

March 4, 2023

SCC Newsletter:

Greetings to All!

With the curling season coming to a close, the Executive wanted to say thank you to all SCC curlers for their support of the club. The 2022/23 season has seen a return to normal curling activities with the club running a Learn to Curl Program, 6 bonspiels and 2 Curling, Burger and Beer events. Participation in all our events has been great and kudos to the organizers for their work in running these events.



The SCC rented out the curling ice to 4 outside groups over the year and we also had 16 school groups attend the club for curling instruction organized by Dave Gartrell. Our Junior Program was strong again this year with 19 curlers signed up.

Volunteers are critical to the success of the SCC. Many thanks to Lisa West and Ken Rae for jointly managing the bar this season. They in turn would like to extend their sincere appreciation to the volunteer bartenders that worked all season long to enrich the curling experience at our club.

Our final day of curling will be Friday March 17 with our Year-end Windup Party scheduled for Saturday March 18 in the curling club lounge.

Ice Technician 2022-23:

The Executive would like to thank Dean Jones for his successful transition to the role of Head Ice Technician this year. As with any new job, there is a learning curve and Dean has done a good job of getting up to speed and providing the club with quality ice. Please join the Executive in thanking Dean for his hard work and commitment to the SCC this year.

Executive Positions:

As in any organization there is often turnover, and this year Mark Verhelst will be stepping down from the Executive. Over the past 4 years Mark has been a key player on the Executive and we would like to thank him for his dedication and hard work as our Treasurer. We will certainly miss his expertise.

To move forward we need to fill the Treasurer role as soon as possible. Some accounting related experience would be helpful, but it is not essential. Please consider volunteering your time to help lead the SCC.

New Member Recruitment:

One of our goals as a curling club this year was to try to boost our membership. A Recruitment Committee was created to identify ways to advertise curling better, promote the SCC to the community, offer opportunities for the public to try curling, and hopefully attract new members.

The 2 Curling, Burger, and Beer events that we ran this year were a huge success. We had 28 or more people in each event and the feedback was very good. Four participants from these events ended up joining the club as spares. As a result of the interest generated by the Curling, Burger and Beer, we will be offering these Saturday afternoon events again next year. Many thanks to the dedicated volunteers that help with registration, rental equipment, on-ice instruction, food preparation, and bar services.

League Representatives for 2023-2024:

Our SCC Bylaws state that each league will nominate one person as their representative for the next curling season. This needs to be completed before the end of March.

Then at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) slated for October 1, 2023, the representatives from each league will be officially voted to the Executive by the general membership.

Juniors Bonspiel:

On Saturday Mar 4, 2023, the SCC will be hosting a bonspiel for Junior curlers with teams from Penticton, Kelowna and Summerland taking part. This event will be sponsored by Ice Halo with prizes and lunch served to all.

Lockers:

Please remove your lock and empty your locker by March 17th.

Year-end Windup Party:

We are pleased to announce that we will be having a windup party on Saturday March 18 for all members and their guests. Doors open at 5:00 pm with dinner served at 6:00. Tickets are \$15 per person and must be purchased in advance from your league rep or at the bar. A total of 90 tickets have been printed for this event, so get yours early. This is a great way to close out our season and wish everyone a great summer.

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.

Have a wonderful summer,
Your SCC Executive