

# **2020 November Newsletter**

#### Thank You.

We would like to thank all of our members for your patience and understanding during these trying times in dealing with COVID-19 and the restrictions placed upon our club. You have all demonstrated your willingness to cooperate with the protocols set forth so that we can enjoy the sport of curling. Unfortunately the Provincial Government has announced earlier this week further restrictions for another 3 weeks ending December 15, 2020. That would leave only 1 week before the Christmas break so we have decided to close until January 11, 2021 to align with the other clubs in the Edmonton area. We will be looking at extending the season into April 2021 to get as many games as possible completed on the schedule. Curling Alberta, on behalf of all the clubs in Alberta, will be applying to the government for an exemption for our sport however this may take some time. We will keep you advised of any changes as they occur.

# **Spruce Grove Curling Club Executive Board**

The AGM was held on November 11, 2020 and we thank everyone that attended. We are still looking for individuals to join the executive board to bring in some fresh ideas for the future operations of the curling club. The Vice-President position remains unfilled and we would certainly like to fill this role as soon as possible. Anyone interested in joining the executive can contact Gil Boutin, Club Manager, at 780-962-3222 or by email at <a href="mailto:sprucegrovecurlingclub@shaw.ca">sprucegrovecurlingclub@shaw.ca</a>.

### 2 Person Stick League

We are looking at starting a 2 person stick league in January 2021. We have been approached by a few members regarding this. Ed Wilson has volunteered to take the lead on developing this league. He is a member of our Senior Drop In league and curls in a 2 person stick league at St. Albert. We would like to get an idea of how many curlers would be interested in joining this league so please contact Gil Boutin, Club Manager, at 780-962-3222 or by email at <a href="mailto:sprucegrovecurlingclub@shaw.ca">sprucegrovecurlingclub@shaw.ca</a> if you are interested. We think this would be a great addition to our club.

#### Amended COVID-19 Protocols

The protocols have been amended as a result of the AGM meeting and approval of the board. These are attached to this email for your review. Please read the amended protocols so that you fully understand the procedures when we return to play. These are very important and need to be followed if we are to be allowed to continue to play this season.

# **Upcoming Bonspiels**

Junior Bonspiel November 21, 2020 Unfortunately we had to cancel this bonspiel due to

the shutdown.

Ladies Bonspiel January 15 – 17, 2021

Open Bonspiel Feburuary 19 – 21, 2021

Home Hardware Men's Bonspiel March 12 – 14, 2021

# **Club Manager**

The Club Manager, Gil Boutin, will be in the office periodically during the shutdown time to keep up to date on any issues as they occur. Messages will be sent out to the members accordingly.

We wish you all a safe holiday season and look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year.