

CENTRAL ONTARIO FIVE PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MAY 23, 2018

Board Members Present:

Bob Beaucage, Mickey McNeil, Rheal Champagne, Brenda Hamilton, Wade Thompson, Lyall Gordon, Connie Hannah, Jessica Cyr, Ian Gawel, Lori Beesack, Melissa Llewellyn, Kevin Jepson

Board Members Absent: Ian Gawel

Guests: Marilyn Gordon, Pam Wiebe

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: - *Bob Beaucage*

Good evening, and welcome to the Central Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association Annual General Meeting.

Thank you all for attending. As members of our organization, this is your opportunity to get involved, share and discuss ideas to make our zone and the greater organization stronger.

Let me introduce your board of directors:

- Vice-President, Lane Certification Agent and Shirts – Rheal Champagne
- Treasurer and Historian – Wade Thompson
- Secretary and Hall of Fame Chair - Brenda Hamilton
- Coaching Co-ordinator – Melissa Llewellyn
- Membership Director and Booster Club Skyview - Lyall Gordon
- Awards and Record Scores Director - Connie Hannah
- Average Book Director - Kevin Jepson
- Publicity and Constitution – Mickey McNeil
- Tournament Director and Booster Club Hopedale – Jessica Cyr
- Fundraising – Ian Gawel
- Incentives and Assistant Tournament Director – Lori Beesack

And myself as President, Bob Beaucage.

I am very proud of the work that your board of directors does, and would like to thank everyone for the tremendous support again this year. The entire board is an example of great teamwork and dedication to the sport of five pin bowling.

With the strong support of our volunteers and proprietors, we had another successful bowling season, both on and off the lanes, as you will see from the reports to follow.

Without further ado, let us start by reviewing the minutes from last year's AGM. Copies are available for our guests.

Motion to accept last year's minutes as read – Connie Hannah and 2nd Mickey McNeil. Carried.

TREASURER – *Wade Thompson*

COBA is in a very good financial position.

Thank you to Mickey for her continued support in helping me transition into this new role, and to the rest of my fellow board members for their assistance throughout the year.

Are there any questions on the Financial Report? If not could I please have a motion to accept the Financial Report.

Motion to accept Treasurer’s report by Rheal Champagne and 2nd Melissa Llewellyn. Motion carried.

TOURNAMENTS -- *Jessica Cyr*

We had 9 tournaments this year:

- League Executive (Centre Bowl – October 28)
- Youth Challenge (Brampton Bowl – November 26)
- Ontario Open/Senior Open
- Week 1 (Hopedale Bowl – December 3)
- Week 2 (Hopedale Bowl – December 10)
- High Low Doubles (Skyview Lanes – January 21)
- Holiday Classic (Streetsville Bowl – February 11)
- Provincial Triples (Hopedale Bowl – April 8)
- Booster Club (Hopedale Bowl – March 10)
- Booster Club (Skyview Lanes)

Tournaments increased in 2 as well as decreased in 2 this year. Holiday Classic 22 teams (-2), Provincial Triples 34 Teams (-2) and High Low Doubles 42 teams (+3), League Executive had 21 bowlers (+4).

We participated in the O5 Executives’ tournament. There was no charge to the bowlers and provided lunch to say thank you for all they do.

Congratulations to everyone who has won at the provincial levels - the Open Men’s team, as well as the Youth Challenge men’s.

I would like to say thank you to the board for all of your help this season, as well as the proprietors for hosting and helping everything run smoothly.

MEMBERSHIP -- *Lyall Gordon*

Central Ontario’s total membership for 2017/2018 was 604 bowlers. This represents a decrease of 82 members over last season. Membership was comprised of 17 leagues in 5 bowling centres, as well as 7 individuals and 14 life members. We lost 1 league from last year when the Seniors’ league at Skyview Lanes did not return. We also lost a number of bowlers when Georgetown Bowl closed and the Doubles League moved to Streetsville Bowl.

Brampton Bowl	2 Leagues	70 Members
Centre Bowling Lanes	3 Leagues	88 Members

Hopedale Bowl	5 Leagues	155 Members
Streetsville Bowl	2 Leagues	83 Members
Skyview Lanes	5 Leagues	188 Members

The breakdown by members is as follows:

Tournament Members	182
Regular Members	177
Senior Members	10
SOO Members	198
Graduated YBC Seniors	2
Duplicate Members	35

A total of 380 Membership Application forms were filled out and returned to the Association. We did not receive any forms from the 5 SOO leagues, as well as the life members. This represents an overall compliance rate of 62.9%.

I would like to thank all of the COBA board members, as well as all of the league secretaries for their help and support this past season.

AWARDS -- *Connie Hannah*

Another successful season has been completed. All bowling centres participated and most leagues.

This year there were a total of seven 400+ awards and one triple 1000+, receiving \$50 Gift Cards, 105 Towels, 42-\$10 Tim Cards, 31- \$20 Canadian Tire Cards

I would like to thank the board for their continued support and help. I also would like to thank the league secretaries for their hard work in compiling and sending their reports.

Here is a breakdown of awards by Bowling Centre:

League	Bowling Centre	COBA Towel	\$10 Tim Cards	\$20 Canadian Tire Cards	\$50 – 400 Awards
Brampton Panthers (SOO)	Brampton Bowl	0	0	0	0
UTC	Brampton Bowl	2	0	0	0
Strikes "R" Us (SOO)	Centre Bowl	22	5	0	0
Monday Nighters	Centre Bowl	4	1	1	1
Hopedale Terrors	Hopedale Bowl	5	1	2	0
Nicklebrook Mens	Hopedale Bowl	3	3	0	0
French Club	Hopedale Bowl	5	0	0	0
Hawkeyes (SOO)	Hopedale Bowl	9	3		
Survivors	Skyview Lanes	5	7	2	0
Sunday Mixed Majors	Skyview Lanes	20	6	11	2

Wednesday Night Doubles	Skyview Lanes	4	5	0	1
Hylanders	Skyview Lanes	4	0	0	0
Monday Doubles 1,000+, 400+	Streetsville Bowl	17	6	9	3
Tuesday Nite	Streetsville Bowl	5	5	6	0
TOTALS		105	42	31	8

RECORD SCORES – *Connie Hannah*

Record scores are currently being submitted. I have received record scores from three leagues that have not submitted scores in previous years. I have one centre that I am still waiting for scores then I will submit a report before the end of this month.

LANE CERTIFICATION - *Rheal Champagne*

All lanes were completed as per schedule, and all reports were sent to O5 prior to the deadline.

All 16 lanes can be certified next season at Brampton Bowl as they now have shields for all lanes.

COACHING CO-ORDINATOR -- *Melissa Llewellyn*

I'd like to begin by thanking the board for the opportunity to act as Coaching Coordinator for the 2017 - 2018 season and for welcoming me on to the Central Board.

The season began with nominations for the Grass Roots Coach of the Year as well Elite Coach of the year. The board nominated Glen Wieland for Grass Roots and Kasey Schwemlein for Elite coach of the year.

Coaches were selected in November for Youth Challenge. We had seven coaches on the list for the teams to pick from. The Mens team selected Dee-Dee Haynes Ridley, the Ladies selected Brinley Hole and the Mixed selected Melissa Llewellyn.

In December we saw coaches picked for the Open. Mens team selected Brinley Hole, Women's team selected Andrew Pike, Mixed team selected Bob Beaucage and the Seniors selected Lori Beesack.

In January we hosted intro to Community Coach Course. Rheal Certified 18 new coaches. The course was held at Centre Bowl. I would like to thank all the people who volunteered their time to assist with the on lane portion.

In February we nominated Brittany Hole for the Jim Donovan award. The award was presented at the Central Hall of Fame dinner this past March.

Thanks again to the Central Board for providing help to make my first year a successful one. I will be working on updating the coaching list with currant names, address and phone numbers throughout the upcoming season.

AVERAGE BOOK -- *Kevin Jepson*

Thank you to our President Bob Beaucage and all fellow Board members for working alongside you and helping out with the various duties required for our zone association during this past 2017-18 bowling season.

The average book takes a lot of cooperation and I would be remiss if I did not thank ALL the member league secretaries and proprietors for their efforts in compiling and submitting the year end averages for each and every bowler in their leagues. Instead of a printed Zone Average Book (where we distributed printed copies to each member league and member bowling centre), again this season, we posted a PDF digital Average Book which could be viewed or downloaded from our Zone's website. In addition to the complete copy of the overall membership bowler averages and association information and tournament schedules, etc. we also posted each individual league's membership and bowler averages which the league secretary/tournament director could download or print to accommodate their needs in dealing with averages for tournaments and record score purposes. If anyone would like further details on our digital Average Book ... please don't hesitate to talk with me.

Last year's Average Book included 19 current or recent past member leagues and consisting of 813 bowlers and their averages.

For the coming 2018-19 season, in order to make it easier for each league secretary, I have prepared a separate league spreadsheet from the master zone average book spreadsheet that I received from the provincial association. These spreadsheets contain all required data so that all the league secretary will have to do is input each bowler's season pin-fall and games bowled for their league only. This was sent to each league secretary and to the bowling centres on Wednesday, May 9th to be completed and returned by no later than Friday, June 1st. As of the time of writing I have received nine (9) of the member leagues back from the league secretaries and bowling centres over half already of the 17 current member leagues. I will send a reminder out to those not returned during the last week of May and hopefully ALL our member leagues year-end averages for this past 2017-18 bowling season will be complete by the time O5PBA Convention is upon us. These statistics are due back to the O5PBA by no later than the convention date on June 14th- 17th. Earlier submission deadlines were imposed five years ago so that the average books can be prepared and printed in time for the start of a new bowling season. So it is planned, failing any unexpected delays, that league secretaries and bowling centres will receive their copy of the average book at the start of the 2018-19 season in September. Each bowler's 3 year rolling average will also include scores and games played at the various Zone and Provincial Finals of the Association's annual events as well as other events sanctioned by organizations such as Master Bowlers Association events.

I would also like to thank everyone for the opportunity to attend the various events on behalf of the association where I hope I have satisfactorily represented the views and wants of the bowlers from the Central Ontario zone.

It has been great working with our team of volunteers. I believe our zone is in capable hands under the leadership of our President Bob and all the right folks in the right portfolios for best success and management of our association!

HALL OF FAME -- *Brenda Hamilton*

The Central Ontario Hall of Fame Dinner/Dance was held on March 9th, 2018. At this event, we inducted two new members into our Hall of Fame:

BUILDERS DIVISION - Claudina Sula
LEGENDS DIVISION - John Mattioli

Claudina invited Walter Heeney and Fraser Hambly as her guests to the event. Fraser has been in attendance at a number of our Induction Dinners and will be sorely missed at future dinners.

I would again like to thank everyone who helped run our Dinner/Dance on March 9th. There is a lot of planning that goes on behind the scenes to ensure this event runs smoothly, and all of the board are

commended for their time and effort in ensuring that everything ran seamlessly. Also our volunteers, Laurie Fries and Orrie Karas for helping to set up and tear down after the event.

The Hall of Fame spreadsheet of individuals already inducted and potential future inductees, has been updated as of this date and will be uploaded to our website

An Appreciation Award was given to Rolf and Linda Beisel for donating the COBA Hall of Fame Cabinet. Rolf did an amazing job in the design of this cabinet and we are all very grateful to him. This cabinet will be updated every year with the names of the new inductees.

HISTORIAN -- *Wade Thompson*

There has not been too much activity this past season, but with the recent win by our Central Men's team at the Ontario Open, the past champions section of the web page will be updated soon with their team photo. Hopefully, we will be updating the National Champions section as well.

Thank you to the board for your assistance and input throughout the year.

PUBLICITY -- *Mickey McNeil*

The Central Ontario newsletter "The Fastlane" has been going strong for a number of seasons now. All league Secretaries as well as all our Bowling Centres are included in our mailing list and it can be found on our website as well.

Once again our President Bob Beaucage and our Historian Wade Thompson have spent countless hours modernizing our website to bring it completely up to date. All pertinent information is now on our website as well as being highlighted in the newsletter.

My thanks to all the Board members and bowlers who have helped us in keeping our leagues and centres updated and informed.

FUND RAISING -- *Ian Gawel*

This year was a year to re-evaluate our efforts as there was less support for the events we ran.

This year we partnered with the Brampton Beast to attend a hockey game again. We sold 12 tickets raising \$48 for COBA. I believe everyone had fun who attended the game. We are waiting to get a final total on the chuck-a-puck proceeds and once again they donated a box to our Hall of Fame dinner.

The Open bowlers worked hard in the fund raising efforts and were able to donate \$425 to COBA. They hope to have the same success next year.

February 8th, a bus tour to Casino Niagara was arranged. Although we did not profit from this event we broke even. I believe we could organize this event next year with more success. We will hopefully fill a bus next time and make this a successful event. My suggestion would be 3 weekday trips. One early in the year, one mid-season and one near the end of the year. We did try to organize a Saturday Casino trip to Rama but there was not a lot of support for it and the event was cancelled.

Our final event for the year is the 2nd annual golf tournament partnered with Special Olympics Canada being held July 29th and we are currently working to fill the tournament, and at this time we have 17 teams confirmed. We will be working on finalizing the raffle table, hole sponsors and gift bags. It is looking to be a great event.

I would like to thank everyone for their participation and support in the many events we ran this year.

BOOSTER CLUB - *Lyll Gordon / Jessica Cyr*

Skyview Lanes – *Lyll Gordon*

Skyview bought a 75 Kit. They will be participating again next year. The tournament winner was Steve Murray and he advanced to the Provincial round.

Hopedale Lanes – *Jessica Cyr*

Hopedale bought a kit of 75 and will be participating again next year. The tournament winner was Aidan Brown and he advanced to the Provincial round.

INCENTIVE AWARDS – *Lori Beesack*

Good Evening COBA Members. This year we had many leagues evaluated for the Incentive Award for both Regular and SOO leagues. The results will not be available until after the average book is completed and points awarded. The winners of the 2017/18 season will be announced at the Executive Tournament in the fall.

Next year we will be re-vamping the Program, so I will be looking for input from the league executives over the summer.

Thanks for your participation in the program.

ELECTIONS TO THE CENTRAL ONTARIO 5 PIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Marilyn Gordon took over the meeting to run the elections.

Up for re-election this year are: Mickey McNeil, Lyll Gordon, Lori Beesack, Ian Gawel.

The Central Ontario 5 Pin Bowlers' Association has nominated the following incumbents:

“Mickey McNeil, Lyll Gordon, Lori Beesack and Ian Gawel”. All four incumbents said they would stand.

Lori Beesack nominated Pam Wiebe, 2nd by Wade Thompson. Pam accepted the nomination.

NEXT YEAR'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE:

3 Years to Serve: Mickey McNeil, Lyll Gordon, Lori Beesack and Ian Gawel

2 Years to Serve: Brenda Hamilton, Wade Thompson, Jessica Cyr and Melissa Llewellyn

1 Year to Serve: Bob Beaucage, Rheal Champagne, Connie Hannah and Kevin Jepson

Janice Graham, Anne Robinson and Pam Wiebe are Directors at Large and will help COBA with their Saturday bingos.

A motion to destroy the ballots was put on the floor by Connie Hannah and 2nd by Wade Thompson. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Nominated for President: Bob Beaucage by Mickey McNeil 2nd by Brenda Hamilton (Bob accepted)

Nominated for Vice President: Rheal Champagne by Connie Hannah, 2nd by Mickey McNeil (Rheal accepted)

Nominated for Secretary: Brenda Hamilton by Mickey McNeil, 2nd by Lori Beesack (Brenda accepted)

Nominated for Treasurer: Wade Thompson by Mickey McNeil, 2nd by Rheal Champagnel (Wade accepted)

The Executive Committee for 2018/2019 Bowling Season is:

President:	Bob Beaucage	Secretary:	Brenda Hamilton
Vice-President:	Rheal Champagne	Treasurer:	Wade Thompson

The meeting was turned back to Bob Beaucage who thanked Marilyn for running the elections for Central Ontario.

The following will continue to be offered by COBA to all our bowlers.

- Awards program
- Prizes to all zone round winners
- Coaching courses
- Reduced rates for all our bowlers
- All Graduating YBC bowlers will again receive a tournament card for the season
- All final YBC bowlers or first year graduates will again have their entry fee (excluding lineage) paid by COBA into the Open

NEW BUSINESS

- Mickey put a motion on the floor to change our Awards Program for next year, seconded by Connie Hannah. Motion carried
- REGULAR MEMBERS
 - Towel – 75 POA
 - \$10 Tim’s Card – 100 POA
 - \$20 Dining Card - 125 POA
 - \$50 Dining Card – 400 singles and 1,000 triples
- SOO MEMBERS
 - Towels – 50 POA
 - \$10 Tim’s Card – 75 POA
 - \$20 Dining Card – 100 POA
- We should have forms completed by people who are interested in any of our tournaments and submit them to the Coaching Co-coordinator.
- August 19th will be our caucus meeting at Rheal’s. Meeting at 12:00 Noon

Motion to adjourn by Marilyn Gordon and Pam Wiebe at 10:09 p.m.

*Minutes Prepared by Brenda Hamilton
May 30, 2018*