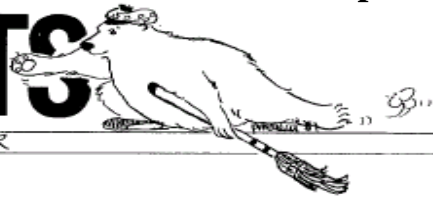




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FAIRBANKS CURLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

◆ Fairbanks Curling Club ◆ Established in 1905 ◆

Curling Right Around the Weekend

That's right curling is, literally, right around the corner...er, weekend! Come down to the Curling Club this Friday night anytime 5:30-9p for our annual "Open House" festivities! This time is designed to help get our members ready for the upcoming curling season. There will be booths with information about volunteering during the year, youth programs, news from the Board, and fee payments.

The Ice Crew has been working diligently to get the ice ready. Bring your curling shoes and get those first slides of the season out of the way! Also, please bring your draw cards, membership dues, and liability releases. You can print off your own or fill them out on Friday night. Please note that a \$50 late fee will be enforced this season for dues paid after Oct. 18th.

As tradition dictates, the Open House will also feature a potluck. Please bring a dish to share as we chat about our summers and plan our season! The bar will also be open for Open House. We hope to see everyone there!

State Board Vacancy

The Alaska State Curling Board of Directors has a vacancy for its "At-Large" member. The State Board is responsible for establishing state wide competitive playdown dates, communicating with the USCA, and other responsibilities. Anyone who is interested in being on the State Board should contact Dave Flippo (bmdx2@yahoo.com) who will have more information on what commitments they are looking for. This is a unique way to be more involved with curling and is not too labor intensive, so please consider being a State representative!

The Curling Experience: Recruitment

Coinciding with our Open House activities is the "Curling Experience." This is a recruitment and educational event with our sport, and our club, and the center. During the year I often find myself telling friends, neighbors, and coworkers, "you should try curling!" Goodness knows they've heard me talk about it enough! The Curling Experience is the time to bring these people to the club so they can have a genuine first curling experience!

During the Open House on Friday, and from 10am-4pm on Sat and Sun, the ice will be available for new curlers. New curlers will be introduced to the game by an experienced curler (that's you!). We also have exhibition games planned during the day.

I think most of us can remember our first on-ice experience and it must have been good because now you're hooked! It is time to pass on what you have learned to someone else who is curious. If you have time on Sat or Sun please drop by the club and volunteer your knowledge. You can teach a lot of new curlers with only an hour or two!

There will also be door prizes that only new curlers will be eligible for, so bring your friends, neighbors, and coworkers! The club will also be supplying light refreshments.

Juniors Sell the Club!

Okay, not literally, but people come to garage sales and want to buy everything! Someone even wanted our beautiful new bar stools and tables! We rescued those but sold lots of other goods! Thank you to everyone who donated items to the Junior Garage Sale and to those who volunteered their hours to help set up, sell items, and clean up the trophy room afterward. Special thanks to Cathy Persinger for chairing this event and making sure it was successful! This annual fundraiser helped raise \$1,400 for our Junior Program!

In Remembrance: Corky Corkran

Curling is the oldest organized sport in Fairbanks and has had many long-term dedicated members throughout the years. Unfortunately that also means that we must also have moments of remembrance for those members who are no longer with us. Long time member Corky Corkran passed away on Sept. 3rd from complications after heart surgery. There was a beautiful obituary published in the Fairbanks News-Miner. I personally did not know the many details of

Corky's life outside of the curling club and encourage members to read his obituary at <http://www.newsminer.com/obits/2009/sep/09/leland-corkran/>

Dinner Bells are Ringing

Last year we offered more Friday Night Dinners than ever before and they were met with great enthusiasm and hungry stomachs! Due to their popularity we are bringing them back. Most Friday's will feature a dinner sponsored by a local organization, including curling teams, and can be purchased for about \$10 a meal. These events benefit our members (who leave full!) and local non-profit organizations. Stay tuned for menus and schedules but plan to have dinner at the club before your Friday night draw! *Friday Night Dinners will begin on Oct. 9th.*

No Such Thing As Free CurlTV

For the past couple of years the United States Curling Association has provided club members with CurlTV.com memberships at no extra cost. These log-in codes will no longer be available after the organizations mutually agreed to end the program. CurlTV.com broadcasts live curling events in Canada and most World Tour Events as well. Memberships are still available for purchase if you visit the website.

Golf Scramble Provides

Rich Rewards

The Fairbanks Curling Club had its third annual golf scramble to kick off the curling season August 28th at the Fairbanks Golf Course. The winning team was composed of Leland Rich, Greg Wyman, Jim Immel and Kathy Shuttleworth. A total of nine teams signed up and completed the course. No injuries were reported outside of shattered egos.

The ninth hole featured a curling stone and broom. To finish the hole, the ball had to be putted with the curling broom until the ball successfully contacted the stone. A variety of putting techniques were employed, most unsuccessfully.

Proceeds from the entry fees went toward the purchase of new flat screen monitors for viewing the curling above sheets 1-6.

Special thanks go to Tom Mulka and the staff at the Fairbanks Golf Course for once again providing great weather and a beautiful facility. Also, thanks go out to Ken Hall, Terra Hitchman, Dennis Thies, and the Curling Club for the donation of prizes.

Social Networking & Curling!?

The United States Curling Association is now on Twitter and on Facebook! If you are members of these social networking websites you can get updates from the USCA on the progress of our Olympic Teams, National Championships, and other curling news. If you use Twitter look for terry_usacurl. If you use Facebook look for USA-Curling.

Curling, Read All About It

With the curling season about to start there will be more news to report to our members. If you have an idea for an article, someone you want to highlight, an event you want advertised, or other information to tell our members, please let me know! Just send me an email at snider.kellyrae@gmail.com

Fairbanks Curling Club

2009-2010 Membership Application

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ALL FEES ARE DUE BEFORE LEAGUE PLAY BEGINS

NAME:		HOME PHONE	
ADDRESS:		WORK PHONE:	
		CELL PHONE:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP		email:	
M/F:	Are you a new curler? Y N	If yes, who told you about us?	
Membership Dues (select one age class and applicable discounts)		Amount	Total
Adult Member (over 21 years) fee includes \$25 USCA dues		\$110.00	
Active Military Discount (adult member only)		-\$ 25.00	
Junior Curler (Age 13-21)		\$ 55.00	
Little Rocker (Age 12 and under)		\$ 45.00	
Ice Fees (select one)			
Junior Curler & Little Rocker		No fee	
Fulltime UAF student (Age 22-25) <i>Current Enrollment Verification Certificate available on UA Online is required</i>		No fee	
Adult curler – fall & spring draws		\$230.00	
Adult curler – fall draw only		\$130.00	
Adult curler – spring draw only (due by January 18 or late fees apply)		\$115.00	
Other Fees			
Annual locker rental fee (Locker #)		\$ 40.00	
USWCA Membership Fee		\$ 5.00	
Late Fee fall fees due by October 18 and, if any, spring fees due by January 18		\$ 50.00	
TOTAL DUE Thank you and good curling!			

For Office Use Only:	Form of Payment: _____	Date Paid: _____
	Amount Paid: _____	Received by: _____

Volunteerism: The FCC runs solely on club member participation. The list of member activities is unending but examples include: helping with events, cleaning, bussing tables, painting, plumbing, carpentry, and ice maintenance. When you join the club you are also agreeing to be an active member and help out. We urge you to contact a board member or a long time club member to find out how. If you have any special skills or talents that can be helpful to the club and you are willing to share please list them here:

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Before you start curling you must **read** and **sign** the **Release of Liability** form.

YOU MAY PAY YOUR DUES AND SIGN UP FOR DRAWS AT THE OPENHOUSE ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 2009. IF PAYING BY MAIL OR VIA THE FCC DROP BOX IN THE CLUB YOU MUST ATTACH A CHECK PAYABLE TO THE FAIRBANKS CURLING CLUB. IF YOU WISH TO PAY BY CREDIT CARD AND YOU MISSED THE OPEN HOUSE YOU CAN PAY YOUR DUES AT THE BAR. **NOTE THAT THERE IS A \$50 LATE FEE FOR PAYING AFTER OCTOBER 18.**

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Visit our website: www.curlfairbanks.org

Remember: The bar is no longer selling curling supplies. Contact a board member with suggestions on where to buy your new brooms, shoes, and other curling necessities!

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