

RICHMOND CURLING CLUB

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HISTORY

The first curling rocks were thrown at the Richmond Curling Club (RCC) in 1960. The Club has been one of the most active in Eastern Ontario ever since.

RCC's first home was the agricultural society's 4-H calf building, which was converted into a two-sheet curling rink for the winter. Fifty members eagerly signed up in the club's first year. Only five had ever curled before.

The natural ice surface provided some unique challenges, but by 1962, an ice plant had been installed and artificial ice allowed for a longer playing season. The original building was renovated several times, to add a lounge, viewing area, kitchen and clubroom. By 1978, the club had outgrown its home, and plans were launched for a new four-sheet facility. RCC members got busy fundraising, and, with the aid of government grants, the new building was officially opened on Nov. 8, 1980.

The club now boasts a membership of approximately 500 and offers daytime, evening, youth and learn to curl leagues.

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

The Club offers recreational and competitive daytime and evening curling for adults of all age groups and skill levels:

- Recreational curling Monday through Friday
- Competitive curling Tuesday and Thursday
- Drop-in curling Tuesday mornings followed by lunch and cards
- Ladies' curling Monday and Wednesday evening and Friday afternoon
- Men's curling Wednesday evening
- Social curling on Friday evening and Sunday
- A vibrant, progressive Youth Curling Program
    - Bantam/Junior, ages 13-20 Mondays 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. 8-12
    - Light Rocks, ages 8- Tuesdays 4:30 to 6 p.m.

A Learn to Curl Program is held on Sunday mornings from October to December.

Clinics are offered at the Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced levels and for those using a "stick."

OUR CLUB

RCC is a community-oriented, non-profit organization with members from Richmond, Stittsville, Kanata and surrounding areas. The club offers a friendly, welcoming atmosphere.

A volunteer Board of Directors manages the club. The Board deals with advertising and sponsorship, facilities and ice maintenance, draw scheduling, finance, membership, social events, bar and kitchen.

An annual general meeting is held each June and all members are invited to attend to hear reports on the year's activities and elect the next year's Board oif Directors.

SOCIAL EVENTS

A social membership is offered for those who do not curl, but wish to participate in the social activities of the club. A number of social events are held throughout the year, including a golf tournaments during the summer months

FACILITIES

- Four-sheet curling rink
- Downstairs lounge, viewing area and bar
- Upstairs meeting/dining/viewing area, full kitchen

All of the club's facilities are available for rent, whether it be for a family curling day, wedding reception, birthday party or meetings.

SPONSORS AND ADVERTISERS

As a non-profit organization, our sponsors and advertisers are very important to us and we appreciate their support.

Sponsors offer a variety of goods and services in support of specific bonspiels, league or draw play.

Advertisers provide an important source of revenue by renting space to advertise their businesses and/or services.

We encourage RCC members to seek out our sponsors and advertisers when shopping.

VOLUNTEERS - THE BACKBONE OF OUR CLUB

We are extremely proud of the number of members who volunteer to:

- organize competitive and friendly bonspiels
- shop, prepare and serve food, making our kitchen an integral part of our operation
- manage different Leagues, e.g., Youth Program, evening and daytime Leagues offer their expertise by
- coaching at clinics or working regularly with our junior members
- manage special projects to upgrade our facilities. e.g., kitchen renovations and installation of more efficient lighting

Volunteers are the backbone of our club and we salute them. RCC would not be such a great success without their efforts.

