

SUMMERLAND CURLING CLUB
Annual General Meeting – October 5, 2025
CURLING CLUB LOUNGE

Attendees: Roxanne Eyben, Susan Talkkari, Armand Houle, Mike Brandson, Tammy Brennan, Ken Morrell, Heather Stuckey, Bob Pounder, Dave Gartrell, Gary Farnsworth, Judy Blais, Dave Miller, Frances Colussi, Les Brough, Sue McDiarmid, Ken Robertson, Steve Favel, Jim Hunt, Rosemarie Fenrich, Bob Brown, Jill Kelland, Jan Voss, Dan Richardson, Elaine Miller, Ken Rae, Sheena Gross, Lindy Dansereau, John Gregg, John Dorn, Paul Evans, Rick Gasior,

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 and chaired by Armand Houle.
Quorum was reached with 31 members present.

2. Introduction of Late Items

No late items.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved & Seconded:

That the October 5, 2025 Agenda of the SCC AGM be adopted.

Carried

4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved & Seconded:

That the October 6, 2024, Minutes of the SCC AGM be adopted.

Carried

5. President's Report

I am completing my first year as President of the Summerland Curling Club. Things went relatively smoothly if you don't count the leaking roof. Unfortunately, our ice maker Dean has told me we have another leak in the roof. Hopefully it will be looked after by the district quickly.

Thanks to all the volunteers who make this club work. There are too many for me to start naming people but you know who you are. You are the people who gave of your time for extra activities here at the Summerland Curling Club. Thank You!

Even as I say I won't name people to say thanks to there is one person I will single out for a special word of thanks and that is our treasurer Roxanne Eyben. It is a big job and we are fortunate to have someone as dedicated as Roxie in this important position.

As we head into the new season, I believe we are off on the right foot as we come out of a busy September doing info booths, using social media and word of mouth to spread the word about the great game of curling and inviting people to become part of the Summerland Curling Community.

Happy to report that our Ice Maker Dean Jones is back for another season. Last year Dean took a Refrigeration Safety Course which means that we are no longer dependent on there being hockey arena staff being on site. This means we will be able to curl when the Hockey rink is closed. Which means we will be starting our season on Monday Oct. 13. This will also allow us to maximize the number of games each league will get to play.

Our Bar Managers Ken Rae and Lisa West and the cohort of bartenders are back. Speaking of bartenders – who are usually the last people out on a curling night the District is in the process of changing the locks on the exterior doors. So, we will be distributing new keys to the outside doors but please hold on to the other keys for inside doors as they will remain in place.

The executive undertook to write down policies regarding refunds and sparing. There was nothing written down so a lot was left to the discretion of the treasurer and president. With regards to sparing, we have an issue with some curlers only paying their initial \$50.00 fee and then sparing all season without paying more spare fees. We hope that this will help us monitor the spare only situation more closely.

The Executive is thinking about undertaking a Strategic Planning Process to help plan for the future. We are in the early stages of the conversation.

As we start your curling season there are some new things you will notice. You will see some new in ice advertising thanks to the work of Graham Lyle. You will see new faces – be sure to make them welcome and help them out. You will see lots of new equipment because of our new equipment ordering initiative. Thanks to Roxie Eyben, Lisa West, Sheen Gross and Dawn Evans for staffing the ordering and registration table

Thanks to Sheena for handling the ordering and dealing with the suppliers. Some of you will see new league coordinators as we say thanks to the outgoing coordinators and welcome to the new ones.

So welcome to the 2025/2026 season!

Good Curling!

6. Treasurer's Report

The 2024-2025 Financials were reviewed by our accountant, Grant Thornton and required tax documents were submitted to the Canada Revenue Agency.

We have 2 term deposits that will be renewed for a 1 year term as agreed to by the executive.

The leagues signup has increased by 16. We have also added 32 new members to the club.

The Summerland Curling Club fees will be less this year from \$28 to \$23 to offset the increase to the Curl Canada fee. The league fees remain the same for the 4th year in a row with the exception of the Sunday fun league which increased as they will now be curling 12 games instead of 10.

Office Expenses increased to cover the cost of a new laptop needed to upgrade to windows 11 and improve speed efficiency. This increase will also cover cost for our new Advertisers signs.

Thank you to the Senior Men's League for the \$1000 donation earmarked for the new lounge countertops.

Members are encouraged to pay fees by e-transfer as the Square system used in the bar does take a processing fee.

The year ended with a profit of \$13,110.27. Current Account Balance including term deposits at October 5, 2025 is \$92,468.41.

Adoption of the 2025 Financial Statement and the Proposed Budget for 2025-2026

Moved and Seconded:

That the SCC 2025 Financial Statement be adopted as presented.

Carried

7. Member recruitment Committee report

This year's members are Don Lawrence, Armand Houle, Ken Morrell and Heather Stuckey.

There are 2 Burger and Beer events planned October 18, 2025 and February 21, 2025. We encourage our club members to help sponsor these events by volunteering.

The Fall Fair and Sunday Markets were attended and well received by the community. The Kelowna curling club loaned us their street curling mat to demonstrate and allow the public to try.

An open house was held at the curling club with hotdogs. We are looking to expand on this by adding additional events. Thank you to Rosemarie Fenrich for taking care of the hotdogs and Dave Gartrell for supplying the apples.

A thank you to all the members who volunteered their time to promote the club at these events.

8. League reports.

The Sunday fun league games were increased to 12 from 10.

The stick league will be trying a new format of play to Christmas as they have redesigned the teams for 2 to 3 members.

The Wednesday night men's team is looking for 1 more player.

The senior men's team is looking for 3 more players.

9. The 2025-2026 Budget.

Moved and Seconded:

That the budget for 2025-2026 be adopted as presented.

Carried

10. Officer Positions for 2025-2026 Season:

Thank you to the following League reps who are leaving the Executive:

Jerry McKenna, Dolores McKenna, Mike Brandson, Ron Freeman, Susan Talkkari and Ellen Clay.

The following nominated league reps are elected to the Executive as directors:

Monday Mixed – Joann Booth and Sue McDiarmid

Monday Men's – Armand Houle (President)

Tuesday/Thursday Senior Men's – Eric Johnson

Tuesday Women's – Lisa West (vice president) and Jeannie Rigoni

Wednesday Stick – John Gregg

Wednesday Junior Program – Dave Gartrell

Thursday Open – Glen Brennan

Friday Women's – Dawn Evans

Friday Social League- Bob Pounder

Sunday Fun League – Sheena Gross

11. Officer Positions for 2025- 2026

President – Armand Houle, Vice President - Lisa West, Treasurer – Roxanne Eyben, Secretary – Don Lawrence (new)

Thank you to Susan Talkkari our past Secretary.

Moved and Seconded:

That 2 positions have been filled by club members, Roxanne Eyben as Treasurer and Don Lawrence as Secretary.

Carried

12. New Business

a) Volunteer Sign up sheets

Burger and Beer
Learn to Curl

b) Social Media

Armand Houle and Beth Haggerty have been posting on various sites. Castanet and Facebook included.

c) Curling Canada Waivers – To league reps please ensure your new members sign a completed a waiver before going on the ice.

9. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:42.