



# MANITOBA MAJOR SOCCER LEAGUE

## Executive Director's Report – 2026 AGM

This past year presented a number of challenges for the league, but overall, it was a successful and positive season for the Manitoba Major Soccer League.

One of the highlights of the year was the successful launch of Full Field indoor competition, which was well received by clubs and resulted in an increase in the number of indoor teams participating. This was an important step forward for the league and demonstrates the continued demand for high-quality competition throughout the year.

The 2025 outdoor season also saw an increase in the number of teams participating. However, it was one of the more complicated seasons from a scheduling standpoint. We faced a number of disruptions including multiple wildfire smoke days, weather-related rainouts, and additional scheduling interruptions such as the MSA Cup competition and the unfortunate arson incident at one of the facilities used by us. Despite these challenges, the league was able to navigate the schedule effectively and complete the season within the allocated timeframe.

A great deal of credit for this goes to Tony Frias, who worked diligently to keep schedules updated and communicated in a timely manner throughout the season. His efforts ensured that teams were able to continue competing despite the many obstacles.

During the season we also had to address several disciplinary matters, including situations involving teams using ineligible players. These matters were taken seriously, and in some cases, teams had to be removed from competition to preserve the integrity of the league. While these situations are never ideal, enforcing league rules remains critical to maintaining fair competition for all participating clubs.

I would also like to recognize the contributions of our summer students, Terence and Colin, whose work throughout the outdoor season helped keep league operations running smoothly. Along with Tony's administrative support, their efforts were instrumental in ensuring the successful completion of the season.

Looking ahead, we expect the upcoming year to present even greater scheduling challenges. The introduction of League1 Prairies, along with the continued unpredictability of weather and wildfire seasons, will add further complexity to the scheduling process. Coupled with these issues is the World Cup, to be held at venues in north America in less than 100 days, which will add challenges to scheduling and the summer window.

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Finally, registration for the 2026 outdoor season is out and already open. We strongly encourage all teams to register as soon as possible. Early registrations help the league gain a clearer understanding of participation levels and allow us to begin planning schedules more effectively.

On behalf of the league administration, thank you to all clubs, players, officials, and volunteers for their continued support of the MMSL. We look forward to another successful season ahead.

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