



# AUGUST NEWSLETTER 2018

HERE IS SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THIS YEARS REGISTRATION, AGM AND CHANGES FOR THIS UPCOMING SEASON.

## **REGISTRATION**

The club has signed another 7 year rental contract with the City of Spruce Grove. With the new contract there was an increase in our rent that could no longer be avoided. The City has been gracious by giving us a discount for the past few years. With this being said, there is an increase in fees. There has been no increased costs to members for the past 3 years. The increase will be \$10.00. Fees will then be \$310.00 if paid early and \$335.00 for regular fee. Friday registration will be \$280.00 if paid early and \$305.00 for regular fee.

Our Little Rocks and Junior leagues will also see and increase in fees this season. There has not been an increase for almost 10 years. This additional money will help with many growing demands these leagues have. The increase will be \$20.00 totalling \$100.00 for the season.

Last years registration there were a lot of members paying with credit cards so they could get their points. In turn, the club received a very large banking charge. Please note that if you are paying with a credit card there will be a 5% surcharge to your membership fee.

## **AGM**

Our AGM is going to have some very important discussions the year. With us hosting the Provincials last season, some of you may have heard that we could not get any grant money on our own. This is due to how our club is structured. Richard Fownes has been working very hard to start getting this issue resolved. We will have to dissolve the club as a corporation and re open as an actual non-profit under the Society Act. We are currently under the Co-operatives Act. All of this will be discussed at the AGM. A lot of big decisions need to be made on behalf of our club. So, if you can, please attend and have your say. Another important discussion is we need to vote on changing some of our By Laws and that can only be done at our AGM with members voting. Our By Laws are not up to standards....they haven't been changed in many years.

## **CHANGES FOR THIS UPCOMING SEASON**

### **LEAGUES**

As for league play the pool system will be changing. It has been decided by the board to have a 2 pool system. A and B teams going into the A pool and C and D pools going into the B pool.

New teams will be put into the B pool. There will be 22 games this season. The first round will go for 11 weeks and the second for 11 weeks, so only 2 rounds this season. You may end up playing one team twice unless the league fills up. After 11 weeks there will be a 25% of each pool moving.

Five-Rock rule will be in place for league play.

### **PLAYDOWNS**

We will not be having Playdowns for 2 weeks before the Year End. We are finding less and less teams are able to sign up for Playdowns. We will now host a President Cup Club Championship Bonspiel, February 2-3. This will be for Men's and Mixed teams to compete for the President Cup Club Champion. The Men's winner will be offered to go to the Travelers to represent the club. If declined, it will be offered to the runner up.

### **SENIOR PROVINCIALS/ MENS BONSPIEL**

We will be hosting the Senior Provincials this season from February 12-17, 2019. It will be held in the club. With that being said, we have moved our Men's Bonspiel dates to February 22-24, 2019. We have also had discussions with Westridge Curling Club in regards to making it easier for people to attend both of our bonspiels. Moving the Men's Bonspiel date was decided to accommodate both clubs. We will need volunteers for these events.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers needed! Last season there was no volunteers to run the Ladies Bonspiel. We will need volunteers for our events. Our Open Sundays for 12- 2 pm is also a volunteer position. Please let Brandie know if you are available to volunteer.

**On line registration will begin August 30 and go until September 6. You have until September 6 to save money! Registration night is September 6. 7:00pm Players Rights, 7:45 pm AGM, 8:30pm Registration. We all look forward to seeing you again this season.**

Brandie Ross

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