
AYR CURLING CLUB

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What's happened over the summer?

Summer is an opportunity to get things done while we can access the club at any time. This year is no exception. During the summer months we accomplished a few things around the club:

- Emergency lighting has been added. It became apparent during a blackout last season that safely exiting the rink was a challenge.
- A sign has been added outside the compressor room door to advise people to exit the rink if the red light is flashing.
- To improve our rink R-factor, insulation has been added and the walls dry-walled and painted.
- An Ontario150 grant request was completed by Deb Middleton & Alicia Struke. The request is for funds for our ice plant. Cross your fingers we get some financial help.
- Finally, three ice plant quotes were received and assessed. A purchase order is in progress for the successful quote. More information will be available in next month's newsletter. (Just a little tease to ensure you read next month's newsletter. 😊) Thanks go to Rick Totten, Alvin McCurdy and Dave Roberts who spent the time to ensure we found the best ice plant solution possible.

Correction

Included with this e-mail is an updated/corrected list of club event dates. Sorry about any confusion caused by the previous version.

\$50 and all volunteer duties done

With one task you can complete both of your volunteer duties and earn \$50 when the spiel is over successfully. What is it you ask – host one of our bonspiels.

The club hosts 10 spiels where curlers from other clubs visit our facility. Most of these bonspiels have hosts – but we could use a few more.

Susan McDonald is anxiously awaiting your call : 519-394-0195 or email smcdcurl@me.com. Mentors are available to assist along the way.

Stretch out those muscles

On September 27-29th the club will be open from 7-9pm for the open house. This is your opportunity to stretch out your muscles.

The open house is also an opportunity for you to bring friends, family or co-workers out to give curling a try. They just need clean running shoes and warm clothes.

Be on the look-out for the sign-up for a SmartServe course.

Upcoming Fundraising Events

Mark November 26th on your calendars. We will be hosting another beer-food pairing. We will be tasting Mill St. Brewery's products.

In time for Christmas we will again be offering mixed nut packages.

New Year's Eve has been a good time for the last couple of years. We will be rocking in the New Year in style.

And during the spring (date to be determined) we will be hosting a wine-food pairing with Marynissen Estates products.

Stay tuned for other events.

If you have any ideas or would like to help planning events, please let Alicia Struke know at aliciars125@live.ca.

Tell your family & friends

Have you been telling your family and friends about the fun you have curling. Here's some help to give them all the details of what we have to offer.

We now have a brochure that summarizes all the club has to offer. Brochures will be located outside the office.

This brochure was made possible because of the artistic talents (and patience) of Jen Schmidt who turned some pictures and ideas into this professional brochure.

The brochures were printed by the Ayr News.





A maintenance team of volunteers removed the paneling from the front wall in preparation to have foam polyurethane insulation installed to improve the R factor to the rink. During demolition we found these behind the panelling. Who left them behind?



Ross King, Wayne Bourne and John Perrin mudding the drywall on the far wall of the rink.

Volunteering keeps us a cost-effective curling location

Over several weeks during the summer, 26 volunteers helped ensure the rink had a better R-factor – in other words helped reduce our energy consumption. Members helped remove the paneling on the front and back walls. Once the insulation was installed, the walls were framed, drywall installed, mudded and sanded and then the walls were painted. Different members used different skills to make our club ready for this season. Volunteers spent over 170 hours and at \$15 per hour saved the club over \$2,500.

Thanks to the following volunteers who made this project possible. Your time and talents are very much appreciated.

Rick Totten
Grant McDonald
Brenda Totten
Jim Struke
Graham Johnston
Wayne Bourne
Glenn Thomson

Brian Whiffin
Rick McElheran
Mike Brennan
Alicia Struke
John Perrin
Scott Amos
Jeff Ontonovich

Jim Gerrard
Dan Miller
Lisa Hofstetter
Wayne Davis
Jim Ranalli
Luc Cormier
Jim Howley

Pete Bender
Wally Reidl
Jim Stirling
Dave Roberts
Jan Brown
Kim Cormier



Kim Cormier giving Scott Amos feedback on his painting skills?



Lisa Hofstetter painting the rink's emergency exit. Over the summer additional emergency lighting was added. Also a sign was added outside the compressor room door to advise of a leak.