

BINGO REPORT

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Triathlon Manitoba participates in the bingos allocated by Sport Manitoba and the Manitoba Lotteries Corporation (MLC). Member clubs and Tri MB programs use the revenue received from volunteering at bingos to fund various programs. The bingo year is a 12-month period from April 1st to March 31st. The quarterly periods as defined by the MLC are: April – June, July – September, October – December, and January – March.

Bingos are allotted to the various triathlon clubs in proportion to the member base of each club. The MLC requires 7 volunteers at each bingo and for each spot clubs receive support of \$65. In order to be allocated spots clubs must submit a Bingo Application form yearly. Over the past year one club, Tribalistic, chose not to participate in bingos and one club, Tri-Factor, was a new participant in volunteering at bingos.

Challenges in the past year have been lack of communication on the part of some club bingo co-ordinators in failing to provide volunteer lists on time, difficulty in filling all the allocated spots, and poor attendance at bingos mostly during the summer season. Overall things ran smoothly and we were always able to fill the 7 spots at every bingo.

The bingo program continues to be a good source of extra revenue for both Tri MB and the participating clubs.