

Curl Mesabi - Fall 2008



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MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. It seemed to go by way too fast and fall is going by faster. That brings up the next hobby CURLING! The curling board has negotiated with the RRCC Board to redo our lease agreement so the club will be able to continue. I hope everyone will try their best to support the club.

This year we have a new face in the kitchen. Marianne Damkroeger (Bobby 'D's boss) will be in charge of the kitchen, bringing a lot of enthusiasm to the new challenge. She will be trying new food items and looking for different menu ideas to try and satisfy the needs of the hungry curler. Please take the time early in the season to give our resources a try rather than going elsewhere.

Another item is expanding our membership. If you know of anyone who has expressed interest before or past curlers or friends that you could bring in – ask them. If your team can expand or split or is short a player or two please look toward a new curler. We were all new curlers at one time and we should all try and give that opportunity to others to get them into the roaring game! Contact one of the league coordinators and they should be able to help find a spot on a roster.

Skips: Please contact your league coordinator (listed within the newsletter) and give them your roster and inform them if you are looking to fill your team. Dues will be required the first night of curling and the skips should make sure their teammates know this. Pay to play!

A few other items:

- We will have more "Burger Fun Nites" than last year. Approximately two/month and they will be posted. This has become a very social time and a great opportunity to introduce someone new to curling. This will be overall chaired by Glen Chilcote but will need volunteers (cooking, orders, tables, draw setup, bartenders, etc) every time. So contact Glen and come out and have a fun time on a Friday night!
- Dec. 19, 20, 21 will be the "Super One Shoot Out" The highest paying bonspiel in the U.S. that is on the World Curling Tour. So plan on watching some impressive games at the club that weekend. There are still openings for 4 teams.
- The 'End of the Year Spiel' is looking for a chairperson. This has not been held for a few years. This could be turned into a club spiel or funspiel or whatever but it would be nice if we could utilize more of our weekends. Talk with some friends and let someone on the board know your idea.
- Check with Ellen before borrowing furnishings and/or equipment from the club. Also, check with her if you have a question regarding equipment operation (the P.A. system, coolers, etc.) Ellen has the day-to-day schedule of all activities at the club and would appreciate to be kept informed.
- Remember the Fall General Membership meeting, Wednesday, November 12th – fellowship @ 6:00 p.m. with the meeting following at 6:30 p.m.

See you on the ice,
Gordy Dahl

Curling Season starts November 17, 2008

T-Ball and his ice crew need your help putting in the ice –
starting on Friday, October 31, 2008 @ 8:00 a.m.

The Ice crew will need as many volunteers as possible to make this a success.
This is your club so please give of your time. Your help is greatly appreciated.

The first annual Curl Mesabi Golf Tournament was a great success. Fun was had by all – with 22 teams participating - Team Phil Drobnick was the winner of our first tournament. We would like to thank all that played and look forward to seeing all of you again next year. We also would like to thank all the merchants and individuals who donated prizes.

Thanks from the committee - Bobby "D", Joe Bonach and Jim Newman

JUNIOR CURLING

The program is in **need of a coordinator as well as new board members**. This program is a vital part of our club and we want to encourage the younger folks to participate in this great game. Please contact Ardy @ 749-4331, if you have any interest in becoming involved in the Junior Curling Program.

Free Guard Zone - Kitchen Update

Hi! My name is MariAnne, most of you may know me as Bobby "D"'s wife. This year I will be taking over the kitchen. I have a lot of ideas and thoughts on making the kitchen even better than it has been in the past. The menu will change a bit, to include hot dogs, salads, possibly a fresh Boboli Crust pizza, some baked goods, a weekly soup, a weekly special and ????. If you would like your meal ready after curling, drop by the kitchen before you start curling and place your order. This is your club and your kitchen so I need your help and suggestions. Your thoughts, opinions and insights are most welcome. Also during bonspiels I will need some help in the kitchen. Anyone interested please contact me or Bobby "D" at 744-5393. See you soon. I hope you will all help me make this the best year ever!

Building Manager's Update

Ellen is hoping that members will continue to volunteer, helping around the club throughout the season. She is looking for bartenders, especially on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings (4 p.m. to closing).

Bobby Damkroeger has volunteered to be the club's Event Coordinator. He is looking for event suggestions to help raise money for the club. Share your ideas and thoughts with him. Give Bobby "D" a call at 744-5393 or talk to him at the club.

2008 Super One Shoot-Out Cash Spiel

December 19 – 21, 2008

Any questions in regard to this event –

Please contact Phill Drobnick at curlmesabi@hotmail.com

Come to the club and watch some great curling.

Volunteers for the weekend event are needed – please sign up.

Curling Leagues for 2008-09

TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1:00	Senior's		Senior's		Senior's (?)
4:30	Open (6 ends)	Open (6 ends)		Open (6 ends)	
5:00			Social (4-6 ends)		
6:00	Women's (8 ends)	Men's (8 ends) and Open Curling for new curlers (8 ends)	Mixed (6 ends)	Competitive Open (8 ends)	Open Burger Fun Night – when available

Open League = any combination of men/women on a team or all men or all women

Please contact the league coordinator with your team sign up information as soon as possible.
Emails requested also, if your team members have one.

ATTENTION SKIPS – IMPORTANT!!

It is time to organize your team for the upcoming season at Curl Mesabi.

- Skips will be responsible for collecting dues for their team and handing them to the Treasurer at the front doorway table which will be set up for collection of dues on the 1st night your team curls –

No exceptions!! Pay to Play!

You have an opportunity to pay your dues early. Send your check to:

Curl Mesabi, P.O. Box 500, Virginia, MN 55792 Attn: DUES

2008/2009 dues

1 st year curler = \$110	One league = \$ 215	Men's locker = \$40, \$30 & \$20
2 nd year curler = \$160	Multi league = \$270	Women's locker = \$30
Student = \$110 (full-time student up to age 25)	Social membership = \$75 "new" this year	No dues increase from previous season

To make the Treasurer's job somewhat easier, we encourage you to pay your dues and locker fees in advance or to your Skip, as the Skip will be responsible for collecting their team's fees by the first night of curling.

	SKIP	THIRD	SECOND	LEAD	5 TH PLAYER
NAME					
ADDRESS					
HOME PHONE					
WORK PHONE					
EMAIL					

1. This above form needs to be handed in by the **SKIP** to the Treasurer at the door the first night of curling or by mail. One League entry per form. If you want to enter two or more leagues, please make a copy of this form and submit one for each league.
2. Entries must be complete with skip and at least three players. Rosters may have up to 6 players. All dues must be paid in full by your first league game.
3. If you are looking for a player, contact Gordy Dahl or Jennifer Bonner.

2008-09 LEAGUE COORDINATORS

LEAGUE	CONTACT	TELEPHONE NO.
Monday open	Rod Anderson	741-6778
Monday – Women's	Ardy Nurmi-Wilberg	749-4331
Tuesday open afternoon	Gary Majeski - "MoJo"	741-6485
Tuesday – Men's night	Tom Geiselman	749-3932
Wednesday – Social	Jim Newman	744-2656
Wednesday – Mixed	Dennis & Kaye Jorgensen	749-8199
Thursday – open	Gordy Dahl	744-1417
Thursday – Competitive open	Rory Malner	865-4715
Senior's – all leagues	Jim Newman	744-2656

Start the Season off on the Right Foot!

Who: Beginning curlers

What: Three hours of curling fundamentals

No lift - flat foot delivery, line of delivery, release, turns, weight, sweeping, how to play the game, curling etiquette

When: Thursday, Nov. 13, 2008 / 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

or

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008 / 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Fee: No Charge

How: All participants must pre-register - Call Ardy at 749-4331

Class size is limited and on a first come-first serve basis, call early to save your spot!!

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SOME MORE THANK YOU'S

At the spring 2008 meeting, donations to support the club financially were received from the following club members: Diane & Rory Malner, Glen & Laurel Chilcote, Tom Miller, Richard Moore, Gordy & Sandy Dahl, Bobby Damkrueger, Scott Love, Jennifer Bonner, John Kuitunen, Robert & Patricia Maturi, Mike Manick, Scott & Cheryl Weappa, Gulbranson Excavating, Jane & Walt Rockstad, Lana Erickson & Jim Newman. Donations will be taken – please feel free to donate at any time. Any contribution will be graciously accepted.

Thank you to Bobby "D" and Joe Bonach for painting the women's lockers.

Thank you to Chris Mikulich for being the gambling manager and doing such a great job!! Our charitable gambling operation at Goodfellas needs your support.

A Suggestion Box will be available for your ideas, comments and constructive suggestions – the Board will review them at their regular meetings - The Board looks forward to hearing from the membership.

Voice Your OPINION!

The club can only grow and improve if you share your thoughts and ideas with the Board.

If any club members have any comments, story ideas or photos that you would like to submit for future newsletters or Table Talk, please email them to Cheryl Weappa @ www.weaps@mchsi.com

WANT ADS:

- Calling all Curlers ... Help is needed for putting in the ice, starting Friday, October 31, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. As many volunteers as possible to make this a success.
- Calling all Curlers... We are currently looking for a coordinator for the Junior Curling Program, as well as board members. If you are interested please contact Ardy @ 749-4331.
- Volunteers needed!!! We have scheduled one evening to clean and spruce up the curling club in preparation for the upcoming season. Please plan on joining us on **Monday, November 10th @ 5:00 p.m.** Pizza and beverages will be provided.
- Calling all Curlers... Coordinator for the End of the Year Spiel needed.
- Calling all Businesses... The curling club is asking for your advertising support in our club. Every season, there are hundreds of members and visitors whom fill our building. We are extending you this opportunity to reach your potential market by placing your business banner right on ice level. To reserve your space, contact Mike Manick @ 787-2327 or email mikemnk@frontiernet.net
4 x 4 Banner = \$350/year or 4 x 8 Banner = \$700/year
- Need a curler interested in serving as a representative for the Minnesota Curling Association. Our club is entitled to two reps and currently we only have one – Jim Newman. Talk to someone on the Board, if you are interested.

CURL MESABI BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2008 – 2009

TITLE	NAME & ADDRESS	TELE. #	EMAIL
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CURL MESABI - DATES TO REMEMBER:

- October 31st – Ice preparations begin
- November 10 – Club “spruce-up” cleaning/maintenance
- November 12 - Fall membership meeting - 6:00 p.m. fellowship – meeting @ 6:30
- November 13 & 15 – Curling lessons

DATES TO REMEMBER	BONSPIEL SCHEDULE
November 17 - LEAGUE Play - begins this week	
November 21 - Burger “Fun” Nite	December 6 - United Way
November 28 - Burger “Fun” Nite	December 19 - Super One Shoot Out Cash
December 12 - Burger “Fun” Nite	January 2 - Elk’s Doheny
January 16 - Burger “Fun” Nite	January 23 - DARE - open
January 30 - Burger “Fun” Nite	February 6 - Club Mixed
February 13 - Burger “Fun” Nite	February 14 - St. Louis County - open
February 27 - Burger “Fun” Nite	February 21- Minorca - open
March 13 - Burger “Fun” Nite	March 7 - Elk’s Mixed
March 19 - Last night of curling	March 14 - End of the Year - open