



## ***Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association***

### **WELCOME TO THE 2007-2008 BOWLING SEASON**

Your Board of Directors wishes to thank all the delegates who attended the 2007 Annual General Meeting in June. With the continuing decline in membership and the reduction in tournament entries, combined with the ever-increasing cost of running this organization, we were faced with some very serious but necessary decisions. With some very frank discussions and lots of great input, a number of changes have been made and we are confident this will help keep the organization viable for the future.

One of the major cost savings is the cancellation of TruCash membership cards. We do recognize the support TruCash has been providing over the past several years and thank them for their contribution to the organization. It was decided to use our own electronic database; hence membership cards will not be issued this year. All Membership Chairs will receive a letter outlining the new procedure for membership. In addition, to maintain the programs that we currently offer our members, it was approved to increase the membership cost to \$13.00. Please be aware that this is the first increase in over 5 years and although it was something we were reluctant to do, it was the most significant way to fund ongoing operations.

A new tournament "Share the Wealth" will replace the Strike it Big Tournament, which we sincerely hope with your support, will raise more money for both the local associations as well as for the O5PBA.

A number of other changes were made and they can be found in the 2007 AGM Minutes on our website.

We want to wish all Zone/DC Executives, all League Executives and especially all bowlers good luck this year and we hope you enjoy the upcoming bowling season.

Dave Post  
President, O5PBA