

**Medicine Hat Tennis Club
Executive Meeting
November 20, 2024
MINUTES**

Attendance: Riley Danroth, Ken Clement, Linda Norris, Rose Paulgaard, Craig Weich, CoraLee Riehl, Calvin Heller, Chris Friesen, Sandy McIntosh, Erin Ferris

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Rose 2nd: Linda Carried

2. Treasurer's Report – Linda

Casino Account - \$21,066.00
General Account - \$34,972.00

- **2024 Casino**

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The Casino brought in \$18,251.00 this last quarter. Linda thanked everyone who volunteered to help with the casino. Next casino will be in December of 2025. Murray Trollope will prepare the yearly report for AGLC and will submit it in May 2025.

- **2025 Signing Change**

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Motion by Riley that effective March 15th, CoraLee Riehl will take over the Treasurer position. 2nd: Rose Carried

Linda will be passing over the Treasurer position to CoraLee effective March 15th. As of March 15th, Linda and Ken will be taken off for signing authority and CoraLee and Calvin Heller will be added.

Linda will have the year end financials ready early February, 2025.

- **Report on 2024 Facility Fundraiser campaign**

\$6000.00 was raised for the 2024 season

Ken will have the donor recognition wall inside the clubhouse updated by Spring.

This will update the grants received since 2015.

Calvin has requested that if anyone has connections with any Service Clubs, businesses, etc. to let him know so he can pursue some donations or acts of kindness from them.

- **2025 fee increase**

Discussion was had regarding raising the fees for the 2025 season. Final decision was to keep the fees the same and perhaps try to get more donations or sponsors to help offset costs.

3. Club Operations

- **Coordinator positions 2025**

Men's Doubles League – Lyle Garrecht
Women's Doubles League – Lilly Laurent and Carla Thorogood
Singles League – Peter O'Driscoll
Novice Night – Doug McLeod
Juniors – Rose Paulgaard
Communications – Erin Ferris
Casino – Murray Trollope
Novice Program – Calvin Heller
Courts – Messele Fentabil
Clubhouse Exterior – Sheila Reinheller
Clubhouse Interior – Margaret Klok
Tournament Director – Riley Danroth
Maintenance – Rob Hazelaar
Try Tennis/Bring a Friend – Calvin Heller

- **Juniors**

Rose will discuss in February.
Calvin will find coaches to assist

- **Communications**

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Erin will send out email regarding the Winter Classic.

- **Tournaments**

2024 Winter Classic, Saturday, December 28

Will use the same format as last year. Six teams for Open and six teams for Intermediate. Morning (8:00 am – 12:30 pm) will be Intermediate and afternoon (12:30-5:00) will be Open. \$35 per person

- **Father's Day Classic**

Discussion took place having the tournament called "Father's Day Classic". It is felt that the name perhaps limits players from entering as they think it is meant for Father's and sons/daughters. Executive was asked to bring a name they think would

be suitable for this tournament to our February meeting where a decision will be made.

- **Maintenance**

The city has cut the grass back on Court 7 so hopefully it will drain better.

The shed by Court 4 will need to be re-shingled. Will either hire out this project or if we have anyone within the club that would be willing to donate their time and expertise, it would be appreciated.

We had an electrician replace the battery on the Exit sign in the clubhouse. Will also get them to fix the motion light.

4. Club Calendar for 2025

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| April 5 or 12 th (Sat.) | - Cleanup (1:00 pm) |
| May 3 (Sat.) | - Junior Lessons – 9:00 am – 2:30 pm |
| May 5 (Mon) | - Leagues begin |
| May 5 (Mon) | - Beginner Group Lessons A start |
| May 6 (Tues) | - Beginner Group Lessons B start |
| May 5/12 (Mon) | - Novice Night begins |
| May 10 (Sat) | - Fun Mix & Match Tennis & Pizza (3:00 – 6:00 pm) |
| May 25 & June 1 (Sun) | - Junior Drop-in sessions (3:00 – 5:00 pm) |
| May 29 – June 1 (Sun) | - City Singles Tournament |
| June 5 – (Thurs) | - Members' Social – 6:30 pm |
| June 7 (Sat) | - Tim Hortons Junior Open Singles Tournament
8:30 am – 3:00 pm |
| June 11 – 15 (Wed-Sat) | - 2 nd Annual Father's Day Doubles Classic |
| July 11 – 12 (Fri/Sat) | - Summer Mixed Doubles Tournament |
| July 13/27 (Sun) | - Junior Drop-in (3:00 – 5:00 pm), Family BBQ |
| Aug. 20-24 (Wed-Sun) | - MH Open Singles & Doubles Tournament |
| Sept. 4 – 6 (Thurs-Sat) | - Fall Fun Mix and Matcgh – 1:30 – 4:00 pm
AGM – 4:00 pm, followed by pizza |
| Sept. 25 (Thurs) | - Seniors Fun Tournaments |

** Try Tennis/Bring a Friend will be a spontaneous date when it can be fit in,

** No doubles Wednesday, June 11th and August 20th

5. New Business

- **Society Bylaws**

Bylaws need to be updated as they are 35 years old. There is a template that can be used. Ken and Linda will do a draft update for executive to look at.

- **Club mailing address change**

The club now has a new mailing address. Mail can be picked up close to the tennis courts. This is saving the club approximately \$200 per year.

- **Transition/club organization binder**

Ken proposed that the Organizational Binder be looked at each year by executive and have any necessary changes made to the binder.

- **New Manager**

Motion by Linda to approve the hire of Calvin Heller as the Manager of the Tennis Club effective January 1, 2025. 2nd: CoraLee Carried

6. **Next Meeting**

February 26th, Wednesday at 6:30 pm

ADJOURNED: 8:15 PM