

Metro Pool League
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Fairview Legion, Halifax
August 28, 2025

Attendance – All teams in attendance except Doolys Bedford B and Doolys Portland A.

Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 7:35pm by President Dale Brimicombe.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Minutes - Minutes of the previous meeting of Mar.20/25 were read and approved.

2. P.R. – The Billiard Shop has closed so no future sponsorship from them. Their logo will be removed from web site and score pads.

3. Stats – No report.

4. Treasurer's Report – Craig Teal tabled the end-of-year financial statement for the 2024-25 season. After some light discussion, the report was generally accepted as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Executive – This being the second year of two-year terms for the executive, no elections are necessary for this year.

6. Start Date – League play starts Monday, September 22nd.

7. Teams – All 21 teams from last year are returning. Two new team applied for inclusion – a second team playing out of Doolys Kempt and another full ladies team playing out of Doolys Portland. After discussion was held among the existing teams, motion Stu Lawrie, second Lawrence Borden, to accept both teams. Carried. The league will have 23 teams for the coming season. The two former Buddys teams currently playing out of Doolys Sackville will be moving to Supercue as renovations are underway at that club to add four more tables to accommodate the move. It was also noted that Vimy Legion, who experienced problems with closure last year, will remain open until at least May 2026.

8. Schedule & Paperwork – The league schedule and all pertinent paperwork will be updated and online prior to the next league meeting, at which time hard copies will be given out to the teams.

9. Memorial Tournament - Event was held on Aug.23rd at Doolys Burnside with 58 players (29 teams) attending. 1st – Daniel White + Eric Bonneau, 2nd – Lynne Palmer + Brian Bedford, 3rd – Tracey Goodyear + Glenn Nickerson. The entry fees from this event are donated to a charity of the winner's choice, in this case \$580 to the IWK Children's Hospital.

10. Web Site – The current version of the site is still functional and the new web site design is still ongoing. Kent Jennings gave a short report on the state of both.

11. 2025 Banquet – A report on the great, the good, the bad and the ugly from last season's banquet at the Sportsplex was given. The catering was great, the venue itself was good, climbing the stairs to the washrooms was bad, and the bar running out of booze before the meal was even over was uuuuuuugly. All in all, with the cost of hosting the event there and their apparent lack of preparation, it was not a great experience. Other options will be explored for 2026.

12. 2026 Banquet – Contact has been made with the Forum to host our event next year. The Multi Purpose Center is still under contract with HRM as a designated homeless shelter and so is unavailable. The repairs to the Civic Arena have been completed so the Forum itself will be available once the ice comes out the first week of June. We have been given a block of dates in June to choose from once that happens and the league executive will be in touch with the Forum during the season to nail down a date as soon as possible.

13. Recent Passings – Ed Belliveau, Kevin Grimm and Dickie Harper all passed away in recent months.

14. Memorial Page – The page has been updated and expanded and is now available on the web site.

15. Next Meeting - The next league meeting will be held Thursday, September 18th, 730pm at Fairview Legion.

16. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Paul Gunn. Meeting adjourned 8:20pm.

Dale Brimicombe
Secretary, M.P.L.