

About Curling

Curling is a social sport focused on fun, fitness, strategy, and teamwork. Played on a special indoor sheet of ice, the sport has both a physical and analytical aspect: with the rigorous sweeping required for many shots, participants get a good cardiovascular workout, and the strategy of the game is why it is often referred to as “chess on ice”.

The goal is to slide your stone closest to the target and then maintain that advantage while your competitor tries to get closer or knock your stone out.

Balance is important in delivering the stone. Each team member delivers 2 stones in each “end,” which is akin to an inning in baseball.

Though the air in the ice shed is cold, after sweeping a few stones you will be quite comfortable and may even want to remove a layer or two.



Club History

Curling came to Rochester in 1961 when Lewis A. Elkin, manager of the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) skating rink, conceived an idea of a curling clinic and bonspiel (tournament) to introduce curling to Rochester.

RIT offered ice time at their Ritter-Clark rink every Sunday morning on a pay-as-you-play basis. Curling began October 8, 1961, with RIT providing stones, brooms, and scoreboards. Interest in curling continued to grow to a point where the members felt the need for their own facility. In 1966, the membership elected to build its own complex. In 1972, the club expanded the facility to its current size, housing 4 sheets of ice and enlarging the Warm Room.



Currently, there are over 200 members in the club including Caitlin Maroldo, who has curled with the US National Women’s Curling Team, and Doug Brugler, USA Curling’s 2012 Volunteer of the Year.



Welcome to the

Rochester Curling Club

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Established in 1961, the RCC has four sheets of ice and is the western most curling club in New York State.

The Rochester Curling Club, is a smoke free facility, and is an all volunteer organization.