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WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS TO THE 2016-17 CURLING SEASON!

We are approaching the start of the 2016-17 curling season and hopefully everyone had a great summer with family and friends. I enjoyed meeting fellow curlers at our golf days this summer and hope to see many folks at the Swing and Sweep on October 15th. Pickleball, Shuffleboard and exercise programs continued all summer and members can look forward to another exciting Murder Mystery Dinner/Theatre on September 17th so mark your calendars!

Last year the Board set some ambitious goals for the club to address declining membership and rising expenses. With the help of many members of the club, we were able to increase revenue by welcoming 53 new members, by hosting the Gore Provincial Boys and Girls event, the 50th Anniversary banquet and other fundraising and cost cutting activities. As a result of this tremendous effort from our members, our club is strong again and the Board was very pleased to take the decision not to raise fees this year.

There is still work ahead and your new Board of Directors will continue to work hard to provide the best curling experience for our club members. We hope that everyone can help to keep the momentum going by promoting our club, encouraging new members to join and by becoming engaged in all aspects of the club. Together we can make sure the club remains one of the best in the area.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who worked on committees, bonspiels, fundraising events and promotion. I'd also like to thank Les Martin, our icemaker who not only makes great ice, but contributes to our club in so many ways. I look forward to working with new and continuing members and enjoying time, both on and off the ice this coming year.

Keith McConnell, President

REGISTRATION DATES AT THE CLUB: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 1-4 pm and 6-8 pm
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12th, 4-9 pm

ROCK THE HOUSE (OPEN HOUSE): SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 1-4 PM LEAGUES START OCTOBER 17TH

Please find attached information and registration forms that you may print and mail or submit to the club in person.

Last year the Membership Committee and many members made a special effort to recruit new members to the club. This resulted in 53 new members joining us or a 33% increase to our total membership, from 123 in 2014-15 to 164 in 2015-16. These numbers include 22 new junior members. Led by Paul Scott and his volunteers, the re-emergence of the junior program was a great success with a fun bonspiel to end the season. We plan to recruit more juniors next year and have an earlier start date.

However we must continue our recruitment efforts. More members are needed in both ladies' leagues (Wednesday morning and Thursday evenings), the Monday evening Men's league as well as others. To this end, we are continuing to offer our financial incentive program for current members who recruit new members. Committee members have attended two trade shows and we are focusing our efforts on the Madoc area to capture more members from that catchment area. Please consider joining our Committee. We always need new ideas!

If you have any questions, please call or email the club or carolynlj@hotmail.com or call Carolyn at 613-661-6198.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON THE ICE!

Carolyn Johnston, Membership Committee Chair

LOLCC 2016-17 LEAGUE DESCRIPTIONS

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 1 pm Tag Draw League: Convenor George Scott 613-478-1443

- This is an individual entry, social format
- Each member is given a tag with their name on it. They may place their tag in either the Lead/Second, or Skip/Third "hat". Teams are made up from members present each day
- This league is excellent for seniors, beginning curlers, and those who can't commit to a regular schedule

Monday Evening 7:00 pm Men's Draft League: Convenor: TBA

- Competitive curling made up of men. Entry by individual or team.

Tuesday 1 pm Mixed League (Teams must contain men & women, preferably 2 of each per team): Convenor: Chuck Hermer cmhermer@bell.net

- This is an individual entry, social format
- Teams are made up by convenor at start of season, then shuffled every round robin. The shuffling is done by a numerical (no choice) system
- This league is excellent for good curling, and mixing socially with other members

Tuesday 7:30 pm Open League (Teams may contain men & women in any combination): Convenor: Brett Reavie reavieb@hotmail.com

- This is a team entry, competitive format where the teams remain together for the full season
- Members may enter individually-they will be placed, if possible, into an existing team
- While deemed competitive, this league is not restricted to high skill level members only
- This league is good for those who want a somewhat higher level of competitive curling

Wednesday 10 am Ladies League: Convenor: Nancy Borden nancyborden74@gmail.co

- This is an individual entry, social format. Team structure/play will be determined at the start of the season.
- This league is excellent for all levels of experience and age.

Wednesday 7:30 pm Doubles League (Teams may contain men & women in any combination): Convenor TBA

- This is an individual or team entry
- A team is composed of two players and games are scheduled for eight ends. Scoring is the same as regular curling
- For further information about this exciting new format, [check out the following video](#)

Thursday 1 pm Men's League: Convenor Jim Bacon baconjames0@gmail.com

- While competitive, this league is also deemed "social", as the teams are shuffled every round robin
- The shuffling is done by the Skips selecting players from the "pool" in reverse order to the point totals their team achieved in the previous round.
- This league is excellent for men of all skill levels.

Thursday 7 pm Ladies League: Convenor Louise Hyatt louisehyatt@live.ca

- This is a team entry format where normally the teams remain together for the full season
- Members may enter individually as well, and they will be placed into teams as fairly as possible. New curlers are always welcomed
- This league is meant for ladies who wish to curl at a good level of curling while having fun

Friday 7:30 pm Social League: Convenor TBA

- Drop-In league where the emphasis is on fun curling and good socializing.

LEAGUES WILL BE OFFERED WHERE NUMBERS WARRANT

2016—2017 REGISTRATION FORM

NOTE: Please register as soon as possible so the league convenors can organize their leagues .

Please print all applicable pages of the registration form and mail it along with your payment (and work cheque) to the club or submit it on one of our registration nights. First registration date is Wednesday, September 28th from 1-4 pm and 6-8 pm. Fees must be paid before a member starts curling.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

_____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work/cell: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please check one - Returning from last season Returning from previous years New member

(For members who are returning from previous years: in order to qualify as a new member, you must not have been a member for at least 2 years)

Indicate which leagues you wish to curl and spare in (see enclosed league descriptions):

	LEAGUES	TIME	CATEGORY	✓ Your Choice	✓ Leagues you would spare in
1.	Monday Night Men's League	7:00	1 Draw		
2.	Mon./Wed./Fri Afternoon (Mixed Tag Draw)	1:00	2 Draw		
3.	Tues. Afternoon (Mixed)	1:00	1 Draw		
4.	Tues. Evening (Open) Team Entry- Competitive Provide Skip's name:	7:30	1 Draw		
5.	Wed. Morning (Ladies)	10:00	1 Draw		
6.	Wed. Evening Doubles (Open) Partner's Name if Applicable:	7:30	1 Draw		
7.	Thurs. Afternoon (Men's)	1:00	1 Draw		
8.	Thurs. Evening (Ladies)	7:00	1 Draw		
9.	Friday Evening Social	7:30			

2016-17 Fees

Type of Membership	Returning Members		New Members (\$25 discount)		Your Amount
	Full Year	Half Year (See Note 8)	Full Year	Half Year (See Note 8)	
One Draw	\$292	\$175	\$267	\$160	
Two Draws	\$325	\$195	\$300	\$180	
Unlimited	\$352	\$211	\$327	\$196	
Friday Social	\$132				
Student	\$110				
Junior	\$50				
Social Member	\$40				
Social with OCA	\$53				
Locker	\$15				
Total Fees					
Add HST (13%) +					
Sub Total					
\$50 Debenture (if applicable – see Note 10) +					
Coupon Redeemed for heaters (please attach if applicable) -					
TOTAL*					
Separate \$100 work cheque postdated October 1, 2017					\$100

PAYMENT OPTIONS: There are three payment options for one draw, two draw and unlimited full-year memberships:

- A. One payment for the total fees payable in full at registration.
- B. Two equal payments submitted, one cheque payable at registration and a second cheque dated January 2, 2017.
- C. Five equal payments submitted, one cheque payable at registration and four cheques dated Nov. 1, Dec. 1, Feb. 1, & Mar. 1.
- D. ***Note: If making more than one payment, divide the TOTAL by 2 (2 payments) or 5 (5 payments)**

Example of payments (with HST) for returning members without a locker not paying debenture or redeeming coupons.								
Type of Membership	One payment	Two payments		Five payments				
1 Draw	\$329.96	\$164.98 at Reg.	\$164.98 Jan.2/2017	\$66 at Reg.	\$66 Nov 1	\$66 Dec 1	\$66 Feb1	\$66 Mar1
2 Draw	\$367.25	\$183.62 at Reg.	\$183.63 Jan.2/2017	\$73.45 at Reg.	\$73.45 Nov 1	\$73.45 Dec 1	\$73.45 Feb 1	\$73.45 Mar 1
Unlimited	\$397.76	\$198.88 at Reg.	\$198.88 Jan.2/2017	\$79.55 at Reg.	\$79.55 Nov 1	\$79.55 Dec 1	\$79.55 Feb 1	\$79.55 Mar 1

Half Year and all other types of memberships are payable in full at registration. Please make cheques payable to The Land O' Lakes Curling Club and don't forget your work cheque dated October 1, 2017. Fees must be submitted before members start curling.

Additional Information

1. **ONE DRAW:** Members play one eight end game per week.
2. **TWO DRAW:** Members play two eight end games per week. The MWF league is a two draw league.
3. **UNLIMITED:** Members play in any number of leagues and spare in any league. Unlimited members may also curl in the Friday night Social League.
4. **FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL:** Members can play 10 Fridays during the season, normally every other Friday.
5. **STUDENT:** High school or post-secondary students who curl in one or more adult leagues.
6. **JUNIOR:** Elementary or High School students who curl only in the junior program.
7. **SOCIAL:** For those who have stopped curling but want to enjoy social activities, join committees, and have voting privileges.
8. **HALF YEAR:** Members pay 60% of the regular fee. This membership can be applied to snowbirds that wish to split the year and curl before and after their trip. Half year members are entitled to 11 weeks of curling.
9. **NEW MEMBER DISCOUNT:** New members are offered at \$25 discount on their membership fees or 4 hours deduction in their volunteer work hours required by the club.
10. **DEBENTURE:** In their 2nd year, all members (except Student, Junior, Social & Social League ONLY) are required to purchase a \$50 Club Debenture.
11. **WORK CHEQUES:** All members (except Student, Junior, Social & Social League ONLY) are required to provide a \$100.00 work cheque postdated to **October 1, 2017**. This cheque **MUST** be submitted before a member commences curling. Cheques will be returned after you work 12 hours (8 hours for ½ year members). If you do not wish to work, please make your cheque payable the date you register.
12. **REFUNDS:** Requests for refunds must be made in writing. Withdrawals after: 1st or 2nd month – 50%; 3rd – 40%, 4th – 20%, 5th – 0%.
13. **GUEST CURLERS:** Non-members are permitted to curl in any league for a cost of \$15 per visit, payable to the league convenor.

For Returning Members Only:

Did you personally recruit a new member(s) to the club for 2016-17? If so please list any names below. Incentive rebates (1 new member \$25; 2 - \$75; 3 - \$150; 4 - \$250; 5 - \$375) will be issued in November. Rebates will not exceed your total membership fees payable. As an alternative to a rebate, you may opt to reduce your work hours by 4 hours for each new member. New members are those who have not curled at the club in the past two years.

MEMBER PROFILE

NAME: _____

We NEED volunteers to keep the club running smoothly. Your work hours (12 hours for full year members and 8 hours for ½ year membership) can be used in any of the areas listed below and are generally posted on the volunteer bulletin board. Please indicate your volunteer work area choices:

VOLUNTEER WORK AREAS			
	✓		✓
BAR (Must have Smart Serve).If not previously provided, enter your SMART SERVE # _____		Property Maintenance	
Kitchen		Coaching/Instruction	
Ice Maintenance		Fundraising Events/Committee	
Junior Curling (Vulnerable Sector Police Check required)		Bonspiel Assistance	
League Assistance		Decorating	
Membership Committee		<u>I CANNOT WORK, PLEASE CASH MY CHEQUE.</u>	

Please list any skills, attributes, hobbies, training, or accreditations that may assist the club. Please consider any previous work experiences that may be applicable. Please note that time spent at Committee meetings count toward work hours.

Would you be interested in?

Smart Serve (BAR) Course	<input type="checkbox"/>	First Aid/CPR/DEFIB	<input type="checkbox"/>
Instructional Clinics (please indicate preferred clinics below)			
Skills Analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Stick	<input type="checkbox"/>
Curling Lessons:	<input type="checkbox"/>	individual	<input type="checkbox"/>
		group	<input type="checkbox"/>

FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY: Have you curled before? Yes No

Did anyone from the club personally recruit you to join the club?

If so, please list their name: _____

If not, please let us know how you found out about our club:

- Brochure Flyer/Poster Hwy/town signs Special Event (specify _____)
- Newspaper Lawn Sign Real Estate agent (name) _____
- Other (please specify) _____

THANK YOU AND WELCOME TO OUR CLUB!