



August 2024

## From The Presidents Desk

Exciting news. We got approved for a grant for the shed. Keith received the call from Yakabuski giving him the great news. Thank you, Keith, for looking after this.

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer. It has been a hot one. Curling season is fast approaching and the Board of Directors are busy planning the season. The website is up and running and you can register for the leagues you plan to curl in.

It will be nice to see some familiar faces and certainly welcome any new ones to our fun sport of Curling. Meanwhile enjoy the rest of your summer and stay cool. See you all soon.

Yours in Curling!!!

Gert Brydges

## Introducing Our Board of Directors

A new season and we welcome some fresh new faces on the Board. The club has said farewell to Cliff Valeau and Peter Crate as they move away from our community. We wish them good journeys as they enter this new phase in their life. Laurie Millar has retired from the Board but is still very active in the club serving on our Marketing Committee.

Joining the Board we welcome Tyler Ferris who is taking over as Finance Director and Roy Vasey as Bonspiel Director. These people work hard throughout the year to build the best club possible for our members. Please answer the call when they ask for help. And if you have and suggestions on how we can make our club better don't hesitate to contact them.

President: Gertrude Brydges	Past President: Tammy Wall	Vice President: Keith Moss	Secretary: Margaret Dawson
Finance: Tyler Ferris	Match: Nancy Saumure	House: Bernie Leclair	Bar: Brian Yolkowski
Bonspiels: Roy Vasey	Kitchen: Vacant		

## Meet Our New Marketing Team

Its with great pleasure we welcome new members to the Marketing Committee! And just in time as we gear up to celebrate the club's anniversary. Mykayla Ried, a new member last year has joined us bringing her extensive experience in Marketing. Our student grant recipient, Emily Saumure has been beating the streets of Renfrew this summer selling sponsorships and manning information booths. Emily is also a marketing student. Laurie Miller, Nancy Saumure Marg Dawson and Barb Westgarth round out the committee and are grateful for the insights and fresh ideas these gals bring.

The team has already met and made changes to our public appearance with a sleek new look in brochures and online presence.



## Day Ladies Golf Days

The Day Ladies curling, comprised of Renfrew and Calabogie Golf club members exchanged a day of golf. Calabogie ladies hosted the Renfrew in early July and Renfrew ladies returned the favor, hosting the Calabogie at the end of July. Fun was had by all. ....Hmmm me thinks we are going to have to turn this into a friendly competition next year.





## Garage Sale Success Story

The ladies raised \$1218.50 at the annual Garage Sale which will help the club and several local charities while providing members with an opportunity to declutter in an environmentally friendly manner. Additionally, the club promoted our facilities.

A huge thank Nancy Saumure and all who volunteered to make the garage sale a success! It was a lot of work, but it was shared out between 22 volunteers!!



## The Lobby Gets a New Look

As you come into the club this season there is no doubt the lobby and cloak room will be brighter, more welcoming, and look cleaner. A big thank you goes out to Russ and Nancy Connors for donating their efforts by coating the walls with a coat of fresh white paint.

## Shed Grant Approved

The Board is pleased to announce that Renfrew Curling Club has been awarded a grant of \$67,900 from the Ontario Trillium Fund (OTF), to build an addition to the club to house the equipment and services of the Ice Techs. The new facility will result in safer working conditions for all our volunteers and help improve overall efficiency.

It is planned that this project will start in the Fall of this year under the supervision of Matt St Louis. A huge thank you to Matt for all the work that he's has done in planning this job and offering to step up and supervise its construction.

## Constitution Amended at the AGM

It became necessary to make some amendments to the club's constitution to accommodate retirees, attrition and individuals moving away. Basically, when a Vice President of the Board leaves before their tenure is up, they will be replaced by a current member of the Board. For a full understanding of the Constitution, it can be found at

<https://renfrewcurling.ca/customPage.php/governance-history-mission-constitution>.

## Volunteering: The Heart of Our Club

Volunteering is easy at Renfrew Curling Club and makes a huge impact on the club's health. It can also be personally satisfying when you achieve something that affects our members and community positively. While there are many ways to volunteer, the club is looking for some specific leadership positions:

- Drawmaster for Monday Night league
- Learn to Curl and Junior curling helpers
- Sweep & Putt Bonspiel convenor,
- Community 'Spiel convenor
- Kitchen Director

Please contact Marg Dawson, Nancy Saumure, Roy Vasey or Gert Brydges respectively if you are able to help in any of these areas.

Help us make a difference; for you, our club and our community.

**2024-25 REGISTRATION,  
OPEN HOUSE & BBQ**  
**Sunday Sept. 15, 2:00 – 5:00 PM**

- Meet and greet members
- Register
- Bar is open

Everyone is welcome!  
For more info visit our web site at  
[www.renfrewcurling.ca](http://www.renfrewcurling.ca)

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Sunday September 22

**You're Invited**  
To Renfrew Curling Rink's  
**High Tea Ladies Bonspiel**  
Saturday, November 9, 10 am to 4 pm  
\$45 per person (\$5.18 HST included)  
Includes  
Light Breakfast,  
High Tea Luncheon &  
1 Free Mimosa  
Two 6-end games in a just-for-fun format  
Contact Janice Barbour Moss  
613-752-1006

Just once I'd like to read  
a medication label that says:  
**Warning!** may cause  
permanent  
weight loss,  
increased  
energy  
and  
wrinkle  
removal.

## And Now for Something Completely Different

Given that we are all watching the Olympics, it seemed appropriate to have something on the Olympics. Let the groans begin!

What is the Definition of Olympiads: Commercials shown during the Summer and Winter Games.

Sorry folks, best I could do in this space.