



## WELCOME TO THE VANCOUVER CURLING CLUB

The staff and Board of Directors welcome you to the Vancouver Curling Club (VCC), proudly offering opportunities to participate in the roaring game for more than 100 years.

### OUR HISTORY

The VCC has a vibrant history with the City of Vancouver and its social fabric. We celebrated our 100th anniversary in 2012. The Club has a history of excellence with almost 50 VCC teams winning provincial championships, including: 24 Men's, 7 Women's, 5 Mixed, 7 Senior Men's, 1 Senior Women's, 1 Masters Men's, 1 Junior Men's, and 1 Junior Women's. The VCC is also the proud home of the Lyall Dagg team that won the MacDonald Brier and Men's World Championship in 1964. In 1994, we became a non-profit society incorporated under the British Columbia Society Act.

### YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Your VCC membership includes:

- **League play:** weekly curling in the league(s) to which you paid your fees
- **Sparing:** opportunities to spare in any league (for which you are eligible)
- **Open ice:** open ice sheets are available for practice throughout the week; the schedule is updated weekly. **Please orient yourself to the policy and signup process:** [vancurl.com/calendar/openice](http://vancurl.com/calendar/openice)
- **Pro shop:** member discounts on regular priced equipment and clothing
- **Curl BC membership:** participation open to any VCC members in all Curl BC provincial playdowns
- **Lessons and clinics:** member-friendly pricing for individual and group lessons

### OUR FACILITIES

The Club is located at Hillcrest Centre, the legacy facility of the Vancouver 2010 Winter Games. Highlights of our facilities include:

- Eight sheets of curling ice
- Change rooms with both men's and women's lockers available for rental
- Fully stocked pro shop with equipment from Asham, Balance Plus, Goldline, Hardline, and Olson along with VCC-branded items
- Fully-licensed Last Draw Lounge with hot and cold food options
- Boardroom for use by members, leagues and rental groups for meetings and social events
- Digital advertising and information screens
- Fully accessible upper and lower levels
- Ice, lounge, and boardroom all available for rent

### VCC EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

The VCC has five main annual Club-run events. Information on each event, along with registration and draws, is available at [vancurl.com/events](http://vancurl.com/events).

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| • Double Back Bonspiel                         | Sept. 7-8, 2018  |
| • Harvest Bonspiel:                            | Oct. 26-28, 2018 |
| • Doubles Bonspiel:                            | Feb. 16, 2019    |
| • Barry Naimark Annual Charity Skins Bonspiel: | Mar. 1-3, 2019   |
| • VCC Club Championships:                      | April 8-11, 2019 |

## HOW OUR LEAGUES WORK

The novice leagues and the junior program are run by the VCC staff. The remainder of our 22 leagues are “member run,” which means each league representative is responsible for:

- Determining the season start and end dates, based on available days provided by the Club
- Establishing and updating the draw, standings, VCC league website page, and league websites
- Setting the annual league fee
- Communicating any issues to the Club on behalf of the league
- Passing on communications from the VCC
- Planning any league socials, prizing or special events, including notifying the VCC Staff of any dates by filling out the lounge usage form
- Attending three league representative meetings per season

## CURLING ETIQUETTE

- Leagues generally have a two-hour league time slot per game. To complete a game within that time limit (without delay), the next curler in the hack should be ready to throw when it is your turn.
- Clean footwear must be worn at all times in the ice shed and on areas leading to the ice shed. On the way to the ice shed, utilize boot boys located at the doors to the ice shed.
- Rental brooms are available in the ice shed by donation (\$2+ suggested donation per use).
- Sweepers should be between the two hog lines when an opponent is delivering a stone and remain still.
- Only two people should be on the backboards behind the house for any team at any time.
- Do not rest your hands and knees on the ice.

## MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

The website [vancurl.com](http://vancurl.com) is our primary tool for communicating with members and the public, and is updated regularly. Given the substantial size of the VCC membership, email is used extensively to provide information to members. We encourage all members to provide a correct email address on your registration form to ensure everyone can be contacted individually and/or reached in mass distributions of Club information.

*Totem Tales* is a monthly update sent by the VCC General Manager to provide information to members on ongoing Club events, activities and more. Event and Club information and partner advertisements are displayed on the TVs in the lounge and ice shed throughout the year.

An annual online survey is emailed to members to gather feedback on the past year and plan for future years. We value the feedback of our members.

## CLUB GOVERNANCE

The VCC is a member-driven organization with an elected Board of Directors accountable to the membership. All input is valued and members are encouraged to join Board committees. We all have the right to attend monthly Board meetings and vote on items raised at the Club's Annual General Meeting held each June. Volunteerism is vital to our success as a non-profit organization.

The day-to-day operations of the Club are managed by our dedicated team of office, ice and lounge staff who are happy to serve you and answer questions.

Contact our operations team at **604-874-0122** or click below to email:



**Brent Forbes**, VCC President  
**Ann de la Hey**, General Manager  
**Richard Brower**, Membership Services Coordinator  
**Norm Scott**, Ice Shed Manager  
**Shirley Mann**, Administration, Rentals, and Lesson Signups



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