

### BETWEEN THE SHEETS

Galt Curling's Quarterly Community Newsletter



#### Say my name, say my name,

Lets address the elephant in the news first. We have a name. Thank you to all who voted and to all who submitted a name. We can now finally call our newsletter by its name and not "insert name here". Not sure if the name will stick but its here for now, so lets use it, say it, see how it rolls off your tongue.

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### **President Update**

Hi all! Sandy and the board are off enjoying their summer and spending time at their cottages in between board meetings so on behalf of the board and everyone here at the club, I want to thank all the members that came out to our Annual General Meeting. We were able to look back at our first full season of curling since the start of the pandemic as well as look forward to the coming season. Our events team has been busy planning a variety of events for the coming summer months and next season. Can't wait to see all of you in the fall. Hope you're have a safe and happy summer!

Quinn Walsh, Club Manager

### **AGM Recap**

Thank you to everyone who made it out to our AGM we had 78 members/proxies. The presentation went off without a hitch and there were some great questions from the group. One thing we would like to note is that there was an emergency motion presented and passed to allow the board to spend up to \$60,000.00 to fix the womens locker room, the cracks in the walls and the grading/driveway out the back to prevent the leaking from happening again.

### **Technology Update**

If you were at the AGM you already know that we're using a new curling club manager this year for registration as well as a new website. We also mentioned that we're moving our POS from Moneris over to LightSpeed POS and our back-end and new Online Proshop store will be accepting payments through Sonapay. These changes are designed to make membership, buying gear and getting alcohol smoother with less problems going forward.

### KISS THE ROCK Beer Update

In September 2022, we launched our custom brewed anniversary collaboration beer with Jackass Brewery in anticipation of our 185th anniversary celebration. It is a light IPA and only has 5.7% alcohol per can. A portion from every can and draft of the brew sold at Jackass and at the club go directly back into the club. To date we have raised \$1,200 from this initiative.

### **FUN FACT**

In honour of Canada Day, some Canadian fun facts comin' at cha

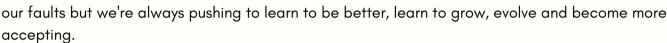
- Canada is home to the longest street in the world. - Yonge Street
- Canada has national parks that are bigger than many countries.
- Canada has more surface area covered by lakes than any other country in the world.
- Canada eats more doughnuts than any other country in the world. (Obviously)

#### We're in the thick of it!

July is always hard, you're torn between enjoying the nice weather, cottage, swimming and all things summer. But you're also missing the gang and games at the club. We get it, we feel the same way. The bright side is, less than 90 days from now we'll all be back together.

July brings a lot of happy things with it thought:

Canada Day, those who know me know that
 absolutely love this country. We're not without



- 2. Late sunsets. Nothing beats sitting outside on the patio until 9 oclock in the perfect red hue of a dropping sun. Enjoy it, before we know it it will be getting dark at 2:30 and we'll be cursing the skies.
- 3. Fresh fruit and vegetables. I don't love paying 9 dollars for an apple in the dead of winter. So I'll enjoy this while it lasts.



We have two major thanks that we need to give following our club tour of Cowbelling Brewing on June 25. The first is to all the amazing staff at Cowbell including our tour guide and the servers. We think we can speak for everyone here at the club that participated when we say that it was an amazing experience in such a cool facility. We learned a ton about the brewing process, their roots in Blyth, as well as we had some amazing food and sampled some great beers. The Hazy Days Strawberry Rhubarb and their new Juiced Seagull wheat beer were both hits with the crowd. The second big thanks is to all the members that came out and participated in the day. Cowbell has been a supporter of the club for a number of years now and will be potentially taking it a step further giving us even more support this coming season (that's all I can share about that for now). It is important that us as a club show our thanks and support them back whenever we can.

#### **More Canada Day Facts!**

- The province of Alberta has been rat-free for over 50 years. isn't that the dream
- You will probably weigh less in Canada. Large parts of Canada have less gravity than the rest of the Earth.
- Bigfoot is safe in Canada It is illegal to kill a Sasquatch in British Columbia.
- Canada has the longest highway in the world. -The Trans Canada Highway #1 is 7821 kilometres long. (I'd take a bet that some of the members in the club have driven the whole thing.... I would be one of them)

### Club Events: JULY + AUGUST 2023





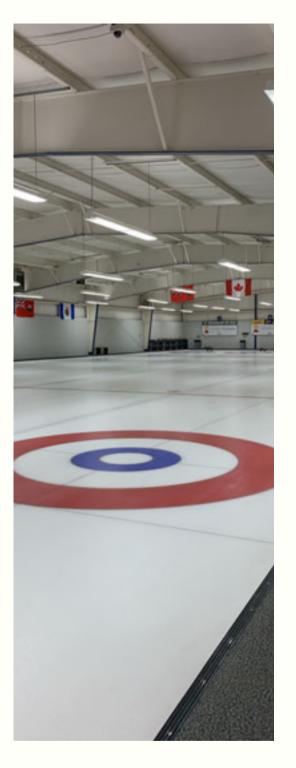
### **CANADIAN MUSIC FACTS**

Did The term "Beatlemania" was the invention of Sandy Gardiner, a music writer for the Ottawa Journal. He used it to describe the behavior of band's fanbase in an article on November 9, 1963.

Out of the top 20 selling albums in America from the last 25 years, three are from Canadians: Come On Over/Shania Twain (#2, 15,522,000), Jagged Little Pill/Alanis Morissette (#3, 14,796,000) and Falling Into You/Celine Dion (#12, 10,803,000). Dion also played a big part in the Titanic soundtrack (#16, 10, 174,000).

## Club Events: SEPTEMBER 2023





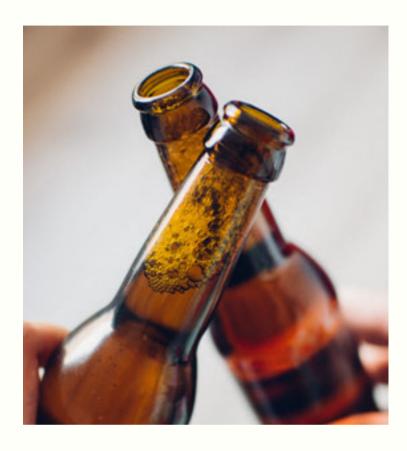
### **CANADIAN FILM AND ACTORS FACTS**

Keanu Reeves agents wanted him to change his name. He went to the ocean to get ideas, and he came up with "Chuck Spadina" & "Templeton Page Taylor". They didn't like either of those and let him keep his name. Keanu means "cool" in Hawaiian

Ryan Gosling & Rachel McAdams Were Born In The Same Hospital – Talk about birthing talent!

Michael J Fox -There was already another Michael A. Fox in the <u>Screen Actors' Guild</u>, so he changed his middle initial to a "J" in honour of actor Michael J. Pollard.

# Beers! Bottles! Burgers! Our Annual Bottle Drive (with a twist...)



Mark you calendars! Our annual bottle drive is back again this year on August 26th from 11am-3pm. We are taking it up a notch this year and expanding the event. We will have a number of beer vendors on site, a food truck, and of course will be running our bottle drive to raise capital funds for the club. While we don't want to give away all of the details and surprises yet, this is us launching our call for volunteers. If you are interested in helping us with the bottle drive aspect of the event, please send Quinn in the office an email. Even if crushing cans aren't your thing make sure to start saving your cans if you haven't already and get your beer drinking arm warmed up.

### Back From The Ashes...The Swing + Sweep!!!

We were going to say a little birdy wanted to stop by, but then we thought let's just scream it from the rooftops instead! 2023 will be the year the Swing and Sweep returns. It has been a number of years since we have held this event. It will take place September 23. It will be a 7:30am shotgun start at Beaverdale for 9 holes and then lunch and 8 ends of curling back at the club in the afternoon. So this is your sign to get your foursomes together. It must be the same four people golfing and curling. This event is open to members and non-members alike. Each team must have at least one member on it. Registration will open the beginning of August so keep an eye out for another email to come.



### **Fundraising Update**

Did you know that thanks to everyone's efforts and generosity here at the club, we raised **over \$15,000** during the 2022-2023 season for the club??? This is such an accomplishment and something we are really proud of. While the curling landscape is changing locally and nationally, it is continuous fundraising like this that will keep curling in our club for years to come. 185 years is huge, but we aren't done just yet. All this fundraising came from a variety of events like euchre nights, challenge nights, in-club bonspiels, and the sports trust fund to name a few.

**Give and Grow Program** – Its back! do you like to save money? Do you want to help the club at the same time? All you have to do is get your hands a little dirty. That's right the Big Yellow Bag is back at it. Use code:GALTCC23 and you'll save \$5 on a Big Yellow Bag and we as a club will receive \$10



### Volunteering at the Club

We've mentioned this many times before. We are a community club. We thrive off of volunteerism. We succeed when people from the club give their time and talents to us. We are nothing without you. Cameras are installed because volunteers come out and help. We are so thankful for that. Our board members donate countless hours keeping the club moving forward but we are always in need of your help. If you have a talent, a desire, free time that you want to donate to GCC we want it. Please reach out to newsletteregaltcurlingclub.com and let us know. Tell us who you are, what you want to do, if you have any special talents that you think might benefit the club and we will be in touch. Let's make this upcoming season the best season yet and we can't do that without your help.

Current volunteering opportunities we need filled:

Help with launching the kitchen – That's right! We want to offer food in the upcoming season. We're looking for volunteers to help organize, purchase, cook and run scheduling throughout the week to help the bar staff prepare food. Social Media liaisons – Are you good with a camera, a phone? Can you make it go Clicky clicky? If so WE WANT YOU. We're trying to build our social media presence, create content and get other people interested in what we do, who we are and why they might want to join such an awesome group of people.



# Stacey Chaves Real Estate

Do you follow Stacey Chaves on social media? It seems like every single day she's posting that she's sold a house. This woman is incredible, she's fantastic at her job and loves what she does. So if you're considering, buying, selling, renting or getting an investment property I'd highly suggest her to be your first call. For more information please visit staceychaves.ca or email her stacey@makeamove.ca

### **Granite Landing Retirement Residence**

I'm not sure about you, but age is staring me down pretty quickly. I'm not quite to the point of retirement but I think about it a lot. I also think about putting my parents in a home... A LOT. I never imagined them winding up in a place like Granite Landing. It's nothing like you'd think a "home" would be. These guys are livin' large! They offer things like Yoga, Guided tours, walks around the park, trips to museums, craft workshops, woodworking workshops, the list goes on and on. If you head over to their website you can see their June calendar is full of events going on. Life at Rivera is pretty wonderful as well, from the sImple amenities like a library, outdoor living space, movie room, pool, spa, bistro, billiards room, rec room, patio, exercise room and 3 full catered meals a day. All of a sudden telling your parents "You better behave or I'm gonna put you in a home" doesn't have the same type of threat that it used to. But in all seriousness, if one of our members are looking at taking that next step and wanting a tour you can book one free today and see what the best retirement living looks like.



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Book a tour today.

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### **Aru Chiropractic**

It's no secret I'm getting older, I just spoke about it with Rivera, time is contagious, everyone is getting old and while I do I want to stay in the best health I possibly can. Enter Jim Aru. There have been times in my life where I couldn't walk from a sore back. Jim was the one that helped me get back on my feet and back in the hack. With over 15 years experience Jim has been providing chiropractic services.

Other services he provides are: Massage therapy Shockwave therapy Orthotics

So if you find yourself needing your back cracked or a plethora of other services give the team at Aru Chriopractic a call. They're so close to the curling club you could throw a rock and hit them!

### **Final Thoughts**

As you go into this weekend please be safe. Drink responsibly, smoke responsibly, drive responsibly and stay safe. Please don't let your celebration of this wonderful country we live in be cause for any damage to you and your loved ones.

Celebrate the wonderful moments that we as Canadians have had, world records, gold medals, incredible musicians, actors, directors, doctors and scientific breakthroughs. Recognize the growth we can make, mistakes we've made and how in this country everyone is equal, free to have their own thoughts, beliefs, religions and can love whomever they want without fear or penalty.

Happy Canada Day, Happy July, August and September. Have a wonderful summer, See you soon, Mark, Quinn and the rest of the board