



SEASON KICK-OFF NEWSLETTER

October 2018

Welcome to the 2018/19 Curling Season

The executive and conveners want to welcome all new and returning curlers to what we hope will be a fun and exciting season at the Norwood Curling Club. There have been a lot of changes around the club recently from new leagues to upgraded equipment and a whole lot more. Stay tuned as we keep you updated on everything coming up this season, including opportunities to volunteer and get involved.

Wrapping up the 2017/18 Season

A couple key highlights from the end of last year's season:

- ◆ Maplefest was a big success with three full draws of teams. Congratulations to Gord Montgomery and his team (Karen Radnor, Brian Radnor, and Trudy Wheeler) for taking home first place.
- ◆ The NCC Annual General Meeting had great attendance this year and included:
 - ◇ Election of the Executive Officers - the membership voted to retain the existing Executive, consisting of: President: Derek Hatfield, 1st Vice President: Lauren Sharkey, 2nd Vice President: Lori Sullivan, Past President: Larry Sullivan, Secretary: Ron English, and Treasurer: Mary Hay.
 - ◇ The election of three Directors to assist in managing, improving, and growing the club: Andy Crowell, John Kajmowicz, and Jan Kajmowicz
 - ◇ An opportunity for members to bring forward ideas and concerns for the Executive to look into in the 2018/19 season.

Find the league that fits!

Monday Morning	Stirling - 2 person teams, \$5/week - Gord Montgomery
Monday Evening	Ladies' League - Eleanor Price (705) 696-2833
Tuesday Evening	Mixed League - Larry Sullivan (705) 639-2850
Wednesday Evening	Men's League - Steve Harold (705) 745-9566
Thursday Afternoon	Mixed League - Brian Radnor (705) 636-5151
Thursday Evening	Mixed League - Ian Petreman (705) 772-4626
Sunday Afternoon	Nov: Learn to Curl Derek Hatfield (705) 874-5323 Dec - Mar: Mixed League - Dan Selby (705) 639-5785

Important Fall Dates:

- Oct. 6, 7 & 8 - Norwood Fair
- Oct. 27 & 28 - Opening Warmup
- Oct. 29 - Start of first half
- Nov. 24 - Ham & Turkey Spiel
- Dec. 23 to Jan 5 - Christmas Break

Ontario
Trillium Foundation



Great News!

The Norwood Curling Club has been selected as a recipient of the Ontario Trillium Foundation Program. The club will be utilizing the substantial grant to upgrade some key pieces of our ice making equipment that were reaching the end of their lifespan. This will allow us to keep curling in Norwood for years to come.



We want to express our gratitude and appreciation to the following for their contributions to the Norwood Curling Club:

- ◆ Terry and Doris Stephens who continue to make a yearly donation towards the maintenance of the Jet Ice System.
- ◆ Denton Currie for the completion of many successful seasons as our dedicated Ice Maker. Andy Crowell will be fully taking over the role this year to ensure we continue to have great curling ice.
- ◆ Eleanor Price for all her past work as the Kitchen Manager. Lori Sullivan will be taking over this position for the upcoming year.
- ◆ Jan Hay for continuing to be our dedicated Bar Manager, ensuring we are well stocked for every game.
- ◆ Our conveners for each league. Without your dedication and unpaid contributions our leagues would not run smoothly.
- ◆ All of our advertisers who have purchased wall or in-ice advertisements for this season. Members should consider patronizing these businesses that support our curling club.
- ◆ All of the volunteers who continually step up to organize, run, and assist with bonspiels throughout the season. Many of these events would not happen without your dedication and commitment.

What is Learn to Curl?

Thanks to the success of the brief pilot program that ran last year, the NCC will be running another session of the Learn to Curl Program. This opportunity is for new or existing curlers who want to:

- ◆ Learn the basics of curling or expand on their existing knowledge;
- ◆ Practice sliding, throwing, sweeping, and all other aspects of the game with coaching from experienced club members;
- ◆ Learn more about the strategy, etiquette, safety, and rules of the game; and/or
- ◆ Target specific problems you have been having with advice, suggestions, and a chance to practice outside the confines of a game.

The program will run on Sundays at 1pm for four weeks throughout November. To sign up or learn more about the Learn to Curl Program please contact Derek Hatfield at (705) 874-5323.

Want to Curl for Free?

Starting in December, after the completion of the Learn to Curl sessions, there will be a Sunday afternoon league running for 6 weeks. This shortened session will be free to play for any Norwood Curling Club members registered in another league. To sign up or find out more please contact Dan Selby at (705) 639-5785.

So what is new in 2018/19?

- ◆ Major equipment repairs and replacement:
 - ◆ New de-humidifier.
 - ◆ New brine pump.
 - ◆ Significant repairs to the motor.
- ◆ Purchase of the Ice-Maker's Mistress - a system to ensure continual monitoring of the ice, maximizing energy efficiency and preventing major shutdowns.
- ◆ Return of Junior Curling in January 2019 - more details to follow.
- ◆ New Sunday League to run from December to January in the first half, with a full half season in 2019.
- ◆ Establishment of new Membership and Bonspiel committees to ensure the continued success and sustainability of the club.
- ◆ In-ice advertising is now available. We will be looking for businesses to add in the 2019/20 curling season.
- ◆ Our ice maker will be adding subtle crokinole rings to the ice for those wanting to try something new.