

MERRITT CURLING CLUB

1911-2020



HISTORY

- 1906 - Middlesboro coal miners flooded a patch of ice and threw some rocks (real ones)
- Merritt Curling club formed 1911. Believed to be third oldest in BC.
- \$10 Annual Membership in 1911, included Martin Burrell (MP) and Alex Lucas (MLA).
- 1914 - Rink erected behind Nicola Valley Steam Laundry, natural ice

HISTORY

- 1958 – Curled one year under bleachers in Hockey Arena (on natural ice)
- 1959 - Two Sheet rink opened at current location
- 1971-72 New building, upgraded to 4 sheets



Curling Leagues

- ***Seniors*** – currently curling Monday and Tuesday afternoons, 16 teams...full league
- ***Juniors*** – Curling Monday after school – 15-30 kids
- ***Ladies*** – Curling Wednesday evenings – 8 Teams
- ***Mixed Doubles*** – Tuesday evenings – full
- ***Mens*** – curling Thursday evenings – 10 Teams

Junior Curling

- Juniors curl Monday afternoons
- We average 15 to 30 kids after school on Mondays, plus 4-5 Club members who volunteer
- Teachers bring classes to the rink 4 times a month. This requires the club to keep equipment in good working condition, and enough brooms for a class, step on sliders, grippers for safety, delivery sticks and crutches for physically challenged.



High School Curling



- High School Teams run by Josee Warren, for 3 years now
- Some of our high school curlers play in the Mens, Ladies, and Mixed Doubles League, and have also participated in local bonspiels as a team or as part of another team...
- Building the next generation of players for our club.

Senior Curling

- Dedicated Senior's League Started in 1987
- Vi Magel Founder/Organizer until 2014
- George Mitchell current Organizer
- Full draw (8 teams) Monday and Tuesday afternoons





Other Events

The Building is rented 15-20 times annually for a wide variety of events:

- “Jazz In the Attic” 3x so far, partnered with Arts Council, Junior Girls Rugby
- Federal Election Scrutineers Training
- Cattlemen’s Spiel, Corporate Spiels
- Staff Christmas Parties
- Various Staff Training courses, First Aid, Wildfire training, etc.

Annual Operating Budget

- As this Budget (next page) shows, we operate almost on a break-even basis annually
- About half our revenue comes from membership dues, and Rentals
- The other half of our income is from Bar revenue, Fundraising events, in-ice logos and wall sign rentals
- We have one paid Contract Ice-Maker who works for 6 months a year, and an occasional Bartender hired for Bonspiels. All other work is done by volunteers

Merritt Curling Club							
<u>Annual Operating Revenue</u>				<u>Expenses</u>			
				Wages(casual labour):			
Bar/Concession Sales	\$20,000			Roof labour	1000		
Cost of Goods Sold	<u>-10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>		Cleaning lady	450		
Other Revenue:	-	-		Bartender	<u>1000</u>	<u>2450</u>	
Dues		24,500		Ice Maintenance Contract		11,700	
Rink, Locker rental		2500		<u>Utilities:</u>			
Donations		300		*City of Merritt (brine)	7,000		
Other Income:				BC Hydro	2,400		
Grand Pub Fundraiser	4000			Fortis BC	7,600		
Sign /Logo Rentals	3500			Shaw TV	350		
				Telus			
PST commision	200			(telephone/internet)	650		
Senior raffle	<u>1300</u>	<u>9000</u>		Moneris (debit machine)	<u>250</u>	<u>18,250</u>	
				Maintenance/Capital			
Bonspiel Revenue:				Purchases		3500	
Men's bonspiel	400			Insurance/Licenses		6300	
Ladies bonspiel	200			BCCA Affiliation fees		1500	
Mixed Bonspiel	200			Cleaning/Office Supplies		700	
Other	0	800		Advertising		2000	
Total Revenue			<u>\$47,100</u>	<u>Other Costs:</u>			
				Club jackets	800		
				Club Championship			
-				(entry fee/hotel)	<u>600</u>	<u>1400</u>	
				Interest/Service Charges		<u>800</u>	
				Total expenses			<u>\$ 48,600</u>

Roof Problems

- About \$25000 spent in the past 15 years on Roof repairs.
- Currently collecting water in pails in attic, and patching obvious leaks
- Now seeing moisture damage to walls and building structure
- Carpenter Ant infestation from moisture in substructure, exterminated twice in the past 3 years.
- Insulation in attic is affected by leaks
- Drips causing problems for curlers – dangerous situation
- Considerable extra effort by Icemaker, and other volunteers

Roof Proposal

- Hired BC Building Science (Brooks Young, Senior Project Consultant) to assist in assessment of the building, and recommend new roof designs:
 1. Full replacement with insulation over self-adhered membrane capped with a standing seam metal roof, will last the longest, 30 years minimum, and will require little to no maintenance. Will improve energy costs long term.
Cost \$250-300k approx
 1. Nutech's idea -add insulation over the existing steel roof, cap with a sheet membrane. - will last 20 years minimum and will require cleaning and protection from physical damage. Will improve Energy costs long-term.
Cost - \$200k approx
 1. Coating the existing roof with a silicone coating and adding no insulation. Set out a strict maintenance plan with capital costing., should be done with future budget for recoating and cleaning... a lot cheaper up front and can last a long time with continued maintenance but there must be a plan and money put aside.
Cost - \$125k approx

MERRITT CURLING CLUB EXECUTIVE 2019-20

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