



September 2019 Newsletter

Marmora and Area Curling Club

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President's Message:

I am writing this 'welcome back' message in the most unlike curling weather. With the temperature and humidity, makes you almost wish for the cold and snow, almost.

Summer is almost over, and the volunteers have not only been very busy, but very successful the last few months. The Jamboree was on budget, the accompanying yard sale exceeded expectations, the ATV poker run was wild and wildly successful, the ESSO raffle was profitable, the recent wedding rental had a very profitable bar, just to name a few. There have also been volunteer activities to improve the club physically and operationally, thanks to all the volunteers.

The larger projects completed, or in progress, are the repaired elevator, reverse osmosis water system, ice mistress controls for compressor, heaters, dehumidifier, and over ice heater replacements. The municipality is working through engineering and logistic issues with the roof repairs and the installation of the fire alarm system. These will not be completed before this curling season, although the delays are unfortunate, the successful completion of both projects is still on track.

We have some new league convenors this fall; Monday's will be Myrtle and Dennis and Friday's for the first half will be Sharon and Ron Taylor. In addition, we are starting up a new "doubles" league on Thursday nights with Wendy Blanchard as convenor. Congratulations and welcome to the board.

You too can become involved, yes, seriously, we are looking for a registrar for the CVJ for the coming year, and a volunteer member for the sponsorship committee. So, sign up early before all the good spots are filled!!!

We also will be welcoming our new ice maker this season, Gary Cound. Gary is an experienced ice maker, level 3, who has worked in several clubs around the area, most recently in Peterborough. We believe he will be a great leader as we expand our expertise in making good ice.

Have a great remainder of the summer and to quote Game of Thrones, 'winter's coming'.

Neil McQueen

AGM:

Our annual general meeting will be held on Sunday September 22nd at 2pm at the club.

Elections will be held for the following Board positions:

Vice-President

Secretary

Facilities

Rentals

Kitchen

Membership

Monday Night League Convenor

Thursday Afternoon Retiree's League Convenor

Thursday Afternoon Youth League Convenor

Friday Evenings

League Info:

League play starts on the week of Nov 4th, 2019.

Fees remain the same as last season:

- \$290 for 1 adult league, \$325 for unlimited adult leagues,
- \$150 for the first year for new adult members
- \$50 for youth league members
- \$30 for social members
- \$12 for a locker rental

We are introducing a new Thursday night “doubles” league this season. This format will follow the rules for doubles curling (“as seen on TV”), but players can be any combination of male or female.

Registration will be held on Sunday September 22nd from 3pm to 5pm, immediately following the AGM. Light refreshments will be available.

Board of Directors:

- President: Neil McQueen
- Vice-President: Jamie Walker
- Treasurer: Bill Hossack
- Secretary: Richard Langley
- Facilities: Curt Farrell
- Maintenance: Mike Gaebel
- Bar Steward: Maria Langley
- Rentals: vacant
- Kitchen: Myrtle Barry
- Volunteer Management: Joy Reid
- Membership: Peter Ylipelkola
- Past President: Paul Speight
- Monday Night Mixed (7pm): Myrtle Barry & Dennis Lecuyer
- Tuesday Afternoon Mixed Stick (1pm) – Donna Gabourie
- Tuesday Night Open (7pm): Peter Ylipelkola
- Wednesday Afternoon Ladies (1pm): Betty Bonnema & Maria Langley
- Wednesday Night Men’s (7pm): Doug Leary
- Thursday Afternoon Retiree’s (1pm): Sheila Ylipelkola
- Thursday Afternoon Youth (4pm): Lori & Mike Thorne
- New Thursday Night Doubles Open (7pm): Wendy Blanchard
- Friday Evenings (7pm): Ron & Sharon Taylor, Lin Walker

Marmora & Area Curling Club – Upcoming events!

Other Events & Fundraisers:

Friday Open Mic Nights: starts at 7pm on 1st Friday of each month from September through May.

Casino Night: Saturday September 14th at 6pm

Annual General Meeting: Sunday September 22nd at 2pm

Curling Registration: Sunday September 22nd, 3pm to 5pm

Christmas Parade: Sat Dec 7th – There will be floats for the curling club and the Crowe Valley Jamboree; Come on out and join the parade!

Chicken Pot Pies: Pie assembly day is Nov 15th at the club.

Christmas Calendar Draw: Daily draws to be held in January; Tickets need to be sold before year-end.

Club Banquet: Saturday April 4th

Curling Clinics and Spiels:

Open House: Sunday Nov 3rd, 1pm to 4pm: on-ice practice and lounge social - open to anyone!

Curling Clinics: Sat Nov 9th, Nov 16th, Jan 11th & Jan 18th @1pm: Theory & on-ice practice – open to anyone!

School & COPE Curling: (dates TBC, coaches needed)

Ladies Interclub: Wed Dec 11th @9am

Ladies Bonspiel: Wed Jan 22nd

BC Challenge: Fri Eve Jan 31st and Sat Feb 1st (TBC)

Mixed Bonspiel: Sat Feb 15th

Fireman’s Bonspiel: Sat Mar 7th

Stick Spiel: Sat Mar 14th

Monthly Funspiels: Sat Dec 14th, Sat Jan 25th, Sat Feb 29th

Club Closing FunSpiel: Sat Mar 28th

Volunteer Opportunities:

There are plenty of opportunities in many different capacities to get your 12 volunteer hours in during the season. Sign-up sheets are posted at the club. Everyone has skills that can be utilized to help keep the club running as cost-effectively as possible.