



Kerry Park Curling Centre

September 2017 Newsletter

Events

Our Annual summerspiel will be here very soon. (September 14-17th) We still need a couple more teams. Please contact Darrel Downey at dar-downey@shaw.ca or 250.732.8665.

Even if you're not playing, come out and watch and support your curling centre, there will surely be some good curling.

Fall General Meeting

Held August 27th – please see your league director for a copy of the minutes or by selecting the Executive tab on our website at: www.kerryparkcurlingclub.ca

Lawn Signs

Our lawn signs are again available for sign out. Please contact Lorraine at 250-743-4154. This is an excellent way to bring new and curlers to Kerry Park.

Re-Establishing Curling in our Community

Myrna Proulx & Lorraine attended a curling symposium in Kelowna where many ideas were shared about how to bring curling back into our community.

We plan on advertising in the community when we have a curling event or playdown. We will have some open houses (December and in February). We had a booth at the Cobble Hill fair where we promoted curling and Kerry Park Curling Centre.

Exciting New Instructor Program

At our curling centre meeting in the June 25th special meeting a motion was approved to have Bill Tschirhart come out six times (once per month beginning in September) for the 2017-2018 curling season. A \$3.00 per curler levy will be accessed for this program. Your league director will have more details.

Bill Tschirhart will be here to provide on-ice instruction as well as off-ice instruction such as strategy sessions for league members of all ages. Bill will be here during league play assisting where he can and between leagues on that particular day. He will attempt to be here for each day we have leagues. Plans are under way to have the first session before the curling season begins in order to incorporate brand new and returning curlers. This will also be a good time to learn the technique of using a stick for those who want to improve or are transitioning to a stick. Bill is willing to assist teams who want to play at a more competitive level as well.

Bill's focus will be to improve each person's curling delivery making it the best delivery for that individual. Bill is a world-renowned coach who also enjoys instructing at the club level and this is who he will direct his attention to at our facility.

Learn to Curl and Novice Clinics

Sunday Sept 24	Sunday Dec 17
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
FREE	FREE

Introduction to Curling
Ages 15+
Sundays Oct 1 - 15 • 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
3 Sessions \$15

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Regional Playdowns are Coming to Kerry Park

Kerry Park will be hosting the Under 18 playdowns January 5-7, 2018 and the Island Mixed playdowns March 2-4th, 2018.

As we get closer we will be looking for some volunteers to assist with these events. If you are interested send an email to: kerryparkcurlingclub@gmail.com.

There will also be a sign-up sheet on the board outside the curling lounge.

New Hacks

When you come to curl this season you will see that we have new hacks. The recreation centre has purchased removable Marco hacks that are better designed than the ones we had before.

New Brooms

The curling centre has purchased 24 new curling brooms for our novice curlers who currently don't have a broom. We will however still use the older brooms for the school program.

Volunteer and New Curler Incentive Programs

These programs were a success last season and will be renewed for the 2017-2018 curling season.

An important reminder that each curling centre coach and volunteer who completes 10 hours of volunteer work for our curling centre will receive 50% off their membership dues towards one league.

A change was made to the definition of a new curler. A new curler will be considered someone who has not curled in the last 10 years or more. An amendment was also made to volunteer

incentive program to exclude volunteer hours for executive committee work. This amendment was necessary to permit the curling centre to apply for program and capital cost grants.

Please refer to the Incentives tab on our website for more information on the Volunteer and New Curler Incentive Programs at: www.kerryparkcurlingclub.ca

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact one of the executive members or send an email to: kerryparkcurlingclub@gmail.com

Curling Centre Executive

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Myrna Proulx – Vice-President	250-514-8860
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Myrna is also the web master and Region 9 club rep.
Roselyn is also the membership registrar.

Our hope is that this newsletter is the first of many to come.

