



The Granite Quarry

January 2026

Happy New Year!

We hope that everyone had a good Christmas season, and we are super excited to see everyone back on the ice as we continue the season.

Clean Lobby, Clean House

As a gentle reminder to everyone, please remember to clean your shoes or remove them before stepping foot in the lobby.

But just as importantly, please clean your curling gear. Your gripper should be washed (with warm soapy water) every 2-4 months to keep accumulated dirt off the ice.

Replace your broom head every 6-8 months (more frequently if you play more often than once per week). Removable broom covers can be washed in warm soapy water to prolong their life.

The cleaner our gear is, the cleaner the ice will be. Thank you



Important Dates

- January 24, 2026: Curling with Pride Fun Spiel
- Jan 29-Feb1 2026: Curling Alberta Masters Championship Qualifiers
- February 1-6, 2026: Blind Curling National Playoffs
- February 14-15, 2026: Intercity Chinese Bonspiel

These events are free for spectators, so come down and watch some great curling!!

Curling with Pride Fun Spiel

Calling all Kings and Queens! The 2026 Curling with Pride Fun Spiel is coming January 24. Registration is open now, and spots are limited.

Check out the Curling With Pride Facebook page or contact curlingwithpride@gmail.com for more information and to register. This will be a fun event that you don't want to miss!



Get to Know Us!

Our mission is to provide a safe, affordable, sustainable and inclusive curling facility that offers social, recreational and leisure enjoyment for all Edmontonians.

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<https://granitecurlingclub.com/>

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Blind National Curling Playoffs

Running February 1-6, the Granite Curling Club is proud to host the *Canadian Vision Impaired Curling Championships*, better known as the Blind Nationals. This is the first time it has been held in Western Canada!

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for people to help with serving lunch every day, assisting our less-sighted competitors get their food and find seats in the lounge comfortably. We also need someone to assist with score keeping on the laptop, someone to refill the snack dishes in the lounge, and a few curlers to be available to sweep for the teams, should a need arise. If you can spare even an hour, we would really appreciate it. Please email Natalie Morin using the subject heading *Blind Nationals Volunteers* if you can assist us: morinnatalie@hotmail.ca.



Chase the Ace

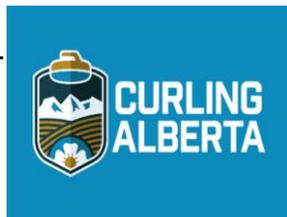
Tickets are \$5 for this weekly raffle and available from the lounge. The money collected goes towards important upgrades and repairs around the club. Every Friday

night we draw for a winner, with tickets only valid for that week's draw. More details are on the website. Will you find that elusive Ace of Spades and win the jackpot?

Curling Alberta Masters

We are hosting the qualifiers for the Curling Alberta Masters Jan 29-Feb 1. Spectators make these events so much better for the competitors; therefore, we ask that our members try to come out and watch a game or two. Having a friendly crowd boosts the curlers and keeps the energy going from first stone thrown to final handshakes!

Draw Times: Thurs - 3:00pm, Fri - 10am & 3pm
Sat. - 10am & 3:pm, Sun - 10am & 3:00pm



Managers Report

Happy 2026. Hard to believe we're already halfway through the season. We hope everyone had a great first half and are enjoying the new very keen ice, thanks to our new ice maker, Brian Dean, and are looking forward to the second half. The support for the Chase the Ace fundraiser has been fabulous so please continue to buy tickets as the grand prize continues to grow.

Thanks to all the folks who have paid their dues or their locker fees. If you haven't as yet, please stop by the office and get that taken care of.

As always, please continue to support Super Amigos and our sponsors and stop by the office anytime to share your ideas.

Good luck for the second half.

Historian's Corner: 15 Jan, 1926

"Fifty-Five Rinks Have Entered in the Granite Club's Mixed Bonspiel.

Curlers from Every Rink in the City Will Compete – Play is Scheduled to Start Sunday Afternoon – Prospects are Bright for Good Ice."

The Granite was once again the host to a successful bonspiel, with draws happening at 2,4, 7, and 9 pm on Saturday January 16th. At the time, we were a six-sheet club, with some spectator seating on ice level. The Granite fielded multiple teams, with the final count at 56 total teams registered. Mixed play competitions was popularized by the Granite, eventually gaining their own league standing. Edmonton had 6 active curling clubs in 1926; of those only the Granite and Thistle remain today.

Khalehla Litschel, Club Historian