



MASTER BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO

ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018

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MBAO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday May 5th, 2018

Location of Meeting –

NEB's Fun World

Room – Meeting Room in Bar Area

Start Time: 9am

2017-2018 ZONE MEETING AGENDA

MBAO Zone: _____

Zone Delegate: _____

Meeting Date: _____

1. Roll Call (Attach a list of attendees to the minutes)
2. Review of the Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting
Moved by: _____
Seconded by: _____
Vote: For _____ Against _____
3. Perusal of 2017-2018 Reports
4. Approval of the 2016-2017 Financial Statements for the Year Ended July 31st 2017.
Moved by: _____
Seconded by: _____
Vote: For _____ Against _____
5. Old Business
6. New Business

Please Note: There are three (3) positions open for the MBAO Board of Directors and the individuals will be elected for three year terms.

a. Nominations from your zone to the MBAO Board of Directors starting with the 2018-2019 season.

1. We wish to nominate _____

Seconded by: _____

2. We wish to nominate: _____

Seconded by: _____

b. Zone Delegate for the 2018-2019 season

Zone: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____
City/Town: _____
Home Phone: _____
Work Phone: _____
Email: _____

c. Zone Alternate for the 2018-2019 season

Zone: _____
Name: _____
Address: _____
City/Town: _____
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d. Motions

Please return this completed agenda along with a copy of your minutes and meeting report to the MBO office before March 15th, 2018 for inclusion in the AGM package.

As passed at the 2009 Annual Meeting, if someone has a motion and cannot make the meeting, the Zone Delegate or Alternate Delegate will be able to speak on behalf of the motion.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 2017-2018 season is the MBAO's 53rd Anniversary and we would like to take the opportunity to highlight some of the initiatives undertaken this season by your Board of Directors, as well as some ongoing projects.

Our membership overall this season is down a total of 31 members over last season. The continuing closure of bowling centres over the past few years, as well as the decline in Youth Bowlers appears to be the main reasons for this decline. Fortunately, some of the members affected by these closures and declining YBC programs are choosing to participate with the MBAO as unaffiliated Masters. We also saw new members join, which seems to be a reflection of the quality of tournaments we are running. We are maintaining these excellent programs and looking at new ways to keep encouraging new members to join.

Our MBAO Group Facebook page continues to evolve, and we are at 538 members now. We are using this page to post reminders of upcoming events, messages that we need to get out to our membership quickly, as well as to post initial results from our various events.

Jim Head and Andrea Disher continue in their roles of tournament director at our various events. We thank them for their service over the year in running our many events. Our Zone Delegates are an integral part of our association and each board member is linked with a Zone Delegate to support them as they bring our voice to the field. We pride ourselves that our events are run in a professional manner and this begins with the work of Dave in the office and continues with the various tournament staff we utilize throughout the season. Our programs would not be as strong without these individuals and we are grateful for their efforts on behalf of the MBAO.

Our Elimination Draw continues to be our largest fundraiser. In the 2016-2017 season, our elimination draw sold out for the fourth year in a row. This season, we hope to duplicate that success. We would like to take this time to thank all of our members for their support of this draw. We still have tickets left to sell, so if you can help sell some of these remaining tickets, please contact Dave at the office.

Our sponsors continue to be key supporters of our game. These sponsors are brought to our association through the marketing efforts of our Board members as well as through MBAO members. Our sponsors include Orleans Bowling Centre, Jeff's Bowl-O-Rama, Echo Bowl, NEB's Fun World, C4 Centre, Freedom 55 Financial, Phipps Bowling and Softroll, Orillia Bowl and Fraser Hambly.

We would also like to acknowledge individual sponsors for this season:
Tuddenham Enterprises – Bekah Akerley
Agway Metals Inc – Don Cunningham

Our members are working hard to win a spot on our National Team heading to Thunder Bay, Ontario this year. The host committee, as always, has some great events planned for us.

I would like to thank everyone for their support, feedback and ongoing contributions to our association. The association can only be as strong as its members and on behalf of the board; we thank you for the interest you take.

Good luck to everyone in the remaining events this season and I look forward to seeing everyone at the AGM.

Thank you,

Brenda Walters
President

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TREASURER'S REPORT

With the approval of the Board and Zone Delegates, I present the financial statement for the period ending July 31, 2017. The budget for 2017-18 is also included.

We incurred an operating loss of \$2714.99 for the fiscal year as a result of a banner year for milestone wins. Winners of a 5th tournament receive a large diamond for their win. Our budget was for \$2500 in ring sales and expenses of \$5500. The actual revenue was \$3297.80 and expenses were \$9024.00 .

Our cost to attend the Nationals in Regina exceeded our budget because of an increase in the cost of air fare and hotel accommodations. The shortfall was recovered from our deferred National Assessment account in accordance with our financial plan.

There is a decrease in membership renewals this year, down by 31, however, we continue to receive new membership applications. This decrease in membership also impacts the number of entries we receive for our various tournaments and impacts the National Assessment we accumulate each year.

The Tournament and Finance committees are reviewing the fee structure for all tournaments, as lineage and other costs continue to rise. We must continue to sustain our National Assessment account for the remaining years in this cycle. 2018 in Thunder Bay, 2019 In Gatineau, 2020 in St Johns (Nfld), 2021 in Edmonton and 2022 in Winnipeg.

A big 'Thank You' to Dave Johnson, our Director of Operations for another year of excellent work.

A thank you to our membership for your continued support of our Association.

George Tughan
Treasurer
MBAO

MEMBERSHIP

The Master Bowlers Association is committed to conducting tournament events that are managed and well organized so that our members can participate, have fun and enjoy the best competitions spread over an entire season, ending with our National Championships. We are the association for bowlers who enjoy tournament events, and provide competition for every skill level.

Each year we see additional closings of bowling centres and this year was no exception. Dickson Bowl in Cambridge, Bowlerama Stoney Creek, Georgetown Bowl and this January we will see Bowlerama West close. These closings continue to concern us, however our members remain dedicated to participating in the many events that we offer and we truly appreciate the support.

Our 2017-2018 membership and previous statistics are:

DIVISION	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-2011
Affiliated Teaching Ladies	104	123	128	117	126	125	137	149
Teaching Ladies-Unaffiliated	19	12	17	17	15	13	13	11
Teaching Men-Affiliated	181	205	203	216	226	264	274	303
Teaching Men-Unaffiliated	18	23	27	20	19	19	31	27
Tournament Ladies	12	10	17	19	13	14	15	11
Tournament Men	21	20	34	29	31	25	23	27
Seniors Only	50	45	36	51	45	32	45	46
Associate / Life Members	9	7	6	8	8	5	5	4
	414	445	468	477	483	497	543	578

In 2016 we introduced a referral incentive. Members who refer a new member can receive a \$25.00 credit towards next year's renewal fee. You may also refer a former member who has been away for at least 3 years. Conditions apply to this offer. This season, seven returning members received this credit for their referrals from last year. We are happy to make this offer again this season.

We also have seen 47 new members join our association this season and we welcome them to our friendly group of bowlers. We hope you enjoy the events we offer and encourage you to participate in as many as you can, to experience the camaraderie of our members. We are always welcoming new players. Please consider referring someone to our Association.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICE RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Fraser Hambly completed the "Membership Service" database from the thousands of file folders in the office, and from the Tournament Division average binders during the 2006-07 season. The database contains membership numbers and the total number of years of service broken down by division (Tournament, Teaching, Seniors and Associate). The recording of the membership service is completed and each member is to be made aware that the database will only be as accurate as the paperwork submitted to the office each year during the membership renewal period.

Specially designed membership service pins have been designed and the pins will recognize 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, and 45 years. All Pins will be sent to all zone delegates for presentation to the Teaching Division either at the Spring Youth event or the zone meeting following that event.

The MBAO Board of Directors would like to acknowledge those members who have been a part of our Association for many years. The MBAO congratulates the following individuals for achieving 25+ years of service:

40 Years: Rosemary Davidson and Ian Wilson

35 Years: Gerry Hiltz

30 Years: Judy Begley, Ann Marie Lasek, Maureen Poole, Lou Riddle and Brian Scott

25 Years: Marianne Corbet and Linda MacLean

The Membership Service database can be found on the website at www.mbao.ca under the Membership heading and MBAO History Information. Click on the Years of Service to see these details. All members are asked to review the information contained in the database to ensure that your information is correct. If there are any discrepancies, it would be appreciated if you could inform the Provincial Office in writing and we will initiate another review of all your information at the office.

The Board of Directors would like to thank Fraser Hambly and Dave Johnson for their on-going efforts and dedication to this project. The distribution and recognition of our members' loyalty continues this year.

The following is the list of individuals who will be receiving membership service pins for the 2017 -18 season:

Years of Service Recognition 2017-18

Ladies	Zone	Men	Zone
5 Years			
Bekah Akerley	D1	Mike Anderson	SR
Jennefer Driver	D2	Ryan Brenner	H2
Morgan Glover	H2 - U	Wayne Cox	G2
Peggy Ham	H1	Jason Firby	T2
Joan Joudrey	J1	Ken Groombridge	F1
Lisa Keech	E1	Eric MacLean	G2
Pamela Martin	C3	Andrew Oliver	A1
Linda Nault	D2	Dominic Plouffe	X3
Tracey Ormiston	H2 - U	Thomas Scott	G2 - U
Andrea Priestley	H2	John Stevenson	C3
Sharron Rivers	H1	Austin Toll	X3
Kathy Snow	SR	D.J. Villeneuve	C3 - U
Laura Spoelstra	J1	Tim Willcocks	X1
Charlotte Warrander	F1 - U	Dylan Yule	B2
Jacklyn Weatherup	C3		
10 Years			
Amber Hughes	P2	Peter Allison	L1
Megan Kennedy	A1	Ron Allison	L1
Marlena Ladouceur	H2	Rick Baker	P2
Lori Nottingham	L1	Matt Coad	H2 - U
Catherine Sullivan	G2	Ted Howie	C3
Dawn Terry	E1	Ross Irving	SR
Myranda Winter	G2	Shawn Lough	X3
		Bob Whetstone	P2
		Dave Yule	B2
15 Years			
Angelle Eybel	T2	Benoit Croteau	X3
Melissa Llewellyn	F2	Jason Dalzell	J1
Kelly Mannetje	F1	John Montgomery	A2
Tracy Smith	SR	Martin Talbot	E1
Cindy Toll	X3	Bob Walters	E1
20 Years			
Lynn Kilbourne	Z2	Doug Langille	J1
		Ray Laprade	X1
		Doug MacLean	Z1
		Allan Morrison	Z2
		Doug Plummer	K1
25 Years			
Marianne Corbet	SR		
Linda MacLean	J1		
30 Years			
Judy Begley	P2	Lou Riddle	Z2
Ann Marie Lasek	A2	Brian Scott	SR
Maureen Poole	D1		

35 Years
Gerry Hiltz

L1

40 Years
Rosemary Davidson C3

40 Years
Ian Wilson E1

***Recognizing our Longest Serving Active Members
(over 40 years membership)
and still going strong***

Dorothy "Dot" Britton	Life Member	53	Walter Heenev	Life Member	49
Pat Jepson	A1	47	Fraser Hambly	Life Member	48
Lisa Groombridge	F1	42	Ian Cameron	Life Member	47
Lorraine Fleming	P2	42	Brian McMillan	Z2	46
Rosemary Davidson	C3	40	Sid Morris	Life Member	46
			Paul Asselin	D2	42
			Ian Wilson	Associate Member	40

C4 CENTRE SENIOR TOUR REPORT

This tour celebrates its 25th Anniversary this year, and it remains a very strong component of the MBAO program. This season, C4Centre and proprietor/owners Judy Begley and Tim O'Hara continue with their sponsorship of this division. Their kind donations spread out over all 4 of our events have enhanced the prize funds for this tour. We thank Tim and Judy so much for their support to our Association and the Seniors Tour.

Also for 2017-18, our member Elaine Freiday has provided a sponsorship for our King and Queen of the Lane awards, through her company Freedom 55 Financial. For this additional sponsorship we sincerely thank Elaine for her support of this most popular division.

We set new participation levels this season so far with 80 players participating in our first event at Stellar Lanes and 78 players were competing at Event #2 at C4 Centre.

Bowlers can now join the Senior Tour the bowling season they turn 50 (can bowl the first 2 events if they turn 50 by Dec. 31st) and therefore, we hope to continue to add to our membership numbers, and allow these bowlers to qualify for the National Team.

Two years ago, we incorporated a "Team Event" as part of this Tour and the membership were very pleased with this new format. We will continue at our 3rd Seniors Event with this 4 Player Team POA Format to keep the Tournament events interesting and with variety.

The Senior MBAO ring, which is into its 11th year, continues to prove popular. It is distinctive in style, so as not to confuse it with the traditional MBAO ring awarded for victories in other MBAO events. In addition there are 2 sizes available to suit your taste and budget. A bowler winning an event may purchase a ring. When a bowler wins 2 events, 2 sapphires are added to the ring and a diamond is added for a 5th win. Victories prior to the introduction of the ring count toward the total. The ring has been well received and many bowlers have purchased rings.

In addition, all Senior Tour victories are now listed as part of the History of Tournament Winners document and also on a separate Senior Tour Victory document, as well as being combined with regular MBAO Tournament wins to show Total MBAO victories. These documents may be found on the MBAO website under Membership > MBAO History Information.

As usual, there will be a Senior Tour Workshop at the end of the 3rd event, and the results of this workshop will be available at the AGM. The C4Centre Seniors Tour continues to thrive. We would like to thank all the bowlers who participate on the Senior Tour for making it such an enjoyable and successful group to compete and spend time with.

Dave Johnson
Director of Operations.

NOMINATING REPORT

The MBAO Board of Directors are looking for dedicated members with time to manage and improve our association. The MBAO has nine (9) elected members and three (3) directors are elected each year for a 3-year term.

In May we will elect 3 board members for 3 year terms.

From the field, anyone wishing to run for the Board of Directors has the opportunity to be nominated through their individual zone meetings. All nominations received will be presented to the annual meeting on Saturday, May 5th, 2018. One can also be nominated from the floor of the AGM provided there is a 1st and 2nd mover for the nomination. Each nominee will be asked to speak on his or her behalf to the annual meeting. In addition, should a nominee not be able to attend, they are welcome to have someone speak in their absence.

Individuals who aspire to the Board of Directors should realize that time commitments can be intensive. The Board meets approximately once per month, usually on a conference call or in the Toronto area, and there is also one (1) Sunday Zone Delegates' meeting in September. A board member should have the best interests of the MBAO in mind always and to keep in mind the decisions made must be for all members in all divisions of the MBAO.

The Association needs people who can make these decisions, and manage and assist in the operations of the Master Bowlers Association of Ontario. Our association will meet the needs of our members in the best possible way and we hope to have potential Board Members who can work to ensure that our members enjoy and participate in the many events we host during our season.

Looking ahead, the remaining Board members' terms will expire as follows:

<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Brenda Walters	Nathan Cooper	Neil Anderson
George Tughan	Matt Kowalyk	Andrea Disher
Christina Herbert	Tim O'Hara	Cindy Toll

SPONSORSHIP REPORT

We continue to be blessed with sponsorship dollars from a variety of sources this season. This is based on the efforts of our Board of Directors but also from our contacts with our members themselves.

Our sponsor list is as follows, and I encourage you to drop them a line to say thanks for their support of our association.

ORGANIZATION	NAME	ADDRESS
PHIPPS BOWLING – Fall and Spring Master Youth Events	Steve Phipps	Phipps Bowling 150 Marlborough Avenue Kitchener, Ontario N2M 1H8
ECHO BOWL – Western Classic	Todd Flannigan	Echo Bowl 760 Colborne Street East Brantford, Ontario N3S 3S1
C4 CENTER - Seniors Tour	Tim O'Hara and Judy Begley	C4Centre 2644A Eglinton Ave East Scarborough, Ontario M1K 2S3
FREEDOM 55 FINANCIAL – Seniors Division Kings and Queens of the Lanes Awards	Elaine Freiday – Financial Advisor	PO Box 39 Elgin Ontario K0G 1E0
NEBS FUN WORLD – Master Senior Event	Tom England	NEB's Fun World 1300 Wilson Road North Oshawa, ON L1K 2B8
ORLEANS BOWLING CENTRE – Eastern Classic	Jonathan Piche	Orleans Bowling Centre 885 Taylor Creek Drive Orleans, ON K1C 1T1
ORILLIA BOWL – Henry Fehr Invitational Doubles	Kathy and Andy Rainey	Orillia Bowl 285 Memorial Ave Orillia, Ontario L3V 5X9

The MBO would like to thank the following corporate sponsors who are funding individual MBO members for the 2017-2018 season:

Tuddenham Enterprises Inc – Bekah Akerley

Agway Metals Inc – Don Cunningham

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FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Elimination Draw: 500 tickets sold to date. If you can help sell more tickets please let Dave know. Let's sell this draw out again this year to make our 2nd last ticket out worth \$1000.00 and the final ticket drawn worth \$2000.00. Only 700 tickets will be sold for this draw.

Master Senior Table: We continue to look for donations for this prize table. This event is one of our largest events so we would like to have as many prizes available as possible. Please let the office know if you have any donations. We would like to have them by the end of March if possible, in order to prepare the tickets.

Pick the Red Headpin: At each tournament event we run a members draw using cards to see if someone can pick the winning card. Tickets to participate are sold for \$5.00 each. As of January 2018, the winning card if chosen will see the winner receiving \$1090.00. This draw will continue until the winning card is chosen.

2018 MBAO Bursary Awards

This season we will once again be awarding 4 Bursaries worth \$500 towards a year in the Master Bowlers Association of Ontario.

These will be awarded through participation in our YBC Rookie Tour.

To be eligible, the YBC player must bowl in 3 out of the 5 available events including the Mid Winters Blues tournament which is a mandatory event.

The 5 events are:
Western Classic
Central Classic
New Year's Classic
Mid Winter Blues (mandatory)
Eastern Classic

We will award the top Scratch Male and Female as well as the top POA Male and Female from their best 3 events on our YBC Rookie Tour.

Bursary winners may choose to join the Division of their choice.

Bursary winners will also receive an MBAO Golf Shirt embroidered with "2017 Bursary Winner"

Note: Bursary Winners can defer their award for up to four years in order to accommodate post-secondary studies after they have finished their YBC career and have attained the minimum age of 19.

Winners of the 2016-17 Bursary Awards were:

Theresa Coombs-Ronaldson and Hunter Cameron (Scratch)

Jordan Terry and Patrick Rutherford (POA)

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