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Curling season is almost here. If you haven't already registered, stop putting it off! League play begins Thursday October 8 starting with:

- Senior Men 9:30
- KLCC Wine & Cheese 1:00 PM
- Clinic 6:00 PM 9:00 PM
- Thursday Open League 6:15 PM

Check out <u>all the leagues</u> on the next page. In addition to our Evening and Daytime Leagues, we have **Junior leagues**. Little Rockers (7 - 10 yrs) curl on Tuesdays and Saturdays this year, and the Junior Cubs (11 - 18 yrs) still curl Tuesday afternoons.

We'll also have some clinics for Novice and Intermediate curlers. See Page 6 for dates and times. And it's never too soon to start planning your bonspiel season. They're on the Calendar.

What do Firefighters, Master Curlers, and University students have in common? We're hosting all of them! And you can help! Check it out here.

Have you seen the new merchandise in the **Pro Shop**? Hardline carbon fibre brooms, pad covers, and Hardline ladies yoga style pants. And... Check out the discounted 2015 Brier and Men's World merchandise! 50% to 70% off ticketed price! **Psst! Discounted merchandise if you attend the AGM!**

Are you new to curling? We have lots of opportunities for new curlers. You can read about them on Page 5.

We need volunteers! Click here.

League Information

EVENING LEAGUES

Monday:

Commercial Open League - 5:30 - *Starts Monday, October 12, 2015* Men's League - 7:30 - *Starts Monday, October 12, 2015*

Tuesday:

Ladies League - 6:15/8:15 Alt. - Starts Tuesday, October 13, 2015 Men's League - 6:15/8:15 Alt. - Starts Tuesday, October 13, 2015 Novice Fun League (6 Ends/Half Season) - 8:15 - Starts Tuesday, October 13, 2015

Wednesday:

NEW WEDNESDAY Open - 6:15 - Starts Wednesday, October 14, 2015 Mixed - 6:15 - Starts Wednesday, October 14, 2015 Novice Fun League (6 Ends/Half Season) - 8:15 - Starts Wednesday, October 14, 2015

Thursday:

Open League - 6:15/8:15 - Starts Thursday, October 8, 2015 6:15 (or 8:15 if notified)
Men's Superleague - 8:15 - Starts Thursday, October 8, 2015 8:15

Friday:

Fun Mixed Open - 6:30 - Starts Friday, October 9, 2015 Novice Fun - (6 Ends) - 8:30 - Starts Friday, October 9, 2015

DAY LEAGUES

Monday:

Stick League (2-Person Teams) - 12:30 - Starts Monday, October 12, 2015

Tuesday:

Little Rockers (7 - 10 yrs) - TBD Junior Cubs (11 - 18 yrs) - 4:00

Tuesday & Thursday:

Senior Men - 9:30 - Starts Thursday, October 8, 2015 Afternoon Ladies - 1:00 - Starts Thursday, October 8, 2015

Wednesday & Friday:

Senior Men - 9:30 - Starts Friday, October 9, 2015

Saturday:

Traveler's Men's League - 9:30 - *Starts Saturday, October 10, 2015* **NEW** Little Rockers (7 - 10 yrs)

Payment and Policies

League Payment Information

We try to offer a variety of payment methods for the convenience of our members. You can register in person, by fax and include your credit card information on the fax, or online. We accept cheque, Visa, Master Card, Debit and cash. *Registration will not be taken over the phone but payment will!*. Please go online and register before calling with your credit card information.

Team Policies

Teams are to be paid in full and all members registered by the end of their first game. Partial payment with post-dated cheques will be accepted until December 1, 2015, with an additional charge of \$15 per month.

Any teams not paid by the end of the first week will not be included in the following week draw schedule.

If you need assistance with completing your team, please contact the office. A replacement member must be found in accordance with the TEAM POLICY and compensation to the player unable to continue is the responsibility of the team members.

Refund Policies

Daytime Leagues: Medical refunds only. No re-funds after December 31.Evening Leagues: No refunds after registration.

Capital Improvement Fee

New this year, for the future of the Club. Every member will pay \$30 per year (not per league). This fee will cover major capital projects like the roof or plant. (Juniors are exempt.)

Social Memberships Now Available!

New this year. If you don't curl but enjoy hanging out at the club and playing pool or shuffle-board, this is for you!

Around the Club

Kelowna Curling Club Hosts Three Major Events

We have the privilege to host three wonderful events this season.

- **Firefighters Provincials, January 28 31, 2016** sees over 100 firefighters from across the province converge on Kelowna to determine who will represent BC at the Nationals.
- On March 15 18, 2016 BCIMCA Provincials will have four divisions of Masters curling. That's eight teams from across the province in each division: 60+ men, 60+ women, 60+ mixed, and 70+ men.
- We will then host the **CIU University Nationals March 20 23, 2016**. Eight men's and eight women's teams will vie to present Canada at the World Games.

Volunteers are integral to the success of these events, and WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! Contact the office or complete the <u>Volunteer Form on Page 7</u> and drop it off. Enjoy some great curling, meet some great people and have a great time!

Volunteer opportunities abound! We need instructors for Monday mornings and weekday afternoons for rental groups, local Elementary and High School groups, University and college groups, International students, businesses, and more.

We thank Bob Harris who volunteered countless times to instruct these groups, and Susan Buckley who also enthusiastically volunteered. And we need to get them some help. Contact the office, or fill out the <u>volunteer form</u> and drop it off at the club.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers will be held **Thursday, October 1 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held upstairs. **There will be discounts in the pro-shop and food and beverage from 6:00PM - 9:00 PM AGM night only. To qualify for the discounts you MUST attend the AGM.**

Open House

Open House is **Saturday, October 17 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. Bring your friends and introduce them to curling! Instructors will be on hand so that new curlers can give it a try.

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Practice Ice

Be sure to check the website for the <u>Practice Ice Schedule</u>. We could probably all use some practice! Want to take a lesson? Contact to Office.

Stick Curling Open House

Can you believe it? There's a Stick Curling Open House **every Monday** from 10:00 AM until Noon! Holy smokes! And by an incredible coincidence, Stick Curling League play starts every Monday at 12:30! Wow! Check it out! If you can volunteer to help with this, we need you. Please check with the Office or complete the volunteer form here. Bonus! There will be instruction during the Open house on Mondays including regular and stick curling.

Minors are now welcome in the Lounge

Our lounge/restaurant upstairs if fully licensed and is the hub of all activity at the Kelowna Curling Club. It has two dart boards, a shuffleboard, ping pong table and curling table as well as a huge projection screen TV. Minors are now welcome! Minors who are in a league may be in the upstairs lounge until 10:00 pm, all other minors are permitted but must be accompanied by their parent or guardian and must leave by 10:00 PM.

Are you new to Curling? Welcome!

We have lots of opportunities for new curlers, including evening leagues tailored especially for novice curlers. Daytime leagues are individual entries; anyone can join.

Curlers require shoes and brooms, both of which you can rent at the club. (We also have some awesome shoes and brooms for sale in the Pro Shop!)

Our arena is heated to a very comfortable 40F/4C. Curling is played on ice, which is hard and cold. Loose or stretchy clothing is good as sweeping keeps you warm. Jeans aren't recommended, but Lulemons are.

Curling rocks weigh up to 42 pounds/19 kilos, but the good news is we don't lift them anymore. Curling ice is very flat and textured with pebble (small beads of frozen water). This reduces the friction on the bottom of the rock and allows it to slide down the ice more easily. Comparing hockey ice to curling ice is similar to comparing a putting green to a shuffleboard table.

The Kelowna Curling Club has over 1000 members. 95% of our curlers are social, recreational curlers. Each year over 500 new curlers give curling a try at your club. Come and join us!

Mark Your Calendar

It's never too early to start planning your bonspiel schedule!

Novice Spiel - Saturday November 7, 2015 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Junior Spiel - Saturday & Sunday November 7 - 8, 2015

Men's Open Spiel - Friday, November 20 - Sunday, November 23, 2015

KLCC Invitational Spiel - Monday, November 23 & Tuesday, November 25, 2015

Family Spiel - Sunday, December 27, 2015 **Christmas Spiel** - Monday, December 28 to Wednesday, December 30, 2015

Travelers Yuletide - Saturday, January 2, 2016 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Blind Curlers Provincial Spiel - Starts Saturday, January 9, 2016

Firefighters Provincial Spiel - Thursday, January 28 to Saturday, January 30, 2016

Senior Men's Daytime Spiel - Monday, February 8 to Wednesday, February 10, 2016 Ogopogo Mixed Spiel - Friday, February 19 to Sunday, February 21, 2016

Two on Two Spiel - Saturday March 6, 2016 Noon - 8:00 PM

Don Hill Spiel - Monday, March 15 to Wednesday, March 17, 2016

For more information and registration instructions for any of these spiels, watch the bulletin boards at the club, contact the office at 250-762-3112, or visit the <u>website</u>.



Novice/Introductory clinics

We have two Novice/Introductory Clinics early in the season. Register at the Office.

Novice (\$35 per person)

Saturday, October 10, 2015 or Sunday October 11, 2015 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Intermediate (\$55 per person)

Saturday, October 24, 2015 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM (includes a break)

Want to volunteer for something? Click here.



Personal Volunteer Form

The Kelowna Curling Club is a member run non-profit Society. The success and cost of operation is determined by the effectiveness of the various operating committees. The support of the members' freely given time during the curling season allows us to provide one of the finest winter activities for young and old at a most affordable price.

Operating Committees		
□ New Member Orientation	Member Programs □ Ins	tructor
League Captain		
Building Maintenance	□Fur	ndraising
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Special E	vents/Bonspiels/Pla	vdowns
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Spe	ecial Talents/Interes	ts
Name	Email.	
Phone: Work:	Home:	Cell:
Please Complete and Return with your Registration		

About the Kelowna Curling Club

Did you know that the Kelowna Curling Club is a non-profit society dedicated to providing curling at a reasonable cost?

The society was formed in 1942, and has been in this building since 1978. All the staff at the KCC are employees of the society. Thus all the sales & profits of the bar, kitchen, and rentals at the Kelowna Curling Club go to keep the cost of curling down. Many times volunteers are required to run a function, or provide some general work around the club and this also goes to keeping costs in line and fees lower. The Kelowna Curling Club operates without subsidy from the City of Kelowna or the Province of BC. Some projects get funding, but day to day operations are funded by you the curler, or renters.

What can you do to help? Little things like bringing your friends in for a beer or dinner before the hockey game. Bring them out to try curling or volunteer to help with painting or running the next event. Every little thing helps.



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