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To: All Zone Association Coaching Coordinators

Copies: All Zone Association Presidents

SUBJECT: 2010-2011 "GRASS ROOTS" AND "ELITE" COACH OF THE YEAR

Since 1980, the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association has selected a Coach of the Year. Our criterion has been driven by the many tournaments that we conduct and our nominees' success in these events. This program is delivered nationally and starting with the 2011-12 season this award will be known as the **Dave Post "Elite" Coach of the Year** in honour of the lifetime commitment Dave has made to advance the art of coaching 5 Pin Bowling.

The coaches we wish to honour for the Dave Post "Elite" Coach of the Year are the individuals who are recognized for their day to day commitment to basic skill development and for their occasional success in competition. A nomination form is attached and all nominations are to be received in the Provincial Office on or before **OCTOBER 3, 2011**. The individual should be nominated based on their achievements for the 2010-2011 season. Once the selection process has taken place, we will announce our Dave Post "Elite" Coach of the Year and his/her name will also be forwarded to the C5PBA for consideration at the National level.

While this program recognizes our coaches who excel through our elite program, the O5PBA also recognizes our coaches who contribute at the grass roots level. Since the 1996-1997 season a coach has been selected each year that has demonstrated outstanding performance at the local level. This program has also been expanded nationally and each year the winner is presented the *Ernie Roggie "Grass Roots" Coach of the Year*.

The coaches we wish to honour for the Ernie Roggie "Grass Roots" Coach of the Year are the individuals who are dedicated to their programs, identified with their youth bowlers and bring a positive learning experience to the coaching process. A nomination form is attached and all nominations are to be received in the Provincial Office on or before **OCTOBER 3, 2011**. The individual should be nominated based on their achievements for the 2010-2011 season. Once the selection process has taken place, we will announce our Ernie Roggie "Grass Roots" Coach of the Year and his/her name will also be forwarded to the C5PBA for consideration at the National level.

A suitable presentation will be made at the President's meeting in November. It would be appreciated if all Zone Coaching Coordinators wishing to submit a nomination on behalf of their Zone Association complete the enclosed nomination form(s) and return them to the Provincial Office **no later than OCTOBER 3, 2011**. While in the past only a few zones have participated, it is hoped that all Zones will submit a nomination for both categories this year. The Board of Directors will make a final decision at their October meeting.

Yours truly,

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