

CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Fellow curlers - The Nominating Committee is delighted to report that the following 15 persons have expressed a desire to sit on the Board of Directors of Peace Arch Curling Club for the 2026-27 year. Their names, and their candidates summaries, have been arranged in the order that we received the applications. Some time ago it was decided that we should have no more than 10 persons on the Board. As a result of the level of interest to volunteer for the Board that has been expressed this year, there will be an election at the AGM. Each member of PACC attending the AGM will be given a ballot listing the candidates in the order presented below. No proxies will be accepted. Two members will be asked to count the ballots after the meeting with the results provided to the membership the following week.

To all of the candidates seeking to become Board members the Nominating Committee wishes to express our deep appreciation for your agreement to volunteer in this manner. Thank you!

Your nominating committee - Ross Scott and Terry Peel

Joel MacDonald: I have been an active member of PACC for more than 20 years, both as a curler and as a volunteer. I curl in the Tuesday and Thursday Men's leagues. I have served on the Board of Directors since October 2024, in both the Secretary position and currently in the Treasurer position. I've also held the position of League Representative for Tuesday Men's league for the past 5+ years. As a career, I specialize in project management, overseeing the design, development, and delivery of bespoke technology systems.

Gary MacKinnon: has been a member of the Club for 12 years now playing in a minimum of 2 leagues some years and up to 4 leagues some years. I have been a volunteer at the Club for 7 years and organized the 2018 Hunter Men's Bonspiel and the Manager of the Club for 5 years (2018/19 to 2022/23). This meant I participated in over 50 Board meetings as the person who took direction from the Board and implemented the Board's decisions. I was on the Board of Directors of the Club for the 2025/26 season meaning that I participated in 10 more Board meetings as the Board member responsible for coordinating the League Reps and liaising between the Board and the League Reps. I was also the Monday Night Open League Rep for the 2025/26 season and have committed to being the Friday Morning Open League Rep for the 2026/27 season.

Mark Evans: I am a retired Chemical Engineer finishing my career as the General Manager of the Kruger Products New Westminster mill. Responsibilities included safety, human resources, equipment operations, engineering and logistics, all of which were very applicable as the Project Manager for the rebuild of the club's ice plant and refrigerated slab this summer. I have coached my two daughters in soccer and softball and am a volunteer at the Canada Cup each

summer as an announcer. As a member of the Semiahmoo Rotary Club I volunteered at various local community events. I curl 4 times a week in both day and evening leagues including once with my wife Lee. I have demonstrated that I can use my skills and experience to help the club and am will to do so for another year.

John Bogar: joined PACC in 2010. Previous Board experience includes serving under three presidents. I rejoined the Board last year with optimism, expecting a positive experience with the donor funding provided to reconstruct our curling club. An effective Board requires both experience and new ideas. The Board would benefit from broader representation, including women, Senators, younger members, and new curlers. I am committed to reconciling the relationships with our donors, and remain hopeful that a new Board, with fresh perspectives, can find a path forward. Currently, I serve as Chair of the Membership & Marketing Committee. Over the past year, we focused on rebuilding the junior curling program. In addition, I organized our Curling Day in Canada event, administered the Membership Survey, and organized a fun golf tournament to launch the season. I have come to recognize and appreciate the many amazing volunteers in our curling club. During my previous terms on the Board, I was the regular organizer of the High Tides Bonspiel, beginning in 2011. I would appreciate your support and look forward to serving the Club.

Linda Wei: PACC is more than a place to curl. It is our community, and its future belongs to all of us. After two years of being part of PACC and watching it grow, I am proud to stand for election to the Board of Directors. I believe leadership begins with service. Over the past curling season, I founded the Dragon League to welcome people from diverse cultural communities onto the ice. This work helped bring more than 30 new adult members to PACC. I have also helped develop youth curling opportunities, encouraging local families to explore recreational curling and competitive pathways for younger people. Along the way, I have connected new volunteers with PACC and invited more people to take part in our club. I have organized fundraising efforts, sought sponsorships, and reached out to local businesses and community members. I will bring that same energy to the Board, always putting PACC's best interests first.

If elected, I will work to made PACC more inclusive, encourage member participation, and support open, transparent decision-making. I want a Board that considers meaningful proposals constructively and removes barriers to serving members well. I will listen to members, work with fellow directors, and support the volunteers who make our club possible. Together, we can honour the people who built PACC while creating new opportunities for those who will carry it forward. I would be honoured to earn your vote. Let's work together for a stronger, safer and more unified PACC.

Rick Vandusen: has been an active playing member at Peace Arch Curling Club for 10 seasons. I am offering my name for election to the Board of Directors at the AGM on October 17, 2026. Here is a bit of background, I have been retired since April of 2018. In my lifetime, whenever I have received benefit from being a part of an organization, I have always felt the need to give back to that group. As a result, I have spent time on 2 separate Boards of non-

profit organizations. In my working career, I worked in the structural steel industry for about 42 years. Along the way, I became a 50% owner in a drafting business from 1986 and worked there right up until my retirement in 2018. My capacity in our company was to manage the office staff & projects.

Greg Christofferson: has been a member of the Club for 12 years. I am a curler in men's league and mixed leagues and have introduced my whole family to the Club and the sport of curling. Currently 3 family members are participating at the Club. Three family members have also volunteered in some capacity. I have volunteered on the Board of Directors for six years now. In addition, I have worked on bonspiels such as "High Tides" and the "Strathcona Cup" and volunteered my time in learn-to-curl, the youth program and at the recruitment stall at the White Rock Farmer's Market. I have met great people daily and gained rewarding new friendships at the Club.

Paul Tatay: curled for 5 years, about 40 years ago back east, and more recently for 10 years in BC at various clubs including Richmond, Langley and 2 years at Peace Arch. I am retired after a 40-year career in the insurance industry. Most recently I was Senior Vice President for Industrial Alliance responsible for a line of business including delivering results, planning and employee management, and presenting to the board of directors for the past 20 years. I am interested in becoming a director on the PACC Board.

My wife and I live in South Surrey; we have two grown children who also live in the area and a new granddaughter. I enjoy playing and watching sports, cooking, travel and spending time with the family. I've coached and managed various sports over the years. We also enjoy spending time at our cabin on one of the islands in Howe Sound.

Paul Mathias: I have at various times, served on the management team or board of directors for various sports organizations including soccer, hockey, swimming, running and others. In recent years I have participated on the Board of BC Athletics, the provincial organization for Track & Field, Race Walking and various forms of run racing. I was a member of the PACC Board of Directors for 2025-26 taking on a number of projects on behalf of the board and membership while also serving of the board's Finance Committee. I am excited about the coming year at PACC and would like to do all that I can to assist in making the coming year fun and enjoyable to all members.

Reg Mulligan: Hi All, I would like you to consider my application for membership on the PACC Board. I have been a curler off and on for most of my life and curling full time 3-4 Times a week for the last 15 years. I am currently volunteering often for Learn to curl, school curling and many other areas of need including as coordinator for our PACC advertising initiative. This includes all advertising, from wall signs and in ice Ads to our Website. I hope that I have the opportunity to serve the varied needs of our membership and grow our sport at a local level with of course the help of many other volunteers..

Maureen Roger: I am a curler who enjoys the structure and camaraderie of the PACC. I now feel it is time to “give back” to the Club by putting my name forward and hope you will seriously consider my qualifications.

A former management and healthcare consultant, I spent several years as an Executive Director and assisted various BC not-for-profit association Boards of Directors in the areas of communication, governance and strategic planning. I have also been a consultant to, and worked in various hospital and health care organizations. I served over ten years as a public representative on the Board of the Certified Management Accountants Society of British Columbia. I was also a member of the CMA Canada Competency Development Committee for several years at the time of transitioning from the CMA to the CPA designations. I was awarded an honorary CMA designation. I was a Director of the BC Safety Council for several year. Currently, I volunteer with the Canadian Red Cross in White Rock and with YVR – organizations requiring much problem solving, patience and clear communication skills (and some fun) while working with the public.

Christine Makasoff: I have been a member of Peace Arch Curling Club’s board since 2018. Initially I chaired the social committee and organized drop-in curling and trivia nights, open houses for Curling Day in Canada and Grey Cup parties. In 2020 (Covid years), I was elected by the Board to sit as vice president during which I chaired a team of volunteers to inform members on how PACC would function during Covid. In 2022, I was elected president. During the three years that I sat as president, I gained a broader awareness of all aspects of the curling club. After reading the Lease and Operating Agreements with the City of White Rock, I spearheaded an initiative to have the City rewrite the agreements for better clarity and to eliminate PACC’s contribution to the capital replacement of the City’s building. A new agreement was drafted in the spring of 2025 but was put on hold while other options were pursued.

Much of my spare time is spent volunteering at PACC, which has included assisting at Learn-to-curl and ice rentals; running 50/50 fundraisers; producing posters and brochures; assisting in kitchen transitions; painting; and organizing the High Tides Bonspiel. I love being a member of PACC and believe it is an important part of our community. I hope to serve on the board next year to finalize a new agreement with the City of White Rock.

Hélène Cameron: I am a long-standing member of PACC and an avid curler. Retired from working in the education and health fields (BC and Ontario) I developed an extensive background in the governance of non-profit organizations. I was an Executive Director of the not-for-profit BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils and a volunteer and director on several non-profit boards in BC, most recently the Peace Arch Hospice Society. I have been a consultant assisting several societies in governance and strategic renewal processes.

As a Board member I will be guided by three principles; 1) making decisions that are consistent with the organizations constitution and bylaws; 2) being respectful and constructive in discourse; and 3) acting with integrity. I believe these qualifications and my past experience

would make me a good candidate for a position of the Board of Directors of the Peace Arch Curling Club.

Nick Cheng: holds a Ph.D. from Cornell University and a Bachelor of Science from Peking University, reflecting a strong academic foundation that informs his analytical approach to financial advising. He joined Edward Jones as a Financial Advisor in 2002, where he manages the New Westminster branch and is a Limited Partner of the firm. He is a member of the firm's *Circle of Success*, awarded to leading advisors who exemplify excellence in client service and business growth. Over his tenure, Nick has contributed to Edward Jones through several key leadership roles across the Greater Vancouver region.

His professional and community achievements have earned him notable distinctions, including KNIGHT of the Order of St. George, Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International, Judge for the Miss New Westminster Pageant & Ambassador Program, Judge for New Westminster's Citizen of the Year, Businessperson of the Year from the New Westminster Chamber of Commerce, and the honorary title of Royal Lancer. He has served as Chair of the Douglas College Foundation, President of the Rotary Club of New Westminster, Director of the Copper Ridge Conference Center Board, Director of the New Westminster Foundation, President of the Fraser Valley Estate Planning Council, member of the Village of Anmore Finance Committee, and Director of the New Westminster Chamber of Commerce. His leadership reflects a long-standing commitment to strengthening community institutions and supporting local development.

David Baird: My wife and I recently returned to BC after spending many years working and living overseas. I served as Head of School at large international schools in Hong Kong, Vietnam, Thailand and China. We have three grown children and we share in the busy and chaotic joy and child-minding of seven grandchildren...thankfully not all of them at once!

As an administrator, I gained extensive experience in project management, financial systems, and accreditation procedures. I spearheaded major building projects, working with a range of professionals. I've accrued skills that I feel would be useful to the Peace Arch Curling Club: marketing, public relations and working with various Boards of Directors/Trustees are essential parts of leading school systems and of sustaining organizations. Since returning to Canada, for the past three years, I've been Treasurer for the South Surrey Garden Club. I also currently sit on the Surrey Parks, Recreation and Sport Tourism Committee. I'm in my second year with PACC and am looking for ways to contribute to an association my wife and I have really come to enjoy. I know that I could serve the Board addressing a variety of tasks with a range of skills. I volunteered for the club last year helping organize festivities for the end of season Bonspiel, qualifying as a bartender. I'd like to contribute more time and energy this year, helping where there is a need.