

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

CONVENTION 2004 - GENERAL MEETING #1

Thursday, June 17th, 2004

President: Jennifer Guay

Directors:	John Cresswell	Mike Kyte
	Rheal Champagne	Mike Davies
	Rick Longworth	Harold Stoddart
	Dave Post	Marilyn Irwin
	Mickey McNeil	Mike Cregan

Office:	Al Hong	Rhonda Gifford
	Nancy Moore	Jackie Henriques

Secretary: Mike Wilson

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Jennifer Guay called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Mike Wilson did roll call. There were 70 voting delegates, 12 board members and 4 office staff present.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR 2004 ANNUAL CONVENTION

2. The agenda for the 2004 Annual Convention as presented in the Convention Book on Pages 1-6 was reviewed and approved.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY JIM LABLANCE, SECONDED BY ROSE MACKIE, TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA FOR THE 2004 ANNUAL CONVENTION AS PRESENTED IN THE CONVENTION BOOK. CARRIED.

III. OPENING REMARKS

3. The following were Jennifer's remarks:

As we officially open our 38th Annual Convention, I would like to say that it is a pleasure to see both familiar faces and some new faces in our meeting this evening. Some of us

are a little greyer, or a little heavier, and perhaps, a little wiser than when we attended our first convention. But we're still fired with the enthusiasm and initiative that drew us into the O5 family with a desire to build a strong, enduring association. I thank you all for your dedication and perseverance and your friendship.

As you reviewed the Agenda for our 2004 Convention, you may have noted that some changes have been made from previous years. In many cases, this has been done in response to your comments from previous years and our desire to include as many delegates as possible the committee discussions. As always, the agenda is a mix of business and social activities and I hope that you all have a both enjoyable and beneficial convention.

Two weeks ago, I was present in Gatineau as our Ontario contingent once again demonstrated the wealth of talent we have here by winning the National Open Aggregate banner. For those of you who haven't been checking the O5 or C5 websites, Jim Thorpe won Men's Singles, Sandi Horton was 4th, the Men's Team took Gold, the Ladies' Team won Silver and the Mixed Team finished 6th. Rob Himburg was named Male Rookie and Jim Thorpe, Jason Procher and Bryce McKiernon were named to the All Star Team.

As a footnote to our provincial Open, the Senior Division was successful and, I expect, now enshrined in Ontario. Thanks, once again, to Brenda Hamilton for her perseverance in fighting to include this new division.

At the Team Tournament and Holiday Classic events, we were all pleased to celebrate the success of Ingersoll and Orangeville teams. These trip winners invariably turn out to be some of our best ambassadors in recruiting members. Our 2004 Ontario Winter Games experience in London demonstrated our future strength as a sport with very heated competition for the gold. Our Ontario team that traveled to Winnipeg with coaches Connie Hannah, who is here today, and Mike Outindyke was successful in bringing home gold to Ontario. Our new events, the Strike It Big and \$10,000.00 Shootout unfolded during the season and, in some cases, demonstrated Murphy's Law. However, all events have been reviewed and recommendations noted for change where necessary. Brian Gingrich will join us on Saturday to receive his cheque as the first winner of the Shootout.

Most of us were shocked to be notified of the passing of our good friend Jack Hales. I know that, during the past year, I have often missed Jack's guidance and sense of humor. Convention, itself, carries many poignant reminders ...

- Jack
- dressed in his oversize baby blues, illustrating the "new" MBA Uniform.
 - turning a one hour meeting on a Sunday morning into one that lasted 3 or 4 times as long.
 - Playing for a full card at bingo and confusing everyone else sitting at his table.
 - Trying every year to ensure that each zone was in a different location at the banquet. After all, he had 25 years of seating plans in his briefcase.

- Filling in time at General Meeting #3 with his endless repertoire of jokes. Kowalski lived on, and on, and on because of Jack.
- Laughing and joking and encouraging all of us to go on.

Jack Hales will be missed, but his legacy at our Conventions will live on as long as we remember him.

As you look around the room this evening, you will notice that there are other familiar faces missing. Let us take a moment to remember all absent friends.

At this time, it is my pleasure to introduce the members of the Board of Directors who have been charged with the responsibility of safekeeping our association. I will introduce each by one title only and note that a full roster of each director's responsibilities appears in the rogues' gallery in your Convention Book.

John Cresswell -	1 st Vice President	Dave Post	- 2 nd Vice President
Rick Longworth -	Treasurer	Mike Wilson	- Secretary
Harold Stoddart -	Tournament Director	Mike Davies	- Fundraising Chair
Mickey McNeil -	Communication	Mike Kyte	- Membership
Marilyn Irwin -	Record Scores	Mike Cregan	- Constitution & Bylaws
Rheal Champagne	-Lane Certification		

Our Provincial Office Staff keep O5 running on a daily basis and provide the board with advice and guidance. They are:

Al Hong - Executive Director
 Rhonda Gifford – Program Coordinator
 Jackie Henriques – Financial Coordinator
 Nancy Moore – Administrative Coordinator

Thank you for all of your hard work.

For those who remember our former Program Coordinator Doug Gellatley, we were pleased to be notified last week that Doug has accepted a new position as Executive Director of Ontario Federation of Secondary School Athletics Association which involves increased responsibility and commensurate increase in remuneration. In the office here at Cleveland's House, I have left a congratulatory card for Doug and ask his many friends to sign it to wish him well.

We are most pleased to have, back with us this year, our good friend, Hall of Famer, coach and sponsor Sid Morris. Sid will be favoring us with his comments at General Meeting #3.

Sheila Carr, Program Coordinator of the C5PBA is here this week and will be serving as our Elections Chair. Sheila will be giving first call later in this meeting. We are pleased that a number of our Life Members still take an active role in this

association. Here with us this evening are:

Walter Knapp Francis & Grace Kelly Brian & Patricia McDougall
Jackie Hawkins

Jim Lacey, Bob Coulter and Walter Heeney will be joining us tomorrow evening.

As well, a number of Hall of Fame members will be present this week:

Doug Connerty Walter Knapp Walter Heeney Sid Morris
Ian Cameron Mickey McNeil Betty Jones

I believe that those are all of the introductions that I can make at this time. As we are joined by other individuals, we will introduce each. I ask you now to turn your attention to consideration of the minutes of the 2003 Semi Annual Meeting.

IV **REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM 2003 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING**

4. The minutes for the 2003 Semi-Annual Meeting were reviewed for content and accuracy. No changes were noted.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY DOUG PLUMMER, SECONDED BY ALLAN BARRY, TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FOR THE 2003 SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AS WRITTEN. CARRIED.

V. **Planning**

5. John Cresswell presented a slide show presentation containing an overview of the strategic plan.

VI. **SERVICE AWARDS**

5 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2003-2004 SEASON

Presented by: Mike Wilson

6. There were a total of seventeen (17) individuals who received their certificate for 5 years of service. They were: Matt Alexander (Metro Toronto), Sally Baril (Waterloo Association), Judy Begley (North End Bowl), Diana Bicknell (Hastings), Tom Clayfield (Waterloo), Marg Flagg (North End Bowl), Paul Hewitt (Blue Mountain), Bille Hunt (Hamilton), Ray Kobylanski (North End Bowl), Ron Larochelle (Orangeville), Janet McRobb (Bramalea), Dave Melvin (Trenton), Peter Michaud (Niagara Peninsula), Cathy Periera (Waterloo), Kevin Pitkin (Tri County), Chris Scinocco (Metro Toronto), and Chris Taylor (Mike's).

10 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2003-2004 SEASON

Presented by: Rick Longworth

7. There were a total of twelve (12) individuals who received their certificate for 10 years of service. They were: Karen Hofstede (Dunnville), Lynn Kilbourne (11 years – Tri County), Terry Macdonald (Hamilton), Mike Manwarren (Dunnville), Brian Scott (Metro Toronto), Mary Simpson (Eastside Association), Doug Smith (Lucan), John Vanderheide (Ridgetown), James White (Ingersoll), Mary White (Ingersoll), Ed Wood (Maple Ridge), and Joe Zammit (Central Ontario).

15 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2003-2004 SEASON

Presented by: Dave Post

8. A total of fourteen (14) individuals received their certificates for 15 years of service. They were: Ellen Bedard (Ottawa Valley), Denise Burroughs (Ajax), Howard Carlton (deceased – Trenton), Wendy Dingman (Huron), Jane Graham (Ontario Durham), Aline Landry (Bay of Quinte), Corinne Maclam (York Simcoe), Andy McIntyre (Lucan), Doug Rathbun (Astra), Murray Spry (Cobourg), Donna Stoddart (Astra), Dirk Vanvrouwerff (Bowl-A-Rama), Laurie Vanvrouwerff (Bowl-A-Rama), Grace Young (Kempview), and Ron Young (Kempview).

20 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2003-2004 SEASON

Presented by: John Cresswell

9. A total of ten (10) individuals received their certificates for 20 years of service. They were: Brenda Fraser (Niagara Peninsula), Irene Gill (North End Bowl), Bill Grant (Huron), Gerry Hiltz (Kawartha Lakes), Sharon Martorino (Cobourg), Brian McDougall (Bramalea), Patricia McDougall (Bramalea), Larry Rankin (Astra), Claire Rice (Smiths Falls), and Donna Truman (Kempview).

10. As well, in addition to those 53 names just called, this year we will recognise five (5) individuals for 25 years of service, two (2) individuals with 30 years of service and two (2) individuals with 35 years of service. These achievements will be recognized at the Presidents' Banquet on Saturday night.

11. The O5PBA thanked all of these individuals for the time, energy and imagination they have devoted to the sport of 5 Pin Bowling.

VII. CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

Mike Cregan gave a review of the impact that the three motions pertaining to zone criteria (Hamilton, Bluewater & Metro Toronto on page 104/105) would have on the

bottom line for both the zones and the O5PBA. These motions will be discussed in more detail on Friday afternoon.

VIII. **FIRST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

12. Jennifer turned over the floor to Sheila Carr to ask for the first call for nominations for the Board of Directors. This year there are 4 positions available (4 for 3 years). He noted that the O5PBA Board of Directors have nominated the following incumbents: Mike Wilson, Mickey McNeil and Mike Kyte. It was noted that Rick Longworth had indicated that he would not seek re-election at this time. On behalf of all members, we thank Rick for his many contributions to the O5PBA and welcome his continued involvement at the local level. The following individuals were nominated at this meeting:

- a. Chris Moore
Nominated by: Wendy Dingman
Seconded by: Doug Connerty
- b. Gary Burkholder
Nominated by: Alice Koehn
Seconded by: Sylvia Poodry

13. Sheila Carr asked for further nominations and as none were given closed the floor for any further nominations. Second call will be at General Meeting #2 on Friday afternoon.

IX. **HALL OF FAME**

14. Jennifer apologized for the omission of the 2003 Hall of Fame Inductees from the Hall of Fame section of the convention book. The 31st Annual Awards Dinner for Inductees to the 5 Pin Bowling Hall of Fame was held at the Hamilton Convention Centre on Saturday, November 8th, 2003. Six individuals that were inducted are:

- Builders: Shirley and Ross Wilson (dec.), Fenelon Falls
Jimmy Hoult, Richmond Hill
- Players: Mickey McNeil, Mississauga
Jim Fedorenko, Brantford
Chuck Park, Bowmanville
- Legends: Glad Lenz (dec.), Hamilton
Earl Jones, Toronto

15. Of course, this annual event would not be possible without the continuing support of Zone and Decentralized Associations and we thank them for their

continuing participation. Looking ahead, we request your support for the 2004 Hall of Fame Dinner, which is scheduled for Saturday, November 6th, 2004. The ticket order form will be forwarded at the beginning of the 2004/05 season.

16. On that night, we will induct two Builders, three Players and two Legends, one living and one deceased and the individuals are:

Builder:	Henry Fehr, North York Marg Morrissey, Allanburg
Players:	Verna Bryan, St. Catharines Pat Mahoney, Hamilton John Mattioli, Mississauga
Legends:	Clifford (Corky) Rumsam, Cannington Bob Gallagher (dec.), Oshawa

17. During the 2002/03 season, the Hall of Fame Committee undertook to find a way to recognize the countless men and women who have served O5PBA and 5 Pin Bowling through their local associations. Many of these individuals have never sought recognition by election to the provincial level, but nonetheless have been integral to local successes and changes made at the provincial level. As a result, the Builder Division application process has been revised and the criteria for nomination of those local volunteers can be found on Page 78 of the Convention Book. Application forms can be obtained from the Provincial Office or downloaded from the O5PBA website.

X. **APPRECIATION AWARDS**

18. Jennifer assisted by Al Hong made the introductions for those individuals who would receive Appreciation Awards. These awards are presented based on nominations from the local associations. In an effort to retain the special nature the special nature of these awards, only a maximum of nine are presented annually. They recognize individuals who have not only completed their job in an exemplary manner, but who have gone that extra step above and beyond what is asked of them. The following appreciation awards were handed out at this meeting:

- a. Brian Gibbs, Smiths Falls
- b. Margaret French, York Simcoe
- c. Lynn Kilbourne, Tri County
- d. Ina Skillings, Tri County
- e. Winnie Spires, Merivale
- f. Judy Nantais, Kingsway
- g. Iain MacLean, Lindsay

h. Rheal Champagne, Central Ontario

XI **ADJOURNMENT**

19. A motion was put forward by Wendy Dingman, seconded by Rosemary Davidson, to adjourn the meeting. Carried.