

President's Comments

August 22, 2024

Our curling season will open with the Swing and Sweep on Saturday October 19th and continue all league play through to April 5th. 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 2024-2025 season is ready and we are now accepting registrations. The ways to register are indicated on the form. There will be two on-site registrations this year, Wednesday Sept. 25th and Tuesday Oct. 1st. Early registrations are encouraged to help with our planning.

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

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. The clubhouse furnace was on its last legs and was replaced over the summer.

I am pleased to advise that the club applied for and received a couple of grants over the summer. The Ottawa Valley Curling Association established the OVCA Capital Projects Rebate Program. This is to distribute legacy funds from the World Men's Curling Championship held in Ottawa. We received \$1,300 (club maximum) and applied that to our furnace replacement project. We also received \$4,550 from the Town of Prescott Community Grant program. This funding is supporting our membership drive (advertising, Open House), signage, the Swing and Sweep event and the installation of ghost rings on Sheet C in support of our Youth program.

We will host an Open House on Sunday October 20th from 11 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.

The Annual Fall meeting at the club is Tuesday October 8th at 7pm. I hope to see many of you there.

Yours in Curling,

Gary

Registration Form for the 2024-2025 Season

Please select the league you would like to participate.

Submit this form and the signed Liability Waiver form with your dues and payment before October 8, 2024.

There are 3 ways you can register:

- 1. In person at the Prescott Curling Club on Registration Days, Wednesday September 25 and Tuesday October 1st 10am to 2pm or 7pm to 8:30pm. Bring your 2 completed forms and make your payment, cash, debit card or cheque.
- 2. By Mail:
Mail your two completed forms and cheque to PO Box 1482, Prescott, ON, K0E 1T0.
- 3. Electronically:
Email an electronic copy of the two completed forms (eg. PDF, JPG) to sansteve@truespeed.ca and send your payment by e-Transfer to prescottcurlingclub@gmail.com.

Please make all cheques payable to: Prescott Curling Centre Inc.

Name: _____ Phone# _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Please read and sign the attached "Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims and Indemnity Agreement". It must be signed and submitted before access to the ice can be permitted. Please submit it along with this registration form and your dues before October 8, 2024.

Membership Options

- Full Membership (Ladies, Men and Seniors), 24 weeks - \$510** (\$451.33 + \$58.67 HST) – Unlimited play
 - Half Membership (Ladies, Men and Seniors), 12 consecutive weeks - \$325** (\$287.61 + \$37.39 HST)- Unlimited play
- Choose:
- October 21, 2024 to January 10, 2025, or
 - January 13, 2025 to April 5, 2025.
 - One Night Lite - \$385.00** (340.71 + 44.29 HST)
 - *One Night Lite members may spare on other nights for \$20/game payable to the convenor.
 - Social Membership - \$90** (\$79.65 + \$10.35)

<u>Evening Leagues</u>
(One Night Lite choose 1 night below)
<input type="radio"/> Monday Night Competitive (sign up as a Team) Team Skip _____ Spare Only <input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/> Tuesday Learn to Curl (not included for One Night Lite)
<input type="radio"/> Wednesday Night Mixed (teams will change throughout the season)
<input type="radio"/> Thursday Night New Curlers / Casual
<input type="radio"/> Friday Night Mixed (please sign up as a team) Team Skip _____ Spare Only <input type="radio"/>

<u>Daytime Leagues</u>
<input type="radio"/> Senior Mens Competitive (Mondays 8:15 and 10:30am) <input type="radio"/> Spare Only
<input type="radio"/> Senior Mixed Daytime (Tuesday and Thursday 8 and 10:15am)
<input type="radio"/> Day Ladies Monday 1 pm
<input type="radio"/> Stick Curling (Tuesday / Thursday 1pm)
<input type="radio"/> Friday Morning Mixed (10am)



CURLING CANADA - RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT *to be executed by participants over the Age of Majority*

WARNING! Please read carefully. By signing this document, you will waive certain legal rights – including the right to sue

1. This is a binding legal agreement. **Clarify any questions or concerns before signing.**
2. As a participant in the sport of curling and the activities, programs, classes, services provided and events sponsored or organized by:

**Curling Canada
Ontario Curling Association
Ottawa Valley Curling Association
Prescott Curling Centre Inc.**

(collectively the “Organization”), including but not limited to: games, tournaments, practices, training, personal training, dry land training, use of strength training and fitness conditioning equipment, machines and facilities, nutritional and dietary programs, orientational or instructional sessions or lessons, aerobic and anaerobic conditioning programs (collectively the “Activities”), the undersigned acknowledges and agrees to the following terms outlined in this agreement:

Disclaimer

**Curling Canada
Ontario Curling Association
Ottawa Valley Curling Association
Prescott Curling Centre Inc.**

and their respective Directors, Officers, committee members, members, employees, coaches, volunteers, officials, participants, agents, sponsors, owners/operators of the facilities in which the Activities take place, and representatives (collectively the “Organization”) are not responsible for any injury, personal injury, damage, property damage, expense, loss of income or loss of any kind suffered by a Participant during, or as a result of, the Activities, caused in any manner whatsoever including, but not limited to, the negligence of the Organization.

I have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 1 and 2

Description and Acknowledgement of Risks

3. I understand and acknowledge that:
 - a) The Activities have foreseeable and unforeseeable inherent risks, hazards and dangers that no amount of care, caution or expertise can eliminate, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life. The sport of curling is played on a sheet of ice, which is slippery, hard, and dangerous;
 - b) A pertinent risk to participating in the sport of curling is the risk of suffering serious head injury should I fall, trip, or stumble onto the ground or ice. It is highly recommended that I wear a helmet at all times when participating in the sport of curling;
 - c) The Organization has a difficult task to ensure safety and it is not infallible. The Organization may be unaware of my fitness or abilities, may misjudge weather or environmental conditions, may give incomplete warnings or instructions, and the equipment being used might malfunction; and *COVID-19*
 - d) The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization and COVID-19 is extremely contagious. The Organization has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the Organization cannot guarantee that I will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, participating in the Activities could increase my risk of contracting COVID-19.
4. I am participating voluntarily in the Activities. In consideration of my participation, I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with or related to the Activities. The risks, dangers and hazards include, but are not limited to:
 - a) Health: executing strenuous and demanding physical techniques, physical exertion, overexertion, stretching, dehydration, fatigue, cardiovascular workouts, rapid movements and stops, lack of fitness or conditioning, traumatic injury, bacterial infections, rashes, and the transmission of communicable diseases, including viruses of all kinds, COVID-19, bacteria, parasites or other organisms or any mutation thereof.
 - b) Premises: defective, dangerous or unsafe condition of the facilities; falls; collisions with objects, walls, equipment or persons; dangerous, unsafe, or irregular conditions on floors, ice, or other surfaces, extreme weather conditions; travel to and from premises.
 - c) Use of Equipment: mechanical failure of the equipment; negligent design or manufacture of the equipment; the provision of or the failure by the Organization to provide any warnings, directions, instructions or guidance as to the use of the equipment; failure to use or operate the equipment within my own ability.
 - d) Contact: contact with brooms, brushes or curling stones, other equipment, vehicles, or other persons, and may lead to serious bodily injury, including but not limited to concussions and/or other brain injury, or serious spinal injury.
 - e) Advice: negligent advice regarding the Activities.
 - f) Ability: Failing to act safely or within my own ability or within designated areas.
 - g) Sport: the game of curling and its inherent risks, including but not limited to, running, sliding or slipping on the ice surface, delivering the curling stone, skipping or sweeping, stepping onto the ice surface from the walkway or onto the walkway from the ice surface, or stepping over dividers that divide one sheet of ice from the next.
 - h) Cyber: privacy breaches, hacking, technology malfunction or damage.



- i) Conduct: My conduct and conduct of other persons including any physical altercation between participants.
- j) Travel: Travel to and from the Activities.
- k) Negligence: My negligence and negligence of other persons, including NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE ORGANIZATION, may increase the risk of damage, loss, personal injury or death. I understand that the Organization may fail to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards of curling programs, some of which are referred to above.

I have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 3 and 4

Terms

5. In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate in the Activities, I agree:
- a) That when I practice or train in my own space, I am responsible for my surroundings and the location and equipment that I select;
 - b) That my mental and physical condition is appropriate to participate in the Activities and I assume all risks related to my mental and physical condition;
 - c) To comply with the rules and regulations for participation in the Activities;
 - d) To comply with the rules of the facility or equipment;
 - e) That if I observe an unusual significant hazard or risk, I will remove myself from participation and bring my observations to a representative of the Organization immediately;
 - f) The risks associated with the Activities are increased when I am impaired and I will not to participate if impaired in any way;
 - g) That it is my sole responsibility to assess whether any Activities are too difficult for me. By commencing an Activity, I acknowledge and accept the suitability and conditions of the Activity;
 - h) That I am responsible for my choice of safety or protective equipment and the secure fitting of that equipment;
 - i) Covid-19: that COVID-19 is contagious in nature and I may be exposed to, or infected by, COVID-19 and such exposure may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, or death.

Release of Liability and Disclaimer

6. In consideration of the Organization allowing me to participate, I agree:
- a) That the sole responsibility for my safety remains with me;
 - b) To ASSUME all risks arising out of, associated with or related to my participation;
 - c) That I am not relying on any oral or written statements made by the Organization or its agents, whether in a brochure or advertisement or in individual conversations, to agree to participate in the Activities;
 - d) To WAIVE any and all claims that I may have now or in the future against the Organization;
 - e) To freely ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME all such risks and possibility of personal injury, death, property damage, expense and related loss, including loss of income, resulting from my participation in the Activities;
 - f) To FOREVER RELEASE and INDEMNIFY the Organization from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, actions, damages (including direct, indirect, special and/or consequential), losses, actions, judgments, and costs (including legal fees) (collectively, the "Claims") which I have or may have in the future, that might arise out of, result from, or relate to my participation in the Activities, even though such Claims may have been caused by any manner whatsoever, including but not limited to, the negligence, gross negligence, negligent rescue, omissions, carelessness, breach of contract and/or breach of any statutory duty of care of the Organization;
 - g) To FOREVER RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY the Organization from any action related to my becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 as a result of, or from, any action, omission or negligence of myself or others, including but not limited to the Organization;
 - h) That the Organization is not responsible or liable for any damage to my vehicle, property, or equipment that may occur as a result of the Activities;
 - i) That negligence includes failure on the part of the Organization to take reasonable steps to safeguard or protect me from the risks, dangers and hazards associated with the Activities; and
 - j) This release, waiver and indemnity is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law of the Province of Ontario and if any portion thereof is held invalid, the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Jurisdiction

7. I agree that in the event that I file a lawsuit against the Organization, I will do so solely in the Province of Ontario and further agree that the substantive law of the Province of Ontario will apply without regard to conflict of law rules.

I have read and agree to be bound by paragraphs 5 to 7

Acknowledgement

8. I acknowledge that I have read and understand this agreement, that I have executed this agreement voluntarily, and that this agreement is to be binding upon myself, my heirs, spouse, children, parents, guardians, next of kin, executors, administrators and legal or personal representatives. I further acknowledge by signing this agreement I have waived my right to maintain a lawsuit against the Organization on the basis of any claims from which I have released herein.

Name of Participant (print)

Signature of Participant

Date

CONSENT FOR USE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION USE

The Participant (and the Participant's parent/guardian, if applicable) authorizes the Organization to collect and use personal information about the Participant for the purposes described in the Organizations' policies for privacy.

I agree



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MEMBERSHIP FEES

Full Membership	\$510.00	\$451.33 + \$58.67 HST
Half Membership	\$325.00	\$287.61 + \$37.39 HST
One Night Light	\$385.00	\$340.71 + \$44.29 HST
Social	\$ 90.00	\$ 79.65 + \$10.35 HST
Junior (age 17 – 20)	\$250.00	\$221.24+ \$28.76 HST
Bantam (age 13 - 16) *	\$140.00	\$123.90 + \$16.10 HST
Little Rocks (age 6 - 12)	\$125.00	\$110.62 + \$14.38 HST

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

LEARN TO CURL	Non member	\$160.00	\$141.60 + \$18.40 HST
	Members	\$100.00	\$ 88.50 + \$11.50 HST
SPARE		\$ 20.00	\$ 17.70 + \$ 2.30 HST
PRACTICE	Full Member	no charge	
	1 night / Youth	\$5.00	\$ 4.42 + .58 HST
	Non member	\$15.00	\$ 13.27 + \$1.73 HST

RENTAL FEES

Ice, Lounge & Kitchen / 24 curlers	\$ 450.00	\$398.23 + \$51.77 HST
Each additional curler	\$ 20.00	\$ 17.70 + \$ 2.30 HST
Lounge & Kitchen	\$ 250.00	\$221.24 + \$28.76 HST
Schools / hour	\$ 85.00	\$ 75.22 + \$ 9.78 HST

BONSPIELS

CONVENER

Swing & Sweep	\$ 50.00 / player	Ron Whitehorne
Robbie Burns Invitational	\$ 180.00 / team	Janet Arcand
Ladies' Invitational	\$ 180.00 / team	Janet Arcand
Men's Invitational	\$ 425.00 / team	TBD
Bantam Invitational (U16)	\$ 180.00 / team	Jason Crate
Little Rocks Invitational	\$ 160.00 / team	Jason Crate



Event Schedule

Schedule subject to change.
Refer to club bulletin boards for
more information

2024

SEPTEMBER

Wed 25 Registration at clubhouse
10 am – 2 pm and 7-8:30 pm

OCTOBER

Tue. 1 Registration at clubhouse
10 am – 2 pm and 7-8:30 pm

Tue. 8 Fall AGM 7:00 pm at clubhouse

Sat. 19 Swing and Sweep

Sun. 20 Open House / Try Curling
11 am – 3pm at PCC

Mon. 21 Regular season starts
Fall half-season starts

Sun 27 Youth Curling Starts

Tue 29 Learn to Curl Session 1 starts

NOVEMBER

Sat 23 Ugly Sweater Fun Night

DECEMBER

Tue 3 End of Learn to Curl Session 1

Sat 14 **Club Christmas Mix**

Sun 22 Youth Christmas Party

2025

JANUARY

Sat 4 Bantam Invitational Bonspiel

Tue 7 Learn to Curl Session 2 starts

Fri 10 Fall half-season ends

Mon 13 Winter half-season starts

Sat 18 **Wiser Cup Bonspiel**

Thu 23 Robbie Burns Inv. Bonspiel

Fri 31 Men's Invitational Bonspiel Day 1

FEBRUARY

Sat 1 Men's Invitational Bonspiel Day 2

Tue 11 End of Learn to Curl Session 2

Sat 15 Little Rocks Invitational Bonspiel

MARCH

Sat 15 Ladies' Invitational Bonspiel

Sat 29 **Closing Club Bonspiel**

Sun 30 Youth Family Day

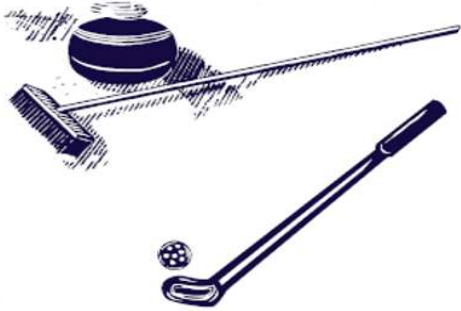
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Tue 1 Spring AGM
Spaghetti Dinner 5:30 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

Sat 5 Season ends

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!

SAVE THE DATES



Saturday 19 October 2024

24th 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)

\$50.00 / person

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



Sunday 20 October 2024

11 AM - 3 PM

OPEN HOUSE

TRY CURLING NOW

FREE



LEARN TO CURL

Session 1: October 29 – December 3, 2024

Session 2: January 7 - February 11, 2025

Members \$100.00

Non-members \$160.00

Contact Ron Whitehorne

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