



## Letter from our President

September 3, 2021

*Happy September!*

I wanted to start by extending a sincere thank you to all of the new and returning faces who joined us for the Open House on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are beyond excited to get back to curling.

As we prepare the facility to install the curling ice and welcome back our fantastic Ice Technician Darrin Sinclair and his ice team, we ask that you sign up for curling this year if you haven't already. Our conveners are planning the season and draw times and we are looking forward to providing them complete rosters. If you are unsure of how to sign up or require assistance through any part of the process, please contact [contact@curlhighland.com](mailto:contact@curlhighland.com) and a member of our Help Team will be happy to assist! As a reminder, paying by e-transfer allows us to keep our costs down (as a new incorporated not-for-profit). Cheque or credit card are also acceptable forms of payment. Cheques can be mailed to or dropped off at Highland Country Club attention: *Highland Community Curling Club*.

You may be unsure of the leagues you want to play in. We have a wide variety of leagues (both new and returning) and will highlight some of our leagues below that we hope you will consider joining:

**Friday Daytime Open:** This league is individual sign up. Men will play against men's teams and women against women's. The season is comprised of several 'events' lasting 6-8 weeks. After each event, teams are switched. This is a relaxed daytime league perfect for newer or experienced curlers.

**Tuesday Night Open:** This league is comprised of two draws. One draw is team sign up – teams may consist of any combination of male/female curlers. This draw is team entry and an incredibly fun, relaxed atmosphere to play with whomever you'd like! The second draw is an individual sign up. Teams are then created and rotate after 6-8 weeks. This draw is a fantastic opportunity to try playing a new position you haven't yet played, or a great transitional league after completing our Learn to Curl.

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**Friday Night Social:** Individual or partner sign up, this relaxed, teams within this social league rotate after 6-8 weeks. Sign up with a friend/spouse or individually and you will get matched with other teammates. Formerly 6 end games, Friday Night Social is now 8 ends. A great date night, transition from learn to curl, or just fun night out!

On another note, we were overwhelmed with the support we received regarding our position on double vaccination status requirement for this season. Our Covid-19 subcommittee was thrilled to confirm vaccination status for so many of our members. Those who weren't able to attend or who didn't have their receipt with them asked how they might verify. Due to confidentiality, we are not able to accept email records. We are pleased to offer the below opportunities to verify your vaccination status (please bring your proof of vaccination – it will not be held, only used to verify):

- Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> – 12-2pm – 80 Rosecliffe Crescent (Wendy Blackwell)  
(phone 519-474-9573 if needed)
- Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup> – 6:30-8:30pm – 80 Rosecliffe Crescent (Wendy Blackwell)  
(phone 519-474-9673 if needed)
- Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> – 7:00-9:00pm – 947 Manchester Road (Shelley Steel)  
(phone 519-474-6283 if needed)

Lastly, we are currently looking for volunteers to assist with our 6-week Learn to Curl Program. We have already had a fantastic response to this introductory program and are hopeful that some of our more experienced members may consider committing to help instruct this Sunday afternoon league. Please contact DJ or Angelica if you are willing to help.

We are truly so excited to be kicking off the 2021-22 season in 6 short weeks. There are so many people who have worked so hard to have gotten us to this position and we couldn't be more grateful. Should you have any questions or wish to reach out, feel free to email me at [katie.lizmore@gmail.com](mailto:katie.lizmore@gmail.com).

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