

# Lacombe Curling Club Newsletter

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## Curling Club Executive

**President** – Grant Kamps  
**Past Pres** – Mandy Peakman  
**Vice Pres** – Matt Willerton  
**Secretary** – Gail Perepelkin  
**Treasurer** – Christina Rice  
**Senior Curling Director** – Tom Plunkett  
**Men’s Curling Director** – Kevin Humbke  
**Ladies Curling Director** – Victoria Wyering  
**Junior Curling Director** – Rory Whitbread  
**Mixed/Doubles Curling Director** – Vacant  
**Lounge Director** – Garry Evernden  
**Facility/Rental Director** – Lewis Cuthbertson  
**Membership/Registration** – Ken Sheffield  
**Bonspiel Director** – Doug Ayer  
**Technology/Social Media** – Tina Parton

## Curling Season Ending

Thank you to the executive and staff of the Lacombe Curling Club who did a lot of work preparing our facility to open in October during the pandemic. The safety guidelines that were put in place were followed well by our members, and we thank you for that. Unfortunately, with the recent update from the government, we will have to remain closed for the rest of this season.

In doing this, the curling club is going to be in a very poor financial situation for this year. Without being able to host any bonspiels this season, we had budgeted to lose \$55,000. This loss will be even higher now, with the lounge sales coming to an end already in December (Estimated \$3000). If we were to refund members 50% of their membership fees, this would cost the club another \$44,000.

We have staff contracts of \$76,000 and a lease to the city for our utilities for \$38,000. These amounts remain unchanged, even when we are shutdown.

We have been able to apply for three government grants, totaling approximately \$30,000. Darren was able to get an exemption for the curling club, which allowed the professional players going to ‘The Bubble’ in Calgary a place to practice. This will generate approximately \$7000 for the club. We did receive \$13,000 more

from extra registrations than we had budgeted for.

With the extra registrations, grants, and practice ice funds, we are still looking at approximately \$52,000 in losses.

After a lot of discussion, your curling club executive has decided to send this letter to every member, offering the **choice** to be refunded 50% of their fees, **OR** leave it with the club to help with the losses this year. No funds will be carried over to next season.

If you want a refund, you **MUST** email the curling club with an address you want the cheque sent to. If you don’t send the email, your funds will not be refunded.

Members without email addresses will be contacted by phone. This newsletter will also be published on the website. Please let all of your players know so nobody gets missed. Thank you in advance for helping out your club.

**All emails requesting the 50% refund must be received by the Lacombe Curling Club by March 31, 2021**  
[lacombecurling@gmail.com](mailto:lacombecurling@gmail.com)

## 50/50 RAFFLE

The winner of the 50/50 raffle from this season was John Walker. Congratulations John! The Lacombe Curling Club will be doing another 50/50 draw to raise funds to help offset our losses. This raffle will begin later this fall once we are curling again.

**Have a great summer, remain safe, and we hope to see you back in October!!**

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