



Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

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Dear Bowler:

Congratulations on having qualified as one of two (2) bowlers on the Mixed Doubles Team which will represent your bowling centre in the 31st Annual Ontario Senior Citizens' (Senior and Junior-Senior) Singles and Mixed Doubles 5 Pin Championships. These Championships are being held on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2004** at North End Bowl in Oshawa.

Enclosed with this letter is a Bowler's Information Form, Map of the Area and Schedule of Events for the Provincial Championships.

You will be bowling three (3) games in the Provincial Championships. All winners will be declared on a pins-over-average basis for the three (3) games. Each participant will bowl **FREE OF CHARGE**, and you will be competing for merchandise prizes.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation has been arranged at the Durham College Residence & Conference Centre (***formerly Rodeway Suites***), 1910 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa, Ontario, L1G 4Y3. Their telephone number is (905) 728-8700.

If you are travelling **240 kilometres or more one-way**, free overnight accommodation will be provided for you on **TUESDAY, MAY 11TH, 2004**.

Based on the entries received to date, the following bowling centres have qualified for free overnight accommodation:

Park 'N Bowl, St. Thomas
Merivale Centre, Nepean

Lorne Ogilvie Memorial, Kemptville

If you require hotel accommodation and you are travelling from any of the above noted bowling centres please complete the enclosed Bowler's Information Form and we will book you a room for **TUESDAY, MAY 11TH, 2004**.

If you do not qualify for free overnight accommodation but would like to book a room we have obtained a special room rate. The room rate will be \$69.95 plus 5% PST (\$3.50) and 7% GST (\$4.90) for a total of \$78.35 per night, based on single or double occupancy. For additional persons in a room over two, \$5.60 (taxes included) per person will apply.

To receive this rate, all rooms must be booked through the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association will accept payment by cheque, money

order, VISA or Mastercard. If paying by cheque or money order please make it payable to the "Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association". **POST-DATED CHEQUES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Reservations will be accepted on a **first-come first-served** basis. You must return your completed Bowler's Information Form to reach the Provincial Office no later than **MONDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2004.** After this date, we will not be able to guarantee that any rooms will be available. **Please return your Bowler's Information Form along with your payment (if applicable) prior to the deadline date to avoid disappointment.**

We would also like to point out that check-in time at the hotel is 3:00 p.m. All rooms have been guaranteed by our Association. As we do guarantee all rooms with the hotel, we must pay for them whether they are occupied or not. **In order for you to cancel your room accommodation, we must have twenty-four (24) hours notice, otherwise you will be charged for the room.**

Please be aware that when you check into the hotel, you will be asked for a credit card to cover your incidental charges only (e.g. parking, telephone calls, movies etc.)

BANQUET INFORMATION

The banquet on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 12TH, 2004** will be held immediately following the Provincial Championships in the Lounge at North End Bowl. Bowlers are invited to attend the banquet **FREE OF CHARGE.** Awards will be presented and top winners will be announced at the banquet. If you wish to bring a guest(s) to the banquet and awards presentations, the cost will be \$20.00 per ticket (GST included).

Banquet tickets will only be available if ordered on your Bowler's Information Form as all meals have to be **GUARANTEED.** Any tickets you order can be picked up and paid for upon registration at the bowling centre.

AVERAGE CLARIFICATION

All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2003-04 season up to and including **MARCH 7TH, 2004**, and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

Average Book: Bowlers must use their highest league average as recorded in the Average Book, and as established in any league in Ontario.

Non-Average Book: Bowlers with no average recorded in the Average Book, must use **the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:**

Use their highest league average up to and including **MARCH 7TH, 2004** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

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Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **MARCH 7TH, 2004**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **MARCH 7TH, 2004.**

All bowlers not in the Average Book must provide the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with an original or a photocopy of their Individual Average Sheet. The average sheet must be obtained

from all leagues they bowl in, and must show scores bowled in all games from the opening of the 2003-2004 season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **MARCH 7TH, 2004.**

A hand-copied facsimile is not acceptable. If you cannot get a photocopy, send the original to the office and we will photocopy it and return it to you immediately.

Please Note: Only bowlers that are not listed in the Average Book are required to send in their Individual Average Sheet(s). The average sheet(s) should be submitted with the Bowler's Information Form.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DRESS CODE FORM

Attached to your Bowler's Information Form is an Acknowledgement of Dress Code Form. Each participant **MUST** complete and sign this form to acknowledge they understand and agree to abide by the dress code as outlined. This form **MUST** be returned to the Provincial Office as part of your Bowler's Information Form. **Failure to sign this form may result in not being permitted to compete in the event.**

Please contact your Local Association to arrange for your shirt. It is the responsibility of your Local Association to ensure that you have the appropriate attire.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

Also attached to your Bowler's Information Form is an Acknowledgement of Risk and Release of Liability Form. In order to ensure our Association of liability coverage, our insurance company has insisted that an Acknowledgement of Risk and Release of Liability Form be signed by **ALL PARTICIPANTS** in our Provincial Championships.

Please read the form carefully and initial each item. Upon completion of the form please print and sign your name. This form **MUST** also be returned to the Provincial Office as part of your Bowler's Information Form. **Bowlers who do not complete and sign the form will not be allowed to bowl.** This is an action that may seem drastic but is necessary for the well being of your Association.

We look forward to meeting you in Oshawa, and wish you the best of luck in the Provincial Championships. If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Provincial Office.

Yours truly,

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

Rhonda Gifford
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