President's Comments

August 29. 2025

Our curling season will open with the Swing and Sweep on Saturday October 18th and continue all league play through to April 4th. Other confirmed events are shown on the Events Calendar, and it will be updated throughout the season with any additions or changes. Take note that we are scheduled to host an Ontario Special Olympics event on November 29th. More information will be shared when it's made available to us.

The membership package for the 2025-2026 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. 24**th **and Tuesday Sept. 30**th. 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 has been a busy off season. As a preventive measure, a complete rebuild of our icehouse compressor was completed. Our best estimate is that this service was overdue and indeed that was evident once it was opened. The work was completed on budget. Additionally, the brine pump bearings and seals were replaced. A rusting cooling water tank is in the process of being replaced.

New flooring in the kitchen and upstairs bathroom was installed at the end of the last season. Thanks to Renee Power, with help from Mike for some fresh paint in the bathrooms, with more painting planned now that the weather is cooler.

I am pleased to advise that the club applied for and received \$4,300 from the Town of Prescott Community Grant Program. This funding will support our membership drive including advertising, Open House expenses, signage, the Swing and Sweep event, and the purchase of additional step-on sliders to support new curlers, youth curlers, and rentals. We thank the Town of Prescott for supporting our efforts to grow membership.

We will host an Open House on **Sunday October 19th from 11 am to 3 pm.** Please consider volunteering to help on the day, and 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 7th at 7pm**. I hope to see many of you there.

Yours in Curling,

Gary

Registration Form for the 2025-2026 Season

Please select the league(s) you would like to participate in.

Submit this form and the signed Liability Waiver form with your dues.

Ways to register: (Any cheque should be made payable to: Prescott Curling Centre Inc.)

- 1. **IN PERSON** at Prescott Curling Club Wednesday September 24 or Tuesday September 30th Hours: 10am-2pm or 7pm-8:30pm. Accepted forms of payment debit, cash, or cheque
- 2. **EMAIL** your registration and signed waiver to prescottcurlingclub@gmail.com . E-transfer payment to prescottcurlingclub@gmail.com .
- 3. MAIL your registration form, signed waiver and cheque to PO Box 1482, Prescott, ON, K0E 1T0.

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 payment.

Membership Options

- Full Membership (Adult and Seniors), 24 weeks \$530 (\$469.03 + \$60.97 HST) Unlimited play
- Half Membership (Adult and Seniors), 12 consecutive weeks \$340 (\$300.88 + \$39.12 HST) Unlimited play.
 Choose half season below:
 - October 20, 2024 to January 9, 2025, or
 - o January 12, 2025 to April 4, 2025.
- One Night Light \$400.00 (\$353.98 + \$46.02 HST) *One Night Lite members may spare on other nights for \$20/game payable to the convenor.
- Social Membership \$60 (\$53.10 + \$6.90 HST)
- Learn to Curl Non-members \$170 (\$150.44 + \$19.56 HST), Members \$100.00 (\$88.50 + \$11.50 HST)
 - October 28 session 6 weeks
 - January 6 session 6 weeks

Evening Leagues						
	(One Night Lite choose 1 night below)					
0	Monday Night Competitive (sign up as a Team)					
	Team Skip					
	☐ Spare Only					
0	Tuesday Learn to Curl (separate fee/schedule)					
0	Wednesday Night Mixed					
	(teams will change throughout the season)					
	☐ Spare Only					
0	Thursday Night New Curlers / Casual					
0	Friday Night Mixed (please sign up as a team)					
	Team Skip					
	☐ Spare Only					

Daytime Leagues

- Senior Mens Competitive (Mondays 8am and 10:15am)
 - Spare Only
- O Ladies (Monday 1 pm)
- Senior Mixed (Tuesday and Thursday 8am and 10:15 am)
- O Tues/Thurs Mixed (Tuesday and Thursday 1pm)
- Friday Morning Mixed (10am)

Many Hands Make Light Work

This club is volunteer run and depends on the support of our members to operate. Please check ways you would be willing to help:

Name:	
0	Ice prep (consider coming in early before you curl to sweep/pebble the ice 20-30 mins) Day(s)/Night(s) Available
0	Ice maintenance/scraping
0	Kitchen help (events/bonspiels)
0	League Convenor/Co-Convenor
	Indicate day/night
0	Events/bonspiels planning
0	Events/bonspiels general help
0	Bonspiel scoring
0	Website
0	Social media
0	Advertising/promotions
0	Photography
0	Bar (must have or obtain Smart Serve)
0	Grass cutting
0	General Maintenance
0	Fire Protection / Safety Inspections (monthly check of fire extinguishers and emergency lighting)
0	Other



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

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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 spinalinjury.
 - 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.

П	I have read	and agree to	he hound h	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	\$530.00	\$469.03 + \$60.97 HST
Half Membership	\$340.00	\$300.88 + \$39.12 HST
One Night Light	\$400.00	\$353.98 + \$46.02 HST
Social	\$ 60.00	\$ 53.10 + \$ 6.90 HST
Junior (age 17 – 20)	\$260.00	\$230.09+ \$29.91 HST
Bantam (age 13 - 16) *	\$150.00	\$132.74 + \$17.26 HST
Little Rocks (age 6 - 12)	\$135.00	\$119.47 + \$15.53 HST

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

LEARN TO CURL	Non member	\$170.00	\$150.44 + \$19.56 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



Event Schedule

Schedule subject to change.

Refer to club bulletin boards for more information

2025 2026 **SEPTEMBER JANUARY** Wed Bantam Invitational Bonspiel 24 Registration at clubhouse Sat 3 10 am - 2 pm and 7-8:30 pm Tue Learn to Curl Session 2 starts 6 Tue 30 Registration at clubhouse Fri 9 Fall half-season ends 10 am - 2 pm and 7-8:30 pm Mon 12 Winter half-season starts **OCTOBER** Sat 17 Wiser Cup Bonspiel Tue. Fall AGM 7:00 pm at clubhouse Thu 22 Robbie Burns Inv. Bonspiel Sat. 18 Swing and Sweep **FEBRUARY** Sun. 19 Open House / Try Curling 6 Men's Invitational Bonspiel Day1 Fri 11 am – 3pm at PCC Men's Invitational Bonspiel Day2 Sat 7 Mon. 20 Regular season starts Fnd of Learn to Curl Session 2 Tue 10 Fall half-season starts Little Rocks Invitational Sat 14 **Bonspiel** Sun 26 Youth Curling Starts Sat Crazy Curl 21 Tue 28 Learn to Curl Session 1 starts **MARCH NOVEMBER** 7 Sat Ladies' Invitational Bonspiel Sat 22 Ugly Sweater Fun Night Sat 28 **Closing Club Bonspiel** Sat 29 Ontario Special Olympics Sun 29 Youth Family Day **DECEMBER** Tue 31 Spring AGM Meeting 7:00 pm Tue End of Learn to Curl Session 1 Sat 13 **Club Christmas Mix APRIL** Sun 21 Youth Christmas Party Sat Season ends

SAVE THE DATES



Saturday 18 October 2025

25th 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) \$60.00 / person

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

Email: kav@persona.ca



Sunday 19 October 2025

11 AM - 3 PM
OPEN HOUSE
TRY CURLING NOW
FREE



LEARN TO CURL

Session 1: October 28 – December 2, 2025 Session 2: January 6 - February 10, 2026 Members \$100.00 Non-members \$170.00

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