

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GREATER TORONTO TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

The Meeting was held on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at Kennedy Bowl and was called to order by President Deborah Hope at 11:12 a.m.

There were 17 registered participants present for the meeting.

Board of Directors present: President Deborah Hope,  
Directors: Alvin Clarke (V.P.), Bill Campbell, Denise Critch, Douglas Critch, Richard Doucette, Jim Holmes, Joe Johnson, Vashti Mascoll, Della Trude, Denis Welch.  
Robert Trude, Association Manager

President Deborah Hope introduced the head table.

**President's Report – Deborah Hope** - Council of Delegates, Life Members, Directors and guests ...on behalf of the officers and directors of this association I would like to welcome you here today. This has been a rough year. Since closing the bowling office Robert and Della have been doing all the association work from home. Della did a great job this season understanding email addresses, thanks. I was hoping more secretaries would be here today so we could explain the new system to them. Hopefully next year will be better. I would like to thank all the secretaries who attended today. To Robert and Richard, not enough words to thank you for doing a great job of keeping us informed and on track and doing the awards. Thanks to the Board of Directors for their help during the season.

**Report of the Association Manager – Robert Trude** -To Council of Delegates, Life Members, Board of Directors and Guests

As of Wednesday May 1, 2019 the membership so far this season is 2,836 and that is a decrease of 214 members from last year's final membership number of 3,050. When the final average reports are received, there may be a few more members to add to this year's total. The total number of leagues this season is 74, down 3 from last year.

As of May 1, 2019 we have had 13 – 800 series, 49 - 300's, 16 - 299's, 8 - 298's and 23 - 11-in-a-row's reported to the office, this is down 54 honor scores compared to last season and down 56 on the average of the last 10 seasons. The high triple recorded so far this season is an 826 by Kevin Arseneault in the ADC Inc Classic league here at Kennedy Bowl on Wednesday nights. The women bowlers are continuing to bowl well, Brittney Spearing and Jessica Lee have bowled a 300 game. At this time I do not know what the high triple is for the women. As what usually happens, there are generally other honor scores for which we have not heard of yet which will come in, in May or June, and even next season as they have in past years.

A bowler who qualifies for a ring now gets a choice of how they want the ring to look when they go into the website provided to them by CTF and any additional costs above what is covered by CTF is paid for directly to the manufacturer at the time the ring order is being placed.

All of the leagues will have received their year end kit by today with the request for the average reports and the highs in their league.

This has been an extremely challenging year from the start. For the first time, the league executives were required to acquire the league sanction form and the league award applications from the CTF website. The leagues were requested not to make copies because changes would be made throughout the season and there was no need to waste paper printing up extra copies or to use the incorrect forms. The biggest change was in respect to the bowlers receiving their membership cards via e-mail which were sent to their e-mail addresses which they were supposed to provide/write clearly on their membership application cards. That caused many delays and a waste of a lot of time by the clerical person and in most cases delayed the input of other sanctions. The bowlers have to get up to date with technology, we no longer live in the 19th century but are now in the 21st century. I have heard of individuals who have cell phones but no computer or printer. You can go to the libraries or request your friends or other family members for help. Printers today are not expensive, to have a computer and no printer – WELL? Even the government wants you to be able to receive your income tax information by e-mail or for you to go on to the government website to see your account and print up your information. The banks want you to do your business on the computer/cell so that you do not waste the teller's time at the counters and also so you can print up your own bank statements, etc. Your supplier of your hydro no longer wants to print up and mail your hydro bill, they want you to print them up at your home. Insurance companies want to send you your receipt by e-mail. It is time to get a computer and a printer. Still, secretaries are not reading the information that is prepared for them. I have received so far this season 12 honor score applications on forms anywhere from the year 2004 to 2017, PLEASE use the updated honor score applications off the CTF website.

Reminder, you are all registered participants/members of the Greater Toronto Tenpin Bowling Association; **you can not be a direct registered participant of CTF.**

Thank you Richard for processing all of the achievement award applications again this season. If you have any questions on my report I or my assistant will be happy to answer them after the meeting.

Minutes of the May 12, 2018 Annual Meeting – Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes by A.J. Font, seconded by Denise Critch. Motion Carried.

Motion to accept the minutes as printed in the yearbook made by Denise Critch, seconded by Douglas Critch. No Discussion Motion Carried.

**Standing Committee Reports** – in the delegate’s packages

**Report of the Board of Directors** - Your Board of Directors has held three (2) meetings during the course of this season conducting the business of the Association plus several communications by e-mail.

The Reports which you have received this morning at this Annual Meeting are for the purpose of advising you of actions taken by this Board since the last Annual Meeting. Please review the enclosed reports.

**Report of the Tournament Committees** – The association held three adult tournaments this season. The women’s scratch divisional Queen’s Tournament was held at Bowlerama Barrie on October 27 & 28, 2018. Winners of this year’s tournament are: Division A – Cathy Harvey with 836, Division B – no entries, Division C –Deborah Hope with 659 and Division D – Elaine Olson with 641.

The Women’s and the Men’s Annual Championship Tournaments were held January 5th & 6th, 2019 at Classic Bowl. Again this year the Greater Toronto Tenpin Bowling Association added \$1,400.00 to the Women’s and Men’s Tournament Prize Fund. In the Women’s Handicap Tournament we had 16 teams, 34 doubles, 68 singles and 64 all events. In the Men’s Handicap Tournament there were 28 teams, 58 doubles, 116 singles and 91 all events. The High Five Tournament had a huge increase this year with 209 entries, up 64 from last year. There were a lot of first-time city tournament bowlers this year and some great bowling. In the Women’s Tournament Jessica Lee bowled a 710 series, Doris Ho a 279 game & 708 series, Edielyn Besana a 257 game & series of 669 & 671, Jennifer Besana a 258 game & series of 663 & 651 and Polly Chow a 254 game & 672 series. The men had some impressive stats. Williams Burns bowled a 300 & 286 games and a 782 series, the highest for the tournament. We had 15 more 700 series – Larry Salvati 772, Randy Gray Sr. 766 & 737, Douglas Matchett 733, Fernando Pannozzo 732 & 703, Alfred Dela Cruz & Mostafa Nejatbakhsh had a 723, William Russell 722, Pat Charlebois 715, David Trimble 710, Leonard Elia 709 & 706 and both Jeff Kadohama & Ronnie Klimke a 704, Adam Rancourt 700. We had 47 games bowled over 250 with 9 of those being over 278. The results of the Men’s and Women’s Handicap Tournament, the High Five Tournament and 600 & 700 Club Tournaments are on the G.T.T.B.A. website.

600 Club Tournament & 700 Club Tournament – This is the fifth year we’ve held a 600 Club Tournament for the women and a 700 Club Tournament for the men and women, using the doubles and singles scores from the City Tournaments. In the 600 Club there were 13 entries and for the 700 Club we had 31. Winners were Edielyn Besana with a 1340 and Randy Gray Sr. with a 1503. Fantastic bowling!

The Mixed Doubles Tournament was held at Brunswick Bramalea in Brampton on March 30 & 31 and April 6 & 7, 2019. There were 194 entries, an increase from last year. Sean Hutson bowled a perfect game, Kerrie Ryan-Ciach bowled an Eleven-in-a-Row and Jen Van-Malone had a 279. There were nineteen 700 series. We are in the process of finalizing the results and when completed, the official prize list will be accessible on the G.T.T.B.A. website.

**Awards Committee Report** – This year up to May 1, 2019 we have issued 23 - 250 game crests, 19 - 275 game crests, 22 - 650 series crests, 39 - Century Series crests and 3 - 75 pins over average Senior Crest.

The committee reports that we will continue with our present awards program.

**Report of the Hall of Fame & Awards Dinner Committee** – Our Hall of Fame & Awards Dinner was held at the Monte Carlo Inn Brampton Suites, Brampton, Ontario L6T 4V7 on Saturday, November 10, 2018.

The Annual Women’s and Men’s City Tournaments and the Mixed Doubles Tournament Award winners for the 2017-2018 season were presented with their awards.

The CTF Award of Merit was presented.

For the Association High Average -	Jennifer Besana	- 218.68
	William Burns	- 238.45
For the Association High Series -	Catherine Harvey	- 815
	Kevin Arseneault	- 827
For the Association High Game -	Multiple 300’s bowled by Women & Men	

The Mixed All Star Team is awarded each year to three men and three women. Using the Bowler of the Year criteria that the association received from the bowlers by the end of August, we calculated the total amount of points that each bowler had accumulated. The awards for the Mixed All Star Team for the 2017-2018 season were presented to Catherine Harvey, Doris Ho, Julie Ryan, Kevin Arseneault, Randy Gray Sr. and Andy Manasterski.

The Bowlers of the Year for 2017-2018 were Catherine Harvey for the Women and Kevin Arseneault for the Men.

**Report of the Hall of Fame Committee** – The Committee has reviewed the Hall of Fame Bylaws and recommends no changes.

**Report of the Youth Committee** – To date a total of 190 youth bowlers make up the youth membership which is a slight decrease from last year. There are five bowling centres with youth leagues registered.

The Youth City Scholarship Tournament was held at Brunswick Bramalea in Brampton on March 2, 2019 and the results are posted on the G.T.T.B.A. website for your viewing pleasure. The tournament winners are listed in our yearbook. The tournament format is now a singles only, Pins Over Average, scholarship tournament with eight divisions. We had 47 youth participating in the tournament. Each of the winners received a Scholarship Certificate from the G.T.T.B.A. and this money is being held in trust for them.

Donations to the Scholarship program are always appreciated.

Lois Maxwell moved we accept all six reports, seconded by Joe Johnson.

No discussion

Motion Carried

**Bowler of the Year Report** - The Committee has reviewed the criteria for the Bowler of the Year and recommends no changes. Doug Critch moved for the acceptance of this report, seconded by Joe Johnson.

No discussion.

Motion Carried.

**Audit Report** – Robert Trude, Association Manager, presented the Audit Report for the Greater Toronto Tenpin Bowling Association for the 2017-2018 fiscal year and moved for acceptance of the report, seconded by A.J. Font. The Association Manager asked if there were any questions regarding the financial statements.

No questions or discussion.

Motion Carried.

Robert spoke about the Charters and the new changes CTF have made. We no longer have to apply for the charter every 5 years but only if the Bylaws of the Association change. Since the Toronto Association has been in existence since 1907, there probably won't be any changes.

**Report of the Legislation Study Committee** – Alvin Clarke - The Legislative Study Committee has reviewed the current Bylaws of this Association and recommends no changes. Alvin moved for acceptance, seconded by Vashti Mascoll.

No discussion Motion carried

**Della Trude presented the report of the CTF Annual Meeting** - On behalf of the Greater Toronto Tenpin Bowling Association President Deborah Hope and Director Della Trude attended the workshops and CTF Annual General Meeting in Winnipeg, Manitoba on November 16th & 17th, 2018.

On Friday night, November 16th, from 6 to 8:45 p.m., CTF arranged workshops for the delegates and guests. Brian McMaster, CTF President, opened the workshop, then asked Cathy Innes, CTF Executive Director, to continue. She joked about the book 'Who Stole My Cheese' which relates to wanting something without fighting for it. Last year the CTF website crashed and Cathy did a demonstration of the new CTF website, [tenpincanada.org](http://tenpincanada.org), which is more user-friendly. She spoke about the changes to the honor awards and how the bowlers can now order their own rings. If the rings are upgraded, the money goes directly to the

manufacturer. If a bowler goes into the system and orders a ring but has never bowled the 300, CTF will check it out and return the money less 15% as a penalty. Changes to the ORS system were explained and she emphasized that all bowlers need an email address in order to print their own membership card. Everyone had a chance to ask questions in a more relaxed atmosphere. When asked if the local associations could see all the stats for all the bowlers, Cathy explained that the Local Association can get local stats, the Provincial Association can get Provincial stats but the Locals cannot look at the National stats.

After a 20 minute break there was a question and answer period. President Brian asked how many delegates were attending this workshop and how many are getting the CTF Connection. Contact Dan Tereck if you have anything to put in the CTF Connection, [dtereck@shaw.ca](mailto:dtereck@shaw.ca) or [curtisconnection@tenpincanada.com](mailto:curtisconnection@tenpincanada.com). Stan May asked about the Strategic Plan which is based on 4 years and Deb Victors, Vancouver, B.C. asked what it was. Cathy Innes explained that there are 8 categories and everyone is responsible in those 8 categories to work toward goals. At every Board meeting it is reviewed and maybe next year they will bring it to the delegates. One delegate asked about the total number of youth bowlers in Canada. Blaine Boyle, Chair of the Youth Unit, said we loose youth bowlers every year and it is hard to promote. They are talking with bowling proprietors to bring both programs together, YBC and CTF. Sport Canada funds not-for-profit organizations and is reviewing every sport – 10 pin, 5 pin and Bowl Canada. Bowl Canada wanted all the youth to join their organization but CTF and 10 pin disagreed. The CTF Youth Committee will be looking at ways to increase membership.

CTF Annual General Meeting - Saturday, November 17th, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Present: 25 Local delegates, 9 CTF Directors - Total 34 eligible to vote (18 for the majority) + 2 guests. No life members present.

The CTF Annual General Meeting convened Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m., where 25 Delegates and 9 Directors met to review and approve the business of the Canadian Tenpin Federation.

President Brian McMaster called the meeting to order and the delegates sang O'Canada. Brian thanked the Winnipeg Association for hosting the AGM and welcomed the delegates. He asked the delegates to introduce themselves. Rules of the AGM were read and approved.

President Brian said there are many changes at CTF – Blaine Boyle is taking over the Youth Unit, Sue Leslie who worked for CTF since its inception in 2004 is no longer with CTF and Tyrel Rose who was a CTF Director has been hired as Head Coach sponsored by Sports Canada. This year it is now mandatory that each of our bowlers have an individual email address entered into the membership database

and he and Cathy Innes attended the Ontario Provincial AGM and received a lot of feedback from that meeting. Communication between our bowlers, associations and CTF National must improve and with everyone providing an email address it can only get better.

There has been much discussion about one program for youth and Brian has been talking to Bowl Canada, 5 pin and 10 pin to come up with 1 national youth program in Canada. He read a report from Trevor Peters, Bowl Canada, which stated that there are many closures of bowling centres and some have changed to entertainment centres. This results in changes on how we run our business. He looks forward to working out an agreement with Brian and the delegates. Delegate Dan from Windsor asked if 5 pin was dealing with loss of members like the 10 pin and Brian said 5 pin has lost more. Many of the 5 pin bowling centres are closing. It is a reality that bowling is decreasing.

Canada hosted the 2018 Pabcon Senior and Super Senior Championships for the first time in August 2018 and CTF welcomed bowlers from North America, Mexico and South America to Calgary. Brian reported on the Canadian Youth Championships held in June and the CYC tournament & thanked all the volunteers who helped. He thanked all the directors for their help over the year.

Cathy Innes, Executive Director, said that one year ago she stood before you in her new position as Executive Director and was excited and optimistic. She listened, took notes and went home and made goals for the next annual meeting. She did accomplish many and others are a work in progress.

The design for the new website [www.tenpincanada.com](http://www.tenpincanada.com) is 75% complete. The office in Lethbridge closed December 31, 2017 and she thanked Sue for all her hard work at the location. Every day brings more tasks that need to be done & Cathy thanked all the locals that helped her along the way this year and are still helping her.

The Inventory for badges and pins were moved to Platinum in Winnipeg. The plan is to do one order per year for pins and badges so please get in your orders in July each year. (Della wanted this last year) The order in December will only be for year end awards and miscellaneous pins or badges that were estimated incorrectly.

There is a big change to ordering Honour Score Awards. New designs and more choices! Portal will be on the website but can be viewed at <https://store.baronrings.ca/collections/ctf>. The form changed and still is changing to accommodate all the changes. The Local Associations will now process all their own Honor Award Certificates and plates. The Locals can pick up a flashdrive & supply of certificates today and the plates will be mailed. This will be the last year for the plates as only certificates will be issued for all subsequent award earners. Cathy went through the process for the first 300 & 800 Honor awards. Bowler bowls score, the league secretary fills out form and sends to the Local Association, like

before. Once the bowler has paid their membership and it has been entered into the CTF website, the Local Association sends the application to CTF and CTF starts the process. The ring will never be ordered until their membership has been paid and everything processed. Once she processes the ring, the Local Assoc. will receive an email saying the ring has been ordered. The rings will be shipped to the Local Assoc. Once Cathy gets all the kinks out of the program, she will get the Locals to do all the work. She does have some Locals doing the rings. If you are interested, contact Cathy.

The Youth 700 award watches became extinct and we could not source them, therefore the youth will now receive a Power Pak. To date CTF has sent out less than 20.

CTF Online Registration Software had some small updates to reports and the ability to use the same sanction number as the previous year. All new leagues will auto populate the league number. Bowlers now need to supply an email address which allows them to have a link to their own portal. This is non-negotiable. Phase 1 allows them to have access to receipts and their card. Sheila Stormo will be helping if bowlers have a problem with their emails or if they do not have computers and need a card printed. Phase 2 & 3 will include having access to past averages, awards, purchasing memberships, tournament entry administration and honor score ordering. In Phase 2 they will add 3 years of averages and the Provincials will be given a password to view these averages. A 'help' button will be added to the software with instructions to help the local managers.

Dan McLelland from Windsor asked if the letters can be bigger on the Honor Award application. Cathy said they will be working on the forms in February/March of next year. At the bottom of the form the secretary's signature is now off – is CTF going to add 'Secretary's signature'. CTF may put it in; they only need one signature to verify scores.

The Lane Certification Committee has now been taken over by Ron Jones of Belleville, Ontario. Decals are slow to come out but approvals are being sent out as fast as Ron administers them. Della explained that Toronto sends the report after the corrections are completed and Cathy said that is okay.

Cathy notified the delegates that all Local Associations will now pay \$50.00 every year to CTF for an Accidental Death/Dismemberment Policy that covers Volunteers for injuries sustained while performing duties as assigned and authorized by CTF. Anyone doing lane certifications that are under 60 years of age will be covered.

The Financial Statements have been prepared by Mercer Wilde Group and are currently being reviewed by the Auditor for their final report and then will be submitted to CTF Board for approval. Once approved, they will be forwarded to the delegates attending the meeting today and associations.

The Finance Committee Report was given by Dave Kist. We are running at a slight deficit but closing the office has helped. The \$20,000 Safe Loan has been paid back 100% and that account is closed. A delegate from Saskatchewan processed 3 scholarships through the Safe Loan and wanted to know if they had been processed. Cathy Innes said there is a delay and they are waiting further details before releasing the money. Delegates questioned where the money will come from if we are losing bowlers. In Western Canada there are 3 bowling centres where 100% of their bowlers are sanctioned. CTF are anticipating 200 unsanctioned bowlers to sanction next year. Cathy Innes went through the budget for next year.

Charlotte Konkle, Regulatory Unit Chair, gave her report on rule changes. Because CTF has a reciprocal agreement with USBC, all changes made by them must be adopted to comply with their playing rules. There are no changes to the league Playing Rules but there are changes to Chapter VIII CTF Tournaments -- Rule 304 (5) Management, Rule 319a (5) and Rule 325 Team Bowling Alone in a tournament. Approved by delegates.

There has been discussion regarding Chapter VI in the Playing Rules – CTF Equipment Specifications. CTF at this time has not adopted the USBC Bowling Ball Specification Changes, preferring to wait until the World Bowling Technical Committee weighs in on this matter. In light of this, Chapter VI is being revised and will be distributed in the near future. For any of our bowlers who compete in USBC sanctioned tournaments or leagues, you should be aware of the new USBC ball specification rules to ensure that your equipment complies – [www.bowl.com/BowlingTechnologyStudy](http://www.bowl.com/BowlingTechnologyStudy).

CTF Director Curtis Kruschel presented the Acts of the Board which were approved by the Delegates. Sheila Stormo from Campbell River, B.C. wants more details for reports, like the Finance Report of August 30, 2018, so she can take it back to her Board.

The Hazel McCleary Leadership Award was presented to Sherry Hobson posthumously, who was a most deserving CTF board member. Bowling was one of her passions. In 2007 she was Canadian Bowler of the Year and in 2010 Senior Canadian Bowler of the Year and she was the Team Trials Tournament Manager for many years. She has left an imprint on our sport and in our hearts.

After a lunch break, graciously supplied by the Winnipeg Association, we heard reports from the High Performance Unit, Athletes Council Unit, the Youth Unit, Governance Committee, the Awards Unit and the Tournament Services Report.

Cathy Innes presented the Canadian Team Trials report. We have some bowlers from our association on the teams. Joshua Bautista from Brampton is on the Youth Boys Team, Jennifer Besana is on the Women's Team, Zachary Wilkins from Barrie is part of the Men's Team, Julie Ryan is part of the Senior Women's Team

and Joe Ciach and John Chapman are part of the Senior Men's Team. The Team Trials is a source of revenue for Team Canada. After expenses, the funds are allocated directly to the High Performance Division of CTF. These funds pay for youth, adult and sometimes senior teams for training camps, entry fees, uniforms and travel to championships.

Blaine Boyle presented the Coaching Development Report and notified the delegates that all coaches that teach in any CTF certified league is required to take the Respect in Sport course. This is an online course that Sport Canada endorses for all of their coaches in all programs. CTF is also recommending that all coaches, plus anyone else working with youth take the Commit To Kids online course. This is a very valuable course in identifying and preventing abuse to children in the sports environment.

Dave Kist, String Pin Committee, informed the delegates that over 1 year ago, CTF fully sanctioned 10 pin string bowling for any centre that meets or exceeds the existing measurements as published on their website (lanes, approaches, channels, pits). In the last year Australia and England have also sanctioned 10 pin string bowling. Sweden is currently reviewing the topic.

The delegates were informed that the Local & Provincial Associations will no longer have to renew their Charters every 5 years. Renewals will now only be required when changes have been made to their bylaws or upon request from CTF.

Curtis Kruschel, Tournament Services Chair, informed the delegates that all tournament sanctions are to be sent to him at least 2-3 weeks ahead of the tournament to allow him to process it. 30 days after the tournament is over, send him the report of prizes.

In the absence of Chair Ron Jones of Belleville, the Lane Certification Report was read by Dan Tereck. Ron has already approved 38 centres across Canada.

CTF Elections were held. Three director positions open, 3 nominations received and all 3 elected for a 3-year term beginning January 1st. Charlotte Konkle (Ont.), Elaine Yamron (Winnipeg) and Curtis Kruschel (Calgary).

During the question and answer period, a delegate asked if there was any talk about outside food being allowed in a licensed facility when the Youth National Tournament is being held. They will look into it. Parents who act badly at the tournaments, does the Tournament Director have the authority to remove them. This is a very touchy situation and must be handled delicately.

Della asked Curtis Kruschel if we could have an extension for tournament sanctions. We must ask for it.

Old Business – none  
New Business –none

Brian McMaster informed the delegates that the next CTF AGM will be held in Campbell River, Victoria Island, B.C. on November 22-23, 2019.  
Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Alvin Clarke said the CTF report was very informative and asked for a copy. A.J. Font would also like a copy.

**Report of the Nominating Committee** – The GTTBA has five positions open for election. The Nominating committee presented the following five names for election to the Board for a three year term: Richard Doucette, Deborah Hope, Jim Holmes, Della Trude and Denis Welch. As there were no other nominations received by the deadline, any nominations from the floor would not be in order. Joe Johnson moved for acceptance of the five names, seconded by A.J. Font. No discussion. All were elected by acclamation.

**Question and Answer Period:** A.J. Font questioned why CTF could not print up all the membership cards. Della explained that times have changed and CTF is changing also. They would like every bowler to be able to go into their own records and see their averages, awards, and other personal information.

Robert explained the new procedure for receiving honour awards from CTF.

Lois Maxwell thanked the Association for an excellent job.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** Della announced the Provincial Annual Meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn in Burlington on Sunday, June 23rd, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

**Announcements** - Do not forget that the Final Averages are due this month.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN - that concludes our meeting

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.