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If you have a business or know of someone who would be interested in advertising at the club, please let us know.

Contact Jim at jvording@proelectric.com for details.

MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD

Hello Curlers

We hope you have been enjoying a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable summer. As summer is nearing its end, it will soon be time to grab our brooms and head for the Curling rink. Most of you are aware that the club has received a significant upgrade during the off season of a brand-new compressor system, which is now completely installed and ready to go. We would like to thank all of those that donated and worked on getting donations to raise the needed funds for this. Once again, our membership has outdone themselves in order to keep our facility in fine running order.

As part of the new compressor system, a new top of the line refrigerant manufactured by Honeywell is now being used. For Honeywell's worldwide sales presentation for this new refrigerant, they came to Aylmer to shoot a video of the new system starring our own Mark Phillips. It is our understanding that once this video had been released by their sales department, we will be receiving a link for us to view this video that we can hopefully post on our Facebook page and website.

After the last two seasons, thankfully this year is looking to proceed as "normal". There are currently no restrictions the club needs to follow for covid. That being said we will still have hand sanitizer available throughout the club and ask that our members exercise caution if they are feeling ill. We would like to acknowledge our Club Manger, Murray Edgar for the amazing job he has done the last 2 seasons making sure that all the required signage was in place as well as keeping the club clean and sanitized. We would also like to acknowledge Trevor Calhoun for all the work he has done to keep us all up to date and informed on all the requirements during this ever-changing environment we have endured. Thank you, gentlemen.

Information for our Annual General Meeting will be provided in this newsletter. This is the time of year that nominations for our board are considered and we are always looking for more volunteers. If you are interested, or you know of anyone that has any interest in being on the board, feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

With that in mind we need to inform you that Kathi Vandermeer is stepping down as our Secretary/Treasurer after 17 years of service. We personally would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication over all those years. This obviously leaves us with a vital position to be replaced. This is a paid position within the club, and Kathi has offered to help with the transition. If you are interested in being considered for this position, please send an email or letter of interest to info@aylmercurling.com. You will be contacted by a board member for more information. Please note that as part of her resignation, Kathi will no longer be offering equipment sales at the club.

Looking forward to seeing everyone again this season.

Your ACC Board of Directors



Looking for members to: > Sit on the board of Directors

ONE VACANT POSITION

- > Sit on advertising and fund raising committees
- > Take on the position of OCA rep

REGISTER EARLY BY MAIL OR EMAIL. ANY REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER OCT 9 WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$50 LATE PROCESSING FEE.

2022 Members of the Board

President - Terry Dawson (Property & Ice) Vice-President - Ian Kerr (Rentals) Director – Mike Silverthorn (Property & Ice) Director – Nicole Laur (Performance Bonds) Director – Trevor Calhoun (Health & Safety) Director - Jim Vording (Fund raising & Advertising) Secretary/Treasurer-To be determined Club/Bar Manager – Murray Edgar Ice Technician – Mark Phillips

LEAGUE CONVENORS

Men's – To Be Determined (Monday & Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m.)

Mixed – Lauren & Ryan Grant 226-338-8214 (Thursday & Friday @ 7:30 p.m.)

Business Ladies – Kerry Kerr - 519-765-2268 (Wednesday @ 7:15 p.m.)

Day Ladies - Kathi Vandermeer 519-871-3378 (Thursday afternoons @ 12:30)

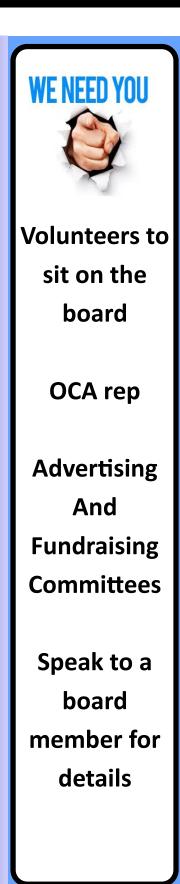
Senior's – John Eitel 519-773-8282 (Monday & Thursday mornings)

Junior's Nicole Laur - 226-235-5085 (Sunday afternoons)

Grippers and Equipment

Kathi will no longer be taking orders for equipment. Club members needing equipment will be able to visit the Goldline Store at 561 Southdale Rd E in London ON or to order online at goldlinecurling.com

The club will once again offer a Gripper Exchange with your paid membership. Tournament Sports grippers will be available for you to pick up at all registration nights and first week of leagues. If you would like to upgrade (for a slight fee) to a Goldline or Balance Plus gripper, there will be sign up sheets available. Every member is asked to please replace your gripper. Even if you think it's still ok, grippers do break down over time. Those little black spots you see on the ice is from someone's gripper. Do your part to help keep our ice clean.



AGM

The Aylmer Curling Club AGM will be held on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:30 pm.

ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD

The AGM will be held in the lounge and the bar will be open. Registrations will be accepted before the meeting from 6-7:30 but please consider registering early by mail or email

All positions are declared vacant at every AGM. An election must be held to fill those positions annually. Please consider volunteering to let your name stand for election

OPEN HOUSE AND REGISTRATION

There will be an OPEN HOUSE on Thursday October 6 from 7 to 10 pm.

There will be an official ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new compressor and a chance for members to see the system.

The ice will be ready and a great opportunity for new curlers to come out and Try Curling. Please invite your neighbours, friends, family and co-workers to come out and give it a shot. Help us to grow our membership.

Club coaches will be available for lessons.

League convenors will be taking registrations and locker sales.

A second registration night will be held on Friday October 7 from 7 to 9 pm.

All members will be required to provide ALL of their own equipment. Club equipment may be borrowed, by first-time curlers, but please remember to clean before and after use.

CHANGE YOUR GRIPPER!

Grippers should be changed every year. The club offers a free gripper with your membership. Do your part to help keep our ice clean. Pick up your new gripper at the start of the season.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Adult - \$437 + HST = \$493.81 Half year \$302 + HST = \$341.26 New members - \$265 + HST = \$299.45 Senior League- \$326 + HST = \$368.38 Half year \$201 + HST = \$227.13 18 and under - \$265 + HST = \$299.45 Junior 18 and under - \$50 (Sundays Only) Learn to Curl—\$125

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Etransfer			
aylmercurling@eastlink.ca			
Cash			
Cheque			

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY

You can register by mail sending in your 2 cheques. 1 for your membership fee and 1 for your performance bond of **\$100 post-dated to March 31, 2023.** Don't forget to send in your registration information including your email and contact information.

You also have the option of registering by email. Send an email to aylmercurling@eastlink.ca with your name, address, phone number and what leagues you want to play in. Etransfer the full membership amount, and your \$100 performance bond to aylmercurling@eastlink.ca. It is set for auto deposit. If you include your locker rental \$15 then please mention it in the comment section.

PERFORMANCE BOND

A posted dated cheque for March 31, 2023 in the amount of \$100 is required along with membership dues.

All members are expected to help with the workings of the club. Once the performance bond opportunity has been completed your post-dated cheque will be returned to you. If your PB is paid by cash or etransfer, the full amount will be returned by cash or cheque after you have completed your volunteer shift.

We expect to be able to host our all of our bonspiels and provide sufficient opportunities for people to perform their bonds. If we are not able to have bonspiels, and no other bond opportunities are available, then every member will be given the choice of donating their bond or having it returned.

Thank

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the compressor fund a huge success.

Members who donated to the compressor fund, and participated in the silent auction.

Thank you to Susan Kyle for setting up and monitoring the Donation program through the National Sports Trust Fund so donations would be eligible for registered tax receipts!

A Compressor Donation Recognition Board will be installed soon.

COMPRESSOR UPDATE

November 2021, an email went out to the entire membership with the news that we needed to raise approximately \$65,000 to replace the club compressor. Thanks to the amazing efforts of our membership we met that goal. The new compressor was installed at the end of the season and is working great. The new system is a 3 phase system that will eliminate the risk of a compressor failure. The system is electronically controlled and will give more consistent ice temperatures thereby improving our ice

surface.



Out with the old



And in with the new



An employee from Oxford Solutions installs the controls for the new compressor.



Mark demonstrates the new compressor to the board members

Please complete this form completely and include with your membership payment.

Make your membership cheque payable to the Aylmer Curling Club

Your bond cheque must be post-dated to March 31, 2023 for \$100

First Name	Last Name			
Address	City	Postal Code		
Phone Number	Email Address			
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Mail in Registration

Must be received before Oct 9 to avoid a late fee

Aylmer Curling Club 115 Pine St. E. Aylmer, ON N5H 1N6

Email Registration

info@aylmercurling.com

Etransfer to aylmercurling@eastlink.ca