

WDCC NEWSLETTER

BOARD MEMBERS 2025-2026 SEASON

President – Mike Lutman
Past President – Tom Hall
Vice-President – Brad Gesinghaus
Treasurer – Patricia Lenson
Secretary – Sue Given
Ice Maintenance – Rick Whyte
Property – Chris Harrington
Volunteers – Catherine Stofast
Rentals - Becky Thomas
Advertising/Sponsorship – Kam Arnold
Membership – Dwayne Ferguson/Richard Slaughter
Bonspiels/Leagues – Edie Roberts

OTHER IMPORTANT PEOPLE

Webmaster – Sharon Girdler
Bar – Ken Russwurm
Youth Curling – Brenda Barham
Grants – Dave Waddington
Newsletter – Laura Browne

For contact information, log onto the Member portion, select Member+, select Member Documents+, select Board Members.

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“Volunteers do not just do the work; they make it work.” Carol Pettit

UPCOMING EVENTS

ONLINE REGISTRATION CONTINUES

Returning members should log in to their account, Select Member +, Select Renew Membership, Complete the Registration Form
New members, Select Member +, Select New Member, Complete the Registration Form

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

Monday October 20, 6:30-8:00 PM At the Club

FREE ADULT LEARN-TO-CURL (poster pg 4)

Saturday October 25, 1-3 PM for Part 1

Sunday October 26, 1-3 PM for Part 2

PRACTICE ICE WEEK

Monday October 27 – Friday October 31

Monday and Tuesday, 7-9 PM

Thursday and Friday, 1-4 PM

INTERMEDIATE CURLING CLINIC WITH MARTY THOMPSON

(poster and sign-up link on pg 5)

Wednesday October 29, 7-9 PM

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS

WITH MARTY THOMPSON

(poster and sign-up email on pg 5)

Thursday October 30, Friday October 31

WELCOME BACK DINNER

Saturday November 1, 5 PM onwards

Steak or chicken, \$20, RSVP to Edie at

agtech.roberts@gmail.com by **October 26**

CURLING SCHEDULE 1 BEGINS

Sunday November 2

YOUTH CURLING BEGINS

Sunday November 9

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Back row: Brad Gesinghaus, Becky Thomas, Catherine Stofast, Chris Harrington, Mike Lutman, Kam Arnold, Rick Whyte.
Front row: Sue Given, Pat Lenson, Edie Roberts, Dwayne Ferguson.



Left: **Rick Whyte** laying down the second flood for ice preparation.
Middle: The downstairs lounge is newly painted, and the carpet has been replaced.
Right: The WDCC has a new sign as well as a newly paved and painted parking lot.

WIARTON'S GREY-BRUCE MAJOR LEAGUE TEAM

Once again Wiarton is putting a team into the Grey Bruce Major League. This competitive league travels around Grey-Bruce and plays different teams at various clubs on Wednesday evenings throughout the season, leading into a playoff for the league trophy. The team members are:

Skip - **Matt Coady**
Vice - **Mike Coady**
Second - **Rob Thomas**
Lead - **Alex Judges**

We would like to thank our sponsor Dunne Power and look forward to representing WDCC in the league starting the first couple weeks of November. (Mike Coady)

LEAGUE CONVENORS 2025-2026 SEASON

Sunday – Little Rocks, Juniors – Brenda Barham
Sunday – Sturling – Judy Nafziger, Kym Burt
Monday Evening – Skips' Choice – Rick Corcoran
Tuesday Morning – Womens' – Sue Bellmore
Tuesday Evening – Mens' – Tom Hall
Wednesday Evening – Womens' – Kathy Weir
Thursday Morning – Recreational – Ron MacDonald
Thursday Afternoon – Doubles – Scott Girdler
Thursday Evening – Doubles – Mathew Coady
Friday Afternoon – Mixed – Bob & Liz Manson
Friday Evening – Mixed – Edie Roberts

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HITS AND ROLLS

From Mike Lutman – President Mike would like to thank the outgoing members of the Board of Directors for their volunteer service. Thanks go out to **Tom Hall, Andy Barfoot, and Ted Ratcliffe** for the time and effort they have given during their time on the Board.

And a hearty welcome to new Board members – **Brad Gesinghaus, Chris Harrington and Dwayne Ferguson.**

From Mike Lutman – The Friday Afternoon Mixed Curling League will be starting up the fundraiser can/bottle collection during the first week of curling. If you would like to donate, please bring your returnable cans and bottles to the front foyer and deposit them in the appropriate bins. Curlers, (as well as their family and friends) in all leagues are encouraged to contribute their empties.

From Brenda Barham – Brenda would like some volunteers to help her teach the Adult Learn-To-Curl for either one day or both days. Contact her at bartbbarham@gmail.com or 519-534-1436 if you can help out.

From Brenda Barham – If you have kids interested in curling, we start Sunday November 9 at 1 PM for kids ages 5-8 and at 1:45 PM for kids aged 9-13. Contact Brenda at bartbbarham@gmail.com or 519-534-1436

From Dave Waddington – Goldline and Hardline orders for curling equipment need to be in by October 22. Please refer to the email sent to club members by Dave on October 8.

From Laura Browne – If you have any curling related items, pictures, or stories that you would like to include in future Club newsletters, please email them to **Laura** at newsletter@wiartoncurlingclub.com

CURLING CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

Eddie is happy to report that 31 curlers showed up for a “fun” day of golf at Sauble Golf and Country Club on Sunday September 21, 2025.

As usual, teams of four played a Scramble with some quirks added to the game. It is reported that some people drive the ball blindfolded better than they do with their eyes open! Using the opposite handed driver didn’t seem to be a problem either for some, while others couldn’t get it off the tee box.

Putting left-handed proved to be interesting. Having to wick off a curling rock before putting the ball in the last hole proved to be a challenge.

The winning team made up of **Paul Boswell, Edie Roberts, Roger Shantz, and Kathy Renfrew** seemed to overcome all the challenges and scored one under par! (Thanks to Paul!)

It is hoped that more people will join us next year for a day of laughs! (Eddie Roberts)



Paul Boswell blindfolded after he drove the ball.

FREE EVENT

Free Learn 2 Curl

AT THE WIARTON CURLING CLUB

Saturday Oct 25th from 1-3pm
Sunday Oct 26th from 1-3pm

*Bring a clean pair of running shoes*Adults ONLY*
Call Brenda to Pre-Register 519-534-1436

New Members can join for \$150 for full season

**Join our club. Various leagues. All skill levels.
Play for fun. Play to socialize. Play to learn.**

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SMART SERVE

If you hold a Smart Serve certificate and are thus eligible to work in the Club bar, please add your certificate information to your profile on the website.

This will make it easier for the Volunteer Director to let you know about volunteer activities specific to the bar.

Log in, Select ‘Member+’, Go to ‘My Profile’, Select ‘Other’.

Check yes or no for an active certificate.

If yes, please enter your certificate number, issue date, and expiry date.

And while you are there, you can update your preferred curling partners and your preferred curling position.

Remember to push the ‘**Save Changes**’ button at the bottom of the page. (Sharon Girdler)



WDCC AT THE WIARTON FALL FAIR

The curling club had a booth set up at the Wiarion Fall Fair on September 19 and 20 to promote the club and attract new members.

Newly minted Membership Director, **Dwayne Ferguson**, and outgoing Recruitment Director, **Ted Ratcliffe**, were responsible for the set-up, with various other club members volunteering to man the booth.

A draw for teddy-bears was held.



Above: Ted Ratcliffe and Suz Shearer with the teddy bears
Below: Dwayne Ferguson, Brenda Barham and Mike Lutman



LEARN FROM A TEACHING PRO!



Modern Technique
Learn what curling's best athletes have already discovered

Curling Canada-trained
Use sport-leading science to make more shots, more often!

Curling Canada Teaching Pro and competitive mixed doubles curler Marty Thompson is hosting an intermediate clinic in Wiarion: Learn about cutting-edge techniques from the sport's best athletes to get more out of your curling game!

Intermediate Clinic (Wednesday, Oct. 29 – 7pm-9pm)

- Delivery tips and tricks
- Sweeping techniques
- And much more!

Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/uUlrhNSSwDotKQQf7>

Individual Lessons

Marty is also offering lessons in Wiarion on Thursday, Oct. 30 and Friday, Oct. 31. These sessions, which last about an hour, cost \$60 per person or \$100 per group (2-4 people)

- Detect and correct errors
- Learn drills you can use to keep your game sharp
- ...And whatever you want to work on

Sign up by emailing Marty directly: martyjamesthompson@gmail.com



LOOKING AHEAD

Mark your calendars for 'The Camp' and 'The Battle' occurring Friday September 25 to Sunday September 27, 2026 at The Plex in Saugeen Shores.

Port Elgin Curling Club is hosting 'The Camp', a 3-day adult curling camp, including instruction on and off the ice with certified instructors along with members of Team Homan and Team Jacobs.

Along with the instructional camp, Friday dinner, Saturday lunch & dinner and Sunday lunch are included, as well as full event tickets to 'The Battle'. The cost is \$799 + HST + fees.

The Holiday Inn Express & Suites, located right across the road from the Plex has special accommodation rates available and a golf special will be available from Saugeen Golf Club with ticket purchase.

The Camp is for curlers 19 and over, of any skill level and delivery style. All proceeds will support area curling clubs and charity.

SIGNING UP AS A SPARE

Log in, Select 'Member+', Go to 'My Profile', Select 'Spare Details'.

Select the checkbox labelled 'Include my name on the spares/substitutes list?'

Enter any additional details you wish other registered club members to know.

Check the appropriate boxes in 'Can spare/substitute as:'

Check the Leagues that you wish to spare/substitute in.

Remember to '**Save Changes**' at the bottom of the page.

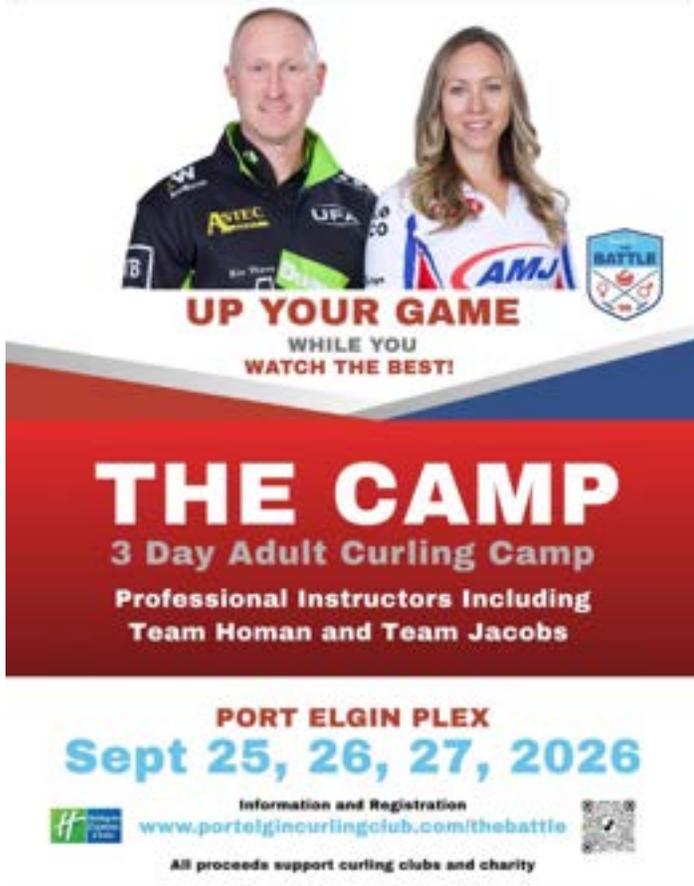
It is up to individual members to add or remove themselves from this list. If you are on the list and do not wish to be, follow the steps at the top of this note, and unclick 'Can spare/substitute as:'. Remember to save your changes.

FINDING A SPARE

Log in, Select 'Member+', Go to Spares+, Go to 'Find a Spare'

Use the pull-down menus to complete the request and then use 'Apply Filters' to find someone for your league. Contact details are available for you to call or email.

Remember, it is your responsibility to find a spare and then inform your Skip as to who will be curling in your stead. If you are unable to find a spare, please inform your Skip as well.



UP YOUR GAME
WHILE YOU
WATCH THE BEST!

THE CAMP
3 Day Adult Curling Camp
Professional Instructors Including
Team Homan and Team Jacobs

PORT ELGIN PLEX
Sept 25, 26, 27, 2026

Information and Registration
www.portelgincurlingclub.com/thebattle

All proceeds support curling clubs and charity

