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The DCC Mixed International is this weekend! Volunteers are needed, so stop in to help out! See volunteer schedule and links to sign up in the Bonspiels and Special Events.

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Calendar of Events (DCC Events)

- **February 24-25, 2018** – Rum Runners Bonspiel @ Roseland Golf and Curling Club 2-Day Open Bonspiel. \$400/team. Email jasonhebert82@gmail.com or call 519-980-9297 for more information.
- **February 24-25th** – **DCC Mixed International Bonspiel.**
- **March 2-4, 2018** – 66th Annual Mixed International Bonspiel @ Sarnia Golf and Curling Club. \$420 entry fee (\$380 prior to February 1st). Contact Jaime Parkinson for more information at proshop@sgcc.on.ca or 519-336-2201 ext. 234.
- **March 3-4, 2018** – **DCC Highlander Spiel. Be a man, sign up today!**
- **March 10, 2018** – **In-House Five and Under Bonspiel @ DCC.**
- **April 29, 2018** – **Last Chance Sinners meeting @ DCC. Event starts at 9am.**

House Business

Run for the Board – The Nominating Committee (Paul Badgero, Courtney Urbiel, Fred Zosel) is recruiting eight candidates to fill four open board seats and it needs your help. Serving as a board member is a great way to support the club and ensure we're able to continue curling. It requires time and effort, and in a way that only enhances your curling. If you can do it, email Paul, Courtney or Fred.

Mixed International Volunteers Needed – Please see signup below for open spots.
Saturday, February 24th

7:30-10:30am - Ice Help: (2)
 8:00-11:00am - Breakfast Help: (2)
 11:00-2:00pm - Lunch Help: (4)
 1:00-5:00pm - Ice Help: (2)
 2:00-5:00pm - General Help: (4)
 5:00-8:00pm - Dinner Help: (2)
 8:00-11:00pm - Clean Up: (2)

Sunday, February 25th

7:30-11:30am - Ice Help: (2)
 8:00-11:00am - Breakfast Help: (2)
 11:00-2:00pm - Lunch Help: (2)
 1:00-2:30pm - Ice Help: (2)
 2:00-4:00pm - Clean Up: (2)

Bonspiel Sign-Up Link:

<http://signup.com/go/MrAExqQ>

Ice Help Volunteers – Sunday, February 25th - Friday, March 2nd.
 As always, we are looking for ice help before leagues next week and there are many open spots. Helping with ice will provide open ice time for members to practice before leagues begin. Please check the sign up to find times when we need help.

Ice Help Sign-Up Link:

<http://signup.com/go/kinFHnV>

Contact for Volunteer Work – General questions regarding volunteerism can be directed to Laura Gilchrist at volunteers@detroitcurlingclub.com

Thank you for your support!

Laura Gilchrist

Volunteer Coordinator

Sinners Schedule - The Sinners want you to come out and join in the fun on a Sunday morning. They begin arriving around 8:30 AM and serve a hearty breakfast around 9 AM. Usual breakfast beverages are included along with a few more bracing beverages for those more daring souls. Breakfast is \$10 for an all-you-can-eat menu of breakfast meats, eggs, potatoes, toast and more. Plan on joining in on the fun. The Sweetheart Sinners meeting is open to the ladies too with candy for the ladies who attend. Last Chance Sinners is just as it states. Men only at that meeting. Hope to see you then.

April 29, Last Chance Sinners Meeting

Bonspiels and Special Events

DCC In-House Five and Under Bonspiel – The DCC will be hosting an in-house 5 and under for all new members and juniors who wish to play in a bonspiel on Saturday March 10th! Cost is \$25 and you are guaranteed two 6 end games. Sign-up sheet will be posted at the club. Contact Diana Jankowski for more information.

It's your club too...

VOLUNTEER

Ice Crew

Bonspiels

Special Events

Be a Chairperson

Run for the Board

Ask a Board Member about how you can help!



Mixed Championship – Kelly Soerens, Martin DeLaMerced, Suzanne Hansel and Geoff Soerens (pictured at right) won the club's Mixed Championship by defeating Team Bluhm (Scott, Jenny Parmenter, Gordy Loud, Amy Bluhm) in the Championship final Jan. 14. The Soerens squad also won the title in 2014.

Team Zosel (Fred, Stephanie Squires, Paul Szmigiel, Laura Call) topped Team Levy (Ben, Christy Schweitzer, Todd Schweitzer, Jenny Levy) in the second event. Third event winners were Team Falvey (Michelle, Alex Rich, Ann Gabhart, Pat Cannon) who defeated Team Whitmore (Duncan, Stephanie Whitmore, Mike Bahr, Shelly Bahr).



Rockettes Corner

Ladies League Update – Third session tentatively starts February 20th and includes the Ladies Club Championship! Wendy Powers will be our drawmaster. If you would like to participate, teams are due to Wendy Powers quandloo2@yahoo.com by February 5th if interested in playing for the Lee Davis Zosel memorial trophy. The Final will be held during the champagne spiel on April 7th. There will be a sign-up sheet posted at the club as well. Open to all A and B women members of the club

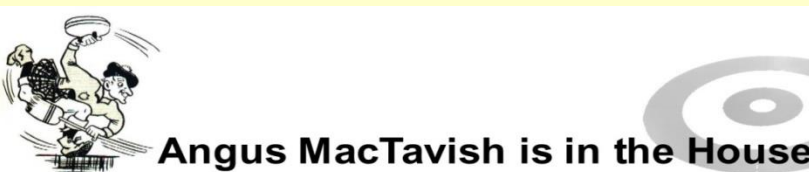
Central Area 5 Year and Under Bonspiels - Open to all curlers with less than 5 years of curling experience. Details: www.uswca.org or rep Bethany Rivera.

Women's Bonspiel - Bowling Green Curling Club - March 16-18, 2018

USWCA Circuit - A competitive curling series that allows individual curlers to earn points towards cash and gift card prizes. Curl in registered circuit bonspiels (DCC Ladies 2 day is a circuit event) and earn points based on your finish. The more bonspiels you attend, the better your chances of winning cash prizes. Full details and rules are on the Circuit Page of uswca.org, including the full calendar of circuit events.

As always, if you have questions or suggestions or want to be involved, please contact the Rockettes board via email Rockettes@detroitcurlingclub.com or a Rockette Board Member (see contacts on last page).

Member Additions



Frightful Scandal at The Detroit Curling Club – In 1911 the members of The Detroit Curling Club, true sportsmen and good fellows, were up in arms. “Unless something is done very soon, there is no telling what the membership will be forced to do.” It is all on account of **J. Wilson**.

For years, this man had been enjoying all the privileges of The Club without ever having been initiated into the select circle or even invited to join. Neither had he paid so much as a cent for dues. Things got so bad that the board of directors held a secret meeting to devise ways of ridding the

curling club of Wilson's presence. "J. Wilson must go" became the slogan of the entire membership. The trouble seems to be that no one can identify him.

"Some evenings the fellow is described as tall and at other times he is short", says the club president. "On Monday he was clean-shaven and on Tuesday he had a full beard." It had been said that he resembled many of the popular players. Once in a while, it is said he looked like Ben Van Zandt. Other times he had the appearance of W.A. McWhitney. He even looked like one of the Dodge brothers.

"The fellow must be suppressed", stated Dr. Forrest, "He is altogether too bold. He comes up here and curls more games than any other member, yet nobody seems to know anything about him. Sometimes he is the best curler on the ice. Other days he is awful."

"He is one of the best skips we have, yet sometimes he will be playing lead or second. He certainly is a versatile person and a curling enthusiast, for he is at the club nearly every night."

During the years of J. Wilson's appearances, The Club had a friendly reporter at the Detroit Free Press, and he published the nightly box-scores in the next morning's edition of the newspaper. From a large collection of clippings, we have found J. Wilson curling at The Club from 1908 through 1914. Here are a couple of examples:

CURLERS HAVE BUSY NIGHT	
Four Rinks Take Advantage of Excellent Ice Conditions.	
Four rinks competed on the Detroit Curling club's Forest avenue ice last evening. The successful skips were W. E. Barie, Thomas Fairbairn, A. M. Kerr and R. D. Kay, while the vanquished were led by Dr. Morley, John Stevenson, W. H. Speaker and B. F. Guiney respectively. The summaries:	
A. B. Atwater,	Rev. Dr. Manson,
L. Craig,	M. M. Kerr,
Fred Bamford,	Capt. May,
W. E. Barie, sk.—11.	Dr. Morley, skip—5.
J. Davies,	J. Wilson,
F. C. Burton,	Charles Abbs,
Frank Weber,	Dr. Corns,
T. Fairbairn, sk.—12.	J. Stevenson, s.—10.
Dr. Matthews,	L. Craig,
T. L. Backus,	Dr. Morley,
Thomas Davies,	A. M. Kerr,
A. M. Kerr, skip—14.	W. H. Speaker, s.—4.
Rev. Dr. Manson,	R. B. Robertson,
F. S. Bartlett,	John J. Dodge,
W. E. Barie,	Dr. Hogarth,
R. D. Kay, skip—9.	B. F. Guiney, sk.—8.

Fine Sport at Curling Club.	
Fine ice made curling good at the Detroit Curling club last night. One match for the Backus trophy, in which Robert Kay defeated Robt. Kerr and four friendly matches were decided. The winning skips were A. M. Kerr, B. F. Guiney, Dr. Corns and Dr. Kessler. They defeated Thos. Williamson, John Williamson, M. M. Kerr and Geo. P. Codd respectively. Summary:	
BACKUS TROPHY.	
John Vallantyne,	R. W. Hamilton,
R. A. Newcomb, Jr.,	Dr. Morley,
W. A. McWhinney,	W. H. Speaker,
Robert Kay—14.	Robt. Kerr—6.
FRIENDLY.	
R. B. Robertson,	J. A. Robinson,
E. B. Duffield,	A. S. Pudrith,
George Begg,	A. W. Baxter,
Thos. Williamson—8.	A. M. Kerr—22.
G. A. Kotcher,	C. W. Kotcher,
Dr. Tibbals,	A. D. B. Van Zandt,
J. E. Smith,	F. C. Bloomfield,
Dr. Kessler,	F. O. Waldo,
B. F. Guiney—11.	John Williamson—5.
W. K. Taster,	James A. Sharratt,
H. S. Scott,	Fred Richmond,
John Johnson,	F. D. Standish,
T. L. Backus,	W. E. Barrie,
M. M. Kerr—8.	Dr. Corns—9.
Chas. Baxter,	J. Wilson,
A. B. Atwater,	Rev. Dr. Manson,
S. S. Handy,	B. F. Guiney,
Geo. P. Codd—7.	Dr. Kessler—13.

On a typical evening, J. Wilson entered the clubhouse and proceeded to the draw sheet. He would erase someone's name and insert his own. Then he would proceed to the ice and enjoy the game. After the newspaper was published the next morning no one knew whose place he took on the ice.

We have now learned that *J. Wilson* was an alias assumed by any and all of the canny Scots when they did not wish their presence at The Club to be known for various reasons. Ever since The Club has been in existence, and a man has told his wife that he is detained at the office, or has to go to Grand Rapids on business, he has chosen this *nom de guerre*. Nobody knows who invented it, nor when, but the fact remains that J. Wilson is a much over-worked man during the winter months.

I am fiddle-footed,
Angus MacTavish

Communication and Website News

DCC Website Instructions for Signing In – Every member should be aware of the procedures to set up your accessibility to all the great web site features. If you have not signed in yet, follow these instructions and save your user name and password to stay informed. Keep these instructions handy in case you forget your sign in information.

Retrieving Your Username & Password

You will only be able to complete these steps once you are seeing the new website when you go to www.detroitcurlingclub.com. If you do not see, "Forgot Login," as mentioned below you will need to wait a while and try loading the site again.

1. On the right side, under the Member Login section, click on the words Forgot Login.
2. Click to check the box for Lost Username and a space to enter your email address will appear.
3. Enter you email address and click the Send Username button. If you see a message that your email address does not exist on the site, please email emailmembership@detroitcurlingclub.com so we can update your email address.
4. Check your email and you should receive a message with your username.
5. Return to the DCC website and again click on the words Forgot Login under the Member Login section.
6. Click to check the box for Lost Password and spaces for entering both your username and email address will appear.
7. Enter both your username and password and click the Send Password button.
8. Check your email and you should receive a message with a new password.
9. Return to the DCC website and use your username and new password to log in.

Changing Your Password

1. After you have logged in, click on My Information under the Member Menu on the right side.
2. Near the top left of your profile click on Edit and then choose Update Your Profile.
3. Click on User Info to switch to the username and password settings.
4. Enter your desired password in the space provided, and enter it again in the Verify Password field.
5. Click the Update button to save your changes.

Pro-Shop Business

Pro Shop Back Open – We are back for the rest of the season. We were gone during the Junior Nationals, but now we are here again to help you with your equipment needs. Don't wait too long. Stock will start to shrink as we close in on the end of the season. Shop early and often.

Used Curling Equipment – Used product in the Pro Shop is available from time to time. If you are a new curler and want to save some bucks on equipment or apparel, stop by and ask what is available. Items change so, stop by often to see what is new (I mean old). Long standing members, bring in your unused curling equipment. Donate your unused stuff to the club and give a new curler a chance to get better equipped. The program helps the club by reducing the usage of rental equipment by new members and gets new members going in the direction of improving their equipment by once they are certain to remain club members. Your contributions help keep our membership strong. Thank You.



Rockettes Food Schedule 2017-2018

Date	Weekday	Coverage Time	Food
February 11	Sunday	6:30-9:30 pm	Sweeping Tacos
February 12	Monday	7:30-11:00 pm	Sweeping Tacos
February 12	Thursday	6:30-10:00 pm	Sweeping Tacos
February 13	Friday	7:30-9:00 pm	Sweeping Tacos
\$3.00 each or 2/ \$5.00 — Chips \$1.00 each			

Detroit Curling Club Contacts

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DCC Board Members:

Jim Morris - President
 Ben Levy - Vice President
 Brooke Schneider - Treasurer
 Diana Jankowski - Assistant Treasurer
 Dan Maggio - Secretary & Rentals
 Roger York - Calendar & Games
 Ben Levy - Website and Communications & Membership
 Mark Hansell - House
 Gordy Loud - Rentals
 Josh Lopez - Bonspiels and Special Events
 Travis Powers - Ice

Rockettes Board Members:

Laura Call - President
 Laura Gilchrist - Vice President & Membership
 Abby Bond - Secretary
 Courtney Urbiel - Treasurer & Lockers
 Theresa Lopez - Board Liaison & Shirt Sales
 Samantha Lewis - Food Sales

Pro Shop Manager: John Danckaert

Volunteer Coordinator - Laura Gilchrist