# 2024-25 Major Bonspiel Report

Kettle Moraine Curling Club continues to set the standard of how to run successful Bonspiels. We are so grateful for those members who have committed themselves to Chairing, Co Chairing or helping out any way they can at any of our events. Your volunteering at our 9 events last year went a long way towards the success. It goes without saying that without our great volunteers we couldn't hold these events.

#### LaQuinta Hotel & Suites

Last year LaQuinta stepped up and agreed to be our partner Hotel for our Bonspiels. There were a few hick ups to start the year, but by the end of the season Hotel block occupancy was full. It was successful enough that LaQuinta has agreed to stay on and partner with us again. If you have any out of town friends coming to any of our Bonspiels please try to persuade them to stay with our hotel partner. The rates for most of our events are even better this year. That's a win win for everyone.

Unfortunately last year we were down 2 Bonspiels for different reason. Sadly we had to cancel the Fall Fling because of low registration. There were a few contributing factors working against us. We also paused our Two on Two spiel in hopes of doing something a little different. We will look to rebound from these minor setbacks and move forward. The KMCC Cash spiel was full for the very first time since we started hosting, and I'm happy to say that we are already full for the 25-26 season. The Midwest cup added more teams last year and was chosen once again as a Qualifying site for 5&under nationals for 25/26 season. Both of those events are 3 day events. The Stick, Mixed, Classic, College and Mens bonspiel continue to be the bread and butter of our events. All those events require a lot of volunteers and hours working. The total net profit from all of our bonspiels added up to over \$37,000.

#### **Senior Nationals**

Next January we are hosting the 2025-26 Senior Men's & Woman's Curling Nationals at KMCC. This is Major event as the winning teams will advance to represent the USA at Senior Worlds in Geneva Switzerland at the end of April. The event is a week long with as many as 30+ teams possibly coming. Kettle Moraine has hosted a few National Championships in the past and all of them were very successful. We will be looking for volunteers to help us continue to be successful. The chairs for this event are Tom & Tess Munich and Tom & Cindy Godar. Please watch for communications from them as they start to organize and come up with a game plan.

### 2024/2025 Club Games year End Report:

Tuesday Moon Rock Results

1st place: Angela Schulz, Irene Schuder, Susan Hietala, Chris Spofford

2nd place: Jane Lee, Lyndsay Johnson, Carol Stevenson, Nikki Raine, Kathy Hyslop

3rd place: Michele Heinze, Audrey Ivey, Sarah Dolley, Stacy Reid

Tuesday Spring (Night Owls)

1. Team Mack: Bekka Mack, Jackie Stetina, Deb Wade, Jackie Garfield

2. Team VanEeckhout: Adah VanEeckhout, Phyllis Kirchner, Carol Stevenson, Lyndsay Johnson, Audrey Ivey

3. Team Schulz: Angela Schulz, Stella Geason, Sarah Dolley, Ginnie Baier

Thursday AM All American League Summary:

Winners: Angela Schulz, Randi Feil & Carol Stevenson

Runner-up: Bonnie Dixon, Amy Burbach, Jane Lee

3rd Place: Frauke Mattner-Laus, Stella Geason, Susan Hietala

4th Place: Cindy Godar, Tess Munich, Pennie Everett

USWCA 1: 1 Results

Tuesday night 12/17 Deb Wade-Winner; Rachel Fletcher-RU

Thursday morning 2/14 Jane Lee-Winner; Deb Wade-RU

All American

Champions: Team Mack: Bekka Mack, Jackie Stetina, Deb Wade, Jackie Garfield

Runner up: Team Schulz: Angela Schulz, Stella Geason, Sarah Dolley, Ginnie Baier

# Monday night:

Fall	Spring	
1st Winner	Michele Heinze (Frauke Mattner- Laus, William Perry, Joe Cavanaugh)	Kyle Fletcher ( Craig Heinze, Mike Berkowitz, Alex Olson)
1st	Stephen Hogan (Dan Jegier, Calvin	Adah Van Eeckhout (Frauke Mattnet-
Runner-up	Wade, Mary Wagner)	Laus, Brian Sandlass, John Bukowy)
2nd	Jeff Moylan (Gerry Flakas, Samantha	Michele Heinze (Aaron Morrill,
Winner	Schuder, Rachel Bolte)	Benjimin Williams, Jim Gitto)
2nd	Tom Munich ( Julie Fay-Krivitz, David	Carson Heinze (Mitch Dolley, Joe
Runner-up	Escamilla, Nick Bolte)	Cavanaugh, Charlie Rowland)
3rd Winner	Jake Laus (George Mack, Sarah Dolley, Anthony Peters)	Alex Heller (Craig Schambow, Eric Fennig, Lori Jensen)
3rd	Neil Feil (Mitchell Dolley, Benjimin	Brad Folkert (George Mack, Sarah
Runner-up	Williams, Mike Berkowitz)	Dolley, Thomas Mays)
4th Winner	Thomas Godar (Bob Frick, Mike Becker, Joe Mudlaff)	Thomas Godar (Jim Twet, Debbie Wade, Nicholas Bolte)
4th	Dave Kawecki (Angela Schulz, Brian	Neil Feil (Randi Feil/Nikki Raine, Calvin
Runner-up	Sandlass, Kevin Kometer)	Wade, Angelina Radke)
5th Winner	Jeff White (Cindy Godar, Troy Burbach, Thomas Mays)	Jason Lee (Kirk Hanson, David Escamilla, Lori Gitto)
5th	Brad Folkert (Carson Heinze, Stella	Pat Zawada (Aly Olson, Dan Pomeroy,
Runner-up	Geason, Griffin Palmer)	Tony Patrick)

Friday night 1st session.

#### Mixed Doubles Sunday Doubles:

Season results: With nine teams we ran three event finals. The first and third events have not played their games due to schedule conflicts so those games will need to be played next season. First Event Final is Neil & Randi Feil vs Tom & Tess Munich. Second Event Final saw Jason & Jane Lee defeating Mitch & Sarah Dolley. Third Event Final is Cal & Deb Wade vs Steve and Pennie Everett.

We really had a smooth season this year. I have not heard of any teams not planning on returning for next season. It's possible one team may not return as they did not win many games however I believe they had fun so we'll see. We also had several teams that introduced others to the doubles format and I'm optimistic we will add a few teams for next season. As we get closer to next season I would like to add a section to a club email to promote the doubles league. My hope is to get 14-16 teams next season and run 2 draws. If we are successful in this I can see the need to do a full ice prep (scrape) for the doubles league. Right now Sunday ice gets used quite a bit with Little Rockers, Doubles, Juniors and 5&U. I'm wondering if Little Rockers and Juniors could run at the same time to free up time for me to do a scrape. Another idea is to move one or two of the Sunday leagues to Saturday. I have not polled our current doubles participants on Saturday availability but I would certainly be willing. Might be too soon to tell, open for conversation as the season takes shape for any of these ideas.

Biersach Finals: Round robin winner: Sharkus Round robin RU: Laux

Event finals:

1<sup>st</sup> E: Wilson 1<sup>st</sup> E RU: Sharkus

2<sup>nd</sup> E: Flemming 2<sup>nd</sup> E RU: Laus

3<sup>rd</sup> E: C Heinze 3<sup>rd</sup> E RU: Hogan

Thursday Morning Summary Fall Session: Delafield Rocks, Open League (9 week round robin) 9 Teams, 36 Curlers = 20 Women, 16 Men

Scoring: Win/Loss only (no tracking of points or ends)

Winning Team: Dave Kawecki, Tom Godar, Carol Stevenson, Heather Ragen (7 wins) Second Place: Jeff Moylan, Stella Geason, Frauke Mattner Laus, Thomas Mays (6 wins)

Spring Session: (7 week round robin) 8 Teams, 33 Curlers (17 Women, 16 Men) Scoring: Win/Loss

Winning Team: Neil Feil, Angela Schulz, Carol Stevenson, Cal Wade (7 wins)

Second Place: Cindy Godar, Troy Burbach, Carolyn Frick, Kristina Kieckhefer (5 wins)

NOTES: This year we discussed and posted some "Delafield Rocks" league rules during the Fall session. Scoring was switched to win/loss with no tracking of points and ends. Game clock was changed to countdown 1 hr 50 min. When buzzer sounds teams must finish the end they are currently playing (no additional ends). The pin committee provided pins for the first and second place teams for both Fall and Spring sessions. Plaques for the top team each session will be added to the Delafield Rocks trophy. John Geason and Cal Wade did a great job of preparing ice. It has been a very successful year of curling. The primary topic for future consideration is whether or not it makes sense to continue the All American league in January.

Tuesday TATT review: No major concerns. This was a new league and it was inconsistent with the number of curlers. We had several weeks with only 4 to 6 curlers and the average was 9. We did have some good attendance 5 of the last 7 weeks. The good news is that there is no need to commit to the league but the bad news is that there was not consistency. I think there were several members that enjoyed attending most of the weeks.

-Need to look for a new chair.

### Sunday Little Rockers:

- o The schedule was not accurate on the website. I had to revise a few times.
- I would like better promotion of the league in the club and possibly on the website.
- Parents with kids (non-members) would just show up. They talked to "someone" at the club that told them to show up on Sunday mornings. No one told me. This happened twice this year. All inquiries should go to me for knowledge, approval, and coordination.
- Can non-member children participate? I think they should and did it a few times this year.
- o I need clarification on SafeSport requirements for me and other coaches
- I am going to plan a mini-bonspiel for the kids at the end of next season. Keep that on the radar.

# **2024-2025 League Chairs for Club Games**

Monday Night Open: Carson Heinze & Pete Tomes

Tuesday TATT: Neil Feil

Tuesday Night Women (Moon Rocks/Night Owls): Jane Lee & Rachel Fletcher

Wednesday Biersach Mens Invitational: Herb Rasmussen, Craig Sharkus & Craig Heinze

Thursday Morning Open: Heather Ragen & Linda Kawecki

Thursday TATT: Rick Baldry

Open-Drop In Thursday Night: Joe Cavanaugh

Friday Night Oakwood Mixed: Michele & Craig Heinze

Little Rockers: Aaron Fralish

Sunday Open Double: Neil & Randi Feil (open to stepping down)

Sunday Night 5&U: Matt Raine & Dave Wagoner

Introductory League: Steve Everett Jr, Julie Fay-Krivitz & Carson Heinze

WISCA: Bob Dixon

Women's 1:1: Linda Kawecki

# Possible 2025-2026 League Chairs for Club Games

Monday Night Open: Carson Heinze & Bekka Mack

Tuesday TATT: ???

Tuesday Night Women (Moon Rocks/Night Owls): Jane Lee & Rachel Fletcher

Wednesday Biersach Mens Invitational: Committee – Tom Munich, Kyle Fletcher, Dustin

Wolfgram, Aaron Fralish, Jimmy Hulen, Mitch Wilson Thursday Morning Open: Heather Ragen & Linda Kawecki

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### 2024/2025 Kettles Year End Report

The Kettles had a successful 2024/2025 season. This year we did not host the Fall Fling in October, but we are looking forward to the return of that bonspiel in 2025 with a Wicked theme. The Kettles returned to the All American as part of the normal league play instead of the one-day bonspiel which was piloted in the 2023/2024 season.

The Kettles did purchase the new dishwasher so we could have two working units so thank you to all of the club members that participated in the Christmas raffle to help the Kettles raise funds to support the purchase of the dishwasher. Special thank you to Bekka Mack for organizing that event.

# **Club Promotions Committee Report - Kettle Moraine Curling Club**

We had several sponsors during the 2024-25 curling season. Some were on ice logos and some on the wall as well as the club directory. The ads generated \$2500. The directory will be available at the annual meeting.

With the help of many volunteers, we hosted several corporate events, holiday parties, office team building, as well as one bachelor party. These events generated \$13,000.

Cindy Godar

Building and Grounds Committee Report-Kettle Moraine Curling Club

Fiscal Year, May 1, 2024-April 30, 2025

Submitted by Julie Fay-Krivitz-June 14, 2025

- 70 LED Light Bulbs were replaced in the icehouse. (August, 2024)
- Carpet Cleaning was completed at the end of the curling season. (June, 2025)
- Grill was cleaned by members Tony Patrick and Steva Curtis. (September 2024)
- A new undercounter dishwasher, Centerline-a division of Hobart, was purchased and installed. The Kettles/Ladies paid for this expense. (October 2025)
- The Hobart dishwasher had multipole service calls and repairs completed through Mechanical Systems. A new thermostat was installed in the Hobart Dishwasher by member, Pete Thomas. (February, 2025) The Hobart dishwasher is in working order.
- Elite Hood Cleaning serviced and cleaned the hoods above the grill and stove.
- Kuhlman Incorporated serviced our compressors. Pipes were replaced at the start of the season.
- Snow removal and lawncare contracts are still in effect and the rates are the same as last year's rates. No changes to report.
- Cleaning contractor was changed mid-February, 2025.
- Thank you to Nikki Raine for volunteering her time and taking charge of Locker Assignments and purchasing/maintaining the inventory of paper supplies needed for the club. Tess Munich has volunteered to do this for the upcoming curling season.
- Teaspoon Excavating was contracted to install a new septic system. The project
  was completed at the beginning of the curling season. (September-October, 2024)
  The driveway will be patched in the summer months. (anticipated driveway repair
  completion is August, 2025)
- Fred sanitary Service pumped the tanks mid-February, 2025.
- Member, Tony Patrick, completed multiple building maintenance tasks throughout the fiscal year.
- A New light fixture was installed in the attic area by Tony Patrick.
- Ice machine was cleaned by member, Pete Thomas.
- Grounds committee: Mike Becker, Andrew Fox, Pete Thomas, Tony Patrick and Julie Fay-Krivitz have met and discussed minor upcoming summer projects to be completed.

- Garbage and Recycle service contract remains the same with GFL Environmental. The pickup schedule has been reviewed for the 2025-2026 curling season.
- Thank you to Bob Flemming and Rick Baldry for the many years of ordering and tracking the inventory of Beer and Soda. Mike Schuder has stepped in as the chairperson to track inventory and selection of Beer. Mike communicates with Bob Flemming/Delafield Brewhaus. An additional beer tap was added at the end of the season.
- The club's fire inspection passed.

### **Membership Annual Report 2024-2025**

## Angela Schulz

The club grew its membership by 25% over last season, with a total of 319 members. For this season, we had 32 first year members, 13 second year members, 116 regular members, 77 senior members, 5 junior adults, 4 trial members, and 52 social members. In our junior program, we had 8 little rockers (K-4<sup>th</sup> grade) and 12 juniors (5<sup>th</sup> grade-high school, Sunday only program23).

We hosted Learn to Curl events on September 26, 29, October 1, and December 27, 29, and 30. For the fourth year in a row, KMCC offered three-week introductory mini-leagues to the general public on Thursday evenings. Over the course of the year there were four mini-league sessions offered. In addition to Learn to Curl events, we offered private Learn to Curl Experiences throughout the season. Thank you to all the volunteers who came to help at these events! Fall Learn to Curl events for next season have been tentatively booked for September 30, October 5, and October 9. The first mini-league will start on October 16.