

>>> NEWSLETTER <<<



IN THE HOUSE

MANOTICK CURLING CLUB



TOP NEWS OF THE SUMMER

WHATS HAPPENING AT MCC

The countdown is on! Curling season is just around the corner at Manotick Curling Club! Soon, the ice will be ready, the rocks will be sliding, and the familiar sound of sweeping will fill the rink once more.

Whether you're eager to get back into competition or looking forward to reconnecting with friends, there's something for everyone this year. Dust off your gripper, check your broom, and get ready—another great season is about to begin!

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>>> MESSAGE FROM YOUR CHAIR

Happy summer fellow curlers. It's been a hot one and I hope that you are staying cool and having fun! Your Board has been busy over the summer, getting things ready for upcoming season and you'll learn a bit more about that further in this newsletter. Registration is moving at a record clip, with more people registering sooner (we're already over 500) than ever before! Another positive from the registration so far is a rise in youth numbers – a strong indicator for our club and sport's future.

Last year the club invested a considerable amount of time surveying the membership to find out what our priorities should be. Members wanted more opportunities to curl and, in response, two new leagues were created that will launch this fall – for more info, see the What's New This Fall section.

Surveys from last season also indicated that there was strong interest in updating the club. To that end, we will be reforming last year's Building Committee as the Building Renovation Committee (BRC) when we get back to curling and we need volunteers – for more info, see the "Wanted" section.

That's all for now folks – enjoy what's left of summer!



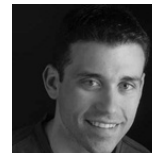
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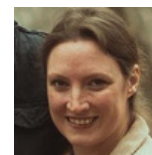
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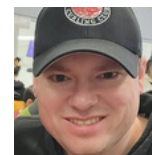
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FROM THE BOARD

»»» ON-ICE HACKS



**Hacks might not be exactly as shown*

We're thrilled to share that MCC has invested in brand-new on-ice hacks for all sheets! This upgrade ensures a better, more consistent experience for all curlers. The new hacks offer improved grip, durability and comfort, making every slide smoother and more reliable. The added benefit is that they are removable and now our ice guys will be able to clean the ice more easily. Thank you to everyone who supports the club through volunteering, and events - your involvement helps make these improvements possible. We can't wait for you to try them out!

»»» NEW LEAGUES

This year will see the launch of two new leagues. One will be Thursday afternoon and the other Friday afternoon. Registration for both leagues is going well, with Friday at a full slate of eight teams. If you are interested in playing in the new Thursday league, there are still a few team spots left.

**WANT TO SEE
WHO'S PLAYING
THIS UPCOMING
SEASON?**

Log into the member's section of
the Manotick Curling Club
web site: manotickcurling.com





GRAND SPIEL

2025 CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our Grand Spiel Champions! A big shout-out to last year's winning teams, for their outstanding play and sportsmanship!

GROUP A

**Marc Morin, Jack Briglio,
Kelly Mirau, Duane Perkins**



GROUP B

**Mark Lucuik, Graham Sinclair,
Astra Groskaufmanis, Jeff Stanley**



GROUP C

**Darcy Ross, Carrie Stewart,
Jean Stevenson, Dave Rogers**



GROUP D

**Jessica Morin, Jackie Steenbakkers,
Mark Zbitnew, Karl Jensen**



TIPS & TRICKS AND HELPFUL HINTS

>>> CURLING EQUIPMENT



As we prepare for another great season on the ice, we'd like to remind everyone about the importance of **maintaining your curling equipment—especially your shoe grippers.**

Grippers should be replaced at least once a year, or sooner if they show signs of wear. Please inspect your gripper regularly for:

FLAT SPOTS OR THINNING AREAS

HOLES OR CRACKS

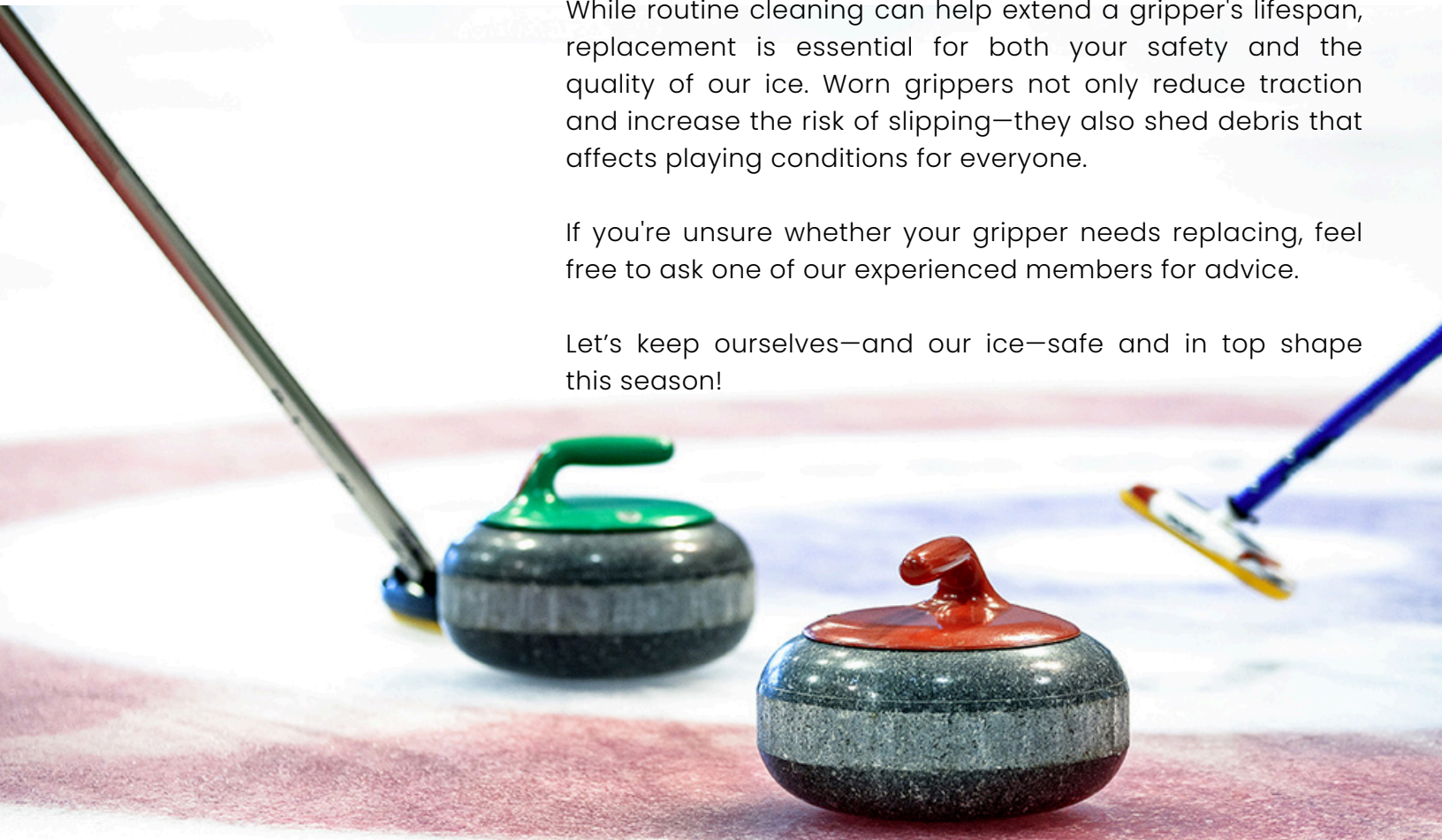
LOSS OF TEXTURE OR GRIP

BLACK RESIDUE OR SHEDDING MATERIAL ON THE ICE

While routine cleaning can help extend a gripper's lifespan, replacement is essential for both your safety and the quality of our ice. Worn grippers not only reduce traction and increase the risk of slipping—they also shed debris that affects playing conditions for everyone.

If you're unsure whether your gripper needs replacing, feel free to ask one of our experienced members for advice.

Let's keep ourselves—and our ice—safe and in top shape this season!



Registration

ATTENTION NEEDED!

REMINDER

Our evening leagues are filling up fast! All spots are spoken for — except the Ladies Tuesday Evening League, which still has one team spot open. If you've been thinking about joining, now's your chance! We also have a few team openings in the Saturday and Sunday Evening Leagues, so gather your crew and get in on the fun.

A reminder that returning members must now be registered with a paid \$200 deposit to guarantee a spot in the leagues they played in last season. Starting Friday August 15, any remaining league spots will be filled on a first-come, first served basis.

Also: ALL team members must be registered and have paid by Sunday September 14th. Late fees for those who have not paid in full as of Monday September 15th will be applied.

For returning and new members wishing to play in a league that they have not played in before, the registration date of the last team member registering and paying their deposit will be used to determine priority for any available spaces.

