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Stroud Curling Club

Fall 2024 Issue October 2024

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President's Message

Hello Stroud Curling Club Family!

Welcome back to another great season of Curling in the 2024-2025 Season, for our 114th year as the Stroud Curling Club. As you will soon see, there have been a lot a very busy Volunteers around the club that have really been working hard through the Summer to make some absolutely amazing renovations to the Club for us all to enjoy!

Please join us for our Annual Fall General Meeting at 8:00pm Tuesday October 15th.

Meeting details will be sent out prior by membership email.

Thank you, to Carolyn Srigley-Alksnis for her 3-year service as President. Along with our board, we thank you for your service to Stroud Curling Club. We have a well-organized team ready for this season and look forward to another fun year of curling. Thank you Carolyn, and look forward to working with you as the new Past President.

Our club runs on the tremendous efforts of our volunteers, donations and countless hours of dedication in all our leagues, clubs and coaching. So please feel free to reach out if you have some time that you can help us out!

Also, please reach out to me with any concerns, or ideas. We really do value the members of our Stroud Curling Club Family and Community.

Great Curling!

Jason Tizzard

Stroud Curling Club, President



October 15th—Stroud Curling Lounge

Welcome Back Spaghetti Dinner

Cocktails 5:30 pm

Dinner 6:00 -7:30 pm

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & ELECTIONS - 8:00 pm

Message from The Facility Manager

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer despite how quickly it felt that it flew by. We have been very busy this summer giving the lounge a long overdue face-lift, which I am very grateful to the volunteers that helped in this process with MANY long days, and evenings to make this happen.

We are always looking for volunteers, no matter that your skills may be, even spread the word to any students that may need some extra volunteer hours for high school graduation requirements as I can definitely put them to work.

I would also like to thank our sponsors and advertisers that truly help support our club. Please spread the word to any local companies that may want to advertise on our ice pad as we are always looking for more advertisers or definitely appreciate any company that my want to sponsor any of the leagues.

I am looking forward to the upcoming season as all the registrations have started coming in, please let everyone know how warm our family here at the Stroud Curling Club is, as I'd love to see our membership grow.

I am here for everyone, so if there are any concerns, please do not hesitate to pull me aside or email me at any time, as everything is/will be kept confidential.

Good curling everyone, let's have a safe and fun season!

Rosa Tizzard

Facility Manager

facilitymanager@stroudcc.com

**Welcome Back
Spaghetti Dinner- Oct 15th
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Treasurer's Report

I would like to report that the club is in good standing financially. The Financial Statements for our past tax year will be completed in September. The club has been fortunate enough to complete some well needed upgrades to, our lounge and it appears that the club will be almost fully booked with rentals throughout the fall and winter, which helps to put us on track for a good year moving forward.

As in the past, the club will be doing some fundraising throughout the year, and any support from our members is greatly appreciated.

See everyone soon!

- Chris Hoegy

treasurer@stroudcc.com

Message from The Head Ice Technician

We hope you had a great summer and enjoyed some fishing or golf like James and I. We are happy to be welcoming Owen Thompson to the ice team on a full time basis this upcoming season. We know you will be as welcoming and supportive as you are with us.

Any equipment issues we had last season have been resolved and we are looking forward to providing you with the best possible surface we can.

Enjoy the last glimpses of summer and see you on the ice!

Good curling!

- Ice Team (Kyle, James, Owen)



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ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY NOVEMBER 5, 2024

*Pick-up will be at the Curling Club on DECEMBER 3, 2024.

If you have issues with the Online Portal please reach out to Jason Tizzard at president@stroudcc.com

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8th Annual Open Master Senior

MEMORIAL One Day Bonspiel Nov. 2, 2024

This year this popular bonspiel will be part of our Welcome the World Event. 20 Teams, two draws will compete for the John Smurthwaite and Stu Fisher Trophies.

Teams will for the most part represent the country and region they are from—a world challenge. Competition will be fierce as international curlers are always excited to beat the Canadian teams.

Last year the World Teams won the challenge. All for the joy of curling! Cash prizes will be awarded along with bragging rights for the year!

For more information contact:
Bob or Sherry Armstrong
Email: bsarmsr@gmail.com



BONSPIEL DATES

Open Turkey Spiel

Saturday, December 7,
2024

Curl for gobblers!! Always a fun event!!



Valentine Spiel Mixed Doubles

Saturday, February 15, 2025

*20 Teams—Mixed doubles is a fast paced
energy game!!*



-Bob Grayer & Kent Cheesman

5 Years & Under Experience Spiel

Mark your calendar - Saturday, January 11,
2025 will be the 5Y&U spiel.

What does 5 Years and Under even mean?! Any curler who has 5 years or less curling experience is invited to participate in this spiel designed for beginner curlers.

Enter as a team with other newer curlers into this fun spiel. The day includes two 6 end games, lunch, and cash prizes for the top teams.

Only \$180/team and open to 10 teams. Look for sign up in the late Fall.

Questions?

Contact Sarah Picton at
viewfromthehack@gmail.com



Sunday Choose Your Own League - (CYOL)

Time has flown by and we are already preparing for another fantastic curling season. We are looking to duplicate and build off the 2023/24 season including our year-end St Patrick's Day dinner bash!

I look forward to having a full team schedule back and competing for the coveted title of CY-OL Champions.

Continued health through the balance of the season and we will see you on the ice in a very short period!

- Nick O'Donnell

Men's League

Summer is over and another curling season is set to begin. Like other years in the past, the Men's League will be held on Monday nights. Our first week will be Monday October 21.

The registration has started and the spots seem to be filling up fast. We typically have a full draw, which can range anywhere from 10-12 teams. The normal start time is 7:30, but we have had one game start earlier (6:45pm) to accommodate as 12 team league. Stay tuned for more details to follow once the league roster is finalized.

Teams will be selected sometime during the week of October 14th. Everyone can expect to get a call from their skips by the 20th to confirm who you will be curling with this year. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions. Otherwise, I will see everyone soon.

See everyone soon!

-Chris Hoegy



Ladies Tuesday Night League

Well ladies, we can't believe it either; Labour Day has come and gone, and the curling season is just around the corner! We hope you all enjoyed your summer and are ready for another fantastic year.

Keeping with tradition, Tuesday night is Ladies Night! Practice ice opens at 6:30pm, and games start at 7:00pm. Games are six ends in length. As our club continues to expand, so does the Ladies League, and once again, we are hoping for 12 teams to fill out our roster. This league is an inclusive, beginner-friendly space, so whether you're a pro or have room to grow, everyone is welcome!

As many of you already know, one of our league coordinators, Janine Hill, is travelling abroad this season. Lucky for us, the lovely Meaghan Medeiros will be stepping in to help with our weekly shenanigans! So dust off those brooms, replace those old grippers, and get ready for another awesome season! Good curling!

-Amy Alksnis and Meaghan Medeiros



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Clif Thompson Senior League

Monday & Wednesday Mornings

What a summer we have had !! I trust everyone has been enjoying the wonderful weather we have been having the last few months. Hard to think of curling ? But we will soon be returning to curling!

Again this season you would have needed to register in Group A or B with 2 draw times in each group. 9:00am Monday & 10:45 Wednesday. Again there will be a Mini-Spiel the last Wednesday of each month and lunch will be catered by our Kitchen Committee.

This year, we will be collecting a \$10 social fee to go towards the prizes for our mini-spiels.

If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn.

-Senior Committee

carjohnstone@gmail.com

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED

Hope everyone has had a great summer!

We are excited about another season starting and welcoming back curlers and hopefully new curlers this season.

This season we will again have alternating draw schedules. One week you will curl at 6:30 and the next week at 8:30. We **MUST** adhere to game times this year of 1 3/4 hours to complete the games on each draw. So that means, no new end after 8:15, you complete the end you are in. We need to allow time for the change over of curlers.

We will be collecting a social fee again this season for some fun games throughout the season.

Sandra McGrath will continue to assist me again this year. Sandra will be on the opposite draw from Carolyn.

We look forward to welcoming you and seeing everyone back on the ice!

Our first night is October 25th.

-Carolyn Johnstone

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YOUTH CURLING

Junior Curling League

Welcome Junior curlers and families to the 2024-2025 Curling Season. The Stroud Junior curling program continues to be a great developmental league for new curlers, age 12-19, looking to develop their skills and learn the game with new friends, as well as for the more competitive curler, looking to compete in bonspiels and Curling Ontario (OCA) events.

The Junior program runs on Sundays, from 11:30 to approximately 1:30 pm. We start with development and practice for all curlers, usually followed by a game. Throughout the year, we have fun events like the One-on-One bonspiel and Bridging the Gap with our Senior curlers. We also encourage our junior curlers to experience bonspiels outside of the club.

We look forward to returning curlers to continue their mentoring role and make new members feel welcome and comfortable on and off the ice. **This year we will be starting on the ice end of October.**

If there are parents with curling experience and are an interested in helping this season, please let us know as the junior program derives its strength from its volunteers.

If you need curling equipment, have equipment to sell, or have any questions or suggestions for the upcoming year, please feel free to contact me at: al-lee@rogers.com

We look forward to yet another great year!

-Alan Beauchamp

Junior Curling Coordinator

Stroud Youth Program

The Stroud Youth Program (formerly Little Rocks) is scheduled to run starting October 26, 2024. The program is open to ages 7-12 years, if you are not sure what group your child should be in reach out to discuss.

Although our Thursday night league was a huge success last year at this point it will not be running for the 2024-2025 curling season. The coaches who volunteered for it, including myself, all volunteer with other sports that make committing to it again not possible but will try to offer additional practises when possible.

Our annual youth bonspiel will run on Saturday November 16th so put it on your calendars now. The youth program continues to run Sunday mornings from 10am-11am. We have started planning for a fun and exciting new season and look forward to meeting this year's curlers in October.

- Abbie Darnley

Junior Curling Award—Stroud Rocks



The Stroud Curling Club offers a \$500 scholarship award each year to a current registered Junior curler continuing to post secondary education. The applicant must submit an essay outlining their Curling experiences, both within our club and outside of our club. The applicant also includes his/her volunteer activities in the community as well as a letter of reference from a teacher. If the applicant has attended any curling or leadership camps, please include that as well.

The deadline for the application to be submitted to the Board of Directors is May 30, 2025.

Please submit your application by email to

Attn: Carolyn Johnstone at: membership@stroudcc.com

**The 2024 recipient was Meaghan St Croix.
Congratulations!**



Welcome the World 2024 Oct 26 – Nov 3

Time is ticking and soon we will be welcoming senior curlers from Denmark, Scotland, the United States, Nova Scotia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and other clubs in Ontario. We have 7 USA curlers from the Green Bay, Midland and Cleveland areas. We have 9 curlers from the Esberg and Silkeborg Curling Clubs in Denmark. We have 4 curlers from Perth, Scotland. We have 55 curlers from Lloydminster, Saskatoon, Candle Lake, Metcalfe, Amherst, Sutton, Barrie, Bradford, Bobcaygeon, and Stroud.

This is the largest WTW we have ever hosted with 75 participants and thanks to the local committees it is going to be a great event!

We would like to thank the Town of Innisfil for the grant we received to help reduce our rental costs. We would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to home host and to the members of the Clif Thompson Senior league for their enthusiasm and support.

It is a massive job to host all of these people at the Stroud Curling Club and we can not do it without the support of the Board, the Management, the club staff and ice technicians. Thank you so much for all your help.

Sherry Armstrong

KITCHEN COMMITTEE

Hello Fellow Curlers:

Every month we have two or three events to cater to and your continuing support is very much appreciated. From now until the Christmas break we will be busy with our first event was an Anniversary celebration of Comco Canada which was held on September 7th.

Early in October we will be doing the Sleeman Cash Spiel and in November the Comco Cash Spiel.

In December we will provide food services for the Turkey Spiel, and 1-1 .

Our regular customers are the Friday Super Seniors and the Clif Thompson Senior league Mini-spiels. We appreciate all of these opportunities.

If you are willing to help in the kitchen with food prep, table set up, serving or clean up we never turn away a helping hand.

The \$9,000 we donated to the Stroud Curling Club last year is a result of everyone's hard work. Thank you!

Edith Schultz & Sherry Armstrong



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VOLUNTEER



NEWLY RENOVATED STROUD CURLING LOUNGE

We have a fresh new look for our Club to start off the season. We have updated the lounge area to a neutral bright "ship shape white" colour and new flooring. We will have more rentals for the coming year for revenue with a modernized look. Many hours of volunteering have gone into the project.

A HUGE thank you to the Kitchen Committee, Sherry and Edith for the generous financial donations to update the furniture, floors and walls in our lounge area.

Volunteer Decorators:

Jacque and Dave McDougall
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Ontario Curling Report

Welcome back curlers!

We're looking forward to another great year of Stroud representation in curling events around the province!

Check out the Curling Ontario website www.curl-on.ca and have a look at competitions available to you. There are competitions for all different skill levels and ages.

Did you know? Their website has a bonspiel section where clubs advertise various spiels. Be sure to check it out if you might be interested in bringing a team to a spiel. There are a lot of fun spiels available out there, and playing on other ice can be a great learning experience.

If you have any questions about how to enter an Ontario Curling competition or other questions, please see one of your club representatives.

Good curling everyone!

OCA Reps for 2024-2025:

Jason Tizzard
Sarah Picton
Andrew McDonald

Learn To Curl League

Are you new to curling? Want to learn the basics before jumping into a league?

Already signed up for a league but want to work on improving your skills? This league is for you! Learn the basics of curling by setting up good habits from the beginning.

The Learn to Curl league is six weeks long and runs on Sunday afternoons in November/December from 3:00-4:30pm. Tentative dates are: November 3, 17, 24, December 1, 8, 15(subject to change)

This league is \$125, or free to curlers who are already signed up for another league.

This league covers topics such as: Rules, Curling Terminology, Delivery, Sweeping, Basic Strategy, Etiquette, and more!

If you are interested in volunteering to coach, please contact Sarah Picton.

viewfromthehack@gmail.com



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SPECIAL LEAGUES and EVENTS



CORNHOLE LEAGUE

Ever since the ice came out, our cornhole league and been continuing over the spring and summer down on the ice pad. The last week on the ice pad is September 10 th . Starting on October 1, the league will move upstairs into the hall next door.

It is a drop-in club that runs Tuesday evenings. Registration starts at 6:30 with games beginning at 7:00PM. If you want to come out to the club and throw some bags, the cost is only \$15/wk. The registration fee is waived the first time for any newcomers.

Each player gets a minimum of 6 games. No experience is required! If you want more information, reach out to Jason Tizzard or Chris Hoegy and they will be happy to answer any questions you have. Or stop by the curling club any Tuesday night and check it out.

-Chris Hoegy & Jason Tizzard



Comco Cash Spiel 2024

The Comco Cash Spiel will run for its 26th year from Friday, November 8 through Sunday, November 10. Come out and enjoy some of the province's best curlers play in this popular Ontario Curling Tour event, free of charge. Many thanks to Gord Thompson and the employees of Comco Canada Inc. for their ongoing sponsorship of this great event.

-Andrew Thompson

1-on 1 Competition 2024

Our annual 1-on-1 competition will take place on Friday, December 27 and Saturday, December 28. Your \$2.00 entry guarantees you two games with you as the boss - no skips yelling at you to sweep and no sweepers messing up your perfect draw weight.

This is a fun holiday tradition at Stroud and a great opportunity to help keep the rust off over the holidays.

Look for more details and a sign-up sheet in the lounge beginning December 1.

-Andrew Thompson



TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

The club's annual Tournament of Champions will take place on Saturday March 29th. This fun event pitting all of the club's league winners from the season, juniors all the way to seniors (and everyone in between), gives us an opportunity to come together as a club to celebrate our successes and enjoy some fellowship to wrap up our season. Look for more details and tickets in February.

-Andrew Thompson



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