

**Regular Monthly Meeting.** May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7.00pm

**Location:** Danish Canadian Club: 727 11 Avenue SW Calgary, Alberta T2R 0E3

CLUB /EXECUTIVE	REPRESENTATIVE(S)	Committee	Yes	No
<b>President</b>	Peter Schwartz	Team Selection	X	
<b>Vice President</b>	Rick Spyker	Playoff / Banquet	X	
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mariette Rabacal	Treasurer	X	
<b>Secretary</b>	Anthony Reimert	Playoff / Banquet		X
<b>Director, Community Relations</b>	Ron Coggan	League Inquiries	X	
<b>Bankers Hall Club (BHC)</b>	PERMANENTLY CLOSED			
<b>Bow Valley Club (BVC)</b>	Darren Thomson / Dean Brown			X
<b>Calgary Winter Club (CWC)</b>	Wes Mah	Sponsorship		X
<b>LaunchCode</b>	Rick Spyker	Playoff / Banquet	X	
<b>Fifth Avenue Club</b>	Kyle Mitton	Website		X
<b>Fish Creek Sports Club</b>	No teams 2021/22 Alex Altamirano	Player Eligibility/Reporting		X
<b>South Calgary Squash Club</b>	Peter Schwartz	Team Selection	X	
<b>Glencoe Club</b>	Harvey Huebsch	Rules & Funding		X
<b>Mount Royal University</b>	Tanya Simpson / Keith Wellon	Playoff / Banquet & Rules	X	
<b>SAIT</b>	Sean McInnes	Future Dates / Attendance	X	
<b>Southland Leisure Centre</b>	Ron Coggan	League Inquiries	X	
<b>University of Calgary</b>	Wanda Popadynetz	December Meeting	X	
<b>Western Canadian Place</b>	No teams 2021/22 James Jelinski	Website / Email Blasts		X
<b>West Hillhurst Club</b>	Mark Hartley	Prizes / Rules	X	
<b>Edgemont Athletic</b>	Helen Geodemondt/Vahbiz Bulsara		X	
<b>Edgemont Athletic</b>	Mariette Rabacal	Treasurer	X	
<b>Doubles</b>	Jorge Rabacal	Doubles	X	
<b>Eau Claire YMCA</b>	PERMANENTLY CLOSED			
<b>Squash Alberta</b>	Ken Cross		X	

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**May Regular Monthly Meeting:**

**1. Call to Order of Regular Monthly Meeting (May)**

- Call to order of the regular monthly meeting at 7:04 pm

**2. Approval of Previous Minutes (April Minutes)**

- Sean McInnes, SAIT motioned to approve the minutes
- Mark Hartley, West Hillhurst seconded the motion
- Motion passed to accept the minutes as presented

**3. Reports**

**a. Officers**

- President Peter Schwartz
  - Thanks to Anthony, Rick, Mark and volunteers for successful Playoff and Banquet day at Edgemont Athletic Club.
  - Thanks to Wes Mah for arranging a fun night for the CISA committee at Calgary Winter Club.
  - Thanks to Ken Cross and Squash Alberta for their support again this season.
- Vice President Rick Spyker
  - Nothing to add as Vice President.
- Secretary Anthony Reimert
  - Sends his regrets.
  - Rick acting as Secretary for this meeting.
- Treasurer Mariette Rabacal
  - \$22,326.67 current bank balance.
  - 2021/22 Team Fees (payment was due upon invoicing that occurred in November 2021)
    - Edgemont Athletic Club – has paid since April meeting.
    - Bow Valley Athletic Club – team fees still outstanding
      - Peter Schwartz will resend to BVAC last month's request for payment.
  - Rothenberg Capital Partners still have not paid the invoice for the Men's Finals Trophy Sponsor. Payment is expected shortly.
  - Squash Alberta annual re-imbusement cheque of \$2,585.00 received.
  - Roughly \$9,000.00 of expenses due for payment for prizes (approx. \$4,500.00) and playoff/banquets (approx. \$4,600.00)
- Director, Community Relations Ron Coggan
  - Some potential interest in creating a team(s) from Acadia.

- Depending on viability of Launchcode team(s), ensure any Launchcode men or women interested in playing are aware of other options to play if desired.

## **b. Committees**

- Player Eligibility/ Reporting: Alex Altamirano
  - Finals eligibility was verified and all participants were deemed eligible.
  - Thanks to Alex Altamirano for the great work through the season.
- Prizes: Mark Hartley and Jorge Rabacal
  - Prizes (jackets and cooler bags) were well received.
  - Total costs roughly \$4,500.00
- Rules: Mark Hartley, Keith Wellon and Harvey Huebsch
  - Men's 2 Par 11 scoring
    - During the past month, each club representative asked their level 2 men's teams if they would like to go to PAR 11 scoring and send the rules committee the response.
    - Awaiting feedback from all clubs, but feedback so far is that most are in favor.
    - If supported, rules can easily be redrafted for review/approval at either the June or August meeting.
- Playoff & Banquet Committee: Rick Spyker and Anthony Reimert
  - Overall, a very successful day of squash and camaraderie for our players to end a successful 2021/22 season.
    - The evening event at Jamesons Pub had lower attendance than we would have liked, but still a good night.
    - Total costs for the day/evening were \$4,650.
  - Edgemont Athletic Club and Jonathan Hill were great hosts for the playoffs.
  - Thanks to Squash Alberta for providing referees for the day.
  - Positive feedback on the day's schedule of play, including showcasing the Women's divisions.
  - Catering for courtside food and beverage was provided by Jamesons Pub and well received. Jamesons also hosted an evening gathering with more good food and beverage. Great service by Jamesons who were called upon to cater for us quite late in the process due to unforeseen issues that arose with the Edgemont Athletic based caterer.
- League Inquiries: Ron Coggan
  - One inquiry received through the website.
- Sponsorship: Wes Mah
  - Nothing to report
- Funding: Harvey Huebsch
  - Nothing to report

- Email Blasts: James Jelinski
  - Nothing to report
- Website: James Jelinski and Kyle Mitton
  - Continue to work with website developer to finish the last remaining item which is to show live scoring.
  - Otherwise the website is functioning properly.
- Doubles: Jorge Rabacal
  - Nothing to report
- Attendance Report / Future Dates: Sean McInnes
  - Fifth Avenue has now reached 3 absences.
  - Bow Valley Athletic Club has now reached 4 absences.
    - Sean McInnes to email/refer the issue to the Rules Committee for review and decision on sanctions.
      - cc Peter Schwartz and Bow Valley Athletic for their information.
  - Preparing future season dates in coordination with Squash Alberta.
- Team Selection Peter Schwartz
  - Initial draft of 2 up and 2 down will be provided for the next meeting in June.
  - All Club Representatives expected to provide team needs/plans for August meeting.
- Squash Alberta Ken Cross
  - Preparing the 2022/ 2023 Alberta tournament schedule, which will be coordinated with other provincial/national plans and with Sean McInnes
  - Planning for participation in the February 2023 Canada Winter Games being held in PEI.
  - Good growth in Junior Program this year.
  - Club Locker Training – Virtual training is being offered to anyone interested.
  - Alberta Winter Games – Continue to review how to get squash back in these games, which requires a minimum of 5 zones to participate (currently have the 3 zones of Calgary, Edmonton and Banff). Earliest this is likely to occur would be by 2026.

#### 4. Other Business Arising:


Any other business?

- Graham Cooper Mount Royal University Level 2 player passed away the prior week.
- Reminder to all Club Representatives of the requirement to be on at least one committee. Committee assignments will be reviewed and finalized at August meeting.

## 5. Round Table/Club Feedback:

## All Clubs Current Feedback

- **Bow Valley Athletic Club**
  - Not Present
- **Calgary Winter Club**
  - CWC is winding down it's squash season, with our recent club championships having concluded. Box and some courses still on until June.
  - Drop-in will continue throughout the summer.
  - The squash fun day at the CWC on May 7 was not so well attended, but those that did had a nice time playing doubles and singles, and then refreshments later in the lounge. Thanks to all who attended.
  - Wes will stay on as the CWC rep, and looks forward to next season. Hoping to get a level 10 men's team if levels return to normal and 3 ladies' teams next season.
- **Edgemont Athletic Club**
  - Season is winding down.
  - Expect similar number of teams or a couple more.
  - Expect there will be a new representative for next season
- **Fifth Avenue Club**
  - The club has been sold with the transaction to close at the end of May
  - There will be a transition period for a while over to the new ownership; however at this point it doesn't look like there will be a change to management or staff
  - As of right now it does not look like there will be a change to squash but there is some concern.
- **Glencoe Club**
  - Will try to add one or two new teams for next season
- **LaunchCode**
  - Rick will be touching base this month with Alberio of Launchcode to re-affirm viability of a team for next season, as they did struggle to field full teams later in the season.
  - Will ensure any Launchcode men or women interested in playing are aware of other options to play if needed and desired.
- **Mount Royal University**
  - Expect 3 Ladies' teams in 3 divisions
  - Expect 8 Men's teams in 6 divisions
  - Developing a junior program for next season.
- **SAIT**
  - Expect 1 Ladies and 1 Men's teams next year.
  - SAIT facility availability for interclub next season is indeterminate.

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- **South Calgary Squash Club**
    - Membership has dropped a bit as expected over the spring / summer season
    - May have 2 or 3 more teams next year.
    - Junior program remains strong.
  - **Southland Leisure Centre**
    - Expect 3 Men's teams and 1 Ladies team next year, which is 2 more teams than last year.
  - **University of Calgary**
    - Expecting 3 teams total for next season
      - 1 Ladies Level 2
      - 2 Men's Level 7/8 and 8
  - **West Hillhurst**
    - Expect 8 teams in total for next season.

#### **6. Adjournment**

- George Rabacal, Doubles motioned to adjourn the meeting
- Mark Hartley, West Hillhurst seconded the motion
- Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm

#### **7. Next Meeting Date:**

- Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7.00pm at the Danish Canadian Club