

ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

CONVENTION 2006 - GENERAL MEETING #1

Thursday, June 15th, 2006

President: Dave Post

Secretary: Mike Wilson

Directors:

John Cresswell	Rheal Champagne
Mike Cregan	Harold Stoddart
Mike Davies	Mike Kyte
Mickey McNeil	Gary Burkholder
Terry Macdonald	

Office:

Al Hong	Rhonda Gifford
Jackie Henriques	

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dave Post called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Mike Wilson did roll call. There were: 73 voting delegates 3 office staff present.

II OPENING REMARKS

The following were Dave Post's remarks:

Good evening and welcome to our 40th Annual Convention. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every delegate and guest that took part in today's Strategic Plan. A special thank you to Jennifer and Jackie for all their time and effort in the preparation of today's planning session and their continuing support of our organization.

As I said at last year's convention that the road ahead may be rocky but by working together we can continue to keep 5 pin bowling alive in Ontario. When this new strategic plan is introduced we are hopeful that we can build the O5 and with your ideas and help today we believe that we can accomplish that goal.

Although there has been a lot of discussion lately on reducing Zones we must find ways to help the zones that are in trouble for one reason or another. It has been proven in the past that when we lose a zone our membership numbers go down and this will

certainly be one step closer to the demise of this Association.

We all must realize that League bowling is on the decline and we must find ways to survive. I had the opportunity last week to represent the C5 at the BPAC Annual Convention in Saint John New Brunswick. On Monday a gentlemen made a presentation on young people between the ages of 15 – 29. He surveyed 2800 people from across Canada and knitting was more popular with young people than bowling. Although bowling was recognized as cool for young people for an occasional outing, organized bowling was not a sport that would be appealing to them.

Over the next two days we will be making some big decisions on the future of this sport and I have the confidence that with some frank discussions we will survive. I would also like to thank Mickey McNeil and her committee for their work on our 40th Anniversary Book and celebrations.

Our busy Tournament schedule started in Hamilton on Nov. 5th with our Association Executive Tournament. Although the numbers were down again this year the action on the lanes was not. This year's winner was Kevin Brabender from the Ridgetown 5 Pin Bowlers' Association. We returned to Hamilton Feb 25th for the Provincial Round of the High Low Doubles and League Executive Tournaments. All these winners won a trip for two to the Dominican this November.

In the High Low Doubles the team of Kristy McMahon and Shirlee Kennedy from Waterloo captured 1st place while the team of Gord Hunter and Tracey Leary from Mike's Lanes captured 2nd. Kristy and Shirlee represented Ontario at the National Championships in Yellowknife and although they were not in the medals they enjoyed the experience immensely.

In the League executive Tournament Jules Haspet of Orleans bowled a +277 to capture the President Division, while Diane Martin of Ridgetown rolled a +153 to capture the Secretaries Division while Middlesex Elgin's, Jim Clippertons rolled a +174 to capture the Treasurers Division.

March 9th & 10th saw our youth bowlers head for Collingwood and the 2006 Winter Games. The Ladies team from Tri County won the gold, the Men's Division was captured by Grand River and the Mixed Champions hailed from York Simcoe. All the winners' names appear in your Convention Book and the caliber of these young bowlers makes our future look promising. The Ontario Team of Daniel Clark & Shayne Reipert from Grand River were joined by Neil Foster from Metro as our Men's representatives while Casey Ramey & Lacey Bryne of Tri County was joined by Sheana Mews from Metro. Just a note that both Lacey and Shane were both members of their respective Mixed Teams.

This team coached by Maureen Poole of Niagara Peninsula and Kevin Pitkin from Tri County placed 2nd in Thunder Bay and both Daniel and Casey were names to the Canadian All Star Team.

Easter saw Hamilton being invaded again for our Open National Championships. Winning gold in the singles were Liz Nicoll from Central Ontario and Jim Thorpe from Middlesex Elgin. In the team events the Central Ontario Ladies Team captured gold, while the Grand River Men's Team captured their 2nd consecutive title. The team from the Niagara Peninsula captured gold in the mixed division while Metro captured the seniors division. In 3 short years we have watched our seniors division grow from 8 teams to this year's total of 12, which is truly amazing and again thanks goes to Brenda Hamilton for her insight into this tournament.

April 29th saw everyone heading to Kitchener and the TruCa\$h Holiday Classic. This year the team from King Pin Entertainment in Central Ontario capture first place and each of the young ladies won trips for two to the Dominican. The team consisted of Karen Richardson, Susan Harris, Ann Purdon, Marg Rennick, Winnie Cooper and their coach Elaine Cotton.

May was again a busy month as we headed to Parkway Lanes and the \$10,000.00 Shoot-Out and the Strike It Big Tournament. Joe Jenkins from the Blue Mountain Association took home \$6,000.00 while his traveling companion Wayne Partington took home \$3,000.00. Nadine Reinhart of Victoria captured 3rd place and \$1,000.00. In the Strike it Big Tournament Chris Cole of Kawartha Lakes bowled a +144 in his last game to capture 1st place and a trip to the Dominican.

May 17th saw our seniors head to Nebs Fun World in Oshawa and the 2006 Seniors Championships. In the seniors division Edna Duck won the ladies division while Ron Mackie captured the men's division. Both these bowlers hail from the Kempview Association. In the Junior / Senior category Marlene Petrozella of the Kingsway association captured the ladies division while Don Masters from Dodd's Lanes captured the men's division. All 4 bowlers won a 20" color TV for their efforts.

Our Provincial tournament schedule wrapped up in Cobourg on May 27th with the Provincial Rounds of the new Triples format as well as the Booster Club. The Booster Club was won by Paul Bauer of Waterloo with a +159. In the Triples the team of Evaile Lebreton, Debbie Brancatti and Roger Brancatti from Bayfield Bowl Barrie came from behind to capture first place.

Our congratulations goes out to all our winners, and as I said at all our Provincial Tournaments all the bowlers who made it to any provincial title are all winners and they all deserve that respect.

Mount Pearl and St John's hosted the 2005 / 06 National Open Championships, and although we did not do as well as we hoped all our bowlers made us proud.

Our ladies team from Central Ontario place 4th while setting four new National records. They set a new single game record of 1529, a new high three of 4131, a new high four game record 5960 and a 5 game record of 6949. Our mixed team from Niagara

Peninsula captured a bronze medal doing it the hard way by winning 14 out of 16 points in the last two games to move into 4th place and a date in the ¼ finals. They defeated Manitoba 6 to 2 in the first game before loosing to Newfoundland 6 – 2 in the next game.

Our men's team from Grand River averaged 250 per bowler but unfortunately ran into some hot teams. Elizabeth Nicoll came home with a silver medal loosing in an exciting final match. As the second place qualifier Liz had to win two games to capture gold and won the first game 325 to Natalie Trudel of Quebec's 286 before loosing her second game 239 to 231. Central Ontario's Cynthia Wieland was selected to the All Star team.

Before moving on I would like to first apologize to Donna Truman and the Kempview 5 Pin Bowlers Association for missing Donna's name on the write up for the Decentralized Association of the Year. Donna has been the tournament director for Kempview for a number of years.

I would also like to apologize to Jennifer Guay for missing her name as the 2005 Executive of the Decade. My sincere apologies go to both these ladies.

As you look around the room this evening you will notice that there are a number of familiar faces missing this year. Volunteers that have been with this association for a number of years and in most cases are the backbone of our local associations. We would also like to acknowledge a friend too many of us who come to Cleveland's house each year and that is Chef Henry. Henry passed away a few months back when he went to the Czech. Republic to be with his ailing mother. I would ask you to please stand and observe a minute of silence for these great volunteers who have passed away in the past year.

At this time it is my pleasure to introduce your board of directors. A complete detail of each director's responsibilities appears in the back of your convention book.

1 st Vice President:	John Cresswell
2 nd Vice President:	Rheal Champagne
Secretary:	Mike Wilson
Treasurer:	Mike Cregan
Tournament Director:	Harold Stoddart
Membership Chair	Mike Kyte
Communications Chair	Mickey McNeil
Fundraising Chair	Mike Davies
Constitution Chair	Gary Burkholder
Audit Chair:	Terry Macdonald

Ladies and Gentlemen your board of directors.

Also with us tonight are our highly competent Office Staff.

Executive Director:	Al Hong
Program Coordinator:	Rhonda Gifford
Financial Coordinator	Jackie Henriques

And not with us this week our part time Administrative Coordinator Sue O'Brien.

On behalf of all the Board we want to thank each of you for all your hard work and patience as well as your dedication to our sport. We are most pleased to have back with us again this year our good friend, coach, bowler, sponsor and Hall of Famer Mr. Sid Morris. We look forward to Sid's comments at General Meeting # 3.

Joining us on Thursday will be the President of the Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers Association Terry McLeod. We are also pleased to welcome the 1st Vice President of the Bowling Proprietors Association of Ontario Marlene Hyatt and her husband Don. Special welcome to Jane Dalgas and if any Zone or DC are looking for new pins please drop in to see Jane.

We are pleased that a number of our Life Members still take an active role in our association. I would ask those that are present this week to please stand when I call your name and remain standing till everyone has been introduced.

From Kawartha Lakes Jackie Hawkins, from the Hamilton Association Bob Coulter & Evelyn Wood, from Maple Ridge Francis & Grace Kelly, from Ontario Durham Jennifer Guay and from the Board of Directors: Harold Stoddart.

As well, a number of Hall of Fame members are here with us this week. I would ask those that are present this week to please stand when I call your name and remain standing till everyone has been introduced.

Mickey McNeil	Sid Morris	Jennifer Guay
Doug Connerty	Betty Jones	Bob Coulter
Evelyn Wood	Howie Baker	Fred Smith

III **REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM 2005 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING**

The minutes for the 2005 Semi-Annual Meeting were reviewed for content and accuracy.

On the bottom of page 6, the tabled motion should read "NOT equally across the province".

MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY HEATHER CRESSWELL, SECONDED BY ALICE KOEHN, TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED MINUTES FOR THE 2005 SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. CARRIED.

IV **Business Arising from the Semi-Annual Minutes**

None.

V **SERVICE AWARDS**

5 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2005-2006 SEASON

Presented by: Rheal Champagne

There were a total of sixteen (16) individuals who received their certificate for 5 years of service. They were:

Vince Amelotte, Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Diane Anderson-Gibbs, Smiths Falls 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Mike Apps, Lucan 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Tim Brooks, Bay of Quinte 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Elaine Colby-Dubuque, Ridgetown 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Terry Cromwell, Tillsonburg 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Jen Gailbraith, Ingersoll 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Mike Gill, Ontario Durham 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Andy Hayward, Ingersoll 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Pat Lazaros, Kempview 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
John Roberts, Western Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Jim Ronaldson, Metro Toronto 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Paul Sprague, Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Paul Smith Jr., Lucan 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Roger Theriault, Central Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

VI **10 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2005-2006 SEASON**

Presented by: John Cresswell

There were a total of twenty (20) individuals who received their certificate for 10 years of service. They were:

Kevin Boake, Bay of Quinte 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Peter Brown, Ridgetown 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
John Buffam, Garrison 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Barb Connerty, Ottawa Valley 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Matt Crane, Uxbridge 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Bev Cregan, Bluewater 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

Alvin Dingman, Huronia 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Geoff Dunn, Hamilton 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Marlene Hyatt, Waterdown 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Gary Kehoe, York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Jim Lablance, Port South 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Joan Lablance, Port South 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Iain MacLean, Lindsay 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Karen Miller, Huronia 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Jerry Pipersberg, Merivale 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Kevin Pitkin, Tri County 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Helene Schroeder, Ottawa Valley 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Jack Sedore, Hastings 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Peter Sproule, Metro Toronto 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Lucy Theoret, Western Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

VII **15 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2005-2006 SEASON**
Presented by: Mike Wilson

A total of eighteen (18) individuals received their certificates for 15 years of service.
They were:

Joanne Campbell, Hamilton 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Mike Davies, Park N' Bowl 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Nancy Fleming, Metro Toronto 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Cindy Fortner, Port Hope 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Shirley Hone, Ontario Durham 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Fred Hudson, Merivale 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Marilyn Irwin, Middlesex Elgin 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
John Jarvis, Ottawa Valley 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Shirlee Kennedy, Grand River 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Wendy Lambert, Victoria 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Norm Macdonald, Hamilton 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Jim Marshall, Smiths Falls 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Cindy Murray, Ajax 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Grant Murray, Ajax 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Dave Post, Kawartha Lakes 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Linda Smith, Tri County 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Alex Vande Pol, Smiths Falls 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Danny Williams, Hastings 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

VIII **20 YEARS SERVICE AS OF THE 2005-2006 SEASON**
Presented by: Mike Cregan

A total of seven (7) individuals received their certificates for 20 years of service.
They were:

Terry Churchill, Victoria 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
John Cresswell, York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Betty Jones, Port South 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Sid Morris, York Simcoe 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Linda Paola, Mike's 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Edith Rathburn, Astra 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
Mike Wilson, Kawartha Lakes 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

As well, in addition to those sixty-one (61) names, this year we will recognize five (5) individuals for 25 years of service, three (3) individual with 30 years of service and two (2) individual with 35 years of service and two (2) with 40 years of service.

At this time, Al Hong presented Ron Roeder of the Waterloo 5 Pin Bowlers' Association with his 35 year service award. At the Presidents' Banquet on Saturday night we will present the remainder of these awards.

IX APPRECIATION AWARDS

Executive Director Al Hong presented appreciation certificates whose inscription reads:

In recognition of outstanding service together with many hours of selfish devotion contributed to the improvement of pin bowling in Ontario

This year's recipients are:

1. Lee Ann Hudson, Merivale 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
2. Karen Miller, Huronia 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
3. Diane Anderson-Gibbs, Smiths Falls 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
4. Donna Stoddart, Astra 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
5. Jerry Pipersberg, Merivale 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
6. Debbie White, Port South 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
7. Vince Amelotte, Orleans 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
8. Mary Simpson, Eastside 5 Pin Bowlers' Association
9. Nancy Moore, Huronia 5 Pin Bowlers' Association

X LIAISON REPORT

Dave asked everyone to please turn to page 141 of the Convention book for the Liaison Report. The Committee met twice this year; however most of their correspondence was done through email. Dave had the opportunity to meet with the Zone Presidents at a BPAO meeting in late March and will also be attending the BPAO Convention in July.

XI **HALL OF FAME**

The Annual Awards Dinner for Inductees to the 5 Pin Bowling Hall of Fame will held at the Hamilton Convention Centre on Saturday, November 4th, 2006.

Eight (8) individuals will be inducted and we congratulate this group on their accomplishments.

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.

On that night, we will induct two Builders, three Players and three Legends and those individuals are:

Builders:	Anne Depew, Hamilton Harold Stoddart, Trenton
Players:	Bob Gignac, Cambridge Cas Hollick, Hamilton Brian Kaye, Mississauga
Legends:	Earl Gallagher, Hamilton Theda Procher, Barrie Doris Luke (dec.), Toronto

XII **FIRST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

Dave turned over the floor to Terry McLeod, C5PBA President, to ask for the first call for nominations for the Board of Directors. This year there are three (3) positions available (3 for 3 years). Terry noted that the O5PBA Board of Directors have nominated the following incumbents: Dave Post, Rheal Champagne and Harold Stoddart. It was noted that Mike Davies has indicated that he will not seek re-election at this time. On behalf of all members, we thank Mike for his many contributions to the O5PBA and welcome his continued involvement at the local level. The following individuals were nominated at this meeting:

None.

The second call will be at General Meeting #2 on Friday afternoon.

XII **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was put forward by Joanne Ellison to adjourn the meeting. Carried.