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September 15, 2009

To: Zone/Decentralized Association Presidents

From: Rhonda Gifford

Program Coordinator

SUBJECT: SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Dear President:

The 2009 Semi-Annual Meeting of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association will be held on **SUNDAY**, **NOVEMBER 8, 2009** at the Hamilton Entertainment and Convention Centre, 1 Summers Lane, Hamilton, Ontario. The meeting will begin promptly at **10:00 A.M**. This meeting will review the first two (2) months of the 2009-2010 bowling season, and will also outline what is planned for the balance of the season.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation has been arranged at the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel, 116 King Street West, Hamilton, Ontario. Their telephone number is (905) 529-5515.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: THE SHERATON HAMILTON HOTEL IS NOW COMPLETELY SMOKE FREE THEREFORE IF YOU REQUIRE A SMOKING ROOM I WOULD SUGGEST YOU MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS AT ANOTHER HOTEL.

The room rate is \$85.00 plus 3% DMF (\$2.55), 5% PST (\$4.25) and 5% GST (\$4.25) for a total of \$96.05 per night, based on single, double, triple or quad occupancy. The 3% DMF (Destination Marketing Fee) is a fee that has been implemented by the City of Hamilton. This fee will be collected by the Sheraton Hamilton Hotel on behalf of Tourism Hamilton and will apply to all guest room rates.

NO ROOMS WILL BE BOOKED FOR MORE THAN FOUR (4) PEOPLE IN A ROOM. If you are not willing to share a double bed then I would suggest that you book your own room. There will be a very limited number of cots available at a cost of \$28.00 (taxes included) per cot per night. Cots must be pre-ordered and pre-paid on your Hotel Information Form.

When you check into the hotel you will be asked for a credit card or a refundable cash deposit to cover your incidental charges (e.g. parking, telephone calls, movies etc.)

To receive this rate, all rooms must be booked through the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association by completing the enclosed Hotel Information Form.

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The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association will accept payment by cheque, money order, VISA or Mastercard. If you are paying by cheque or money order, please make it payable to the "Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association". **POST-DATED CHEQUES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**. **Please Note:** If you are paying by credit card, your payment will be processed to your credit card on the date we receive your Hotel Information Form.

Reservations will be accepted on a <u>first-come first-served basis</u>. Please complete the enclosed Hotel Information Form and return it, together with the appropriate payment to reach the Provincial Office no later than <u>FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2009</u>. After this date, the hotel will be releasing the balance of our rooms. <u>Please get your reservations in before the deadline date to avoid any disappointment</u>.

We would also like to point out that check-in at the hotel is 3:00 p.m. All rooms have been guaranteed by our Association. As we do guarantee all rooms with the hotel, we must pay for them whether they are occupied or not. In order for you to cancel your hotel accommodation, we must have twenty-four (24) hours notice, otherwise you will be charged for the room.

VOTING DELEGATES

<u>Please be advised that the following motion was passed at the O5PBA Annual Convention in</u> June 2009:

ONLY DULY QUALIFIED DELEGATES MAY VOTE AT CORPORATION MEMBER MEETINGS. THE NUMBER OF VOTING DELEGATES PER ZONE OR DC WILL BE ONE (1) FOR EVERY TWO HUNDRED (200) MEMBERS AND EVERY PART THEREOF.

Enclosed for your information is a Voting Delegate Eligibility Chart indicating how many Voting Delegates your Zone/DC Association qualifies for. Please complete the enclosed "VOTING DELEGATE FORM" and return to the Provincial Office no later than <u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>OCTOBER 16</u>, **2009**.

WARNING!!!!! - IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT VOTING DELEGATE PRIVILEGES ARE NOT REVOKED, THE 2009-10 ASSOCIATION INSURANCE REGISTRATION FORM (CONTAINED IN THE INCENTIVE PACKAGE) MUST BE FILED WITH THE PROVINCIAL OFFICE.

At this meeting Incentive Award plaques will be presented to the winners for the Zone and Decentralized Association Record Scores Chair of the Year along with the Grass Roots and Elite Coach of the Year.

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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