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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT:

Time is flying by. We have already passed Thanksgiving and Halloween and now we are all preparing for Christmas. Yes, it is right around the corner. That is exactly how our board feels. Our season seems like it has just started but we are nearing the half way mark for most winter seasons.

Our head office continues to be very busy processing membership cards and sending out awards. We apologize for any delays, but rest assured everything we learn this year will be put in motion for next season. So please keep those suggestions coming as we are listening to all of them.

Our Website continues to be an important part of our communication to our members and we are always looking to add new sections. Ideas have been pouring in and most of them are great ideas and with time we hope to put most in action. Make sure you look for our newest section that will give us an opportunity to post volunteer positions that are needed to make this organization successful.

Entry forms have been sent out for the Mixed Championships that will be held in Vancouver in April 2005. The team format is two men and two women and there are many divisions to suit everyone. One bonus of the tournament is the winners of the senior scratch all-events will represent Canada at the Tournament of the Americas next August in Miami.

Good luck to our Teams going to the Netherlands, I am sure you will do us proud.

Remember: the difficulty lies, not in the new ideas, but in escaping from the old ones!

Cathy Innes
CTF President

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Time as usual is flying by; we are already two months into our season. CTF National Office has been busy with the long list of tasks required to keep the day-to-day operations on track. Many of these tasks are being completed, but we are unable to complete others due to lack of information being received from the associations.

Association Charters

There are still a few associations that have not completed their revised bylaws and if your association is one of them, they are past the deadlines. Please ask your board to make the revisions to your bylaws as requested and send them to us.

Centre Certifications

Centre Certifications have been overlooked by a number of associations. CTF National Office has received less than 50% of the centre certification application forms. Even if your association manager submitted your applications to the US and your centers have been certified, you are still required to send all four sheets of the inspection form to National Office for our records. CTF National Office will send a Certified CTF Centre decal upon receipt of the approved application. If your centres have not received their certificates, it's

probably because we have not received their centre certification applications.

Tournament Sanctions

Tournament Sanction Applications have been coming in regularly and we have now received and approved more than 100 tournament sanctions. There are several modified formats which can be sanctioned such as 9-pin tap tournaments. When sending in your tournament sanction applications, rules and posters, please send them to CTF at least two to three weeks prior to the start date of your tournament. This way, we can review the rules and provide any comments so that amendments can be made to your rules within a reasonable amount of time prior to the start your tournament.

CTF Awards

Our crest and pin awards shipment arrived a couple of weeks ago. We have been feverishly processing the initial orders and getting them to the associations as quickly as possible. Our last initial shipment was sent out this week. Our watch orders have also arrived and will be distributed to the local associations shortly. Please ensure that your association emails or faxes in your Honour Score Awards Applications for processing. Our rings are custom made and require 6 to 8 weeks for delivery and upgrade forms will be sent to all award winners. We offer three different ring designs and upgrades that include 10K gold, diamond studs and engraving on both the side and the inside of the rings.

PBM Software

Perfect Bowler Manager software continues to perform well as our membership data source. We have been receiving database transmittals from a number of associations and the data for the most part is being processed without any difficulties. To date we have processed 285 leagues including 2837

Teams. Total membership transmitted to date is 9419 with 4896 Men, 2939 Women, 991 Male Youth and 593 Female Youth.

Some areas of concern have shown up. Association Managers must pay particular attention to the spelling of the member's names and their addresses as these are the addresses being used to mail out the membership cards. A number of corrections have been required in order to be able to mail the cards. The biggest area of concern has been postal codes that are entered incorrectly. There must be one space **only** between the two groups in the postal code and not a dash. Please check your entries for these errors. With the upgrade in place to add "Paid in this League", it also includes an amount and date fields to complete. Questions have been asked what amount is to be entered into the amount field, either the CTF National fee of \$12.00 may be used or the total amount of the dues collected can be inserted. Version 2 will have three amount fields to complete National, Provincial and Local dues. The "paid date" is a very critical date for determining whether or not a membership card is sent out. Please ensure that this date is the **current date** when the dues were paid, as the software uses the current date to determine if a membership letter is sent or not. The software sets the cut off date at the last transmittal date and will only generate membership letters for members with paid dates greater than the last date of transmittal. When adding a bowler to a league **DO NOT BACK DATE** the date paid to the date you used when you first entered the league. The current date must be used or the software cannot determine that this bowler is new and has not yet received a membership letter. Membership letters are not sent out until the cheque from the association has been received and the database is verified to include the number of members paid. Do not send transmittals without sending a remittance form, a copy of the League Sanction Application and your cheque for the full amount of the number of members paid in the database. A one week turn around time has been set up from the time the cheque is received to the time the letter is printed and delivered to the post office for mailing.

Committees and Units

All Units and their committees are busy with their assigned tasks and duties. A number of recommendations will be presented to the directors and the delegates at the next AGM for approval. We are always looking for volunteers to work on committees. Keep your eyes open for a new volunteer's page coming soon to the website advising members of areas where we need volunteers.

World Tenpin Team Cup

Team Canada departs for the Netherlands on November 15 to take part in the last World Tenpin Team Cup. WTBA has revised their World Championships schedule to include a World Championships competition every year beginning with the Women in Denmark in August 2005 and the Men in Korea in 2006. We would like to wish Team Canada all the best at this tournament. Our men's and women's teams are very strong and have a good chance in capturing medals.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Stan May
CTF Executive Director

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AIL OFFERS INCREASED BENEFITS TO CTF MEMBERS

As CTF members receive their very first Canadian membership cards, they will notice that there is an added benefit. American Income Life/AIL Canada is providing several benefits to CTF members at no cost. Benefits available are Accidental Death & Dismemberment coverage, the Quest Travel Program and Family eye-care. By simply filling in the yellow card enclosed with their CTF membership card, members will receive a certificate from the AIL representative. AIL is also sharing the mailing cost with CTF.

These benefits are available to you at **NO COST** so get your card in the mail as soon as you receive it!

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TEAM CANADA COMPETES IN 6th WORLD TENPIN TEAM CUP HOSTED BY NETHERLANDS

Canada will be one of 16 nations to compete in the 6th WTTC. The Netherlands Tenpin Federation will host the World Tenpin Bowling Association event November 16–25, 2004 at the 20-lane Claus Event Center in Hoofddorp, near Amsterdam, Netherlands.

European countries dominate the entries in the 6th and final playing of this Baker format team competition. Each of the three zones - American, Asian and European - are eligible to send men and women's teams and they held qualifying events for five spots each in the world competition. The host is the 16th team for men and women. However, when the American and Asian Zone qualifiers did not pick up all five spots, federations in Europe in order of qualification, filled some of the vacancies. 13 men and women's team will compete instead of the usual 16. The cost of sending teams for only one medal is cited as the reason for the American and Asian zones not filling their quotes and therefore this will be the final event conducted by WTBA in this format. Countries competing are: **Women:** USA, Canada, Malaysia, China, Chinese Taipei, Netherlands, Austria, Germany, Finland, England, Iceland, Italy and Sweden. **Men:** USA, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Qatar, Malaysia, Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Finland and England.

The WTTC is played in the Baker format where each player plays two frames per game. The leadoff player bowls the first and sixth frame, the second player the second and seventh frame and so on. 15 men's and 16 women's teams will play three round robins of two game matches against each country for a total of 90 Baker games. Points will be awarded on the basis of one point for each game won and one point for the match won (two-game total). After the 90 games, the top three teams in each division, will play a step ladder final of three game matches.

The following members of the 2004 Team Canada will compete at the WTTC. Men: **Joe Ciach**, Mississauga, Ontario, **Mark Buffa**, Montreal, Quebec, **Chris Fernandez**, Toronto, Ontario, **George Lambert IV** and **Art Oliver**, Hamilton,

Ontario and **Claude L'Ecuyer**, Napierville, Quebec. Women: **Julie Johnson-Loyer**, Montreal, Quebec, **Robin Crawford**, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach**, Mississauga, Ontario **Deb Maytachak**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, **Isabelle Rioux**, Trios Rivers, Quebec and **Manon Deserranno**, Laval, Quebec. **Lucien Casagrande**, Winnipeg, Manitoba will coach the men and **Guy Ouellette**, White City, Saskatchewan will work with the women and serve as Team Manager. **Hazel Mc Leary**, Victoria, B.C., CTF Communications Director will be the WTBA Tournament Director.

Robin Crawford and **Julie Johnson-Loyer** should be the leaders for the women. They have had considerable experience with the Baker format as both bowled for college teams in the US and have competed in the Collegiate Championships which is played Baker style. **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach**, the defending World Cup champion and also four-time Team Canada member will bring excellent match-play experience to the women's team. For the men, **Joe Ciach** competed in the 4th & 5th WTTC in Netherlands Denmark and **Mark Buffa** who has Collegiate experience with the Baker style of competition. as a member of the successful Wichita State bowling team, are expected to be the leaders.

Canada's previous best finish in the WTTC was 1996 in Calgary where the men finished fourth and 2002 in Odense, Denmark where the women were eighth.

You can check the web @ wttc2004@bowlingnbf.nl for daily results.

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KERRIE RYAN-CIACH WILL DEFEND HER TITLE AT 40TH AMF WORLD CUP IN SINGAPORE
Kerrie Ryan-Ciach, Mississauga, Ontario will defend the title she won in 2003 at Tegucigapla, Honduras and **Jack Guay**, Calgary, Alberta will seek the title that has eluded him at four previous attempts at the AMF World Cup when the 2004 edition gets underway in Singapore.

Canada has a been very successful over the rich history of this largest singles competition which will attract an expected 100 countries in the 40th edition to be played at SuperBowl SAFRA Mount Faber a new 34-lane center in Singapore which is expected to open in early November, a month before the December 5-12 AMF World Cup comes to town.

The first tournament was held in Dublin, Ireland in 1964 but Canada did not have a representative until 1966 when **Paul Yoshimasu** of Winnipeg, Manitoba competed. Women were included in 1972 but the first Canadian woman to bowl was, **Terry Quinn** who was also from Winnipeg, in 1974. Four Canadian women and two men have earned titles over the years. Only USA with six, has more women's titles. **Graydon "Blondie" Robinson** of Toronto won the first title for Canada at the 1969 event held in Tokyo, Japan. **Ray Mitchell** also of Toronto, won the men's title in Hamburg, Germany in 1972. **Cathy Townsend** of Montreal was the first Canadian woman to win. **Townsend** won her title in The Philippines in 1975. **Rea Rennox**, Toronto won in Tolworth, England in 1977. **Jean Gordon**, Vancouver, BC won in Jakarta, Indonesia and **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach** won in Tegucigapla, Honduras in 2003.

Several Canadians have earned multiple trips to the World Cup. **Jack Guay** with five is the leader, followed by **Karen Collura**, Toronto, Ontario with four. **Diane Buchanan**, Montreal has represented Canada three times. Many have bowled in the Cup twice. In the men's division, **Graydon "Blondie" Robinson**, Toronto, Ontario - 1969 and 1978, **Gerry Duranceau**, Montreal, Quebec in 1976 and 1977, **Glen Watson**, Toronto, Ontario 1973 and 1980, **Rod Hull**, Vancouver, BC 1988 and 1996 and **Merlin Bunnage**, Kelowna, BC, 2002 and 2003. For the women, **Sandra Shott**, Vancouver in 1986 and 1990 and **Anne Saasto**, Thunder Bay in 1991 and 1992 have made two trips.

Canadians have been the leaders in bowling perfect games. **Guay** bowled the first ever 300 game in World Cup competition at Hermosillo, Mexico in 1994 and followed it with another in Sao Paulo, Brazil in 1995. **Jill Friis**, London,

Ontario and **Diane Buchanan**, Brossard, Quebec bowled 300 games in Las Vegas, Nevada and Lisbon, Portugal in 1999 and 2000 respectively.

Family connections have also been part of Canada's World Cup story with **Jim Kramer, Sr.** of Sault Ste. Marie representing Canada in 1968 and son **Jim Kramer Jr.** in 1985, **Frank Boehm** Regina, Sask. in 1970 and his daughter **Susan Vanderaa** competing in 1997. **Gloria Collura**, Toronto was the women's representative in 1982 and daughter **Karen** had successive trips in 1993, 94, 95 and 96.

Serge Beaulio, Chomey, Quebec, **Jack Brace**, Oshawa, Ont., **Alan Tone**, Grimsby, Ont. and **Diane Buchanan**, Brossard, PQ have earned the coveted Sportsman of the Tournament award that is selected by the players.

Glen Watson formerly of Toronto, Ont. and now living in Florida, probably owns the rights to the 'tough luck' story for the Canadians. **Watson** lost the 1973 title to British bowler **Bernie Caterer** when Caterer spared the 6-10 split and got 9 pins on his fill ball to beat Watson by one pin!

The Bowling Proprietors of Canada sponsor the competition in Canada. Qualifying events are held in each province and the Canadian final is held in March.

Here are Canada's representatives and where they finished through the 40 year history.

1966	5 th	Paul Yoshimasu - Winnipeg Mb.
1967	7 th	Gerry Hill, New Westminster, BC
1968	2 nd	Jim Kramer Sr. Sault Ste Marie, O.
1969	1 st	Graydon Robinson , Toronto Ont.
1970	13 th	Frank Boehm Regina, Sk
1971	5 th	Ed LaBelle, Winnipeg, Mb
1972	1 st	Ray Mitchell Toronto, Ont.
1973	2 nd	Glen Watson Toronto Ont.
1974	9 th	Bob Moore, Toronto. Ont.
1974	19 th	Terry Quinn , Winnipeg, Mb.
1975	21 st	Dan Russo, London, Ont.
1975	1 st	Cathy Townsend Montreal, PQ
1976	11 th	Gerard Duranceau , Montreal, PQ
1976	5 th	Diane Semchuk Calgary, AB
1977	6 th	Gerard Duranceau Montreal, PQ
1977	1 st	Rea Rennox, Toronto, Ont.
1978	21 st	Graydon Robinson, Toronto, Ont
1978	24 th	Miriam Reid Calgary, AB
1979	14 th	Bob Puttick, Calgary, AB

- 1979 9th Louise Gendron, Chatequay, PQ
- 1980 26th Glen Watson Toronto, Ont.
- 1980 1st **Jean Gordon, Vancouver, BC**
- 1981 16th Randy Kostenuk, Winnipeg, MB.
- 1981 8th Judy Peterson, SSM, Ont.
- 1982 10th Chuck Faas, Calgary, Ab
- 1982 18th Gloria Collura Toronto, Ont
- 1983 22nd Norman Kowalchuk, Saskatoon, Sk.
- 1983 28th Sonya Doyle, Calgary, Ab/
- 1984 38th Sid Allen, Winnipeg. Mb
- 1984 18th Irene Joyal Winnipeg, Mb
- 1985 8th Jim Kramer, Jr. SSM,
- 1985 30th Celine Pelletier, Montreal, Quebec
- 1986 36th Mal Campbell Calgary
- 1986 13th Sandra Chadwick (Shott) Vancouver
- 1987 11th Kit Miller, London, Ont.
- 1987 24th Diana Long Spruce Grove, Ab
- 1988 7th Rod Hull, Vancouver, BC.
- 1988 17th Linda Thompson Hamilton, Ont
- 1989 33rd. Serge Bealeau, Chomeday, PQ
- 1989 10th Connie Gonsalves, LaSalle, PQ
- 1990 5th Jack Brace Pickering, Ont.
- 1990 3th Sandra Shott Vancouver, BC
- 1991 11th Bob Woolley, SSM, Ont.
- 1991 23th Anne Saasto Thunder Bay, Ont.
- 1992 18th Clement Perreault, Winnipeg, Mb.
- 1992 11th Anne Saasto, Thunder Bay, Ont.
- 1993 4th Jack Guay , Calgary, Ab.
- 1993 29th Karen Collura ,Toronto, Ont.
- 1994 9th Jack Guay* Calgary, Ab
- 1994 21th Karen Collura, Toronto, Ont
- 1995 4th Jack Guay , Calgary, Ab
- 1995 12th Karen Collura, Toronto, Ont.
- 1996 30th Rod Hull , Vancouver BC.
- 1996 25th Karen Collura, Toronto, Ont.
- 1997 19th Alan Tone , Grimsby, Ont
- 1997 11th Susan Vanderaa Regina, Sask.
- 1998 4th Jack Guay, Calgary, Ab.
- 1998 16th Kellie Hildebrandt, Calgary, Ab
- 1999 37th Daryl Dutchak, Winnipeg, Mb.
- 1999 12th Jill Friis , London, Ont.
- 2000 11th Todd Squire, St. Catharines, Ont.
- 2000 4th Diane Buchan, Brossard, PQ.
- 2001 31st Bob Wooley, SSM, Ont.
- 2001 20th Diane Buchanan , Brossard, PQ
- 2002 35th Merlin Bunnage, Kelowna. BC
- 2002 15th Diane Buchanan, Brossard, PQ
- 2003 42nd Merlin Bunnage, Kelowna ,BC
- 2003 1st **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach, Mississauga**

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2005 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Domestic:

April 22, 23, 24-CTF Mixed Champ.

Excalibur Bowling Centre, Surrey, BC

April 23 - CTF Annual General Meeting

Hampton Inn Suites, Gu ilford Centre,

Surrey BC

May 20-23-CTF National

Championships– Classic Bowl & Planet

Bowl -Toronto

July 22 to 31-World Masters Games -
Edmonton

International :

Feb. 14 - 20 Commonwealth Bowling
Championships - Cypress

Apr. 25 - May 1 WTBA Ranking final –
Kegel Training Centre, Lake Wales,
Florida

July 18 - 20 World Games - Germany-
Mülheim/Ruhr

Aug. 3 - 14 WTBA Women's
Championships -Aalborg, Denmark
October (to be determined) AZ

Championships - Costa Rica

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS: IMPROVE YOUR GAME OF BOWLING-By CTF National Coach Lucien Casagrande

I know a lot of average bowlers that have been bowling for 15 to 20 years and still are averaging 175. They would love to improve their game but they don't know how. To start, let's see two fundamental ways to bring their average up. Assuming your ball is drilled to fit your hand properly, the next step is to check your ball delivery from the stance to the follow-through. This is where most average bowlers are losing a lot of pin count. Most of them arrive at the foul line in a wrong physical position therefore, they are not able to transfer a positive energy to the ball. You must be in perfect balance at the line. Your body center of gravity should be centered on top of your base of support that is your sliding foot, no matter what you do. If you are not in balance at the foul line, you will lose pins count.

At the point when you are releasing the ball, your shoulders should be square to your target. If they are not square, you will probably miss your target to the right if they are open or pull the ball inside of your target if they are closed. Some of you will say "we heard that before". Yes, I know, but a lot of you do not understand the importance of a proper ball delivery therefore, you give up pin count. Before you go out and spend a lot of money on new equipment to improve you game, ask your friend or your spouse to videotape your ball delivery and see if

you are in balance at the foul line and square to your target. You may want to get a certified coach to observe your ball delivery and he/she will advise you on the proper way to adjust.

Achieve a good physical ball delivery and I guarantee you will increase your average. There is no way to adjust to the lanes condition if you don't have a good and consistent ball release.

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BOB BRACE HOLDS CANADIAN RECORD FOR 300 GAMES IN FIVE DECADES

Bob Brace of Oshawa, Ontario has accomplished what no other Canadian and only a few ABC members have done, by bowling perfect 300 games in five decades. **Brace** bowled his first 300 in 1964 at the age of 16. At the time, he was the youngest Canadian to bowl a perfect game. His last 300 came on January 2, 2003. **Bob** is tied with three ABC members for the fourth best record in ABC history with 300 in five decades. Three ABC members including ABC Hall of Famer **Bob Strampe**, have 300s in six decades.

Brace operates Leisure Lanes with his family - wife **Lynda**, sons **Mark** who runs the pro shop, **Mike** and **Steve** who pin-chase and work counter and daughter Jo-Anne who looks after the snack bar. It was daughter **Sas Holland** (Dad says she's the bowler in the family) who brought this record to our attention. **Sas** is very proud of her dad saying: "He was great when it was very difficult to be great, well before all the fancy new equipment and easier lane conditions."

In a recent interview when asked what was his greatest thrill during his bowling career, **Brace** said: "there are so many - probably winning a Canadian PBA event, the Chomedy Open in Quebec, at the age of 16 by beating **Don Messina** of the US was one. I also beat **Johnny Petraglia** in the London Open and beat **Dick Weber** in a match at the Grand Opening of Paradise Lanes in Toronto. **Weber** 'kicked my butt' the next day but it was exciting to beat him once!"

Bob comes from a family that has made a contribution to Canadian bowling history. Father **Jim** was a well known proprietor and coach and brother **Jack** was a member of Team Canada, represented Canada at the AMF World Cup and is currently chairman of CTF's Athletes Council and a member of the CTF board.

Bob is currently not bowling - he's giving his sore back a rest but we hope to see him back on the lanes in the future and going after the record of 300 games in six decades!

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TEAM CANADA'S NO 1 COUPLE SUPPORT 'SPORT BOWLING'

Team Canada members **Joe** and **Kerrie Ciach** made a conscious decision to 'challenge themselves' on an everyday basis. Here's how **Joe** and **Kerrie** described the challenge in a recent article in the Bowler's Journal: When Toronto's Planet Bowl mechanic **Rob Hunt** called **Joe** to discuss the idea of forming a Sport Bowling league, the seed was planted. Why not, **Joe** reasoned? Centre manager **John Chapman** jumped on the bandwagon. In the end, the first-year program attracted 32 players – men and women – who compete in a four-game handicap singles league. 'I found Sport Bowling improves my focus and my ability to throw more consistent shots,' **Joe** said. 'You get a better idea of what your equipment will do than you would in a house league.' **Kerrie** is also convinced Sport Bowling's tough lane conditions have added dimensions to her game. 'What did we learn? You have to make good shots, you have to execute, you have to have patience and you develop a new understanding about your game,' she said. 'Sport Bowling makes you step back and look at what you're doing from a different perspective. You realize, wow, my ball speed was slow that time. Or I missed my target by two boards. It magnifies everything. You realize the errors. You don't notice the little things that vary in your game in a house league, but you certainly notice them in a Sport League'

Kerrie also discovered that bowling in the Sport league, handicapped or not, was an enjoyable experience. 'We had a variety of players, from a woman who

averaged 130 at the start – and went up to 140 – to **Joe** who averages 220 plus on house conditions.' 'I'd like to see a lot more bowlers in Canada try Sport bowling' **Joe** said. 'We also bowl in a house league where all you do is throw the ball right and hope you carry.'

The **Ciach's** have returned to the league at Planet Bowl for the 2004-05 season and there are 40 league bowlers, up from 32 last year. The shot is very demanding and has a variety of players from 140 average to 200 average players.

Joe Ciach, is a four-time Team Canada member and **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach** is a seven-time member of Canada's national team as well as the 2003 AMF World Cup women's champion. They will be traveling to the Netherlands this month where the Canadian team will try to improve their record in World Tenpin Team Cup competition. After the WTTC, **Kerrie** will travel to Singapore to defend her World Cup title. (see articles in this edition) What do you bet that the weekly Sport Bowling league experience will prove valuable as they face tough world level competition? (Thanks to Bowler's Journal International for part of this story)

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AMERICAN ZONE ANNOUNCED RANKING 2004 AND 2005

The American Zone has announced the tournaments that will determine the 2004 ranking points for members of the American Zone. Each federation's national championships as well as the Punta Cana Open will be the only tournaments for 2004. The top eight men and eight women with the most points from these two events will represent the American Zone at the World Ranking Masters tournament that will be held at the Kegel Training Centre in Lake Wales, Florida, April 25 - May 1, 2005.

The 3rd Punta Cana Open will take place at Punta Cana Lanes in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, November 14 - 21, 2004. The event is offering \$50,000 in prizes for the first 24 places. Cost per player including hotel (sharing) is \$750. Two re-entries are included in the fee. Also included is transportation between airport, hotel and bowling center.

Players interested in competing in the Punta Cana Open should contact Manuel Fernandez at the following: **tuto@pplanes.com**, Cell: 809-543-5362 or Fax: 809-534-6556.

The 2005 Ranking format is as follows:

- The Zone will be divided into three regions
 - **Northern** - Canada, Mexico, United States - **Hazel McLeary** is the co-ordinator
 - **Central and Caribbean** - Bahamas, Bermuda, Costa Rica, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Virgin Islands, Nicaragua, Panamá, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic - Hugo Cuellar is the co-ordinator
 - **South** - Netherlands Antillas, Aruba, Argentina; Brazil, Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay, Perú, Uruguay and Venezuela - **Veronica Raija** is the co-ordinator
- Each region may designate unlimited Open (scratch) tournaments as 'ranking events'. An open tournament is one in which any player may enter. A calendar of ranking events will be announced in late December, early January 2005.
- Players may compete in as many events as they wish in any region.
- Points earned in another region will be added to points earned in their own region
- The top 16 men and 16 women in each region with the highest point total will be eligible for the final ranking tournament that will be held in December 2005 at a site to be determined. The 8 men and 8 women who will represent the American Zone at the World Ranking Tournament will be selected from this event. The World Ranking Masters includes the top 8 ranking men and women from the three zones, who will bowl for a separate prize fund. The WRM will be held in Kuwait in 2006.
- Each open tournament organizer will pay \$200 (US) - \$100 for the American Zone - \$100 for WTBA for the right to be designated as a 'American Zone Ranking Event'. The tournament management will be responsible to collect \$25 from each

player who wishes to be entered in the ranking (Optional). Players will pay this fee in each ranking event they enter.

- Funds collected in excess of \$5000 (payable to WTBA) will be designated as prize funds in the final zone-ranking tournament. Fees collected from male entrants will be paid in the men's division, women's fees collected will be paid in the women's division.

Canadian Tournament directors who wish to have their event designated as a 'ranking event' should contact: Hazel McLeary - 250-382-6506 or e-mail: hmcleary@telus.net

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NEW CTF AWARDS EARNED

The CTF High Score awards are being well received and the following members have 'collector's items' as the first to earn high score awards by CTF:

- Adult 300** - Sept 8th – Michael Thomas at Super Bowl in Windsor
- Youth 300** - Sept 9th - Donald Ross, age 18 at Empire Lanes in Windsor
- Adult 299** – Sept 7th - Curtis Turko at Chateau Lanes in Winnipeg
- Adult 298** - Oct. 12th - Robert Piper at Super Bowl in Windsor
- Adult 800** – Sept 22 – Collin Hulst at Heritage Lanes in St. Thomas (London & District Tenpin Association)
- Female Youth 700** – Sept 26 – Leeann Derkson age 19, a 728 series at Empire Lanes in Windsor.
- Male Youth 700** - Sept 30 – Donald Ross, age 18, a 711 series at Empire Lanes in Windsor

Congratulations to all !!

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FOUR CANADIAN COLLEGIATE BOWLERS SELECTED TO WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY BOWLING TEAM.

After three weeks of grueling tryouts, where 50 men and women from US, Canada and Colombia tried out, coach

Gordon Vadakin and assistant **Mark Lewis** announced the 2004-05 WSU Shockers team. Included are four Canadians, all members of Team Canada adult or youth team in 2003 and 2004. **Caroline LaGrange** and **Mark Buffa**, Quebec and **Samantha** and **Felicia Wong** of Calgary, Alberta were selected and all have extensive experience at the national and international levels.

Wichita State has one of the best collegiate bowling programs in the US and is always a contender at the National Collegiate Championships and other collegiate events.

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THIS N' THAT

- Brunswick has added **Patrick Girard** to its Pro Staff. **Girard** was one of two Canadians to qualify for the PBA 2004-05 exempt Tour, qualifying for his exemption by placing second at the inaugural PBA Tour Trials. He was the winner of Quebec's largest tournament, La Classic Charlevoisienne. The right-hander currently resides in Jonquiere, Quebec and joined the PBA Tour in 2003.
- Both Canadian exempt players **Bill Rowe**, Hamilton, Ont. and **Girard** got off to a slow start in the new season losing first round matches in the first two stops but **Bill Rowe** def. **Steve Jaros**, in the first match of the Uniroyal Tire Classic just as we finalized the Connection. Know **Bill** and **Patrick** have a lot of supporters in Canada who wish them well.
- Windsor's **Ed DeBlock** was recently inducted into the Ontario Provincial Tenpin Bowling Association Hall Of Fame in the Distinguished Performance category. The ceremony was held at the Clarion Hotel in downtown Niagara Falls. **Ed** is now one of 6 bowlers in the performance category
- Our apologies to Toronto's **Bernice Murray** for spelling her name wrong and noting the wrong category for her Hall of Fame induction. **Bernice**

will be recognized as a "Contributor to the Sport"

- The Bowling Hall of Fame of Manitoba honoured 3 members recently. Former CTF Director **Harvey Zimberg** of Winnipeg and long-time local women's association secretary **Charlotte Evanyshyn** of Brandon in the Meritorious Service category. **Cliff Anderson** of Winnipeg was honoured for Individual Achievement.
- The ladies Team Canada going to the WTTC has had some last minute changes. **Deb Maytchak** replaced **Diane Buchanan** who had to step down because her father is ill. Coach **Sandy Lowe** will not make the trip as husband **Rick** has just undergone double angioplasty. Our thoughts and prayers are with both **Diane** and **Sandy**. Know your many bowling friends wish **Rick** and **Mr. Buchanan** a speedy recovery.
- CTF Hall of Fame member and Communications Director **Hazel McLeary** of Victoria, BC was recently inducted into the Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame. Also inducted were an Olympic rower, a NFL kicker, a NHL defenseman and an international rugby player.
- When **Sandy Lowe** conducted a training camp for the Deaflympics Team at **Buffa's** Studio in Montreal, several of the ladies from Team Canada were available to work out with the Deaf Team. **Buffa's** donated the training facility along with the services of **Gerry Rodriguez**. Much appreciated by the Deaf Team.

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That's a wrap for the November edition. Daily results of Team Canada and **Kerrie Ryan-Ciach** and **Jack Guay** will be sent to Canadian Press from the WTTC and the World Cup. Please help us get bowling in the news by calling your newspaper, TV and radio outlets and ask them for the results.

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