

## HISTORY OF THE POINTE CLAIRE CURLING CLUB

Curling began in Pointe-Claire during the year 1918 on the ice of Lac-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.

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

### Milestones

<b>1921</b>	<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> </ul>
<b>1922</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February 28</b> – A “highly sociable” evening formally opened the new two-storey, two-sheet clubhouse on the corner of Cartier Avenue and Lakeshore Road, designed and built in less than 3 months at a cost of \$3,950. The land, leased from the Grand Trunk Railway for 5 years at \$25 per year, was later purchased from CNR for \$1,000.</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>
<b>1925</b>	<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>
<b>1926</b>	<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, won by Montreal West’s M.F. (Mac) MacKay (father of Ross MacKay) in a 14-end final over PCCC’s J.L.V. (Nap) Mallette.</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> <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</li> </ul>

	alterations and design changes.
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>
1964	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>January 18</b> – The rink of Ernie Nash, Walter Karabin, Bill Reade, and Gordon Hubbell (the “Friendly Giants”) won the first major curling competition for PCCC: The Royal Victoria Jubilee Trophy, instituted in 1899.</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</li> </ul>

	<p>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!</p>
1969	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LPCCC teams skipped by J. Bradford and D. Cross won the Lady Tweedsmuir Trophy, emblematic of the double rink championship of the Ladies Curling Association of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club (the counterpart of the Governor General's Trophy competition for men).</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 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).</li> </ul>
1973	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Howie Neville, Honorary Member and PCCC President 1972–73, founded the Senate.</li> <li>• Dave Moon, who would later become a member of PCCC, skipped the Quebec team at the Macdonald Brier in Edmonton.</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>• <b>March 6–12</b> – Don Aitken and Brian Ross, who would later become members of PCCC, played for skip Jim Ursel as Team Quebec and won the Macdonald Brier Tankard, which was held at the Velodrome (now Biodome) in Montreal.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David M. Stewart was inducted as an Honorary Life Member into the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>
1988	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Lady Tweedsmuir Trophy was won in Ottawa by LPCCC rinks skipped by Grace Patterson and Elly Meyer.</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>
1991	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joan MacKay, Audrey Avon, Maggie Fleig, and Madeleine Golden won the Senior Ladies' Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• Dave Moon, Jim Bateman, Doug Hanson, and Jack Ride won the Senior Men's Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• Jim Redston, Don Ross, Kevin Golberg, and Tom Golberg won the Royal Victoria Jubilee Trophy.</li> </ul>
1993	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCCC hosted the Senior Men's Provincial Championship. The Pointe Claire rink of Bill Rothwell, Jack Ride, Dale Hunt, and Gerry Bolen won the right to represent Quebec at the Nationals in Edmonton.</li> <li>• At the Senior Ladies' Provincial Championship, the Ladies' PCCC rink of Joan MacKay, Sandra Sykes, Mary Callaghan, and Audrey Avon won the right to represent Quebec at the Nationals in Edmonton.</li> <li>• Don Ross and Jim Redston skipped two rinks of PCCC members (Tom Golberg, Ken Kubesh, Denis Morin, Kevin Golberg, Jeff Hunt, and Martin Brosseau) to victory at the prestigious Governor-General's competition at Ottawa, a double rink event played in the Ottawa region with Quebec champions meeting OVCA champions.</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> <li>• The leading team on the Quebec cash spiel circuit, Jim Redston, Kevin Golberg, Geoff MacKay, and Jeff Hunt were silver medallists at the Men's Provincial Championship, losing a</li> </ul>

	<p>hard-fought battle on the last rock and being a hair's breadth from representing Quebec at the Brier. Jim Redston was named second all-star skip; Kevin Golberg, third all-star third; and Jeff Hunt, all-star lead.</p>
1995	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The team of Jim Redston, Kevin Golberg, Jeff Hunt, and Lawren Steventon were bronze medallists at the Men's Provincial Championship.</li> </ul>
1996	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jim Redston and his team of Kevin Golberg, Don McConnell, and Guy Racette won the Royal Victoria Jubilee Trophy.</li> <li>Jim Redston skipped Robbie Maclean's Tankard team with Don Aitken throwing third rocks to a fourth-place finish in the Men's Provincial Championship.</li> <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>
1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Lady Tweedsmuir Trophy was won in Ottawa by LPCCC rinks skipped by Joan Mackay and Vicki Ross.</li> <li>Jim Redston repeated his previous year's win of the Royal Victoria Jubilee Trophy.</li> <li><b>November</b> – The PCCC team of Jim Redston, Kevin Golberg, Bruce Wilson, and Mike Rogers finished second at the Welton Beauchamp, the largest cash spiel in Eastern Canada, and pocketed \$9,000 for their efforts.</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 commissioned by the Senate to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the formation of the Senate by Howie Neville.</li> <li>Dave Moon, Bill McMurchie, Bob Suderman, and Wally Denver won the Royal Victoria Jubilee Trophy.</li> </ul>
1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dave Moon, Doug Hanson, Mitchell Kyle, and Bill McMurchie won the Men's Masters Provincial Championship.</li> <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</li> </ul>

	<p>control, and the circulation pump inside the ice shed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Don Aitken, Doug Hanson, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman won the Senior Men’s Provincial Championship.</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>
2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Branch’s Lord Elgin Trophy was won by Don Aitken, Doug Hanson, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman.</li> <li>• The Branch’s Men’s Senior Trophy was won by Dave Moon, Doug Hanson, Bob Suderman, and Don McConnell.</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>• The Branch’s Lord Elgin Trophy was won by Don Aitken, Keith Kobelt, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman.</li> <li>• The Governor General’s Trophy was won in Ottawa by PCCC rinks skipped by Don Aitken and Bruce Lerner.</li> <li>• The team of Jim Redston, Lawren Steventon, Malcolm “Mac” Baines, and Greg Sleno were silver medallists at the Men’s Senior Provincial Championship.</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>• The Canadian Open Masters Men’s Championship was won by Dave Moon, Malcolm “Mac” Baines, Bob Suderman, and Don McConnell. This achievement is believed to be the first time a rink from PCCC won a national Canadian championship.</li> <li>• The Branch’s Lord Elgin Trophy was won by Don Aitken, Keith Kobelt, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman.</li> <li>• A Junior girls’ team skipped by Danielle Mills won silver medals at the Jeux du Québec.</li> <li>• Dave Moon was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diane Harris was elected President of PCCC, becoming the first woman to hold the position.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2004</b></p>	<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>• The Provincial Masters Men's Championship was won by Dave Moon, Claude Bellefleur, Bob Suderman, and Don McConnell.</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 curled on PCCC's natural ice in the late 1940s, passed away.</li> <li>• Air conditioning was installed in the lounge and the upstairs hall.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2005</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Branch's Royal Victoria Jubilee "A" Trophy, considered the single rink championship of the Canadian Branch, was won by Dave Moon, Bruce Lerner, Bill Ellyett, and Mike Parker.</li> <li>• The Branch's Lord Elgin Trophy was won by Don Aitken, Keith Kobelt, Don Ross, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman.</li> <li>• The Royal Victoria Jubilee Trophy was won by Russ Haliburton, Gerry Yuskowski, Bob Dods, and Jack Kelly.</li> <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> <li>• <b>December</b> – The Jim Redston rink won the Lachine cash spiel</li> </ul>



	and took home the \$2,000 first-place prize.
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diane Harris, PCCC Past President, played third for Agnes Charette's Brownsburg Curling Club rink, winners of the Quebec Senior Ladies Championship.</li> <li>• The Junior boys' team of Jeff Herskovits, Patrick Cawley, Rob Phillion, and Kelso Mallette, coached by Keith Mallette and later Alan Smith, won the Montreal 3 spot to advance to the Junior Men's Provincial Championship, where they were bronze medallists in the first of four consecutive appearances at Provincials.</li> <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 Kurling 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> <li>• <b>November</b> – The Jim Redston rink won the World Curling Tour St. Lambert Curl-In and earned \$5,000 for the first-place finish.</li> </ul>
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Royal Montreal Curling Club's Bicentennial Trophy was won by the PCCC team of Don Ross, Diane Harris, Michael Macey, Derek Harris, Russell Haliburton, and Kevin Golberg. The runner-up was the PCCC rink of Don Aitken, Doug Hanson, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman. The event marked the 200th anniversary of the Royal Montreal Curling Club, North America's oldest sports' club. The Bicentennial Trophy is contested only every 25 years.</li> <li>• A Junior boys' team skipped by Greg Stanton won silver medals at the Jeux du Québec.</li> </ul>
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January</b> – The Junior boys' team of Jeff Herskovits, Patrick Cawley, Rob Phillion, and Kelso Mallette were bronze medallists at the Junior Men's Provincial Championship.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February</b> – PCCC hosted the Men’s Masters Provincial Championship. Three PCCC curlers – Bruce Lerner, Bill Ellyett, and (sub) Karl Murovic – teamed with Mike Carson and Mac Baines (Glenmore) to win and went on to represent Quebec at the Canadian Masters Championship in Saskatoon.</li> <li>• <b>February</b> – The Junior boys’ team of Jeff Herskovits, Patrick Cawley, Rob Philion, and Kelso Mallette won the Provincial Junior Circuit, in which 24 teams participated.</li> <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>• PCCC won all three events of the Branch’s Royal Victoria Jubilee. The winners of the Royal Jubilee Trophy were Kevin Golberg, Bruce Lerner, Matthew Kennerknecht, and Bill Ellyett; the winners of the Royal Caledonian Trophy were Don Aitken, Dave Moon, Brian Ross, and Bob Suderman; the winners of the St. Lawrence Trophy were Jim Redston, Russ Haliburton, Bob Jackson, and Gerry Yuskowski.</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>March</b> –Patrick Cawley, Rob Philion, and Kelso Mallette (with Harrison Pollack from Montreal West) played as McGill at the CIS National University Championship in Edmonton.</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> <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>• The Junior boys’ team of Philippe L. Depatie, Greg Stanton, Jon Spring, Ian South, and Riley Schmalhaus, coached by Rick Stanton, were bronze medallists at the Junior Men’s Provincial</li> </ul>

	<p>Championship.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCCC engaged the services of a Club Professional, Jerome Gazdewich, who successfully led three clinics and offered private lessons.</li> </ul>
<p style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">2012</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>January</b> – The team of Kevin Golberg, Chris Labar, Matt Kennerknecht, and Tyler Cooper were the Montreal Regional “B” Winners and advanced to the Men’s Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• <b>January</b> – The Junior boys’ team of Greg Stanton, Jon Spring, Ian South and Colin Maclean, coached by Rick Stanton, won the Montreal 3 spot to advance to the Junior Men’s Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• <b>February</b> – The team of Ron O’Shaughnessy, Jim Cadieux, Réal Parent, and Steve Mariano won a spot in the Regional Senior Men’s playdowns and advanced to the Senior Men’s Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• The team of Bernie Filiatrault, Hugues Demol, Neil Gargul, and Steve Janidlo won the Branch’s Colts Circuit Championship.</li> <li>• The team of Lindsay MacLean, Nick Pedriks, Alex Pedriks, and Shawn Schell were the ARCM Regional Colts winners.</li> <li>• The Lakeshore Bonspiel “A” Trophy was won by Matt Kennerknecht, Kelso Mallette, Tyler Cooper, and Mike Kaufmann.</li> <li>• The team of Don Aitken, Matt Kennerknecht, Bill Ellyett, and Tyler Cooper were the Branch’s Royal Victoria Jubilee “B” Trophy finalists.</li> <li>• In the Dominion Curling Club Championship, the team of Bob Dods, Howard Stevens, Steve Hewlett, and Kelso Mallette were the Regional “C” winners, advancing to the Provincials.</li> <li>• The Senators won the Interclub Trophy for the first time.</li> <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>• <b>November 16</b> – Keith Mallette was inducted as an Honorary Life Member of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian</li> </ul>

	<p>Curling Club “for his prominent service to the game of curling in Canada.”</p>
<p><b>2013</b></p>	<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> <li>• PCCC won the Quebec Challenge Trophy from the Metcalf Curling Club in Ontario. Dating back to 1874, it is one, if not the oldest, of the Branch trophies and may be the oldest trophy for inter-club play in North America.</li> </ul>
<p><b>2014</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCCC represented Quebec at the prestigious Governor General’s competition at Ottawa. The double rink skipped by Kevin Golberg (Lindsay MacLean, Alex Pedriks, and Neil Gargul) and Matt Kennerknecht (Kelso Mallette, Tom Labelle, and Hugues Demol) were finalists.</li> <li>• PCCC successfully defended the Quebec Challenge Trophy against several clubs, only losing to Sherbrooke CC at the end of the 2014 curling season. Numerous PCCC members participated on the various teams.</li> <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 and written by Jo Howard as a reference tool for all and especially for new members, was published.</li> <li>• <b>October</b> – Steve Webster, Ann Smith, Rita Sim, and Dave Moon</li> </ul>

	<p>received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</p>
<p>2015</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board appointed Bob Rondeau and Ruth McFarland as the Club’s Co-Historians.</li> <li>• <b>January 13</b> – At the Super Seniors Valleyfield Bonspiel, a PCCC team of Marty Starr, Dave Moon, Wally Denver, and Leo Leblanc accomplished something that no one can recall having seen before. To determine the overall winner, each team played in the modified Craig System, throwing one rock per player to the button. The team scored a total of 27 points out of a next-to-impossible 28 points.</li> <li>• Kevin Golberg and Jim Redston skipped two rinks of PCCC members (John Race, Hughes Demol, Neil Gargul, Bill Ellyett, Bob Jackson, and Remi Portugais) at the prestigious Governor General’s competition at Ottawa. They were finalists, losing to the team from Navan, Ontario.</li> <li>• The Lakeshore Bonspiel “A” Trophy was won by Matt Kennerknecht, Kelso Mallette, Hugues Demol, and Kim Declerq.</li> <li>• The Masters team of Jim Redston, Lawren Steventon, Don Aitken, Bill Ellyett, and Bob Suderman were silver medallists at the Men’s Masters Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• The Masters (DMMC) Circuit team of Jim Redston, Lawren Steventon, Don Aitken, Bob Suderman, Bill Ellyett, and Ray Ouimet won the DMMC Championship.</li> <li>• <b>April 10–12</b> – The team of Jim Redston, Bill Ellyett, Bob Jackson, and Rémi Portugais qualified and participated in the Travelers Curling Club Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• The PCCC Colts team of Hugues Demol, Neil Gargul, Stephen Janidlo, and Rémi Portugais were silver medallists at the Caledonia Cup.</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

- **March 6** – 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.
- The team of Jim Redston, Lawren Steventon, Don Aitken, and Bob Suderman won the Masters (DMMC) Circuit and the finals.
- **April 8–10** – PCCC was represented at the Travelers Curling Club Provincial Championship by the women’s team of Anne Howard, Martha Guerriero, Carole Ouimet, and Pat Saito and the men’s team of Lindsay MacLean, Nick Pedriks, Alex Pedriks, and Steve Hewlett, who made it to the bronze medal game but lost.
- The Colts team of Hugues Demol, Neil Gargul, Stephen Janidlo, and Rémi Portugais were silver medallists at the Caledonia Cup.
- The 100th Anniversary Committee, chaired by Patricia Brown, began planning for the centenary celebrations to be held in 2021–22.
- Tom Labelle was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.
- 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.
- Tracey Del Vecchio became the new manager.
- **October** –Gerry Semmelhaack (President, 1999–2000), Bob Jones, Martin Walpert, Pat Saito, and Janet Hawke received pins to mark 25 years of membership.
- **November 19** – PCCC won the Grand Match.

2017

- PCCC was represented by Alan Morton, Ian Finlay, Drew Hardy, André Beauchesne, and Jason Roberge at the Colts Provincial Championship.
- **March** – Jim Redston skipped a Pointe-Claire/Laval team that included Marty Starr (replacing Bill Ellyett) and Bob Suderman in the Master Provincial Championship.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>April 7–9</b> – PCCC was represented at the Travelers Curling Club Provincial Championship by the men’s team of Jim Redston, Hugues Demol, Rémi Portugais, and Steve Janidlo, and the women’s team of Jacynthe (JC) Tremblay, Joyce Schoepp, Jackie Van Geffen, and Anne Weary.</li> <li>• <b>April</b> – Kevin Golberg skipped Team Israel to a 5-2 record at the World Senior Curling Championship in Lethbridge, Alberta.</li> <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> <li>• Tom Carroll and Jim Purvis received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>November</b> – Kevin Golberg skipped Team Israel to a 5-2 record at the European “B” Championship in Switzerland, losing in the quarter-finals to Poland.</li> </ul>
<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">2018</div>	<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>April</b> – Kevin Golberg skipped Team Israel to a 3-3 record at the World Senior Curling Championship in Sweden.</li> <li>• PCCC was represented at the Travelers Curling Club Provincial Championship by the men’s team of Lindsay MacLean, Nick Pedriks, Alex Pedriks, Shawn Schell, and Steve Hewlett, and the women’s team of Joan Williams’ rink with Christine McMurray as skip, Jeanny Houde, Barbara Francis, and Liane Lefebvre.</li> <li>• PCCC was represented at the Colts Provincial Championship by Alan Morton, Ian Finlay, Drew Hardy, André Beauchesne, and Jason Roberge.</li> <li>• At the Caledonia Cup, the team of David Ward, Joyce Schoepp, Bernard Blais, and France David were bronze medallists in the Lady Gilmour (mixed). The team of Ron Torrens, Paul Ukrainetz, Yvon Lavallée, Ralph Carter, and Steve Mariano were bronze medallists in the St. Maurice (seniors).</li> <li>• <b>September</b> – Bob Dods, PCCC President 2017–19, was the first PCCC member to be inducted into the prestigious Governor</li> </ul>

	<p>General's Curling Club, which at any given time has a maximum of 100 members from across Canada.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gerry Yuskowski was elected President of the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club.</li> <li>• <b>November 3</b> – The PCCC Mixed team of Hugues Demol, Diane Martin, Alan Morton, and Chantal Robichaud won the ARCM Mixed Bonspiel.</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>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2019</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>February</b> – The Junior girl's team of Hannah Gargul, Krya Johnson, Amber Gargul, and Amy Upton, coached by Neil Gargul, represented Quebec at the Canada Games in Red Deer, Alberta.</li> <li>• <b>March 5</b> – The team of Jacynthe (JC) Tremblay, Francine Pilon, Joyce Schoepp, Jo Howard, and Suzanne Smith were bronze medallists at the Women's Masters Provincial Championship.</li> <li>• <b>March</b> – Jim Redston skipped a team of Don Aitken, Brian Ross, Bob Suderman, Ray Ouimet, and David Ward to win the 2019 DMCC Championship. Playing in the final two championship games at Glenmore were Jim Redston, Brian Ross, Ray Ouimet, and David Ward.</li> <li>• <b>April</b> – PCCC was represented at the Curling Club Provincial Championship by the team of Danielle Mills, Diane Martin, Chantal Robichaud, and Tina Larson.</li> <li>• Two PCCC Colts teams qualified for the Provincial Championship: Ian Finlay, Chantal Robichaud, André Beauchesne, Tina Larson, and Greg Anber; Yvon Lavallée and Michel Guay (co-skips), Jason Burch, Matthew Snape, and Steven Leonard.</li> <li>• PCCC 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> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Madeleine Golden and Mark Golden received pins to mark 50 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>November 16</b> – PCCC won the Grand Match.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2020</b></p>	<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>• Junior program alumnus Brendan Jackson, curling with Humber College in Toronto, won a silver medal at the Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association Championship.</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 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.</li> <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</li> </ul>

	<p>bubbles” were allowed to practice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<p style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">2021</p>	<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 effect (and was lifted May 28).</li> <li>• <b>February</b> – Neil Gargul joined the ice-making crew for the Scotties, the Brier and Mixed Doubles Championships in Calgary’s “curling bubble.”</li> <li>• <b>February</b> – 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.</li> <li>• <b>March</b> – 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).</li> <li>• <b>April</b> – At the Day Ladies AGM, Connie Corish and Louise Matulis received pins to mark 25 years of membership.</li> <li>• <b>June 15</b> – 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</li> </ul>

	<p>scholarship is worth \$5,000 and gives the recipients a chance to work with a world champion mentor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>June 17</b> – For a second year, PCCC’s AGM was held virtually via Zoom to comply with government restrictions regarding COVID-19.</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. Condy (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–	Caroline Thall
1975–76	William C. Black (Bill)*		

\* Deceased