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To: BPAO Bowling Centres **ATTENTION: YBC PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

YBC Representatives

Copies: Zone/Decentralized Association Tournament Directors

From: Rhonda Gifford

Program Coordinator

SUBJECT: YOUTH CHALLENGE - ZONE FINALS

The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association in cooperation with the Youth Bowling Council will again conduct the Youth Challenge. The Zone Finals shall be bowled on or before **NOVEMBER 25**, **2007** in a centre designated by the Local Zone Association.

We would like to thank the Bowling Proprietors' Association of Ontario and the Youth Bowling Council for their very generous cooperation and we look forward to their continued effort and support.

PROCEDURE

All entries and entry fees (as determined by each Zone Association) will be sent to the person listed on the enclosed "CONTACT SHEET" under the send entries to column.

O5PBA TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Select a bowling centre for the Zone roll-off on or before **NOVEMBER 25, 2007** and agree upon a lineage rate.

2. Contact YBC Zone Representatives:

- (a) Arrange Zone roll-off, Scorekeepers, Tournament Director, Judge of Play, Scoreboards, etc.
- (b) Contact YBC Program Directors of each centre in your Zone, and encourage them to solicit entries.
- (c) Supply the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Zone Publicity Chair with information pertinent to the tournament.

(d) Following the Zone Roll-off:

- Select the Coaches for your teams (Must be Full Level 2 Certified)
 and record the names on the "COACHES REPORT FORM" provided.
 Mail the report form to the Provincial Office at the above noted address or fax it to (416) 426-7364 <u>IMMEDIATELY</u> following the conclusion of your Zone roll-off.
- Record the names, addresses and averages of the qualifiers on the "ZONE QUALIFIERS REPORT FORM" provided and mail or fax to the Provincial Office <u>IMMEDIATELY</u> following the conclusion of your Zone roll-off.

YOUTH BOWLING COUNCIL ZONE REPRESENTATIVES

- 1. Work with the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Zone Tournament Director to coordinate the Zone roll-off. (See Contact Sheet)
- 2. Contact all YBC Program Directors to explain the tournament, encourage them to solicit entries and make sure they have all the information regarding the tournament.
- 3. Advise YBC Program Directors of the date, location and time of the Zone roll-off.

YOUTH BOWLING COUNCIL PROGRAM DIRECTORS

- Contact all Junior and Senior Division bowlers in your respective bowling centre. Explain
 the tournament solicit entries collect entry fees and forward entries and fees on the
 enclosed "ENTRY FORM" to the person listed on the "CONTACT SHEET" under the
 send entries to column by NOVEMBER 11, 2007.
- 2. Advise bowlers from your bowling centre as to the date, time and location of the Zone roll-off.

ELIGIBILITY

Open to all bowlers 13 years of age but not yet 19 years of age as of **DECEMBER 31, 2007**, who have achieved one of the following:

- a) Attending a recognized school of learning
- b) A member of the Youth Bowling Council
- c) A member of the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RESIDENCY RULE

- a) All bowlers must bowl in the Zone where they reside if they are not members of the YBC (Youth Bowling Council).
- b) Members of the YBC must bowl in the Zone in which they bowl their YBC league.

c) If a bowler bowls in two (2) leagues in two (2) separate Zones, he/she must bowl in the Zone in which they reside.

ENTRY DEADLINE

The entry deadline is **NOVEMBER 11, 2007**.

ZONE FINALS AND FORMATION OF TEAMS

The Zone Finals will be conducted by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Zone Tournament Director and the Youth Bowling Council Zone Representative of each area.

Upon receipt of entries, each YBC Program Director will be informed of the date, site and time of the Zone Finals.

The Zone Finals shall consist of five (5) games. The top seven (7) men and seven (7) ladies, and the bowler with the next highest pinfall, either male or female, shall qualify for the Regional Finals.

The top five (5) men and five (5) ladies shall make up the Men's and Ladies' teams. The next two (2) men and two (2) ladies and the next highest qualifier either male or female, shall make up the Mixed team.

REGIONAL FINALS

The Regional Finals will be bowled on **JANUARY 6, 2008** in centres designated by the Local Association and approved by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

All contingents shall be comprised of the winners in the Zone Finals. Only bowlers declared as Zone Champions shall be eligible to participate in the Regional Finals.

REGIONAL GROUPINGS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

REGION #1	REGION #2	REGION #3
BLUEWATER WESTERN ONTARIO MIDDLESEX ELGIN	HAMILTON GRAND RIVER NIAGARA PENINSULA TRI COUNTY	METRO TORONTO HURONIA YORK SIMCOE CENTRAL ONTARIO

REGION #4

KAWARTHA LAKES BAY OF QUINTE OTTAWA VALLEY ONTARIO DURHAM

NOTE: ASSOCIATIONS IN BOLD WILL BE THE HOSTS FOR THE 2007 REGIONAL FINALS

COACHES METHOD OF SELECTION

This event, although conducted by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, reaches youth bowlers of Ontario. For this tournament to succeed, the O5PBA must work in close co-operation with the Youth Bowling Program Directors to solicit entries.

All Youth Challenge coaches must have full Level II Certification by **NOVEMBER 30, 2007**, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. Each Zone will identify Level 2 qualified coaches on a master list. The selection of coaches will be done in accordance with the coaching policy of their Zone Association.

COACHES RESPONSIBILITIES

The coach's job covers all aspects of the event.

- a) As an *organizer* and *planner*, the coach is responsible to arrange <u>ALL</u> travel, accommodations and any finances.
- b) As a *teacher*, the team should be technically prepared to perform their personal best during the event.
- c) As a *motivator*, the coach sets goals that are attainable throughout the event and achieved by the final results.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: ALL COACHES SELECTED MUST BE <u>RESPONSIBLE PERSONS</u> AND MUST COORDINATE THE TRANSPORTATION OF THE QUALIFIERS TO THE REGIONAL FINALS AND PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS/ONTARIO WINTER GAMES.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Provincial Championships of the Ontario Winter Games shall be bowled from **MARCH 6-7**, **2008**, in a centre designated by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

Bowlers who are members of teams declared as Regional Champions shall be eligible to participate in the Provincial Championships/Ontario Winter Games which will be held in Collingwood, Ontario.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The National Championships shall be held **MARCH 27-30, 2008** in a centre(s) designated by the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

The top three (3) men and top three (3) ladies based from Southern Ontario, based on scratch scores for all round robin games, will form the Southern Ontario team which will advance to compete in the National Championships which will be held in Ottawa, Ontario.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Provincial Office at (416) 426-7167.