

November 22, 2021

SCC Fall Newsletter:

Hello Everyone!

The 2021/22 curling season is off to a great start. We have 10 leagues operating with a total of 195 curlers signed up. A big welcome to the 25 new curlers who have signed up this year. Our junior program is once again operating with 23 youth taking part.

The Executive would like to thank all our members for their patience as we carried out the proof of vaccination process and signing of waivers during week one. Having all members fully vaccinated should help in our fight to control the COVID-19 virus.



Ice Technicians:

We are very pleased to have Andrew Barnes back as our Head Ice Technician this year. Andrew has recruited Dean Jones to handle ice preparations when he is away. A big thank-you to Andrew and Dean for their work at the club.

Lounge Rules and Bartenders:

The Provincial Health Authority has removed the restrictions concerning numbers in our lounge. We are now allowed to have 117 people in our lounge which is our liquor license capacity. Other lounge rules include proof of vaccination, masks must be worn when not seated, normal liquor service hours are in effect, venues can set their own table limits and dancing is not allowed.

I'm sure many of you have met Martin Bouchard and Rory Nurnberg, our new bartenders this year. Martin works Tuesday and Friday nights with Rory serving on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. A huge welcome to Rory and Martin from the SCC!

Learn to Curl Clinic:

The SCC in partnership with Summerland Parks and Recreation offered a 3 week Learn to Curl program on October 23, 30 and November 6. There were 12 participants with 7 of them now signed up to play either as spares or in our Friday Night Social League. Many thanks to our certified instructor Sherrie Burechailo-Dias and her 3 assistants. This course was a huge success and will likely be offered again next year.

Spares at the SCC:

In September, the Executive once again decided that spares must be registered members of the SCC. This ensures everyone that plays at our club is registered, has paid their spare fees, has shown their proof of vaccination, and has signed our Curling Canada waiver. **Outside curlers**

who are not members, are not allowed to spare at the SCC. If you need a spare check the master spare list on our [website](#).

Note: any SCC member that is signed up to curl in a league, can spare in any other league at no additional cost.

Member Directories:

Are now available at the club. They are a great resource for finding members of each league or locating the name and phone number of any SCC member.

BC Gaming Grant Application:

In September the SCC learned that we were not successful in our bid to secure funds for the SCC for our Junior and Senior programs. Gary Raymond is reviewing the reasons our application was denied and will work with Curl BC staff on how to meet the necessary criteria. Another application will be prepared next year to try to secure funds for our curling club.

Club Bonspiels 2021/22:

The following bonspiels have been cancelled this year. The Senior Men's Spiel in November, the Funspiel in November, and the fall Junior bonspiel.

The SCC Stirling Stick Spiel is slated for Sat Dec 11. John Gregg is the co-ordinator.

The Bush Spiel (mixed) will be held on Jan 7-9, 2022. Blake Lynch-Staunton is the organizer, and a sign-up sheet has been posted at the curling club.

The Ladies Bonspiel is scheduled for January 22 and 23.

The Men's Bonspiel will take place on February 5 and 6, 2022. It will be a member only bonspiel. Further details to follow.

Lifetime Membership Award:

The SCC Executive unanimously voted to award Dave Gartrell a Lifetime Membership Award to the SCC. Please join us in congratulating Dave and thanking him for his many years of dedicated service to the club.

Curling Club Officers for 2021/22:

Many thanks to Nancy Mullin – Secretary, and Lisa West – Vice President for stepping forward to fill these vacant roles. Returning Officers include Mark Verhelst – Treasurer and Don Lawrence – President.

Website and Contact Info:

Our website is the best source for current information. www.summerlandcurling.org

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

Great curling everyone,
Your SCC Executive