

MCC IN THE HOUSE

The Manotick Curling Center Newsletter



DEC. 2017 / JAN. 2018

WE ACCEPT:   

UPCOMING MCC EVENTS

January 12-13th, 2018

Manotick Scotch Doubles

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February 6-9th, 2018

Karol Bilyj Memorial Island Bonspiel

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January 20th, 2018

Colts Spiel

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March 3rd, 2018

Manotick Ladies Invitational

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January 25-27th, 2018

Cityview-Manotick Scotch Doubles

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March 10th, 2018

Sponsor Spiel

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January 27th, 2018

Shiverfest

April 5-7th, 2018

Closing Spiel

PRESIDENTIAL CORNER

“PACE OF PLAY” OR “HOW TO CURL 8 ENDS IN 2 HOURS”

There seems to be an epidemic of 7-end games in the club this year. Not only is this inherently unfair, no one is getting their money's worth on the ice. Good players pride themselves in being able to complete their games within the allotted time. With that in mind, here are a few strategies you can easily implement.

The single biggest time thief I see in our club is the front end getting involved in the strategy on too many shots. How many times have you seen the skip and 3rd decide on a shot, the skip goes to the hack to shoot, and the front end starts pointing at the monitor and engaging in discussion. I know everyone on the team likes to be involved, and there are occasions when it is justified, but if this happens more than a couple of times in a game, you are abusing the clock.

The second biggest time thief is not being ready to deliver your rock when the skip puts the broom down (for a lesson, watch Ben Hebert!). When the shooter before you crosses the hog line in their delivery, you should go to get your rock into position at the hack. You don't need to watch the opponent's rock slide down the ice. In the 15 seconds it takes, you have plenty of time to get your rock ready and still watch the result. Then, as the skip is clearing any rocks and deciding on the shot, clean your rock and take your position in the hack, ready to throw when the broom goes down. If every player did just that, you could save 10 minutes a game.

Each end should take no more than 15 minutes on average. Someone on the team should be appointed as the timekeeper - usually the lead or second. It is their job to keep an eye on the clock throughout the game and let everyone know if they start falling behind. Don't wait until the 6th end to realize you're 10 minutes behind. The timekeepers on both teams should be talking to one another throughout the game. I don't believe anyone in the club is such a poor sport as to try to garner a win by wasting time so, if the timekeepers jointly keep both teams aware, there will be no surprises and eight ends can be completed.

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MCC IS RECYCLING

Did you know that MCC has started to recycle our garbage?

For those who were aware, MCC would like to thank you for separating your garbage from recycling.

Let's keep it green!

CONSERVING ENERGY AT MCC

If you are the last to leave a room, MCC would like to ask you to kindly turn off the lights when you are the last to leave a room.

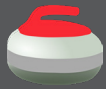
This includes the ice area, lounge, washrooms and locker rooms.

USED BROOMS

Did you get a new broom for Christmas? Want to get rid of your old one or just have an old broom collecting dust?

Some of our curlers have a need for one and would be willing to buy it from you.

See Kent for more info.



COMMON CURLING VOCABULARY

A LIST OF COMMON CURLING TERMINOLOGY AS DEFINED BY THE WORLD CURLING FEDERATION.

WEIGHT:

Bumper or Backboard weight	A lightweight take-out thrown with sufficient momentum to reach the back board at the far end to the thrower.
Control weight	The momentum required on a take-out shot to remove a stone from play and also keep the delivered stone in play.
Draw weight	The momentum required for a stone to reach the house (or circles) at the distant end of the sheet of ice. A skip who wants this kind of shot will often tap the ice where they want the shot to go.
Peel	A take-out shot that removes a stone from play and where the delivered stone also rolls out of play.
Back house weight	Throwing the stone just hard enough for it to travel to the back of the house. Often used when trying a light hit and roll or when trying to promote a stone into the house.
Front house weight	The momentum required for a delivered stone to reach the front part of the house at the playing end.

SHOTS:

Come Around	A shot that curls behind another stone
Double Takeout	A stone that removes two of the opponents stones from play
Draw	A stone which stops inside or in front of the house
Draw Raise	A stone that bumps another stone into the house
Freeze	A form of a draw shot that stops directly up against another stone
Guard	A stone that is placed in a position so that it may protect another stone
Hit	A take-out. Removal of a stone from the paying area by hitting it with another stone
Hit and Roll	A stone that knocks an opponent's stone out of play, and then rolls to another position in play
Peel	A shot designed to remove a guard
Raise	A type of draw which bumps forward another stone
Raise Takeout	A delivered stone hits a stationary stone, which then starts to move and it hits a third stone out of play.

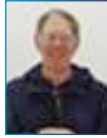


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On behalf of the OVCA Board of Directors, we wish all of you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a healthy and prosperous new year

Please add us to your address book if this newsletter is filtered as spam by your email program.

2018 ALEXANDER KEITH'S CITY OF OTTAWA MEN'S BONSPIEL

Registration is NOW OPEN for the 2018 Alexander Keith's City of Ottawa Men's Bonspiel.

2017 ROAR OF THE RINGS

A HUGE thank you to every member of the OVCA who supported our efforts at this once-in-a-lifetime event! Thanks to our clubs who promoted ticket sales, to our curlers who bought tickets, and to everyone who volunteered their time and energy to make the 2017 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings a massive success!


OVCA SOCIAL MEDIA

Remember to follow us (and have your club's social media accounts follow us) to stay up to date with the latest from the OVCA.

 Facebook: [ovcacurling](https://www.facebook.com/ovcacurling)

 Twitter: [@ovcacurls](https://twitter.com/ovcacurls)

 Instagram: [ovcacurls](https://www.instagram.com/ovcacurls)

 Google+: [+OVCACurling](https://plus.google.com/+OVCACurling)

You can also sign up for our events newsletter at our events registration website: www.ovcaevents.com

MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

• TEAM DESCHENES

Congratulations to Team Deschenes (Celeste Gauthier, Emma Artichuk, Rory Grant and Emily Deschene with Coach Greg Artichuk) on qualifying for the Ontario Winter Games! This is a great achievement as MCC is so proud of you all.



• LEARN TO CURL (L2C)

MCC has a new batch of curlers who graduated our L2C program in December 2017. Some members even represented MCC at a L2C bonspiel in Carleton Place. Looks like they all had a great time.



Play in a Spiel over the weekend? Did you win? How was it? Send us your pictures and stories and we will post it for you on our website, newsletter, or bar monitor.