



# IN THE HACK

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are, starting the winter season. It seems like we were just running our first Learn to Curl in October. We have accomplished a lot already this year with three full Learn to Curls, a community outreach program, and we received a full set of stones purchased with the help of a grant from USA Curling.

I would like to welcome our new curlers. What a great sport awaits you. We will throw stones at houses, sweep with brooms that are not really brooms, and use a scoreboard that makes no sense. This is a great opportunity for all of us to meet and make new friends on and off the ice. I am looking forward to getting back to playing.

See you on the ice,

**Gordon**



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is on Facebook.

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## Our Mission Statement

Ocean State Curling Club is dedicated to the enjoyment, fellowship, and promotion of curling in Rhode Island. We believe in building a strong community through the sport of curling by providing a welcoming environment for athletes of all ages and skill levels, creating the opportunity to improve skills and have fun.

## Submit your photos!

Do you have some pictures of bonspiels or league curling? We'd love to use them on the website and in the newsletter.



Submit your photos by emailing them to [rhealangille@hotmail.com](mailto:rhealangille@hotmail.com).

## OSCC Board Members

**Gordon Walsh**, President

**Kathy Brady**, Past President & PR

**Kathy Ervin**, Treasurer

**Lori Takalo**, Secretary

**Larry Riccitelli**, Membership Coordinator

**Jonathan Langille**, League Coordinator

**Janet Prichard**, Training & Web Administrator

**Dick Lachapelle**, Facilities Operation

**Andrew Schmitt**, Director

**Barb Smith**, Director

**Tim Watson**, Director

## Need help finding a sub?

There are several ways you can find club members who are available and willing to curl for you. The best way is to check the "Spares List" under "League Info" in the "Member's Menu" and choose your league night. Click the "Email" button next to any member's name to contact them about filling in for you. As people check their emails with different regularity, you will need to contact several different members at once to ensure you are able to make arrangements in time for your league night. Alternatively, you can ask any club member who curls on the other league night. Ask around, and you'll be successful!

Always let your skip know you'll be away. They might also be able to help you find a sub. And be sure to let your sub know who your skip is, so they know which team to look for on league night.

Visit our website

[www.oceanstatecurling.org](http://www.oceanstatecurling.org)

for club and league information including:

- League schedules
- Team standings
- Sub lists
- Curling tips
- Bonspiel information





INTERNATIONAL  
SYMBOL FOR  
CURLS TOO MUCH

## 5 and Under Bonspiels

There are some wonderful bonspiels out there just for you - the curler with less than 5 years experience! Check out our website for a link to many bonspiels under the 'Bonspiels' Tab, including these 5 and Unders.

Raymond Kayser Memorial, mixed, February 13-17.

Frances Dykes Memorial, mens, February 27-March 3.

Elisabeth Childs Challenge, womens, March 14-17.

## OSCC Receives Grant From US Curling Association

OSCC was a 2012 recipient of an award from the USCA Darwin Curtis Grant Fund Program. This national program awards matching fund grants through a competitive application process to organizations actively working to increase participation in the sport of curling.

From 24 applicants, OSCC was one of six club awarded a grant. Award winners were selected by being effectively able to tie the applicant's initiative and its subsequent impact for the club to the criteria set out by the Darwin Curtis Fund. Our club's application was in the "Bricks and Mortar" category which focuses on improvements to the club facility. OSCC was awarded a total of \$2000 which, once matched by the club, was used toward the purchase of a set of stones.

Much thanks goes to Kathy Ervin and Gordon Walsh for preparing the grant application on behalf of our club.



OSCC is often represented at local bonspiels. Check out who's been travelling with their brooms lately.

- ❖ Janet Prichard, John Guare and Danielle Blackwell attended the Cool Duck 5-and-Under at Ardsley Curling Club.
- ❖ Silver Belles at Broomstones Curling Club was attended by Toni-Marie Achilli, Janet Prichard and Betsy Riccitelli.
- ❖ There was an OCSS team at the Bogspiel at the Cape Cod Curling Club made up of Toni-Marie Achilli, Jon Langille, Jason Achilli and Larry Riccitelli.



A burned stone is one that has been touched, even slightly, by a broom, foot or any other object. This can affect the path and speed of the stone. It is always the responsibility of the offending player to call the infraction. The skip of the opposing team then decides whether to continue as is, return the rocks to their original position, and/or remove the burned stone.

# FUNDRAISING

Support OSCC  
by shopping for  
groceries? Sure!



Contact Kathy Ervin to buy gift cards for Stop&Shop at face value (\$25 increments). It won't cost you extra for your groceries, but the club gets 5% for the Building Fund.

Do you have your OSCC t-shirt?

- ❖ Available at the arena on league nights
- ❖ size M-XL
- ❖ \$15 each
- ❖ logo on back
- ❖ hats also available



Broomstacking with your teammates and your opponents after the game is a rich curling tradition.

Join us for drinks or a bite to eat as we rehash the game, talk curling, get to know each other and generally have a good time. This will occur every league night following ice clean-up at Ted's Montana Grill, 2 Chapel View Boulevard, Cranston.



Save the Date...

Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

6:00-10:00pm

*OCEAN STATE CURLING CLUB  
ANNUAL YEAR-END BANQUET*

Chelo's

1 Masthead Drive, Warwick RI

For all OSCC members (fall & winter) and their guests.  
Information to follow on purchasing tickets.

## Around the House

Congratulations to Melissa and Alex Edelman who welcomed twin girls (and future curlers!) to their family. Eleanor Virginia and Josephine Elizabeth were born November 16th at 12:08 and 12:12 am, weighing 4 lbs 8 oz and 4 lbs 9 oz. Congratulations!



We would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to all the new faces at Ocean State Curling Club this season. On Thursday night, we welcome Chris Lewis, Charlie Wilcox, Avis Goldenberg, Mal Goldenberg, Derek Thayer, Yannick Borter, Keith Ryan, Jeff Richardson, Brendan Kennedy, Bill Corcoran, Sue Finucci, Jason Lemaire, Morgan Wotherspoon, Malcolm Starr, Dave Rosler and Bob Ford. New members on Friday night are Karen McCann, Bud McCann, Aaron Bertrand, Nicole Bertrand, Guy Gauvin, Kim Gauvin, Renee Johnson, Ray Johnson, Denise Clifford and Don Clifford.

To include your announcement, please email Rhea at [rhealangille@hotmail.com](mailto:rhealangille@hotmail.com).