

OTTAWA AND DISTRICT SQUASH ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD SEPTEMBER 03, 2013 AT 7:15 P.M. at
The RA Centre Ottawa
2451 Riverside Dr, Ottawa, ON

Present:

Name / ODSA Position / Home Club

Mikola Czich / President / NDHQ-RA-CASC
Steve Gobel / Treasurer / RA
Lars Roberts / Secretary / Cascades
Denis Theriault / ODSA CUP Coordinator / Sporthèque
Norm Brie / none / OAC
Christian Yeon / club rep / Orleans
Patrick Lyons / club rep / Carleton-RA
John Larabie / club rep / Barrhaven
Andre Paquet / club rep / Nepean
Trevor Scurlock / club rep / NDHQ
Steve Wren / club rep / Sporthèque
Ian Woodhead / club rep / OAC
Lesley Kelly / Women's League Coordinator / RA
Alexandre Cantin / club rep / Sporthèque

Roll Call

The President called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM and voting delegates were identified. The President declared the meeting open with quorum.

Agenda

The agenda was accepted as drafted. No additional items for agenda,

President's Comments

The President opened the meeting with some short comments on the state of Squash in the National Capital Region. General sense is that it's in good shape. The President noted that over the summer the ODSA has procured independent insurance coverage for coordinators of all ODSA related events. Coverage is superior to previous insurance provided by SQ ONT and will cover anyone involved in organizational efforts for all ODSA activities. This includes (but is not limited to) ODSA board members activity, ODSA Cup organization, City league organization, Women's League organization, and the organization of ODSA Junior activities and tournaments.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer provided an overview of the state of the ODSA account. He reported that the ODSA continues to be in sound financial health, with a standard of 6 months operating costs available if needed. Treasurer did note that the advertising aspect of our website has yet to yield much income and could be an area worth exploring.

Action: Patrick Lyons to investigate possible funding sources.

PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Open City League

The following comments and discussion were made WRT Open City League for the upcoming season:

- Team declarations have be called for submission due date; end September.
- ODSA will continue to use PAR 15 for City league. (except for Div.1)
- There was potential for a Division 7 again this year. Manually run by Mikola.
- Running of The Open CL would remain a two man effort. Mikola Czich would remain the lead coordinator and Brian Eldridge would continue his roll as the ODSA Open City League Scheduler.
- 36 teams continues to be the magic number.
- 1 up 1 down system to continue. First session included.
- \$150 per team league fee
- Start date; October 16th

Women's City League

Lesley Kelly reported that the Women's League will be using a Box System, 25-30 players expected to participate. 5 week sessions. Majority of players are from the RA. Courts are available on Thursday evenings at various clubs.

ODSA CUP

Denis Theriault offered to run the ODSA Cup again for the upcoming season. He was thanked by the board for his last year's efforts. He expects to run the tournament from January-April. Some comments included:

- Payment was an not a major issue.
- Sporthèque to offer a payment option via their website.
- Hoping to secure 70 people for the draw.
- \$10 per player continues to be the tourney fee.
- Juniors were not well-represented in past but they are welcome
- "A" players the toughest to recruit and play matches in a timely manner.

Juniors

Junior representative not available; Mikola mentioned that;

- Program continues to be fairly successful
- 4 players attended the CDN Open in BC.
- Calvin Wren finishing a very respectable 2nd in his age category.
- Junior Gold to be held at OAC/18-20th of October. Steve Wren and Ian Woodhead working hard to ensure that the event is a success.

ODSA Website

The ODSA real-time online ranking system, developed by Brian Eldridge, is running smoothly. Juniors are also included in real-time updates (ages not visible). Filters provide easy access to pertinent information. Nicolas Grenapin will continue on as web-master. It was agreed that advertising on the site for 1 year would cost \$100.

Officiating:

Norman Brie has offered to be the Officiating rep. There will be an attempt to slot in an officiating clinic before the start of the 2013 city league season. It was noted that the higher levels within city league prefer not to have referees while the lower levels are more consistently using referees.

2013-2014 ODSA Executive

The proposed slate for the ODSA Executive Committee was presented to those attending the AGM as per the table below:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name / Club</u>
President	Mikola Czich / NDHQ-RA-Cascades
Treasurer	Steve Gobel / RA
Secretary	Lars Roberts / Cascades
Open City League / Coordinator	Mikola Czich / NDHQ-RA-Cascades
Open City League / Scheduler	Brian Eldridge / RA
Junior Coordinator	Jay Giachino / OAC
Women's City League	Leslie Kelly / RA
Officiating Co-ordinator	Norman Brie / OAC
Web Master	Nicolas Grenapin / RA
ODSA Cup	Denis Theriault / Sporthèque
Rankings Co-ordinator	Brian Eldridge / RA
Tournament Co-ordinator	Mikola Czich / NDHQ-RA-Cascades
Public Relations Coordinator	empty
Member at Large	none

The above slate, to serve as the 2013-2014 ODSA Executive Committee, was unanimously supported by the AGM attendees.

Near Term Tournament Schedule

The following tournaments were mentioned as in the near term horizon:

- Rust Remover 4-6 October 2013
- Goodlife QV PSA + Amateur Open 7-10 November 2013

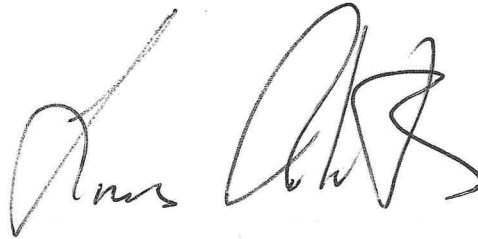
OTHER BUSINESS

- Battle of the sexes: Top ranking CDN female Sam Cornett to face off against RA phenom Rob Walsh and Craig Piercy to face Alina D'asti. Proposed date: 26 Oct cost and details to follow.
- 2013-2014 tentative tourney schedule provided
- Rust Remover tourney to be hosted at Carleton University
- Ottawa Sq ONT Gold tourney 18-20 Oct 2013, organization in progress. With many juniors in the ODSA region graduating out of junior, there is some concern over finding players at level.

Meeting Adjournment

There were no additional items of business. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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Drafted By: Lars Roberts/ ODSA Secretary

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Reviewed By: Mikola Czich / ODSA President