



THE **March 2026** BURNT ROCK NEWSLETTER

Niagara Falls Curling Club

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Ice will come out of the Club starting on April 20

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Dear Curling Club members and friends:

As we come to the end of another curling season, we wanted to provide updates on some exciting news from the last month.

First, we are so proud to be cheering on club member, **Victor Pietrangelo**, as he represents Ontario at the upcoming Brier as lead for **Team King**. Victor will be heading to St. John's Newfoundland and Labrador later this month. Competition begins February 27th. Thanks to everyone who came out Wednesday February 11th to wish Victor and **second Owen Henry** the best.

Second, we recently received approval from the Courts to proceed with converting the Club to a Not-for-Profit corporation. This has been a long journey with several members and Sean dedicating many hours to make this a reality. The Board is currently working with our lawyer to complete the conversion process, which when completed, will allow us to be eligible to submit applications for Trillium Fund grants.

A huge thank you to all members who took the time to complete the membership survey. We had more than 110 members respond and provide comments about the Club. The responses are currently being reviewed and a summary will be provided to the membership. In the meantime, we are using the feedback

on food and beverage preferences to stock some new options. Keep an eye out at the bar.

Our Olympic Open House was a huge success with our two sessions (afternoon & evening) .

Rob



LITTLE ROCKER UPDATE

Next Generation Curlers Shine at Bonspiels



MARIO FOLINO
YOUTH COORDINATOR

Our junior curlers have been busy this season, competing in U13 bonspiels across the region. With three teams on the ice, our young athletes have been gaining valuable game experience, building confidence, and—most importantly—having fun representing the club.

For many, these events were their first taste of bonspiel culture, and they embraced it with enthusiasm. So far, teams have played at Galt, Burlington, and Welland, with more events coming up at Westmount and Grimsby. Each outing has brought more skill development, teamwork, and plenty of smiles.

Bonspiels give young curlers the chance to grow, make new friends, and feel part of the wider curling community. We're incredibly proud of their effort and positive attitude this season.

A heartfelt thank-you to all our members for supporting youth curling—your encouragement, ice time, and volunteer spirit make these opportunities possible.



SHRIMPS

(1 Lbs Packages)

RAW

~~16 - 20~~

~~\$17.00~~

COOKED

21 - 25

\$16.00

16 - 20

\$18.00

SCALLOPS

(227g Packages)

\$16.00

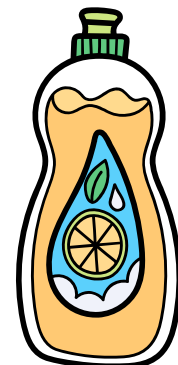
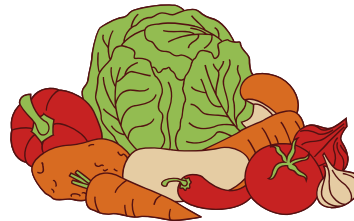
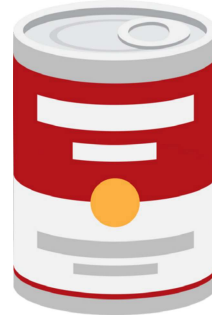
We Need Your Help



***Bins Onsite
March 11-18***

Most Needed Items:

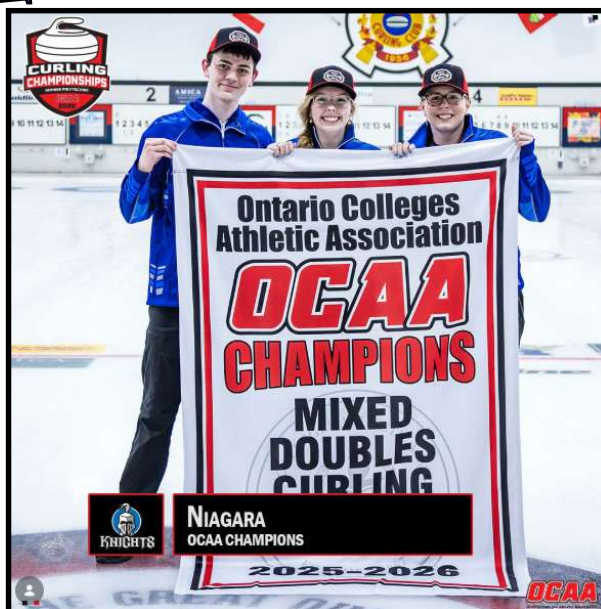
- Canned beans
- Canned tuna
- Canned chicken
- Peanut butter
- Dried pasta and rice
- Pasta and Rice 'sides' packets
- Canned soups
- Fresh cheese and yogurt
- Frozen meats
- Fresh produce
- Soap and body wash
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Laundry detergent
- Dish detergent
- Menstrual products
- Diapers
- Baby food
- Infant formula
- Toilet paper
- Pet food



NFCC IN COMPETITION



OCAA Women's Champions - Niagara Knights
Julia Markle, Cassie Barnard, Megan Ford, Briana Szige-
ti-Jonasson, Carmen Warboys, and Coach Chris Poulouski



Niagara Knights/Monday Doubles Team
Noah LeBrun, Emma Riches, & Coach Jackie Kellie



Ontario Winter Games
Orillia, Ontario
Mixed Doubles



Congratulations to Evelyn Fish,
Phynn Gallacher and Coach
Stephen Fish for a Silver Medal
Achievement at the 2026 Ontario
Winter Games!

Pro Shop Sale

Everything

20 % Off

All In Stock Items

Starts March 16

NFCC Curlers Competing in

Provincial/National

Competitions

Team Middaugh

Kelly Middaugh
Daniel Krowchuk
Emily Middaugh
Graham Singer

Will be representing NFCC at
the **Provincial Mixed Cham-
pionships** @ Burlington Golf
& Country Club
April 1 - 5

Team Ford/Campbell

Katie Ford
Oliver Campbell

Mixed Doubles
National Championships
March 21-27, 2026
Cloverdale Curling Club, Sur-
rey, B.C.

Team Pietrangelo/ Grey-Withers

Victor Pietrangelo
Serenna Grey-Withers

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rey, B.C.

TOP PERFORMANCE CURLING BROOMS

BalancePlus EQ+ RS Broom



- EQ+ sleeve technology designed to maximize sweeping efficiency.
- RS modular head system allows sleeve replacement without replacing the head.
- Compatible with Lite, 3.0, and Firm RS foams for customized sweeping feel.
- Available in 7" and 9" head widths.
- Lightweight carbon or composite handles depending on model.

Hardline Carbon Fiber Broom



- Ultra-stiff carbon fiber handle for maximum power transfer.
- IcePad head system designed for consistent ice contact.
- Quick pad replacement for easy maintenance.
- Excellent balance for aggressive sweeping.
- Popular choice among elite competitive teams.

Performance Comparison

Feature	BalancePlus EQ+ RS	Hardline
Head System	RS modular sleeve system	IcePad Sleeve
Customization	Multiple foams and sleeves	Multiple pad fabrics/foams
Handle	Carbon or composite options	Carbon fiber
Head Width	7" or 9" (7" in stock)	Standard IcePad
Maintenance	Replace Foam/sleeve	Replace Foam/sleeve
Typical Users	Competitive club curlers	Elite & competitive teams

Niagara Falls Curling Club (NFCC) Scholarship Criteria and Application Process

Purpose:

The NFCC has offered post-secondary scholarships to youth curlers for several years. The Scholarship is awarded annually by the Scholarship Committee of the NFCC Board of Directors. The Scholarship in the range of \$300-\$500 is intended to assist the student in their pursuit of their post-secondary education. The Scholarship is awarded to an applicant who is:

- A NFCC member in good standing
- Graduating Grade 12 and residing in Ontario
- Entering full-time post-secondary education (for the first time) at a College, University or Trade School in the proceeding school year beginning after April of their last year of high school

Application Process:

- Complete the attached Application Form
- A composition from the applicant (maximum 500 words) answering the following questions:
 - What has curling meant to me as a person?
 - How am I enhancing the sport of curling in my community?
 - What work have I done that describes my greater community involvement?
- Most recent transcript from High School
- 2 letters of reference (one from a Curling-related member/organization and one outside of Curling (both must be non-relative))
- If the applicant is planning a “gap year” they should note this on their application and the Scholarship Committee will hold their application as “qualified” for the next year

Applications must be received, or post marked by May 31st. Please mail to NFCC (Attention Scholarship Committee) at 5801 Morrison St, Niagara Falls, ON, L2E 2E8, or hand deliver in a sealed envelope addressed to the NFCC Scholarship Committee, or email to manager@niagaracurling.com (attention Scholarship Committee in the subject field).

The winning candidate(s) will be advised by June 30th.

NFCC Post-Secondary Scholarship Application Form

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Phone Number _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____ Date of Birth _____

Secondary School: _____

Prospective Post-Secondary Institution: _____

Career Aspirations: _____

Brief Overview of any Awards/Distinctions you have received during the past 5 years: _____



House News

OLD PHOTO
COURTESY B.CHAGNON ESTATE



What Changes in The Ice House Can You See?

ex. Heater -Right Wall

POST IT FUN FACT

Although Team King is young, they are not the youngest team to compete at the Brier. Team Gushue 2002 and Team Kevin Martin 1991 were in their 20's

DENNIS O'CONNOR APPRECIATION NIGHT & BANNER PRESENTATION

**SATURDAY MARCH 21 ST
6:30 PM**
Niagara Falls Curling Club
Lounge

15 Year Convenor Zone & SOSSA
OFSAA Leadership in School Sport Award
13 SOSSA Titles
4 Ontario Titles
Labatt Curler of Month from OCA
10 Top 5 Finishes at Ontario Championships





NIAGARA FALLS CURLING CLUB

68th Annual Men's Honeymoon City Bonspiel

**April 9, 10 and 11, 2026
(Thurs evening, Friday & Saturday)**

4 games guaranteed

Cash & Raffle prizes

Snacks Thursday

Lunch & Dinner Friday

Cocktail party Saturday

Continental Breakfast each morning

\$540.00 Cdn per entry + \$30 raffle prize (approx.) per team for Raffle

For further information and entering please contact:

honeymoonbonspielf@gmail.com



Come Curl With Us!

*The Honeymooner in Niagara
The greatest way to finish off your
curling season!!*

Website

To keep informed on all the latest happening in the club don't forget to visit our website, it is updated regularly by Rob Walters.

<https://niagaracurling.com/>

POST IT FUN FACT

3 Alumni of the Niagara Falls Curling Club have participated in the Brier

Where To Get Scores/ Watch Curling Online

**Curling
Zone**

**Curling
Canada Youtube**

**Grand
Slam Live Stream**

**Curling
Stadium Edmonton**

**Ontario
Curling Tour**

**Curling
Stadium North Bay**

**Curling
Ontario Scoreboard**

**Curling
Channel Tv (Subscription)**

**World
Curling**