

The base dues has been increased by \$10. Dues for one League will be \$160, up from \$150. Multiple Leagues will be \$200, up from \$190. Locker rental has also been increased. See the dues structure below.

## 2005 OPEN HOUSE DATES

There will likely be two open house evenings again this year. Monday November 20th and Tuesday the 21st. Times will be published later. Gary Carlson, Jim Newman and Mike Manick are organizing the Open Houses. Contact one of them if you can help at one or both sessions.

## BRING ONE BACK OR ADD ONE

One of the most important issues facing us as a curling club is the decline in the membership of Curl Mesabi. Last season our membership was down by over 100 members since the club was formed. The mixed league and the women's league had big declines from the year before. Monday afternoon men's, Tuesday night men's, and Thursday afternoon men's leagues also had room for many more teams. There is a lot of opportunity for some experienced curlers to form new teams on new nights. Increasing our membership is the best way to insure the financial stability of our club. The more our ice is utilized, the more cost effective we will be. We all probably know someone who has curled in the past but has had to drop out for one reason or other. Let's try to get some of them back into curling and into our club. Let's make it a goal for each of us to bring back a former member or bring in a new curler.

submitted by Mike Manick

## FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, FALL CLEAN-UP, and JR. COORDINATOR

The Fall General Membership meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 17th at 6:00pm is scheduled for the Fall Clean-Up Party. Main target is the glass at ice level and on the 2nd floor. Pizza to follow. Call Ellen at 753-6113 to verify date and time.

Junior Curling needs a coordinator. Contact Tom Miller 744 - 3044 if you are interested.

## OUR LEAGUES WILL BE STARTING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28TH

League Coordinators for 2005 - 2006 are:

Mon and Wed - Seniors	Jim Newman	744 - 2656
Monday Afternoon - Men	Rod Anderson	741 - 6778
Monday Night - Women's	Chris Mikulich	744 - 7990
Tuesday Afternoon - Men	Gary Majeski	741 - 6485
Tuesday Night - Men	Tom Geislman	749 - 3932
Wednesday Social - 5:00	Jim Newman	744 - 2656
Wednesday Night - Mixed	Jim and Janine Oakman	735 - 8533
Thursday Afternoon - Men	Gordy Dahl	744 - 1417
Thursday Night - Open	Rory Malner	865 - 4715

Standings / Results Publication  
and Lead Coordinator Mike Manick

## 2005 DUES STRUCTURE

<u>CURLING</u>		with tax
One League	160.00	170.40
Multiple Leagues	200.00	213.00

Dues payable to Curl Mesabi  
Can be mailed to :

<u>LOCKERS</u>		
Small Metal	20.00	21.30
Large Metal	30.00	31.95
Large Wooden	40.00	42.60

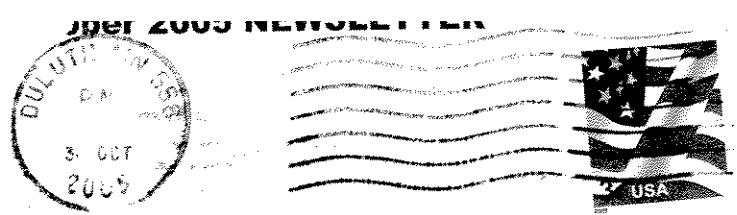
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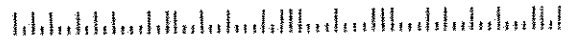
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**2005 - 2006 SCHEDULE**

November	4	Plant On	January	19 - 22	USCA Qualifier
	19	Ice Ready		27 - 28	DARE
	Contact Jim Wainio or Jim Newman for exact timing of when help is needed		February	3 - 5	Curl Mesabi Mixed
	21 & 22	Open House		10	IMA
	28 - 01	League Starts		11	Minorca
				25	St Louis County
December	2 - 4	United Way	March	10 - 12	Elks Mixed
	9 - 11	Curl Mesabi Cash Spiel		17 - 19	Seniors
	16 - 18	Curl Mesabi Juniors		24 - 26	Club Playdowns
	29 - 01	Minnesota State Juniors		31 - 02	Curl Mesabi Concurrent
January	6 - 8	Doheny	April	3	Plant Off
	13 - 15	Ice Maintenance			

A couple of comments on this year's calendar. After our utilities expense from last season, the Curl Mesabi Board decided to shorten our season by 2 weeks. Last year the plant was turned on Oct 17th, 19 days earlier than this year. Our utilities expense was about \$8,000 for the first 4 weeks of ice last year. With this heating season predictions on cost, 30% to 50% higher, we are saving \$6,000 to \$10,000. Some of those savings will be lost by having the plant on a few more days in the spring.

There are changes to our Bonspiel names. The Curl Mesabi Cash Spiel replaces the Early Bird. And the Bergen in February and the Spring in March have been merged into the Curl Mesabi Concurrent Men's and Women's the last weekend in March. The Curling News labeled this bonspiel the Curl Mesabi International but we would like to come up with a more unique name. Something that follows an area theme like taconite mining, the Iron Range or the Quad Cities. Let a Board member know if you have an idea.

**REVENUE INCREASES**

The Board also looked at our two main sources of income, dues and bar prices. Both of these will have a modest increase for 2005 - 2006. Bar prices have been increased by \$0.50 on bottled beer and bar-pour mixed drinks. Revenue generated by the Free Guard Zone is critical to our long term success. Your continued patronage of the bar and restaurant is appreciated and needed. Remember, what is spent at Curl Mesabi stays in Curl Mesabi.