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Andrea Barnes, Chair of the Adult Leagues Committee (the "Committee"), called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and roll call was conducted. The meeting was held by Google Meet video conference.

**Committee Members Present:** Andrea Barnes (chair), Marilyn Morrell-Kristal, Tuesdai Powers, Paul Startz

**USTA NorCal Staff Present:** Michelle Wilson (Sr. Manager, Adult Competition)

- 1. Approval of June 2, 2025 Minutes.** The Committee considered for approval the draft minutes of the meeting held on June 2, 2025.

The following motion was then **APPROVED** by a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention (Startz)

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of Adult Leagues Committee meeting held June 2, 2025 be approved as presented.

- 2. 2026 Adult Leagues Calendar.** The proposed draft of the 2026 Adult Leagues Calendar (the "Calendar") was presented to the Committee for review. During the discussion of the Calendar, some members had concerns about playing the first week of playoffs during the Easter weekend. Others mentioned that the whole three weeks around Easter is tough due to schools having different springs break. Staff explained that when preparing this calendar, overlaps, facility load, national and sectional tournaments and holidays we considered, including Easter weekend; however, a way could not be found to schedule around Easter due to how impacted the schedule is. Additionally, if Adult 40 playoffs were moved out a week, the third week of Adult 40 playoffs would overlap with the Mixed 18 Sectionals.

Another member was concerned about splitting up Sectionals for daytime leagues and traditional leagues and moving Sectionals for daytime leagues to the weekdays. It was explained that there have been concerns about having Sectionals be at the same time for daytime and traditional leagues as it is hard for players to play for both their daytime team and traditional team when Sectionals is held at the same time for both leagues. It was also mentioned that having the two Sectionals as one event could be hindering the growth of the daytime league as players who advance may not be able to play in both leagues.

After discussion, the following motion was **APPROVED** by a vote of 3 in favor, 1 opposed, and 0 abstentions:

**RESOLVED:** That the 2026 Adult League Calendar be approved as set forth on Exhibit A.

**Rationale:** The 2026 Adult League Calendar is similar to the 2025 Adult League Calendar. When preparing the calendar, overlaps, facility load, national and sectional tournaments and holidays were considered.

Changes of note are:

- Daytime and Traditional Sectionals is Split up for the Adult 40 and Adult 18 Leagues. Daytime leagues are typically played during the week. Traditional leagues are typically played on weeknights and weekends. The benefit of playing Traditional and Daytime Combo Sectionals at different times is that players that play in daytime leagues have the opportunity to play both if both of their teams advance. This will also help make the current schedules more manageable and reduce the 6:30pm matches. With leagues increasing participation, Sectionals also have been increasing in participation at we are mostly at capacity with what we currently have over two weekends.
- Due to Easter being earlier in 2026 (Apr.5), the first week of Adult 40 playoffs will be over Easter weekend. It was explained that this was reviewed when building the entire calendar but ultimately not able to be moved due to overlap and how impacted the calendar is until June. Pushing Adult 40 playoffs back one week would have the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of Adult 40 playoffs at the same time as Mixed 18 Sectionals.

**Fiscal Impact:** An analysis of whether there will be any fiscal impact for separating daytime and traditional leagues has not been done; however, it is anticipated that with fewer matches on the weekend sectionals, the cost increase won't be incrementally too large. Any budget required for separating the daytime and traditional leagues will be built into the 2026 budget.

**3. Lateness Penalty Regulation.** The ALC was informed that the lateness penalty regulation that was passed at the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult League Committee meeting was held back from the board packet to be rediscussed at the next meeting with new information.

There being no further matters to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

**Early Start 2026 Adult 40 & Over Reno/Tahoe must be completed by September 14, 2026****Team Registration:** July 7, 2025**Closes:** July 28, 2025**Season Opens:** August 18, 2025**Season Closes:** November 16, 2025**Playoffs:** December 4-7, 2025; December 11-14, 2025**Sectionals:** May 8-10; 15-17, 2026**Early Start 2026 Mixed 18 & Over Reno/Tahoe must be completed by September 28, 2026****Team Registration:** July 7, 2025**Closes:** July 29, 2025**Season Opens:** August 18, 2025**Season Closes:** November 16, 2025**Playoffs:** December 4-7, 2025; December 11-14, 2025**Sectionals:** April 24-26, 2026**2026 Adult 40 & Over League must be completed by September 14, 2026****Team Registration:** November 3, 2025**Closes:** December 1, 2025**Season Opens:** January 5, 2026**Season Closes:** March 15, 2026**Playoffs:** April 2-5; April 9-12, April 16-19, 2026**Sectionals:** May 8-10; 15-17, 2026**2026 NorCal Adult 40 & Over Daytime League****Team Registration:** November 3, 2025**Closes:** December 1, 2025**Season Opens:** January 5, 2026**Season Closes:** March 13, 2026**Playoffs:** March 23-27; March 30-April 3; April 6-10, 2026**Sectionals:** 1<sup>st</sup> choice: June 9-11 (Tues-Thurs)**2026 Mixed 18 & Over League must be completed by September 28, 2026****Team Registration:** November 3, 2025**Closes:** December 1, 2025**Season Opens:** January 5, 2026**Season Closes:** March 15, 2026**Playoffs:** March 26-29; April 2-5; April 9-12, 2026**Sectionals:** April 24-26, 2026**2026 NorCal Adult 65 & Over Daytime League****Team Registration:** December 1, 2025**Closes:** January 5, 2026**Season Opens:** February 2, 2026**Season Closes:** April 10, 2026**Playoffs:** April 20-24; April 27-May 1, 2026**Sectionals:** May 19-21, 2026**2026 Adult 55 & Over League must be completed by September 28, 2026****Team Registration:** January 19, 2026**Closes:** February 17, 2026**16, 2026****Season Opens:** March**Playoffs:** June 11-14; June 18-21, June 25-28, 2026**Season closes:** May 24, 2026**Sectionals:** July 10-12, 2026**2026 Adult 18 & Over League must be completed by September 7, 2026****Team Registration:** January 19, 2026**Closes:** February 17, 2026**Season Opens:** April 6, 2026**Season closes:** June 14, 2026**Playoffs:** June 25-28, July 9-12; July 16-19, 2026**Sectionals:** August 7-9; 14-16, 2026. (July 28-30)

## **2026 NorCal Adult 18 & Over Daytime League**

**Team Registration:** January 19, 2026

**Season Opens:** April 6, 2026

**Playoffs:** June 22-26, July 6-10; July 13-17, 2026

**Sectionals:** July 28-30 (Tues-Thurs)

**Closes:** February 17, 2026

**Season closes:** June 12, 2026

## **2026 Mixed 40 & Over League must be completed by September 28, 2026**

**Team Registration:** April 20, 2026

**Closes:** May 18, 2026

**Season Opens:** June 8, 2026

**Season closes:** August 16, 2026

**Playoffs:** August 20-23; September 3-6; September 10-13, 2026

**Sectionals:** September 25-27, 2026

## **2026 NorCal Adult 70 & Over Daytime League**

**Team Registration:** June 22, 2026

**Closes:** July 27, 2026

**Season Opens:** August 24, 2026

**Season Closes:** October 30, 2026

**Playoffs:** November 9-13; November 16- 20, 2026

**Sectionals:** December 8-10, 2026

### [\*\*2026 NorCal Combo League\*\*](#)

**Team Registration:** June 22, 2026

**Closes:** July 27, 2026

**Season Opens:** August 24, 2026

**Season Closes:** November 1, 2026

**Playoffs:** November 12-15; November 19- 22; December 3-6, 2026

**Sectionals:** Early 2027

### [\*\*2026 NorCal Combo Daytime League\*\*](#)

**Team Registration:** June 22, 2026

**Closes:** July 27, 2026

**Season Opens:** August 24, 2026

**Season Closes:** October 30, 2026

**Playoffs:** November 9-13; November 16-20; November 30-December 4, 2026

**Sectionals:** Early 2027

## **2026 NorCal Mixed 55 & Over League**

**Team Registration:** June 22, 2026

**Closes:** July 27, 2026

**Season Opens:** August 24, 2026

**Season Closes:** November 1, 2026

**Playoffs:** November 5-8; November 12-15; November 19-21, 2026

**Sectionals:** December 4-6, 2026