Lakeshore Curling Club Annual General Meeting
Wednesday, May 28th, 2025 - 7pm

AGM was called to order by President, Mike Strang at 7pm

Attendance was taken at the door.

1) **AGM Agenda** was read by Mike and no items were brought forward at this time. Motioned by Stu Slauenwhite and seconded by Lynne Strang to accept this agenda. All in favour, no contrary minded - motion carried.

2) **Minutes from May 22, 2024 AGM** were read by President Strang. Steve Paget motioned to accept these minutes as read and was seconded by Keith Bennett. All in favour, no contrary minded - motion carried.

3) **President's Report** was read by Mike Strang. This report is attached in electronic form. Mike added to this report that planning has begun on Lakeshore Curling Club's 25th Anniversary preparations. Also, that we have reached our goal (50) and beyond with 57 Lakeshore volunteers for the Canadian Curling Olympic Trials in November of 2025 in Halifax. Some discussion ensued on the topic of members/all curlers removing outside footwear when entering our facility and the need for large shoe racks. This in response to new laminate flooring that will not absorb outside moisture and dirt (from getting on ice).

4) **Treasurer's Report** was brought forward by Cathy Paget, Past President, in Grant Warner's absence. This report is attached in electronic form also. Cathy noted that our bank balance is a healthy $60,000.00 in the black. In addition, she added that Lakeshore Board of Directors is not seeking a raise in membership fees at this time but bar purchases will likely see an increase. From this report: Erin LeBlanc asked to know Lakeshore Club General Manager's and Head Ice Technician's salaries. This info is confidential to those on the executive. Keith Bennett asked that our older measuring gauge be replaced as with the new one recently purchased. Peter Johnson asked on the Sackville Sports Stadium Major renovations timeline and if Lakeshore (Curling Facility) was involved. Mike Strang noted that we have submitted our "wishlist" and that we stay in contact through regular meetings with the Sports Stadium's General Manager. Bob Green asked if we had sought funding and assistance with the resurfacing/painting of our concrete floor below the ice surface. President Strang noted we had and that it was not in HRM's mandate at this time. Elliott LeBlanc, advised that through his NSCA work that we should be cautious of pushing the City on this matter. Elliott also advised that Canada Curling membership fees will be increasing the next 3 years up to 6% total.

5) **General Manager's Report** was brought forward by Curt Stephens. This report too, is attached in electronic form. From this report: Greg McMullin and others mentioned that certain "on special" beer brands has ran out. Curt advised that he would try to ensure this doesn't happen in future but some conditions, such as brewery slow stocking, are out of our control.

6) **Junior Curling Report** was read by President Strang in Daniel Bonner's absence. This report is attached in electronic form also. From this report: Jenn Bonner questioned if the Junior Curlers would be paying the $20 fee and receive new grippers as with the older membership.

Greg McMullin noted that the current grippers for the juniors are in very rough shape and in extremely limited quantities. Mike Strang noted that Lakeshore is purchasing a large quantity of new grippers for the junior curlers. Amanda Coughran asked if there would be a mixed double junior league where Mike Strang replied “yes, probably”.

7) **<u>Social Events</u>** / New Rock Sponsorship reports were brought forward by John Chisholm. Document is attached in electronic form.

A motion was made by Bob Green to accept these reports as read and seconded by Ian Patrick. All in favor, no contrary minded - Motion carried.

<u>New Business</u>:

A) New grippers with $20 tacked on membership. Registration page will allow for selection of style and size of gripper desired.

B) Vacant Board Positions: VP, Secretary, Jr. Director, Social Events Director
- Nominations for VP were sought. Marianne Winchester nominated Scott Lytle. He was asked and accepted the nomination. After 3 calls for further nominations, and with no further nominations, Scott Lytle is Lakeshore’s new Vice President by acclamation.
- There were no nominations, after 3 calls for each position of Secretary, Jr. Director or Social Events Director. They are left vacant at this time.

C) Stu Slauenwhite asked for the floor and wanted to thank the Board of Directors and the membership for the support shown to the Lakeshore Wheelchair Curling Team who had a very successful event at the National Championships in Quebec.

D) Erin LeBlanc brought forward the idea of changing the practice sessions to half hour increments. This would allow for more curlers to get practice ice.

E) Greg McMullin wanted to know if league start times would be changing as he has heard rumblings of this nature. Haley Gerogiannis noted this would be difficult for some bartenders to make it for the earlier shifts. President Strang advised there was no plan to change any league start time presently.

F) Marianne Winchester reiterated the need for League Reps for the membership to give their thoughts and ideas on league formats, playoffs and “Laddering” for example.

Curt Stephens thanked all those who attended this AGM meeting!

Erin LeBlanc made the motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Chisholm
Social Events Director
Acting Secretary