

Attorney General Mixed Curling League

Fort Rouge Curling Club

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Curling Information:

- Welcome back to returning curlers and our new teams: Team LaFleur and Team Arthur.
- Fees have increased to \$180/person or \$720/team.
- All member fees are due October 26, 2015. Payable by cheque to "AG Curling League". We thank-you in advance.
- A meeting with the executive and all skips will follow play at 7:10 pm on October 19, 2016 in the Lounge. Please have someone attend from your team, if your skip cannot be there.
- The Christmas Banquet and Hot Shots Competition will be on December 14, 2015.
- Our Annual General Meeting and final Banquet will be on March 28, 2016.
- Our constitution is in effect this year.
- Don't forget the 30 km/h school zone on Daly St. S.



Executive

President: Meghan Ostrum
Vice-President/Draw Master: Brian Gagnon
Secretary/Treasurer: Angie Carfrae
Social Convenor: Murray Smith

Webmaster:

Glen Moor

Website:

<http://members.shaw.ca/agcurling/index.htm>

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Rules Reminder:

- The 4 rock free guard zone rule is in effect.
- Game results must be recorded immediately following each game.
- The curling draw is posted on the bulletin board, the chalk board, and the website.
- Practice before games is being limited to 4 rocks thrown (2 there and 2 back). No limit on practise slides (without a rock).
- Play begins at 5 pm and ends promptly at 7 pm. The starting bell will ring 5 minutes before the start of play. The ending bell will ring at 95 minutes of play after which teams will complete the current end and play on more end.
- Teams that are not ready with at least three members on the ice to play by 10 minutes after the start of play (15 minutes after the starting bell) will forfeit the game.
- The league is a mixed league which must have one member of the opposite sex on the ice. Teams automatically lose the game if their one member of the opposite sex is not on the ice. Each team will be allowed one game where they will not automatically lose if their lone member of the opposite sex is not on the ice.
- Existing Rules for Spares:
 - Spares of any sex can be used at any time. A maximum of 3 spares in a single game can be used once. You can not use 3 spares in any other game. Teams will automatically incur a lose if they use 3 spares in one game a second time. The Vice-President/Draw Master will be monitoring this.
 - It will be the responsibility of all League members to arrange for their own Spares if they are unable to attend a game. Spares must play Lead, except where a team is using more than one, in which case Spares must play Lead and Second. Each team must have at least one registered team member for each game.
 - For playoff games, only one Spare is allowed per team.
 - Spares will not be charged a fee to play.
 - We would like to add these rules to the Consitution at the AGM.

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Curling Etiquette:

- Avoid kneeling on the ice or melting the ice with your hands.
- Use clean shoes for curling, not shoes you wear outside. They will bring grit and debris onto the ice.
- Old grippers leave smudges on the ice. Once your gripper becomes flat, replace it.
- Old brushes leave debris on the ice. Replace your brush every few years.
- Avoid wearing fleece (and other materials that shed) jackets and pants that shed fabric onto the ice.
- Be ready to start your game when the bell rings.
- As soon as your opponent delivers their rock, clean your rock and be ready to deliver it.
- "Team Decision Making" slows the game down, annoying curlers, and reduces your playing time.
- Do not play slow when your team is winning. It is not sportsmanlike.
- Your play must not interfere with the next league starting on time. With properly prepared ice. Ice is rented for a 2 hour period and does not guarantee a specific number of ends nor does it allow time for extra ends.



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News From Fort Rouge Curling Club:

- \$20,000 was spent last summer on improvements to the club, such as: new state of the art “Boss” ice scraper (\$10,720); new scoreboards (\$4,937); new energy efficient LED lighting for the parking lot (\$2,944); new podium (\$615); and painting the front entrance in club colours (\$600).
- Just under \$101,000 was spent this past summer on improvements to the club, such as: 200 plush new comfortable chairs for the cafe, viewing, and lounge areas including upgraded foam and fabric (\$65,314); curling rock refurbishment including blue hone granite inserts, new running surfaces, new striking bands, and 2 brand new stones (\$27,959); overhaul of the ice plant (\$7,100); and 3 eco low flush toilets (\$542).
- The club budgets \$35,000 a year for day to day repairs and maintenance.
- The majority of the ice team are returning this season. Donald Smith has been promoted to Head Ice Technician. World Class Ice Technician, Greg Ewasko, has come to oversee the ice installation with the ice crew.
- The club strives to have comparable fees where they are neither the lowest or highest in the city. Rental leagues will see a modest increase of no more than 5%. There are various cost increases to the club, such as: 2.8% minimum wage increase, numerous alcohol price increases, utilities cost increases, an increase in food products, and a slumping Canadian dollar.
- CurlManitoba has increases their fees from \$4 a person to \$6. This money is collected by the club on behalf of CurlManitoba and will be remited to them.
- This club values practice. There are a variety of times for drop-in midweek and weekend for practice by members. You may rent a time slot to guarantee a particular time. Please see the Ice Book or the website for details.
- The Fort Rouge Curling Club website is www.curlfortrouge.ca