

SPCC 2023-24 NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

The 2023-24 curling season is upon us and personally I'm excited to get back on the ice. Ice installation has begun, and the final operational and administrative touches are underway. Our lounge caterers, the Passionate Hospitality Group, are back again this year and I look forward to seeing how they will build on last year's success along with the lounge feedback that our members provided in the year end survey.

There is still room for a few more teams in a couple of our leagues, so please spread the word and let's see if we can fill those final spots before the season starts. Speaking of season start, leagues start September 22 with practice ice being available beginning September 19th. I hope you will come out to the club, shake off those summer cobwebs, and try out the ice. Finally, as you may have heard, we have a very exciting event happening at the club from October 5th to 8th. Some of the world's best are coming to Sherwood Park to compete in the Mixed Doubles International Super Series. I encourage you to come out and enjoy a game or two.

Cheers!

Gerry



What's Happening at SPCC

You can find more details about all these events in this newsletter.

Sep 12: Practice Ice Online Booking Opens (noon)

Sep 19-22: Pre-season Practice Ice (tentative)

Sep 19-21: Lounge Opens for evening service

Sep 21 : Enbridge United Way Spiel

Sep 22: First league games (Fri Mixed)

Sep 23: SPCC Open House 2-5pm

Sep 22 - Oct 2: Week of Welcome : All Leagues begin

Oct 3 - 8: Mixed Doubles Super Series (no league games)

Oct 9: Thanksgiving - No curling

Oct 10: Return to regularly scheduled curling

Still looking for teams/players!

As of September 6, we have spaces open in the following leagues/programs:

- Sunday Open (4)
 - Wednesday Ladies (1)
 - Friday Night Mixed (4)
 - Juniors U12 Mon
 - Tuesday Mens (1)
 - Thursday Ladies (1)
 - Senior Mixed (Spares)
 - Fall Learn to Curl
- U15/U18 Wed



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Manager's Message



The SPCC 2023-24 curling season is just around the corner and we are looking forward to welcoming you all back! All of you will be getting detailed information from your respective league reps on the start dates and times or you can visit the website for league details. Please check in with your teammates and make sure everyone is READY to CURL. All first round league schedules will be posted by Sept 15th.

We are very pleased to welcome back Passionate Hospitality Group to our SPCC Lounge as our food service providers. We have changed up the menu and added a few more local features to the beverage menu. Plus, we added some very uniquely designed flight / charcuterie boards made by our very own vice president! Check them out upstairs when you come for your pre or post game cheers!

We are beyond thrilled to be kicking off the season with each of you, our ROCKSTAR members, the last week of September. Then during the first week of October, the SPCC will host "actual on purpose" REAL ROCKSTARS for the Mixed Doubles Super Series. Teams from Japan, Estonia, Switzerland, Sweden along with our top Canadian teams will be playing on our ice! It's a big event as CBC will be streaming it with Mike Harris providing the commentary. We hope you come and check it out and bring a junior to experience the event out on the ice surface live! It's curling time!!

Heather

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YOU
SOON

MIXED DOUBLES SUPER SERIES

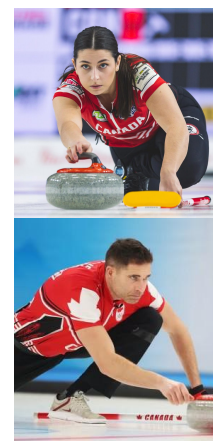
October 5-8 at the SPCC

We are thrilled that the line up for our MDSS event now includes:

- Peterman/Gallant
- Jones/Laing
- Walker/Muyres
- Homan/Tardi
- Perret/Rios
- Birchard/Morris

And our very own:

- Kalk/MacAlpine
- A. Nedohin/D.Nedohin



Action starts on Thursday the 5th at 3pm and continues until the finals on Sunday. You can see the [full schedule on Curling Zone](#).

Tickets will be available at the door for seats upstairs or on the ice.

- Thursday \$10
- Friday, Saturday or Sunday \$15
- Full event passes \$40

We also will have a special for SPCC members, FREE FRIDAY! All SPCC members get in free and they can bring a guest.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with: Game Timing, Bleacher setup / takedown, Ticketing/50-50 Sales, Hosts
If you are interested in volunteering, please register here : [MDSS Volunteer Registration](#).



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SPCC 2023 Open House September 23, 2-5pm

To kick off the 2023-24 season, we would like to invite all SPCC members, their families and friends and the whole Sherwood Park community to our Open House. Activities include:

- Try Curling with SPCC coaches
- Practice ice
- Stick Curling Clinic (must pre-register)
- Outdoor curling in the GARC parking lot
- Visit the SPCC Lounge

What can you do to have a successful start to the season?



1. Start stretching now!
2. Get out on the ice before you play: Take advantage of the practice ice available to all SPCC members September 19-23. (Book online starting Sept 12.) Don't over do it! Start with a shorter practice session.
3. Clean your equipment! Dust off the broom, check your gripper for dirt and replace if needed.

Stick Clinics

If you are new to throwing with a stick or just need a few pointers, we will be hosting 2 Stick Clinics in September. Cost is \$15 (members) or \$20 (non-members).

Friday Sep 22 11am-1pm or
Saturday Sep 23 2-3:30pm

To register, email Cara at

admin@sherwoodparkcurling.com

LET ME KNOW



A Note about Dividers from the SPCC Executive

For the 2022/2023 season, the SPCC Board decided to NOT install the Dividers between the curling sheets.

This decision was reviewed at the April 23, 2023 Board meeting (as requested) and a motion to not install dividers for the 2023/2024 season was approved. The following points were discussed.

- With dividers in place, scraping the ice is more difficult and ice quality is affected. The resulting ice quality is better if the dividers are not in place.
- Ice team time and cost to maintain the ice are reduced.
- Without dividers, we all need to pay attention and keep rocks on our sheets. This may be an annoyance or a safety concern to some. However, to some the dividers in place were also a safety concern (tripping hazard).
- Each year the foam dividers are somewhat damaged during the year ending ice removal process and eventually would require replacement (added cost).

Together we can successfully curl on our ice surface. We appreciate your cooperation as we continue providing high quality ice conditions for play.

SPCC Executive





SPCC Juniors

TeamSnap invites for all Junior programs were sent out last week.

Please make sure you accept the invite on behalf of your junior curler or as a coach. Look for more info to be sent out via TeamSnap in the coming weeks.



Equipment Pick Up (SPCC Locker area)

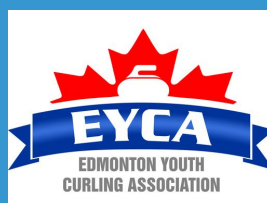
(for all juniors needing to borrow grippers or shoes)
Mon Sep 18 and Wed Sep 20 from 3:30-5:30 pm

Parent Meetings (online via Zoom)

Junior Plus - Tue Sep 12 5:45pm
U12 - Mon Sep 18 7pm
U15/U18 - Wed Sep 20 7 pm

U15/U18 Juniors starts on September 27. We are also planning an event with some of the MDSS competitors for our Wednesday Oct 4 session.

We still have spaces in our U12 (Mon) Program and a few spots in the U15/U18 (Wed) program. If you have a junior curler looking to join our program please email juniors@sherwoodparkcurling.com.



If any juniors are interested in playing the Edmonton Youth Curling League (EYCA), you can sign up as a team or an individual by going to [the EYCA webpage](#).

Sponsors

We love our sponsors and we encourage all our members to support them during the off season!

Is your business is looking for sponsorship opportunities?

We are looking for a Double Board Sponsor for 1 draw of the Tuesday Mens League. Email Heather manager@sherwoodparkcurling.com for details.



Tuesday
Ladies



Tuesday
Men's



Senior
Mixed



Wednesday
Ladies



Friday
Mixed



Monday
Mixed



Thursday
Men's



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