#### **President's Comments**

#### August 24, 2023

Our curling season will open with the Swing and Sweep on Saturday October 14th and continue all league play through to the end of March. Other confirmed events are shown on the calendar, and it will be updated throughout the season with any additions or changes.

The membership package for the 2023-2024 is ready and we are now accepting registrations. The ways to register are indicated on the form. Note that there are two on-site registrations this year, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Early registrations are encouraged to help with our planning.

Your Board has been busy through the off season and work is ramping up as we make some planned repairs in preparation to make ice. In addition, a couple of loads of aggregate have been delivered to re-grade the parking lot.

A membership sub-committee was formed over the off season and has been working on several initiatives with the objective to increase membership through new registrations and retention of existing. Many of you responded to a survey as part of that work. The committee thanks you for your input and continues to work on ideas.

One change you will note in the membership package is the ability to register for a half season. For those able to only curl for half the season, we offer a choice of first half or second half of the season. Select which half (applicable dates are on the form) and pay the fee indicated for unlimited curling for that half season. We would rather have you for the full season of course, but this option may be of interest to new members and possibly some returning members.

Once registrations are in and leagues are sorted, we will review utilization and see what practice times formembers can be made available. It's also a possible that if a league is not fully subscribed, a spare sheet could be offered to another league or group.

I am pleased to advise that the club applied for and received a Seniors Community Grant (Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport). These funds will be used to replace all the club brooms. Also included are new delivery sticks, stabilizers, grippers, sliders, and some adjustable helmets for member use. We expect to have all the new equipment by the start of the season. Seniors and new members need only arrive with a clean pair of shoes to try curling with modern equipment.

We will host an Open House on Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. We need volunteers to help on the day. But as important, please spread the word. Invite your friends and neighbours to come out, bring a clean pair of shoes, and try out curling at no cost. All ages from 6 to 96 + are welcome.

We are hosting an Ontario Curling Council "Club Coach Workshop" on October 21 and 22. This 2-day workshop will enhance the skills of a Coach or Instructor operating at the club level. You can register at the Ontario Curling Council website by October 16th. It is a great opportunity for personal development and having trained instructors is an asset to our club. Register soon if you are interested, as this clinic is open to curlers across the province.

The Annual Fall meeting at the club is Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. I hope to see many of you there.

Yours in Curling,

Gary

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## **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Full Membership	\$500.00	\$442.48 + 57.52 HST
Half Membership	\$300.00	\$265.20 + 34.80 HST
One Night Light	375.00	331.86 + 43.14 HST
Social	90.00	79.65 + 10.35 HST
Junior (age 17 - 20)	240.00	212.39 + 27.61 HST
Bantam (age 13 - 16) *	130.00	115.05 + 14.95 HST
Little Rocks (age 6 - 12)	115.00	101.77 + 13.23 HST

<sup>\*</sup> Add \$60.00 for evening league play, at the discretion of coach & league convener

## **RENTAL FEES**

Ice, Lounge & Kitchen / 24 curlers	\$400.00	\$353.98+\$46.02HST
Each additional curler	20.00	17.70 + 2.30 HST
Lounge and Kitchen	200.00	176.99 + 23.01 HST



**OCTOBER** 

Schedule subject to change Refer to club bulletin boards for more information All rental dates to be confirmed

**JANUARY** 

Learn to Curl 2nd.

<u>2023</u>

Tue	3	Registration day at the clubhouse	Tue	2	session
		10am to 2pm or 7pm to 8pm	Sat	20	Wiser Cup Bonspiel
Wed	4	Fall Annual General Meeting 7:00 pm	Thu	25	Robbie Burns Bonspiel
Sat	14	Swing and Sweep			
Sun	15	Try Curling Now / Open House / 10am-3pm			
Mon	16	Regular Season starts			
Sat	21	OCC Club Coach Clinic			<u>FEBRUARY</u>
Sun	22	Coaching Clinic continues	Fri	2	Men's Invitational Bonspiel (day 1)
Tue	24	Learn to Curl / Session 1	Sat	3	Men's Invitational Bonspiel (day 2)
Sun	29	Youth season starts	Sat	17	Ladies Invitational Bonspiel
		NOVEMBER			MARCH
		Regular Club Schedule	Sat	23	Closing Bonspiel
		•	Sun	24	Youth Family Day
			Sun	31	Season ends
		DECEMBER			
Sat	9	Christmas Mixed Bonspiel			
	10	Youth Christmas party			APRIL
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			Tue	2	Spaghetti Dinner 5:30
					Spring Annual General Meeting 7pm.

## Did you Know?

Club mixes are a great way to meet your fellow members. All abilities (even first timers) are encouraged to come out and play a couple games, have a great meal and win prizes!

Mixes are in bold

## **SAVE THE DATES**





23rd Annual BERN KIRKBY

### **MEMORIAL SWING AND SWEEP**

One 6-end game of curling
One 9-hole game of golf
Dinner at Prescott Curling
Club

(Lunch available for purchase at Prescott Golf Club) \$40.00 / person

Contact: Garry Kavanaugh 613-657-3289 or 613-803-7524



## Sunday 15 October 2023

10 AM - 3
PM OPEN
HOUSE
TRY CURLING
NOW FREE



### LEARN TO CURL

Session 1: October 24 - December 5, 2023 Session 2: January 2 - February 6, 2024 Members \$100.00 Non-members \$160.00

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