

To all of the Nisei/Nikkei Associations...

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of the member associations and their bowlers to the 2011-2012 bowling season! Hopefully you have all had a relaxing summer and are now recharged for the upcoming bowling season.

As many of you probably know, the NCNBF made some major operational changes prior to the start of the 2009-2010 season. We are now a tournament support organization and as a result, we are no longer collecting a membership fee from each bowler. All members of your association automatically become members of the NCNBF.

Because of this change, it is imperative that the associations submit the following information for each bowler by September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011...

- First and Last Name
- Gender
- Eligibility (Nisei, Non-Nisei, Non-Nisei Married to Nisei)

It is strongly recommended that a USBC number be included in the bowler data if you can provide that information. For more information about this process, please see the included timeline document.

The information collected will be put into a database that is password-protected with access only being granted to the five tournament-running associations. Those associations should have received a username and password to access the database.

Included with this welcome letter are the following...

- 2011-2012 Tournament Schedule
- Timeline for submitting bowler information to the NCNBF
- Sample Bowler Information forms (printed and electronic)

I cannot stress enough about the existence of our website at <http://www.ncnbf.com>. I strongly recommend that you inform your bowlers of its existence as the website is becoming our main direct-communication channel to the associations and the bowlers. All tournament information (entry forms, results and news) can be viewed and downloaded from our website when they become available.

I am really looking forward to working with you this upcoming season. Hopefully your association will continue to send your NCNBF reps to the meetings, which are still being held roughly three times a year. The next meeting is scheduled for 9:30 AM, Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup> at 4<sup>th</sup> Street Bowl in San Jose.

Thank you for your support!  
Mark Yoshinaka, NCNBF President