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The Manotick Curling Center Newsletter



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*Merry Christmas &  
Happy Curling in 2020*



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**Clarification Re Spares & Guests**

It is hoped that the following information will clarify when a member or non-member is considered a guest and when they are a spare.

**Any person who is not a member of the Manotick Curling Club must sign a Waiver before playing in one of our leagues.** Waivers can be found in the blue file folder marked “informed consent”, located in the tower on the table next to the display case. The form should be handed in to the bar. It only needs to be submitted once per season.

**As of January 1<sup>st</sup> the fee for non-members to play will increase from \$10 to \$15 per game.** This should be paid at the bar.

Anyone who participates in a show-and-play league is a **guest** if they are not a registered member of that league. The 3 show-and-play leagues are the Tuesday and Thursday morning leagues and the Saturday evening league. It should be emphasized that the term guest applies to Manotick members as well as non-members. **As of January 1<sup>st</sup> the guest fee will also increase from \$10 to \$15.**

A **spare** is defined as anyone who replaces a regular player in the fixed leagues. There is no fee for sparing if the spare is a member of the Manotick Curling Club. Otherwise they must sign the consent form and pay the non-member fee.

If you have questions please email Tersh Doe at: [curlingoperations.mcc@gmail.com](mailto:curlingoperations.mcc@gmail.com)

## Team Canada - Junior Olympic Games

The Manotick Curling Centre is thrilled to announce that one of our long-standing members, Emily Deschenes, has been selected to represent Team Canada at the Youth Olympic Games, in Lausanne Switzerland. The games will be held from January 9th to 22nd and will be streamed on the Olympic Channel. Emily has been a member since 2010 when she started out in our Little Rocks program. She has been coached by Greg Artichuk throughout her competitive years, while skipping Team Deschenes. Last year, her team won the Women's U18 Provincials and they also brought home a Silver medal at the U18 Nationals. Her current Team Deschenes team members are: Emma Artichuk, Jillian Uniacke and Celeste Gauthier. We'd like to take this opportunity to wish Emily and her team all the best at the Youth Olympics and we know she'll represent the club and Canada very well.

There will be a send-off for Emily this Thursday (Dec.19th) at 8:45 p.m.



Pictured left to right – Team Canada Team members: Nathan Young, Lauren Rajala, Emily Deschenes & Jaedon Neuert

## Manotick Curling Club

# *Grand Spiel*

*In March and April, a new event is planned for the Evening Leagues. It will be called the Grand Spiel. Please review the eligibility rules and sign up at the earliest opportunity.*

### Eligibility

- All adult members of Manotick Curling Club
- Priority will be given to Sunday Colts, Monday / Wednesday / Thursday evening Leagues
- Priority status is given because those Leagues are giving up their March ice time
- A spares list will be established

### When is it played

- Starting March 4 and ending with Finals on April 7
- Depending on your win/loss record you may play on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday evening
- The Grand Spiel will replace the “fun format” games typically played in March after League play is finished. Sign up to keep your curling season going!
- No Grand Spiel games will be scheduled during March Break, or City of Ottawa, or Closing Spiel play.

### Skips Draft

- Skips will be “recruited” for their participation
- A Draft will be held on Sat February 15 at 2 pm, by skips, to pick their team for the *Grand Spiel*
- The 32 skips will pick from a pool of players (96 members) by lottery. They will choose in order and then reverse order until 64 players plus 32 skips are on teams e.g. the 32<sup>nd</sup> pick will also have the 33<sup>rd</sup> pick



- A second lottery will be held to select the last 32 players.
- Selected players may play in any position on the team regardless of the order of selection
- Skips may select players personally, or by proxy if unable to attend the draft

### Format

- This is an in-club spiel with some of the strongest players in the club participating; a chance to learn and develop newer curlers while competing for a major club award.
- This will be a 32 team - 128 player bonspiel
- Teams will be placed on a playdown ladder with win/loss records determining when and where they will play their next game
- It will be a four-game knockout format, provided it is full.
- Win/loss records will determine a team's Division for Finals on April 7

### Extravaganza Night

- **The Best** (arguably) party of the year at Manotick Curling Club
- Cocktail Party atmosphere
- Lots of great curling to watch as the Finals are played on the ice
- Cocktail foods with Chef Shillington as the Barbecue Master
- Unequaled bar service
- Bagpiper, a parade of curling Finalists, pomp and circumstance
- Short speeches
- League Awards, Grand Spiel Trophies, Recognition for performance throughout the year; all presented by the Club President
- Extravaganza Night sign up will be separate from Grand Spiel sign-up

## How do I sign up for the Grand Spiel?

- Sign-up will be on the website under “Events”
- Any member may sign up but priority will be given to the 4 Evening League members
- The **deadline** for Sun/Mon/Wed/Thur evening leagues will be **Feb 8**
- Remaining spots (if any) will be filled with other curling club members in order of their on-line sign up. We also hope to have a lengthy spare list.
- It is **strongly suggested** that all spares be taken from the spares list rather than from other teams - it's only fair- and that suggestion lines up with the goals of this spiel - to integrate newer curlers into League play.



### Team Holmes

Jordan, Asia, Isla and Aila

Took 3rd place in U18 North Grenville (Nov 23) and U18 Pembroke (Nov 30)





## Little Rocks Spiel

**Team Bonnell** - 3rd place winners!

Caitlin Leahy  
Dahlia Bonnell  
Craig Savil  
Aiden Savil  
Broderick Beaton

Congratulations!

**Team Deschenes** will be representing Manotick Curling Club at the **U21 Curl ON Provincials**, which will be held at the Guelph Curling Club, Dec 27 – 30.

Picture left to right: Coach; Greg Artichuk Skip: Emily Deschenes Third; Emma Artichuk Second; Jillian Uniacke Lead; Celeste Gauthier



## Junior Slam Series

Two Manotick Junior teams have been invited to the Mixed Doubles invitational Slam in January. The top two teams there will win a trip to a mixed doubles competition in Sweden in April.



**Emma Artichuk** and **Sam Mooibrook** were the finalists in the Junior Slam event. They went 7-1.

**Emily Deschenes** and her Mixed Doubles partner **Charlie Randell** won the Junior Slam Series U21 event at 8-0.





## OVCA NEWS AND NOTES

**THE OVCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS WISHES YOU ALL A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON AND A PROSPEROUS AND SUCCESSFUL 2020!**

2020 Goldline OVCA City of Ottawa Mens Bonspiel - March 18–22

Premier curling event for Ontario, Quebec and New York.

[goldlinemens.ovcaevents.com](https://goldlinemens.ovcaevents.com)

### GOLDLINE CITY OF OTTAWA MEN'S REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration is now OPEN for the **2020 Goldline City of Ottawa Men's Bonspiel, March 18th to 22nd, 2020**

With Open (19+), Seniors(50+) and Senators (65+) divisions, there's a spot for everyone (until we fill up, of course!).

Open is limited to 96 teams, while Seniors and Senators can accept 20 teams each. All divisions feature a 5 game (or 4 straight loss) guarantee.

- Registration fees no longer include tickets to the Tailgators party. These must be purchased separately (\$25 per) at the time of registration. Guests are more than welcome to purchase tickets and attend

- The URL for The Men's has changed...the event website is now <https://goldlinemens>. Register online at <https://goldlinemens>.

## BRANCH 1000th CHALLENGE REMINDER

7 OVCA teams vs 7 Quebec teams

Men's single team entry (4 players)

Cost: Minimum bid to start at \$300

Bidding process: base bids are \$300 with \$20 increments. Ties will be decided by order of entries received.

Club eligibility: Clubs must bid an entry where they are affiliated (OVCA or QC).

Multiple entries are allowed but only the top bid will be accepted unless there are other spots available

To enter a bid to enter a team, fill out all the information on the form, then click "Submit"

Entry deadline: January 10, payments due by January 20. Form at: <https://canadianbranch.>

### *Curling Limerick Contest*

If you like limericks and think you have a knack for writing them, send me your creation(s) having to do with curling and we'll see which are good enough to get into the next Newsletter. Just to stimulate your creative juices, here's one my better half and I came up with:

There once was a curler named Annie  
Whose strategy was quite uncanny.  
She called for a sweep  
But the third was asleep  
And the second fell flat on her fanny.

Send your submission(s) to Rosemary Gibb: [communications.mcc@gmail.com](mailto:communications.mcc@gmail.com)

