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Chester Curling Club 2022-2023 News!

Welcome from Barbara Fraughton--- President

I would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to all members of the Chester Curling Club for the 2022-23 season. Our Club will operate much the same as in the past, hopefully, free of restrictions due to the coronavirus. We will start the season off by hosting the Canada Winter Game Trials from November 11th to the 14th and we will be looking for volunteers, so please feel free to step up and lend a hand to make this event successful.

Prudent planning by the Board, which has remained intact this year has necessitated a nominal increase in membership fees. Most of our Chairpersons are returning this year and we welcome back Darrin Hatt who is taking over the men's league on Thursday evenings from Charlie Williams. We are, however, still in need of a bar chairperson and a chair for the Wednesday women's league. Thank you to Roger Jones, Wendy Sheppard and Charlie Williams for your support last season.

Remember this is your club and we, the Board, welcome constructive comments, suggestions and assistance. I look forward to seeing you on the ice and in the lounge area, so let's make this another successful season. Please check our website and Facebook page often for updates!

Barbara Fraughton, 902-857-1744, bhfraughton@live.ca

Important upcoming dates!			
OCT 19, 20, 21	ONSITE REGISTRATION PRACTICE ICE 7PM TO 9PM		
OCT 25	LEAGUE PLAY BEGINS		
NOV 7	LEARN TO CURL START		
NOV 5, 7, 10	JUNIOR PROGRAM BEGINS		
NOV 11-14	CWG TRIALS		

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS					
2022/2023					
PRESIDENT	BARB FRAUGHTON				
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DAY CURLING	DROP IN ALL WELCOME	MONDAY, TUESDAY, AND	9:30 AM	SHIRLEY MCCAW &
		THURSDAY		TERRY FERGUSON
SOCIAL LEAGUE	DROP IN DEVELOPMENT ALL WELCOME	TUESDAYS	7:00 PM	PAM AND DAVE ADAMS
STICK CURLING	MEMBERS AND DROP-IN GUESTS	WEDNESDAY FRIDAY	1:00 PM 9:30 AM	TERRY ATHERTON
LADIES LEAGUE	SCHEDULED LEAGUE PLAY	WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM	TBA
MEN'S LEAGUE	SCHEDULED LEAGUE PLAY	THURSDAY	7:00 PM	DARRIN HATT
FRIDAY MIXED	SOCIAL MIXED LEAGUE PLAY	FRIDAY	7:00 PM	GARY CLARK
JUNIOR		MONDAY THURSDAY SATURDAY	2:00 PM 3:00 PM 10:00 AM	TAMMY RENT

<u>Learn to Curl:</u> Our learn to curl program is returning. Register through the Chester Municipality Rec Department. www.chester.ca/recreation-parks/programs. Tell your friends and family such a great way to start curling!

Ice News

We are happy to announce Randy Cocks will be staying on as ice technician. He will require assistance with ice installation and maintenance throughout the season. Please reach out to Randy if you can assist ice@chestercurlingclub.ca. We will be scheduling an evening for ice prepping instructions and information for members who would like to learn some basics.

Equipment for Sale

Looking to purchase new curling equipment? Look no further, we can help. For shoes, brooms, pants, mitts, stopwatches and more, please Contact Tammy Rent at 902-483-9086 or juniors@chestercurlingclub.ca. Prices are very competitive, and all profits go to support the Junior Program.

<u>VOLUNTEERS PLEASE!</u> If you have a few hours to spare, please reach out to a member of the board. Not only do we need a bar chair this season, but we also need bartenders, volunteers for the Canada Winter Games weekend, instructors for junior sessions, and many other areas. We welcome all support and even a few hours will be appreciated.

Another way you can help is through advertising. This is a great revenue for the club and helps support our community. If you know of a company who may be interested, please promote our club! Shirley McCaw and Jeff Lamb will be happy to provide all of the great options.

Junior Program:

We are so excited to bring the Junior Instruction, Fun, and Games back for the children this year. Our Programs will run on **Mondays from 2:00-3:00 pm, Thursdays from 3:00-4:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00-11:00 am**. Saturday, November 5th will be the first day for our junior curlers to come to the club and get the year started off. Monday, November 7th will be our first Monday session and November 10th will be our first Thursday session. We will have a minimum of 10 sessions throughout the curling season (barring storm days and other unforeseen circumstances).

As always, we welcome any help that parents, coaches and curlers can give to help our youth get into this great sport and stay with it for life. Please let us know if you can pitch in. Contact Tammy Rent at juniors@chestercurlingclub.ca or 902-483-9086.

Stick Curling

Across Nova Scotia, Stick Curling is exploding in numbers, and at the CCC it is no different. To best serve this growth we are doubling the opportunity for our stick community. As we have in the past, we will continue to host a **drop-in program on**Wednesday afternoons starting at 1 pm. New to the club will be a Stick League featuring teams playing a regular schedule on Friday mornings at 9:30 am. As well, we will be participating in a home and home schedule with Bridgewater, Liverpool and Lunenburg throughout the season commencing in November. Please contact Terry Atherton: tandjatherton@gmail.com.

Registration

	Cost	
	(inc	
Category	HST)	
Adult	\$380	
2nd Adult in		
household	\$345	
Early Bird	\$195	
Late Bird	\$260	
Stick League Only	\$180	
FT Post-Sec Student	\$200	
Junior over 12	\$160	
Junior 12 & under	\$110	
Practice	\$150	
Lockers	\$25	
Social (includes free		
200 Club Ticket)	\$80	

The best way to register for the 2022-23 season is online at www.chestercurlingclub.ca (under Curling>Membership>Registration Process). The membership and other fees are provided in the table to the left and a detailed description of each category is available on the website under the Curling>Membership tab. If you register online before October 17, you will be placed in a draw for a chance to win a rebate of 50% of your membership fee.

New this year is the ability to pay for your membership fee using VISA or Mastercard as part of the online registration process. E-transfer, cheque and cash will still be available as in previous years.

If you are unable to use the online system, in-person registration and payment will be available Wednesday to Friday, Oct 19-21 – 7:15 to 9 pm at the Curling Club or during the first week of league play the following week.

You will no longer be required to submit a signed paper copy of the waiver form at registration. When you register online you will be asked to acknowledge that you have read and agree to all of the terms and conditions on the waiver form stored on the website. Security features of the website ensure that this has the same legal standing as the paper forms.

Please note that NO league play is permitted until a player is registered, all waivers are acknowledged, and fees are paid in full.

<u>Lockers</u>: Lockers are available for rent for \$25. To ensure you receive a locker, it is encouraged to pay the rental fee as part of the registration process.

<u>Club 200</u>: We ask for your support for the Club 200 fundraiser initiative. The price is \$20 per ticket; just add the payment for your ticket (s) with your registration. **Please note: Club 200 tickets are available to anyone, not just to curlers.** Please email <u>info@chestercurlingclub.ca</u> and we will ensure appropriate payment and ticket delivery arrangements.