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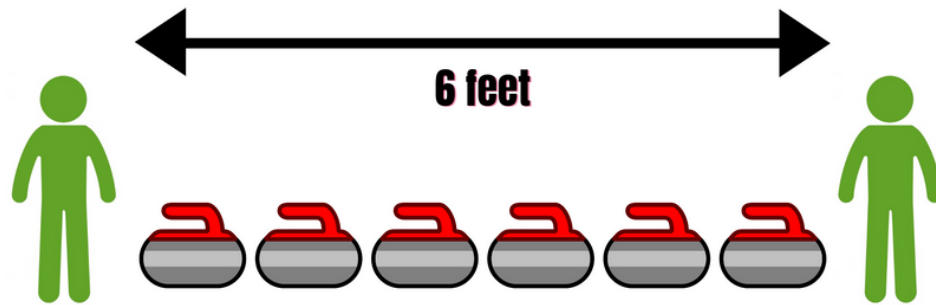
Curling this Fall: what to expect

We'll be doing things differently this season. The board has been working on strategies to open the club safely. A set of COVID-19 rules can be found on the ACC web site. Below is a brief summary of what you can expect as you begin curling in October.

DON'T CURL IF YOU FEEL SICK WEAR A MASK AT ALL TIMES

- 1 - Arrive at the club no more than 10 min before your game dressed for curling.
- 2 - Select one of the warm room chairs as yours for the curling draw, change your shoes, leave your gear bag, coat, and other items with your chair while you curl.
- 3 - Avoid using the downstairs locker area. Bathrooms will be available, but do not store gear or coats downstairs.
- 4 - Enter the ice when you are ready to curl. Don't wait for everyone to go out on the ice at the same time. Stone colors were determined before the game so you can wipe down YOUR OWN stones before the game begins.
- 5 - No handshakes or clustering near the hack. If you are not throwing or sweeping, position yourselves 6 feet apart beyond the hog line.

SOCIAL DISTANCING



- 6 - Curl with only one sweeper. No defensive sweeping. The non-active players, including skips, should maintain social distance. Marks on the ice will assist.
- 7 - During the game, touch only your own stones with your hands. You may kick other stones to the side or push them with your curling broom. Don't share stabilizers or brooms.
- 8 - Observe a HARD cutoff time for the game to end. Everyone from an early draw should be OFF the ice, changed back into street shoes, and OUT of the building before the late draw arrives. This might mean stopping an end in the middle if you run out of time!!
- 9 - Take your stuff home. No storage of curling equipment allowed at the club.
- 10 - No broomstacking at the club.

In Memoriam Laurie Frees

We lost Laurie to Alzheimer's this year. She was an active curler for many years, starting in the mid 1990s. She was a true friend to everyone. During her working life she taught very young students. Laurie brought a wonderful inclusive and positive attitude to curling events both home and away.



Below left, Laurie with Trish Ryan.

Below right, Laurie with curling friends Weezie Corry, Nancy Clancy, and Ann MacMillan.

She is greatly missed.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

-- **Joe Sablow**

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Hello everyone,

We are about to embark on the 2020 – 2021 curling season. As I have said before, this will be unlike any season we have had in the past. COVID-19 has changed the way we do everything. Hopefully, some day we will be able to get back to the old ways, but for now let's make the best of it. The ACC COVID committee has established a set of guidelines that will allow us to safely return to curling. These guidelines mirror those established by the USCA and Curling Canada. I cannot stress enough that the only way we will be able to continue without incident is if EVERYONE, without exception, follows the rules, especially:

- **Wear a mask at all times in the club**
- **Practice social distancing in the warm room and on the ice**
- **Wash you hands and/or use hand sanitizer**
- **And most important, if you don't feel well,
STAY HOME! DO NOT COME TO THE CLUB!!**

I want to thank everyone that signed up to play. I especially want to thank those who are not going to play, but paid dues, made a donation, or both. This is what the true spirit of curling is all about.

Just a reminder, if you want to keep your voting rights, you need to register at least as an Associate Member. You will be able to upgrade to full membership if you decide to return to leagues in January.

If you are a 5-and-under curler, it was decided that this year will not count toward your eligibility.

Please don't hesitate to contact me or any of the other board members with questions or concerns. We are here to make your curling experience a favorable one. The board's new e-mail: Ardsleycurling.board@gmail.com

I look forward to seeing you all in the ice. Stay safe and good curling!



Duck of the Month

Masked duck

(Nomonyx dominicus)

These ducks are experts at practicing social distancing. They can be found in small flocks throughout the American tropics. They are ready for curling under the COVID-19 rules.



League Roundup



2020-21 League Chairs and contact email

Monday-Thorndike

Ray Ullmer
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Tuesday-7pm Ladies

Karen Luckey
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Tuesday-9pm Doubles

Lynn & John Salmon
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Wednesday-Mens

Seth Altman
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Nathan O'Reilly
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Thursday-10am

Dolores Redding
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Thursday-Night

Bob Kennedy
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Friday-10am Romeos

Bill Borowitz
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Friday-Night

Jeff Greenberg
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Saturday-9:30am

Wade Leon
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Saturday-4:30pm

Mike Infranco
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Sunday-10am

Mike Knaggs
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Sunday-Juniors

Rich Goodwin
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Sunday-5:00pm

Fiona Crisp & Michael Villanova
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MEET THE ACC BOARD:

Vice President:

-- **Derek Kayser**

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Derek began curling at 13 and played for a number of years before taking a hiatus when his children were young. He returned to the sport a few years ago, and has been supporting the club in many ways.



Derek continues to restore our warm room chairs to their original glory. Restoration includes disassembling the chair, sanding, and repainting. Reassembly includes a decal of your choice (college, business, favorite sports team, you choose) and a small plaque with your name on the back of the chair.



Adoption of a chair costs \$200 and you must provide a decal no larger than 3 1/2 inches.

For more information, contact Derek at

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MEET THE ACC BOARD:

Treasurer:

-- **Tim Klein**

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Tim started curling in 2002 and joined the ACC board in 2005.

Tim has been doing a great job keeping his finger on the pulse of our finances since becoming treasurer in April 2007. He can also be found prepping the ice and volunteering his time in many ways.



Volunteer of the Year 2019



Greg & Arthur

Secretary:

-- **Greg Poole-Day**

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Greg joined the Ardsley Curling Club in 1997. He has been a board member since 1997, and is currently serving as our secretary.

Good curling!

MEET THE ACC BOARD:



-- **Seth Altman (2022)**

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I was introduced to curling at an Open House in 2010, and have very much enjoyed being a member of the Ardsley Curling Club. Off the ice, I'm a high school social studies teacher entering my 22nd year in the classroom. As a Board member, I hope to help the Club transition through these challenging times and emerge stronger and begin to shift to a new facility in the next few years.



-- **Jim Borgia (2021)**
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I'm a former accountant and now a physical education teacher in Scarsdale, NY. I'm a 10+ year recreational curler who loves teaching curling to beginners, students and those with special needs because of the joy it brings them.



-- **Jeff Greenberg (2021)**
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This is my 7th year of curling. I am a Level 1 instructor. This is my third year on the board.



-- **Richard Goodwin (2022)**
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I've been curling socially for almost 15 years. I grew up in Canada, but didn't start curling until after I moved to Dobbs Ferry. My two daughters have taken up the sport and I've been running the Junior program for the last couple of years on Sunday afternoons.



-- **Amy Costantino (2023)**
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I fell in love with curling in college. I went to school in northern NY and could watch it on TV in between classes. I had the opportunity to see curling live at the Salt Lake Olympic games and loved it even more. During the Sochi games I Googled, found Ardsley, and have been hooked ever since. Currently, I work at Christie's as the Head of Art Transport. I feel lucky to be involved with amazing art and fun, talented people every day.

MEET THE ACC BOARD:



-- **Cristin Keegan (2023)**
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This is Cristin's fourth year curling, and first year on the board. She is a corporate and commercial real estate attorney at the law firm of Beattie Padovano in northern New Jersey where she lives with her wife, Kate. When not working, curling, or adjusting to newly married life during a pandemic, she is an avid long suffering New York Jets (and not quite so long suffering) Yankees fan.



-- **Matt Rogala (2023)**
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Matt has been curling as a member of Ardsley since Fall 2015, curling in both our social and competitive leagues and traveling to several (mostly five-and-under) bonspiels. A math teacher by trade, he brings his love of teaching to the ice as well as a USCA certified instructor. You'll often see him helping out on the ice during instructional events like open houses or Learn-to-Curls, likely reminding new curlers that he's backwards (left-handed), so they should do as he says, not as he does.

-- **Lynn Salmon (2021)**
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Before retiring, my work included studies of airborne pollutants in national parks, museums, and archaeological sites around the world. I decided to give curling a six week trial in 2008. Before I knew it, I was curling multiple days a week, medalling at club nationals, and keeping an eye out for ducks to feature as editor of the Duck Soup. I'm also a fan of doubles curling.



MEET THE ACC BOARD:



-- Scott Silverman (2021)

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I started curling as a teen in Schenectady over 40 years ago now. When I was at MIT there was not yet college curling, so I curled with the Canadian Club of Boston and Broomstones. I joined Ardsley in 1990, and I convinced Alice Yeh to join then as well. Our daughter Kimberly has cut into our curling time over the last few years with her Ski Racing.

-- Wade Leon (2023)

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Wade Leon has been a member of the Club since 2012 and has run the Saturday Morning league since 2018. He's married with two twenty-something-year-old children and two dogs. While his career is in finance, his passion is in woodworking and he spends countless hours tinkering with reclaimed wood-mostly from fallen trees in his yard and neighborhood. He is an avid bike rider and spends lots of time on the Northern Trail.



-- Victoria Vron (2022)

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Vicky has been a member of the Board since 2019 and of the Club since 2014. Away from the club, she's a corporate lawyer at a large multinational corporation and lives in White Plains with her husband Travis (also a member of the Club) and twin boys Cooper and Oliver (7 years old), who can't wait to become curlers when they get older!

2020-2021 Registration is Open

On-line registration for 2020-21 season is on the ACC Website.

If paying by mail, please send dues or donation payments to:

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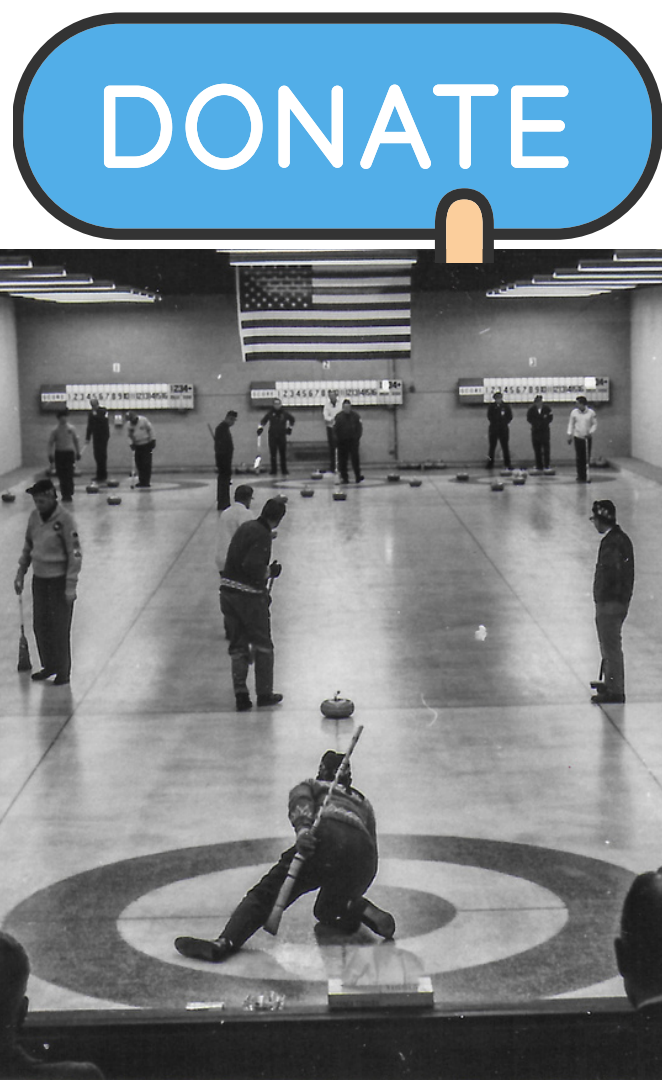
Paying by check saves paypal or credit card processing fees.

You can also deposit payments (for dues or donations) in the Mail Box on the wall in the Warm Room.

Please consider donating to the club this year, even if you are not curling.

This is your club. Its survival is up to all of you. Even if we didn't open for the season, we would still have expenses. If you're not curling this season, but want to have a club to come back to, we need to get through this year. It's up to us all.

Amy Costantino will be running the new and improved ACC store this year. We'll have new ACC masks available soon.



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