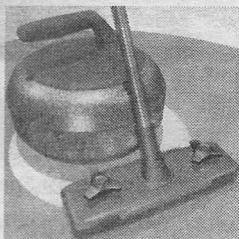


'Hurrying hard' for a new season

The volunteers at Middleton Curling Club are "hurrying hard" to get the club ready for another season. Ice-makers are spending long hours prepping the floor and doing the many repeated floods necessary to get the ice surface prepared even though the temperature outside is in the double digits and some of them go golfing when they are finished.



Club and community members are invited to a Registration Night social get-together on Friday, Oct. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m., when curlers and interested friends and neighbours can come and try the ice, hand in

Throwing Rocks

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registrations, and have a drink with members. For those who would like to see what curling is like, there will be club members available to do a little coaching on the ice; experienced curlers can do some warming up. Are you curious to see if curling is a good fit for you? Come along to have a "test-drive."

Opening weekends always involve a Big Breakfast and this year is no exception. The club is well-known for its hot and hearty fare, and the first this year will be held as advertised on Saturday, Oct. 27. Once again the ice will be available for coaching, warming up, and board members will be on hand to take registrations and answer questions. Even those who will not be curling can enjoy the convivial atmosphere of a breakfast among friends and neighbours.

The Middleton Curling Club offers a wide range of leagues in an endeavour to serve our varied levels of curlers better. New to the weekly roster of curling options is the Tuesday night "Western Draw," which will be open to curlers of all skill levels including beginners. The composition of teams will be balanced with new and experienced curlers, and the teams will be changed periodically so that members have the opportunity to curl with various other people in a relaxed atmosphere.

The club also offers evening Open and Mixed leagues, and Seniors afternoon curling. Little Rocks (for ages 7 years through to 12 years) will continue on Tuesday afternoons after school using regulation "light rocks." This league will be followed on Tuesdays by Juniors, ages 13 through to 18, who use regulation adult rocks.

Middleton Curling Club will continue to host a combination of curling and social events as in past years. As always the community is invited to share in our activities, which can be followed online at www.middletoncurlingclub.com or by watching this space each week. Club facilities are also available to rent and contact information is on the website. Hope to see you there this year!