



## Treasurers Report – 2018 Season

The 2018 season has come to an end. This year had a number of successes financially, unfortunately, it also contained some challenges from an operations perspective. The on floor product, like last year, went as we had hoped. The challenges came as a result of changing our operating procedures and at season end we are still trying to work out the bugs. The positive however is a strong financial position with some comfort that our reserves will take us into the future.

The year started with the league in a great financial position, despite the economic setback in fiscal 2017, and soon improved as we collected the funds from our second casino. These funds gave us the surplus working capital needed to pay for the things that are required to run the league in a timely manner.

Like last year, 2018 saw an expansion of the RMLL with the addition of a number of new teams including another team in Saskatchewan. We also had a good showing nationally with the St. Albert Miners managing a 3peat for gold at the Presidents Cup and the Calgary Shamrocks earning bronze at the Founders Cup. For a number of years now we have conducted successful advanced coaching clinics and 2018 was no different. This year also saw us experiment with a new refereeing model which saw a number of games utilize a 3 man format. These were only test cases and we will take a look at what we learned and will make recommendations at our AGM with respect to how we could use that going forward.

With respect to our Casino licence we are on track to have our third in the second quarter of fiscal 2019. This one will be held in Calgary and we will be reaching out to our members to solicit volunteers when we are provided with more details in November of this year. As in years past we will look to use the funds collected from this casino to improve the services we provide for the membership and to introduce new services such as more player/coaching and referee clinics. If you have initiatives you feel you would like to see please reach out to your commissioner with your ideas.

As in years past I conclude with my thanks to all the volunteers of our members for your boundless energy and love of our sport. I repeat often that the strength of any amateur organization is the quality and dedication of its volunteers and the members of the RMLL have both in spades. Also, I would again like to give special thanks to Chris and the rest of the Board of Directors for their efforts and I'll see you all in November.

Earl Caron,

Treasurer