

## DETROIT CURLING CLUB

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## Detroit Teams Dominate in Utica 5&U

Detroit teams played extremely well at the Utica 5&U Bonspiel over the Halloween weekend. So well in fact, it came down to a Detroit vs. Detroit Final. The team of Mike Clapsadle, John Gaul, Chase Ansok, and Karina Ansok won the A Event. The A Runner Up team included Steven Smith, Julia Toro-Schubert, Karl Schubert, and Theresa Tejada, and the A Semi Finalist team included Marta Bauer, Don Bleaney, Chris Pethke, and Kara Szpondowski. All players highly recommended visiting the Utica Curling Club. The club has six beautiful sheets with great ice and awesome food (especially if you love Riggies). The area has plenty of bars and wineries to visit during time off the ice. Congrats and thanks for representing the DCC so well, everyone!



## CALENDAR

### Events

#### **Meat & Greet In-House**

Detroit Curling Club

9:00AM–5:00PM

December 4, 2021

#### **Adaptive Curling Clinic**

Detroit Curling Club

11:00AM–2:00PM

December 5, 2021

#### **Men's International Playdowns**

Detroit Curling Club

December 11–12, 2021

#### **NYExtravanzaspiel**

Detroit Curling Club

5:00PM–1:00AM

December 31, 2021–January 1,  
2022

#### **Toast to the Club**

Detroit Curling Club

11:00AM–1:00PM

January 1, 2022

### **Bonspiels**

*See the Bonspiel Board page!*

# Spooky Good Times for DCC Members at Bowling Green Devil's Brew Bonspiel

Detroit teams descended down into Black Swamp Curling Club for a Halloween themed spiel. While the weekend included some tricks, the teams received far more treats. Bill Morris, Deb Freedlander, Steve Rietz, and sub from BGCC Sandy Earl won the C Event. Two Detroit teams battled for the D Event; Sarah Romanik, Dan Kobs, Jeff Darnell, and Catherine Haggart won over the team of Jeff Peplinski, Jay Clark, Brandon Will, and Scott Hill, who took the D Event runner-up.

Ben Levy filled in as skip for a BGCC team that won the B Event, along with BGCC members Shad Helle, Charlie Pfaltsgraf, and Greg O'Shea.

Dawn Brauninger's team also represented DCC with Laura Call, Anne Kramer, and Sue Lapham.





# Detroit Teams in all Event Finals at the Mucky Duck Bonspiel

Multiple teams made it to the finals on Sunday, November 14 at the Black Swamp Curling Club for the annual Mucky Duck Doubles Bonspiel. Ben and Jen Levy had a hard-fought battle and came out as the runners-up for the A Event. Jeffrey Peplinski and Lori Markham (Seattle) won the B Event over Denis 'Hollywood' Metty and Jillian Riecke (Traverse City). John Gaul and Melissa Turbow were the runners-up in the C Event. Bret Jackson and Julie Benson won the D Event. Good curling all!

## Registration for GLCA Regional Club Championships Open!

GLCA Regional Club Championships aka playdowns for Club Nationals:

Registration is now open for the Men's and Women's GLCA Regional Club Championships. This event is open to men's and women's teams made up of league-playing members from the same club (although not required to be on the same team at the club). The Midland Curling Club is hosting this season from January 14–16.

The winning teams are recognized as the regional champions and qualify to play at USA Curling Club Nationals. The national event location and date are still to be determined.

**The deadline to register is December 9th** and registration is handled through USA Curling at the link below:

<https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=769668>

## Meat & Greet In-Club Bonspiel

A fun way to kick off the season and have newer curlers and more seasoned players meet, get tips, and make new friends. Sign up as individuals. Teams and positions will be assigned. As of this issue, 10 spots are still available!

Saturday December 4, 2021 from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. \$20.00 each includes curling and lunch, or \$10 for just lunch.

Two separate draws, each with two six-end games. Draw times will be assigned, but please pick your preferred start time. Meat prizes!

## 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](mailto:sinners@detroitcurlingclub.com)**

### Schedule of Events 2021-2022:

December 12, 2021 9AM Sinner's Breakfast, Men's Event - to coincide with Men's International Playdowns

January 1, 2022 - Toast to the Club

January 16, 2022 - Men's Sinners Event (Curling Event)

January 30, 2022 - Robbie Burns Event (Curling Event)

February 13, 2022 - Sweetheart Sinners (Curling Event)

March 18, 19, 20, 2022 - KW Exchange, Canadian Side

April 3, 2022 - Men's Sinners Event (Curling Event)

## Adaptive Curling!

The DCC is hosting an Adaptive Curling Clinic for all players on December 5<sup>th</sup>. [Click here](#) for volunteer opportunities, currently still looking for about five more helpers!

Contact Maryanne Wessels or Jeffrey Peplinski with any Adaptive Curling questions or need more information at [dcc.adaptive.curling@gmail.com](mailto:dcc.adaptive.curling@gmail.com).

A red poster for an Adaptive Curling Clinic. At the top left is the Detroit Curling Club logo, which is a circular emblem with 'DETROIT' and '1885' and 'CURLING CLUB' around a central shield. To the right of the logo, the title 'Adaptive Curling Clinic' is written in large white letters. Below the title, the date 'December 5, 2021' and time '11:00 am - 2:00 pm' are listed in white. A photograph shows a person in a wheelchair using a red-handled curling broom to push a blue curling stone on an ice rink. A red banner at the bottom of the photo reads 'CURLING IS FUN FOR EVERYONE!'. Below the photo, white text states: 'The Detroit Curling Club would like to invite wheelchair users and individuals with mobility impairments to give curling a try!'. Further down, it says: 'Instruction will be conducted by former team USA Wheelchair Curling Development team member Jeff Snover and DCC volunteers.' A QR code is located in the bottom left corner, with the text 'SCAN TO REGISTER' below it. To the right of the QR code, the URL 'https://bit.ly/dcc-adaptive-curling' is provided. At the bottom right, contact information is listed: 'For more information contact: dcc.adaptive.curling@gmail.com' and '1615 E Lewiston Ave. Ferndale, MI 48220'.

## Pro Shop News

The Pro Shop will return to its pre-Covid protocol for purchasing items. Please take your item up to the bar and see a bartender to either invoice or cash out your items. If something is out of stock, please use the half sheet that was used for last season to write down the items you would like ordered. John Danckaert or Diana Jankowski will contact you when your order arrives.

**Gently Used Equipment** – We have several men's and women's curling shoes available in several sizes and both right-handed and left-handed styles. We have at least one used carbon fiber brush available along with a few delivery sticks. Ladies, stop in and check out an official ladies' kilt, available for only \$10. New curlers can snap up some very good equipment for very little money. Take advantage of the generosity of your fellow members today.

**Gripper Sale Returns** – The Pro Shop is bringing back its \$2 off gripper sale *until December 5<sup>th</sup>*. Now is a great time to get some fresh rubber on your shoes and keep our ice fresh and clean!

**Fresh Broomheads** – Speaking of keeping the ice fresh and clean...when was the last time you replaced your broomhead? Even you skips will be allowed to sweep again past the tee-line this season. The Pro Shop has a variety of replacement broomheads and Hardline covers. So hurry hard to the Pro Shop to get your curling season sweeping off to a great start.

# Rockettes Corner

**New T-Shirt Design:** The new T-Shirt design is now available (both t-shirts and hoodies) in the Pro Shop and can be purchased at the bar. Thanks to Maryanne Wessels for another great design!



## **Ladies League Mondays at 6:30 PM**

The Monday night women's league is a combination social/competitive league that is perfect for curlers at all levels of the game. Games are played in a traditional 4-person per team format over 8 ends, time allowing. Players may put in their own teams or sign up as individuals. Skips will draft balanced teams out of the individual player pool. The Ladies League has spring and fall seasons, with occasional fun days, development days, and themes, such as the All-American, a local/national event sponsored by the USWCA. Perfect for new curlers and champions alike, women's league creates a fun, laid-back way to grow your game and compete more confidently as a team and as a player. Please contact [rockettes@detroitcurlingclub.com](mailto:rockettes@detroitcurlingclub.com) with any questions.

**Save the Date:** 2022 Detroit Curling Club Ladies International “Light the Torch” Spiel! February 5–6, 2022

## **USWCA Bonspiels:**

The USWCA National Bonspiel will be held in Utica, NY from February 23–27, 2022. The Detroit Curling Club hosted a playdown on 11/22 to determine team priority to the bonspiel. Congratulations to Team Turbow: Melissa Turbow, Diana Jankowski, Stephanie Whitmore and Jenny Levy. Thank you to Julie Benson for organizing and running the playdown.

Also, the USWCA is hosting a 5 and under Open bonspiel which will be held at the Bowling Green CC January 14–16, 2022 and a 5 and under Women's bonspiel at the Waltham CC February 4–6, 2022. Visit the USWCA website for more information or contact Dawn Brauning. Eligibility for all USWCA bonspiels will be determined by the status of curlers in the 2019–20 season.

The USWCA Circuit Event is designed to increase participation in women's bonspiels and increase the competitiveness of women curlers not currently participating in National Playdowns. Individual curlers register online through the USWCA website. The fee for a season is \$30. Curlers must have at least two (2) members of the Circuit on their team to accumulate points. The DCC Ladies International Bonspiel is a USWCA Circuit event.

**Grass Roots Curling Support:** The USWCA has a Gifts and Grants Fund to “promote women's and junior curling at a grassroots level by providing funding for special projects and programs”. The Fund must be used by USWCA female members in good standing and junior curlers affiliated with a USWCA member club. If you are interested in learning more or applying for a grant, visit the ABOUT page on the USWCA website under the Gifts and Grants section.

**2021 now 2022 Incoming Scot Tour Update:** Due to the ongoing global pandemic, the incoming Scot Tour has been postponed again to the Fall of 2022. The DCC will still host the Scot Tour on November 3, 2022 in the afternoon. More details to follow as we near that date. Volunteers are still needed to help plan—if interested please contact Maryanne Wessels.

**USWCA Curling Bonspiels:** Mayfield Curling Club will be hosting a 2-Day Ladies' Bonspiel. See the Bonspiel Board for more details.



## The Bonspiel Board

You asked for them so here they are! Here are postings for bonspiels around the GLCA and beyond. Grab your team or form a new one with people whom you haven't curled with before and go travel to a bonspiel!

*North Dakota's Oldest Curling Club*

*7th Annual Catfish Capital*

**OPEN BONKSPIEL**

**FRIDAY-SUNDAY  
DECEMBER 10, 11 & 12 2021**

**3 GAME GUARANTEE**

**Entry Fee: \$300/Team**  
**Guaranteed 1st Event Payout: \$1000 + Entry Fee**  
**to 2022 Bonspiel**

**\$45,000**  
Your choice of dealership

**DRAYTON**  
CURLING CLUB

**No. 001**

The DCC is selling raffle tickets for a BRAND NEW vehicle! Your choice of dealership (Value \$45,000).  
Drawing will be held JULY 23RD!

Contact:  
Tom Gradzieski  
P. 701.360.1693  
E: jdfarmer64@hotmail.com  
Location: 105 1/2 Almeron  
Ave. Drayton, ND 58225

**Motel**

**AmericInn**

**Drayton Curling Club** in North Dakota is hosting a 3-game guarantee *Open* bonspiel December 10–12, 2021. Entry fee is \$300 and 1<sup>st</sup> event payout is guaranteed to be \$1000 with entry fee covered for the following year's bonspiel. To sign your team up for the 2021 Bonspiel, please contact Tom Grzadzieleski at (701) 360-1693.

**Lakes Curling Club** in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota is hosting a *Doubles* bonspiel on December 10–12, 2021. Registration is \$120/per team with cash prizes. See flyer for more details to register today!



# 2021

## Second Annual Sunlite Doubles Bonspiel!

Lakes Curling Club - Detroit Lakes, MN  
"Come join the party!"

### Friday, Saturday, Sunday December 10-12 2021

Bonspiel will follow World Curling Federation doubles rules. Bonspiel will be open to all entrants (2 genders not required.)



LAKES CURLING CLUB  
DETROIT LAKES, MN





### INFORMATION



- \$120(U.S.) Per team.
- Free refreshments all weekend!
- Free \$10 Meal ticket for each player.
- Cash prizes for each event.
- Champions entry will be paid at next year's bonspiel.



### REGISTRATION



To register, contact:  
Mark Gulseth

218-849-8762  
markgulseth@yahoo.com

Or apply online at  
[www.lakescurling.com](http://www.lakescurling.com)

Bismarck Capital Curling Club

# 2021 ROUGH RIDER BONSPIEL

Friday-Sunday  
December 10-12, 2021



28 TEAM MAXIMUM - \$280/TEAM  
**\$1000 PAYOUT TO A EVENT CHAMPS**  
3-GAME GUARANTEE  
OPEN FORMAT (ANY GENDER OR EXPERIENCE)  
"CURLERS MUST BE 21 OR OLDER"

## COMPLIMENTARY BEER & FOOD PROVIDED ALL WEEKEND!

Beer courtesy of the Muddy River Mashers Home Brew Club.



**CAPITAL CURLING CLUB**  
BISMARCK, ND USA

Contact Us: Capital Curling Club c/o VFW Sports Complex  
1200 N Washington St Bismarck, ND 58501  
(701) 425-8870  
information@capitalcurlingclub.org

This event will fill up fast! If you have any questions please contact Ryan Lagasse at  
[rylagasse@gmail.com](mailto:rylagasse@gmail.com) or visit [www.capitalcurlingclub.org](http://www.capitalcurlingclub.org)



### REGISTER TODAY!

[www.capitalcurlingclub.org/roughrider-bonspiel.html](http://www.capitalcurlingclub.org/roughrider-bonspiel.html)

**The Bismarck Capital Curling Club** in Bismarck, North Dakota is hosting an *Open* Bonspiel on December 10–12, 2021. Cost is \$280 per team, 3-game guarantee, and \$1000 to A Event Champs. Teams max out at 28.

All Meals provided & All Beverages provided – Beer courtesy of the Muddy River Mashers Home Brew Club.

**\*CURLERS MUST BE 21 or OLDER\***

If you have any questions on the Roughrider Bonspiel, please contact Ryan Lagasse at [rylagasse@gmail.com](mailto:rylagasse@gmail.com) or visit [www.capitalcurlingclub.org](http://www.capitalcurlingclub.org).



FM CURLING CLUB - 4300 23RD AVE S., FARGO ND

## FRANK PODOLL BONSPIEL



Bantam Bonspiel - \$120 Per Team Entry Fee

**JANUARY 7-9TH, 2022**

**U10 - U14 - U18**

REGISTER AT [FMCURLING.ORG](http://FMCURLING.ORG)

\*\*Event Includes Dinner on Friday Night and Saturday Lunch for all participants.

HOTEL INFORMATION:  
Americaton is the Official Hotel for the Fargo-Moorhead Curling Club located at 4325  
- 23rd Avenue SW, Fargo, ND - Directly across the street from the curling club.  
Reserve your Room online using the Promo Code: FMCURLING (only valid during  
curling events)  
Rates starting at \$89.99/night - Call and ask for Details -  
Phone: (701) 635-3888

The **FM Curling Club** in Fargo, ND is hosting a *U14* and *U18* bonspiel January 7-9, 2022. Registration deadline is January 3<sup>rd</sup> with a 24-team maximum. More details can be found in the poster or on the FM Curling [website](http://FMCURLING.ORG).

Be part of the 1<sup>st</sup> **Cincinnati Mixed Doubles Cup** in Cincinnati, OH on January 7-9, 2022. Registration is open until December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. 3-game guarantee, cash prizes (\$900 for 1<sup>st</sup> place), and is a World Curling Tour sanctioned event! Masks are required while playing and moving around the warm room but not required for eating/drinking and properly social distanced. Proof of vaccination *or* negative covid test within 72 hours required before entering the curling facility. Find more details to sign up [here](http://here).



**Belfast Curling Club**

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**Women's Pine Tree**

**Bonspiel**

**January 14-16, 2022**

**3 Games Guaranteed • Timed • 8 ends**

**First Draw Friday • A B C D Finals Sunday Morning**

Rink Fee \$400 US [\$490 CAN]  
Includes Meals and Postgame Snacks  
Saturday Banquet with Costumes and Raffle  
Team Welcome Bags

**Registration Opens October 1, 2021**  
Registration forms will be available on BCC website at that time.

For sign up information, accommodation suggestions, rates, directions, and any other questions, contact: Donna Fancy / [difancy33@gmail.com](mailto:difancy33@gmail.com) / cell 207 323 8595  
or: Ann Kirkpatrick / [ack1062@yahoo.com](mailto:ack1062@yahoo.com) / cell 207 322 9123

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**Belfast Curling Club** is hosting their Pine Tree Bonspiel January 14-16, 2022. Format is *Women's*, 8-end games, 3-game guarantee and is an USWCA Circuit Event. Registration opens October 1<sup>st</sup>. See flyer to the left for more details.





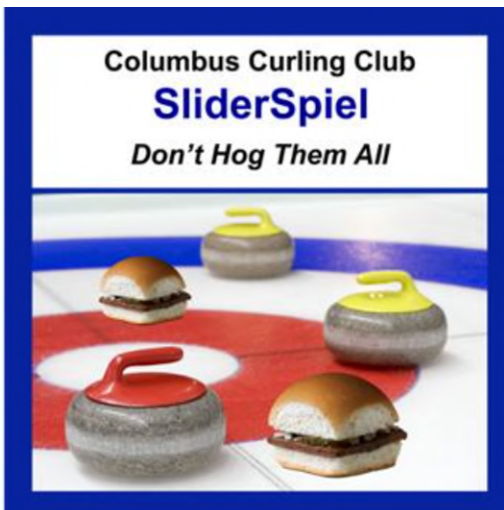
The **St. Louis Curling Club** is hosting their *Open Winter Classic* Bonspiel at the **Waltham Curling Club** January 17–19, 2022. Registration and more details to come in a few weeks on the Waltham Curling Club's website [here](#)

The **Madison Curling Club** is hosting their 3rd Annual *Frozen Five and Under* Bonspiel at the Madison Curling Club. You won't want to miss out on this event! 5 & under spiels are perfect for new curlers! This is an *open* spiel and all eligible teams are welcome! Open format – any gender combination allowed. Register online here: <https://bit.ly/3v95NYf>

- 3 GAME GUARANTEE, 40 teams
- 4 events, with pins!
- Saturday night entertainment
- Meals and beverages provided all weekend:
  - Friday: Dinner
  - Saturday: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
  - Sunday: Breakfast, Lunch
  - Beer & Soda included



**JANUARY 21 – 23, 2022**



**Columbus Curling Club** - We're not sure there is anything better than small, square shaped hamburgers with or without cheese and onions and pickles—but if there's one thing that is: it's combining those sliders with curling!

Play will begin on Friday March 18, 2022 and conclude with finals on Sunday afternoon (March 20, 2022). Meals will be provided Friday (dinner, maybe lunch), Saturday (breakfast, lunch, and dinner), and breakfast on Sunday. And you can bet your bottom dollar that we'll be dining on the finest tiny hamburgers Columbus has to offer on Friday night! (Yes it'll be earlier than midnight. Exact time TBD.) (No, there will be absolutely no lucky coins. We learned our lesson.) Entry cost: \$400/team. Registration

can be found [here](#).

The **Windy City Curling Club** is hosting an *Open* bonspiel February 4–6, 2022. For more details and registration, click [here](#).







## Angus MacTavish is in the House

Before the days of eBay and Craigslist, the best place to advertise something was in the Classified Ads of the newspaper. Here are few we found in The Detroit Free Press:

1863

**CURLERS' MEETING.**—A regular meeting of the Detroit Curling Club will be held at the office of William Barclay, this (Friday) evening, December 11th, 1863, at 7 o'clock. All curlers are invited to attend and join the club.

A. YOUNG, Secretary.

1893

There will be a band at the Detroit Skating and Curling Club's rink this evening. Curlers are anticipating a very successful season.

McGraw the well known wool

1896

**TO RENT.**—Detroit skating and curling rink, Forest ave., between Sixth and Seventh sts., for bicycle riding school. Apply R. WILLIAMSON, Free Press Printing Co., corner Larned and Shelby st.

1869

### CURLING BALL.

**The Thistle Curling Club**

Will give their first Annual Ball

AT MERRILL HALL,

Wednesday Evening, March 31st, 1869.  
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1913

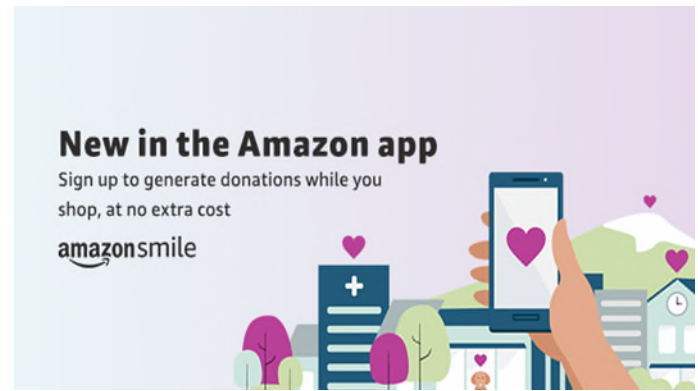
### FOURTEEN PLANTS NOW

The home of the Detroit Curling Club has been secured by The Studebaker Corporation and is now Plant 14 in the Studebaker system.

1892

There will be a hockey match at the Detroit Skating and Curling Rink to-night.

*Want to help make a difference while you shop in the Amazon app, at no extra cost to you? Simply follow the instructions below to select “Detroit Curling Club” as your charity and activate AmazonSmile in the app. They’ll donate a portion of your eligible mobile app purchases to us.*



*How it works:*

- 1. Open the Amazon app on your phone*
- 2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on “AmazonSmile” within Programs & Features*
- 3. Select “Detroit Curling Club” as your charity*
- 4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app*

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