

DETROIT CURLING CLUB

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Three-Peat for Swisshelm Rink

Congratulations to the Swisshelm rink for their third consecutive GLCA Regional championship over the weekend of March 27–29 at the Black Swamp Curling Center! The team went undefeated 3–0 in round robin play and their playoff match opponents conceded so they took the title.



Team Swisshelm (l-r) - Ann Swisshelm, Jenny Levy, Elizabeth Demers, Melissa Turbow



Scots' Tour Visiting the DCC

Are you interested in helping welcoming the incoming Ladies' Scot Tour? Or alternatively, do you have a high-end unique item that could be raffled for fundraising for the Scot Tour?

If you said yes to either of these questions, please reach out to Maryanne Wessels to join the planning committee at maryanne.wessels@gmail.com. Thank you!



CALENDAR

Bonspiels

In House 5&U Bonspiel

Detroit

Apr 24, 2021

2021 Cherry Bombspiel

Traverse City

Apr 24–25, 2021

2021 Motor City Semi Open Bonspiel

Detroit

Apr 30–May 2, 2021



Zahra posing with the Cowbell Trophy.

A Note from Jack's Place

Eric is looking for a few volunteers on Easter (April 4) for two floods. He is super flexible on the timing (despite what is listed on SignUp). Please use the [SignUp page](#) and contact [Eric](#) directly if you're able to help assist on one or both floods.

The volunteer committee also is asking leagues to have one team a week come in early to assist Eric is prepping the ice. Please take a moment to talk with your team and figure out a week where at least two members of your team can help and [sign up today!](#)

Eric would like to thank the 6PM Friday night league for helping prep the ice before their draw throughout this season!

In-House 5 & Under Bonspiel

Calling all 5 & Under curlers! The DCC In-House 5 & Under Bonspiel is taking place on Saturday, April 24th. This year's format will be a two-game points spiel. Registration is \$25 per person. You may use this [link](#) to sign up as a team or individual. If you have questions, feel free to email Steven Smith at ssmith784@gmail.com.

Motor City Semi Open Bonspiel

The DCC is hosting the annual Motor City Bonspiel April 30th–May 2nd, 2021. Teams can sign up on the [DCC website registration page](#). Please also take a look at the [Ice SignUp page](#) for opportunities to help with the ice that weekend.



Detroit Hosts First Doubles Bonspiel

Over March 12–14, the DCC hosted its first ever Doubles Bonspiel. The event comprised of six groups with four teams, with the best record from each pool moving onto to the quarterfinals. Several Detroit teams from the Monday night doubles league participated in addition to a number of others trying out doubles for their first time. Many other teams from throughout the US travelled to play, and by the semifinals the Pittsburgh Curling Club teams dominated. Visnich from Pittsburgh won the A Event and Drombosky won the B Event. Thanks to Eric and all the volunteers that made this event a great one.



Team Clapsadle/Federlein took a note for the Canadian Curling audience cardboard cutouts to create a fan section with Paul Arseneault posing after assisting with the ice.

DCC/BG U14 Team Wins U14 Cowbell Classic Bonspiel

DCC's Zahra Jamil was on the winning team in the U14 draw of the Inaugural Cowbell Classic Bonspiel at the Bowling Green Curling Club February 12–14th. She played lead on Team Hollands, along with Allyson Cook and Jersey Hollands from the Bowling Green Club. Their team was undefeated in pool play and won the final 9–2. Curlers from Midland, Mayfield, Cincinnati, Chaska MN and Bismarck, ND, competed in the event for the giant cowbell trophy. The tournament kicked off on Friday night with a bagpipe procession onto the ice. Thanks to Addison Hollands and our friends in Bowling Green for organizing the event.



Team Hollands - Allyson Cook, Jersey Hollands, Zahra Jamil.

World Curling News

The Canadian National Championships the [Scotties'](#) and the [Brier](#) concluded with a huge success in the Calgary 'Bubble.' In the Brier, after three second places, Brendan Bottcher's Alberta team defeated Team Wildcard #2 Kevin Koe to wear the Maple Leaf in the upcoming World Men's Championship taking place April 2–11, 2021. The 2018 Olympic Gold Team Shuster will represent the USA and is looking to win another gold at World's. Coverage for the World Championships will be available via the Olympic Channel and ESPN3 for TSN's broadcast coverage.



TEAM USA ROUND ROBIN & BROADCAST SCHEDULE WORLD MEN'S CURLING CHAMPIONSHIP 2021				
APRIL 2	4:00 PM	VS. CHINA		
APRIL 3	11:00 AM	VS. SWEDEN	OLYMPIC CHANNEL	
APRIL 3	4:00 PM	VS. GERMANY	OLYMPIC CHANNEL	
APRIL 4	11:00 AM	VS. JAPAN	OLYMPIC CHANNEL	
APRIL 4	9:00 PM	VS. SWITZERLAND		
APRIL 5	11:00 AM	VS. CANADA	NBCSN	
APRIL 5	9:00 PM	VS. ITALY		
APRIL 6	11:00 AM	VS. RCF		
APRIL 7	11:00 AM	VS. NORWAY		
APRIL 7	4:00 PM	VS. SCOTLAND		
APRIL 8	4:00 PM	VS. DENMARK	OLYMPIC CHANNEL	
APRIL 8	9:00 PM	VS. NETHERLANDS	OLYMPIC CHANNEL	
APRIL 9	4:00 PM	VS. KOREA		

*ALL TIMES IN EASTERN STANDARD TIME

Ontario's Rachel Homan and Team Canada's Kerri Einarson faced off again in a repeat of last year's Scotties' with a back to back win. In good news for Einarson's team, they will finally get an opportunity to represent the Maple Leaf in the Women's World Curling Championship is now being hosted in the Calgary Bubble April 30–May 9, 2021. 2020 National Champions Team Peterson will represent as Team USA.

The Canadian Mixed Doubles also concluded with Kerri Einarson and Brad Gushue winning over Kadriana Sahaidak and Colton Lott. Gushue/Einarson will represent Canada at the World Mixed Doubles Championship in Aberdeen, Scotland May 17–23, 2021. The team of Joe Polo and Tabitha Peterson will represent Team USA.

Detroit Tops Both Draws at Bowling Green Ladies' 1-Day Bonspiel

The Black Swamp Curling Center hosted the bonspiel on March 22 consisting of two draws. Team Benson, with Julie Benson, Kristine Rathke, Karina Ansok, and Ashley Mayra, secured the win for the first draw. Team Swisshelm with Ann Swisshelm, Melissa Turbow, Jenny Levy, and Stephanie Whitmore, had the best record to win the second draw. Congrats all!



Team Benson (l-r) - Karina Ansok, Kristine Rathke, Ashley Mayra, Julie Benson



Team Swisshelm (l-r) - Stephanie Whitmore, Ann Swisshelm, Melissa Turbow, Jenny Levy

Pro Shop News

A **HUGE** thank you to John Danckaert for all of his continued hard work to make the DCC Pro Shop a success and to help keep it fully stocked!

PRO SHOP SALE!

Did you know that a clean broom head helps keep the ice clean and is more effective in sweeping the rock? Did you know that if your gripper is worn, it can fall apart and leave debris on the ice as well as could lead to slipping? Well, you are in luck because the DCC Pro Shop can help! Stop by to take advantage of our sales!

All Performance Broom Heads are 50% off!!!

The Pro Shop is having a sale on all Performance broom heads, both textured and non-textured. The textured broom heads are similar to the Goldline Norway broom head and both styles fit Asham, Goldline and some Balance Plus brooms. Textured - \$11 each || Non-Textured - \$9 each

Gripper Sale Extended!!!

Our annual gripper sale has been extended for the rest of the season!!! All grippers are \$2 off. Tournament Sale Price - \$12 each || Goldline Sale Price - \$13 each || Asham Sale Price - \$16 each

As a reminder, while the bar is closed, we have implemented a new way to purchase items from the Pro Shop. There are order forms on the Pro Shop door. *Please completely fill out this form and place it along with the items you wish to purchase behind the bar.* The Treasurer, Diana Jankowski, will be at the Club on Mondays and Wednesdays to process the invoices for the orders. You will receive an invoice via Square through your email. *Once the invoice is paid, you may take your items from behind the bar.*

If there is something you need but cannot find in the Pro Shop or you have questions on any Pro Shop item, email Diana at dj.dcc.curling@gmail.com and she can work with you to get you what you need.

Rockettes Corner

The Monday Night Ladies League

The Ladies League held their last draw Monday, March 29th. Thank you to Julie Benson for being the drawmaster this season. We are looking forward to curling again in the fall, and hope to have four full sheets of women curlers!

T-Shirt Sales

The Rockettes Board decided to hold off on a new t-shirt design for the 2020–2021 season. We look forward to a new design and product next season. There are still some t-shirts for sale in the Pro Shop if you are interested.

Rockettes Board 2021-2022

It's time to vote to elect the new members of the Rockettes Board! Pam Buchkowski, Stephanie Grant and Bonnie Czander are finishing their term for the 2020–2021 season and the Rockettes will vote in three new members for a 2-year term.

This year's vote will again be held via Google Survey and the ballot will be emailed to eligible A & B women members on April 5th. Voting will be open for two weeks (April 5–19th), with the **Rockettes Annual Meeting held via Zoom on Tuesday, April 20th at 7pm**. Please watch your inbox for more details from the Rockettes.

On the Ballot:

Elizabeth Demers || Stephanie Dober || Yolanda Lewczuk
Kara Szpondowski || Theresa Tejada || Julia Toro

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 the last page).



Angus MacTavish is in the House

HOCKEY, SKATING AND CURLING - 1896

“Two hockey teams have been formed at the Detroit Curling Club and practice will begin tomorrow night. The Canadian rules will be observed. Toward the end of the week a game will have the support of The Club and it is thought that it will become one of the most pleasant features of an evening at the rink. Improvements to the clubhouse will be made so that the spectators can witness the play from above.

“In the skating carnival at the rink last night Clayton Busch won the gentlemen's prize and Miss Jessie Parkinson that for ladies.

“Two of the club matches in curling were played yesterday afternoon, resulting in wins for Skips Baxter and Cooney.”

Reprinted from the Detroit Free Press December 27, 1896. This was thirty years before the Red Wings were formed. At least they curled a game or two before the ice skating& hockey!!!

Your favorite snollygoster,

Angus MacTavish



Sinners News

The Detroit Curling Club Royal Order of Sinners Mission Statement

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.



For questions or further information, email The Sinners at: sinners@detroitcurlingclub.com

Detroit-KW Virtual Exchange

On March, 13, 2021 the Detroit and Kitchener Planning Committees held a "Virtual Exchange" to keep the Annual KW Exchange alive amid the COVID-19 global pandemic. Both sides shared the trials and tribulations of curling during the 2020–2021 seasons. The last in-person exchange was held one year ago in Kitchener in March 2020 just before the world began to change in response to the terrible virus that continues to impact our daily lives. The Granite Curling Club fared worse than the DCC and has been closed for the majority of the season with no plans to open again until Fall 2021. Our spirits were lifted by the sight of our Canadian



brethren and everyone enjoyed the camaraderie with a virtual visit. Plans for the 2021–2022 KW Exchange are being laid out and we plan to emerge on the other side of this pandemic with renewed energy and a new perspective with friendship taking center stage the next time our two ends are able to meet in person.

The DCC Royal Order of Sinners are hard at work planning 2021–2022 events. Stay tuned as we formalize our calendar and plan future events.

We have also received word from long-time Sinner and sausage-maker extraordinaire, Jeff DeNeen, who will be stepping away from his duties at Sinners events. Jeff will be missed very much in the kitchen. His smile, kindness, and laugh have been a mainstay for many years! You leave big shoes to fill, Jeffy!



USCA Membership

You may have received several emails from the United States Curling Association (USCA) or Sport:80 on February 02, 2021 about their new membership system. We wanted to clarify a few things related to member association dues for our members.

The first USCA email explained their new platform that they just rolled out. The second USCA email clarified that membership payment is not required at this time, as their member services team is currently working with member club administrators on submitting rosters and dues for this season. The third email was allowing you to set a password for your online account.

Please do not be alarmed if your membership shows as lapsed on the USCA website. It is not. Payment for all current members has been sent to the USCA. The DCC submitted our membership roster to the USCA on Thursday January 28th. The dues check had to be postmarked by January 31st and a check was mailed to the USCA on Friday, January 28th. It arrived at the USCA office on February 1st.

The USCA emails were, as they stated, is an opportunity for you to familiarize yourself with the platform and update any contact information to complete the setup of your profile. Because of all of the confusion this has caused, the USCA is shutting down the launch to work the bugs out. They will try again when the issues have been addressed.

Every year, the DCC remits member association dues on behalf of its members to the USCA, Great Lakes Curling Association (GLCA) and US Women's Curling Association (USWCA) for its women members. We also pay association dues on behalf of the entire club to the Ontario Curling Association (OCA). These association dues are part of the annual membership dues that you pay each year and are just some of the additional benefits that your dues give you. **We plan to continue this practice going forward so you will not need to worry about separately paying your dues to the USCA.**

If you have any other questions, please contact Bret Jackson at president@detroitcurlingclub.com.

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