



Sturgeon Falls Curling Club NEWSLETTER

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Bonjour à tous. Greetings to all.

An exciting season of curling is fast approaching. Our Curling Leagues will start on Friday October 29th.

Curling Club Executive

Directors

- President – Ray Marleau**
- Vice President – Barry Bertrand**
- Ice – Paul Theoret**
- Bonspiels – Beth Guindon**
- Membership – Marc Lavigne**
- House – Nick Rankin**
- Bar & Entertainment – Mike Gauthier**
- Building – Rene Grenier**
- Marketing & Advertising – Paul Guindon**
- Curling Leagues – Christiane McNeil**

- Treasurer – Ray Marleau**
- Secretary – Ginette Rochon**

- Trustees - Nicole Fraser,**
- Carmen Arbour, Colette Viens**

Curling Dues

There will be a small increase to our dues this year because of the HST and an increase in NOCA fees.

2010/2011 Dues

- Men - \$250**
- Ladies- \$210**
- Seniors - \$120**

- Students - \$65**
(Little Rocks/Juniors and High School)

All dues must be paid by November 12th, 2010 - a \$20 surcharge will apply thereafter.

Hall and Ice Rentals

Hurry and book your Christmas party and Ice Rental as spots are filling up fast. The hall can be rented for special occasions, meetings, etc...

New This Year!!!

SAVE \$\$\$. The curling club would like all returning and new members to pre-register. We will hold 2 registration sessions. Saturday October 16th from 10 am until 3 pm and Wednesday October 20th from 7 pm until 9 pm. Other curling clubs and just about every other sport league use the registration process. This process will allow the club to better plan the upcoming season by knowing in advance who plans to curl and when. It will allow us to make modifications to our league formats, if necessary, and will facilitate the job of our League Conveners. Hopefully our returning members will support this new process but just to encourage them we will offer a **price discount** by charging last year's rates to all those who register prior to October 21st.

Monday night curling. Last season we offered free curling on Monday nights during the month of March. This proved to be very popular. We are contemplating offering shinny type curling on Mondays for a very low fee as a way of encouraging new curlers. The ice would also be available for members to practice or play makeup or skins games. Let us know what you think is best for Monday nights.

Annual General Meeting. Our last AGM was poorly attended with only 8 members showing up. The AGM is an opportunity for the Executive to inform members of what's going on with the club and to receive feedback. Next year we hope to make changes to how Directors are nominated. More information will follow. Let us know what we can do to generate interest in our AGM!!

Spares. To encourage the recruitment of new members the Directors have decided to eliminate spare fees for this season with a limit of 6 games. This should make it easier for teams to find spares for league games. (Spread the word – this is **free curling**).

Club Bonspiels

Fall Funspiel. One day fun bonspiel on Saturday Nov. 20th. Open to mixed, Ladies, men's and junior teams.

Senior Funspiel. One day fun bonspiel on Saturday Dec. 4th. Open to anyone aged 50 and over.

Funspiel format: - first 16 teams accepted – two 6 end games – dinner and social evening. Watch for sign up sheets at the club.

Regular Bonspiels

Mixed - January 21 - 23, 2011

Ladies - February 4 - 6, 2011

Men's - February 18 - 20, 2011

Remember to register early and pay in advance to guarantee your spot.

Tim Horton's Timbits Youth Curling

The Youth curling program will be welcoming Timbits (age 5 - 9), Juniors (age 10 -13) and High School (age >13) players. All curling equipment is provided. Participants will learn the basic skills and terminology of curling in a fun and safe environment.

WEB Site

The club will be partnering with Northern Secondary School to recruit volunteer WEB Masters. Thanks to Nicole Fraser for organizing this.

Curling Leagues

The curling schedule for this season:

- Monday – Open/SKINS**
- Tuesday – Ladies' League**
- Wednesday - Competitive League**
- Thursday - Business League**
- Friday - Mixed league**
- Sunday – Youth curling**
- Seniors - Monday and Thursday afternoon.**

The club is looking for volunteers to help with the bar. We will provide the **SmartServe** training and you get to keep your tips. Contact Mike Gauthier.

Have a Great Curling Season!