

**Regular Monthly Meeting.** Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7.00pm

**Location:** Conference Call Meeting: Call in Number **1-833-353-8610** Access Code: **2023761#**

<b>CLUB /EXECUTIVE</b>	<b>REPRESENTATIVE(S)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>President</b>	Peter Schwartz	X	
<b>Vice President</b>	Rick Spyker	X	
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mariette Rabacal		X
<b>Secretary</b>	Anthony Reimert	X	
<b>Director, Community Relations</b>	Ron Coggan	X	
<b>Bankers Hall Club (BHC)</b>	TBD – Closed due to COVID		X
<b>Bow Valley Club (BVC)</b>	TBD – Upon club reopening		X
<b>Calgary Winter Club (CWC)</b>	Wes Mah	X	
<b>Club TBD</b>	Rick Spyker	X	
<b>Fifth Avenue Club</b>	Kyle Mitton		X
<b>Fish Creek Sports Club</b>	Alex Altamirano		X
<b>Fitness Plus</b>	Peter Schwartz	X	
<b>Glencoe</b>	Harvey Huebsch	X	
<b>Mount Royal University (MRU)</b>	Anthony Reimert	X	
<b>SAIT</b>	Ben Meszaros	X	
<b>Southland Leisure Centre</b>	Ron Coggan	X	
<b>University of Calgary (UofC)</b>	Wanda Popadynetz		X
<b>Western Canadian Place (WCP)</b>	James Jelinski	X	
<b>West Hillhurst Club</b>	Mark Hartley	X	
<b>GYMVMT</b>	Keith Wellon	X	
<b>GYMVMT</b>	Mariette Rabacal		X
<b>Doubles</b>	Jorge Rabacal		X
<b>Squash Alberta</b>	Ken Cross	X	
<b>Squash Alberta</b>	Arthur Hough		X

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**June Regular Monthly Meeting:**

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

- Call to order at 7.04pm

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

- Rick Spyker makes a motion to pass the minutes
- Mark Hartley seconds the motion

**3. Reports**

**a. Officers**

- President Peter Schwartz
  - Downturn in the community Lost Bankers Hall Club, Bow Valley (temporarily), Eau Claire YMCA, Fitness Plus, Fish Creek Athletic Club and briefly GYMVMT
  - South Calgary Squash Club now open in same location as Fitness Plus (courts only rented from Romanian Orthodox Church)
  - Bow Valley is scheduled to re-open in September after a significant renovation
  - GYMVMT has been granted exception to stay open, details to follow
  - Contacted by a company and he asked about joining interclub and their office that has a court is near Deerfoot Inn and Casino – they are a software company with a squash court right in the middle of their office space. Cannot say no to people like this as this is another alternative option for interclub players.
- Vice President Rick Spyker
  - Nothing to add
  - Clubs that are no longer open despite that we have a lot of relationships and other clubs that may be able to absorb these players
  - Peter has been doing a lot of work behind the scenes to look at alternative clubs / facilities
    - Ron Coggan – check in at Acadia, Oakridge, Trail Courts and Southland
    - Need to have several club options for players to play at
- Secretary Anthony Reimert
  - May need to re-think size of interclub teams for the larger clubs like GYMVMT and MRU that will most likely absorb a lot of players
- Treasurer Mariette Rabacal
  - Did not hear anything from Mariette
- Director, Community Relations Ron Coggan

- Rocky Mountain Resort – squash courts are open to guests only until Phase 3
- January 6 – 9<sup>th</sup> will be the SaSquash Tourney for 2022
- Jr. Outreach Squash: Brenda Cook has resigned and Ron will be working with other people to grow the program in the Bow Valley Corridor
- Working with Ken Cross, Indigenous Sports leaders, and other community leaders to grow the sport of squash in the Bow Valley
- Official programs likely not to run until 2022

**b. Committees**

- Player Eligibility/ Reporting: Alex Altamirano and Wes Mah
  - Nothing to report
- Prizes: Mark Hartley and Jorge Rabacal
  - How / If we know what is going to run we can put together prizes quickly
- Rules: Mark Hartley, Keith Wellon and Harvey Huebsch
  - Nothing outstanding
  - Keith: had modified some rules so they will all be summarized prior to the beginning of the season
- League Inquiries: Ron Coggan
  - Nothing to Ron directly
  - Website still has a malfunction on the league inquiries button on the Website
    - James Jelinski: there are some lingering issues on the website, this will be priority to have these issues solved prior to the beginning of the season
- 2021 / 2022 Season Planning: All
  - Most clubs have been closed or only partially open since March of 2020
  - Interclub is going to be starting again – this is what we would like to happen this year.
  - Club Reps should be getting a hold of their captains and getting a general idea of number of teams for the fall
  - Reaching out to captains – outlining the new landscape that we are playing in and what teams may look like going forward
- Sponsorship: TBD
  - Need to appoint a new Sponsorship leader
- Funding: Harvey Huebsch
  - Nothing to report
- Email Blasts: James Jelinski
  - As we get closer to the start of the season an email blast will go out
- Website: James Jelinski and Kyle Mitton

- It's ready to go for next season but SportyHQ has a couple lingering issues they need to fix to implement the final product.
- We have received a couple Phishing emails claiming photo Copyright issues on the website which are false and trying to make people click on links that likely lead to some sort of virus
- We have ignored these to date and will continue to be mindful of these attempts going forward (Peter and Ron receive the league inquiry emails and are on alert for these)
- **Doubles:** Jorge Rabacal
  - Jorge absent – nothing to report
- **Attendance Report / Future Dates:** Ben Meszaros
  - Ben to work on the Future Dates sheet and working with Semi-Finals over two weeks and the finals on a Saturday near the end of April 2022
  - May need to make adjustment due to the Easter weekend being late this year
  - April 23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Final – Mixed Doubles Championships / Junior Championships
    - Scheduling conflict
    - Canadian Championships not set in stone as of yet
- **Squash Alberta** Ken Cross
  - Review 2021 / 2022 Dates and review in detail (see attachment)
  - Ken looking for a normal start in September
  - U of C probably will not host tournaments early in the year
  - Many clubs waiting for the Phase 3 roll out before announcing their plans
  - Renewals for Squash AB memberships will happen at end of the month (306 members last year)
  - Continue on with the Officiating notice? Rules Committee to review
  - Squash Canada AGM Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>

**4. Other Business Arising:** Any other business?

- Nothing to report

**5. Round Table/Club Feedback:** All Clubs Current Feedback

- **Calgary Winter Club**
  - Open for squash, new programming and coaching
  - Anyone can now play anyone (After checking with Glen Stark)
  - No Guests allowed as of yet, courts are still quite slow
- **Glencoe**
  - Squash is back on; however it is not very busy
  - Jr. programs and other programs / coaching happening

- Social Thirsty Thursday league is starting up
- Solicited feedback from Team Captains and almost all teams are back except for maybe one of their ladies teams
- Inquiry from Level 1 – is there going to be enough level 1 teams with Bankers Hall and Bow Valley closing
- **Banker's Hall Club**
  - Update from Ron Coggan
  - Building owner wants to reclaim the space
  - Doesn't have all of the details; however Banker's Hall may turn into a tenants gym perhaps
- **Mount Royal University**
  - As part of Phase 2 the University Wellness Centre is open to staff and students
  - Plan is to open the full recreation facility on July 5<sup>th</sup> for the public membership with all facilities (Pool etc.) to be opened by July 12<sup>th</sup>
- **SAIT**
  - SAIT was blown apart and many staff members were laid off or repurposed they went from 200 staff to 1 staff member.
  - Gradually re-open the Wellness Centre starting with the academic year
  - SAIT will be only open to staff and students to begin and then gradually re-open to public members
  - November 12 – 14 SAIT will most likely participate in the Alberta University and College Championships for squash
- **Southland Leisure Centre**
  - Southland will not re-open until August at the earliest
  - Southland should be able to field 1 to 2 interclub teams
  - With Rinks / Pools / Gyms etc. it will be a while until it re-opens
- **Western Canada Place**
  - It is open as of Monday
  - It is fully open to all members and guests including squash
  - They are limited by their hours 6am – 6pm Monday to Friday right now
  - Interclub – it is a bit early to tell but as we get into late summer more players may emerge
- **West Hillhurst**
  - Mark hasn't heard anything from Club Leadership
  - Will send email to Anthony to update minutes
- **GYMVMT**
  - Jonathan will have a plan in front of ownership for Phase 3 reopening
  - Currently only open for solo hitting and family member cohorts
  - Brookfield had no interest for squash courts in Bankers Hall
- **Eau Claire YMCA**
  - Club is officially closed
- **South Calgary Squash Club (Formerly Fitness Plus South)**

- \$50.00 a month – if you have a 12 month contract
- \$75.00 a month – if you would like to do a month to month membership
- No staff at the club: Bluetooth access to the building through your phone, court bookings will all be done through online system
- \$10.00 will be the drop in fee
- Welcoming juniors
- More details to come shortly
- **Fish Creek Athletic Club**
  - Not officially closed, but most likely will not reopen
  - Alex has had conversations with the owner and it doesn't sound like they are going to survive the pandemic

#### **6. Adjournment**

- Mark Hartley from West Hillhurst makes a motion to adjourn the meeting
- Ben Meszaros from SAIT seconds the motion
- Meeting adjourned at 8.00pm

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

- Will make a decision on the next meeting
- Potentially two meetings in August

#### **Action Items from the February 2021 Meeting:**

- No Action Items from the February 2021 Meeting