

August 12, 2023

SCC Newsletter: **Hello Curlers!**

It seems early to be thinking about curling but the Executive is already busy planning for the upcoming season. Our goal this year is to build on the successes we achieved last year, in the areas of new member recruitment.

2022/23 was a great year for the SCC as we increased our membership, offered more opportunities for new curlers to take up the sport, held all our regular bonspiels and made a reasonable profit. Following is a snapshot of the activities we have planned for 2023/24 with the focus on recruiting more members and growing the club even more.



Ice Technician 2023-24:

The Executive is pleased to announce that Dean Jones will be returning for his 2nd season as our Head Ice Technician. Dean is scheduled to begin installing the ice on October 1st with **league curling starting on Tuesday October 10th.**

SCC Treasurer Position:

We are thrilled to have Roxanne Eyben step forward and volunteer to take on the role of Treasurer for the SCC this year. Please welcome Roxanne and wish her well in her new role. Many thanks to our outgoing Treasurer Mark Verhelst for his outstanding work over the last 4 years.

Bar Manager Position:

Lisa West and Ken Rae have agreed 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. Having volunteer bartenders saved the club thousands of dollars and was a big reason why the club turned a profit last year.

Member Recruitment Committee:

The goal of this committee is to attract new members. Here is a list of some activities we have planned this year.

- Our Learn to Curl Program will run again in October, in conjunction with Summerland Parks and Recreation.
- For newcomers a new curling game called "Triples" will be offered on Sunday afternoons in October. 3 members per team will play 6 end games against another team. The big difference is each team member rotates positions after 2 ends, so everyone gets a chance to play lead, second and skip. Experienced volunteers are required to teach skill development and assist with on-ice strategy.
- Curling, Burger and a Beer will also return with 2 sessions set up for October 14 and 28.

- As a helpful resource, a Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) document for all SCC members is available on the SCC website at www.summerlandcurling.org

Website Maintenance Person:

- The SCC urgently needs someone to update and maintain our website. This includes adding new information to the site, posting league schedules, and updating the calendar with bonspiels and events. The time commitment is estimated to be one hour per week and does not require advanced computer skills. If you can help, please contact any League Rep or email us at info@summerlandcurling.org

Curling Fees for 2022/23:

- All curling fees will remain the same as last year, except for the Friday Night Social League which will see a decrease of \$35 to \$200. This decrease is to compensate Friday Night curlers for losing 2 nights of curling in 2023/24 due to bonspiels.
- All other league fees (except Fri Night) will remain at \$235 for league 1, \$195 for league 2, \$110 for league 3, and \$50 for league 4. There is no charge to curl in leagues 5 or 6. GST will be added on.
- Membership fees remain at \$30 plus GST.
- Curl BC fees remain unchanged at \$20.
- Junior Curling fees are \$60 for the year.
- Locker fees remain at \$20 plus GST (\$21) for the year.

How to Register for Curling:

1. Online Registration opens September 1, 2023. 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
2. In-Person Registration will be held Thurs Sept 21, 2022, from 6:00 to 7:30 in the lounge.

SCC AGM 2023:

- Will be held Sunday October 1, 2023 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 in the lounge after the meeting.
- This is also a great opportunity to hear how the club fared last year, our goals for the club in 2023/24 and operational changes in store for the curling club this year.
- 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:

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

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

Looking forward to seeing you at the AGM on October 1.

Your SCC Executive