



WELCOME BACK 2016-2017

Welcome to the 2016/2017 season of the Deep River Curling and Squash Club. This year's season will start with a wine and cheese and meet and greet on **Friday September 30 starting at 6:30pm**. New, prospective and returning members are all welcome to attend. The **registration forms**, including the Learn to Curl and Junior Programs are at the end of this newsletter. Bring it with you to the Open House.

KENNETH B THAIN AWARD WINNER

Congratulation to Evans Harrison who was selected as a recipient of the Ottawa Valley Curling Association Kenneth B. Thain award for 2016.

This OVCA award is presented annually to recognize exemplary volunteerism. We are sure you have seen Evans involved in many of the various activities in the club. Often though, he is behind the scenes helping to keep the ice plant and the many other key club systems and equipment functioning. Be sure to congratulate Evans when you next see him!

LEARN TO CURL PROGRAM

We have now run two years of a successful Learn to Curl programs, so we are planning to continue this year with a third! Learn to Curl is a 12 week program designed to teach adults with little to no curling experience all about the game.

The Learn to Curl program will be held on Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 9:00pm.

Skills are taught for the first 6 weeks and then curlers are introduced to games, strategy and etiquette. For a very reasonable fee, curlers are provided with a broom to keep, access to club equipment and structured lessons.

If you have friends or family, please encourage them to join. This is a fantastic introduction to curling in a very welcoming environment. Learn to Curl is always looking for coaches and volunteers to help run events. You just need to be an enthusiastic curler with a few years of experience to be a great coach! If you are interested, please contact an executive member.

LITTLE ROCK AND JUNIOR PROGRAM

It's hard to believe we are ready to start our 3rd Junior and Little Rock Curling season since we revived our kids curling program in 2014. Last year we had 23 kids (age 7 to 13) signed up with regular weekly participation averaging 18 kids per session.

Over half of them were successful in moving up to playing with the Big Rocks. Therefore, this season we will be offering curling to both little rockers (who play with the half size 20 lb little rocks) and Juniors up to age 19 who play with the full size rocks. Typically Little Rockers are age 7 to 11 and then they move up to Big Rocks, but some 10 and 11 year olds will be capable of playing with the big rocks.

EVENING CURLING MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS

For the 2016/17 season, the Club will operate evening leagues on Mondays and Thursdays. The Monday League will consist of balanced teams drafted by the skips. New teams will be drafted on 2 or 3 occasions over the course of the season to promote social interaction between members.

During the 2015/16 season, the Monday League had up to 14 teams once the Learn-to-Curl program graduates started league play.

For the Thursday League, members will be able to enter a set team (or partial team) at the start of the year. If you wish to enter a team, please list your team members on your membership form.

Please note that team entries will only be accepted after the start of the season if it can be done without disrupting the league. Members are also able to sign up individually for the Thursday League and will be placed on a team. Last season, the Club had 9 teams playing on Thursday nights.

On Fridays, a Social Curling League operates on a drop-in basis where teams are drawn each evening. It is open to both members and non-members. The Friday League is free for curling members and only costs \$15 for non-members. This is a great opportunity for club members to introduce their friends to the sport of curling.

There was some discussion at the closing dinner meeting last season about changing the start times for the Monday League Draws. People were finding that the late draws were starting well after 9:00 and they were not finishing until quite late. At registration, please give the executive your views and suggestions.

SQUASH

Membership for squash was unfortunately low again last season. We are hoping to run a "Try It" day this year where community members can sign up for a time slot on a specific day to learn the basics of playing squash and try the sport.

The program takes place on Tuesdays after school from 4:00- 5:15 pm with coaching and supervision provided. Depending on numbers, we may need more supervision help (you need not be a curler to supervise) so if you are interested, please let us know.

The coaching team will be led by Head Coach, Chris Knight, and if you have any questions about the program please contact him at knightcurler@hotmail.com or 613-584-2888. We plan to start on Tuesday, October 25 at 4:00 pm, ice permitting.

Last year's program was highlighted by a trip to the Brier in Ottawa for more than half the participants. This year we are planning to get the participants more involved in playing games and participating in games and competitions with other clubs in the valley.

The emphasis of the program is on learning the skills and etiquette of curling and having fun in participating in the only sport where Canada has reigning male and female gold medal champions.

MORNING CURLING TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

We will once again be offering Tuesday and Thursday morning games for any adult members who wish to attend.

The games will commence at 9:00am and teams will be arranged each morning by drawing numbers from a hat. All games are 8 ends with a coffee and chat break after 4 ends.

We will organize fun bonspiels during the year. Sign-up sheets for each bonspiel will be posted on the bulletin board early in each month. Each bonspiel will include lunch and prizes for a nominal entry fee.

Contact Terry Arthur if you require additional information at tarthur@magma.ca or 613-584-4162.

We will need a few squash members to volunteer to help run this day and share their knowledge of the game. We may also need to borrow some rackets and balls for the event. If you are willing to share or help out, please let an executive member know.

CLUB FINANCES

In order to meet rising costs and provide for routine maintenance, membership fees for ongoing curling memberships have been increased by a modest 2%. Other fees (Squash and Junior fees) have increased slightly more to better align with other local clubs. As in the past, we endeavour to maintain a contingency fund for unexpected expenses that seem to arise every year.

The club's main furnace became inoperable early last season and due to its age was replaced. A modern gas-furnace was installed at a cost of approximately \$4,000.

The hot water tank in the women's squash area was replaced and the floor was retiled.

Thanks to the efforts and generosity of many members, the club held two successful yard sales since curling ended last spring. The proceeds of the yard sales have infused over \$2000 into the club's bank account! In addition to the cash raised, the club has been decluttered by removal of unwanted and unused furniture and materials.

The key to the continued viability and success of the club is membership. All members can play a part in growing the club. Bring your friends and neighbours to the club, encourage your colleagues to join our Learn to Curl program.

VOLUNTEERING

Those willing to lend their time and talents to the squash and curling club are always welcome!

We always need members to help with general maintenance jobs inside and outside of the club

such as clearing brush around the club, staining the front siding and trim.

Other areas requiring help include bartending for events, ice making and maintenance, bonspiel organizers and assistants, coaches and much more.

Just let us know that you are willing to help out! Please indicate on your registration form that you might be willing to lend a hand. Every effort put into the club helps make it more enjoyable for all the members!

**STAY ON TOP OF CLUB ACTIVITIES
AT WWW.DRCSC.CA OR FOLLOW US
ON FACEBOOK!**

External Bookings for Ice or Hall Rentals

Janice Bunge is taking club bookings and events for club hall rentals. Please contact Janice (584-2347; bunge@magma.ca) for all club bookings.

CLUB EXECUTIVE

| 2016/2017 Club Executive | | |
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| President Bookings | Janice Bunge | 613-584-2347 bunge@magma.ca |
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| OVCA Rep (Ice Maker) | Chris Knight | 613-584-2888 knightcurler@hotmail.com |
| Seniors' Director | Terry Arthur | 613-584-4162 tarthur@magma.ca |

2016/17 REGISTRATION FORM



1) _____ 2) _____
 3) _____ 4) _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ **E-mail Address:** _____

| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Total |
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| Locker | Indicate which change room (M/F) | \$15 | | | | | |
| Key | Key is for independent access. Non-refundable. | \$15 | | | | | |
| Social | For members who use the club socially only | \$25 | | | | | |
| Bantam/Junior | Ages 13-18, Squash or Curling (S/C) | \$60 | | | | | |
| Novice | Ages 6-12, Squash or Curling (S/C) | \$30 | | | | | |
| Squash | Squash-only membership (\$237 after Nov 1) | \$221 | | | | | |
| Curling | Full Year Membership (\$525 after Nov 1) | \$490 | | | | | |
| | New Member *on a 3 year sliding scale. Details below. | \$221 | | | | | |
| | Second Year Member (joined in 2015) | \$294 | | | | | |
| | Half-Year Membership | \$265 | | | | | |
| | Social Curling - Tuesday morning (9am) | (✓) | | | | | |
| | Social Curling - Thursday morning (9am) | (✓) | | | | | |
| | Monday League - Balanced teams | (✓) | | | | | |
| | Thursday League - Open, state team preference here: | (✓) | | | | | |
| Volunteering | I have Smart Serve and would like to receive e-mails regarding events requiring bartenders | (Y/N) | | | | | |
| | I would like to receive Smart Serve training (~2hrs training on a single evening; must be 18 yrs or older) | (Y/N) | | | | | |
| | I agree that DRCS C can contact me by e-mail with information about the club, events and opportunities to volunteer. | (Y/N) | | | | | |
| I would like to donate this amount to the club improvement fund for the DRCS C. | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | |

Three post-dated cheques **may** be used to pay and should be dated:

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| October 30, 2016 | for 1/3 of total |
| December 15, 2016 | for 1/3 of total |
| January 15, 2017 | for remainder |

New member sliding scale for those joining in 2016:

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| First Year | 45% of full fee |
| Second Year | 60% of full fee |
| Third Year | 75% of full fee |

Please make all cheques payable to the Deep River Curling and Squash Club, and bring with your registration form to the club or mail it to the club.

Registration forms can be e-mailed to inquiries@drsc.ca.



JUNIOR CURLING REGISTRATION

Curler's Name: _____

Age of Curler: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Allergies/Special Considerations: _____

Age (6-12) \$30.00 Age (13-18) \$60.00

Registration forms can be sent to inquiries@drcsc.ca. Please make all cheques payable to the Deep River Curling and Squash Club, and bring with your registration form to the club or mail it to the club.

Primary method of communication for Junior Curling will be by e-mail. Please ensure you provide an address that is checked on a regular basis. If e-mail is a problem for you, please inform us and other arrangements can be made.



LEARN TO CURL REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Shoe Size: _____ M/F

Left or Right Handed: _____

Total: \$153.00

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