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To: Bowl Ontario Bowling Centres

ATTENTION: PROPRIETOR OR MANAGER

Copies: Zone/Decentralized Association Tournament Directors

From: Rhonda Gifford

Program Coordinator

SUBJECT: ONTARIO SENIOR CITIZENS' (Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions)

SINGLES & MIXED DOUBLES 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear Proprietor or Manager:

It's time again to invite your bowling centre's participation in this year's Ontario Senior Citizens' (Senior and Junior-Senior Divisions) Singles and Mixed Doubles 5 Pin Championships.

This tournament is open to all bowlers 50 years of age and over as of <u>DECEMBER 31, 2011</u> and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. Bowlers age 50 to 64 will bowl in the Junior-Senior Division. Bowlers age 65 and over will bowl in the Senior Division.

Please complete the attached "<u>ENTRY FORM</u>" and return to your <u>Local Zone or Decentralized</u> <u>Association Tournament Director</u> together with a cheque or money order made payable to the "Local 5 Pin Bowlers' Association" to cover your League/Bowling Centre entries.

The Provincial Championships are scheduled for <u>WEDNESDAY</u>, <u>MAY 16</u>, <u>2012</u> at NEB's Fun World (North End Bowl) in Oshawa.

In return for your entry, you will receive:

- NO LINEAGE CHARGE FOR COMPETITORS AT THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- PROVIDE A COMPLIMENTARY NIGHT ACCOMMODATION (if they qualify) FOR COMPETITORS WHO TRAVEL MORE THAN 240 KM, ONE-WAY
- PROVIDE A FREE LUNCHEON FOR ALL COMPETITORS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- PRESENT MERCHANDISE PRIZES TO SINGLES AND DOUBLES WINNERS (in both Divisions) AT THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

You may choose any of three (3) suggested methods to select the bowlers *(one man and one woman)* who will advance to represent your bowling centre in the Provincial Championships.

- 1) Select any man and woman you wish from among the league bowlers bowling in your centre who are eligible. Their entry may become an award from you for high average, services rendered, or whatever you decide.
- 2) Hold a roll-off during regular league play to declare one man and one woman as House Champions to advance from your bowling centre to the Provincial Championships. Winners should be declared on a pins-over-average basis.
- 3) Begin immediately to announce each day for one week that all league bowlers in your bowling centre who are eligible to bowl in the Zone/DC Finals which you will schedule no later than **MARCH 11, 2012**.

All bowlers who compete in the Zone/DC Finals must use the following criteria for determining averages:

AVERAGE BOOK:

Bowlers must use their three (3) year rolling average as recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website at www.o5pba.ca

NON-AVERAGE BOOK:

Bowlers with no three (3) year rolling average recorded in the Zone Average Book or on the O5PBA website, must use their highest league average in that Zone or Decentralized Association up to and including **JANUARY 1, 2012** (highest average if a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues) with a minimum of twelve (12) games having been bowled.

Please note you have until <u>MARCH 11, 2012</u> to select the man and woman who will advance to the Provincial Championships, but your entry form should be sent to your <u>Local Zone or Decentralized Association Tournament Director</u> with the entry fee per bowling centre/league and per division no later than <u>JANUARY 1, 2012</u>.

We thank you for your continued support of our organization. If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact the Provincial Office at (416) 426-7167.

Yours truly,

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

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Enclosures: