

Regular Monthly Meeting. Wednesday November 18th, 2020 at 7.00pm

Location: Video Conference Meeting [Link to be provided]

CLUB /EXECUTIVE	REPRESENTATIVE(S)	Yes	No
President	Peter Schwartz	X	
Vice President	Rick Spyker	X	
Treasurer	Mariette Rabacal	X	
Secretary	Anthony Reimert	X	
Director, Community Relations	Ron Coggan	X	
Bankers Hall Club (BHC)	Connor Batchelor	X	
Bow Valley Club (BVC)	N/A Club Closed	N/A	N/A
Calgary Winter Club (CWC)	Wes Mah	X	
Eau Claire YMCA	Rick Spyker	X	
Fifth Avenue Club	Kyle Mitton	X	
Fish Creek Sports Club	Alex Altamirano	X	
Club TBD	Peter Schwartz	X	
Glencoe	Harvey Huebsch	X	
Mount Royal University (MRU)	Anthony Reimert	X	
SAIT	Ben Meszaros	X	
SAIT	Sean McInnes		X
Southland Leisure Centre	Ron Coggan	X	
University of Calgary (UofC)	Wanda Popadynetz	X	
Western Canadian Place (WCP)	James Jelinski	X	
West Hillhurst Club	Mark Hartley	X	
World Health Edgemont (WHE)	Keith Wellon	X	
World Health Edgemont (WHE)	Mariette Rabacal	X	
Doubles	Jorge Rabacal	X	
Squash Alberta	Ken Cross	X	
Squash Alberta	Arthur Hough		X

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Agenda of the November regular monthly meeting:

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

- Call to order on the November monthly meeting at 7.05pm

2. Approval of Previous Minutes (October Minutes)

- Connor Batchelor, Bankers Hall Club makes a motion to pass the minutes
- Rick Spyker, Eau Claire YMCA seconds the motion to pass the minutes as presented
- Minutes approved

3. Reports

a. Officers

- President Peter Schwartz
 - Nothing to report
- Vice President Rick Spyker
 - Nothing to report
- Secretary Anthony Reimert
 - Nothing to report
- Treasurer Mariette Rabacal
 - Peter Schwartz and Mariette Rabacal have met and financials have been signed and sent off to Edmonton for approval
 - Current Bank Balance is \$23,521.77
 - Only movement in the past month was \$5.65 in interest
- Director, Community Relations Ron Coggan
 - Nothing to report

b. Committees

- Player Eligibility/ Reporting: Alex Altamirano and Wes Mah
 - Nothing to report
- Contingency Planning: Rick Spyker, Ben Meszaros, James Jelinski, Keith Wellon, Wes Mah, Jorge Rabacal & Ken Cross

Notes from Contingency Planning Committee Meeting:

Goal: CISA wishes to enable some form of competitive league play in early 2021.

Challenges/Opportunities:

1. Most clubs will not be prepared to host traditional interclub league play in early 2021.
2. Many of our players will not be prepared to play in early 2021.
3. CISA league play would be one of the few opportunities for organized and competitive play with new/other players (i.e. not expected to be any other formal tournaments in the near term)

Concept:

- CISA sponsored 12 week season (Jan 19 – April 6)
 - 10 weeks regular season
 - 1 week semi-finals
 - 1 week finals
- Tuesday night play at U of C
 - 18 court bookings each night (6 courts booked for three 1 hour blocks)
- Could accommodate 70+ players playing every other week (i.e. Pool A and Pool B groupings)
 - 5 regular season matches
 - 2 playoff matches (semis and finals)
- Player Allocation
 - Players would sign up as a single
 - Divisions (similar skills) or Teams (varied skills) would be determined based on Squash AB rankings.
 - Assuming 6 players per divisions/teams
 - Fully subscribed could accommodate 72 players (12 divisions with 6 players per division)
- Dollars
 - Expenses
 - CISA would front court costs (est. \$5k)
 - CISA sponsored prizes (eg. \$600 at \$50/div)
 - Revenue
 - Player Fee (eg. \$3,600 for 72 players at \$50/plyr)
 - Net Cost to CISA \$2,000 using figures above

Additional Items to action/consider if concept is endorsed by CISA

- Court Commitment/Costs with U of C
- Marketing – Communications of the opportunity – email blast
- Player Sign-up/Payment process - TBD
- Season/Team Setup
 - Seeding of players to divisions/teams – use of Squash AB rankings
 - Co-ed or male/female
 - Scheduling of matches
 - Matches – best of 5 to 15 ... or best of 5 to 11 ... or best of 3 to 11 And/or time limits
 - Self-Refereed

- Posting of teams/matches on website
 - Scoring/Results Tracking via website – Winners enters results in website
 - SportyHQ or Club Locker or?
 - Winner enters scores ... need to review website
 - Sub List – Would need to be ready for the season. Subs would have to be SquashAB member, but not be charged league fees.
- Squash AB Membership
 - Players (including subs) would be required to be Squash AB member
 - Is there an option for a partial season Squash AB membership for CISA play?
- Membership Options
 - Partial season membership for CISA league play?
 - Would that impact the SquashAB rebate CISA typically receives? Could we forgo the rebate and get a better price on the membership?
- Social Aspect – not sanctioned by league
- Prizes – Yes/No what?
- CISA On-Site Volunteers for each night
- Covid-19 specific items
 - Develop CISA Player/Play guidelines – default to U of C standard and waiver

CISA Discussion at November Meeting:

- Jorge Rabacal
 - Our goal of putting together options is to ensure that we get the committee opinion and see whether or not it is worth pursuing.
- James Jelinski, Western Canadian Place:
 - What happens if we have to cancel the season before it is over, or perhaps even before the season starts (we will need to have an arrangement with U of C that includes cancellation clauses and ways of us amending our season if needed).
- Ron Coggan, Southland:
 - One disadvantage of the University of Calgary is that you have to pay for parking.
 - Would need to determine what team selection would look like
- Keith Wellon, GYMVMT
 - If we had \$50.00 fee per player there would be overall savings as compared to a regular interclub season because there would be no social aspect
- Ken Cross, Squash Alberta
 - At the University of Calgary there will be no spectators: you show up, play and then you have to leave. There would not be a lot of team atmosphere because of the current protocols in place

- Showers and locker rooms are not available
- Has a phone call tomorrow with the province at 1.00pm and then with the club pros at 2.30pm to get an update on where the current COVID situation is at
- Peter Schwartz, CISA President
 - We will need to figure out the minimum amount of players that need to register in order for us to move forward with.
- Harvey Huebsch, Glencoe
 - Under the current restrictions squash isn't really allowed; so this plan is dependent on the government restrictions being lifted
- Kyle Mitton, Fifth Avenue Club
 - Good idea and well thought out, we will need to look how the COVID-19 scenario progresses to see if a January start is feasible
- Prizes: Mark Hartley and Jorge Rabacal
 - Nothing to report
- Rules: Mark Hartley, Keith Wellon and Harvey Huebsch
 - Nothing to report
- League Inquiries: Ron Coggan
 - No league Inquiries
- Team Selection: Peter Schwartz
 - As the team selection committee Peter would like to lead a committee on getting teams organized, schedule set up, etc.
 - Thanks current committee for their research and getting us to this point so far
- Sponsorship: Connor Batchelor
 - Nothing to report
- Funding: Harvey Huebsch
 - Nothing to report
- Email Blasts: James Jelinski
 - As we have more information regarding a 2021 season we will send out an email blast with information
 - No emails have been sent since our last meeting
- Website: James Jelinski, Kyle Mitton and Sean McInnes
 - We were issued an invoice for \$2,000.00 from SportyHQ as this was part of the agreement for when the website is finished

- Kyle Mitton, Fifth Avenue Club
 - We are in the final stages of the last details of the website
 - Need to have a second committee member on the league inquiries link:
 - Ron Coggan, Primary
 - Peter Schwartz, Secondary
- Ron Coggan, Southland
 - One observation: Could we expand the map to include Banff, Red Deer etc. for Squash Clubs on the Website?
- Peter Schwartz, Kyle Mitton, Ben Mezaros:
 - Feeling is that the Website should only include Squash Clubs that participate in Calgary Interclub
 - Squash Alberta Website (ClubLocker) should include all clubs in Alberta and contact information
 - Acadia and Squash Network should be removed from the Website for the time being
- Doubles: Jorge Rabacal
 - Mariette is running a doubles officiating clinic for ladies on December 6, 2020
 - Part of a Squash Canada program and it is only for ladies
 - Cost of the clinic is free
 - Ken Cross to send out details and link to register
- December Meeting Wanda Popadynetz
 - Wanda had something planned but the facility has closed now for 2 weeks and not sure when it might re-open
 - We are going to hold off until hopefully January / February / March when we can get together again
 - We will continue to have a normal December CISA meeting due to the ongoing changes in COVID-19
- Attendance Report / Future Dates: Ben Meszaros
 - Western Canadian Place at one absence
 - Alex Altamirano was late but did make it into the meeting
- Squash Alberta: Ken Cross
 - 50/50 fundraiser is up to \$3,600.00 max is \$5,000.00
 - 8 days left to purchase
 - Squash Alberta paid memberships are now up to 260 members
 - Ken to send out Squash Guidance to the interclub reps
 - Squash Alberta also has a board of directors set for December 9th as well so he will not be able to attend the December meeting

4. Other Business Arising:

Any other business?

- No other business arising

5. Round Table/Club Feedback:

All Clubs Current Feedback

- GYMVMT:
 - They were playing in cohorts; however they have had to add other restrictions
 - Solo Practice is allowed
 - Can only play with members in the same household
 - Private Lessons where player and coach can do controlled drills by always maintaining 2 meters between one another
 - Doubles Squash is closed
 - No Guests are permitted
 - Wiping hands on the glass and walls is not permitted
 - No sharing of equipment is permitted
 - Sanitization of the door handles and physical distancing is mandatory
- Fifth Avenue Club:
 - Kyle Mitton currently doesn't know the status of Fifth Avenue Club
 - Had to shut down due to building maintenance and then most likely remained closed after that
- Mount Royal University:
 - No updates new, club still closed to public membership
 - Have outlined a return to premises but has not progressed since the October meeting with a lot of the date TBD
 - For now the club remains closed
- Calgary Winter Club:
 - Closed except for solo hitting, and family cohorts
 - Wes Mah hasn't been to the club for a month or two
- SAIT:
 - No change since the October meeting the Wellness Centre is still completely closed with no timeline on reopening
- University of Calgary:
 - Was open; but now closed for 2 weeks until the 27th as per government guidelines
- Glencoe:
 - Doubles is currently closed
 - Cohort leagues are shut down for the time being
 - Pros have been running socially distanced drills as long as coach and player can maintain distancing

- Southland Leisure Centre:
 - Completely opened up 10 days ago to the public and the public was able to book courts over the phone.
 - With the government announcement last week they have now closed again
- Bankers Hall Club:
 - Similar protocol to GYMVMT
 - Solo practice or two people if they are from the same household
 - Bankers Hall Pro-Am will be officially cancelled
- Western Canadian Place:
 - As of today WCP was completely open for Squash but they may need to close due to the government announcement
- Eau Claire YMCA:
 - They have strict protocols which were already in line with the new government announcements
 - Squash may continue at YMCA for the foreseeable future
 - They do allow walk ins from the public but you need to book a court in advance
- West Hillhurst:
 - Only open for solo play or household play
- Fish Creek:
 - Fish creek is still closed
 - Cannot get deal with existing owner to get the club open

6. Adjournment

- Anthony Reimert, Mount Royal University motion to adjourn the meeting
- Second the motion Peter Schwartz, CISA President
- Meeting adjourned at 8.24pm

7. Next Meeting Date:

- Wednesday December 9th, 2020 at 7.00pm [GoTo Meeting, please connect audio via phone]

Action Items from the November 2020 Meeting:

- Ken Cross to send out link for Ladies officiating clinic for doubles
- Ken to send out Squash Guidance from Squash Alberta to all club representatives