

Mono Tennis Club

Minutes of AGM October 22, 2017

Members in attendance: Catherine Laing, Patti Powell, Tim Albery, Betty Scott, Matthew Fairlie, Jude Frigon, Gary Wright, Thom Grace, Peter Gibson

Proxies: Renato Carbonara, Marnie Cooke, Jeff Honey, Neil O'Donnell, Jan Howard, Bob Crease

Call to order at 12:00 noon in the Mono Community Centre. Co-Presidents Thom Grace and Peter Gibson chaired the meeting and Peter Gibson took minutes.

Approval of Minutes of AGM October 16, 2016 as distributed (Matthew/Gary)

Peter & Thom Presented the President's Report

A Membership has continued to grow

2013 - >60 2014 - >80 2015 - >110 2016 - > 130 2017 - 150

B Regular Programs

Monday/Tuesday PM Juniors

Tuesday AM Daytime gents at MTC Daytime ladies at Orangeville

Thursday AM Freedom 55

Thursday eve Intercounty A and B teams alternate home and away

Sunday morning round robin, numbers sometimes exceeding 15

C Special Programs

2 themed tennis socials: 1 in late June organized by Des Townshend and Miriam Burgess with a Canada Day 150 theme attended by more than 20; 1 in late August organized by Lynne Brophy and Rhoda Gryfe with an "Oldies" theme that included rental of a jukebox attended by about 15.

+95 Mixed Doubles Tournament organized by Jason Hall and Carol Hall in early August, one of the highlights of the tennis season in Dufferin-Caledon, and our club's main fundraiser. This year the tournament contributed \$700 to club revenue.

D Juniors. Junior membership has climbed to almost 50, including over 35 kids ages 4 to 16 taking part in our Monday/Tuesday after school program in May/June/September. This year for the first time we had two paid coaches on court at all times for our junior clinics.

Complimentary membership was again offered to the boys living in Cedar Heights Residential Living (CHRL) in the community, and to the staff who work with them. Racquets were made available for the boys to use, and several sessions with club pro were organized for them.

E Club Pro. Joanna Phang was our club pro again this year. In addition to overseeing instruction for our juniors, Joanna conducted clinics for adults on Monday and Wednesday mornings in May and June, and offered private and semi-private lessons at member request. As of September, when Joanna began a full-time position as Squash Pro at Northfield Racquet and Fitness Club in Waterloo, her husband, Jamie Hickox, has stepped into her role at the Mono TC.

F Strategic Planning Committee

Our Strategic Planning Committee met several times last winter, but has not met since the tennis season began in late April. We intend to resume meeting next month. In addition to refining the club's mission, vision and values, the committee will review and update our bylaws, and develop a long-range plan to ensure the club's success over the next 3 to 5 years.

G Some Goals/Challenges for next year

- Create a structure (ladder?) to encourage more self-initiated singles and doubles play during times when courts are not in use.
- Increase opportunities for our juniors to play competitively with one another and with members of other clubs.
- Increase participation of our MTC members in the mid-summer +95 tournament.
- Improve organization and tidiness in clubhouse
- **Encourage more members to volunteer for committees and take on responsibility for specific roles that enhance the life of our club (Please see list of committees attached to these minutes)**

(Acceptance of Peter & Thom's report moved by Jude, seconded by Betty, and carried.)

Gary Wright Presented the Treasurer's Report

- Income for the year was **\$ 7 896**
- Expenses for the year were **\$6790.29**
- Excess of income over expenses was approximately **\$1100**
- Bank balance as of Oct 17, 2017 is **7037.13**. Including a GIC maturing in January 2018 and earning 1.68%, our financial assets currently sit at **\$ 20 532.31**.

(Acceptance of Gary's report moved by Catherine, seconded by Matthew, and carried.)

The full statement of income and expenses is attached to these minutes.

There was a warm round of applause acknowledging Gary's service as Treasurer for the past four years.

Maintenance Report (in Chris Adamson’s absence Thom Grace presented)

- Courts power-washed and mould/debris removed between courts.
- Perimeter branches cut back from courts.
- Clubhouse storage shed built and installed (Thom and Chris)
- Clubhouse doors were painted and aluminum flashing now caps the doors’ exteriors
- Club locks security codes updated (Thom)
- Ball machine ball hamper fixed/cleaned early in the season

For future improvements, Chris suggests:

- 1 We find an alternative for increasing shade on the clubhouse deck. One possibility a louvered shade made from the existing structure instead of the screen panels. Or a retractable awning (\$\$)
- 2 Getting new umbrellas and support stands would be a nice feature for court

Election of Executive 2017-2018

Thom and Peter put forward the following slate of nominees and asked for further nominations or volunteers from the floor. None were forthcoming.

President Peter Gibson
Vice-President Patti Powell
Past President Thom Grace
Treasurer Jude Frigon
Secretary _____

This slate of nominees was acclaimed unanimously and will serve for the 2018 season. We are still looking for a Secretary, and any member of the MTC reading these minutes who wishes to volunteer for the position is invited to contact a member of the Executive.

New Business

1 Betty Scott was recognized for her 40+ years as a member of the Mono Tennis Club, for her many contributions to club programs and club organization. Betty was acclaimed as an Honourary Life Member of the Mono Tennis Club. A plaque bearing the names of Carol Hall and Betty Scott as Honourary Life Members will be erected in the clubhouse next season.

2 Motion (Peter/Matthew) to allocate \$2500 to junior development in the 2018 season passed unanimously.

3 Motion (Peter/Jude) to raise junior fees from \$25 to \$35 passed unanimously. Agreement that junior development should become at least partly self-sustaining.

Minutes prepared by Peter Gibson

The following committees have been established. Members are encouraged to think about volunteering to take on a role where they wish to make a contribution to our club in 2018.

Maintenance Committee (Chair: Chris Adamson)

- 1
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Strategic Planning (Chair: Lynne Brophy)

- 1 Peter Gibson
- 2 Thom Grace
- 3 Patti Powell
- 4

Junior Development (Chair: Peter Gibson)

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Website/Marketing (Chair: _____)

- 1 Rhoda Gryfe
- 2
- 3
- 4

Social Events/Tournaments (Chair: _____)

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Interclub teams. We expect to have 3 interclub teams in 2018. Please indicate to our Vice-President Patti Powell if you are willing to captain or co-captain one of the following next season:

A Team

B Team

Freedom 55 Team: Thom Grace & Lynne Brophy