

## Message from Chairperson, Kevin Mitchell, Dundas Granite Curling Club

The Board of Directors has been fraught with worry as to what is the right/or wrong decision to make regarding the 2020-2021 curling season. However, The Board of Directors has voted unanimously to cancel curling for the entire 2020-2021 season. We had always remained hopeful that we could salvage at least part of this curling season however, the current situation around us has made the decision for us.

For those of you that have previously paid your membership dues and asked that it remain as a credit on your account, Freda will contact you soon regarding your refund.

When they told us to stay six feet away from each other, no one imagined that it could turn into 18 months before some of us would see each other again. The pandemic has taught us many things and one of those is how vulnerable people and small businesses are. As I am sure you can imagine our curling club has shown that we are very vulnerable to this type of economic downfall and financially the club is struggling to stay viable. At this time, our club needs members who can provide some financial support and if you can, we implore you to help the Club through a donation. This can be done through a donation directly to the Club or through the Sport4U program. We are currently at \$40K of our \$60K goal. We need your help, and every bit is very much appreciated.

Our Project with Sport4 is open for donations up until April 30, 2021. Remember that you can donate and receive a Tax-Deductible Receipt by utilizing the NSTF-O website. The direct link to our project is as follows:

<https://www.sport4ontario.ca/project-176---dundas-granite-curling-club-limited.html>.

When you access the project form you can then access the donation form by clicking on the link at the bottom of the form. You can also go directly to the donation form by using this link [donation form](#).

We look forward to seeing our friends again and to sitting around the table and sharing our pandemic stories that we all have. We also cannot wait to have a laugh and maybe a friendly debate or two. Let us all look forward to the 2021-2022 curling season where hopefully we will be bustling with activity again. In the meantime, the Board will continue to meet and manage the affairs of the club.

I would also like to take a moment to say thank you to our Manager Freda for all the work that she has done in trying to make the club viable in these times.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me, Kevin Mitchell, Chairperson [gladdenhillfarm@gmail.com](mailto:gladdenhillfarm@gmail.com), Barry Roberts, Treasurer [bjroberts6@sympatico.ca](mailto:bjroberts6@sympatico.ca) or Freda Braker, Club Manager [dundasgranitecurlingclub@cogeco.net](mailto:dundasgranitecurlingclub@cogeco.net)

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Staff of the Dundas Granite, I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy (and much better) New Year. Stay safe.

Kevin Mitchell  
Chairperson, Dundas Granite Curling Club