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The Case of the Mysterious Green Holding Tank

We have had some enquiries regarding the green holding tank which now sits at the bottom of the stairs on the left side of the NCC building by the exit doors for the basement locker room.

Here's the scoop.

Many upgrades were made to the NCC machine room during the summer, bringing us into compliance with new provincial safety regulations for plants such as ours.

One of the upgrades included the installation of a shower and eye wash station within the machine room. Should anyone be exposed to an ammonia leak, they will now have immediate access to a temperature controlled shower to cleanse themselves. This would involve standing under the shower for 15 minutes for a decontamination period then immediately exiting the building.

Since the water used in the showering process would contain ammonia residue, it could not be flushed down the city drains. Here's where the holding tank comes into play. The water from the shower would be directed to and held within the holding tank until it had been neutralized. Once the water has been decontaminated, it could then be flushed down the city drains.

My thanks to Dave Perpeluk (Super Dave Services) and Bill Hamilton (Bastion Electric) for their yeoman service during the summer in putting the custom made shower into place.

The new condenser is working well and all pipes and valves in the machine room have been upgraded. It has been a long journey but our club is now up to date in terms of machine room safety regulations and expectations.

Respectfully submitted,
George Duffell
Director of Facilities

Gold Medal



Congratulations Team BC!

Our 2017 Men's Club Championships won the Gold Medal at the Travelers Curling Club National Championships in Kingston, Ontario in November. This is BC's first ever Travelers title!

Skip - Bart Swayer
3rd - Steve Waatainen
2nd - Craig Burton
Lead - Keith Clarke

Mark Your Calendar

December 23 – January 1
Curling Rink closed for holidays. Reopens January 2.

January 15 -18
Club Championships
Check your league schedule. Some men's and ladies leagues cancelled.

8 Ender!!

Scored in Hangover League by:
Tony Brocklehurst
Warren Keller
Bob Jones



Mark Your Calendar - continued

January 5 -7
Police Playdowns

January 26 &27
Wineworks Interclub Spiel

February 25, Noon – 5 PM
Nanaimo Hospice Fundraiser

Did you know...

The end in play finishes and a new end begins the moment the thirds decide the score.

Ref: Canadian Curling Association – Rules of Curling for General Play

Sweeping: What is all the yelling about?

- Why do we sweep? We sweep to help the rocks to end up where we want.
- Good sweeping can get a great result from a mediocre throw.
- Bad sweeping can get a poor result from a great throw.
- Sweeping can help a rock on a draw shot to slide several meters farther.
- Sweeping can reduce the amount a takeout rock curls.
- Some types of sweeping combined with some types of brushes can cause rocks to curl a lot more than they would have curled without sweeping.
- All rocks with a turn slide down the ice with a gradual curving path. Moderate sweeping at any point on the path can change the end location of the rock.
- Rocks thrown really fast don't curl as much as rocks thrown very gently.
- The yelling is a loud conversation amongst team members.
- The skip's (line caller's) yelling on a takeout shot is to request that sweepers start or stop sweeping and control the curve of the running stone to get it to hit the target just where the skip and the team had planned.
- The yelling might be repeated commands/requests about starting to sweep or stopping sweeping.
- The skip may also yell instructions about sweeping the team's rocks once contact is made on other rocks in play.
- The sweepers yelling concerns the speed of the rock sliding down the sheet of ice.
- The skip needs to know the speed of the sliding rock to gauge how much it will curl.
- Screaming does not promote good communication but all players need to speak up or yell loudly to be clearly heard.
- Some curling arenas are noisy and have bad acoustics. Curling arenas can get very noisy with a lot of games going on at once.
- If no one speaks, the team does not know what is happening.
- Most teams have minimum communications of a line call and some weight calls for a simple shot.
- Sweeping equipment, practices and rules have undergone many changes in recent years.

Bob Franklin



NANAIMO CURLING CLUB
PRESENTS
The Great Big Sea
Ladies Bonspiel
February 2, 3 & 4,
2018

- Costumes
- Prizes
- Banquet

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Ladies, spread the word! Sign-up sheets are in the lobby to curl and/or volunteer.



Congratulations to our new curlers! This fun group completed the 8-week Novice Curling Program and they are ready for the ice. Thanks to the coaches and staff.