



Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

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To: All Qualifiers

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**SUBJECT: HIGH-LOW DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS
INTER-PROVINCIAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Dear Bowler:

Congratulations on having qualified for the Provincial Championships of the High-Low Doubles 5 Pin Championships/Inter-Provincial National Championships to be held on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016** at Sherwood Centre in Hamilton.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation has been arranged at the Sheraton Hotel, 116 King Street West, Hamilton, Ontario. Their telephone number is (905) 529-5515.

The room rate is \$109.00 plus 13% HST (\$14.17) for a total of \$123.17 per night, based on single or double occupancy.

If you require a room please contact the hotel directly at (905) 529-5515 or 1-888-627-8161 and tell them you are booking a room under the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association block **Hi-Low Doubles 2016**.

Please be advised that the hotel will only guarantee the room price until **JANUARY 22, 2016**. After this date, the hotel will be releasing the balance of our rooms under our block. **Please contact the hotel before the deadline date to avoid any disappointment.**

PROVINCIAL EVENT PARTICIPATION FEE

All bowlers participating in the Provincial Championships must pay an additional Provincial Event Participation Fee of \$20.00. Payment of this fee must be submitted to the Provincial Office on your Bowler Information Form prior to the specified deadline date.

AVERAGE CLARIFICATION

All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships must have bowled a minimum of twenty-one (21) games during the 2015-2016 bowling season up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016**, and must use the following criteria for determining averages:

- a) **AVERAGE BOOK:** Bowlers must use their rolling average as recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca, and as established in **all sanctioned or non-sanctioned** leagues in Ontario. **The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust a bowler's average at a Provincial Championship, based on all leagues and sanctioned tournaments that they bowled in during the past three (3) seasons to ensure that their average reflects the bowler's true ability.**
- b) **NON-AVERAGE BOOK:** Bowlers with no rolling average recorded in the Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use **the highest of the following as determined by the Provincial Office:**

Use their highest league average up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues), and as established in any league in Ontario.

- OR -

Use their average based on the median between their highest league average up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016**, and the average based on the twenty-one (21) games (seven weeks) leading up to **JANUARY 3, 2016**.

SEE EXAMPLE BELOW:

| DATE | GAME 1 | GAME 2 | GAME 3 | 3 GAME TOTAL | TOTAL GAMES | TOTAL PINFALL | AVG. |
|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|-------------|---------------|------|
| Oct. 4-15 | 194 | 137 | 130 | 461 | 3 | 461 | 153 |
| Oct. 11-15 | 175 | 139 | 183 | 497 | 6 | 958 | 159 |
| Oct. 18-15 | 199 | 142 | 236 | 577 | 9 | 1535 | 170 |
| Oct. 25-15 | 199 | 142 | 236 | 577 | 9 | 1535 | 170 |
| Nov. 1-15 | 199 | 200 | 189 | 588 | 12 | 2123 | 176 |
| Nov. 8-15 | 171 | 111 | 157 | 439 | 15 | 2562 | 170 |
| Nov. 15-15 | 137 | 187 | 195 | 519 | 18 | 3081 | 171 |
| Nov. 22-15 | 158 | 202 | 185 | 545 | 21 | 3626 | 172 |
| Nov. 29-15 | 272 | 190 | 157 | 619 | 24 | 4245 | 176 |
| Dec. 6-15 | 240 | 246 | 230 | 716 | 27 | 4961 | 183 |
| Dec. 13-15 | 133 | 208 | 168 | 509 | 30 | 5470 | 182 |
| Dec. 20-15 | 176 | 142 | 189 | 507 | 33 | 5977 | 181 |
| Dec. 27-15 | 183 | 197 | 179 | 559 | 36 | 6536 | 181 |
| Jan. 3-16 | 244 | 252 | 240 | 736 | 39 | 7272 | 186 |

Average Calculation:

Average as of specified average date: **186**

Average over last 21 games (seven weeks): **199** (4191 pinfall divided by 21 games)

199 minus 186 = 13 divided in half = 6.5 186 + 6 = **192**

Average for Provincial Championships: **192**

PLEASE NOTE: BANK SCORES SHOULD NOT BE USED TO CALCULATE A BOWLER'S AVERAGE AS NO GAMES SHOULD BE COUNTED MORE THAN ONCE. (SEE SCORES OF OCT. 25-15 IN EXAMPLE SHOWN ABOVE)

- c) 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 2015-2016 bowling season with a minimum of twenty-one (21) games bowled up to and including **JANUARY 3, 2016**. **A hand-copied facsimile of this average sheet is not acceptable.** If you cannot get a photocopy, send the original to the Provincial Office and we will photocopy it and return the original to you immediately.

Please Note: Bowlers who are not listed in the Average Book or on the O5PBA Website are required to submit copies of their Individual Average Sheet(s). The Average Sheet(s) must be submitted with the "Bowler Information Form".

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CODE OF CONDUCT AND DRESS CODE FORM

Attached to the Bowler Information Form is an Acknowledgement of Code of Conduct and 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 below:

All bowlers must wear shirts with collars in their registered Zone Association colours with a logo identifying the Association the bowler represents. Bowlers must wear straight hemmed bottom dress slacks, dress shorts, skirts, skorts or capris. **Individuals on a team may wear a different length style bottom.** (The skirts, skorts or dress shorts may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side). Cotton pants will be permitted provided they are not faded, have no rips, tears or studs on them and have no slits up the side of them. Jeans, harem, spandex, leggings, stirrups, sweatpants, cargo pants or warm-up pants of any kind are prohibited. No pants/slacks with external pockets on the sides will be accepted. Hats, caps or headgear of any kind are prohibited unless worn for medical or religious reasons.

Any bowler not conforming to the dress code may not be permitted to compete in the event as determined by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee. **A fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be levied against each BOWLER not conforming to the dress code.**

This form **MUST** be returned to the Provincial Office as part of your Bowler 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 bowling shirt.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

Also attached to the Bowler 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 the box after reading and understanding the statements and conditions. Upon completion of the form please print and sign your name. This form **MUST** be returned to the Provincial Office as part of your Bowler Information Form. **Participants who do not complete and sign the form will not be permitted to bowl**. This is an action that may seem drastic but is necessary for the well being of your Association.

You will be competing for merchandise prizes at the Provincial Championships. The Provincial Championships shall consist of four (4) games. The team that finishes in first (1st) place based on a total team pins-over-average basis will be declared our Provincial Champions.

In addition, two (2) teams will be paired together to form a team that will represent Ontario at the Inter-Provincial National Championships in Hamilton, Ontario from **APRIL 21-24, 2016**.

We look forward to seeing you in Hamilton, 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 at (416) 426-7167.