

Hello and welcome back!

On behalf of the Carleton Heights Curling Club Executive, welcome to our 2018-2019 curling season. Our volunteers have once again put in many hours through the off season to maintain and improve our club.

In the Ice Shed:

\* Dennis Elgie (Denn Ice) remains our Head Ice Technician. His assigned assistant for our club is Matt Shillington. Please give them and their staff a warm CHCC welcome.

\* Varaxis ice monitoring system was installed mid June. There are probes in the ice and digital systems in the compressor room which allow for constant monitoring and adjusting parameters throughout the ice shed and club, even remotely, by Dennis and Alex.

Lounge, Lockers, Property:

\* Again our Club's Property Chair, Dale Campbell, led some volunteers to undertake painting of both locker rooms, some lockers, ladies washroom, the club office, and some lounge touch-ups.

\* The broken-down bar fridge has been replaced (July).

Tax-Creditable Charitable Donation:

This NSTF-O initiative has raised over \$4900 so far (goal is at least \$12,000) towards the Varaxis system (total cost \$23,840). Every dollar donated through this process decreases our need to use CHCC funds. And you get a tax receipt!. This initiative is ongoing but only until Dec. 31, 2018.

We collected data from all draws through last season and will continue to do so this year. This will allow us to more equitably allot ice and make full use of our assets.

We welcome more members to volunteer wherever and whenever they can. Keep in mind the Junior Superspiel and the OCA Senior Men Open Qualifier.

Together we may achieve our goal of having the best possible curling experience for our members and clients through great ice, great facilities, and great people.

I hope to see you at our Open House Thursday, Sept 13, at 7:00pm.  
(I'll probably be in the kitchen.)

Nancy Long  
President, CHCC