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GENERAL MANAGERS'S UPDATE



Hi Everyone

Well, it was a pretty busy winter season that we are all coming out of, and I am sure there are a few exhausted parents, and maybe the occasional athlete, participant, siblings, etc. The efforts and results speak for themselves, as you will see on this issue of the Park Patter's front cover, and read on page 3, under Springbank Minor Hockey Association's submission. The Park is home to a number of 2022 CITY & PROVINCIALS CHAMPIONS ! Congratulations to all the players, coaches, parents and other supporters. That's Just outstanding, and as you will see with the rest of the Park Patter editorials and pictures, SPFAS and the Springbank area in general, is home to many Champions. These include Seniors Teams, Ladies Teams, up and coming new Junior Curlers; a 2022 Gold Medal Master Women's Provincial Championship team member; Figure Skating medalists, impressive Soccer Players, a quality local 4H Club, an excellent playschool,

and social club's like the Springbank Heritage Club in the area, etc. Our Indoor Ball Facility is gearing up and ready for Bookings; Football, Baseball & Soccer Field rentals are back online for May, and our Beach Volleyball Facility will be going again early June.

Here's to an excellent spring and summer !

Todd Muir, General Manager



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MEET THE STAFF

This edition continues introducing our highly valued staff members, and we are pleased for April, to be able to introduce Jane Graham. Jane is new to the SPFAS team and can be found in the Administration Office kindly helping our user groups. Born and raised in Scotland, Jane found her way to Canada and set down roots in Cochrane. It was in Cochrane where she raised her four children; becoming a fixture in the many arenas, soccer parks, baseball diamonds, and volleyball courts in Alberta. In her free time Jane loves spending time with her family, which includes five grandchildren, and has now become a fixture in the mountains with her love of hiking. Please stop by and welcome Jane to the Springbank community when you're in the park.



Jane Graham



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It always a pleasure getting to know you and sharing our passion for quality products and supporting local, our first season has been full of learnings and positive/memorable moments. The Curling and Community hockey regular seasons may be over, but there is way more happening at the SPFAS and surrounding areas (e.g. Spring Hockey, Figure Skating, Baseball, Football, Soccer, Cycling, Horse back riding, Dance, Gymnastics...). Not only do we want to remain open and continue serving you during the Spring and Summer months, we are looking at expanding the service provided to the community.



We are very excited to announce that we have just gained access to a full commercial kitchen and will be working over the next few weeks to expand our menu/offerings. In addition to the regular lounge service, we will enable online ordering capabilities for take-out orders. With the warmer days ahead and considering the beautiful environment we are privileged to operate in (fresh air, peaceful country side and open view of the majestic Rocky mountains), we are also investigating the possibility to provide patio service. As we grow our menu and online order capability, we will be hiring kitchen staff locally. If you or someone you know would like to apply for a position (experienced or eager to learn to cook); please email your resume and a cover letter. Let's keep in touch

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email: contact@springbankicebreakerlounge.com Cheers, Ben & the Ice Breaker Lounge team



SPRINGBANK MINOR HOCKEY

The last few years have not been normal for anyone, and it was a relief to get in a complete hockey season this year, including Hockey Calgary City Championships and Hockey Alberta Provincials. Starting in late February and most of March, forty-two Springbank Minor Hockey teams from U11 to U21 took part in Hockey Calgary City Championships. After several weeks of great hockey, 9 SMHA teams were successful in capturing a City Championship banner. SB Minor Hockey also sent four teams to provincials – U13 2 Green, U15 Body Checking Tier 1, U15 Non-Body Checking Tier 1 and U21 Jr C. U15 NBC1 and U21 brought home provincial championships and U15 BC1 was the silver medalist for their tier. U13 2 Green play April 1st weekend in Rocky Mountain House.

Eric Nicholson Director Communications

SMHA

U11	CITY CHAMPION	U13	CITY CHAMPION	U15	CITY CHAMPION	U18	CITY CHAMPION	JUNIOR	CITY CHAMPION
U11 Female	GHC Igitie	U13 Female	GHC Heat	U15 Female	GHC Scorch	U18 AA	NWCAA Bruins	Junior B	CBHA Rangers
U11 Tier 1	Bow River 1	U13 AA	NWCAA Bronks	U15 AA	NWCAA Stamps	U18 AA	NWCAA Stamps	Junior C	Springbank Rockies
U11 Tier 2	Bow River 2	U13 Tier 1	Glenlake 1	U15 Tier 1 BC	Springbank 1	U18 Female A	U18 GHC 1 White		
U11 Tier 3	Crowfoot 2	U13 Tier 2	Springbank 2 Green	U15 Tier 2 NBC	Springbank 1	U18 Female B	U15 GHC 2 Gold		
U11 Tier 4	NW Warriors 4 White	U13 Tier 3	Springbank 3 Blue	U15 Tier 2 BC	Springbank 2 Green	U18 Tier 1 BC	McKnight 1		
U11 Tier 5	Springbank 5 Green	U13 Tier 4	Bow Valley 4 Black	U15 Tier 2 NBC	Bow River 1	U18 Tier 1 BC	Glenlake 1		
U11 Tier 6	Knights 6	U13 Tier 5	Glenlake 5 Blue	U15 Tier 3 BC	Springbank 3 Green	U18 Tier 2 BC	McKnight 2		
		U13 Tier 6	Springbank 6 Green	U15 Tier 3 NBC	Bow Valley 3	U18 Tier 2 NBC Blue	Bow River 2		
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						U18 Tier 3 NBC	Southwest 2		

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



As everyone familiar with the Springbank Park For All Seasons will know, our Main Facility recently underwent major renovations. The work that was done

was the combination of a planned renovation to the Front Entry and Concession areas, and an unplanned re-build of the Red Dutton Arena, made necessary by the failure of that rink's decades-old concrete slab.

The purpose of this article is not to detail the work that was done, as anyone who has been to the Park will be very familiar with both the "before" and the "after" of those areas. It is, rather, to acknowledge the extraordinary demands that were required of both Park Staff and our volunteer Board members from the early days of the tender process through the many months of coordinated efforts of our Staff, Board, consultant Gibbs Gage and general contractor Chandos, to the final days of bringing the whole project to a conclusion.

It would be hard to imagine a more challenging year at the SPFAS than last year. Covid was still having an enormous effect on our operations, we said good-bye to long-time GM John Rop and welcomed GM Todd Muir, and at the same, we took on capital work the scale of which hadn't been completed since the Park's very early days. And yet, the Park is entering the spring of 2022 on solid ground in every way, with updated facilities which will continue to serve the community in a reliable, safe and accessible way, well into the future. The accomplishments of the last year are something to be proud of, and there are many people whose time and effort are to be acknowledged.

Critical to our success over the last year was excellent management, led first by John Rop working with the mighty duo of Jody Wesgate and Jeff Schmidt, and then, mid-year, taken over by Todd Muir who was able integrate into our management team in a seamless manner, providing leadership and support in a way that allowed the process already underway to continue to unfold seamlessly. It is impossible to overstate how grateful our Board was to have the managers in place that we did, past and present, going into this renovation period.

Because the projects began in the spring of 2021 and concluded in February of 2022, both the 2020-2021

and 2021-2022 Boards bore the critical responsibility of oversight. Because of the scale of the renovations, some members, past and present, were called upon to take on significant amounts of extra work. Those members included Rob Hemstock, long-time Board member and Past President (ret), Scott Mamchur (current 2nd VP), Joe Petratur (current Treasurer), and Frank Walsh (current 1st VP and Chair of the Operations and Capital Enhancement Committee), who acted as the first point of contact between Management and the Board through the entire project, providing important continuity and constant support wherever and whenever required. I highlight these individuals because their time was drawn on in extraordinary ways over the last year but I would like to express my most sincere gratitude to every person who gave of their time and energy by taking on the responsibility of being an SPFAS Board member over the last couple of years.

Also contributing to the successful completion of the recent capital project was Rocky View County. By assisting the Park to secure MSI funding that had been set aside for the community years ago, contributing from its capital reserve in the form of emergency funding, and awarding the Park its regular annual capital and operational grant funding, the County played a vital role as a true partner to the Park. We are grateful for the support of the 2017-2021 Council, including Councillors Boehlke, Gautreau, Hanson, Henn, Kamachi, Kissell, Schule, and Wright, and, in particular, Kim McKylor, who was not only our Div. 2 Councillor but also a Park Board member as our major capital projects were planned and successfully completed. RVC Staff past and present also provided invaluable support throughout, and we would like to thank Theresa Cochran, Ines Cortada, Gurbir Nijar, and Amber Smith, County Staff past and present, for their efforts in support of the Park.

Now that the world is opening back up and we are increasingly able to return to our much-loved, vital recreational and social pursuits, it is my sincere hope that every visitor to the Park will continue to enjoy all of the amenities and opportunities the SPFAS works hard to offer our community so as to enhance the quality of life of every one of us. We thank you for your patience with us and hope that you enjoy the results of our collective efforts for a long time to come.

Lisa Skelton
President, SPFAS

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After many long years, Alberta is back in the black! Our province has a balanced budget, and a surplus! After seeing oil prices dip into negative values and much of our economy grind to a halt in early 2020, many thought it would take years for a province to return to

a position of fiscal balance – myself included. Yet here we are! This certainly did not happen by accident. When we formed government in 2015, Alberta was spending approximately \$10 billion more per capita per year for similar services as other provinces, and our spending trajectory was growing at a rate of 4.5% year over year. Had these spending levels been maintained, even with the recent rise in commodity prices, our province would have run a \$6 billion deficit this year. Alberta's balanced budget is the direct result of three years of calculated fiscal restraint, and rapid economic growth across every sector of our economy. Through even the toughest of times, including a two year long global pandemic, our government maintained key fiscal anchors of bringing per-capita spending in line with other provinces, reducing our spending trajectory to just 0.35% year over year, and keeping our debt-to-GDP ratio well below 30%. We also dramatically increased corporate revenues through economic growth and diversification. Reducing Alberta's corporate tax rate from 12% to 8% over the past two years, and eliminating over 116,000 regulations to conducting business in our province, resulted in a net increase in corporate tax revenues of \$400 million. These \$5.1 billion of corporate revenues were realized primarily through investments in sectors that are new and emerging to Alberta's economy, such as tech, film, hydrogen, lithium, petrochemical production, and green energy. This demonstrates the importance of creating a business-friendly climate, rid of over-regulation and taxpayer subsidization - contrary to the policies of the previous government who increased Alberta's corporate tax rate by 50% and subsequently brought in \$3 billion less revenue as business and corporate offices fled the

province. Yet calculated fiscal restraint for three years did not mean our government was unable to make strategic investments in our province's future. Rather, this fiscal restraint in calculated areas allowed us to responsibly do the opposite, and make strategic investments where they were most needed. Budget 2022-23 included a record level of healthcare funding, with a \$515 million increase on top of last year's billion dollar increase. This included \$750 million to clear surgical backlogs, an additional \$64 million for EMS, \$20 million for mental health and addictions on top of previous increases of over \$200 million, \$3.7 billion for continuing and home care - a 6.3% increase, \$2.2 billion for new healthcare facilities, and \$100 million to expand ICU capacity. The budget funded a \$700 million increase to Alberta's education system, which included \$342 million for staffing and enrollment growth, a 1% increase to the base operational grants, \$191 million for curriculum implementation, a \$39 million increase – or 4.6% - for



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transportation costs, and \$110 million for mental health supports to support students who struggled most during COVID 19 protocols and schooling shifts. It included \$600 million to strengthen Alberta's labour force by connecting young Albertans with employment opportunities, attracting skilled workers to Alberta, expediting credential recognition for new immigrants, creating scholarship and bursaries, increasing apprenticeship placements, and streamlining approvals for post-secondary institutions wishing to establish in-demand course and microcredential programs. Budget 2022-23 invested \$390 million over four years to invest in rural broadband, to ensure that every Albertan, regardless of where they choose to live, can participate in an increasingly digital economy and workforce. It even established a consumer energy rebate program to combat increasing natural gas prices, which will be triggered for all Alberta consumers whose regulated rates rise above \$6.50/gigajoule. It also eliminated the gas tax, a 13 cent per liter savings at the pump. Getting to this balanced fiscal position took hard work and resolve on behalf of every Albertan. For years, jobs were hard to come by and economic and fiscal recovery seemed indefinitely far on the horizon. Yet through the hardest of times, the unwavering optimism of the Alberta spirit pushed forward and believed in better days ahead. Now, we are finally in a position to invest in areas that matter most, begin paying down long-term debt, and invest in the Heritage Savings Trust Fund. Last election, people resoundingly recognized at the ballot box that every dollar spent beyond government limitations

would inevitably need to be paid back by through high inflation, a devalued currency, or crippling taxation if things didn't change. That's why our government

was elected, by you, on a firm commitment to balance Alberta's budget by the end of our first term. Now today, we are here - with a strong and diversified economy, and a \$551 million surplus, one full year ahead of schedule!

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Hello Springbank residents. Have you ever driven by the Springbank Equestrian park on lower Springbank road and wondered about it's history? The Springbank Equestrian Society (SES as we call it) is a non profit organization started in 1995. The SES maintains

and operates the Springbank Equestrian Park, 25 Robinson Road which consists of over 7 acres of County of Rockyview reserve land. The main facility includes upper and lower riding rings, a smaller exercise ring, and park areas and our club house which is suitable for small meetings, birthday parties and family get together and more. We also operate the parcel of land across our main entrance which is maintained grass field which



includes a small and varied cross country jump course.

SES member clubs consisting of the following groups:

-Calgary Western Riders: A local

based horse, gymkhana club with over 50 years of history in Springbank

-Springbank Rawhides 4-H Club: A youth 4-H club is celebrating their 35th year in operation this year.

-Sarcee Pony Club: A local based Pony club with longstanding English riding and disciplines has a long history of operation in Springbank and South Calgary areas

-Calgary Polocrosse club: Calgary polocrosse has numerous events primarily off site.

All clubs cant be contact thru president Coreen Calvert. As this park is on County of Rockyview lands, it is open to the public for riding and picnics and day use all year long unless there is



a previously booking or organized event. If you are interested in renting our hall and/or entire facility for meetings, day or weekend retreats or workshops or other events, please contact Coreen Calvert at 403-807-3277 or email at coreenc@shaw.ca

If you are a drop in user and would like to support our facility, as a non-profit organization, we certainly appreciate any cash donations to assist in operational costs of our facility, please contact Coreen directly.

Upcoming SES Casino. For all of you familiar with community funding projects, after a long wait our upcoming SES Casino is August 19,20. We will be looking for volunteers to help out. Park user rules are minimal. General rules are posted on both gate and arena entrances. Always keep our facility clean which includes spreading any manure on the open grass areas or take home with you. Protect our park trees: Do not put any manure around the trees as it burns the bark and do not tie your horses to the trees. The picnic area east of the club house is a non horse zone and is clearly marked.

We look forward to hearing from you in the future.

Coreen Calvert, President

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SPRINGBANK SOCCER CLUB

We are so excited to start of the spring/summer outdoor season soon. It is never too late to register to enjoy the beautiful game (Info@springbanksoccer.com).



We completed an exciting indoor season with many games and cheers. The U19 boys represented SCC at the provincial competition. The tournament was a close one with most games being decided by no more than two goals and there were four ties (out of the 10 games).

“All games were very fast-paced and attracted a lot of attention from spectators. Very exciting to watch” – Parent of SSC

The team progressed through the tournament and

on their fourth game they came up against the team that became the eventual gold medal winners. In this hard-fought game, we lost 2-0 but the team spirited on and finished with two wins, two losses and brought home the bronze.

In other exciting news Springbank Soccer Club has its inaugural outdoor grassroots program in Harmony. We have many of the boys and girls signed up from in age groups of U4, U6, U8 and U10. The focus of the sessions will be on physical literacy, ball mastery, duels, and games. For the Harmony program please add for



more information please follow this link <http://springbanksoccer.com/harmonygrassrootsoutdoor/>

SPRINGBANK HERITAGE CLUB

Things are slowly getting back to normal at the club, but we were saddened to hear that our well loved member Margaret McKenzie passed away recently. Marg and Jim, who predeceased his wife, were founder members of the Heritage Club and pillars of the Community. We send our sincere condolences to the family on their loss.

The March 17 St. Patrick's Day luncheon was well attended and very green. And now, after a two-year hiatus, we are looking forward to the return of our very popular public event; the STRAWBERRY TEA. It is planned for May 7 from 2-4pm and the Tuesday morning singing group, which resumed just a few weeks ago, is practicing hard so it is ready to provide the Strawberry Tea entertainment. For groups of 6 or more, planning to attend, please contact Joan Zwingli at joanzwingli@gmail.com or 403-807-2311 for a reservation. Thank you.





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Hi everyone, following is an update on Council matters for your use:

COVID – with the Covid restrictions being mostly lifted in the province, Council has resumed the practice of all Council members being present in Council chambers for meetings. As well, public members may be in attendance. This has

started on March 22/ 22. Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) – Council has appointed RVC's new CAO – Dorian Wandzura to start on May 2, 2022. Mr. Wandzura has been serving in a senior leadership capacity within both the public and private sectors for nearly thirty-years. As a designated engineer and operations professional, Mr. Wandzura worked with numerous municipalities to refine their governance structures, create and implement strategic plans, develop and streamline operational efficiencies, and offer overall support to elected officials, Boards of Directors and senior administrative leaders.

Customer Satisfaction Survey – Occurring between March 21 and April 17, 2022, all County residences will receive a Your Say Rocky View County card in the mail for their opportunity to participate. Some residences may also receive a phone call. Information collected in the survey will be used to guide future decisions surrounding Rocky View County services, communications, public engagement activities, budgets, and plans. The survey will be conducted by mail, phone, and web by Leger, an independent third-party organization. The results of the survey will be shared back to the community in a What We Heard Report. Springbank Area Structure Plan (ASP) – Administration are in the process of engaging the residents of Springbank to collect their thoughts on what the desired land uses should be in the proposed new Springbank ASP. It is hoped that as many residents as possible can provide feedback into the process to ensure the community needs are being reflected. Details of the engagement process will be posted on the Counties website; www.rockyview.ca/SpringbankASP. Administration will be inviting feedback through online coffee chats, an online survey, written submissions and an open house session. Assessment notices – your assessment notices have been sent out for your review and if you feel they are not correct you may appeal the assessed value by submitting an appeal by the date shown on your notice.

If you have any questions about your assessment, please send them to assessment@rockyview.ca. If you wish to appeal your assessment, the Assessment Review Board (ARB) will hear your complaint starting in the spring. On March 8th Council has revised the ARB's membership by removing councilors as members. Membership is now composed of Council appointed community members.

Rural Municipality Association (RMA) – Four council members attended the RMA conference in Edmonton from March 14 to 16. Along with the conference learning sessions we met with the Minister of Municipal Affairs to discuss various items such as policing, grants, etc.

Jumping Pound Hall – an appreciation event was hosted by the executive of the Jumping Pound Association for all the donors that contributed to funding the latest renovations to the hall. MLA Miranda Rosin and I attended to observe the new renovations and that the hall is ready to accommodate community events. Springbank Offstream Reservoir (SR1) – Preliminary construction has started with tree and brush removal. Members of the public will be provided with information regarding the community liaison contact, upcoming construction activities and traffic impacts/detours when available via a project email provided by the province. You may register for the updates at springbank-project@gov.ab.ca

Looking forward to spring, take care!

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Jennifer DeYoung,
President Springbank Playschool
2021/2022

The kids have been busy at Springbank Playschool! With warmer spring weather comes more opportunity to play outside more often. They worked really hard in March to build Leprechaun traps for St. Patrick's Day but unfortunately the Leprechauns got away yet again! They've enjoyed special event days like Reptile Day which was so exciting to see the kids seeing and touching various animals like tarantulas, snakes, lizards and turtles! Buddy Night and Beach Day were also so much fun – popsicles were a big hit!

April will have the kids learning about spring and the weather, along with an Easter Egg hunt! Show and Tell days have returned to the schedule, giving the kids a chance to bring in something special and gain experience speaking in front of a group and answering questions. In May the students will be preparing for the Mothers Day Tea. The last day of Playschool for the 2021/2022 school year will be May 25th. It's hard to believe that the school year is almost over, but the children had such a great year, learned and grew so much, made new friends and had so much fun.

Registration is still open for the 2022/2023 school year and there are limited spots still available.



2022 Old Tyme Country Fair

Join us for the 50th Old Tyme Country Fair ! We are in the early stages of planning for this years event but are anticipating a full return of events that were unable to materialize years prior.

2022 Fall Fair Registration pages expected to open up soon!

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When we set out in September, we were uncertain about how the season would play out – heck, we didn't know how many teams would show up during the pandemic – so it is with a great deal of satisfaction that we are able to put a bow on the 2021-22 curling season. Thank you to everyone who came out and played, respected the rules we were forced to implement, and for being part of our escape from pandemic lockdowns. We hope you got what you wanted out of the curling season and look forward to seeing you again in the fall!

SEASON WINDUP

Each of our Adult Leagues had their own version of a championship and windup, and while there's not enough room here to go into details on each of them, you can find a summary and pictures on our Facebook page. Please like and follow us there!

On March 19th, Springbank's newest curlers from our Junior Programs came together to wrap up the curling



season in a Mini Bonspiel. Upon completion of the competition, some of the fans got out on the ice, and our new curlers became the coaches for their family and friends, passing along the knowledge and skills they learned over the season.

REPRESENTING THE CLUB

Adele Williamson, a Springbank resident, and avid curler in both the Springbank Monday Night Ladies League and Thursday Mixed League recently won a Gold Medal at the 2022 Master Women Provincial Championship in Edmonton. As part of the Foster Team, Adele will be competing in the Canadian Masters Championship at the Pembina Curling Club in Winnipeg in November. Congratulations Adele!

We've always known that we are lucky to have Carissa



Backus involved with our Junior Program, providing coaching to our young players and supporting them in their development, but the secret got out last summer when Carissa was recognized by the Calgary Youth Curling Association as the Coach of the Year! The award is granted annually in recognition of a coach that consistently goes above and beyond to help youth learn about curling in a fun and encouraging manner, and makes outstanding contributions towards the positive athletic and personal development of junior curlers. Congratulations Carissa!

Two teams earned the opportunity to compete at the Nature's Bounty Alberta Club Championship Qualifier held at the North Hill Curling Club March 17-20, 2022; Team Masse represented Club for the women and Team Mazur represented the Club for the men. This event gave our teams the opportunity to curl the best teams from various Calgary and Southern Alberta clubs, and while they both had a strong showing, neither was able to secure a birth at Provincials... we'll get 'em next year!

We're looking forward to summer, but we'll be excited to get back on the ice in September. Please follow along on our website for announcements about the launch of the



new season, at www.springbankcurling.com. You can also email us at springbankcurlingclubcalgary@gmail.com if you ever have any questions.

Contributed by:

Colin Strem

LADIES CURLING LEAGUE



Monday Night Ladies Curling League had their year end windup on March 21 where teams were awarded cash prizes for their placement in each of the divisions. A delicious pork medallion dinner prepared by Ben and his staff at the Springbank Icebreaker Lounge was enjoyed by all and many curlers went home with a door prize. It was a fun way to wrap up a great season!

Congratulations to our Division Champions:



**Ladies "A" League Division Champions
Team Masse**

- Division A (League Champions): Team Masse (Nyree Masse, Joan Walker, Amanda Blotski, Angie Catenacci)
- Division B: Team Tuor (Ursula Tuor, Holly Wrytrykush, Monica Storey, Manashi Goswami)



- Division C: Team Nugent (Suzie Nugent, Lesley Oko, Debbie Douglas, Tracy Paul)

Many thanks to the SPFAS ice staff for preparing our ice for the games and providing us with very good quality ice throughout the season.

Team Masse proudly represented the Springbank Curling Club at the Nature's Bounty Curling Championship held at the North Hill Curling Club March 17-20, 2022. This provincial qualifying event gave the team the



**Ladies "B" League Division Champions
Team Tuor**

opportunity to curl the best teams from various Calgary and Southern Alberta clubs. With 2 of their last games going into an extra end, they came ever so close and although they were hoping for a different outcome, it was a valuable learning and fun experience. Well done team!

Deb Phillips

Coordinator, Springbank

Monday Night Ladies Curling



**Ladies "C" League Division Champions
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You are welcome to come and bring your own project to work on, participate in the weekly project offered or

just visit and enjoy a coffee. Snacks are always welcome.

Some of our past projects include: sewn microwave bowl cozies, acrylic painting, Christmas decorations, coffee filter roses and fleece mittens.

Do you have a project to share or instruct? It can be crafts, knitting, crocheting, painting, exercise, yoga, cooking class, whatever as we'd love to try something new. Or if you'd like to make a craft but not sure how to go about it, just bring a picture and I'm sure one of the ladies will be inspired to teach it. We have a wonderful facility to accommodate these activities.

If you are interested in attending, please email Janice3Lambert@gmail.com so that she can add you to the list to receive the weekly email reminder that lets everyone know what project may be worked on and the supplies needed.

Membership at the Heritage Club is encouraged and is only \$50 per year. Come check us out and if you enjoy attending after a couple of times, then please sign up as a SHC member.

We look forward to seeing you!



SPRINGBANK
Figure Skating Club



Our club has continued to grow this season, we now run 4 Canskate sessions a week plus learn to figure skate along with our regular Starskate sessions. We have taught children as young as 3 the basics of skating and we hope to see them grow further next season.



Congrats to Rileigh Powell and Joan McGrath

While the winter session is coming to a close, we are looking forward to having our spring sessions run May to June and then have our summer camps run through all of July at Springbank Park for all seasons. Registration for our spring programs is now open online at springbankskating.com

Ours skaters having recently competed at Airdrie Winter Invitational, Lethbridge Starskate Invitational and then the Starskate and Adult Championships.

Joan McGrath is one of our adult skaters and she competed her best at the Championships. She came 1st in her Interpretive program and 2nd in her freeskate program. Joan is one of our biggest inspirations at the club, she shows these young skaters that you can learn to skate and be a figure skater at any age.

Please follow us on Facebook, Instagram or check out our website at springbankskating.com

Contributed by:

Charlotte Hudson



SPRINGBANK SENIORS MIXED FRIDAY MORNING CURLING LEAGUE

The winter session finished on March 18 with the presentation of the Nelson Memorial Trophy by Brian Davies to the Tim Presber team, winner of the Round Robin Tournament. This was followed by a windup luncheon.

There were nine teams registered in the Winter Session This meant that each week one team had a bye which provided four free players to spare if needed. This worked very well since finding spares, especially at the last minute is often difficult.

Sincere thanks go to our president, Tim Presber, draw master Brian Davies and treasurer Tracey Cove for their community minded volunteerism which the league depends on.

Enjoy the summer and when it's over, there will be curling to look forward to again in the Fall.



From right to left: Brian Davies, Tim Presber, David MacPherson and Shelly Francis. Missing from the team photo, Mary Jane Hunter



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