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The Manotick Curling Center Newsletter



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*It's great to be
back on the
ice!*



Meet Your 2022-2023 Board of Directors



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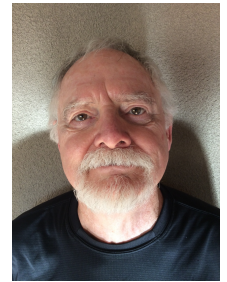
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A Message from the President

Welcome to all new and returning members, parents, guardians, spectators, and friends, to the 2022/2023 curling season...our 57th year of curling at the Manotick Curling Centre! It is both a pleasure and an honour to represent you in my second year as president.

For obvious reasons, the 2 ½ yrs (since March 2020) has not been easy for anyone; the pandemic has affected all aspects of our lives. With respect to the Manotick Curling Centre, specifically, our 2019/2020 season was cut short, and the next two seasons were filled with stoppages, lockdowns, restarts and mandates. That being said, we were one of the few clubs in Ontario that was able to remain safely open and offer a semblance of physical and social activity to our members – albeit often under variations of our traditional curling rules that impacted our game. While the beginning of this season looks very promising with respect to the loosening and removal of any restrictions and mandates, we urge you to be vigilant of the virus' spread, stay home if you are not feeling well and wear a mask (optionally) at your discretion.

First and foremost, I must thank those of you who continued to curl with us during these trying times, and those of you who joined us as new members during the pandemic (and there are a lot of you!). Furthermore, I can't express enough gratitude and respect to those members that left their membership fees and/or donated to the Manotick Curling Centre over the past few seasons. The support that our club received is proof that the MCC has extremely loyal, supportive and generous members that clearly love their club, and will go that extra mile to support it, even when going through their own hardships. THANK YOU.

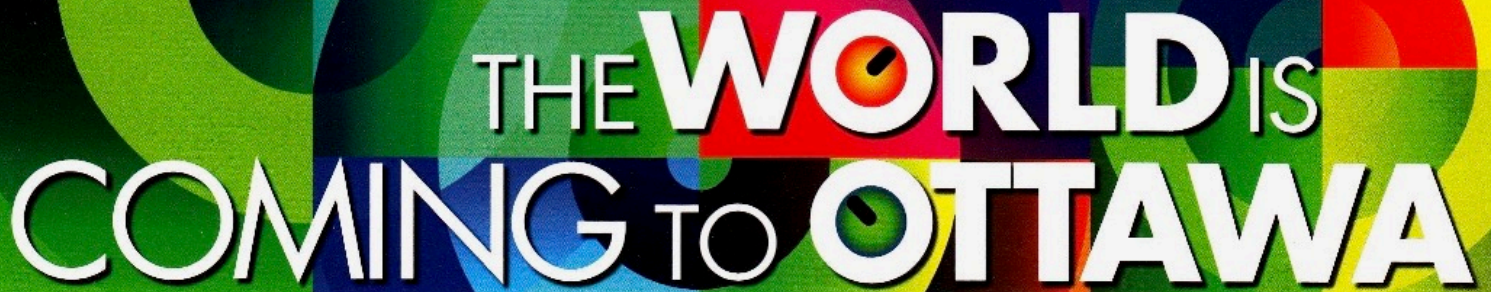
Secondly, I must acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the various members of the MCC Board of Directors. While never an "easy" job, the roles and responsibilities of the board members were made even more challenging and demanding since the beginning of the pandemic in March 2020. We are very fortunate to have these volunteer board members. I must sincerely thank recent past presidents Jaynie Coulterman and Bill Davis, and their respective teams, for their leadership and dedication to the club during the onset of the pandemic and during the crazy/weird seasons since.

With that said, the 57th season is now underway and it is great to be back curling in the "Tick"!

We have an exciting and busy year ahead with a full schedule, full leagues and several special events. I know that our dedicated staff (Head Ice Maker - Lindsay Allen and his team; as well as our bar staff and cleaners) are ready for all challenges and will maintain the consistently high level of service we are accustomed to when curling, eating, drinking and spectating at our club.

In closing, on behalf of the 2022/2023 Board of Directors and our staff I would like to thank you all for your continued support of our club. I look forward to serving as the 2022/2023 President and to an exciting year here at the MCC!

Paul Darche, President



THE WORLD IS
COMING TO OTTAWA

World Men's Curling Championship 2023
TD Place, Lansdowne Park – April 1 to 9, 2023

ROCK OUR HOUSE

Get your full event passes or weekend packages
and your club will win exciting prizes!

Each time our club is tagged in the purchase of an event package for the Men's Worlds, MCC will earn credits toward rewards in the form of free event passes, to use as we wish eg. a fundraising raffle, volunteer recognition, league or bonspiel prizes.

To order ticket packages: <https://am.ticketmaster.com/lansdowne/promotional-page?filterType=NjU=>

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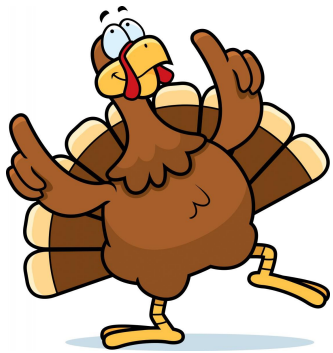
A Couple of Club Stats

Our club has just under 500 total registrations this year.

Chris Innes reports that this season's **Youth Program** has 26 volunteer coaches and 86 youth who are excited to be back on the ice!



Special Events Update



1. **The Turkey Spiel is coming Nov. 25, 26!** Watch for online registration in early November.
2. Volunteers are needed for the Turkey Spiel to help in the kitchen on the Friday evening and Saturday lunch. Contact Dave Hannah specialevents.mcc@gmail.com
3. We are planning a **New Year's Eve** curling event for the evening of Dec 31. More information to come as we gauge interest in this event.



Just a reminder that there is **no parking** in the lot between the two Reserved Parking signs. This space is reserved for the bar staff and ice cleaner.



The Opening Spiel wrapped up on Saturday, Oct. 22. It went very well. We had excellent participation with very few cancellations which was really, really nice!!

Special thanks Cindy Bradley, Krista Kelly, Jason Creally and Gary Campbell, to Lindsay and Peter for the ice, to the Bar staff, and to Mary Byford for piping in the draws. Also, a very special thank you to the Friday Night League for the use of their time slot.

Congratulations to Team Guitard on winning the A Final.

Dave Hannah,
Special Events



The Opening Spiel

Team Guitard (L to R)

Glen Ashworth
Renee Corrigan
Heather Dennison
Jeff Guitard

A prize box



CurlON Update

For Complete Information on CurlOn Trillium Series and Competitions **Update:**

<https://mailchi.mp/e4af5266a8a3/trillium-series-and-competitor-update?e=aa172d630a>

Competitor's Guide for all Competitions 2022-23

Below you will find an update on all things relating to the COMPETITIONS /TRILLIUM SERIES including answers to questions, links to information, and much more.

The competitor's guide & regulations for 2022-23 can be found at this link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/11T6CPFKNXo-gAmFeHKK6CyunWUJodnPy/view>

New for 2022-23: CurlON notified our clubs this spring that the membership policy was changing for 2022-23. Clubs are now charged a per-sheet membership fee and no longer remit participant fees on behalf of their members. Participants directly using the services of CurlON (Competitors, coaches, clinics etc.) will be required to pay a CurlON membership fee directly to CurlON. Clubs may collect their per-sheet assessment from their members as they deem. At no time has a participant paid their membership fee at their club, they can only pay this fee using the online registration process: <https://on.curling.io/en/products/2432-curlon-member>

TRILLIUM 100 SERIES LAUNCH

The NEW - 100 Trillium Series is now open for registration. This series is for club bonspiel participants looking to compete for an Ontario Banner replacing the Colts/Trophy and Challenges events. Events between November 1 and March 15 qualify to earn points.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_qXqr6q_SpjTCJz7jVJWf1F-z2RWI2c7/view

Trillium 100 Series Registration:

<https://on.curling.io/en/events/14451-trillium-100-series>

Job Opportunity

Lindsay Allen, our head Ice Technician, is looking for some part-time help with ice maintenance. This position is to replace Maxime Daigle, who has moved on to full-time employment.

Experience is not necessary and paid training will be provided.

The need is for full coverage (5 trips each day to the club) on Thursdays and Fridays with additional coverage for odd draws on other days. Two of these trips would require approximately one hour of time and the other three about twenty minutes each.

If interested, please contact Lindsay by email: lindsayallen@rogers.com

