

August 11, 2024

SCC Newsletter: **Greetings Curlers!**

My how time flies. As we enter August, the Executive is already busy planning for the upcoming season. Some key initiatives at the SCC this year are to search for new advertisers, recruit new curlers, offer more skill development opportunities for current members, hold fun events for members and non-members, and offer league play on Sundays. Following are a few items of interest we want to share with you as we prepare for the 2024/25 curling season.



Ice Technician 2024-25:

The Executive is pleased to announce that Dean Jones will be returning for his 3rd season as our Head Ice Technician. Dean is a key member of our team and is scheduled to begin installing the ice on October 1st with **league curling starting on Tuesday October 15th**. Stay tuned for an announcement on practice times before October 15.

President Position:

The Executive is thrilled to announce that Armand Houle has volunteered to take over President duties following the SCC AGM on October 6, 2024. Don Lawrence will assume the role of Past President and be readily available to ensure a smooth transition of duties. Please join us in welcoming Armand and wish him well as our new president.

Bar Manager Position:

The Executive is pleased to have Lisa West and Ken Rae agree to jointly manage the bar again this year. They did an excellent job last year of ordering supplies and recruiting volunteers to staff the bar and serve drinks for all our leagues and functions. Their efforts along with the volunteer bartenders resulted in the club showing a healthy profit in 2023/24. Many thanks to Lisa, Ken and volunteer bar staff!

Member Recruitment Committee:

The goal of this committee is to promote the SCC to the community and offer activities to attract new members to the club. Here is a list of some upcoming activities.

- A SCC booth will be set up at four September Sunday Markets, and at the Summerland Fall Fair.
- Our Learn to Curl Program will run in October 2024 and once again we will partner with Summerland Parks and Recreation to offer weekend lessons in October.
- The SCC Executive has approved a new Sunday Fun League for anyone interested. It offers 10 games over the year, 5 before Xmas and 5 after. The cost is \$110. All skill levels are welcome.
- Curling, Burger and a Beer will also return with 2 sessions set up for October 20, 2024 and February 22, 2025.
- As a helpful source for curling information, check out the Resources Section on the SCC website at www.summerlandcurling.org

Rearranging the Morning Leagues:

- At the May 26, 2024 Executive Meeting a motion was passed to approve the change in days that our morning leagues play. The Mixed League will now play on Monday morning, Senior Men will now play on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, The Stick League moves to Wednesday morning, and the Ladies League will now play on Friday mornings.
- An email was sent to all last year's curlers on May 30, 2024 notifying them of these changes allowing curlers time to plan their fall activities schedule.
- Updates to the Online Registration system have been made and will accurately reflect the morning league changes when you register in September 2024.

Curling Fees for 2024/25:

- All league curling fees will remain the same as last year, plus GST. \$235 for league 1, \$195 for league 2, \$110 for league 3, and \$50 for league 4. No charge to curl in leagues 5 or 6.
- The Friday Night Social League fee is still \$200. This is to compensate Friday Night curlers for losing 3 nights of curling in 2024/25 due to bonspiels.
- The new Sunday Fun League fees are \$110 for 10 games.
- Curl BC fees have increased from \$20 to \$22 per person for 2024/25.
- SCC Membership fees will decrease from \$30 to \$28 plus GST.
- Junior Curling fees are increasing to \$75 for the year. Ages 10 to 18 are eligible.
- Locker fees remain at \$20 plus GST (\$21) for the year.

Curling Equipment:

- The SCC maintains a full set of basic curling equipment such as brooms, throwing sticks, stabilizers, sliders, grippers etc. This equipment is well used by our Junior Curlers, school classes and by groups that rent our curling ice. These groups include any outside rentals like family events, Christmas functions, business outings, our Learn to Curl participants, and the Curling, Burger and Beer folks.
- The SCC is also willing to loan our equipment on a short-term basis to new curlers at the club to get them started. However, it is an expectation that once you are no longer a new curler, you will purchase your own equipment to use, like any other sport you play.

How to Register for Curling:

1. **Online Registration opens September 1, 2024.** An email notification will be sent to all last year's curlers with a link to the registration site. The Registration system can also be accessed on our website at www.summerlandcurling.org
After you register an invoice will be sent to you via email.
2. In-Person Registration will be held Thursday Sept 19, 2024, from 6:00 to 7:30 in the lounge.

SCC AGM 2024:

- Will be held **Sunday October 6, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the curling club lounge.** All curling club members from last year are welcome to attend. Quorum is 15 members, so please attend. Drinks will be available for purchase in the lounge after the meeting.
- In accordance with our bylaws, the Board of Directors will be elected from the league nominations at the end of last year. Open nominations from the floor are also welcome.

Website and Contact Info:

Check out our website for the most current information: www.summerlandcurling.org

To contact the club, send us an email: info@summerlandcurling.org.

Also check out the SCC Facebook page for more news, updates, reminders and tips.

Looking forward to seeing you at the AGM on October 6.

Your SCC Executive