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## Weekly Highlights

LCTA 2024-2025 Kick Off Meeting

### **Retiring President Mel Matthews' Agenda**

1. Welcome @ 7:00PM Sharp - Bowlers and Guests
  2. Introduce Existing Association Board, Hall of Fame and Lifetime Members
- < Our Current Association Manager and Director - **Shirley Matthews**
  - < Our Current President and Director- **Mel Matthews**
  - < Our Current Vice-President and Director - **Zygmunt Mazgaj**
  - < Our Current Directors - **Rod Honke, Kathryn Tetreault, Ben Lapointe** and **Sarah Ingles**
  - < Our At large Position Proprietor's Representative - **Jeff Wickens**



< Our Certified Lane Inspectors - **Fabio Caporale, Adam Pinel** and **Sean Burr**.

< Our Web Master - **Dave LeClair**

< At this time the Lambton County Tenpin Association would like to welcome **Dara Sinclair** as the new Association Manager for the 2024-2025 Bowling Season. Dara will be taking over all of Shirley's duties. In addition to assisting with many of the Board's functions Dara will be processing all the CTF Honour Scores, Merit Awards and Registered Participant Applications for Lambton County. You can follow the same process as in the past by emailing Dara at [dara@lcta.com](mailto:dara@lcta.com), by telephone at 519-333-9280 or by leaving your information at the Bowling Centers to the attention of Dara Sinclair.

< Hall of Fame Member - **Pat Crumb**

< Lifetime Members - **Rigby Callander, Pat Crumb, Rod Honke, Carol Jean, Gil Jean, Dave LeClair**, myself (**Mel Matthews**), **Shirley Matthews**, and **Louie Willemsen**

< Now I would like Induct a New Hall of Fame and Lifetime Member into the LCTA - **Kevin Schofield**

Kevin Schofield has been bowling for well over 30 years, thanks to his brother Harold (Sonny) Schofield who owned the Hi-Way Bowl in Sarnia, Ontario. He has competed throughout Canada and the United States in bowling tournaments and is a well-respected



competitor at the highest of levels. Outside the competitive arena, Kevin has become well known in Canada and the United States as a true ambassador and promotor of the sport of bowling. He has dedicated his time in the past as a youth bowling coach and now volunteers his time coaching senior bowlers. Kevin was inducted into the Sarnia and District Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 2003. He then received the Governor General's Medal for 30 years of exemplary service as a police officer with the city of Sarnia, Ontario. He then made the Mayor of Sarnia's Honour list in 2022. Mr. Schofield, who is now 76 years young, debuted his competition in the World Police and Fire Games which occur every 2 years in 2001 at Indianapolis, Indiana, USA. Since then, he has competed in Barcelona, Spain; Adelaide, Australia; Belfast, Northern Ireland; Chengdu, China; Quebec City, Quebec, Canada; Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, Los Angeles, California, USA; New York City, New York, USA; Fairfax, Virginia, USA and Rotterdam, Netherlands where he was inducted into the World Police and Fire Games Hall of Fame in 2022. Throughout these 12-bowling competitions Kevin has won 16-Gold, 7-Silver, and 8-Bronze medals. Kevin has also shot 21-300 games (13 in the ABC/USBC & WPGF with 8 in the CTF) and 12-800 series (7 in the ABC/USBC with 5 in the CTF). Many people dream of attaining a high level of accomplishment in the sport, but few realize the dream. There is no question Kevin Schofield's accomplishments have demonstrated he has risen to the level that so few reach.



3. Thank Marcin Bowl for their hospitality in hosting, preparing a light lunch, and allowing bowling after the meeting - **Shirley Wickens, Jeff Wickens, Jen Barton** and **Staff**.

4. Moment Of Silence

5. Announcements - League Secretaries please see our Association Manager, Shirley Matthews, for kits after the meeting if you have not already done so. It is important for all Secretaries to read the Association Manager's letter that is included with the kits, as it contains valuable information on performing your duties properly. Also read the 2024-2025 League Officers' Handbook, as it explains the duties and responsibilities of all League Executive. Please make sure that all your League Executive read this handbook also. Registration fees have increased this year to \$30.00 - \$25.00 National (was \$20.00), \$1.00 Provincial (unchanged) and \$4.00 Local (unchanged). Your Board has still refused to increase their portion of the dues structure to keep the costs down for you. Secretaries, it is imperative to instruct your bowlers to verify the information on the registration cards, correcting all errors before returning them to you with their fees. Then it is your job as Secretary to make sure they have done so. It is also your responsibility as League Secretary to forward the completed registration forms, registration dues and C.T.F. league application to Dara Sinclair, our new L.C.T.A. Association Manager, within 30 days of the start of the season. A bowler registered from outside Lambton County will still be required



to pay an Associate fee of \$5.00. All Lambton County Bowling Centre Lanes are Certified for the 2024-2025 season.

6. Vote To Approve the L.C.T.A. Financial Report For 2023-2024 Season - accepted.

7. Vote To Approve the L.C.T.A. Financial Budget For 2024-2025 Season- accepted.

8. President's Report - Our Association's current Board members are all volunteers that meet on a monthly or bi-monthly basis to ensure that you are all registered and able to bowl in not only our locally sponsored Tournaments but also at the Provincial and National levels. We also help leagues with any concerns, rule interpretations, etc. and ensure all bowler award scores receive recognition, be it badges, pins, watches, rings, etc. We have dedicated local bowlers who serve on our Board to make sure that you, the registered bowler, are being well served in a timely manner. We need support from you, the local bowlers, to keep our Association functioning otherwise all local services currently available to you would have to be turned over to an out-of-town Association. So please consider volunteering for positions on your Local Board. Our Association is in dire need of new directors, as there are a few of our current aging Board members wanting to retire and need replacing. To qualify you must be a 2023-2024 CTF sanctioned tenpin bowler and commit to attend 5 meetings per season and accept a term of either 1 year, 2 years or 3 years.



Our present Association Manager Shirley Matthews is retiring after 12 years of service due to health reasons. This individual, or should I say volunteer receives a reimbursement of \$1.50 per Association Bowler. This will increase to \$3.00. When the COVID Pandemic hit in 2020 the whole world fell apart. Businesses were forced to shut down and participation in all active sports ceased to function. Then came the actual business closings and terrible unemployment. Thankfully the desperate times are starting to return to some form of normality. This city has suffered enough in our sport of tenpin bowling since the 2004-2005 CTF inaugural season when we had 5 centres, 72 lanes, 50 leagues and 1,755 bowlers to present day with 2 centres, 36 lanes, 13 leagues and 636 bowlers. That is why it is so important for all bowlers to promote our sport and find ways to increase our membership. Any suggestions would be most welcome. Our Association has not run any tournaments since the COVID Pandemic in 2020. The new 2024-2025 Board will be electing a new Tournament Director and conducting tournaments once again.

I would like to thank our Publicity Director, Rod Honke, for yet another year of hard work putting together weekly bowling reports in "Honker's Highlights", on our L.C.T.A. Web Site ([www.lambtoncountytentpinassociation.com](http://www.lambtoncountytentpinassociation.com)). So please check out this site for information and news about your local Association, such as Contact Information, Yearbook Averages, Local Tournament Entry Forms & Results, Youth Scholarship Forms, Honour Scores, etc.

I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge and thank our Web Master, Dave LeClair, for his upkeep and care of our Web Site and



Facebook Page. Without his expertise these L.C.T.A. Internet Sites would not be available for all to view and use.

I would also like to express our deep gratitude to **Dean Troiani** and **Sarnia Produce** for their continued support in assisting us to maintain our local website that highlights all the weekly achievements of our local youth and adult tenpin bowlers. I would like to give all the L.C.T.A. Directors, past and present, a big "Thank You" for their help, hard work and commitment over my past 16 years as their President. In closing, I would like to give a special thanks to Shirley Matthews, our retiring Association Manager, for handling such a difficult job with such efficiency for the last 12 years.

9. Present L.C.T.A. Yearly Scholarship Funds - **None**

10. Present L.C.T.A. Lifetime Awards (800, 300, 299 & 298) - **Bryce Watson** 300 game (Oct. 22, 2023), **Kole Parkkila** 300 game (Feb. 16, 2024), **Jerry Worsley** 299 game (Oct. 19, 2023), **Brad Best** 299 game (Feb. 11, 2024) and **Joshua Shura** 299 game - youth (Mar. 22, 2024)

11. Present Outstanding C.T.F. Awards - 300 Game Rings - **Kole Parkkila** (Feb. 16/24) - 299 Game Plaques - **Brad Best** (Feb. 11/24) and **Joshua Shura** - youth (Mar. 22/24) - 11-In-A-Row Plaques - **Bryce Watson** - 290 game (Dec. 18/23), **Louie Willemssen** - 290 game Jan.15/24) and **Trevor Beveridge** - 279 game (Dec. 08/23)



12. Election Of L.C.T.A. Directors (Scrutineers will be necessary if there is a paper vote). The only people allowed to vote for the new directors must have been C.T.F. registered in the 2023-2024 Bowling Season or are Parents of Youth Bowlers registered in the 2023-2024 Bowling Season. Parents, you are only allowed one (1) vote per child to a maximum of two (2) votes.

- Elect three (3) 3-year Directors - Rod Honke - Sarah Ingles- Ben Lapointe

- Elect three (3) 2-year Directors - Zygmunt Mazgaj – **Mike Shephard – Steve Lewicki.**

- Elect three (3) 1-year Directors – **Dave Little – Jim Lapointe – Roni Shephard.**

- Elect one (1) 1-year At Large Director – **Peter Goodman.**

- Elect one (1) 1-year Director - At Large Position Youth Representative (18 to 21 years of age) – **Bryce Watson.**

- At Large Position Proprietor's Representative - Jeff Wickens

13. Old Business

14. New Business

15. Adjourn Meeting - Remind League Secretaries to see Shirley Matthews for kits if they have not already done so.

16. Bowling





## LCTA Executive 2024-2025

President: Mike Shephard



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Vice president: Zygmunt Mazgaj



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Three Year Directors:

Ben Lapointe



Rod Honke



Sarah Ingles



Two Year Directors:

Mike Shephard



Steve Lewicki



Zygmunt Mazgaj



One Year Directors:

Dave Little



Jim Lapointe



Roni Shephard



One Year at Large Director:

Peter Goodman



One Year at Large Director

Youth Representative



Bryce Watson



One Year at Large Director - Proprietor Representative

Jeff Wickens



Web Master:

Dave LeClair



Association Manager:

Dara Sinclair



LCTA Hall of Fame and Life Member Induction 2024

Kevin Schofield



L.C.T.A. & C.T.F. Honour Score Awards 2024



Bryce Watson 300 game ( Oct. 22, 2023) and LCTA Lifetime award

11 in a row – 290 game CTF Plaque ( Dec. 18, 2023)



Joshua Shura – 299 game CTF plaque and LCTA Lifetime award (Mar. 22, 2024)



Brad Best – 299 game and LCTA Lifetime award (Feb. 11, 2024)



Louie Willemsen – 11 In a Row plaque 290 (Jan. 15, 2024)

*Other award winners not present:*

Kole Parkkila - 300 Ring and LCTA Lifetime award (Feb. 16, 2024)

Jerry Worley – 299 game LCTA Lifetime award (Oct. 19, 2023)

Trevor Beveridge – 11 In a Row 279 game (Dec. 8, 2023)

On behalf of all the bowlers, league secretaries and board members past and present, we would like to thank Mel and Shirley Matthews



for their dedication and commitment to the sport of bowling in this area for the past 16 and 12 years respectively.

**Thank you**

*Hope to see everyone on the lanes after Labour Day. May you throw many strikes, make your spares, make new friends and have fun.*

