

MAYHA BOARD ELECTIONS
OCTOBER 2019
BOARD CANDIDATE BIOS

NICK CHECOTA

Nick Checota is the founder, owner and president of Logjam Presents, an entertainment promotion and production company headquartered in Missoula, Montana. As part of the Logjam Presents operations, Nick owns and operates three concert venues in Missoula -- the KettleHouse Amphitheater, the Wilma and the Top Hat Lounge (the Top Hat Lounge includes a full-service restaurant), and Ogren Park. Nick also operates two venues in Bozeman, the Rialto and the under construction ELM. Prior to launching Logjam Presents, Nick owned and operated Landmark Healthcare Companies, a real estate company focused on developing and owning medical facilities around the United States. Nick began his career as a business strategy consultant at PriceWaterhouseCoopers and Electronic Data Systems working with Fortune 50 companies regarding strategic planning and mergers and acquisitions. Nick has an MBA in Finance from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN and a undergraduate in Finance and Economics from Bentley University in Boston, MA. Nick's personal interests include enduro motorcycling, music, skiing, camping and spending family time at his cabin on Swan Lake. Nick is married to Robin Checota and has three children, Ian (16), Elle (13) and Emily (11).

GUY HUGHES

Hello, My name is Guy Hughes, I was involved with MAYHA at its grassroots, I helped to develop a relationship with the fairgrounds, and fairboard, to establish the rink we now have, I would like to get back on the board to help push current issues through, I would greatly appreciate your support, Thank you, Guy Hughes

JEREMY KEENE

Hockey Friends,

I'm running for the MAYHA Board of Directors and would appreciate your vote. MAYHA is the nonprofit organization that operates Glacier Ice Rink and its associated youth and adult hockey programs. Twenty years ago, a group of people came together to build an ice rink in Missoula. It developed into one of the most successful ice programs in the country. Our job now is to continue that legacy. We need to put the rink on a course for the next twenty years.

Key Issues:

We need a vision that everyone understands and can get behind. Without a vision and a plan to get us there, it is impossible to fund-raise or even understand how to spend money on our current facility.

We need a board that works for all ice users (not just hockey). If we want to grow, we need everybody. Curling, figure skating, and public programs bring a broader segment of our community to the ice - and keep them on the ice as they get older.

We need to give staff clear direction so that they can carry out the mission. A volunteer board can't do all the work. We need to use our paid staff effectively to get things done.

I've played hockey or shivered in the stands with many of you over the past 16 years. Most of the friendships I've made in my adult life have come through hockey. We have tough decisions to make. But they are only tough because the opportunity is big.

Let's figure this out together. Thank you for your vote.

Jeremy Keene
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JASON KINDSETH

Jason Kindseth is a Project Manager and Co-owner of a construction company. After spending a couple of decades working in all areas of construction, Jason knows what truly drives projects, people, what it takes to run a successful business and just get things done. It's about how well you connect with the people when you're trying to help and communicate to them.

Jason currently is Vice President of the Montana Amateur Hockey Association and has served on several other boards. His experience with Glacier Ice Rink includes: Current board member, parent of 2 travel hockey players, coaching youth hockey, multiple GHL leagues and participation in many hockey programs. If there were more hours in the day my family would most likely fill them with more time at the rink. It is this level of involvement and my past experiences that compel me to want to continue to serve on the Board. I know how important this rink is to our community and I'd feel remiss in not doing my part to assist in that process. It is an exciting and challenging time for Glacier Ice Rink and I look forward to being involved, moving forward and serving the members.

TED MOODY

With over 40 years of experience around hockey, Ted Moody grew up playing hockey in Colorado. Both of Ted's parents served on the Pikes Peak Amateur Hockey Association board for 10 years. When Ted moved to Montana, he was excited to return to the ice. He has now been part of the Missoula hockey community for almost 7 years playing in the GHL, coaching youth hockey and assisting the junior hockey team with game day and fundraising operations for two years.

Ted is passionate about the game of hockey and is eager to continue to help grow ice sports in Missoula, MT. Ted will bring a strong business background to the MAYHA board, as he currently serves as a Regional Sales Manager for Sokol Associates covering the northwest region. Over the past 10 years in his current position, he has cultivated relationships with over 2000 customers, manufacturers and industry professionals. With the amount of time he and his family spend at the rink, he is eager for the opportunity to help shape the vision of the ice sports community in Missoula.

SHELLY OTIS-MORAN

My name is Shelly Otis-Moran, and I am running for Treasurer of MAYHA. I stepped into the role to see what it all entails and is about in June 2019 to finish the term of the previous Treasurer. I love being a part of the Board and have learned a lot more about the whole history of the rink, the hockey program and all of the other ice programs as well. I feel I have some valuable insight and culture that could be beneficial to the Treasurer role and the Board in general. I have been involved as a parent in youth hockey since 2008 and currently have 2 kids in the program, 1 as a goalie in the High School travel league and 1 as a forward in the PeeWee travel age group. My husband also plays GHL on various teams and is currently President of the Youth Hockey Committee. I have worked at First Security Bank of Missoula for 20 years in various loan departments as supervisor/manager and lender and been in banking for a total of 23 years.

PATRICK POZZI

Patrick is a local businessman with a lifelong passion for hockey. He was raised playing hockey in Alaska and continued his passion into playing on the East Coast till he ultimately ended up in Missoula in 2011. Since moving to Montana, Patrick has been a member of the Glacier Hockey League and coached in local programs. He also currently is in his 3rd year with the U-19 Big Sky Wildcats.

Patrick plans to work cohesively with the current board members in efforts to make definitive progress in growth of the programs and the facilities.