

**Peace Arch Senators Curling League
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
March 19, 2025 – 11:15 am**

1. Assertion of a Quorum

It was determined by the secretary that a quorum of 25 was achieved.

2. Call to Order

The President, Stan Turner, called the meeting to order at 11:45 am

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Doug Holmyard , seconded by Wayne Parent that the agenda be approved as circulated.
Carried

4. Approval of the Minutes – March 24, 2024 AGM

Moved by Doug Wrong, seconded by Wayne Parent to accept the minutes of the 2024 AGM as circulated. Carried

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the 2024 minutes.

6. Treasurer's Report Don Cameron (not present)

Presented by Doug Holmyard

Bank Balance \$2861.08 (as of August 2024)

Revenue:

Spare fees (Fall 2024) \$ 290.00

Spare fees (Winter2025) \$ 360.00

Total Revenue \$650.00

Expenses:

Rick Bachman (expenses Ted Anderson) \$ 69.00

Doug Holmyard Playdowns \$ 40.00

Dave Harris Playdowns \$ 160.00

Ralph Chernenkoff Playdowns \$ 160.00

Mike Skinner Playdowns \$ 160.00

Greg Cebry Playdowns \$ 160.00

Doug Holmyard (Crests) \$ 201.60

Total Expenses \$950.60

Revenue less Expenses \$ -300.60

Estimated Opening Bank Balance for 2025-26 Season \$2,560.48

In the past the Senators collected revenue from bonspiel entry fees, 50/50 ticket sales, and sponsorships. Those revenues now must go directly to the club to comply with tax regulations. The only remaining source of income is spare fees.

Aspira Pacifica and Aspira Peninsula have signed a contract to sponsor Senators events for the next 5 years for a total of \$25,000.00. This includes a banner, in-ice logo, and bonspiel support. Thank you to Ross Scott for negotiating the deal.

Moved by Al Fouquette, seconded by Bob Insell to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Carried

7. Directors Annual Reports

Presidents Report

Stan Turner

We started the season in the Fall with 16 Teams on Monday and 14 Teams on Wednesday. This was an increase from last year. Team Murray and Team Rollinson were the respective winners of Monday and Wednesday and played off for the entry to the Interclub Bonspiel; Team Rollinson won the right to represent PACC Senators in Chilliwack yet only the 3rd was able to curl. After a thorough attempt to find additional curlers to fill the other 3 positions on the team, the Interclub convenor was called to put in another team as PACC could not put a team together for this event; hopefully, next year PACC will be represented.

The Ted Anderson Bonspiel was held Oct 25-27 and had a full slate of 16 teams including 8 PACC teams. Team Zbeetnoff (PACC) won the event with Team Murray (PACC) finishing second; the evening league PACC teams were permitted to enter a few bonspiels and there were some good results. Team Makasoff won the Abbotsford Masters bonspiel. More on the Ted Anderson bonspiel and financial results later.

The Hutch Bonspiel had a full complement of 16 teams. Registration was done online to make it fair for everyone, and for the most part it worked well. The event was a success and ended up in the black, which is good for PACC especially since everyone had a great time. Team Yorkshire Pudding (aka Team Lillian Moe) won the event.

As you may know by now, the Government is clamping down on GST for applicable services and curling events seem to be on that list, so GST will be charged on most future events, which may be priced to include GST.

Moving on, the winter session saw 14 Teams on both Monday and Wednesday: a significant improvement in numbers over Wednesday last year. I spearheaded a push over the Xmas holidays to open up Wednesday to women for two reasons; to bolster numbers and to try to get women into a PCMCA league so there could be women for a mixed and/or a women's playdowns team. Two women only entered which was enough to get a mixed team entry.

Whether or not the Wednesday league is the place for an Open format is to be seen.

With the winter session came the PCMCA Zone 2 Playdowns.

The Over60 playdowns saw 3 teams vying for the right to represent PACC at the Zone2 event. Team Boynton won the entry. Team Makasoff was awarded an entry when Delta did not field a team. Team Makasoff did well and made it to the final in a game they lost to Langley.

The Over 70 playdowns PACC representative team was Team Harris. Team Harris was the only team to beat the eventual Zone2 winning team from Chilliwack. With a miscue in the draw Team Harris had to meet this same team again before the final and lost the game putting Team Harris out.

The Mixed playdowns PACC representative team was Team Cebry. They competed in Langley and hopefully set the stage for Mixed teams for the foreseeable future.

The 80+ playdowns had two PACC team entries; Team Chernekoff and Team Skinner. They had some good games yet did not have success.

The Stick entry of Skinner & Moe was hit with the Flu bug and called the Convenor in time to find a replacement; hopefully they can make another go of it next season.

Now back to PACC and the Day of Champions, March 22, will see Team Moe competing against Team Chernenkoff for the winter session Senators Championship. (NB: Teams entered after the meeting since it was not clear who would be in the final at the time of the AGM.)

I started 'Curling Tidbits' emails to all Senators to give some info on curling basics to all Senators curlers; hopefully it was helpful, especially with those new to curling.

As an aside, I created an Excel Spreadsheet for the Sparemaster which can be set up with the curlers names and Skips names at the beginning of the season and then used to easily track and follow the Spare guidelines for assignment of Spares; so hopefully this will facilitate the job of Sparemaster and the accounting that we do for Spares as well.

The Senators finished the year with 16 2-day full season curlers, 20 Monday only all season curlers, 8 Wednesday only all season curlers, 15 and 13 Monday and Wednesday respectively in the fall half, 11 and 21 Monday and Wednesday respectively in the winter half, 11 both Monday and Wednesday in the fall half, and 11 both Monday and Wednesday in the winter half. There were a total 83 masters curlers in the fall half and 87 masters curlers in the winter half, which included 2 women.

Respectfully,
Stan Turner

Report on Ted Anderson Memorial Bonspiel Oct 25-27, 2024. Stan Turner

We were able to get a full complement of 16 teams again this year after some juggling to get the Spares entered individually onto the 15th team and the women of PACC stepped up from the Thursday league to enter the 16th team.

This year we had 1 Chilliwack team, 1 Abbotsford team, 3 Langley teams, 1 Mission team and 10 Peace Arch teams consisting of 5 daytime Senators teams, 3 evening league teams, 1 hybrid evening team, and 1 women's team. It was the first introduction of a PACC women's team ever in the Ted Anderson bonspiel.

Leslie Anderson, Ted's daughter, attended again this year, and it was great to have her as she always gives a nice talk about the history of her Father, Ted Anderson.

As far as money the 50/50 draw was held every day. We raised some much-needed funds to help with the bonspiel expenses. Thanks to all who helped sell tickets.

Registration for the most part was done online. As there was no VP officially this year, I functioned as Draw Master and had Doug Holmyard helped me with scoresheet entries, so thank you Doug. Rick Bachman did a lot of the running around again to get needed items, so thanks Rick for doing that.

Thanks to Candlelight Cuisine for the catering and putting on a great meal. People always appreciate that.

Ross and Doug worked closely with us to get the building open early. They did a midday scrape to keep the ice in great shape.

I would also like to thank those that brought in door prizes for the draw as it is always nice to have additional door prizes as it rounds out the event by adding a few more winners to the event.

Speaking of winners, this year Peace Arch teams took first, second, third and fourth. Team Zbeetnoff claimed the trophy. Team Murray was 2nd. Team Turner (Skipped by Mike Skinner) took 3rd, and Team Harris was 4th.

We were able to get sponsorship money by being a little creative, and that helped. When you have a chance to support our sponsors, make sure you know who they are as it is key that we keep the sponsors on board. They make these bonspiels possible. Thank you.

9. Spare Master

Leo LeCouteur

My thanks to all the curlers and spares who helped me out to complete the teams, because sometimes I need up to nine spares. I like to send out emails on Sunday for the Monday games and Tuesday for the Wednesday games. Check your emails on those days to make sure I get a timely response. If I need nine spares and only get four or five responses, some teams cannot play. Spares are important to keep our league going. Last year, I needed 68 spares and this year, 75, so it would help me if you could respond to you mails quickly. Other than that, it's working out well. If anybody has any suggestions as to how I can improve the process, let me know. I am open the suggestions.

10.New Business

Wednesday League Format

There was discussion concerning the direction of the league format with three options put forward: a male league, a mixed league or an open league. Moved by Stan Turner, seconded by Terry Peel to change the Wednesday draw to an open league. By show of hands the motion was approved 41 to 8. Carried

Spare Rules

The PACC Board is working through spare rules for leagues with sparemasters and leagues without sparemasters. There is some tweaking the Senators can do with our spare rules, especially to do with the way that we look for remuneration. Stan would like to get a sub committee to get together over the summer.

Senator's Structure Change

In the past the Senator's ran their own organization. To do that correctly we would need our own constitution, and we need to have our own liability insurance coverage. The club would not cover us. We would need to register with Society's Act in BC, we would not be a member under curl BC, because we are not affiliated with any club, because we would be basically a rental league in this club and Curl IO wouldn't handle our registration. We would have to sign up with somebody to do the registration work for us at the beginning of each year and deal with the club on a rental basis for a long-term contract for ice. We looked at that scenario and determined it is not worth the hassle. So, we should be a league within Peace Arch, and so basically, we have taken the steps to make that, and the only difference I can see really is we no longer have need for a treasurer position with the Senator's organization. We will run the Senator's league in the same manner as the Ladies Day League.

Entries for playdowns in zone 2

This past year Senator's organization stepped up and followed suit with all the other clubs and paid for the entry fees for the teams that went into the playdowns, because those teams were flying the Senator's organization Peace Arch flag.

We will have revenue from spare fees, and we are looking at the ways that the other clubs generate revenue.

It was agreed by consensus that the \$5 spare fee would continue to be charged.

11. Nominations & Election of Board members

President – Stan Turner

Past President – Doug Holmyard

Vice President – Bill Curran

Treasurer – Don Cameron

Secretary – Greg Cebry

Spare Master – Leo LeCouteur

Director – Wayne Parent

Director – Paul Mathias

Doug Holmyard declared The Officers and Directors elected.

12. Adjournment

There being no other business, Doug Wrong moved, Paul Mathius seconded adjournment at 12:30 pm.