



# **MILTON ATHLETIC CLUB**

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<b>Chairman: Pat Lucente</b>	
<b><u>2021 - 2022</u></b>	<b><u>2020 - 2021</u></b>
<b>Pat Lucente</b>	<b>Scott Beirise</b>
<b>Mike Mosher</b>	<b>Tom Flahive</b>
<b>Phil Doepel</b>	<b>Bryan Mosher</b>
	<b>Rodney Robinson</b>

**FROM THE PRESIDENT**

By Denny Puterbaugh

We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and that we are all on our way to a great and prosperous new year. The year 2020 will go down in history as one of the most difficult for your club and for that matter for all of us. Even though the year presented many problems we have much to be thankful for - "We are still here" – and plan to be for many years to come. We must though find ways to improve the utilization of the club. With all of the scary news being presented by the media our attendance at the club in November was down 54% from January. Hopefully with the vaccines that are becoming available and new treatments for the virus the confidence of our membership will return and we can get back to normal.

Your officers and board members want to thank all of you who paid your dues and maintenance fees early and those who responded to the "\$250 challenge. With these funds in hand we can more effectively plan and manage during the next several critical months. With the passage by Congress of additional relief legislation to help small businesses we should be able to apply for and hopefully receive some needed financial assistance. We want you to know that we are looking at all available sources to help us with our finances.

The impact of the covid virus and the resulting shutdowns and rules limiting the operations of businesses has put stress on all of us both physically and emotionally. Some of our members and guests have, we believe, reacted in some strange and unusual ways. We have had some incidents in the club that are not common to our operations. So in the next several months I will be providing a look at some of our club rules and regulations which will hopefully help us all make sure we are in compliance. Our club Constitution and House rules are available in our member directory that was distributed last year. Our By-laws were not included but will be made available to anyone who wishes a copy.

The rule that I want to deal with this month refers to guests. All members are allowed and encouraged to bring guests into the club. It is important to the club to let others see what a great operation we have so that we can increase our membership and enhance our revenues. But along with the benefits there are responsibilities that come with guests in the club. Any guest who enters the club is the responsibility of the member, spouse, significant other, or widow member who brought them in. When the member, etc. leaves the club the guest must also leave unless another member is willing to sponsor them. The behavior of the guest is also the responsibility of the sponsoring member and any misbehavior and potential resulting discipline will be charged against the member. The full text of the rule can be found in Article VII of the club By-laws.

We are continuing to look for new ideas for club events and activities that are compatible with the Governor's and Health Department's orders. If you have something to contribute see one of the board members, club officers, club secretary, or club manager.

Remember to continue promoting our ballroom facility with your friends and family. You can help by taking a few of the business cards and giving them to anyone who might be interested.

Thanks for supporting our club.

## **FROM THE MANAGER**

By Mark Fiske

New year and hopefully a better year. I am sure everyone can agree that last year was a horrible year, but that is all behind us now and we are going to make 2021 the best year yet. Our new board of governors is now in effect and we are starting the new year with 8 new members. I wanted to thank Tog for his many years of service on our board and hope he enjoys his MAC board retirement. Welcome to Phil Doepel our newest board member. We look forward to all of the great things the new board has in store for us. I would also like to thank all of our members that participated in our membership drive. If you can continue to bring in new members like this, we will definitely have a great 2021.

We are still struggling along as a club and hope our members will consider joining us a little more often this year. If you do not feel comfortable coming in during the evening hours, we serve a great \$5 lunch along with our regular menu. It is usually less crowded during the afternoon, but in all honesty it is not very crowded during the evening either. Our staff is still working hard to keep the club safe and sanitized for all of our members. Masks are a requirement for staff and members. We have hand sanitizer on all of the tables as well as well as by our high traffic areas. Doors, machines, and writing equipment are sprayed down several times throughout the day. We also ask our members to spray down the equipment after they finish using it. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding our sanitization process, please see a staff member. Also, don't forget we offer carryout, for lunch and dinner. We will even bring it to your car.

Please join us for lunch, dinner, or just to have a drink or two. Come for an event or come to chat with a friend. We welcome you all anytime, just come to support your club. Remember we have no club without our members. See you at the club!

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By Scott Beirise

The greeting cards have all been sent, the Christmas rush is through...Now it's 2021 and time to get our party on! We are ringing in the new year here at the Milton Club and this year is going to be packed with fun. The board and staff have all sorts of fun even. We are looking at doing some tastings (whiskey, wine, beer, etc.), a Valentine's Day celebration, fish fries, broasted pork chop dinners, ballroom dinner nights, maybe a luau this summer and a few other events. Member, Brian Hodell is planning a one night shuffleboard tournament, check the table tents and club fliers for more information to come. If this event is successful he is looking to expand to future events. For these events, we always need volunteers and participants. We encourage you all to come and enjoy the club. As always, Bar Trivia and Bar Bingo will continue as scheduled and as well as the steak and band nights and membership meetings. Hope to see you there.

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By Pat Lucente

The last board meeting of 2020 was held on December 14th and it was a marathon of a meeting, two hours and forty five minutes. Now, some might think of that as a lot of time spent and very little to show for it. Granted, some meetings last longer than others and some are more productive than others. I'll be the first to admit that. I'm not immune to long winded discussions. The board uses this time to discuss many behind the scenes issues that our club faces everyday. We continue to search for ideas that continue to make your club a place for everyone to enjoy. As we all try to weather the storm of the COVID pandemic, we're confident that there's light at the end of the tunnel.

In the near future we will be seeing more of the population getting the COVID vaccine and hopefully this will trigger the masses to come out of hibernation and use the club to its fullest potential. We have numerous events planned throughout the year. Our goal is to have something at the club every night of the week, COVID or not. If you have suggestions, let us know, we will entertain constructive ideas.

By now, we will have had our yearly elections for the open seats to complete our Board of Governors. A big thank you to our retiring board member, Jim Togliatti. With the new board you will notice one new face, Phil Doepel. Change and turn over on the Board is a good thing. The 2021 board looks forward to working with you throughout the new year. Good riddance to 2020. Have a safe and happy 2021. See you at the club!

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By Mark Scott

Mark Scott will have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for anyone interested in playing cornhole on Tuesdays or Wednesdays starting in January 2021. The sign-up sheet will be to see if there is enough interest to add to the existing league that already meets Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If enough people show interest we will start a double league.

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By Brian Hodell

Brian Hodell is interested in starting up a Shuffleboard league. If you are interested in starting a team or playing on one, please sign up below. Most likely the league will be on Monday nights. We would like to see how many would be interested before this league is formed. You may contact Brian Hodell if you have any questions.

## **LADIES' CLUB NEWS**

By Jessica Beirise

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Children's Christmas Party this year. Although things were a little different this year and the party was smaller, we still had a very successful party. I hope the children and families enjoyed it as much as we did. I want to extend a special thank you to Connie Puterbaugh, Nancy August, Janelle Doepel, Linda Allen, Jackie Leonard, Janet Sebastian, Olivia Beirise, Aubrey Beirise, and Abby Compeau, Tom Flahive, Phil Doepel, Scott Beirise, Denny Puterbaugh, Mike Mosher, Scott, Davis and Mark and Jodie Fiske. Thank you all for volunteering and working so hard to make this event a success. This would never be able to happen without all of your hard work and dedication. I cannot express my gratitude enough. We were able to make the end of a miserable year a little brighter for some wonderful children. Thank you all again. If you had your picture taken with Santa, please check the sign-in table by the front door.

With that being said, before we know it Easter will be upon us and we will be doing this all over again. I hope I can convince everyone to volunteer and participate again. To all of our new members and their families, we hope to see you there as well and please feel free to join our Ladies' Club meeting on Sunday, January 17th at 2:30. We will be brainstorming for fundraiser ideas for the Easter party. Thank you all again and hope to see you soon.

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

**Larry Cruca sponsored by Mark Fiske**  
**Steve Friel sponsored by Tom Flahive**  
**Curt Hathaway sponsored by Roy Sunday**  
**Patrick Henry sponsored by Scott Buffenbarger**  
**Bill Mahle sponsored by Mark Fiske**  
**Timothy Rapp sponsored by Gary Shifflett**  
**Luke Scott sponsored by Mark Scott**  
**James Williams sponsored by Tom Flahive**

Please consider introducing new friends and family members. The club needs new members to continue to grow and be here for future generations.

## **JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

By Scott Beirise

The January General Membership Meeting will be held on Sunday, the 17th at 2:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to meet other members and find out what is going on in your club. All life, regular and temporary members are invited to attend. Have an idea for the club? This is an opportunity to address the board and membership with your thoughts and suggestions.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Member, Ralph Gutman passed on 12/5/2020  
Ellen Nelson, wife of member Gerald Nelson, passed 12/4/2020  
Suzanne Richardson, wife of member Gerry Richardson, passed 12/5/2020

## **COMING IN FEBRUARY**

18 Valentine's Day Celebration  
Fish fry TBA  
Hot Wheels Race TBA  
Broasted Pork Chop Dinner TBA

