BY JOANNE ELLISON, TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FOR THE 2008 SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. CARRIED.**

### IV INTRODUCTIONS

President Dave Post introduced the Board and Staff of the organization and thanked them for their efforts for this past season.

Nancy Moore made a presentation to President Dave Post on behalf of the Ontario Blind Bowlers' Association and passed along their many thanks to our organization for the 25 years of support we have given.

As you may recall last year the C5PBA took on the task of selecting the top 100 bowlers in Canada. Each province submitted their names and 2 weeks ago in Saskatoon as part of the National Open Championships certificates were given to the top 100 bowlers.

Tonight I would ask Al Hong to present certificates to two of these bowlers who are with us tonight. The first lady from Bluewater and was recognized as one of the top bowlers from the Hamilton Association Betty Jones. The next lady was one of the top bowlers from Central Ontario and now is a member of the board of directors Mickey McNeil.

Certificates are available for the following and we would ask the zone Presidents to please present their winners at an appropriate time and place:

Huron – Lynne White & Al Snow

Middlesex Elgin – Ian Cameron

Niagara – Dot Britton, Don Betts, John Scholes

Ottawa Valley – Bernie Menard

Ontario Durham – Chuck Park

Metro Toronto – Bill Hault, Nick Pagnello, Basil Gasdia, Anna Swartzman,  
Theda Procher, Millie Evans, Dianne Harrison and Doris  
Luke

Hamilton – Lloyd Omerod, Mike Bates, Matt Dragun, Susan Davies, Shirley  
Bedell and Evelyn Wood

York Simcoe – Geoff Stevens, Russ Hurcom, Jimmy Houlton, Tom Horton,  
Diane MacLeod, Steve Greensides and Sandy Dickson.  
Central Ontario - Gord Hobson, Charlene MacCormack, Sandy Lyons, Sue  
Topping, Claudina Sula and Marg Bratkin

#### IV **FINANCES**

Treasurer Terry Macdonald presented our 2009-2010 Draft Budget to the delegates.

- a. Heather Cresswell asked what category sponsorship dollars went into. Terry replied "Corporate Sponsorship".
- b. Paul Sprague asked why the audit fees increased over last year. Terry indicated that because this hasn't been completed as yet nothing has been accrued.
- c. Bob Beaucage asked why the awards were over budget (both income and expense). This is a result of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary materials. Also, Bob asked why the Government Grants was listed as 90%. Terry explained that because this is the last year of a three year cycle and the new information has not yet been published yet.
- d. Chris Moore asked what if anything became of the SAGM mini meeting. Dave noted that in tomorrow's workshops we will be discussing this.
- e. Winnie Spires asked if we have a car because we are paying insurance and repairs. Yes, the vehicle which Al uses belongs to the organization.
- f. Paul Brown asked why casual labour shows as a 100 percent increase over this year. Al indicated this figure includes our student as well as Heather Dwinnell.
- g. Ron Roeder asked if we had DCs that were not coming back would this affect the numbers that others will pay. Terry said once we have confirmed information it will change the numbers and she will have the adjusted figures out before the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August.
- h. Chris Moore asked what professional fees were. Terry indicated that this covers the preparation of our government grant submission.

#### V **FIRST CALL FOR ELECTIONS**

Dave asked the Executive Director of the C5PBA Sheila Carr to make the first call for elections to your Board of Directors. Dave Post, Harold Stoddart and Rheal Champagne will let their name stand as incumbents.

No names were put forward from the floor at this time. Sheila indicated that the second call will be during General Meeting number 2 tomorrow afternoon.

A motion was put forward by Winnie Spires to adjourn the meeting. Carried.