

2022 Annual General Meeting - June 13, 2022
Righand Distillery, 7:30 PM



Board Members present: J.Cole, T.Williams, C.Boyle, Je.Boyle, G.Williams, G.Lammie, G. Mallis, C. Price,

Board Members absent: P.Bettio, D.Leier

League Members present: B.Little, M. Mochon, C.Ferguson, B.Zaporosky, K.Meyers, J.Beebe

1. Call to Order

7:08 PM

2. Adopt Agenda

- a. Amendments?
- b. Adopt agenda with amendments as presented?
 - i. Motion accepted 1st - Curtis F & 2nd - Marc M

3. Approve minutes of last AGM (June 3, 2021)

- a. Motion accepted 1st - Curt B & 2nd Tim W

4. Communication

- a. Thank you to Boyds xXavating; DJI Oilfield Hauling; Alice Embroidery; Coldwell Banker; Kosmos; Rig Hand Distillery; Leduc Chrysler; The Pet Hospital for sponsoring jerseys and equipment
- b. Thank you to OCS Global who sponsored pucks last year
- c. Thank you to The Hobby Spot & Quarantined Case Breaks who sponsored individual water bottles last year.
- d. Thank you to Federated Insurance for sponsoring of the website.
- e. Thank you to Righand Distillery for hosting this AGM

5. Business arising from the minutes

- a. N/A

6. Presidents Report

- a. Last year was a continuation of covid challenges in the early part of the season and well into February. Challenging decision was put forward to the league in order to continue to play. We were able to get through a complete 29 game season that ended with restrictions lifted and a full finals Saturday and banquet/dance.
- b. The Executive and Team Directors worked very well together, helping navigate the league through restrictions programs, protocol changes and any other challenges that came the leagues way. It was never black or white, and I thank all of them for their input throughout the season. Round of applause to all of the Executive members and team directors! Thank you.
- c. This was the first full season with 8 teams, no cohorts and the planned reduced roster to 14 players per team. From most accounts, this seemed to be a better solution than a 5th defman or 10th forward and as such did

increase the spare count by about 8 per week. Gamebreaker player identification had very mixed reviews and will be brought up later in the Agenda.

- d. This AGM kicks off our 50th season as a league. That is a milestone that is something we all should be proud of. The continued work of the board and the members to keep this a fun place to play is a testament to the boards and members that came before all of us the prior 49 seasons! Lets keep the think tank going this year to make this a very special season for all the members and alumni too!

7. 2021/22 Treasurer's Report

- a. Financial statement of accounts
 - i. Budget Highlights
 1. 22-23 fees up \$15, projected \$20/year after for next 2yrs
 2. Ref fees up \$5/gm this year, next year and year after
 3. Timekeepers projected increase next year and year after also \$5 each year
 4. Changing to the Mesh socks vs Knit for all teams
 5. Projected Team sponsor increase \$100 next year, \$100 year after.
 6. Projected 2% ice increase next two seasons (0 this season)
 7. Banquet increase 10% projected next year AND year after
 8. Overall league health is excellent. We are above the constitution minimum savings of 10% of
 9. Bursaries discussion 5 x \$1000
 - a. Under 25, involved in athletics, community volunteer, local business employee, kid of old blades member in good standing.
 - b. Proposed budget and fees - proposed \$615 player fee
 - c. Added \$5000.00 Bursary Scholarship
 - i. Vote of approved budget and fees required
Motion to approve player fee and added Bursary - Accepted
1st - Curtis F & 2nd - Kelly M

8. Team Directors Report

- a. Feedback from the Team Directors

9. Election/Appointment of officers to the Executive - No Changes this non election year.

- a. President: Jay Cole
- b. President Elect & Vice President: Curtis Boyle
- c. Past President: Greg Williams
- d. Director of Player Safety: Gus Mallis
- e. Treasurer: Jeff Boyle
- f. Secretary: Greg Lammie
- g. Registrar: Tim Williams
- h. Ambassador: Craig Price

10. Appointment of Coordinator Roles - No Changes this non election year.

- a. Special Events/50th Year Coordinator: Paul Bettio
- b. Ref Liaison : Dave Leier
- c. Equipment Coordinator: Ryan Laczo
- d. Sponsorship Coordinators: Marc Mochon & Barry Little

- e. Team Directors:
 - i. Matt Poulin & Drew Link
 - ii. Cory Becker & Eric Nosyk
 - iii. Barry Little & Paul Frith
 - iv. Rick Lemay & Darrin Gollop
 - v. Derek Olson & Matt Butler
 - vi. Riley Meikeljohn & Kelly Parks
 - vii. Cam Ross & Brendan Zaporosky
 - viii. Cody Denys & Curtis Ferguson

11. Officials & rules

a. Spares

- i. It was brought up to rate Goalie spares. Goalies traditionally are not rated and any goalie can substitute for any goalie. Goalies spare count is typically low. Thoughts>

1. NO motion to make changes was suggested here. Leave goalie spares as is

b. Rule Change Suggestions

- i. Penalty count on a delayed penalty where the non-offending team scores on delayed call? Suggestion brought forward that the penalty still counts towards that players penalty count, but since non-offending team scores, would not result in a penalty.

Motion Accepted

1st - Greg W & 2nd - Paul F

***So new rule is: On a delayed penalty where the non-offending team scores, the referee will still report and record that players penalty, however it will not result in a powerplay since the non-offending team scored**

12. Other Business

a. Summer hockey- Now in full swing (wednesdays, Until Aug 3rd Finals)

- i. mini 4 team summer season
- ii. 4 team draft was held May 4th @ Kosmos Lounge
- iii. Full Rosters - 14 skaters/1goalie per team,
- iv. 13 games, refs/timekeepers,
- v. \$250/plyr
- vi. August 6th pizza wind up at Kosmos

vii. Jay looking for a volunteer to overtake this in 2023!

b. Summer Drop In Ice also booked for those that could not commit to full time Summer hockey.

- i. Tuesdays June 7, 14, 21 & July 5, 19, 26
- ii. 8:30pm Chemco (Except July 19 is 9pm Chemco)
- iii. 90 minute sticks in the middle games of shinny
- iv. \$20/player paid day of skate.

v. Jay is looking for a volunteer to oversee these and collect cash

c. Preseason ice booked.

- i. Sunday Aug 7 @ 7:30pm Wilhauk
- ii. Sunday Aug 14 @ 7:00pm Wilhauk
- iii. Sunday Aug 14 @ 7:30pm Chemco
- iv. Sunday Aug 21 @ 7:00pm Chemco
- v. Sunday Aug 21 @ 7:30pm Wilhauk
- vi. Likely will be a registration or assignment to divide up members and rookies evenly on these ice times.
- vii. They will be drop in as well, \$20/player cash on game days
- viii. Jay looking for volunteers to take over pre season ice arrangement in 2023!

- d. Reg Season ice request in, will not have official contract till mid to late July
 - i. Planning for a normal season again, including Socials (5)
 - ii. Social nights, we have asked for 1 hour ice before each 1st game for alumni or spares to skate, extra ice.
 - iii. Early start is necessary again due to Christmas & New Years day being Sundays this year. We will also need to play a Friday somewhere there as well (Fri Dec 30 requested at this time)
 - iv. Draft Friday August 26, 2022 - @ LA Crude Rugby Hall
 - v. Regular Season starts Sunday August 28, 2022
 - vi. Finals Saturday, March 18, 2023
- e. 2022-23 Return to Usual Plan 2.0
 - i. It is our plan that this upcoming season will be a usual regular season.
 - ii. However, as we have seen in the past year, anything can happen
 - iii. The league will base all decisions on roster sizes and game play based on Alberta Health Services and the City of Leduc guidelines.
 - iv. Rosters will remain at 112 regular players + a spare list
 - 1. Spares - with going to 13 skaters rosters, you must get a spare for any missing player and run a full 13 skater roster.
 - a) Reminder - If you are down a skater and don't have a spare, you start the 1st period with a 3 minute penalty, if its a "C" player, you also start the 2nd period with a 3 minute penalty. Aim is to discourage not getting a spare. Emergency situations may come up and have to be addressed, repeat offenders might need supplemental discipline.
 - v. Each team plays 7 games per round, each team 1x per round, 3 rounds of regular season play, 4th playoff round play everyone again to determine finals
 - Games are (2) 35min run-time halves, with a 5 minute warmup and 15 minute halftime/flood in between halves and each game.
 - Socials/Alumni Events
 - 5 Socials this year, each of them will have a 1 hour skate ahead of the games for any Alumni or current members to play some shinny or just skate around. Likely 6pm-7pm.
 - Sept 4, Oct 9, Nov 6, Dec 18, Feb 19.
 - As per usual, determination of who gets in may be based on years of membership, prior attendance records, Leduc citizens, prior behaviour, volunteer history etc. Tough decisions had to be made last year, and as well we had regular players that took the year off for their own covid reasons and we said that no player will lose their current membership status when restrictions are fully lifted for future seasons.
- f. The draft process will again imply these changes that we trialled 2 years ago:
 - This year the draft will consist of 13 rounds. There will be no specific rounds for Goalies, Defensemen, and Forwards. Your Goalie must be picked by Round 13, and the 14th round is hat pick.
 - Reps will be placed in a specific round of drafting like years past. These will be set and shared with the reps prior to draft and upon finalising our registration numbers.
 - **2021 CHANGES to Draft recap for 2022:** We are going to dramatize and change the way the reps order of drafting is picked using an online draft lottery randomizer website. This random site will get the 8

pairs of reps entered and shown on screen. It randomises the order and then, we will reveal the 8th pick of the draft, then 7th, 6th, 5th, 4th, 3rd and then 1st and 2nd using the <https://www.fantasydraftlottery.com/> website random algorithm. Adds some excitement, dramatic music and changes up the stale drawing of cards only system). Will be a fun way to reveal online and on a projector large screen.

- The entire draft will start with pick 1 and snake through all 13 rounds of the draft. Goalies can now also be picked in any of the first 13 rounds of the draft, 1 goalie per team of course. This allows a team that maybe winds up with a perceived weaker goalie, to instead build their skaters first before selecting that 8th goalie.
- Game Breakers - One major change 2 seasons ago was to initiate 8 players as "Gamebreakers" and they had to be chosen in first two rounds. This has had a bit of an adverse effect and it has been suggested that we eliminate this feature of the draft. Let the reps decide their roster and those top players will fall into high slots anyways. **Discuss, then motion to delete Gamebreaker clause**

Motion to delete Gambreaker - Accepted

1st - Marc M & 2nd - Curtis F

****Gamebreaker Clause was removed for 2022-23 season**

- The rest of the draft roster will also include player suggested ratings of A, B, or C to assist reps who are less familiar with some players. These ratings will serve no other purpose as there are no designated A, B, or C rounds.
- Reps will be drafted in the round set by the executive. The rest of the draft eligible players, of any rating, can be drafted in any round.
- To accommodate no Defenseman or Forward rounds, part of the registration process will include the following options for players to select: Prefer Def Only, Prefer Fwd Only, Play Fwd or Def but prefer Fwd, Play Fwd or Def but prefer Def. This will help reps in forming their teams.
- When the draft gets to the last 8 skaters (Round 14), all names will be put into a hat, with reps drawing a name, who will be their final pick. This eliminates someone being the last pick of the draft.

13. New Business

- a. In Camera discussion
- b. SportSEngine new website/hosting, stats, mobile app
 - i. Season 2 of SportSEngine is in full swing
 - ii. Some lessons learned last year on game sheets, spare transfers and such, it should be a better experience overall.
 - iii. Online registration (3% plus \$1 fee to the player), so \$19.45 on \$615 fees, this credit card fee is payable by registrant and is on top of the **\$615 league fees (\$634.45 total)**
 - iv. Option still there to pay cash offline for those that have no credit card or would rather not pay by credit card - Enter discount code OFFLINE and arrange cheque, cash or Etransfer payment to the league ASAP
 - v. Offline payers still need to fill out registration online.

- vi. Opens up some new sponsorship opportunities (Registration, emails...) which are still under full league control and 100% funds to the league. Contact Marc or Barry for more information
- c. Golf Tournament 2022
 - i. Saturday June 18 @ Trickle Creek
 - ii. Curt, Jeff, Cory, Barry
- d. Committee for 50th Anniversary season
 - i. 2023-2024 season
 - 1. Paul is going to begin taking notes of ideas, costs, for things we may want to do for 2 seasons from now.
 - ii. 50th Season patch being added to the 8 team sets of jerseys
 - iii. Full 50th season merchandise store to be up and running this summer via Alice Embroidery!



14. Date of Next Meeting

- a. Next AGM - June 2023 (TBD)
- b. Registration opens July 2, 2022
- c. Registration closes Aug 15, 2022 (or once full)
- d. ****EXEC ONLY**** 2022 Draft ratings review meeting - Tuesday August 23, 2022 @ Location TBD
- e. ****EXEC, CURRENT REPS, & INTERESTED PAST REPS ONLY**** - Wednesday August 24, 2022 @ Location TBD - Rep Orientation. Invite all new reps and anyone that has repped before. Discuss any strategies that worked, things that maybe didn't work well, etc...Optional.
- f. Spare Ratings? Another Try
- g. Old Jersey - Give away at Season End?
- h. 2022 Draft - Friday August 26, 2022 @ LA Crude Rugby Hall
- i. Draft night 50/50 again
- j. Week one starts Sunday August 28, 2021 (Sunday)
- k. First Rep meeting, mid to late September - Format, date/time TBD

15. Adjournment: - 9:08 PM Adjourned