

KELOWNA BADMINTON CLUB

Executive Meeting – Wednesday, 2025 October 29th

Present: Donna Campbell, Sona Daneshvar, Randy Belanger, Martin Weilmeier, Shen Wei Lai, Nathan Tang, Sida Zeng, Lyndsay Thomson, Andy Galloway, Harpreet Sidhu & Clayton Miller

Regrets: Anubhav Gupta, Ana Bohmann

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm

Agenda - *Motion to approve moved by Lyndsay, 2nd by Sona - approved.

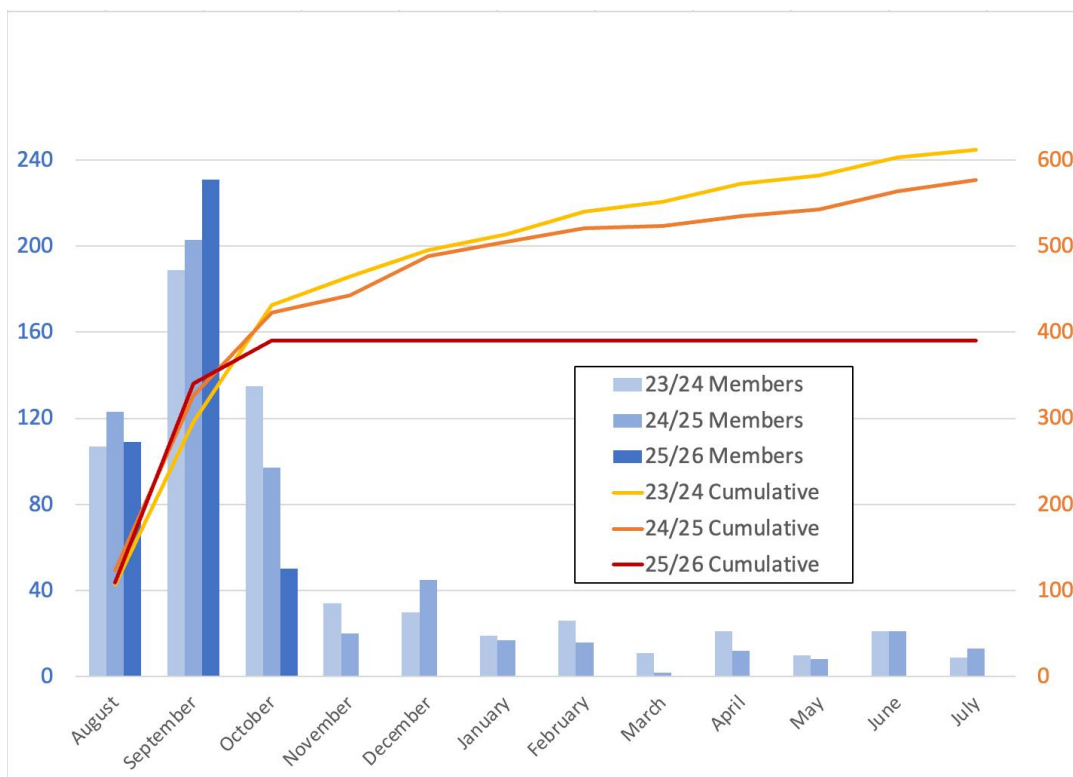
Minutes of the Sept. meeting: *Motion to approve moved by Lyndsay 2nd by Clayton - approved.

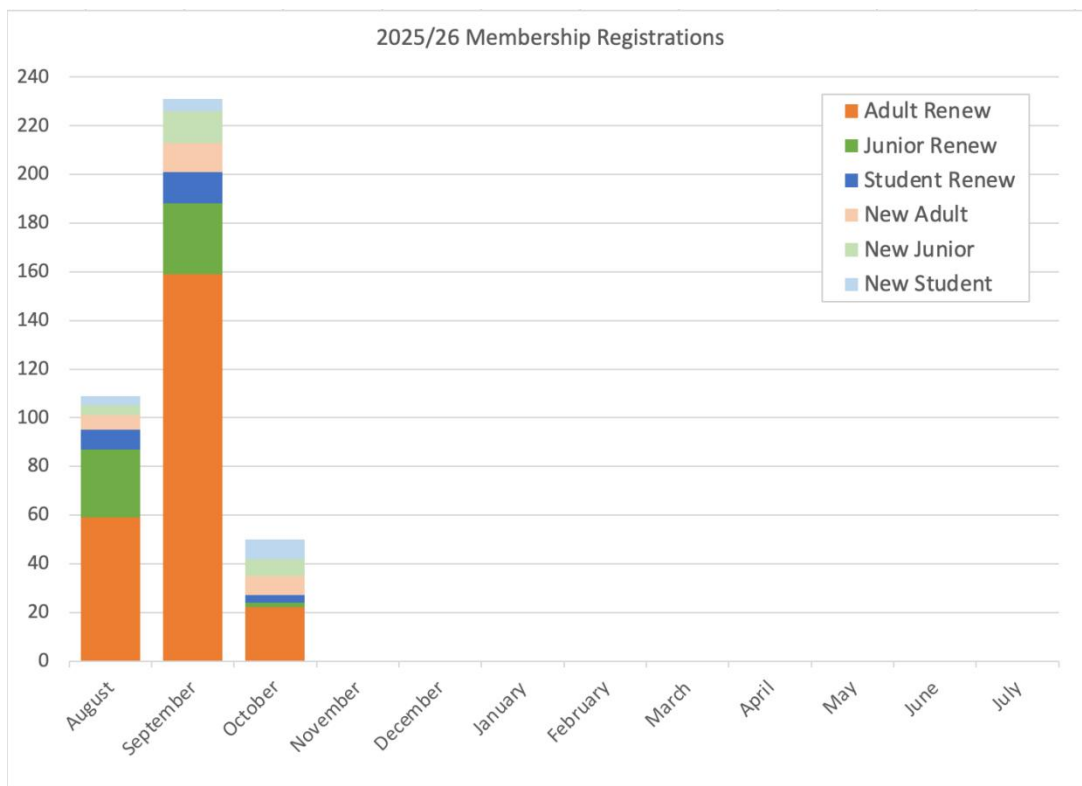
Membership - Sida & Martin

Here are the membership registrations for 2025/26 to this point:

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| Adult: | 240 Renew | 26 New | 166 Total |
| Student: | 24 Renew | 17 New | 41 Total |
| Junior: | 59 Renew | 24 New | 83 Total |
| All: | 323 Renew | 67 New | 390 Total |

Total membership is down about 8% compared to this time last year. Renewals are 83% of all memberships so far, which is a bit higher than last year. It looks like we have been successful in getting more members to renew before the end of the grace period.





Sida reports the usual sign up problems but is grateful for Nathan’s input in contacting any difficult cases.

Tournaments - Shen

Kelowna Open - Nov. 21 to 23, 2025

- Registration limited to 60 players
- Nathan & Anubhav plan to learn software
- Food - Harp will organize
- Donors to be sought
- Shuttles - Shen to provide
- Registration desk - possible people to be contacted.
- Kelowna Open will be an opportunity to test the new system about to be installed for monitoring of draws & games.

Nationals - Lyndsay

- Mixed Doubles Clinic was a success. Thank you to everyone that participated. We raised \$600 (minus Matt's fee of \$120 and cost of 2 tubes of shuttles). Thank you to Anubhav for his help with registration.

- Bottle Drive November 16th - we need to get posters up so that we get as many people bringing bottles to KBC from 9am-12pm. If you are interested in helping with this, please let Ezreena know. Please chat this up to your respective groups!
- 50/50 tickets will be sold for the week leading up to the Kelowna Open. Sales start November 16th (at the bottle drive) and then Denise and I will be going around to the groups during the week to sell tickets. Tell your groups to bring cash that week!

- Lyndsay is headed to the VRC Masters to speak about Nationals. She will be bringing sponsorship forms with her and setting up the standard sign (with the QR codes) to try to get more people involved financially.
- The biggest challenge right now is finding sponsors and fundraising. Please speak to your friends and family to see if anyone wants to help support - this is where we need the most help right now.

Booking - Nathan

Things are going reasonably well with the usual issues of non compliance by a very few who make things more difficult. There was some discussion about booking systems available to make things easier but things to remain as is for now.

All group leaders are to monitor their players' to ensure memberships are up to date. Request confirmation if unsure.

Junior Programs - Lyndsay

- All programs running well. Still room in the Saturday groups available.
- Payroll is becoming smoother between myself and Val. Our only challenge is that Josh is subbing in to help and he needs to submit an invoice to the club to be paid as he is not an "employee". We have ironed this out.
- Zone 2 BCWG trials will be November 29th - entry is now posted.
- We had 4 of our juniors (Candace, Chase, Avery and Isaac) participate in the Hollyburn Junior B this last weekend and Digby Miller was in Saskatchewan for the Saskatoon Junior Open. Great representation for KBC!

Financials - Martin

Financial statements, made available via email, were reviewed briefly. Discussion ensued regarding amounts to keep available as we go into more significant expenditures for Nationals and this was decided upon.

Suggestions were discussed regarding possible upgrades needed to our facility & what these would cost to ensure monies are available.

Caution was expressed about limiting these costs considering the current lease negotiations underway.

The T2 forms required by CRA have now been completed & will be submitted on time. Monies to be designated to the Capital Reserve fund were agreed upon. A motion was put forward by Marton & 2nd by Clayton to designate \$100,000.00 to this fund - motion passed.

Discussion ensued regarding hiring out payroll operations. Sonja will look into SBC option again & get back to the board.

Inventory - Andy

A box of plastic shuttles arrived today & will be available to try out.

Discussion regarding how many boxes of shuttles to keep on hand in view of upcoming price increases. Board decision was to continue along this line, buy before prices set to rise.

Inventory currently well stocked.

Communications - Sona

Exploring ways to offer more programs to schools, including providing a reduction in costs to use all courts with coaches since most classes are about 30 students. This suggestion was approved. Sona will look into putting together a brochure to send to schools and added as a tab on the website. Lyndsay suggests offering to do a teaching session on a Pro D day to gym teachers. This suggestion was well received. A player involved in "Sports School" expressed interest in bringing students to KBC for a session. This will be explored in more detail.

Maintenance - Randy

Laing roof repairs - awaiting a date to get this done.

Plumbing repairs - Martin to contact City to ask if they will cover these repairs identified as necessary by our latest plumbing issue.

Power washing front of building - Randy will get quotes to wash to protect paint job.

The old building presents constant maintenance issues that keep Randy busy and our club running.

A time for a few volunteers to get the new monitors & system up & running is to be set.

*Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Next meeting scheduled for November 19th 2025, 6:30 pm.