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# AYR CURLING CLUB

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## Registration news

Welcome back, members. Curling starts in less than 2 months. Where did the summer go? Hope you've enjoyed your golfing, gardening or travelling.

Registration nights are September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be a BBQ starting at 6:30pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> and a general meeting at 8pm. I hope we will see you at the club on one of the two nights.

There are a few things changing with this year's membership renewal.

You will notice the membership fees have gone up slightly. By 2017, we need to replace the compressor and condenser so we have ice on which to curl. The cost of this endeavor is about \$170,000. The membership fee increase won't raise all the funds we need, but it will get us started. During the season you'll learn more about how we plan to raise the needed funds.

The registration process is changing slightly. After you pay your membership fee you will be asked to take your registration form to one of several people who will key in your member information. There are two benefits to this approach. It will give us a chance to verify the information so we will have better quality data. And we'll have the information ready for the conveners that much sooner so you know earlier which team(s) you're on.

There are a couple of changes specifically for the CYO league. We need the list of all the team members provided at registration time. And we need all CYO team members to have paid before curling begins. Points for the team will not be awarded until all members have paid.

Finally, the registration form has questions for those wanting to play in the Thursday and Friday night mixed social leagues. We want to know if there are individuals who are flexible on the nights they play.

Finally, we hope to have debit as a payment option at registration time.

## Ben's Bar Nights Start Early

**Mark August 28<sup>th</sup> on your calendar...** it is Ben's Bar Night. We're getting a headstart on the season by having a Ben's Bar Night full of fun and games. There will be bar food available to purchase (hot wings, nachos and much more) and draw prizes as well. Some prizes will be awarded for the games and some based on random draws throughout the night.

All funds raised will go towards the purchase of a new TV for upstairs. The games will be TV-themed. We'll relive the fun of 70's TV game shows....Match Game, \$25 Pyramid and more.

If you are planning on coming, please e-mail Ben @ [b\\_m\\_graham@hotmail.com](mailto:b_m_graham@hotmail.com) so we know how much food to have on hand.

The club will open at 6:30pm and the games begin at 7pm. You're welcome to bring your family, friends, and neighbors.



If you'd like to get a volunteer duty done early, some help in the kitchen or food volunteers are needed. If you're able to help, please contact Terri Whiffen at [t.whiffen@bdo.ca](mailto:t.whiffen@bdo.ca)

## Other stuff

We're planning a food/beer pairing event as a fundraiser. Our first event (of hopefully many) will happen at the end of September/early October.

Over the summer, there has been a lot happening to improve the club. Work is being underway to fix the roof over the compressor room. New heaters are being installed in the arena. And a new furnace/air conditioner for the hall is on order.