# Ontario Open 5 Pin Championships

For Ontario's Elite Bowlers!!!

**Entry Fee: Contact Your Local Association** 

Begins: November 21, 2004

A "scratch score" tournament designed for your high average bowler. Competitors bowl a total of twenty (20) games to determine the eighteen (18) men and ladies who will represent their Zones at the Provincial Championships.

The top nine (9) men and the top nine (9) ladies will qualify to make the men's, ladies', and mixed team from your Zone. These teams will advance to the Provincial Championships that will take place over the Easter weekend.

At the Provincial Championships the best bowlers across Ontario will compete in a match play format using scratch scores. This competition will determine a Provincial Champion in each division (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed Teams) as well as a Men's and Ladies' Single Champion. These individuals will advance to the National Championships to determine the best bowlers in Canada.

<u>Please Note</u>: We will once again conduct a Seniors Division (Age 50+) for the Ontario Open 5 Pin Championships provided there is a minimum of eight (8) Zones that participate. Please refer to Page 9-7 for all the rules and regulations governing this tournament.

# ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE SIDNEY L. MORRIS AWARDS

# FORMAT

The Ontario Open 5 Pin Championships consists of three (3) steps:

- ZONE FINALS
- > PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

# **GENERAL RULES**

- 1. Open to all bowlers and coaches 19 years of age and over as of **DECEMBER 31, 2004**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
- 2. Entry Deadline to be set by each Zone Association.
- 3. a) Entry Fee to be decided by each Zone Association.
  - b) All zones must pay the designated assessment for this event and are required to field a full contingent at the Provincial Championships.
  - c) Zones must have a minimum of 9 men and 9 ladies competing in the Zone Finals.
  - d) <u>All bowlers, coaches and assistant coaches participating in the Provincial</u> Championships must pay a \$10.00 assessment fee.

# 4. Replacement of a Bowler Policy:

Replacement of a bowler, once qualified for the Zone Contingent, shall not be permitted unless the reason is submitted (in writing) and signed by said bowler. Under extenuating circumstances, the Provincial Tournament Committee may waive the requirement for a letter from the bowler, however, the reason(s) for withdrawal must be verified in writing by the Zone.

- 5. Any bowler who withdraws before the next level of competition as in Rule #4 above, is subject to automatic suspension from this event by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and any further participation in the event.
- 6. Any bowler suspended under the above rule may have the suspension repealed if an acceptable reason for withdrawal is provided in writing. Such a written appeal must be received in the Provincial Office within ninety (90) days of a bowler being advised of their suspension under this rule.
- 7. Replacement of a bowler on any team may only be made with the approval of the Provincial Tournament Committee. The bowler being replaced shall not be permitted to compete in any event for the balance of the tournament.

- 8. The replacement bowler(s) for each zone shall be the runner-up man or lady from the Zone Finals.
- 9. If a replacement bowler is unable to compete at the Provincial Championships, a zone may designate an "emergency spare". The name of the emergency spare (one man and one lady) must be submitted to the Tournament Committee in writing at the coaches' meeting. Emergency spares must have entered the Zone Finals and must adhere to the dress code of the event.
- 10. A replacement bowler or emergency spare cannot be included in the team's starting lineup for the bowler's FIRST GAME ONLY. If the team advances to the National Championships, the replacement bowler or emergency spare shall be deemed to be an original qualifier.
- 11. When replacement of more than one bowler is approved on any team under General Rules 4 through 9 above, the **FIRST** approved substitute(s) shall be deemed to be an original qualifier.
- 12. Any bowler who withdraws for any reason at any level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event. (See General Rules #5 and #6)
- 13. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
- 14. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damages to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 10 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
- 15. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy.
- 16. Assistant coaches must have full Level II Certification. In the event the coach is unable to participate, the assistant coach will be deemed to be the emergency replacement.
- 17. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds.
- 18. In the case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
- 19. Each Zone Association must submit to the Provincial Office no later than **JANUARY 7**, **2005**, the entry form for every bowler that entered the tournament.
- 20. No mechanical noisemakers will be allowed in any round of the event.

# **ZONE FINALS**

1. The Zone Finals shall consist of twenty (20) games bowled between **NOVEMBER 21**, **2004** and **DECEMBER 12**, **2004** in centres designated by the Local Zone Association.

2. a) All bowlers may bowl in the Zone of their "Principal Residence".

# **Definition**:

As a guide, Principal Residence shall be the residence individuals' use for taxation purposes, driver's licence, etc. Bowlers with more than one residence, such as commuters living away from home for employment reasons and students living away from home for school reasons, must contact the Provincial Office for a ruling.

- b) i) Bowlers/coaches who only compete in regular league play as registered members of an O5PBA affiliated league in the Zone of their principal residence and individuals who do not compete in O5PBA affiliated league play must enter the Open in the Zone of their principal residence.
  - ii) Bowlers/coaches who compete in regular league play as registered members of O5PBA affiliated leagues in both the Zone of their principal residence and another Zone and have played the year prior in that other Zone, must indicate in which Zone they will compete in the Open by filing a "Declaration of Intent" along with the appropriate average sheets to the Zone Tournament Director by OCTOBER 31, 2004. A copy of both the prior year and current year average sheets confirming their participation in said league must accompany the "Declaration of Intent". If a declaration form is not filed by that date, the bowler must compete in the Zone of their principal residence.
- c) All qualifiers to the Zone Contingent shall have their residence verified by the Zone Association Tournament Director.
- d) The penalty for bowling in the wrong Zone is an automatic suspension from the event.
- e) All decisions may be appealed. Requests to have suspensions lifted must be made in writing to the Provincial Board of Directors.
- 3. Other factors that may affect residency rules are as follows:
  - a) Any bowler changing their principle residence from one Zone to another has the option of bowling in the Zone into which they have moved or of bowling in the Zone they have moved from, but for that **one year only**. The following year, the bowler must bowl in the Zone in which they reside, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
  - b) Any bowler who has never bowled in the Open must bowl in the Zone in which he/she resides. Any bowler who did not bowl in the Open the previous year must bowl in the Zone in which they presently reside, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
  - c) If the boundaries of a Zone or Zones are changed by the O5PBA, all bowlers affected by the change may continue to bowl in the Zone in which they were residing prior to the boundary change for a maximum of two (2) years. However, if they choose to bowl in the new Zone in which they now reside prior to the conclusion of the two (2) year grace period they may do so. By doing this they will forfeit all rights to return to bowl in their old/original Zone, except as in Rule #2 b) above.

- d) If a Zone is "Split" to create two new Zones, bowlers must bowl in the Zone of their Principal Residence, except as in Rule #2 b) above.
- e) A bowler may bowl in the Zone of their choice in accordance with the change in residency rule passed at the 2001 Convention provided the bowler has filed a duly executed "**Declaration of Intent**" document by **OCTOBER 31, 2004**.
- 4. The Zone Finals shall consist of twenty (20) games.
- 5. The top nine (9) men and the top nine (9) ladies, based on total pinfall, at the completion of the Zone Finals, shall qualify for the Provincial Championships.
- 6. The top three (3) men and the top three (3) ladies will be recognized as the Singles Competitors for the Provincial Championships.
- 7. The next three (3) men and three (3) ladies, along with the singles competitors, shall make up the Men's and Ladies' teams.
- 8. The next three (3) men and three (3) ladies shall make up the Mixed Team.
- 9. In the event of a tie for any qualifying position, a one (1) game roll-off shall be held to determine the final placing.
- 10. Coaches shall be selected by each team (Men's, Ladies' and Mixed) at the completion of the Zone Finals. All coaches, including assistants, must have full Level II Certification on or before NOVEMBER 30, 2004, and must be a member in good standing of the O5PBA. Rule #2 b) above may also be applied to choice of coaches. If a team cannot decide on a coach from within their Zone, the O5PBA will appoint one from that Zone if possible.
- 11. In an emergency situation, the Provincial Tournament Committee may exercise the right to "fill the field".

# **KEY DATES**

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# MUST BE FILED IN DUPLICATE BY OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2004



# 2004/2005 ONTARIO OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS <u>DECLARATION OF INTENT</u>

BOWLER	COACH	ВОТН
Date:		
To:(Name)	,(Zone)	Tournament Director
I, hereby state my intent to bowl/coach in the Zone (print name)  Open Roll-off for the 2004/2005 bowling season in the above-named Zone.		
I am currently, and was during the 2003/2004 season, a registered O5PBA member in the league in  (league name) (Bowling Centre name)		
(league name)	(Bowling Cer	itre name)
I am attaching a copy of both the 2003/2004 and current year average sheet to date to verify my eligibility. The League Secretary has signed below to indicate that these are true copies. I understand that the cost of a zone shirt may be at my own expense.		
	(S	ignature)
I verify that these are true copies of the average sheets for the above-named.		
(SECRETARY'S NAME)	(SECRETARY'S SIGNATUR	RE) (DATE)
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# ONTARIO OPEN 5 PIN SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE SIDNEY L. MORRIS AWARDS

# FORMAT

The Ontario Open 5 Pin Seniors Championships consists of two (2) steps:

- ZONE FINALS
- PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

# **GENERAL RULES**

- 1. Open to all bowlers 50 years of age and over as of **DECEMBER 31, 2004**, and who are members of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association.
- 2. Entry Deadline to be set by each Zone Association.
- 3. a) Entry Fee to be decided by each Zone Association.
  - b) All participating zones (minimum of eight (8)) must pay the designated assessment for this event and are required to field a full contingent at the Provincial Championships before sending a team to the Senior Open.
  - c) <u>All bowlers, coaches and assistant coaches participating in the Provincial</u> Championships must pay a \$10.00 assessment fee.

# 4. Replacement of a Bowler Policy:

Replacement of a bowler, once qualified for the Zone Contingent, shall not be permitted unless the reason is submitted (in writing) and signed by said bowler. Under extenuating circumstances, the Provincial Tournament Committee may waive the requirement for a letter from the bowler, however, the reason(s) for withdrawal must be verified in writing by the Zone.

- 5. Any bowler who withdraws before the next level of competition as in Rule #4 above, is subject to automatic suspension from this event by the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association and any further participation in the event.
- 6. Any bowler suspended under the above rule may have the suspension repealed if an acceptable reason for withdrawal is provided in writing. Such a written appeal must be received in the Provincial Office within ninety (90) days of a bowler being advised of their suspension under this rule.
- 7. Replacement of a bowler on any team may only be made with the approval of the Provincial Tournament Committee. The bowler being replaced shall not be permitted to compete in any event for the balance of the tournament.
- 8. The replacement bowler(s) for each zone shall be the runner-up man or lady from the Zone Finals.

- 9. If a replacement bowler is unable to compete at the Provincial Championships, a zone may designate an "emergency spare". The name of the emergency spare (one man and one lady) must be submitted to the Tournament Committee in writing at the coaches' meeting. Emergency spares must have entered the Zone Finals and must adhere to the dress code of the event.
- A replacement bowler or emergency spare cannot be included in the team's starting lineup for the bowler's FIRST GAME ONLY.
- 11. When replacement of more than one bowler is approved on any team under General Rules 4 through 9 above, the **FIRST** approved substitute(s) shall be deemed to be an original qualifier.
- 12. Any bowler who withdraws for any reason at any level of competition forfeits the right to return to competition in this event. (See General Rules #5 and #6)
- 13. The Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee reserves the right to complete the field and all decisions by the Committee shall be final.
- 14. Personal bowling balls may be used if facilities permit. House balls must be used if the bowler's personal bowling balls have not been returned (no delay of game). Personal bowling balls may be randomly inspected at any time during the tournament or on completion of the tournament. The use of personal bowling balls is at the bowler's own risk. The proprietor shall not be liable for any damages to personal bowling balls. Personal bowling balls shall be 4 3/4" to 5" in diameter, and 3 lbs. 4 ozs. to 3 lbs. 10 ozs. in weight, and must be engraved with the bowler's identifying initials or symbols. Should a question arise regarding the legality of a ball, the Tournament Director has the final say. Appeals/complaints regarding personal bowling balls may be made to the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee.
- 15. All coaches are required to abide by the rules of the Coaching Policy.
- 16. Assistant coaches must have full Level II Certification. In the event the coach is unable to participate, the assistant coach will be deemed to be the emergency replacement.
- 17. Canadian 5 Pin Bowlers' Association rules shall apply in all rounds.
- 18. In case of any dispute, or interpretation of any rule, the decision of the Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Tournament Committee shall be final.
  - 19. Each zone must submit to the office by **JANUARY 7, 2005** the entry form for every bowler that entered the tournament.
- 20. No mechanical noisemakers will be allowed in any round of the event.

# **ZONE FINALS**

- 1. The Zone Finals shall consist of ten (10) games bowled in conjunction with the Open Qualifying Round in your Zone between **NOVEMBER 21, 2004** and **DECEMBER 12, 2004** in centres designated by the Local Zone Association.
- 2. a) All bowlers may bowl in the Zone of their "Principal Residence".

# **Definition:**

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- e) A bowler may bowl in the Zone of their choice in accordance with the change in residency rule passed at the 2001 Convention provided the bowler has filed a duly executed "**Declaration of Intent**" document by **OCTOBER 31, 2004**.
- 4. The Zone Finals shall consist of ten (10) games.
- 5. The top two (2) men and the top two (2) ladies plus the next highest qualifier based on total pinfall at the completion of the Zone Finals, shall make up the Senior Mixed Team and will advance to the Provincial Championships.
- 6. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position, a one (1) game roll-off shall be held to determine the final placing.
- 7. A coach shall be selected by the team at the completion of the Zone Finals. All coaches, including assistants, must have full Level II Certification on or before **NOVEMBER 30**, **2004**, and must be a member in good standing of the O5PBA. Rule #2 b) above may also be applied to choice of coaches. If a team cannot decide on a coach from within their Zone, the O5PBA will appoint one from that Zone if possible.

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