MCC IN THE HOUSE

The Manotick Curling Center Newsletter



October 2021











Almost time! Got your curling gear ready?

MCC curling season begins on Monday, October 18.

The complete Return to Play (RTP) plan is on MCC website and can be accessed via this link:

https://manotickcurling.com/index.php/our-club/2021-return-to-play-plan



HELP SUPPORT OUR GREAT LEARN TO CURL PROGRAM

Learn To Curl (LTC) is a very popular and useful MCC program. It introduces people to the experience of curling, many of whom continue on as full time club members.

In order to provide a quality program, we need volunteers to assist the two coaches, Don Coulterman and Bill Davis. Two programs will be running on Saturday mornings. Volunteers can help either on the 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. time slot or the 11:00 to 1:00 a.m. slot (or both).

Please contact the coach of your preferred time slot if you are interested in supporting the club in this way:

Saturday 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Don Coulterman:

dhcoulterman@gmail.com

Saturday 11:00 - 1:00 a.m. Bill Davis:

bill.davis@intact.net

COVID Vaccination Verification

Three registration evenings remain for you to bring in your proof of vaccination. One is tonight, Tuesday, Oct. 12 - 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

Wednesday, Oct. 13 - 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Thursday, Oct. 14 - 7:00 to 9:00 pm

EMAIL OPTION: If you prefer, send an email with attached Proof of Vaccination to: mccproofofvax2021@gmail.com



New Addition to Wall of Honour

The MCC lost a good friend in January, 2021. Randy Fletcher was a very active member of the club. In recognition of his contributions to our curling community over the years, the Board is pleased to add Randy's name to the Wall of Honour. Below are some of the ways Randy made a positive impact on the club:

Member of the MCC since 1990.

Helped start the little Rock, Bantam and Junior programs and coached them for 17 years.

Helped create the Manotick vs City View spiel (formally the BBQ spiel).

Secretary on Board of Directors for 2 years.

Volunteered at the club for the entire time he was a member, doing dishes, bartending, helping with the Learn to Curl program, cooking for spiels.



Our thanks to the Ottawa Agape Chinese Alliance Church, across from the library, for letting us put up our registration sign on their property.



CurlOn 50/50 Draw - Support MCC Youth



Did you know that CurlOn has a 50/50 draw, running monthly until the end of December? Your ticket will go directly to supporting the youth at MCC. Next Draw is October 31. As tickets are purchased, the jackpot will grow!!

To purchase tickets please use the MCC URL listed below: https://curlonraffle.5050central.com/?olc=MANOTICK



Manotick's Best Summer Camp

Manotick's Best Summer Camp, held at MCC for the first time, was well attended and the children had lots of fun. The camp would like to rent club facilities next summer again and negotiations are underway.



Are Your Glasses Fogging Up?





Eyeglass Users' Tips for Masking (courtesy of Kathy Sokoll)

- 1. Prior to putting your mask on, place Kinesiology Tape (KT/physio tape), or sensitive skin tape, across the top of your mask (regular gauze tape sticks too strongly).
- 2. If the tape is 1" wide, about 1/2" should be placed on the mask. The top edge of tape should be 1/2" or so above your mask.
- 3. Starting with the bridge of your nose, place mask on your face, ensuring you follow the curve of your nose. Take care not to stretch the tape, if using KT tape.
- 4. Continue placing the tape across the top of your cheeks on either side of nose.
- 5. Avoid placing the tape near the thin skin under your eyes, as it is somewhat painful to remove from that area.
- 6. Ensure tape is smooth across your skin or you will end up with fog patches on your glasses.
- 7. Place ear loops around ears. Your mask should be sitting slightly lower on your face, when using the tape, as compared to how it normally sits.
- * Note: With this method when wearing a paper mask, you will get condensation forming on your face and on the inside of your mask. To deal with this, remove an ear loop so that you are able to get a tissue underneath your mask to dry off your face and the inside of your mask. You do not have to remove your mask to do this. Place the tissue in the garbage, replace the ear loop, sanitize your hands, and have fun!

An Offer from Nancy McEachern

We fondly remember Blaine McEachern, an avid curler who passed away last March. His wife, Nancy, has contacted the club to say that she would like to give Blaine's Goldline curling shoes to someone who might be able to use them. They are size 9.5 and almost new. There is a photo below.

Nancy says that if someone would like the shoes, perhaps they might consider making a donation to the Little Rocks program.

If you are interested in Nancy's offer, please call her at 613-692-5569 or on her cell at 613-858-5569.





"The Hogg Liner" by Harry Hogg

In the early history of curling, perhaps as early as 1511, the playing stones were simply flat-bottomed stones from rivers or fields. These stones lacked a handle and were of inconsistent size, shape and smoothness.

Some early stones had holes for a finger and the thumb, like ten-pin bowling balls. The thrower had little control over the 'curl' or velocity and relied more on luck than on precision, skill and strategy.

The sport was often played on frozen rivers although purpose-built ponds were later created in many Scottish towns.

The Royal Caledonian Curling Club in Scotland, the so-called "mother club" of curling, wrote the first official curling rules in 1838.

From the Royal Caledonian Curling Club RULES OF THE GAME. [Extracted from the 1838-1839 Annual of RCCC]

All Curling Stones shall be of a circular shape. No stone must be changed throughout the game, unless, it happen to be broken, and then the largest fragment to count, without any necessity of playing with it more.

If a stone rolls and stops upon its side or top, it shall not be counted, but put off the ice. Should the handle quit the stone in the delivery, the player must keep hold of it, otherwise he will not be entitled to replay the shot.

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GOOD CURLING

