

# The Granite Quarry

Fall Edition 2024



## Are You Ready to ROCK?!

I know we certainly are! The ice is in, the food is hot and we are ready for the start of another incredible season of curling.

Welcome one and all to the Granite Curling Club. For those of you who are regular members and curlers, we look forward to having you all back on the ice and having fun with your friends and teammates.

For those who are joining us for the first time or are just checking us out, we are so glad you have chosen to stop by! If you have any questions, feel free to stop by the office and we would be happy to connect with you.



## What's Cooking?

You might have noticed that there is a new caterer in the kitchen. Victor from Super Amigos Mexican Catering has joined us to provide you with some incredible food! They have already dished out some amazing food to hungry Fringe Festival attendees this summer (did you know we were a venue for the Fringe? Pretty epic).

Please give Victor and his team a warm Granite welcome and stop by for an appetizer or meal!.



#### **Board of Directors**

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Directors: Dave Nickless, Karen Jardine, Craig MacAlpine, Khalehla Litschel, Rod Neil, Dean

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Head Ice Maker: Glen Woytuck

Thank you, board members, for your commitment to our club and its operation.

Our mission is to provide a safe, affordable, sustainable and inclusive curling facility that offers social, recreational and leisure enjoyment for all Edmontonians. We are excited for you to join us as we Hurry Hard!

For information on rental leagues, our house leagues, fees, events and anything else, we encourage you to check out our website or speak with our Club Manager.

## **Sponsors**

A huge thank you to our 2024/2025 sponsors!

- Curling With Pride Edmonton
- Original 16 GWB
- Wild Rose Brewery
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Please support them for supporting our club!

### Some Reminders:

- Please clean your shoes or remove them before entering the lobby. Clean shoes only beyond the front doors.
- All curling gear must be stored in a locker, at the coat racks or on the ice.
- Coats must be left in lockers or hung up on the coat racks.

Help us keep our club clean and tidy.

Curlers, please ensure that you have registered and paid for your league(s). Skips, check in with your players and make sure everyone has signed up. Not sure if you paid or not? Contact our Club Manager.

### **Important Dates:**

- October 8: Pride League and Seniors League starts
- October 9: Doctor's League starts
- October 10: Learn to Curl. Open to all new curlers as well as those who want a refresher. Starts at 7pm. Coaches will be available.
- October 11 & 12 Granite Open House.2-10pm. All are welcome. Come and get some practice time in, get to know the club and get on the ice. Coaches for new curlers will be available.

All other leagues start after the Thanksgiving long weekend.

# **Upcoming Events**

- November 7-10: Pride Icebreaker Bonspiel
- November 30th: Movember Fundraiser Bonspiel.

Details will be announced soon. For more information contact the Club Manager.

#### Connect With Us!

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#### Manager's Report

Hello Curlers! A new season is upon us and with such there are some changes around the club. The back board of the ice area was rotten and requiring replacement in doing so we have shortened it and gone to rubber instead of carpet to keep the ice fresh and clean easier and longer. We have also covered the boards in puck board, so no more paint chips! In addition, keep an eye out for some new houses out there and new stuff in the lounge!

We are also Hosting the Mixed Doubles Provincial Dec 18-21 and the Canadian Pride Curling Championships April 3-6 hence our late start to the season, Good Curling see you soon!

### History Corner: October 9, 1924

"Granite Club Will Enlarge Curling Rink: Decision to Proceed is Made at Semi-Annual Meeting.

With every expectation that the coming season will be the most successful one in the history of the Granite Curling Club the shareholders of the association at their semi annual meeting last night decided to go ahead with plans for the enlargement of the rink for the coming winter. It was decided to erect an upstairs waiting room which will be the full length of the present one and two feet wider. The upstairs addition will furnish much better accommodation for the ladies' club and will include a kitchen and other facilities for catering at bonspiels."

This exciting article from the Edmonton Journal highlights the first of many renovations the Granite has seen over the past century. The expansion meant that the Granite remained the largest curling club in the city, and would be a frequent host of parties and gatherings both during the curling season and after. The renovations also provided an opportunity to improve the lighting to the building and reinforce the rafters. This renovation would last the club until 1953.