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To: All Bowl Ontario Bowling Centres

ATTENTION: YBC PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Copies: Zone/Decentralized Association Tournament Directors

YBC Representatives

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, 2012** in a centre designated by the Local Zone Association.

We would like to thank Bowl Ontario and the Youth Bowling Council for their continued support of this event.

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, 2012** 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:

1. Select the Coaches for your teams.

Note: All coaches must have full Level 2 Certification or Certified Competitive Coach as of November 30, 2012, and must be a member in good standing of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.

Record their names on the "COACHES REPORT FORM" provided. Mail, fax or e-mail the report form to the Provincial Office as noted on our letterhead **IMMEDIATELY** following the conclusion of your Zone roll-off.

2. Record the names and addresses of the qualifiers on the "ZONE QUALIFIERS REPORT FORM" provided. Mail, fax or e-mail the report form to the Provincial Office noted on our letterhead IMMEDIATELY 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 4, 2012.
- 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, 2012**, 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 4, 2012**.

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 Provincial Championships.

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.

In the event that a Zone Association cannot field a full contingent for the Provincial Championships as noted above, the following will apply:

- a) Three (3) men and two (2) ladies or three (3) ladies and two (2) men will field a Mixed Team only
- b) Five (5) to seven (7) entries (Men and Ladies) will field a Men's or Ladies' Team
- c) Eight (8) men and seven (7) ladies or eight (8) ladies and seven (7) men entries will field a full contingent

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Provincial Championships of the Youth Challenge shall be bowled on **JANUARY 26, 2013** at NEB's Fun World in Oshawa, Ontario. Bowlers who are members of teams declared as Zone Champions shall be eligible to participate in the Provincial Championships.

The Provincial Championships shall be comprised of, and declare champions in five (5) events: Men's, Ladies' and Mixed team events; and Men's and Ladies' singles events.

In each event, teams will be divided into two (2) groups and each team will bowl a Single Round Robin format. The top two (2) teams in each group of three (3) divisions (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed teams) which amasses the highest point total at the conclusion of the Single Round Robin will advance to the Championship Finals.

All bowlers competing in the Provincial Championships (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed teams) shall have their scratch scores count in all games of the round robin and these scores will be used to determine the Provincial Singles Champions.

The top three (3) men and top three (3) ladies 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. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position, a one (1) game roll-off will be held. The National Championships will take place in Gatineau, Quebec from **MARCH 21-24**, **2013**.

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 2 Certification or Certified Competitive Coach by **NOVEMBER 30, 2012**, 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.

PLEASE NOTE:

ALL COACHES SELECTED MUST BE <u>RESPONSIBLE PERSONS</u> AND MUST COORDINATE THE TRANSPORTATION OF THE QUALIFIERS TO THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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