

MBAS PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER
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The Master Bowlers Association of Saskatchewan is financially sound and our membership has increased by 15% from a year ago.

The increase in membership is probably due to the fact that we are hosting Nationals this year, the 50th anniversary of the Masters National Championships. We have had new members join in every division, which is a good sign.

Our tournament entries have also increased, which is good for the organization, but also creates its own problems. Due to the increase in numbers, our March tournaments have had to move to Saskatoon. Thank you Leesa for doing such a great job in relocating us on such short notice and thank you Allison for accommodating us for the weekend. Our increase in tournament entries, if not a one year anomaly, will create these same scenarios in the future, and we need to discuss proposals at our SAGM so as not to be scrambling for lanes in the future.

Also, due to some unfortunate incidents over the past year, our Constitution and By-laws, Tournament Manual and Duties and Responsibilities Manual will all be reviewed and updated at the SAGM. The SAGM will be held at Eastview Bowling Centre on March 18th at 10 A.M.

At the MBAC Annual Meeting held in Regina on January 21st, Brian Rossetti of Alberta was elected as President, ending Walter Heeney's 38 year run in that position. Mike McNamara of Northern Ontario was elected as Vice President, taking over from Brian Rossetti.

I presented our hosting proposal to the delegates at that meeting and it seemed to be well received. Dates for the Nationals are June 28th to July 3rd and, as stated in my October newsletter and reaffirmed at the beginning of the November tournaments, the assessment this year will be \$500 whether you utilize all of the services we are providing or not.

Plans are definitely taking shape for the Nationals and I thank the organizing committee for all their efforts and hard work. I ask that any member who is willing to volunteer at these National Championships to please come forward and help us out.

MBAS President
Les Wardrop