

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

CONVENTION 2011 – DISCUSSION FORUM

Thursday, June 16th, 2011

Chair:	Dave Post	
Secretary:	Mike Wilson	
Directors:	John Cresswell	Terry Macdonald
	Rheal Champagne	Harold Stoddart
	Mike Kyte	Brenda Hamilton
	Paul Bauer	
Staff:	Al Hong	Rhonda Gifford

A CALL TO ORDER

Dave Post called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm.

Welcome to Cleveland's House and our 45th Annual Convention. This year has certainly been a busy and interesting year for all of us. Our travelling workshops began October 16th in Belleville and ended December 19th in Toronto. I would like to thank all the Zones and DC's who took part in these workshops as well as the board members who were present. A special thank you to my travel companions who took part in all these workshops Terry Macdonald and Al Hong.

I would like to thank Harold Stoddart for running a Tournament Director course in Belleville, Rheal Champagne for running a Tournament Director course in London and Doug Plummer who helped set-up a coaching course in Belleville. During our regional meetings everyone was concerned where our sport is going and how we can improve our volunteer base. On Friday we will be again hosting a workshop and we will be looking at all aspects of volunteerism as well as your thoughts on how we can improve our image in the sports world.

Our tournaments again were the highlight of our calendar. Although the numbers of entries were down at the local level the number of bowlers at the provincial round were the same thanks to you the Zones / DC's who took advantage of sending extra bowlers to these events.

Our tournaments began February 5th in Oshawa with our Youth Challenge Provincials where for the first time all zones competed for the championships. Congratulations to the ladies team from Niagara Peninsula and the Men's and the Mixed Team from Metro Toronto. Our High Low Doubles and Executive Tournament were bowled in Hamilton and we want to

congratulate Jay Fendley and Julie England from York Simcoe for capturing the High Low Doubles championship and to York Simcoe's Lisa Mariani for winning the Executive Tournament. In March we returned to Hamilton and our Holiday Classic Tournament that was won by Mountain Lanes in Hamilton.

Congratulations to Dave Toth, Debbie Atkins, Loreigh Mitges, Teresa Wong, Pascal Bolduc and their coach Laurie Toth.

Again we returned to Hamilton at Easter and our 46th Provincial Championships. In our first ever singles Seniors Stepladder Diane Martin from Western Ontario captured the Ladies title while Rejean Menard of the Ottawa Valley Association captured the Men's title. In the team competition Ottawa Valley won gold. Joining Rejean on the team was Bernie Menard, Rose graves, Michael Balcombe, Rose Graves and Dave Anderson.

We want to congratulate Western Ontario's Erica Bortolin for capturing her first Ladies title and to Central Ontario's Wade Thompson for capturing his second Men's title. In the team competition the ladies from Tri County won their third Ladies Team title. The team consisted of Christine Mair, Casey Ramey, Kristi Lampman, Kayla Marie Anderson, Karole McDonnell and Kyla Smith.

In the men's division Central Ontario captured its fourth Men's title. Team members Doug Brock, Mike Doherty, Jim Head, Ian Gavel, Dan Pike and singles champion Wade Thompson.

Tri County won its first Mixed Team title with teammates Brian Pye, Shasta Smith, Will Daniel, Meghan Flannigan, Sean Westhaver and Cheryl Campbell.

May 11th our senior bowlers invaded Neb's Fun World in Oshawa for our Annual Senior Citizens Senior & Junior / Senior Mixed Doubles and Singles tournament. Again this year we had a great tournament and everyone enjoyed the day. This year in the Seniors Division the team of Bill Net and Helen Brown out of Lindsay won the Mixed Doubles portion while Bill won the Men's Single title and Marie Fujita- Yamashita from NEBS won the Ladies Single title. In the Junior/Senior division the team of Ron Murray and Marilyn Wilson from Garrison won the Doubles Championship while Ron won the Men's Single title and Joan Cybulski from Lindsay won the Ladies Singles title

May 28th our last provincial tournament was held at Stellar Lanes. Trenton's Darren Sangollo won the Booster Club while the team of Mariano Meconi, Michelle Boose and Herman Moore from Playdium Lanes captured the Triple Tournament. All four of these bowlers will be headed to the sunny south in November.

On the national front our Youth Challenge Team travelled to Regina where they bowled well however they just missed the step ladder final. The team consisted of Niagara Peninsula's Rebecca Nieuwoudt, Huronia's Kayla Lasperence, Metro Toronto's Heather Anderson, Huronia's Greg Czetwerzuk and Tri County's Joey Tate.

April 15th our Inter provincial team travelled to Edmonton where they came home with the first ever Inter Provincial Canadian Championships. Congratulations to Nicole Jee and Stuart

Moniger from Western Ontario, Kristy McMahon from Grand River, Don Cunningham from Middlesex Elgin and their coach Harold Stoddart.

May 31st saw our open contingent head west looking for gold. The tournament turned out to be the Erica Bortolin show. Erica and Ian Gawel won the rookie of the year award.

Erica along with Karole McDonnell and Kristi Lampman were selected to the Ladies All Star team. The Men's All Star team consisted of Ontario's Ian Gawel and Wade Thompson. For the first time in many years all of Team Ontario bowled in the step ladder finals on Saturday.

Our mixed Team as well as our Men's single champions Jeff Mahwinney placed 4th while our Men's team won the bronze medal. Our Ladies Team won their 3rd consecutive Gold medal.

To cap off the Erica Bortolin show Erica won her first National Singles title. Team Ontario won their 12th Aggregate Championship.

I want to thank everyone for attending this year's AGM and we look forward to some great discussions. As I have said many times we might not all agree on an item but we must respect the views of other and put our personal thoughts aside and do what is best for the sport of 5 pin bowling. The greatest part of living in this great country is we all have the chance to voice our opinions.

This year our 2010 – 2011 Zone of the Year will be presenting their version of the Dating Game on Friday Night with host Alvin George. As part of this and to raise money for KHP they will be selling T-shirts on the veranda before meals so please stop in and see these young ladies.

In the last couple of years we all had to make some tough decisions to keep our sport viable and this year will be no exception. We must put aside our personal views and do what is best for the sport of 5 pin bowling.

Dave asked for a motion to approve the agenda of the 2011 Convention.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE 2011 ANNUAL CONVENTION AGENDA WAS PUT FORTH BY WINNIE SPIRES; SECONDED BY JOANNE ELLISON. CARRIED.
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At this time we I would ask you to open your books and we will begin with our committee reports. The chairs will review the highlights and answer any questions you may have.

When all the reports have been read we will vote on the motions and recommendations. We will begin with our Hall of Fame report on page 21. This year's Hall of Fame will be held on Saturday November 5th again in Hamilton. This event would not be possible without the support of the Zones and DC's and for that we thank you. This is the only chance we have to thank the people who have built our sport.

On behalf of the Board of Directors we want to congratulate the following individuals who will be inducted this year:

Player Division:	Claudina Lista (Sula) Roger Davies Ian Wilson
Builders Division:	Gerry James Henry Pachulec
Legends Division:	Ken Roy
Dual Inductee:	Don Walker

Now we move onto our Liaison Committee Report. Again this year we met three times including the every trying calendar meeting. Despite the emails we receive every year we do try to work on a schedule that suits everybody but we must remember there are only so many weekends available and every year more tournaments are added to an already over flowing calendar. Membership is another important issue and this year we will be working with the MBO to make sure all their bowlers are members of our association.

Moving to the Government Grants again we want to thank Jennifer Guay for all her time and effort in preparing our annual submission. If it was not for her expertise we would not realize the amount of money we receive every year. I would also like to thank Jackie Henriques, Rhonda Gifford and Al Hong from the office for their contribution along with Terry Macdonald and Mike Wilson from the board of directors for their help in supplying vital information for this report.

This is the final year of our 3 year grant and next year we will be applying for a new 3 year plan. A little history on our grants, our first grant was in 1975 we received from the provincial government \$39,000.00 and our membership was 42,330. Five years later our membership rose to 44,974 and our grant was \$ 95,937.00.

B REVIEW OF CHAIR REPORTS

Commencing on page #21 of the convention book each of the Committee reports were reviewed and open to questions from the floor.

MEMBERSHIP:	SOO region 12, North End Bowl, Oshawa Head Coach should read Bob O'Neill
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Paul Sprague of Orleans asked if we could investigate a 2 game double award to be used for the SOO leagues. Mike Kyte will investigate.

INCENTIVE:	Starting August 2011 the Awards, Record Scores and Lane Certification category points will be added to the Zone & DC points (no plaques awarded), but we will continue to publish a listing of the individuals and providing certificates.
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BOWLING SCHOOL: With the decline in student registrations of late, unless the 2011 School reaches the 72 enrolment mark, in all likelihood the O5PBA will begin hosting the Bowling School on an every second year schedule. This would mean that the next School would be held in July 2013.

COACHING: Rheal Champagne informed the delegates that at the National level, the "Grass Roots Coach of the Year" will be known as the "Dave Post Grass Roots Coach of the Year" commencing the 2011-2012.

C **MOTION AND RECOMMENDATIONS DISCUSSION**

MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO MEMBERSHIP

Page 63, motion number one:

Kawartha Lakes 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

That all zones are allowed to solicit membership from non Bowl Ontario houses.
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The motion was put on the floor by Jackie Hawkins; seconded by Lori Nottingham.

Motion withdrawn.

Page 63, motion number two:

Niagara Peninsula 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

That when a new bowler starts the season and issued their membership number, that information be made available on the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association web site.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Brenda Fraser; seconded by Virginia Labenski.

Motion carried.

Page 63, motion number three:

Niagara Peninsula 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

To have the definition of a member be clear and concise in any Secretary's correspondence regarding membership.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Brenda Fraser; seconded by Wendy Bonnette.

Motion carried.

Page 64, motion number one:

Central Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

Allow the same 50% reduction to zones who lose members through centre closures as DC's.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Mickey McNeil; seconded by Roger Theriault.

Paul Sprague made an amendment to this motion; seconded by Rex Dorkings.

Amend the motion to read:

AMENDED MOTION

Allow a 100% reduction to zones that lose members through centre closers.

Jackie Hawkins indicated that at 100% everyone would be paying for the reduction through the deficit assessment and that wouldn't be right.

With no further discussion the question was called.

Amended motion was defeated.

Mike Kyte asked to have the motion amended to include a date of July 31st for budget preparation purposes.

AMENDED MOTION

Allow a 50% reduction to zones that lose members through centre closures as of July 31st.

If centre closure is after July 31st an equivalent rebate will be determined for the subsequent year.

The question was called.

Amended motion carried.

MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Page 65, recommendation number one:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

4.1.04 Currently: Zone Association (Zone):

A Zone, formally called a Zone Association, is a grouping of registered members in a geographical area of the Province of Ontario, such area and the registered members therein recognized by the Corporation as a Zone and made an agent of the Corporation for the geographical area.

4.1.04 Suggested Wording Addition:

For the purpose of finance, Decentralized Association members are not considered duplicates in their respective Zone Association and therefore are subject to payment of appropriate dues as set out by the Corporation.

Brenda Fraser asked for a clarification in respects to Zone houses, to which John Cresswell explained that if the member participated in more than one league in a zone house then they would be a registered member in one and considered as a duplicate in the other leagues they belonged to that are zone houses (houses which belong to the Zone Association and not Decentralized Associations).

Kim Kehoe requested that this recommendation be made into a motion; seconded by Dorren Kyte.

The question was called.

Motion carried.

Page 65, recommendation number two:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

Duplicate Membership Policy

If a bowler bowls in two (2) or more leagues in the same Zone Association, the league that registers first will be the league where that bowler will be a registered member. Any league that registers the same bowler again, that bowler will be a duplicate member. When a league registers their bowlers, the membership fee will be paid for all bowlers, duplicates included. At the end of the bowling season a league can request a rebate of duplicate members from the Zone/DC Association.

Mickey McNeil asked if we were not creating a headache for the associations by doing this. John Cresswell explained that this method was being offered as a possible alternative for areas that were having issues. If an association has a system that works for them the keep using it.

The recommendation was left as a recommendation and could be used where associations saw fit to use it as an alternative.

Page 66, recommendation number one:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

By-Law amendments proposed by Board of Directors

With the dissolution of Zone T (Bluewater) the Board of Directors recommends that the following changes to Appendix A (Zone Jurisdictions) for the following Zones.

**** Information as listed on pages 66 and 67 of the 2011 convention book ****

Marilyn Van Belois made this recommendation into a motion; seconded by Brenda Fraser.

Motion carried.

**MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PERTAINING TO INCENTIVE**

Page 68, recommendation number one:

Niagara Peninsula 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That when "new criteria" is added to the incentive forms, it be bold or highlighted so it does not get missed. Some volunteers that have been in their positions a long time may just glance over the material and miss the new information.

Agreed.

**MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PERTAINING TO AVERAGE BOOK**

Page 69, recommendation number one:

Garrison 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That DC's be allowed to send their year end results directly to O5PBA and also to the zone.

Agreed.

**MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PERTAINING TO LANE CERTIFICATION**

Page 70, motion number one:

Ottawa Valley 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

To withhold certificate and decal from the bowling centre until the invoice has been paid.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Mike Heney; seconded by Vince Amelotte.

Harold Stoddart asked if they could change this motion to a recommendation and simply withhold the certificate and decal on your own until the invoice is paid.

John Cresswell suggested that we also change the letter that is provided so that it reads "you are certified upon receipt of payment by your local association".

Mike Heney changed the motion to a recommendation.

Page 70, motion number two:

Grand River 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

That the O5PBA follow up with any non-compliance issues pertaining to lane certification.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Garnet Dobsky; seconded by Shirlee Kennedy.

Harold Stoddart pointed out that the O5PBA already reviews the certification papers submitted and when deficiencies are found a letter is sent to the proprietor stating that they are certified for this year, but if no improvements are made you won't be next year.

President Dave Post suggested that we send a copy of this letter to the certification agent as well so they can do follow up.

The motion was changed to a recommendation.

**MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PERTAINING TO TOURNAMENTS**

Page 71, motion number one:

Central Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

To remove the League Executive tournament from the O5 tournament schedule.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Mickey McNeil; seconded by Jodi Myers.

Jackie Hawkins pointed out that because this event was a venue where there was

interaction between the league executives and we have the deficit assessment it was worth the money to keep in the schedule.

The question was called. **Motion defeated.**

Page 71, recommendation number one:

Orlean's 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

To have the O5 Executive suggest ways to reduce the cost of the Executive Tournament even if this is to reduce the prizes again.

President Dave Post indicated that we would look into this and see what we could come up with.

Page 71, motion number two:

Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

To have certain tournaments, including the Executive, operate on a regional basis, at the same time as the originally scheduled Provincial final. The results would be forwarded after each game to the Provincial office who would then send back updated results. The regions can be broken up into Eastern, Central, Southern and Western. The location can shift within the region.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Paul Sprague; seconded by Vince Amelotte.

Jackie Hawkins asked to have this motion tabled until General Meeting #2. Agreed.

Ontario Open Championships

Page 72, recommendation number one:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That the new C5PBA dress code rule be adopted as follows:

Each team (Men's, Ladies' or Mixed) must be dressed uniformly. A female

coaching the men's or mixed team can wear dress pants, skirts, skorts, dress shorts or Capris however, a male coaching a female team must wear dress pants or dress shorts. Dress pants, skirts, skorts, dress shorts or Capris shall be of the same colour with straight hemmed bottom (no florescent colours, no denim of any colour, stirrups, leggings, harem, cargo, ruggers or sweatpants of any kind). No draw strings or no elastic at the hem of any kind. The dress pants, skirts, skorts, Capris or dress shorts shall not be faded, torn, ripped, contain studs, buttons or pockets on the leg. The skirts, skorts or dress pants may not be shorter than just below the fingertips when placing your arms at your side.

The recommendation was made a motion by Mickey McNeil; seconded by Judy Begley.

The question was called. **Motion carried.**

Ontario Open Seniors Championships

Page 72, recommendation number two:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That the new C5PBA dress code rule be adopted as indicated above.

The recommendation was made a motion by Judy Begley; seconded by Roger Theriault.

The question was called. **Motion carried.**

Page 72, motion number one (bottom of the page) along with page 73, motion number one (top of the page) were tabled until General Meeting #2 as no one was present from Western Ontario to put these motions on the floor for discussion.

Youth Challenge

Page 73, motion number two:

Ottawa Valley 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

To spread the Youth Challenge Provincial competition over 2 days, starting Saturday afternoon and finishing it Sunday morning.

The motion was put on the floor by Winnie Spires; seconded by Mike Heney.

Motion defeated.

Provincial Triples

Page 73, recommendation number one:

Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

To have the Provincial Triples and related tournament bowled in Ottawa.

Tabled to General Meeting #2.

Tournaments General

Page 74, recommendation number one:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That all bowling centres that are members of the O5PBA adopt a new "Seniors Mail-O-Graphic Tournament".

Gerry Farrell made this recommendation into a motion; seconded by Heather Cresswell.

Motion carried.

Page 74, motion number one:

Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers Association

MOTION

When there are shifts for Provincial finals where extra teams are allowed, the teams that are more then 300 km away from the bowling centre of the Provincial final, have the option of which shift to bowl on.

The motion was put on the floor for discussion by Vince Amelotte; seconded by Paul Sprague.

The motion was changed to a recommendation.

Page 74, recommendation number two:

Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That the O5 Board consider ways to make it financially fairer for the runner-up teams to participate in Provincial finals, when they live a distance away.

Paul Sprague explained their reasoning for this recommendation.

Page 74, recommendation number three:

Garrison 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

That for tournaments that have multiple week qualifying, a player or players who are paired with a player who has quit receives 100% of their average(s) instead of the usual 95% that a bowler gets when a partner is absent.

Harold Stoddart spoke on behalf of Garrison 5 Pin as no one from Garrison was present at this time.

Mickey McNeil mentioned that during the Ontario Open Provincial championships there were numerous YBC bowlers present as spectators. Mickey asked if we could maybe give passes to YBC bowlers to entice more to attend as spectators to entice them to bowl and keep their interest in our game. This will be taken into consideration.

**MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PERTAINING TO MISCELLANEOUS**

Page 76, recommendation number one:

Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

The board recommends that we look at different venues with a shortened agenda for our annual convention beginning in June 2012.

Tabled until General Meeting #2.

Page 76, recommendation number two:

Merivale 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

Lobby Canadian companies to use Canadian sports on their commercials (i.e. 5 Pin bowling instead of 10 Pin).

John Cresswell indicated that the Marketing Committee had already drafted a letter to Canadian Tire asking that they consider 5 Pin Bowling instead of 10 Pin, as was in one of their recently aired TV commercials.

Page 76, recommendation number three:

Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

To have the O5 Executives work better with the Bowl Canada representative to create a schedule with fewer conflicts.

**MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PERTAINING TO FINANCE**

Page 77, recommendation number one:

Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

RECOMMENDATION

To review the membership until after we know what the budget is and therefore how much they will be charging per member.

Recommendation withdrawn.

Tournaments General

Kawartha Lakes 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

MOTION

<p>That, effective in the 2011-12 tournament season, all winners of those events which currently receive all inclusive trips, be awarded a modest travel voucher.</p>

This new motion was put on the floor by Jackie Hawkins; seconded by Marilyn Van Belois.

Reason:

The deficit assessments are crippling Zones and DC's. Current cost of trips are \$34,500.00

This motion was tabled until General Meeting #2 to allow discussion by the delegates.

A motion to adjourn was put forth by Virginia Labenski. The meeting adjourned at 4 pm.