

# Trenton Curling Club

293 King Street, Trenton, Ontario, K8V 3X4

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Another summer has passed and the Executive and I want to welcome you back for another great season of curling!

First of all, I'd like to remind you of the upcoming dates for our fundraising dance with Ambush, the General Meeting, our annual Open House, the Curling Clinics and the opening dates for league play:

- Fundraising Dance with Ambush – 8:00 pm, Saturday, September 19 – advance tickets \$10 or \$15 at the door
  - Semi annual General Meeting – 7:00 pm, Wednesday September 23
  - Annual Open House – 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Wednesday, September 30 - draw league fee for members who have paid their membership. For members who do not pay league fees, the prize will be no cost for volunteer fee.
  - Annual Curling Clinics – for those who want to learn or improve their skills:
    - Mon – Thurs: free ice 6:00 – 7:00 pm, Oct 5-8, free instruction from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.
- NB: If you are encouraging new members to come to the Clinic, please ensure they are advised that all 4 learning sessions are recommended.
- League play begins Tuesday, October 13 – Day Ladies and Men's League.

If you wouldn't mind, please print the attached application form, complete it and bring it to the Club with you at the General Meeting, the Open House or at your earliest convenience. This is a huge help in reducing our costs.

Our website is [www.trentoncurlingclub.ca](http://www.trentoncurlingclub.ca) and Liz continues to do a great job keeping information updated for upcoming dates and events and daily/nightly score updates for every league throughout the year. We also have email at the Club now at [trentoncurlingclub@gmail.ca](mailto:trentoncurlingclub@gmail.ca) if you want to communicate directly with the office.

It has been a very interesting time for the Trenton Curling Club. Our "Fundraising Committee" applied for four grants and three of them have been approved; we are still waiting to hear back from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

The Kay Stafford Fund approved grant application for approximately \$12,000 for the automatic chair lift to the second floor and the automatic door opener. This grant covers the cost of those two items, labour and materials, and the Club is responsible to pay for the electrical work required.

The RinC Grant is for the main floor washroom and insulating and re-cladding the exterior of both the ice surface building and the club portion. We recommend that you attend the General Meeting on Wednesday September 23 at 7:00 pm to go over all of the information. Your input is vital to ensure that the approved grants are utilized to the fullest to take advantage of the approved funds and to determine how we can find ways to finance our portion of 33.3% (if the Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant is not approved). Just to be clear – in order to get the funding for these grants, all the work must be completed and paid for and then we submit those paid invoices to the grant organizations. We have approval for a total \$130,000 in grants to complete approximately \$180,000 in improvements.

The Trenval Grant has been approved to cover the cost of a “Business Plan” and it is being completed by Alison Davies and Susan Talsma who contract their services with Trenval. The amount of this grant is \$4,600 and our Club forwards invoices directly to Trenval.

If you have email, you have been receiving updates from the Chamber of Commerce Quinte West! By joining the Chamber we have increased our visibility within the business community and are able to take advantage of the free advertising for any special events held at our Club. The Chamber of Commerce is giving us membership cards to be given to all members this year; our members will receive a 5% discount card to use with local businesses. To reciprocate, we are offering a 5% discount to new members who are currently members of the Chamber!

The Junior/Little Rock Program continues to offer coaching and league play to young curlers 8-18 years. Please check at our General Meeting or at the Open House for the sign up date for your children and grand children.

All of us on the Executive thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you “on the ice” for the upcoming season!

Sincerely

Linda Johnson  
President