

Regular Monthly Meeting. April 20th, 2022 at 7.00pm

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

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

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April Regular Monthly Meeting:

1. Call to Order of Regular Monthly Meeting (April)

- Call to order of the regular monthly meeting 7.02pm

2. Approval of Previous Minutes (March Minutes)

- Mark Hartley approves the minutes
- Mariette Rabacal seconds the minutes
- Minutes passed as presented

3. Reports

a. Officers

- President Peter Schwartz
 - Approaching the end of the season, all is moving along fairly smoothly
- Vice President Rick Spyker
 - Nothing to add as Vice President
- Secretary Anthony Reimert
 - Thanks to Jeff Mattock for taking the meeting minutes for March
 - Nothing else to add as secretary
- Treasurer Mariette Rabacal
 - \$22,572.75 current bank balance
 - Edgemont and Bow Valley still outstanding (should have been paid in November)
 - Rothenberg Capital Partners still have not paid the Invoice for the Men's Finals Trophy Sponsor
 - Send email to Peter with what they (Bow Valley Club) owe for team fees and we'll send out new Invoice
 - No budgets received for the 2022 – 2023 season
- Director, Community Relations Ron Coggan
 - Re-running the Jr. Outreach squash program in Banff starting next September
 - Good drop in program with kids coming from throughout the Bow Valley including Kananaskis and Lake Louise
 - Their pipeline into the indigenous community is drying up a little bit
 - Looking for a facilitator to assist in Banff, current facilitator is moving to BC (Help needed on Thursdays to assist Cam Fishenden)
 - AGM for Bow Valley Squash is this Sunday [April 24, 2022]

b. Committees

- Player Eligibility/ Reporting: Alex Altamirano
 - Alex completed all of the bonus points and did all of the tie break formulas
 - There are a few semi-finals games to be completed which is why there are some gaps for the finals schedule
- Prizes: Mark Hartley and Jorge Rabacal
 - Jackets are in and Mark has them with him
 - Plaques and Playoff winner prizes should be here tomorrow or Friday
 - Mark will bring the prizes to Edgemont on the 23rd
- Rules: Mark Hartley, Keith Wellon and Harvey Huebsch
 - Few issues that were reported and were resolved
 - Updated bonus points for the last program – 4 ½ bonus points were added
 - No complaints for teams that were unable to reschedule matches – Alex dealt with most of this on his own
 - Calgary Winter Club Men's Level 6 – email communication back and forth between the team captain and the rules committee due to having an ineligible player on the roster (played at too high of a level before coming back and playing at level 6) Rules committee checks with both sides and listens to both teams before making the final decision.
 - Shout out to Alex Altamirano for a job well done over the course of the season (Harvey Huebsch)
- Playoff & Banquet Committee: Rick Spyker and Anthony Reimert
 - Omar Polyniak who is setting up the restaurant (within Edgemont Athletic) is not up and running and will not be ready on time.
 - Omar has been helpful in setting up an alternative caterer (Mike Roy @ Jamesons Pubs) he has completed a full menu and will provide Courtside Food and Drink as well as snacks and drinks later that night at a reserved space at Jamesons Brentwood.
 - Finals day will run from 10.30am – 4.30pm and will have three separate food drops throughout the day to ensure everyone has hot food available
 - Courtside we will have two bartenders that serve a variety of beer, wine and seltzer products
 - Banquet Pub Night will run from 5.00pm – late and will include complimentary food and one drink ticket.
 - Squash Alberta Refs provided for finals matches
 - Estimated budget given for the day was \$5,500.00 which will be covered by the league.
- League Inquiries: Ron Coggan
 - No direct league inquiries but one that came through the SportyHQ version

- Came through SportyHQ Inquiries Button – fellow will be visiting for 3 months name is Leon Muga – Ron will follow up with him and get him in touch with the clubs as our season is over.
- Sponsorship: Wes Mah
 - Rothenberg capital partners need to pay for the Men’s 1 trophy
 - Wes will send an email to follow up with Robert
- Funding: Harvey Huebsch
 - Nothing to report
- Email Blasts: James Jelinski
 - James sent out an email with the finals schedule and reminder of Finals Day and Pub Night
- Website: James Jelinski and Kyle Mitton
 - Commit to look into the budget for Mariette – will be getting an invoice from SportyHQ for \$2,000.00 invoice for the Website
 - League Inquiry button is still working
 - Last item outstanding -> getting the live scoring to update
- Doubles: Jorge Rabacal
 - Nothing to report
- Attendance Report / Future Dates: Sean McInnes
 - Bow Valley has now reached 3 absences
 - Everyone else looks pretty good
- Squash Alberta Ken Cross
 - Arthur Hough says that there is some potential of teams out of Acadia for next year
 - Graeme Edge and Fergal Kelly playing there as well as a beginners ladies team
 - Canadian Open and Alberta Open 16 men and 8 women: played on the glass court at Bow Valley
 - Winding down the season – Canadian Junior Squash Championships will run from May 5th – 8th in Victoria [Cedar Hill Rec Centre]
 - Squash Canada is pushing hard to grow the Squash profile in Canada with the glass court travelling across the country
 - At Bow Valley Clubs and Juniors were able to book the glass court for playing time
 - Ron Coggan – Alberta Winter Games: is there an initiative from Squash AB to get in? Only Jr. programs are in Calgary, Edmonton and Banff but they need to have 5 zones and 2026 is the most feasible date to get back into the games

4. Other Business Arising:

Any other business?

- Peter Schwartz – would like the rules committee to look at Men’s level 2 scoring to move from Par-15 to Par-11 scoring. Something to review for 2022 – 2023 season.
- Wes Mah – inquiry at CWC regarding moving interclub to Thursday night and potential to have a division that has mixed teams

5. Round Table/Club Feedback:

All Clubs Current Feedback

- **Bow Valley Athletic Club**
 - Not present
- **Calgary Winter Club**
 - Finals M7, M8, L2 Made the finals
 - May 6th is booked for Club Championships
 - Move the CISA fun night to Saturday May 7th or May 14th 2 hours of fun
- **Edgemont Athletic Club**
 - Club championships were held two weeks ago
 - Womens' drop in and bring a friend day will be happening
 - Hosting the finals on the 23rd
- **Fifth Avenue Club**
 - Their one team made the finals
 - There has been more traffic but not new members in the club – Kyle trying to find out if there will be a 2nd team next year
 - Doesn't seem to be a fear of the club closing
- **Glencoe Club**
 - 6 of 9 teams made the semi finals
 - 4 semi final matches at home on April 19th
 - Thirsty Thursday at the Bow Valley club and played on the glass court
 - Danielle Letourneau lost in the semi-final at Canadian Squash Championships at Bow Valley
 - Alberta open – Maddison Laine won the women's and Eric Dingle lost in the semi finals for the Alberta Provincial Championships at Bow Valley
 - Looking to add another team for next year
 - Figure out what we need to do to host the finals next year at Glencoe
- **LaunchCode**
 - Men's Level 7 and they had lots of enthusiasm and players but as the season went on they had struggles fielding a team
 - Had a few women that played at the club (we need to have a suggestions on how to keep them in the league)
 - Arthur Hough was there doing some lessons and introductions into the game of squash
- **Mount Royal University**
 - Not much to report
 - 10 of 15 teams in the semi finals
 - So far 3 of the teams have made the finals with a couple matches to finalize

- Tanya Simpson will be the MRU representative going forward
- **SAIT**
 - 2 teams made the semi-finals and men's 8 moved onto the finals
 - SAIT – a bit of concern that the facility will be open next year as they are going to go through a renovation
 - Ken Cross – potential to play out of U of C, check with Tina Istace
- **South Calgary Squash Club**
 - 6 of 10 teams made the playoffs and 3 of the 6 made the finals
 - Jr. bronze event last weekend which was well attended
 - Club champs next week from Wednesday to Saturday
- **Southland Leisure Centre**
 - Clayton Bishop new representative for Southland
 - Men's 8 came last and Men's 7 came second last
 - Looking for 3 men's team and 1 ladies team for next year
 - Definitely interest to have a ladies team again
- **University of Calgary**
 - U of C Men's 8 made the playoffs
 - No updates or nothing else to report
 - Keagan Groot is the acting pro
- **West Hillhurst**
 - 2 of the teams won their divisions
 - Club is going well and very vibrant
 - They dropped from 8 teams to 7 teams – could potentially add another

6. Adjournment

- Thanks to everyone for this season, tough start to the season but we got matches scheduled
- Hoping to expand a bit again for next year and get doubles started up again for next year
- Wes Mah makes a motion to adjourn
- Keith Wellon seconds the adjournment
- Meeting adjourned at 7.59pm

7. Next Meeting Date:

- Wednesday May 18th, 2022 at 7.00pm at the Danish Canadian Club