

**Tunnel Town Curling Club  
Board of Directors  
MINUTES**

Meeting – **Monday November 27th – 5:30pm** ; Ice Chip Lounge

**AGENDA:**

1. Attendance: Linda, Tom, Mike, Sandra, Dale, Rick, Kevin, Dave, Joanne  
Absent: Shane, Phil
2. Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes: 1<sup>st</sup> Rick; 2<sup>nd</sup> Dale; Approved
3. Managers Report: See Sandra's report (attached)
4. Treasurers Report - LW/ financials etc. including grant update: ~~See Linda's report (attached); we~~ We did not get the gaming grant (18k); will not put us in the red; Linda will speak with Charlene about next years application
5. Old Business
  1. Dues outstanding – SM (If not covered in managers report): All paid
  2. Ice Feedback – KK: Good conversation with Kelly and his group; nipper not sharp and not doing as many passes
  3. League Reps – KK: Darcy Heisler T/Th; still need reps for other nights
  4. Bonspiels update – Mixed wrap up SM (If not covered in managers report)/ Men's DC/KK: Announcement made to T/Th; calling all past teams to offer spot in this yrs spiel; CD needs Shannon at curl BC contact info; Looking for volunteers and SM will put on website
  5. Novice League – KK/SM: 11 people participating; going well; 8 of 11 will likely move into league
  6. Investment of Surplus Funds update – Closed Circuit Cameras and TV's – DC & RG, KK & SM: Delta has a problem with closed circuit camera; should approach Ken Kootz; get proposal together to submit to appropriate person at Delta; Dave will get specs and need to consider rewiring, etc
6. New Business
  1. Elevator Update – KK & SM: plan for it but election year; start/pass likely 2019; work with Vince in W/C league
  2. Senior Mens/Womans Playdowns January 26-28 – KK/SM: time change to 8:00
  3. Sparring rules in the playoffs – LW & MA: Discussion re: rule change for playoffs re: spares; current wording "spares must not be on a team that is still in any championship event on any night"; all in

agreement to rule rewording; Mike will draft change for presentation at next meeting

4. **Draw time for early extra time slots – ST & SM:** After some discussion it was decided that Sandra would draw the lottery for the Friday night mixed league on Monday morning to give teams more time to make any necessary plans ie: arranging babysitters. All other nights would remain the same, just one or two days in advance of the scheduled night.
5. **Christmas Party/Week before Christmas draws – KK:** In the past we have done an open house on the last Friday before Christmas. It was decided that due to the fact there are 22 mixed teams this year, it may be too crowded to accommodate additional members. Sandra said she would send out an email encouraging members to bring an appetizer/snack to share with the rest of the teams on the last night of play before Christmas.
6. **Future Meetings Scheduled for December, January, February and March:** Scheduled as follows: December – no meeting; January 10/18; February 7/18; March 7/18; April 4/18; April 11/14 (AGM)

#### 8) Other Business:

Suggested that we should establish criteria for measuring curl of rocks and log results. This should be set up before ice wash and rock sanding.

Tom brought up other options for revenue generation such as an afternoon Open Variety League which encourages newcomers to come out and try the league. Other ideas included a Saturday afternoon “drop-in league” which would also help boost bar sales. The Committee proposed to schedule one in February and another in March to test the level of interest.

It was mentioned that there are 2 spare sheets of ice during the Novice league on Sunday night which could be used for make-up games. Sandra said she would advise club members of this option, especially since there are no spare sheets of ice available on the Wednesday early draw for make-up games.

Dale brought up the need for “icing specifications” (ie pebble angle, timing) which would help to ensure more consistent ice maintenance. The specifications are to be given to Kevin who will communicate them to Kelly (ice Manager).

#### 7) In Camera

Sandra left at 6:50 for the in-camera.

#### 9) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

## Manager's Report November 27, 2017

The first half of the 2017/2018 season is now complete. All members were paid in full by the end of October. The fluorescent pink signs helped – not to mention singling out culprits as they arrived 😊

November has been a very busy month.

Both the Intermediate Strategy Clinic and the Video Analysis Clinic were sell outs, with 16 participants registered for each. I have Doris booked to do a Doubles Clinic in March, with the hopes of using the last week of March to play a round robin of Double's (club playdowns all done), and jhopefully generate interest in a doubles league next season. Perhaps Saturday afternoons or Sunday nights in conjunction with the Novice League. To be determined based on interest.

The Mixed Bonspiel was a huge success. It has been many years since we've had a full 24 team draw, which was up from 18 teams last year. Thank you to Tommy Booth of Langley Chrysler for sponsoring the bonspiel, Marilyn Neufeld for being the soup Nazi, Tswn McDonalds for coffee and muffins and to a great team of volunteers that pulled together to make this one of the best Mixed Bonspiels we've hosted in several years.

Our first Paint Night was last night, with 28 participants. Bar sales increased our average Sunday night sales by over \$300. The next paint nite has been booked for Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> following the Sr. Men's & Sr. Women's playdowns.

I've sent an email to Shannon Aleksic at CurlBC requesting an approximation of ice usage for the zone playdowns, even if she guesstimates based on the number of teams that played last year.

The Christmas Sale in the pro shop begins today. An email blast went out overnight offering a 25% discount on all in stock items. It is my goal to liquidate as much inventory as possible, to avoid holding any excess in the off season. Gift Cards are now available as well. I have been offering a Toe Dip service, which to date, over a dozen people have take advantage of, and another 6 shoes ready to do this week. Cost to the Club is under \$36 for materials to do 6 toes at \$20 each. Club pins are on order and should be arriving within the next couple of weeks.

There are four private events booked in December, including the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Heisler Poker Spiel and the Gillis 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Mixed Doubles Egg Nogger during the Christmas Closure.

Tina Betson has been briefed on her responsibilities while I am away, and will be given a written outline to reference. There are a couple of events that happen during the week, one being the Daytime Funspiel on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> and the Wednesday Junior Christmas wrap up on the 13<sup>th</sup> – which will include a visit from Santa – aka John Charbonneau.

I have a team of volunteers coming out this Thursday night to Deck the Halls of the Ice Chip Lounge. It is usually at which time the Food Bank box goes out. I would like to propose the BOD support a new endeavor and consider Tunnel Town and it's members sponsoring a family this year, in lieu of the Food Bank box. If agreed, I will contact Deltassist and get the message to the members.

I had a lengthy conversation with Kent Bird regarding our rocks. I wanted to review the process in which he and I did the rocks four years ago, to determine what, if any changes may have occurred. It was his opinion, using 80 grit and four passes would over sand the rocks and could potentially cause damage over a long period of time. He did say, if we continued to do four passes, that 120 grit is the paper of choice. However, he also agree that 80 grit can be used when sanding as we did four years ago. Handle at 9 o'clock, push forward at the base, lift and turn handle to 12, pull from the base. Lift and clean. He was going to confirm his schedule and book some time to come out for a little "sanding seminar", but wouldn't be until after the holidays. He recommended that we do not sand the rocks with the next ice wash, but monitor the behavior and consider at a later date.