

## HISTORY OF THE POINTE CLAIRE CURLING CLUB

Curling began in Pointe-Claire during the year 1918 on the ice of Lake Saint-Louis in the bay at the foot of Brunet Avenue. Keeping the ice clear of snow proved to be too onerous, and so, in 1919, the game was moved to the quarry on Cartier Avenue, where it remained during the years 1920 and 1921. Irons had been borrowed from the Montreal Thistle Curling Club.

To read about the on-ice achievements of curlers whom PCCC is proud to call members, check out “Glory Days” on the Match page in the Members’ Section of the website.

(Note: Pointe-Claire refers to the City; Pointe Claire refers to the Club.)

Tom Litchfield is the current Club Historian.

### Milestones

1921	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>October 29</b> – A group of 24 sportsmen met in the old frame schoolhouse on Cedar Avenue and founded the Pointe Claire Curling Club. Soon thereafter, the signatures of 65 original club members were obtained. S.H. (Sam) Ward was elected the first President.</li><li>• <b>November 28</b> – The Pointe Claire Curling Club was admitted to the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonia Curling Club.</li><li>• J.R. Cousineau of Pointe-Claire, who owned the property at 500 Killarney Gardens, offered to build a clubhouse on his land, with the condition that a 5-year lease at \$500 a year be agreed upon. At the same time, J.A. Aird, a prominent architect and a curler, began working on plans for a two-storey clubhouse featuring two sheets of ice, men’s and ladies’ lounges, a fieldstone fireplace, and a large upstairs meeting room. The club’s Directors saw the advantage of owning their own property and declined Cousineau’s offer. The decision was made to proceed with a 5-year lease at \$25 a year (and option to buy) on land owned by the Grand Trunk Railway. This land, at the corner of Cartier Avenue and Lakeshore, was later purchased from CNR for \$1,000. Committee member George</li></ul>
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	<p>Parke successfully negotiated an agreement with the Pointe-Claire town council for free water and power, a tremendous savings for the club and the beginning of a long and happy relationship between the club and the city. The contract to build the clubhouse was awarded to one of the club's Directors, Albert Mitchell, and a Beaconsfield lumber merchant, Joseph Legault, for a cost of \$3,950. With a \$1,500 deposit, the work proceeded and, less than 3 months later, the new Club was opened.</p>
1922	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February 28</b> – A “highly sociable” evening formally opened the new two-storey, two-sheet clubhouse.</li> <li>• <b>April 10</b> – The first Annual Meeting of the Club was held.</li> <li>• <b>November 24</b> – A group of 27 sportswomen gathered at the new club and unanimously agreed to form the Ladies' Pointe Claire Curling Club (LPCCC). Mrs. G. Parke was elected the first President.</li> </ul>
1925	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>December 12</b> – The clubhouse was officially opened with a “smoker” (a social event at which smoking tobacco was allowed), featuring entertainment and refreshments.</li> </ul>
1926	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February 1</b> – The Ewing Trophy was donated by Sydmer W. Ewing, Mayor of Pointe-Claire (1925–27) and PCCC President 1927–28, for a competition among 12 rinks on Tuesday evenings.</li> </ul>
1930–31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Helliwell Trophy was donated for use in Club competition to encourage the development of strong rinks for outside competitions.</li> </ul>
1934	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October</b> – J.L.V. (Nap) Mallette, PCCC President 1925–27, was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
1945	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 9</b> – At the Semi-Annual Meeting, club members authorized the incorporation of the Pointe Claire Curling Club under Part III of the <i>Quebec Companies Act</i>.</li> </ul>
1946	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 5</b> – To celebrate its 25th Anniversary, Pointe Claire Curling Club hosted a 5-day bonspiel.</li> <li>• <b>April</b> – An exceptionally warm spring resulted in the loss of the natural ice, necessitating the final PCCC games to be played at other clubs in the city.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>April 15</b> – At the Annual General Meeting, approval was given to install artificial ice. Club members did most of the heavy lifting, which included removing the top layer of earth and replacing it with three railroad carloads of cinders (with the help of a horse and scoop).</li> </ul>
1947–48	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The land on which the club is now located was purchased from Beaconsfield Golf Club for \$3,000.</li> </ul>
1948	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frank W. Mills, PCCC President 1929–31, was inducted as an Honorary Life Member of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
1953	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 10</b> – A sod-turning ceremony was held to mark the start of construction of the current clubhouse and shed.</li> </ul>
1954	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October 15</b> – At the Semi-Annual Meeting, the Building Committee (Stu Steele, Doug Miller, and Jim Wright) announced that the new facilities were 99% complete, and that curling could commence as of November 8.</li> <li>• <b>November 6</b> – The current building was officially opened with a gala evening that featured curling, cocktails, and a buffet supper. The Building Committee Chairman reported that the cost of the new rink would be approximately \$103,000, slightly more than the original estimates, due to unforeseen alterations and design changes.</li> </ul>
1956–57	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The bar in the Hack Room was dismantled and all of the fixtures were moved to the Men's Lounge on the first floor.</li> </ul>
1957	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 5</b> – A rink of Scots (Jock Waugh, Norman Tod, Jimmy Alexander, Willie Wilson, and Bill McNamara) curling across Canada in competition for the Strathcona Cup, received a royal welcome including a police escort with wailing sirens, a drive through Pointe-Claire Village and an impressive entrance into the clubhouse under an arch of crossed brooms. The Scots were so appreciative of the hospitality of club members that they were determined to commemorate their visit to Pointe Claire. They entered into negotiations with the PCCC Executive that culminated in the presentation of the "Guests' Cup" to the Club, intended to be used for an annual competition under unusual rules of play. Thus began one of the unique traditions of the Pointe Claire Curling Club.</li> </ul>

1957–58	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J.G. (Ted) Pattee, PCCC President 1955–56, was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
1962	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>April</b> – J.G. (Ted) Pattee, PCCC President 1955–56, President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club 1957–58, was elected President of the Dominion Curling Association, the forerunner of the current Canadian Curling Association.</li> </ul>
1966	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PCCC donated the Pointe Claire Cup, which is played for in Scotland as a reciprocal event to the Guests' Cup at PCCC. To be eligible, Scots are required to have visited PCCC.</li> <li><b>April</b> – Mrs. Fanny Brown donated a trophy in memory of her husband Harold (Hal) Brown, who had been an active member (primarily with the Match Committee) throughout his many years at the Club.</li> </ul>
1968	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>April</b> – The first Air Canada Silver Broom competition was held at the Pointe-Claire arena, the culmination of efforts of curlers throughout the Montreal area, spearheaded by PCCC's Ted Pattee and Larry Marsh. President Bill Higginson and a special committee hosted many of the social events for all the teams and their supporters. Each of the local clubs had adopted a team – PCCC's was Scotland. At a dinner in their honour, Scotland's Lor Bruce proposed a toast using the proper stance, one foot on a chair and the other on the table!</li> <li>Major renovations were carried out in the summer. The oak door and oak panels at the entrance were installed. On the main floor, the wall was removed between the main lounge and the ladies' lounge. Work was done on the bar and washrooms. There were also some upgrades in the locker rooms and the upstairs hall.</li> <li>Vladimir Murovic, reputed to be the best ice technician in the Montreal area, together with the assistance of his sons Karl and Hans, acquired PCCC as a client.</li> </ul>
1971–72	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>October–April</b> – PCCC celebrated its 50th anniversary with Howie Neville as Anniversary Chairman, and Howard Kelly and Shirley Bradford as Club Presidents. What a season, preserved forever in "The Turn of the Mill" by Arnie Jones and the</li> </ul>

	October issue of <i>The Booze and Comical</i> (a play on the weekly <i>News and Chronicle</i> ). The <i>Windmill Twins</i> paintings by Lorne Bouchard were commissioned to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Club. At the time, the PCCC and the City each owned one-half of both paintings and these wonderful works of art hung in the Club during the curling season and in Stewart Hall for the balance of the year. (Note: the Club purchased the City's portions of the paintings in 2002).
1973	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Howie Neville, Honorary Member and PCCC President 1972–73, founded the Senate.</li> </ul>
1977	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The property to the west of the Club was sold and a portion of the clubhouse was leased to the City of Pointe-Claire, with the proviso that a Lawn Bowling Club be organized and developed. The funds realized were sufficient to pay off the building loan of the time.</li> <li>• David M. Stewart was inducted as an Honorary Life Member into the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
1978	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With the passing of his father Vladimir, Karl Murovic became PCCC's primary ice-maker.</li> </ul>
1989	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green Singles winner in 1946, Roland (Rollie) Desrochers rejoined PCCC after a 40-year absence.</li> </ul>
1990	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>April</b> – Mrs. Betty Gray and family presented the Wilf Gray Trophy in memory of Wilf Gray, PCCC President 1977–78.</li> <li>• <b>September 28</b> – Club members celebrated the completion of the pipe replacement project, whereby a group of members did the work of replacing the old leaky iron pipes with new ones made of polyethylene.</li> </ul>
1993	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCCC hosted the Senior Men's Provincial Championship.</li> </ul>
1993–94	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• G. Maclean was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
1996	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCCC and LPCCC held a most successful 75th Anniversary celebration with Bill McMurchie and Freda Stewart as co-chairs, and Jim Best and Sharon Flaherty as their respective Club Presidents.</li> </ul>
1998	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February 11</b> – The CompuGroup, formed by Pete Avon, held its first meeting.</li> <li>• The <i>Senators at Play</i> painting by Paul Rupert was</li> </ul>

	<p>commissioned by the Senate to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the formation of the Senate by Howie Neville.</p>
1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The PCCC website was started by Roger Wuilleumier of the PCCC CompuGroup.</li> </ul>
2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Under the direction of Eddie Power, PCCC President 1998–99, major renovations were made to the ceiling, lighting, humidity control, and the circulation pump inside the ice shed.</li> <li><b>August 26</b> – Evan Vost became the Club Manager.</li> <li><b>September 28–October 1</b> – PCCC and Glenmore jointly hosted a World Curling Tour event: The Scotia McLeod/ScotiaTrust Montreal Open.</li> </ul>
2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PCCC bought the City of Pointe-Claire’s two half-shares of the <i>Windmill Twins</i> paintings to own them outright.</li> <li><b>September</b> – Peter Laekas became the Club Manager.</li> <li>Peter Avon, PCCC President 1977–78, was inducted as an Honorary Life Member of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>January 22</b> – PCCC played host to three of seven rinks from Scotland, competing against Canadian rinks in the 100th anniversary of the Strathcona Cup.</li> <li>Dave Moon was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>Diane Harris was elected President of PCCC, becoming the first woman to hold the position.</li> </ul>
2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following the merger of all the municipalities on the island, the mega-city of Montreal challenged PCCC’s tax-exempt status. In preparation for the court hearing, PCCC formalized its educational records. Keith Mallette wrote the original <i>PCCC Instruction Manual</i>, based on his weekly coaching plans for the Junior Program. Lessons were given by a designated skip before every league game (except for Ladder games) and attendance was taken. With support from Pointe-Claire Borough Mayor Bill McMurchie (PCCC President 1990–91), PCCC obtained its tax-exemption renewal.</li> <li><b>April 14</b> – Howie Neville, Honorary Member, Past President and Senate Founder, passed away.</li> <li><b>April 20</b> – Rollie Desrochers, the last active member to have</li> </ul>

	<p>curled on PCCC's natural ice in the late 1940s, passed away.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Air conditioning was installed in the lounge and the upstairs hall.</li> </ul>
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Russ Haliburton was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>• Keith Mallette was named "Instructor of the Year" at Curling Québec's Méritas Awards.</li> <li>• PCCC's Junior Program, under the direction of Keith Mallette, was named "Program of the Year" at Curling Québec's Méritas Awards.</li> <li>• Bob Rondeau began a 10-year run as the Club's Webmaster, taking over from Roger Wuilleumier.</li> </ul>
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board of Directors passed a resolution recommending that a member of the LPCCC club sit as a permanent member of the Board, as Director at Large. Incoming LPCCC President Gloria Dickinson was appointed for 2006–07.</li> <li>• Under the leadership of Bruce Lerner, PCCC participated for the first time in Curling for Kids (est. 1999), a registered charity that raises funds for the Montreal Children's Hospital Foundation and the Sainte-Justine CHU Foundation.</li> <li>• TV cameras and monitors were installed in the ice shed, providing coverage of all three sheets.</li> <li>• Claude Renaud began a 6-year run as editor of <i>Sweepings</i>, taking over following Ian McPhie's tenure.</li> </ul>
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March</b> – Quebec curling legend Guy Hemmings visited PCCC and hosted an on-ice clinic for some 60 members.</li> </ul>
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January</b> – Bob Dods was a member of the team of Canadian curlers touring Scotland to vie for the Strathcona Cup, marking the 100th anniversary of the first Canadian tour to Scotland.</li> <li>• Russ Haliburton was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>• Mark Golden and Hu Whitehead were granted Honorary Memberships.</li> </ul>
2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCCC was named "Club of the Year" at Curling Québec's Méritas Awards.</li> <li>• <b>May 13</b> – PCCC and the LPCCC agreed to merge and, as of the AGM, all members of the LPCCC became members of PCCC.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audrey Avon was granted Honorary Membership.</li> </ul>
2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bob Dods was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>• PCCC engaged the services of a Club Professional, Jerome Gazdewich, who successfully led three clinics and offered private lessons.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The bar was significantly updated during the summer of 2012, funded primarily by anonymous donations from numerous club members.</li> <li>• PCCC ice maker Karl Murovic was named “Club Ice Technician of the Year” at Curling Québec’s Méritas Awards.</li> <li>• After years of playing professional hockey in Europe, Mirko Murovic joined his father Karl as the third generation of ice technicians in the family.</li> <li>• <b>November 16</b> – Keith Mallette was inducted as an Honorary Life Member of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club “for his prominent service to the game of curling in Canada.”</li> </ul>
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 14</b> – PCCC hosted the visiting Scots on the Strathcona Tour, recreating the royal welcome of 1957. Of note, one of the tourists was Harry Waugh, the son of Jock Waugh, a member of the 1957 Strathcona Tour rink that played in the PCCC and, in appreciation, gave us the Guests’ Cup, one of our most treasured trophies.</li> <li>• Alex Simard was named editor of <i>Sweepings</i> following Claude Renaud’s 6-year run.</li> <li>• <b>October</b> – Bev Kranitz and Lorrie Pinsonneault received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> </ul>
2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tom Litchfield took over organizing PCCC’s participation in Kurling for Kids following the passing of Bruce Lerner in July.</li> <li>• PCCC successfully defended its tax-exempt status as an educational establishment when the City of Pointe Claire contested the renewal of the club’s status. Much work was done by Keith Mallette (President, 2013–15) and Jim Cadieux describing to the tribunal the club’s commitment to being an educational establishment.</li> <li>• <b>September</b> – The <i>Members’ Guide</i>, conceived by Jon Austen</li> </ul>



	<p>and written by Jo Howard as a reference tool for all and especially for new members, was published.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>October</b> – Steve Webster, Ann Smith, Rita Sim, and Dave Moon received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> </ul>
2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board appointed Bob Rondeau and Ruth McFarland as the Club's Co-Historians.</li> <li>• <b>October</b> – Patrick Kavanagh (President, 1997–98), Jennifer Wall, Eileen Cummings, and Loretta Troyer (in absentia) received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>November 10</b> – PCCC hosted the participants on the Scottish Women's Tour of Canada for curling and dinner.</li> <li>• <b>November</b> – Ron O'Shaughnessy was recognized by Rugby Ontario for his involvement with Markham Irish RFC.</li> </ul>
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>March 6</b> – PCCC hosted a fundraising event that featured reigning Olympic gold medallist Jennifer Jones. The event was organized by UniAction to support West Island Community Shares. The three on-ice clinics, which attracted 70 participants, and luncheon raised over \$7,000.</li> <li>• The 100th Anniversary Committee, chaired by Patricia Brown, began planning for the centenary celebrations to be held in 2021–22.</li> <li>• Tom Labelle was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>• PCCC acquired new rocks in time to start the season. Tom Litchfield took charge of the fundraising drive for the stones, encouraging members to support this endeavour by participating in the "Buy a Rock Program," making a donation, or participating in events during the season to raise money.</li> <li>• Tracey Del Vecchio became the new manager.</li> <li>• <b>October</b> – Gerry Semmelhaack (President, 1999–2000), Bob Jones, Martin Walpert, Pat Saito, and Janet Hawke received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> </ul>
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Medley Challenge, the ultimate team event at PCCC, was introduced by David Ward. Six to eight balanced teams, consisting of eight to twelve players each, compete to accumulate the most points in the following curling formats: Men's, Women's, Mixed, Mixed Doubles and Skins.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tom Carroll and Jim Purvis received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> </ul>
2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January</b> – Tom Litchfield was a member of the team of Canadian curlers touring Scotland to vie for the Strathcona Cup.</li> <li>• <b>September</b> – Bob Dods, PCCC President 2017–19, was the first PCCC member to be inducted into the prestigious Governor General’s Curling Club, which at any given time has a maximum of 100 members from across Canada.</li> <li>• Gerry Yuskowski was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>• Ruth McFarland, Irene Parsons, and Janet Proudfoot received pins to mark 50 years of membership. Bob Suderman and Diane Vincent received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> </ul>
2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CCC has cameras at both ends of the sheets, thanks to the contribution of the Senators.</li> <li>• PCCC’s Junior Program, coordinated by Neil Gargul, Wendy Byrd, Steve Janidlo and Lisa Marie Houle, was named “Program of the Year 2018–19” at Curling Québec’s Méritas Awards.</li> <li>• Hugh MacDonald and Alison Rousset were granted Honorary Memberships.</li> <li>• Madeleine Golden and Mark Golden received pins to mark 50 years of membership.</li> </ul>
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hu Whitehead (1928–2019), Club Historian, received a pin to mark 50 years of membership (posthumously).</li> <li>• Dave Moon, PCCC President, 2007–2009, (posthumously) and Shirley Hunter were granted Honorary Memberships.</li> <li>• <b>February</b> – Ice Director Neil Gargul was invited to join the ice-making crew at the Brier in Kingston.</li> <li>• <b>March 11</b> – The World Health Organization declared that COVID-19 was a pandemic. Government restrictions and lockdowns followed, and curling was suspended at PCCC as of March 13.</li> <li>• <b>June 18</b> – Due to the pandemic, PCCC’s AGM was held virtually via Zoom.</li> <li>• Over the summer, some 20 members volunteered to assist with renovations in the lounge, coordinated by Bob Dods and</li> </ul>

	<p>Steve Hewlett. Funds had been set aside for the lounge renovation project before the pandemic hit. The Phase 1 renovation plans were unveiled at the AGM and included new ceiling panels that incorporated the sound system and LED lighting to define three seating pods, painting, floor levelling and installation of carpet tiles, furniture refinishing and reupholstering, and a front wall mural.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An ad hoc COVID-19 Committee, chaired by Anne Weary, was formed to implement protocols respecting public health measures and Curling Canada’s return-to-play guidelines. The Board of Directors met frequently to gauge the situation regarding reopening, with best intentions dashed by a growing second wave.</li> <li>• <b>October</b> – With Quebec reporting around 800 new COVID-19 cases daily, Montreal, Quebec City, and other regions became red zones, and restrictions on sports activities were enforced, the only exception being that individuals and “household bubbles” were allowed to practice.</li> <li>• <b>October 6</b> – Highlights of the “virtual opening” on Zoom included a viewing of the lounge renovations and the unveiling of PCCC’s Centenary Logo. The implications of COVID-19 and the government restrictions were discussed as well as the protocols in place at PCCC for an eventual safe return to play.</li> <li>• <b>October</b> – Neil Gargul earned his Competition Development Coaching Certification, the level required to take a team to the Scotties, the Brier and the Worlds.</li> <li>• <b>November</b> – The Board of Directors created a “Practice Ice Committee” (chaired by Bob Dods) to look into the feasibility of offering practice ice to members, who would cover all the costs associated with keeping PCCC open for this purpose.</li> <li>• <b>December</b> – More than 90 members signed up for a 5-month commitment to join the practice ice program.</li> </ul>
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January</b> – The first issue of <i>The Road to 100</i>, a monthly newsletter featuring nuggets from the archives and highlighting events scheduled to celebrate the centenary, was published.</li> <li>• <b>January 6</b> – A provincewide curfew from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. took</li> </ul>

effect (and was lifted May 28).

- **February** – Neil Gargul joined the ice-making crew for the Scotties, the Brier and Mixed Doubles Championships in Calgary’s “curling bubble.”
- **February** – PCCC was able to provide practice ice to Team Fournier prior to their appearance representing Quebec at the Brier and to Laurie St-Georges before the national Mixed Doubles Championship.
- **March** – Robert Sears of Kurling for Kids reported that PCCC had raised more than \$381,500 since it first began participating in the charity event 15 years ago (in 2006).
- **April** – At the Day Ladies AGM, Connie Corish and Louise Matulis received pins to mark 25 years of membership.
- **June 15** – The Sandra Schmirler Foundation announced that Hannah Gargul was among the six student-curlers nationwide who excel academically and athletically, and who were awarded the 2021 Spirit of Sandra Scholarships. Each scholarship is worth \$5,000 and gives the recipients a chance to work with a world champion mentor.
- **June 17** – For a second year, PCCC’s AGM was held virtually via Zoom to comply with government restrictions regarding COVID-19.
- **September–October** – PCCC opened for curling with public health-recommended COVID protocols in place (masks, distancing, hand sanitizing). Members were required to be doubled vaxxed and to present their vaccination passports. A Junior Elite Bonspiel kicked off the season, followed by practice ice, new curler clinics and the Opening Bonspiel from October 11–14.
- **October 29** – Happy 100th Anniversary! To maintain social distancing protocols, members were invited to book a timeslot online to visit the club throughout the day to view a display of historical artifacts, listen to a brief history, and celebrate with a light lunch, cake, and gift bag containing a free drink coupon, chocolates, parking pass, and water bottle crested with PCCC’s 100th anniversary logo.
- **November 20** – PCCC won the Grand Match.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>November 28</b> – Harvey Labar and Tom Litchfield received pins to mark 25 years of membership (pandemic-delayed presentation from 2020). Ken Aitchison, Wayne Arnold, Connie Corish, Bob Hanna, and Morgan Howard received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>December 20</b> – Cases spiked with the arrival of the Omicron variant in the fifth wave of COVID. Some members tested positive, so the Board of Directors closed the club, suspending all activities until January 10, 2022.</li> <li>• <b>December 30</b> – The Québec government reinstated a curfew from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. with no end date. New restrictions included the shutdown of indoor sports.</li> </ul>
2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January 17</b> – The Québec government lifted the nighttime curfew.</li> <li>• <b>January 24</b> – PCCC reopened for practice ice (two per sheet).</li> <li>• <b>February 14</b> – The Québec government lifted restrictions on indoor sports activities and regular league play resumed.</li> <li>• <b>March 18 and 19</b> – Plans for a second 100th Anniversary celebration had to be changed when COVID cases within the club were increasing. Instead of booking timeslots to attend, members were invited to watch a short video and were presented with a 100th Anniversary club pin and crest following each draw over the next week.</li> <li>• <b>April</b> – The Senate introduced two new trophies for the newly created Senate ladder league this year: the Senate Ladder Trophy for the winner of the Monday division and the Senate Chair Trophy for the winner of the Wednesday division.</li> <li>• <b>April</b> – With the increasing COVID cases at the club, the Medley Challenge was cancelled. The Awards Night was not held; however, awards were presented as event and league finals were played.</li> <li>• <b>April 20</b> – At the Day Ladies AGM, Sandra Sykes received a pin to mark 50 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>May 26</b> – For the third consecutive year, PCCC's AGM was held virtually via Zoom.</li> <li>• <b>June 14</b> – The Sandra Schmirler Foundation announced that Hannah Gargul had been named a "Spirit of Sandra Scholar"</li> </ul>

	for a second consecutive year.
2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>November 5</b> – Ian Nelson received a pin to mark 50 years of membership. Jim Cadieux, Walter Dziewirz, Stu Gordon, Danny Yakubosky, and Derek Walton received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>November 24–27</b> – PCCC finally celebrated its COVID-postponed centenary with a 100th Anniversary Gala Weekend. Festivities commenced on Thursday, November 24 with the Day Ladies Luncheon on the actual 100th anniversary of the founding of the Pointe Claire Ladies Curling Club. This was followed by a Past Presidents Game and Cocktail Reception. On Friday, PCCC hosted a Pub Night and Trivia Challenge; Saturday was the President’s Dinner-Dance, and a Champagne Brunch on Sunday rounded out the celebrations.</li> <li>• <b>December 15</b> – A Special General Meeting was held to vote on retaining the current club logo or adopting a new logo based on the logo designed for the 100th Anniversary. The members voted overwhelmingly to retain the current logo.</li> <li>• <b>January 6</b> – Tributes were paid to the late Bob Dods and the late Dave Moon at a cocktail party to recognize their contributions to PCCC.</li> <li>• <b>January 30</b> – PCCC hosted the Scots playing for the Strathcona Cup. Players on the Eastern Tour stopped in for a visit and coffee on their way to Ottawa, and the Central Tour players had afternoon games and dinner with entertainment provided by Bowser and Blue.</li> <li>• <b>February 20</b> – Joanne Marchand became Club Manager.</li> <li>• <b>March 3</b> – A special cocktail party was held to say farewell to Tracey Del Vecchio, Club Manager since 2016.</li> <li>• <b>April 18</b> – Shirley Hunter received a pin to mark 50 years of membership at the Day Ladies AGM.</li> <li>• <b>May 25</b> – Joan Macnab and Brian Ross were bestowed PCCC Honorary Life Memberships for their contributions to the club and to the sport of curling.</li> </ul>

## POINTE CLAIRE CURLING CLUB PRESIDENTS

1921–23	Samuel H. Ward (Sam)*	1976–77	Walter M. Naish (Walt)*
1923–25	Hugh Vallance*	1977–78	Peter E. Avon (Pete)*
1925–27	J.L. Vital Mallette (Nap)*	1978–79	Wilfred Gray (Wilf)*
1927–28	Sydney W. Ewing (Syd)*	1979–80	John Horrocks*
1928–29	James C. Pettigrew (Jim)*	1980–81	D. Jack Hamilton
1929–31	Frank W. Mills*	1981–82	Geoffrey W. Wheatley (Geoff)*
1931–34	Elphegan Marier*	1982–83	Douglas H. Pollock (Doug)*
1934–36	Reginald H. Piper (Reg)*	1983–84	Ross H. Pickering*
1936–38	Ralph R. Johnson	1984–85	Mark E. Golden
1938–40	J. Edgar Fuger (Ed)*	1985–86	Edward Selyan (Ed)*
1940–42	George Porter*	1986–87	Brian R. Morris*
1942–45	Wilbrod A. Bastien (Willie)*	1987–88	Eugene C. Dagenais (Gene)*
1945–47	Duncan A. Greig (Dunc)*	1988–89	Robert Butters (Bob)
1947–48	A.G. Stewart (Bud)*	1989–90	Hugh C. Stewart*
1948–50	J. Edward Lucas (Ed)*	1990–91	William F. McMurchie (Bill)
1950–52	Stuart G. Steele (Stu)*	1991–92	Arnold A. Condry (Arnie)*
1952–53	William H. Price (Bill)*	1992–93	Marcel Groleau
1953–54	Ivan M. Stockwell*	1993–94	H. Louis Letourneau*
1954–55	William F. Legault (Bill)*	1994–95	Melvin A. Silverson (Mel)*
1955–56	James G. Pattee (Ted)*	1995–96	Donald C. Ross (Don)
1956–57	James A. Wright (Jim)*	1996–97	James N. Best (Jim)*
1957–58	David J. Kennedy (Dave)*	1997–98	Patrick J. Kavanagh (Pat)
1958–59	Douglas Cross (Doug)*	1998–99	Edward C. Power (Eddie)
1959–60	George W. Biggs*	1999–00	Gerald E. Semmelhaack (Gerry)
1960–61	Kenneth R. Wigg (Ken)*	2000–01	Chesley Thompson (Ches)
1961–62	Malcolm C. Knox (Mac)*	2001–02	Hubert R. Whitehead (Hu)*
1962–63	John D. Little (Jack)*	2002–03	W. James Purvis (Jim)
1963–64	William J. Findlay (Bill)*	2003–04	Diane Grace Harris
1964–65	William A. Cook (Bill)*	2004–05	Terrence Meehan (Terry)
1965–66	Arnold W. Jones (Arnie)*	2005–07	Ian Nelson
1966–67	Charles A. Proudfoot (Charlie)*	2007–09	David Moon*
1967–68	W.A. Higginson (Bill)*	2009–11	Robert Dickinson (Bob)
1968–69	Ernest G. Cosh (Ernie)*	2011–13	Robert Suderman (Bob)
1969–70	E. Peter Gage	2013–15	Keith C. Mallette
1971–72	Howard L. Kelly	2015–17	William Ellyett (Bill)
1972–73	Howard E. Neville (Howie)*	2017–19	Robert W. Dods (Bob)*
1973–74	Rolland Skinner (Rollie)*	2019–21	David J. Ward
1974–75	H.W. Brown (Binks)*	2021–23	Caroline Thall

1975–76 William C. Black (Bill)\*

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\* Deceased