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## The calendar is filling up!

Be sure to check the calendar below and the boards at the club for upcoming bonspiels and events.

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# <u>Calendar of Events</u> (DCC Events)

- December 22, 2018 Skills Clinic at DCC. See *House Business* for more information.
- January 4-6, 2019 DCC Men's International Bonspiel. See *Bonspiels and Special Events* for more information.
- January 12-13, 2019 DCC Mixed Club Championship. See Bonspiels and Special Events for more information.
- **January 26, 2019** DeKoning Brothers Memorial Bonspiel. 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Mixed. Chatham Granite Club. \$120/rink. <a href="mailto:granite@ciaccess.com">granite@ciaccess.com</a>
- February 2-3, 2019 DCC Women's International Bonspiel, We Can Rock It. See *Rockettes Corner* for more information.
- February 9-10, 2019 DCC Junior Open Bonspiel. \$120/team. Contact Duke Grimshaw for more information.
- **February 22-24, 2019** Inaugural 5 and Under National Bonspiel. See Bonspiels and Special Events for more information.
- February 23-24, 2019 DCC Mixed International Bonspiel. See flyer at club for more information.
- March 1-3, 2019 Sarnia Annual Mixed International Bonspiel. See *Bonspiels and Special Events* for more information.
- March 15, 2019 WCCSA Senior Men's Memorial Bonspiel Tier 55. Roseland Golf and Curling Club, ON. \$140/rink. Contact Jimmy King for more information, 519-969-0309, king6460@mnsi.net.

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#### **House Business**

**Ice Help Needed –** More help is needed prepping the ice before leagues. If you have the time you can sign up at this link: <a href="http://signup.com/go/zqtXXEE">http://signup.com/go/zqtXXEE</a>

As we get later into the season more work will need to be done to keep the ice as good as it can be and that will take more members volunteering.

Are you afraid of messing up the ice? Don't worry. Most of the volunteer work is simple and you will be supervised. If you would like to be trained before volunteering, you can come to one of our two ice help clinics in December. They will be held on the 2nd and 16th at 1pm. If you have any questions please email <a href="ice@detroitcurlingclub.com">ice@detroitcurlingclub.com</a>. Good Curling, Eric Kortebein

**Skills Clinic** – The Detroit Curling Club will be hosting a skills clinic for members Saturday, December 22. From 10am - 12pm, the session will focus on delivery video analysis and instruction. The 12-2pm session will be on team roles and tools to improve being a skip or vice. Registration for the December 22nd clinics will begin the week after next. The cost for the clinic is \$30 per person. You can sign up for the clinics here: <a href="https://detroitcurlingclub.com/index.php/events/event-listings">https://detroitcurlingclub.com/index.php/events/event-listings</a>

Any questions for either Dec 22 clinics, please contact Bret Jackson at <a href="mailto:bretjackson@hotmail.com">bretjackson@hotmail.com</a>.

**Curling Night In America –** Friday nights on NBCSN through Dec 14<sup>th</sup>. Links to each video are available at <a href="www.usacurl.org">www.usacurl.org</a>. All times are in EST. 12/14/18 – 9:00pm – USA vs. China (men)

#### **Bonspiels and Special Events**

National 5 and Under Bonspiel – Applications are open for the Inaugural 5 and Under National Bonspiel hosted by Olympic Gold Medalist John Shuster! If you competed in a 5 and Under Event in 2017 or 2018 you are eligible to compete, even if you are no longer a 5 and Under Curler. They are adding a new tier of eligibility so that current 5 and Under Curlers who have not competed in an event are eligible too!

The event will be held on February 22-24, 2019 at the Duluth Curling Club in Duluth, Minnesota. The entry fee is \$400 and includes meals and your inaugural pin/patch.

Whether you have been to a bonspiel or not, this is a great opportunity to get out and meet curlers from around the country who are all relatively new to the sport. AND you get a chance to meet one of the nicest guys in curling who happens to be an Olympic Gold Medalist (don't worry, he isn't eligible to play). You can apply at <a href="https://www.5unationals.com/">https://www.5unationals.com/</a>

**Sarnia Mixed International –** 4 game guarantee. \$400/team. Friday meal and mixer, Saturday dinner and dance, Sunday brunch. Contact

# SWEEP HARD AND WORK UP AN APPETITE ROCKETTE'S WILL BE SELLING



Sunday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6:30 to 9:30pm
Tuesday Dec 4<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 to 11pm
Friday Dec 7<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 to 9pm
Monday Dec 10<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 to 11pm
Tuesday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> – 11:30 to 1pm
Thursday Dec 13<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 to 11pm
Wednesday Dec 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:30p to 11pm
Thursday Dec 20<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 to 4pm

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proshop@sgcc.on.ca for questions.

#### **Rockettes Corner**

**Women's Lockers** – Locker fee is \$10 per person per season. Please pay Courtney or put payment in an envelope with your name and locker # and put in the rockette locker-last one on the right with the mail slot. Anyone wishing to keep their locker from last year may do so. If there is anyone that would NOT like to keep their space, please contact Courtney Urbiel at <a href="mailto:courtney19@aol.com">courtney19@aol.com</a>. For those who don't have a locker currently and would like one , please email Courtney. The cubbies are available and provided for members and guests to stow their gear in the locker room during their stay. There is no charge for using them. They are intended to be used only while the member or guest is in the building. Please do not consider them as a substitute for a locker.

**Cold and flu season is here!** – Hand sanitizer has been installed in the arena. Behind the entry door and near the exit door. Let's all be well this year!!

**Food Sales –** The Rockette's will again be selling food as a fundraiser this season. Proceeds help fund the Rockette Curling Development fund, including the Ladies Bonspiel. Please see Julie Kent to sign up and help! Or sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

**T-Shirts -**Throwback T's will be in by next week. New design will be mid Dec. Great for Christmas gifts!!!

**Business Cards** – Business cards with our spiel dates are available at the club. Take a couple to out of town spiels for promotion of our spiels.

**Central Area 5 Year and Under Bonspiels - Open to all curlers with less than 5 years of curling experience.** 

Open Bonspiel - Columbus Curling Club - January 25-27, 2019 OR Rice Lake Curling Club - February 15-17, 2019

Women's Bonspiel - Racine Curling Club - January 4-6, 2019

Details: <u>uswca.org</u> or rep Bethany Rivera

**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 <u>uswca.org</u>, including the full calendar of circuit events.

#### Save the Dates:

2019 USWCA Sr. Women's Bonspiel - Albany Curling Club, November 20-24, 2019 2020 USWCA National Bonspiel - Hibbing Curling Club, February 13-17, 2020

**WE CAN ROCK IT** – The Detroit Curling Club Ladies Bonspiel will be held from February 2-3, 2019. The DCC Ladies bonspiel is a USWCA Circuit Event. A bonspiel committee is needed! Please see Bethany Rivera or Wendy Powers if interested in playing down or volunteering.

#### Other Women's Bonspiels in the area:

Milwaukee Ladies Kiltie bonspiel: December 7-December 9th Columbus Curling Club Mad Hatter's Tea Party: October 19-21

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Bowling Green Glam and Jam: October 26-28

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).

#### **Sinners News**

**The Sinners** – The Detroit Curling Club Royal Order of Sinners men's club promotes fellowship and camaraderie on and off the ice while creating benefits and lasting experiences.

**Mixed Up Sinners –** The Sinners are busy gearing up for the annual Mixed Up Sinners event. This breakfast will be held on Sunday December 16, 2018. This event is open to men and women and nobody will leave hungry! Refreshments begin at 8:30AM and breakfast will be served at 9:30AM. Stories, light-hearted holiday songs, and a bountiful raffle will round out your morning. We hope to see you there. A sign-up sheet is located in the warm-room of The Club.

#### Sinners Schedule of Events 2018-2019

- Mixed-Up Sinners: December 16, 2018. Open to both men and women. The ladies sure make the Holiday songs sound nice!
- Toast to the Club: January 1, 2019. Sponsored in part by the DCC Sinner's. Open to all Club members. The gathering begins at 11:00AM and light finger fare is served. The Toast to The Club is made at 12:00PM followed by Auld Lang Syne.
- Robbie Burns: January 27, 2019. Traditional Scottish breakfast pastries enhance the already delightful breakfast fare. The haggis and Robert Burns' Toast to the Haggis are sure to leave a lasting memory.
- Sweetheart Sinners: February 17, 2019. Open to both men and women. Bring your wife or your girlfriend...just don't bring them both at the same time.
- K-W Exchange Part II: March 15, 16, and 17, 2019: The breakfast on March 17, 2019 is held in Plattsville, Ontario.
- Last Chance Sinners: April 14, 2019: This is our last meeting of the year and your last chance to enjoy the fellowship and camaraderie until the fall.

For questions or further information, email The Sinners at: <a href="mailto:sinners@detroitcurlingclub.com">sinners@detroitcurlingclub.com</a>.

#### Member's Additions

**Welcome New Club Members –** Welcome new members to the Detroit Curling Club. The board, the bartenders, the Scots Wha Hae editors and the membership as a whole extend a warm welcome to you. As new members, you may not be aware of several aspects and opportunities that the club has to offer. So, we want to help you to become familiar with what your new club has to offer.

First of all, our club functions almost entirely on volunteers with the exception of the bartenders, and our Ice Tech, Eric Kortebein. Our voluntary board members serve a 3-year term and each year, three board members rotate off the board and new members are voted in during the Annual Meeting occurring at the end of the curling season. Nine of the ten board members must be Class A members. Read more on this topic in the membership handbook. (A copy should be available for you to read at the bar)

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Class A and B members have the privilege of curling in multiple leagues. Other class members are limited to how often they can curl. Leagues are usually filled during the registration period prior the beginning of each season. Past members are contacted, usually by e-mail, before the season begins and asked to register and choose the league(s) preferred, along with a preferred position on the team. This is also the time when teams are formed. If you want to be part of a team on a particular night, get organized before the invite goes out, so you can be with whom you want.

Members are expected to have their own personal equipment. New members should be willing to purchase a set of grippers and a brush as a minimum. Using club equipment is bad form and discouraged. That equipment is intended for club guests. So, be proactive and get your own gear. The Pro Shop is a good place to start, or go on line to shop. Early Fall often includes pre-season promotional deals.

The club sponsors several bonspiels every season. These special events need member volunteers to make our guests comfortable and focused on the games. Most of the work is very light and the club generally rewards volunteers with food and beverages for time spent. If you want to know more, feel free to ask around for more details. Most any member can give you the info you need.

Since everything in the club is done on a voluntary basis, it is everyone's responsibility to take care of our stuff. That means we treat our furniture well, pick up trash lying around, sweep the walk if needed, take out the trash, bring in the next half barrel of beer, contribute to the recycling effort and so on. With everyone doing a little here and there, the club stays clean and repairs are minimized.

At the end of the season, the club hosts a Champagne Spiel, pitting the Colts against the Old Goats. The Colts are all members with 5 years or less. The Old Goats are the rest of the membership. The group with the least points at the end of 16 ends buys champagne for the others. Then the ice is opened to ice skating. It is the one time the ice is used for anything other than curling. Our club operates at our building only 6-7 months each year. At the end of the season, we pack up our stuff, clean the building and go off to enjoy the spring and summer months. Come mid-October we return to the building to set up for the coming season. The warm room is furnished and outfitted. The ice rink is built, painted and readied for the new season. The ice preparation process requires a lot of help and this is where you can be a significant contributor. Ask our Ice Tech about it.

During the summer there are several golf outings, a picnic, featherbowling, fowling and more. Watch the bulletin boards for coming events during the curling season. Watch the Scots Wha Hae (SWH) for regular updates and news. Join a team and travel to another club for a weekend spiel. Or join a team for a spiel in your own club. They are a blast and your curling skills will improve as a result.

As you are beginning to understand, this is a lively and involved club. If you like being around like-minded, friendly people, you have come to the right place. So, have fun, get involved and enjoy the winter months at your new club. Welcome one and all!

#### **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 emailmembership@detroitcurlingclub.com so we can update your email address.

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- 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**

**New Inventory –** More new inventory has just arrived! Need gloves? We got em! Need a new brush? We got em! Need a new push stick? We got em! Need a stop watch? We got em! And more. Stop in and see what is new.

### **Detroit Curling Club Contacts**

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DCC Board Members: DCC Rockettes Board Members

President - Ben Levy President - Laura Call

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Secretary - Gordy Loud Secretary - Abby Bond

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