SPCC 2023-24 NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

We are well into our season now with a successful Mixed Doubles bonspiel and over a month of league play behind us. Thanks to Terry and his ice team for the terrific work they do. I've heard many complements this season from our members about the quality of the ice and we had several positive comments as well from visiting world-class curlers.

Our club is healthy, with a balanced budget, and 930 members. I want to thank our League Representatives and the SPCC staff for the great job that they've done to get all of the leagues up and running. Have you ever thought about volunteering as a league rep? Please give it some thought; if it interests you approach a current league rep, a member of the executive, or Heather. We'd be happy to give you more info on what the league rep role entails, or the roles of any of the board positions. We're already looking for a new vice president for next season when current VP Chris Lemishka moves into the president's role shift president. and over to past

Final thoughts...we come to the club to curl, cheer, and spend time with friends and family; be kind to cac other and have fun!

Cheers, Gerry



What's going on at the SPCC?

Here's what we have on tap for the last 2 months of 2023:

- ★ Nov 1- 21 Junior Program SausageFundraiser open to all members to order!
- ★ Nov 6-8: Fall Break No Senior Mixed League or Junior Curling programs
- ★ Nov 10: Friday SML curls!
- ★ Nov 10: Intermediate Curler Clinic #3
- ★ Nov 11: Remembrance Day SPCC Closed



- ★ Nov 17-19: SPCC Allstate Junior Classic, no curling for Friday or Sunday Leagues
- ★ Nov 17: Kick off for our SPCC Curlers Care Campaign for the Strathcona Food Bank
- ★ Nov 21: Sweeping and Strategy Clinic #1
- ★ Nov 25-26: SPCC Closed for Flood
- ★ Dec 2: Sweeping and Strategy Clinic #2 and the SPCC Joy of Curling Funspiel
- ★ Dec 8 : Sampling

 Night

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- ★ Dec 14 : Day Ladies Christmas Party
- ★ Dec 20: Seniors Mixed League Christmas Lunch
- ★ Dec 22: Friday Mixed Christmas Party





Tony George









Manager's Message



Hello November! Let the snowflakes fall!

Our SPCC Juniors dressed up for Hallowe'en. Check out our bulletin board for lots of wonderful costumes! We love to share your pictures of our members in our SPCC SWAG. Keep them coming!

Over the next few weeks, GARC will transform into a winter wonderland for the upcoming holiday season. Our SPCC Curlers Care Campaign will run from Nov 17 thru to Dec 22. This is our annual Strathcona food bank drive where our very generous members bring in non perishable food items to go under the Christmas tree or make cash donations. We thank you for your ongoing generosity and the gift of giving to our community.

Our SPCC Member curling clinics for have been quite a success. We have sold out in both of our two sessions for Stick and Intermediate sessions. Those that attended are now throwing more rotation on their rocks and know what board weight is! I love how keen you all are to make yourself a better curler / teammate. I encourage you to continue to practice and signout the equipment we have for you.

For the upcoming member sessions on Sweeping & Strategy, I am bringing in some elite player guests to assist me. Sign up and continue to get better as a SPCC member!

Lots of smiles,

Heather



2023 SPCC Allstate Junior Classic

We are happy to welcome 30 of the best Junior teams in Alberta and beyond to the SPCC from Nov 17-19. We will have U20 Men's, U20 Women's and U15 divisions. Action will kickoff on Friday morning and will wrap up on Sunday afternoon.

We are looking for volunteers to help with 50/50 sales and general hosting duties during the event. If you are interested in volunteering, please stop by the proshop or email admin@sherwoodparkcurling.com.



No-Tick Rule

Thank you to all the teams who submitted responses to our No-Tick Rule Survey in October. The result of the survey was a tie: 50% YES and 50% NO. Based on this result, we will NOT be moving forward with implementing the No-Tick Rule at the SPCC this season.

* Curling Club Champs. Rep Selection *

The League Rules and Playoff Procedures for the 2023-24 season have now been approved and published. The major update is the procedure for selecting our club's representatives(s) for the Curling Club Championships qualifiers. Standings from league play will be used to rank teams and determine the representatives. See page 19 of the linked document for the full procedure.







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Now taking pre-orders for **SPCC SWAG!**





Who wants an SPCC hat? Heather had so many compliments on hers that we decided to open a pre-order for SPCC members. There are 3 different hat samples in the proshop so you can pick the style you like best. Hats will cost \$25.

We are bringing back our classic blue hoodie with a brand new SPCC logo. Hoodies will sell for \$50 and we have sizers in the proshop so you can make sure your new hoodie will fit perfectly.

You can also still order the lovely Blue Plaid shirts (\$70) that we brought in earlier this season.

We hope to have all product here in time for Christmas giving so get your orders in by November 15th. Stop by the proshop or email Cara at admin@sherwoodparkcurling.com.

For those who pre-ordered plaid shirts in October, they have arrived and are being embroidered. They will be ready for pick up starting Monday evening. (Nov 6).

Who wants to join the **SPCC Board of Directors?**

Our club is healthy and successful but we need volunteers to help us keep it that way. We are on the lookout for club members who would like to be a part of our Board of Directors and guide the SPCC into our next 20 years as a club. If you are interested, please email our president Gerry at president@sherwoodparkcurling.com

SPCC Clinics

We will be offering a 3rd round of the Intermediate Curler clinic on Friday November 10th from 1-2:30pm.

Heather will be teaming up with Coach Taylor MacDonald to offer a Sweeping and Strategy clinic on Nov 21(12-1:30pm) or Dec 2 (10am-12pm).

Register for all clinics on the SPCC website.

SPCC Bonspiels

Who doesn't love a weekend of great curling and socializing? Keep your eye on the SPCC website for registration details on our spiels.

- Joy of Curling Fun Afternoon Spiel: Dec 2 \bigstar
- Tri- County Fun Spiel: Jan 6 & 7
- SPCC Men's Bonspiel: Jan 26-28 \bigstar
- SPCC Ladies' Bonspiel: Feb 10 & 11













SPCC Juniors

Junior curling season has started at the SPCC. We have over 95 kids on the ice



in our 3 junior curling programs every week.

Our annual fundraiser supports our junior programs and will put some delicious, locally made sausage on your table just in time for holiday entertaining. Widynowski's Sausage House will be providing the sausage and jerky. If you don't a have a junior curler in your family, you can order directly through the proshop. The order form and price list can be viewed here: Jr Fundraiser Order Form. Orders are due November 21.

Rockfest West

RockFest will feature curlers under 15 years of age competing



at regional events nationwide for opportunities to develop their skills and compete against curlers from neighbouring provinces and territories in singles and triples format curling.

We encourage all SPCC juniors who are under 15 to look into the event. There will be a qualifier for Team Alberta held in Leduc February 9-11, 2024. Please speak to Coach Maya for more details juniors@sherwoodparkcurling.com

The SPCC will host Rockfest West (AB, BC, NWT and YK) on March 15-17, 2024

Sponsors

We love our sponsors and we encourage all our members to support them whenever they can.

Is your business is looking for sponsorship opportunities? We are looking for a Double Board Sponsor for the Thursday Ladies League. Email Heather manager@sherwoodparkcurling.com for details.



Tuesday



Tuesday Men's



Tuesday Men's

Senior

Mixed



Wednesday Ladies



Friday Mixed







