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Joe Watt's Trophies has had a long business relationship with the Orillia Curling Club. We update the annual plaques, members' nametags, and various other recognition items. We offer a mind-boggling number of awards and gifts that can be personalized. You can visit our website at www.orilliatrophy.ca

Brenda and I joined the "West St. Curling Club" back in the early '80s. Over that time we have made hundreds of curling friends. We have fond memories of playing there as well as at Barnfield Point, and are still in touch with the many friends we have made through curling in Orillia. The Orillia Curling Club is an integral part of our winter social activities and we look forward to seeing everyone each season.

All the best to everyone and happy curling!



Don's Monthly Message



Hi everyone,

Well.. here we go!

Lots to cover so I will be as efficient as possible in my wording.

Learn to Curl Sessions - Members who have signed up for these sessions this weekend, please arrive promptly at your time.

2.5 hours goes quickly when you're having fun! Meetups will happen in the rink foyer (not the restaurant). Brooms, grippers and sliders will be available for the new curlers.

Practice ice - For all members, practice ice is available to be shared this Saturday and Sunday from 9am-6pm. Saturday mornings are the busiest times. Barnfield is closed Monday.

Lockers - For those who have purchased lockers with locker numbers, these will be temporarily labelled with your name. For those who have purchased a locker but did NOT indicate a locker number, please arrive and pick out an available locker and email the club indicating your name and locker number. Failure to send this information will result in the City cutting the lock off.

Workflow - Enter through the main doors, down the hallway to changerooms, games start at the glass end.

Minimizing debris on the ice - This is always an issue. In an effort to minimize debris, **curlers playing on sheets 1-3 enter through the SHEET-1 door. Curlers on sheets 4-6 enter through the SHEET-6 door.** This will hopefully minimize congestion entering the rink. Again, please consider purchasing a new gripper! Approx. \$16

Boot Cleaners - **ALL CURLERS MUST USE THE BOOT CLEANERS!** They will be located at sheet 1 and sheet 6 for all to use. If debris continues to be a huge issue, we will need to change this workflow.

Name Tags - All NEW curlers to our club will receive a name tag and are encouraged to wear it. Failure to wear your nametag will result in you being called "Bud", "Dude", "Guy" or "hey you". Those without a name tag should contact the club with first and last name. Orilliacurlingclub@gmail.com

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Pace of Play - A curler's play guide is available on our website and provides pointers on pace of play. Games should normally take about 2 hours to play and still leave time for City staff to prep the ice for the next league. This guide provides suggestions on how to do that. Please read the guide [here](#)

Newbie Bonspiel - Our first Bonspiel of the year will be held on November 12th. This spiel is directed towards our newer curlers to introduce them to the fun experience of Bonspiels. Details to follow.

Sponsors - Each month we will highlight one of our sponsors. They are so important to the club by providing funds, products, or services. Many don't realize that club revenue is generated primarily from membership fees, and these sponsors. All the advertising revenue in the rink, on the walls and in the ice itself are done through the City. We see none of that. In the future, we will try and create some useful fundraisers, but in the meantime please send a note to Orilliacurlingclub@gmail.com if you can help us with this effort.

Sparing - Please log into your account and under Members Home you will see "My Sparring Availability". Please fill this out to let everyone know when you would be able to play for someone. We offer unlimited sparing in leagues!

Finding a Spare - If you are unable to play, you can find a spare to fill in for you. Log into your account, under Members Home you will see "Find a Spare". Select the league you are in and email the group. Email addresses are hidden to avoid spam.

League Play - Tuesday October 11th is our first day of league play!

Pay to Play - Starting Friday October 21st @8:30pm we are open to the public and members to come out and play with friends. Simply go to our website to register. A great way to introduce your friends to our game without having to become members.

Youth League - We are still taking registrations for our youth curlers 8-14yrs of age. Sundays 12:30-2:30 starting October 23rd. A great new way to expose kids to an alternative sport, and meet new friends (without the use of phones!)

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That's it for now!

I want to thank all of the volunteers that helped get our season off to a great start and look forward to seeing you on the ice! I hope you all have a great Thanksgiving with friends and family, now that we can actually get together in person. Having turkey over ZOOM just isn't the same.

Don Kinzinger

President

Orillia Curling Club



Orillia Curling Club Golf Tournament

Well, that was another wonderful day of Golf organized by Donna Arnold.

There was a hiatus from the last Golf Tournament due to the pandemic, so it was great to be able to get together again with other Orillia Curling Club members and friends.

We were fortunate to have the weather cooperating while 72 golfers played a scramble format with a shot gun start at 8:30am on September 15, 2022 at Trehaven Golf and Country Club.

Thank you to Connor Earl for taking action shots throughout the day on the course.

Thank you to Cindy Penton and Lisa VanAlstine for selling 50/50 and Raffle tickets. Quite a number of participants donated prizes for the Raffle table which was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations goes out to Don Ruggles for winning \$330 in the 50/50 draw.

To wrap up the day, a draw was made for a once a week curling membership for the 2022/23 season with the lucky winner being Rosie Hannan.

Flora and Wendy from Trehaven were eager to make the event a success and we would like to thank them for all their support.

Golf Results for the Day

Closest to the curling rocks: Brian Peterson and Dave Low

Closest to the pin, Ladies: Shelley Ritter

Closest to the pin, Mens: Don Ruggles

Winning team: Brian Peterson, Ted Devine, Brent Burgin, Walker Wilkie.

Winning team: (L-R) Brent Burgin, Walker Wilkie, Brian Peterson, Ted Devine

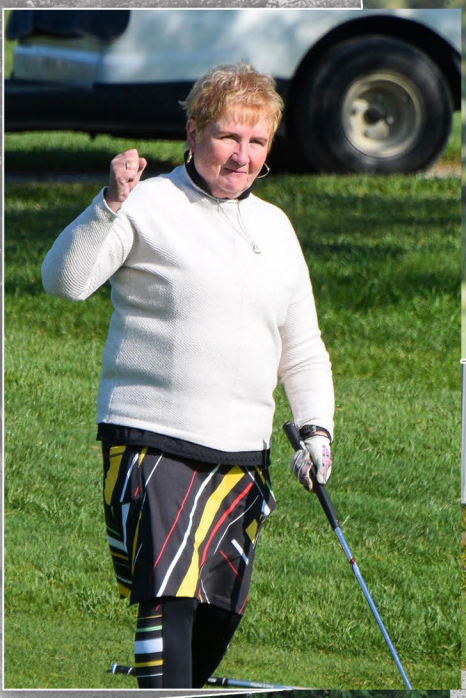
Golf Tournament Organizer and helpers L-R Lisa VanAlstine, Cindy Penton, Donna Arnold, Charlene Ley, Don Kinzinger



Golf Tournament Photos



More Golf Tournament Photos



Setting up Signage

This is the fourth year of placing OCC road signs around Orillia and they continue to be instrumental in drawing new members to our Club. So many people came into register at the OPEN HOUSE held on September 17th and 18th and mentioned having seen the signs throughout town.

In order to comply with the Sign Bylaw and to use the older signs that had specific dates, stickers were added to the existing signs allowing us to rejuvenate the signs we had on hand.

Gail Brown who heads up the Road Sign Program, mapped out the City and arranged for the volunteers to meet at her home on Saturday Sept 10th to hand out the allotted signs, maps/routes/charted placement and the City of Orillia sign bylaws.

Thank you to Dave Madigan for diligently recruiting 11 volunteers and organizing them into four teams of drivers/sign placers. The teams distributed a total of 108 signs on Sunday September 11th and retrieved the signs on Sunday September 18th after 2pm.

Thank you to Mark and Lenore Olsen, Jim Quigley, Ron Talbot, Carl Watson, Dave Boyle, Alan Bowser, Larry Hills, Bill & Bonnie Baker, and Charlie Piper along with Dave Madigan and Gail Brown for all your assistance in this important advertisement initiative.

It is a fun task which takes about 2hrs to put the signs up and about 1 ½ hrs to take down. Luckily the rain subsided for a sunny afternoon of the sign pick up. And it wasn't all work for the volunteers as Charlie mentioned that he had fun working with Bill and got to catchup with Bonnie over a beer.

Fantastic Job everyone.

Charlene Ley



Upcoming Important Dates / Club Notes

OCTOBER

October 8th, 2022

Orillia Curling Club New Curler Clinic

9:30am - 12:00pm at Barnfield Recreational Centre (OCC HQ)

October 8th & 9th, 2022

Practice Ice

9:00am - 6:00pm at Barnfield Point Recreational Centre, Orillia, ON

October 9th, 2022

Orillia Curling Club New Curler Clinic

12:30pm - 3:00pm at Barnfield Recreational Centre (OCC HQ)

October 11th, 2022

League Play starts

Barnfield Point Recreational Centre, Orillia, ON

October 21st, 2022

Pay-to-Play begins

October 21st, 2022

Youth League Registration closes

October 23rd, 2022

Youth League begins

12:30pm - 2:30pm at Barnfield Point Recreational Centre, Orillia, ON

NOVEMBER

November 12th, 2022

Newbie Curling Bonspiel

All Day at Barnfield Point Recreational Centre, Orillia, ON



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