

# Annual General Meeting

**Date:** Saturday March 04, 2023

**Time:** 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

**Location:** In-person at the Club 300 Ioco Rd.  
Port Moody, BC

## Agenda:

The Chair, Steven Renaud called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

Ken Krause, Juniors Coach spoke to the PMCC members present to thank the Club for their financial support we provided to the Junior team who attended the Nationals in Timmins, Ontario. Ken also informed us that the Ontario teams have so much financial support they cannot use it all. Our Juniors had us. Thank you to everyone that contributed to a great experience for the our Junior Curlers involved.

### 1. Quorum of 15 Members?

There were 71 signed in PMCC members present.

The Notice of Meeting was sent February 9, 2023, as per PMCC Bylaws of 21 days notice.

**In Attendance:** Steven Renaud, Anne Girbav, Jane Lawton, Mim Quigley-Metcalf, Paul Longley, Pierre Gallant, Earlene Graham, Barry Ayers, Mary Dyk, Lindsay Graf, Tim Loblaw, Gail Bogren, Brian Siemens, Maureen Newell, Elaine Collins, Lisa Deines, Mike Goetz, Phil Perry, Gaynor Hagyard, Stu Ren, Lawell Kiing, Grace Swaisland, Garth Burak, Ron Allegretto, Paul Lev, Amanda Gleave, Jack Barreto, Rick Jacobsen, Val Ballard, Geoff Bartle, Michael Chow, Adelle Fassler, jami Lunan, Darren Kent, Jonny Bai, Kyle Cooper, Gerry Freeman, Sandy Fruin, Phyllis Faubert, Connor Rafferty, Curt Bogren, Luke Halmrast, Ann Fawcett, Taimi McMillan, Amber Kostuchenko, Bob Wallace, David Cousins, Angela Beers, Cathy Jones, Melissa Sim, Mary Mullany, Judy

Wynes, Janis Sibley, Kevin Perry, Carol Volpatti, Deborah Protz, Eva Collins, Linda Miller, Cedric Wing, Don Worthen, Frank Begg, Dick Moffat, Ken Krause, Harrison Hrynew, Ethan Chiu, Andrew Baker, Pat Cousins, Loa Wilson, Angela Flannery and our Club Administrator, Janice van Veen.

**2. Adoption of the minutes of March 12, 2022 AGM.**

Pierre Gallant moved that the minutes of the March 12, 2022 AGM be adopted as circulated, seconded by Jane Lawton, all in favour, motion passed.

**3. Moment of Silence for Members Passed.**

Steven asked for a moment of silence in memory of members passed in the last year.

**4. Financial Report & related questions. Jane Lawton, Treasurer**

The **final** financial report for the year cannot be produced until after April 15th of each year. The financial report will be included in the minutes or attached.

Despite a necessary increase to the membership fee, we maintained a healthy membership with 514 members.

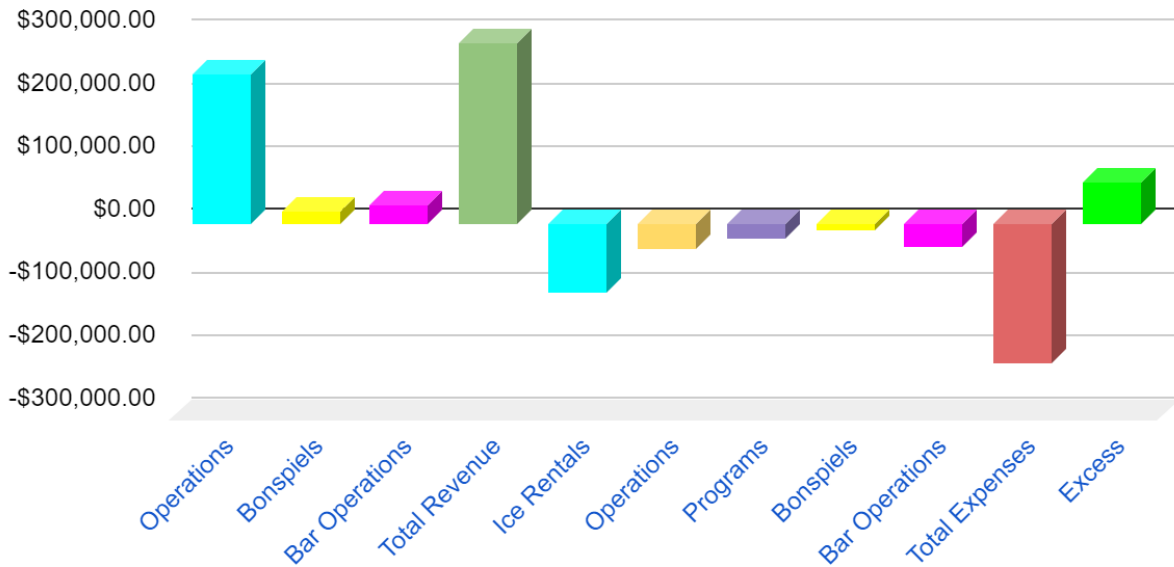
<b>Membership</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Adult	467	504	68
Junior	36	48	13
2nd Half*	11		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>81</b>

\*Introduced for LTC and Newbies joining only in 2nd half.

The graph below is a visual representation of the Operations Budget.

## Revenue vs Expenses 2022-23

### PMCC 2022-23



### Revenue and Expenses

The revenue brought into the Club this year exceeded expenses. The increased membership fees help to maintain the viability of the club. These fees are used to pay for our Club Administrator, and we were fortunate to replenish some of our savings that were depleted during the Covid period. As we no longer have the Coquitlam grant money, these revenues were welcome and allowed for the support of the Learn to Curl program and our Junior program. Additional revenue came from 50/50 draws, other fundraising (such as the sale of curling rocks) and bonspiels.

With respect to costs, in addition to the increased ice rental fees, our insurance and communications costs rose this year. On a positive note, we spent \$3,000 in competition subsidies and support. While delivering great service to the Club, our Club Administrator costs were lower than last year. In addition, a volunteer bookkeeper was another reason why expenses were lower than expected. We have some remaining expenses for the year. For example, the remainder of the Recreation complex rental fees. In addition, there are some bonspiel costs, league invoices and AGM costs that have not yet been tallied. Program expenses are the social costs transferred to the leagues and programs. The Newbie league and Junior program cash is money held in trust by the Programs and Leagues and are expected to be mostly spent by the end of the year.

The Bar Operations has undergone a significant change this year. A new Bar Manager was hired with a short mentoring period. Sales were a little slow to start but have been steadily increasing. There is an anticipated profit (excluding depreciation) this year.

The 2023-24 Budget shows no change in the Club Membership fees. We will be applying for more grants in the upcoming year and hopefully we will be successful. We plan on continuing additional fundraising options, such as the curling rock sales and the income from the support of the Port Moody Liquor store. We hope to build on the success of this year and continue to host a variety of bonspiels. This helps in bar sales and the overall sharing of the great spirit of the Port Moody Curling Club.

With respect to costs next year, the ice rental fees will be increasing by what we hope is a nominal amount. We are planning for increased operational costs due to inflation and more services needed to support our growing Club.

Port Moody Curling Club - Interim AGM Financial Summary

Final reports will be produced after our Fiscal Year End (31 March 2023)

**Interim Report as of 23 February 2023**

**Statement of Financial Position**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2021-22</b>
Cash	\$ 193,422.85	\$ 98,579.20
Curling Equipment	\$ 5,170.40	\$ 5,170.40
Operations Equipment	\$ 1,226.33	\$ 1,226.33
Office Equipment	\$ 3,321.57	\$ 1,827.25
Club Clearing	\$ (69,750.11)	\$ 861.80
Program Operations Clearing		
Program Bonspiel Clearing		
Prepaid Expenses		\$ 1,664.75
Accounts Receivable	\$ 262.89	
Taxes Rebate		
Bar Equipment & Improvements	\$ 22,198.70	\$ 22,198.70
Amortization of Assets	\$ (13,319.22)	\$ (8,879.48)
	<b>\$ 142,533.41</b>	<b>\$ 122,648.95</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2021-22</b>
Accounts Payable	\$ 487.42	\$ 1,591.97
Taxes Payable	\$ 3,723.34	\$ 2,162.59
	<b>\$ 4,210.76</b>	<b>\$ 3,754.56</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2021-22</b>
Net Assets	\$ 138,322.65	\$ 118,894.39
<b>Liabilities &amp; Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 142,533.41</b>	<b>\$ 122,648.95</b>

**Note:** Club Clearing represents the amount due to the City of Port Moody for Recreational Complex Rentals or for Outstanding Transactions from the Registration System

Port Moody Curling Club - Interim AGM Financial Reports

<b>Budget</b>		
<b>Income</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>
Operations	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 46,000.00
Programs	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 185,000.00
Bonspiels	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Events		\$ 3,000.00
Fundraising		\$ 6,000.00
Other		\$ 3,600.00
Bar Operations	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
	<b>\$ 176,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 293,600.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>
Operations	\$ 134,700.00	\$ 184,000.00
Programs	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
Bonspiels	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Events		\$ 1,000.00
Fundraising	\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00
Other		
Bar Operations	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
	<b>\$ 198,725.00</b>	<b>\$ 255,100.00</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency)</b>	<b>\$ (22,725.00)</b>	<b>\$ 38,500.00</b>

Port Moody Curling Club - Interim AGM Financial Reports

**Interim Report as of 23 February 2023**

**Operations Budget**

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Membership Fees	\$ 44,997.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 18,997.00
Program Fees	\$ 183,847.13	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 83,847.13
Clearing			
Bonspiel Fees	\$ 16,594.08	\$ 20,000.00	\$ (3,405.92)
Event Fees	\$ 2,080.00		\$ 2,080.00
Other Fees			
Interest	\$ 278.78		\$ 278.78
Fundraising-Gaming	\$ 4,088.75		\$ 4,088.75
Grants/Waivers			
Fundraising	\$ 710.00		\$ 710.00
Products	\$ 1,522.00		\$ 1,522.00
Other Income	\$ 2,047.59		\$ 2,047.59
Bar Operations	\$ 29,434.72	\$ 30,000.00	\$ (565.28)
	<b>\$ 285,600.05</b>	<b>\$ 176,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 109,600.05</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Recreation Complex Rentals	\$ 110,275.25	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 30,275.25
Professional Services	\$ 13,598.74	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (21,401.26)
Operational Expenses	\$ 13,229.04	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,229.04
Program Expenses	\$ 25,049.85	\$ 30,000.00	\$ (4,950.15)
Insurance	\$ 2,438.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,038.00
Affiliation Fees	\$ 9,440.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (560.00)
Gaming Licenses	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	
Gaming Expenses			
Volunteer Appreciation	\$ 70.70	\$ 800.00	\$ (729.30)
Competition Subsidy	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00
Junior Program Subsidy	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00
Pandemic Expenses		\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
Bonspiel Expenses	\$ 8,954.14	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (1,045.86)
Event Expenses	\$ 398.49		\$ 398.49
Bar Operations	\$ 35,771.23	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 11,771.23
	<b>\$ 220,800.44</b>	<b>\$ 198,725.00</b>	<b>\$ 22,075.44</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency)</b>	<b>\$ 64,799.61</b>	<b>\$ (22,725.00)</b>	<b>\$ 87,524.61</b>

**Excess (Deficiency) Breakdown 2022-23**

Club Operations	\$ 58,590.46
Program Operations	\$ 12,545.66
Bar Operations	\$ (6,336.51)
	<b>\$ 64,799.61</b>

## **5. President's Report: Steven Renaud**

The 2022-23 season did not get off to the smoothest of starts when the City of Port Moody unexpectedly increased the PMCC's ice user fees by an unprecedented amount. This resulted in the need to raise both membership and league fees to remain operational. We did see a slight decrease in membership this season versus the previous year but it's uncertain if the increased rates were the driver behind this change. We had a total of 514 members this season which consisted of 467 adults, 36 juniors and 11 mid-season additions mainly from the newly launched Try Curling program. This new program run by Melisa Sim, who so graciously volunteered her time, was a fantastic addition to our Club. Not only did it bring in new members, but it also increased general accessibility to people interested in our sport.

Even after the roughly 25% increase to our ice fees this season, we were able to remain profitable with an estimated \$20,000 in revenue at year end. These funds will be put towards savings for next season. Please refer to the Club's financial report for more details.

This season the Club operated 7 days a week with 17 different leagues running. Additionally, we saw the introduction of the aforementioned "Try Curling program". This program along with the Learn to Curl Clinic and Newbie 5-Pack League provided a clear path for new curlers looking to proceed into competitive play and hopefully into league play next season. Beyond league play the Club also hosted 6 Bonspiels. Next Year we're excited for the introduction of a new 2-day competitive Bonspiel, Sweeping into the Holidays, which is scheduled to run in early December.

Multiple members of the Club reached Provincials as well as Nationals this Curling Season. Team Tam represented BC at the U18 Nationals in Timmons, Ontario. Ashley Fenton also made it to Nationals in Timmons with Team Victoria. Another note of accomplishment, both Adrian Tam and Ashley Fenton won the Fair Play Award at Nationals. Dave Boychuk and Barry Schreder have also made it to the BC Men's Provincials, which is being held later this month, for Stick Curling after winning the PCMCA Zone 3 playdowns, good luck gentlemen.

Ice Maintenance continues to be a constant battle with the city, though this year we feel that improvements were seen with the help from Ken McArdle and his team maintaining the ice for our Bonspiels. For Next Season the Board has presented a resolution to research the viability of operating the Club ourselves via a lease from the City of Port Moody (City) versus the current rental agreement. The main benefit being the Club would have full control of Ice Maintenance staffing and thus Ice quality.

This year the Club employed 2 managers and 3 bartenders. Janice van Veen (Club Manager) continues to be an integral part of the Club staying on top of all league operations and communications along with liaising with the City on a regular basis. This year we also welcomed a new Bar Manager, Connor Rafferty. Connor was able to join our team this season bringing with him new ideas and drink options for us all to enjoy. These managers along with the help of countless volunteers is what keeps this club running. In regard to volunteers, we unfortunately have 5 Board Members leaving at the end of this season. Mim Quigley-Metcalf (Secretary), Jane Lawton (Treasurer), Mary Dyk, Barry Ayers and Earlene Graham who all sat on the Board of Directors. These 5 individuals have completed 3 full terms at PMCC, donating countless hours of their personal time for the betterment of this Club. It's been a pleasure working with them all, they're going to be very difficult to replace. Please help me in thanking them for their service over these past seasons.

## 6. Club Administrator's Report

I will be completing my third contract with the Club on May 31st. I can't believe how time has just flown by.

I would like to thank all the PMCC members, leagues representatives, league treasurers, league secretaries, draw masters, spare coordinators, bonspiel coordinators, volunteers, Board members and executives who have supported me since I started on June 1,2020.

This past 2022/2023 season saw some hurdles shortly after the completion of the 2021/2022 season. In April, after working hard to get all the ice contract information gathered, collated, data entered in a document and sent to the City, the City hit us with a huge increase in our ice fees for the upcoming season. This meant all the work I had just completed had to be redone. Our leagues worked quickly getting all the new data back to me so I could re-enter that information and prepare Curling I/O for the opening of registration.

In this report I have provided my total billable hours for a one-year period. I work for you, the members, and believe you should know what I do for you.

**\*My total billable hours for January 1, 2022 - December 31,2022 were 496.25 hours. \*  
This is a decrease of 257.75 hours from the previous year.**

Preparation and attending 9 Board meetings not including extra meetings.

Preparation and attending 4 League Representatives meetings.

Preparation and attending 6 Bonspiel meetings.

Preparation and attending 4 Curl BC meetings.

Booking of practice ice.

Curling IO support for members, inputting and refunding.

Communication with other club managers.

Communication with the City regarding ice rink management.  
Managing of Ice Contracts and lounge requests.  
Maintaining and restocking of ice rink supplies and equipment.  
Communication with members and leagues.  
Daily emails, zoom meetings, telephone calls and checking of two mail locations.  
The information provided above gives you the member an idea of some of the tasks that I am responsible for. I will say that I haven't billed for all my hours as it is hard to bill for all those short phone calls or easy email responses which only take a few minutes. There are some other tasks that aren't included in that list such as promoting the club, ordering supplies, creating, and sending out the newsletter, attending focus group meetings to support seniors, women, and children as it relates to curling.

As our curling season winds down, I am in preparation mode for September 2023.

Thank you for your continued support as we look forward to another year of curling.

Sincerely,  
Janice van Veen  
PMCC, Club Manager

**Mim Quigley-Metcalf moved that the Treasurer's Report, President's Report and the Club Administrator's report, circulated in advance of the meeting, form part of the minutes of the 2023 PMCC AGM minutes, seconded by Mary Dyk, all in favour, motion passed.**

## **7. Proposed Board Resolution:**

Steve and Mim introduced the resolution and explained that its intent is to ask the PMCC members present if they want the Board to ask the question and do the research at this time. Further they explained that the resolution does not give the Board permission to spend money on a business plan or set up an agreement with the City. The resolution merely asks if the members want us to do research report back to the membership and decide on next steps.

## **Discussion:**

Can anyone in the club be on the research committee? Yes, they can.  
On Wednesday night, was the ice prepared by City staff or private staff? City Staff  
If the proposal went ahead, would we have private ice makers? Yes  
Would we maintain the building and then pay the City of Port Moody? This is unknown and part of negotiations if we get that far.

Steve repeated that we know nothing at this point, once we do the research, we would come back to the Club membership with what we find out to ask for direction. We will come back to the members before a decision is made.

Some concern was stated that even asking the question may be a concern for City Staff and the Union since they are union members and may see outside icemakers as taking their jobs.

Is there a way to ask the same question without going private, i.e. be able to have improved/consistent ice?

The speaker suggested that if possible we find a different way to achieve better ice.

**Port Moody Curling Club**

**Society Number S-0060599**

**Special Resolution to be passed at the Annual General meeting to be held on March 4, 2023**

**WHEREAS:**

- The Port Moody Curling Club (PMCC) has been in the City of Port Moody (the city) facility since its opening in 1974, where it continues today.
- The original and current rental agreement between the City and the PMCC has been on the same basis as any other user within the recreation facility, via a short-term licence agreement, on a per hour basis.
- The City provides the facility on a ready to use basis, i.e., all building maintenance, cleaning, and ice preparation is completed by City staff.
- Under the current arrangement the costs to curlers continue to increase for less than ideal ice quality and continued strained relations with some City staff due to the PMCC demands for better ice quality and service.
- The City is struggling to hire maintenance staff due to the general shortage of workers post COVID.
- Other curling clubs successfully operate their ice facilities with the benefits/deficits that flow from that.
- The PMCC Board would like to explore and research via a business plan the viability of renting the ice facility from the City for the curling season to determine the viability of operating the Club ourselves, including ice maintenance.
- This resolution's purpose is to inform the membership and seek their support to move forward with the exploration and research.
- Finally, the decision to proceed will be made only with the approval of the PMCC membership via a general meeting as per the PMCC Bylaws.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:**

- The 2023 AGM attendees support the PMCC Board in their proposal to explore the proposal as outlined in this resolution.

*The resolution was attached to the Notice of Meeting sent to the general membership February 9, 2023, 21 days in advance of the March 04, 2023 AGM.*

**Judy Wynes moved that the original resolution be amended to say that we will discuss with the City how to improve ice conditions/quality on consistent basis, seconded by Barry Ayers, 63 voted in favour, 8 voted against, motion passed.**

**Mim Quigley-Metcalf moved that the resolution, as amended be adopted, seconded by Jane Lawton, all in favour, motion passed.**

**10. Leagues Comments**

<b>League</b>	<b>No. of Curlers &amp; Winners</b>	<b>What Did Club Do Well?</b>	<b>What Could Be Improved?</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Monday Senior Men's</b>				
<b>Monday Night Men's</b>				
<b>Tuesday Sen. Men's</b>	1st half: 35 2nd half: 31  🏒 Team Parsons won Fall Session.	🏒 Turkey luncheon served at Xmas Wrap-up.	Our members are not happy that PMCC executive has banned the purchase of our old Senior PMCC logo along with our black with red trim jackets. We did not realize that a dress code was enacted at our club. Many curlers still wear	

			their Coquitlam Curling Club jackets, and we are fine with that. Why can we not order jackets and winner patches that please our league members and match their existing one?	
<b>Tues. Early Afternoon Ladies (TEAL)</b>	40 Registered Curlers + spares. Increase over last season.	It was a great curling season. Our ladies are very supportive of each other and enthusiastic in mentoring new curlers.	Curling ice by the City would be appreciated.	
<b>Tuesday Takeouts</b>	13 teams and 52 players. Team Steve Renaud won the grand aggregate, narrowly beating team Sal Chirico in the final game.	Tuesday Takeouts has had an excellent season, our league was full. We had 15 new players join us this year, nine of which were brand new to curling. We are always happy to welcome new curlers and players from our newbies and lessons program.		Our league is looking forward to our big wind-up party in April and hosting the <i>Sweeping into the Holidays</i> bonspiel in December.
<b>Wed. Daytime Ladies</b>	We have 8 teams and 34 registered curlers. Two teams carried 5 players. League Winner			We had a fun curling day December 14 because it was followed by our Christmas party. We have 8 teams and 34 registered

	Esther Ren's team.			curlers. Two teams carried 5 players. We have a social coordinator in charge of events (Halloween, Christmas and year end parties). And yes, we're hoping to add more teams to our league next season.
<b>Wed. Senior Mixed</b>	We had 24 curlers which has been the same for a few years. Winners of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Half was the Uchiyama team: Ann Uchiyama, Len Meneghello, Marsha Arnold, Anne Stewart			It has been a fun, social curling season and looking forward to 2023/24.
<b>Wed. Night Open</b>	The league had 32 curlers or 8 teams which is a decrease of 4 since last season.	Despite the low number, we enjoyed good competition with many teams close to the same # of wins. We had a pizza party after curling in December that was fun and will have our windup with cash prizes		

		for grand ag, winner and runner up in A and B divisions after we play March 8. We are looking at ways to grow in the next year.		
<b>Thurs. Senior Men's</b>				
<b>Juniors – Darren Kent</b>	Total of 27 21 full season, 6 half year x2. Decrease from last year.	Great ice for the Bill Mills bonspiel. Just shows what it can be like if it is given proper attention.  1. 4 Players won silver medals at U18 Provincials and competed at U18 Nationals  2. Team Norrington won Bill Mills Junior Bonspiel and Optimist Div. 1 "B" division Playoffs.  3. Port Moody Optimist Division 2 team won the Championship Banner.  4. Both boys and girls Fraser North High School Playdowns		

		<p>winner had Port Moody Juniors.</p> <p>5. Port Moody Junior Boys and Girls Teams are representing Zone 4 at the BC Winter Games at the end of March.</p>		
<b>Thurs. Night Mixers</b>	<p>The Thursday Mixers had 47 curlers with 44 players curling the full year. 3 teams carried 5th players. The league used 5 sheets throughout the year with 1 team always having a bye. The league was down 4 players, had 3 new teams join for a total of 11 teams. This was the most competitive season the Thursday mixers have ever seen. Grand</p>	<p>Thumbs up to the new bar manager and staff for a well-stocked, well-functioning bar!</p>	<p>1. Although I agree with involving League Reps in the running of the club, I do not believe that volunteers running leagues should be brow beaten into attending "Mandatory League Rep meetings" held on Saturday afternoons. The League volunteers are working hard and are already giving of their time. They are proud of the volunteer work they do and they are giving as much as they can to the League(s) and to the Club. Please find a more agreeable (Saturday</p>	

	<p>Aggregate for the Thursday Mixers saw a 3-way tie between Zoehner, Perry and Chung. An additional 2 teams finished only 1 point behind first place. Additionally, of our 3 new teams 2 of the teams were novice curlers! The Thursday Mixers welcomes curlers of all abilities to join – we are here for the fun of it!</p>		<p>afternoons are not a good time) and respectful time and method of communicating effectively with your volunteers while still making them feel involved and valued.</p> <p>2. Regarding the agenda and minutes of these 2022/2023 meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the content was light, making the mandatory meetings seem like busy work.</li> <li>- when reviewing the agendas for these meetings I note that most of the content is directed at the Treasurers of each league. I would suggest the Treasurers and Club Accountant hold separate meetings to discuss the ins and outs of the Treasurers' duties and requirements.</li> <li>- the decisions and discussions of these meetings, like the Board meetings,</li> </ul>	
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			<p>should be professional and published on our website – available for all members interested in what is being discussed. If they are not published for the membership I question the value in preparing them?</p> <p>3. The Board should insist that the Club Manager not go on vacation during season start up. This is the only critical period on the club calendar where we MUST have the Club Manager present to deal with rapidly changing situations, field questions and solve startup issues.</p> <p>. Finally, with respect to the Mandatory Emergency Contact lists that each Rep is to always carry with them. The Thursday Mixers list was</p>	
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			<p>incomplete. If the organization feels this list is important, I recommend that the field relating to emergency contact be mandatory at the time of sign up. As a side note, I would like to caution any League Rep from calling an emergency contact when the injured curler is unconscious and unable to speak. An emergency contact driving like a maniac to the hospital would not be good on many levels. This is a job for the Police/Victim Services.</p> <p>5. The Suggested global rule change for ending a game on time went very poorly. In the future, when proposing a rule change to be adopted globally I feel it would be best to seek out the opinions of multiple leagues,</p>	
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			find something that is consistent with both competitive and instructional play - before proposing it as a Club Rule or Policy.	
<b>Fri. Master Men's Dale Gregory</b>				
<b>Fri. Sen. Mixed</b>				
<b>Friday Rocks</b>				
<b>Newbies</b>				
<b>Open Doubles</b>				

**8. Elections: Pierre Gallant**

Steve noted that there are 4 Board members returning for this coming season, with 6 positions to be elected. One Board member Lindsay Graf is up for re-election for another 2 year term.

Pierre explained that the Board, as per the Society Act must have a minimum of 6 directors up to a maximum of 10 directors.

Pierre called for nominations 3 times with the result that the following people were elected by acclamation.

Lindsay Graf, David Cousins, Mike Goetz, Amber Kostuchenko, Tim Loblaw and Taimi McMillan.

The 6 newly elected directors will join the returning directors, Steven Renaud, Anne Girbav, Pierre Gallant and Paul Longley for a total of 10.

Steve took a moment at this time to thank the outgoing board members individually and present each one with a token of thanks for their volunteer hours given to the Club.

The retiring members are Mary Dyk, Director, Barry Ayers, Director, Earlene Graham, Director/Past President and Mim Quigley-Metcalf, Secretary.

### **9. Other Business:**

The Board asked for feedback on the question of how they would feel if they could only use cash or debit cards to make payments at the bar? There is a cost to the Club to be able to use credit cards which is approximately \$500/year.

In response to the question, Paul stated that 80% of our bar sales are completed using credit cards, could we lose sales due to the restriction? Paul also pointed out that handling cash creates its own issues, the risk of having it on the premises and store it securely, having to track it and make deposits more often, etc. There is a labour cost in handling more cash.

The Board did not ask for a vote, just feedback which they received and will consider.

### **10. League Comments – Any Additional?**

Steve asked the leagues if anyone had anything else to add to their already submitted comments. No additional comments came from the leagues in attendance.

Janice van Veen spoke to one league comment we had received stating that the Club Administrator should not take vacation in September when the Club is starting for the season. Janice advised everyone that her time off was approved by the Board, that she was available phone, email, text, etc. so was handling her business requirements while she was in a Seniors ball tournament in Victoria. Further that her job is part time. Janice received a loud round of applause from those in attendance at the meeting.

Janice asked the League Reps. and Treasurers to stand to be recognized for their volunteer time spent running their leagues. Janice also asked league members to offer to help them when and where you can in support their League Reps. and Treasurers.

Janice reminded the leagues to clean their belongings out the storage room by the end of March please.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.