



Spring Fling Funspiel

Saturday, March 16 is the last curling event of the season! Come out for this 1-day fun bonspiel. Each team should have at least 1 novice curler. \$35/person or \$140/team; equipment is available for those who need it.

8:00 am	Registration Opens
9:00 & 10:30 am	First 4-end games
12:00 - 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 & 3:00 pm	Second 4-end games
5:00 (or earlier)	Turkey Toss (\$2 entry)
8:00 am - 6:00 pm	Lounge Open

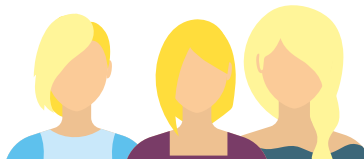
Register: gibsonscurling@gmail.com

Roaming Ladies Bonspiel

Gibsons sent 2 teams to New Westminster for the Roaming Ladies Bonspiel "Under the Big Top" at Royal City Curling Club.



We will be hosting this event in March 2025 at the Gibsons Curling Club in the first-ever Blondespiel!



2024 AGM

Please join us in the upstairs lounge on **Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 7 pm** for the 2023/24 Annual General Meeting.

Registration begins at 6:30. All members are encouraged to attend!

Agenda items include:

- Election of new board members
- Committee reports and volunteer sign-up
- Update on tax situation
- Proposed building improvements
- Summer schedule
- Proposed new leagues
- 2024/25 bonspiel schedule
- President's report

The bar will be open before the meeting to sell remaining stock.

If you'd like to learn more about how our volunteer-run club operates or get more involved, be sure to attend!



2024 Flea Markets

Check out the summer flea markets for \$2 per person. They run from 10 am - 2 pm each of these Saturdays this summer:

- Saturday, April 20
- Saturday, May 4
- Saturday, May 18
- Saturday, June 1
- Saturday, June 15



Donations from club members will be sold at the club table. Please start looking around your house for underused items.

Learn more about becoming a vendor on [our website](#).

Let's Talk about Sweeping

Sweeping can do 3 things:

1. Add **Distance**: Sweeping can make the rock travel farther. Good sweepers can add 4 - 8 feet to a rock's distance.
2. Control **Direction**: Sweeping can make the rock travel straighter. Directional sweeping can make the rock curl more.
3. Clear **Debris**: Sweeping clears small debris from the rock's path to avoid a pick or changing the rock's course.



Directional sweeping allows advanced sweepers to change the course of the rock. Deciding which sweeper will be close to the rock as soon as the shot is called is helpful.

- For **straightening**, sweepers take a position on the inside of the curl (e.g. right side on an in-turn) with their body at a 45-degree angle to the line of delivery. They drive the broom away from their body, starting at a point on the inside of the running surface. This creates scratch grooves in the ice up to 45 degrees to the line.
- To **add more curl**, sweepers position themselves on the outside of the curl and drive the broom away from their body, creating scratch grooves near 45 degrees to the line.

Source:

<https://www.greatcurling.com/post/advanced-curling-sweeping-techniques-a-deep-dive>

Volunteers Needed!

Sign-up sheets are posted in the club lobby for on-ice and lounge shifts for the **Spring Fling Bonspiel**.

There are also sign-up sheets for volunteers for the summer **Flea Markets** on the window of the office.



How many hours have you volunteered this season? Most organizations see 20% of their members doing 80% of the work. We can do better.

Please consider completing the [Serving it Right](#) course this summer so you can help bartend for your league and events next year. It's only \$35.

Let's all do our part!!

Sponsors

Thanks to our new sponsors **Soundwerks**, **Sunshine Coast Foundation**, and **Len Wrays Moving & Storage!**

Please reach out to the club if you know of any other potential sponsors for our shed walls.