



## CELEBRATING THE USWCA DIAMOND JUBILEE

USWCA will celebrate its 75th anniversary in 2022 and a beautiful commemorative pin has been struck to mark this important milestone. Designed by Bridget Matzke, the pin features a cubic zirconium inset and will be available for \$30 plus postage. A pin with a diamond insert will be offered as a special order. A historical review that compiles USWCA's activities and accomplishments since its formation in 1947 will also be available for purchase later in the year. Watch for more information on the USWCA Website

<http://www.uswca.org/uswca-75th-anniversary>  
and the [United States Women's Curling Association](#) Facebook Group.



## NEXT YEAR'S BONSPIELS

The **39th Senior Bonspiel**, "Curling with Altitude" will be held at Denver Curling Club, Golden, CO in the West Region. The event will be held Wednesday to Sunday, December 1-5, 2021. Denver has 4 sheets of ice, so this will be a 32-team bonspiel. Participants must be 55 or older by January 1, 2022. Clubs are encouraged to send as many teams as they can. Entry fee will be \$400; the entry deadline is August 27, 2021. Applications are available on the website now.

Visit <http://www.uswca.org/senior-womens-bonspiel-2021> for the latest information. Follow the excitement on social media using hashtag #uswcasb2021.

The Inaugural **Super Senior Bonspiel** will be held at Blackhawk Curling Club, Janesville, WI in the Wisconsin Region. The games will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, January 11-12, 2022. Participants must be 65 or older by January 1, 2022. Visit <https://www.uswca.org> for the latest information, and see the article on page 3.

The **73rd National Bonspiel**, "USWCA Celebrates its Diamond Jubilee" will be hosted in the East Region by Utica Curling Club, Whitesboro, NY, from Wednesday February 23 to Sunday, February 27, 2022. Applications will be available in September. Visit <http://www.uswca.org/national-womens-bonspiel> for the latest information. Follow the bonspiel news and plans on social media using hashtag #uswcanb2022

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## ELECTION RESULTS

At the Virtual Annual Meeting held via Zoom on February 21, 2021, officers were elected for the 2021-2022 season:

President Naida Leslie (Nutmeg CC),

First Vice President Leslie McGregor (Chicago CC),

Second Vice President Kelly Stephens (Coyotes CC),

Secretary Karen Shane (Nutmeg CC),

Comptroller Tammy Hoffman (Circle City CC 2021-2023).

Continuing in their terms are

Treasurer Bethany Rivera (Detroit CC 2020-2022),

USWCA/USCA Liaison Elizabeth Demers (Detroit CC 2019-2022)

and

Parliamentarian Stacie Pinnavaia (Charlotte Curling Association 2020-2022).



## INCOMING SCOT TOUR

Greetings from the USWCA Incoming Scot Tour Committee! Excitement is stirring as Host Clubs and USWCA Representatives receive updates and reminders regarding the Incoming Scot Tour. We are delighted to share our “cautious optimism” as Tour planning is gaining speed. The Lady Scots all have their vaccinations and anticipate having boosters by departure time in January.

They are the '21 Tour that will arrive stateside in 2022. And while we laugh at the year and extra time to consider the event, there is great anticipation for the trip. Without question, the Incoming Tour members have an extra year to get to know each other, and we on this side have extra time to consider how we might further share our clubs and regional experiences with them.

So mark your Calendars for January '22. Check with your local clubs and regions to see exactly when the Lady Scots will be arriving in your area. If there are general questions, please contact your USWCA Rep. If you would like to participate, please feel free to contact a local club that is hosting one of the curling events. Clubs participating include St. Paul/Arden Hills, Four Seasons, Denver, Wausau, Madison, Kettle Moraine, Milwaukee, Chicago, Exmoor, Bowling Green, Detroit, Belfast, Nashua, Cape Cod, and Broomstones. For more information about the Scot Tour, visit the website at <http://www.uswca.org/2021-tour>.

## AND THE CANADIANS ARE COMING

The committee for the 2021 Senior Women's Friendship Tour has been hard at work planning for Canadian women curlers from the Maritimes to come visit the East Region this November 1st - 12th. Participating host clubs include Schenectady, Albany, Utica, Norfolk, The Country Club, Cape Cod, Nutmeg, Philadelphia, and Potomac. Everyone is excited to host and share all the Northeast has to offer. Representatives from Canada are working hard as well, and Tour participants are in the selection process now. Still mindful of the current health concerns, we will make a final decision late this spring to go ahead with the tour in the fall or delay it for one year. For more information on the Tour, visit <http://www.uswca.org/2021-friendship-tour>.





## 5 & UNDER SCHEDULE

Here is the early schedule for next season, subject to pandemic restrictions. An additional bonspiel is being planned for Green Bay Curling Club in the Wisconsin Region.

### East Region:

Utica Curling Club (Open),  
October 29-31, 2021,  
<http://uticacurlingclub.org>

### Central Region:

Bowling Green Curling Club (Open),  
January 14-16, 2022,  
<http://bgcurlingclub.com/>

### Central Region:

Waltham Curling Club  
(Women's Challenge),  
January 2022

### Wisconsin Region:

Wauwatosa Curling Club  
(Open), January 2022

### West Region:

Duluth Curling Club  
(Open), mid-January 2022

For more information on the National 5 and Under Championship, visit <http://www.5nationals.com/>.

## A COMEBACK FOR 5 & UNDER BONSPIELS

Pending recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, the USWCA is looking forward to sponsoring 5 & Under Bonspiels in all four regions next season. Because these bonspiels had to be canceled this 2020-21 season, we are calling it the Blank End. Eligibility to curl next season, 2021-22, will be determined by the status of curlers in the 2019-20 season. This is to ensure that no eligible curler is denied the opportunity to curl in our USWCA-sponsored 5 & Under Bonspiels because of the pandemic. The USWCA encourages all new curlers to take advantage of the opportunity to experience curling in a 5 & Under Bonspiel this coming season.

Check the USWCA 5 & Under Bonspiel website <http://www.uswca.org/5-year-and-under.aspx> for updates as our future curling season becomes more stabilized. Bonspiel date confirmations, host club flyers, registration, and eligibility forms, as well as bonspiel results and pictures, will all be posted there.

## SUPER SENIOR BONSPIEL

A Super Senior Bonspiel is becoming a reality for curlers 65 years of age or older. The plan is for this event to be held at 2 to 3 sheet USWCA clubs. The two-day bonspiel will be held mid-week. USWCA members can sign up as individuals or composite pairs, trios or teams from any region. Members-at-Large are also welcome. Further details and the entry form will be available soon on the USWCA website. Plans are being finalized for the inaugural bonspiel to be held January 11 & 12, 2022 at Blackhawk Curling Club in Janesville, WI. See the article Next Year's Bonspiels on page 1, ask your club representative, or visit <http://www.uswca.org> for details.

## 2019 USWCA Super Senior Women's Fun Day Albany Curling Club





## USWCA CIRCUIT'S SECOND DECADE

The USWCA Circuit Committee is working hard to prepare for the coming season with interactive opportunities for the women curlers of the USWCA. Look for information to come on the USWCA website, USWCA Facebook Group, a joint effort with the Curlers Outreach Facebook Group and by email to past Circuit participants. We want to hear from YOU!

The Circuit has grown every year for the past 10 and we look to enter a new decade energized to support the USWCA member clubs and curlers across the nation. We are all looking forward to being back on the ice and supporting each and every event that we can. Keep an eye out -- there is much more to come!

USWCA Club Reps, we need you to encourage your club to place their Women's events on The Circuit, and we'll need you to advise us of the final results of the Spiels. Your thoughts on the Circuit? We would LOVE to hear them! Our goals: encourage women to bonspiel and form teams, support USWCA Clubs by filling bonspiels, retain newer curlers by exposure to bonspieling, improve overall curling through competition.

For the latest information, visit <http://www.uswca.org>. To learn more about the Circuit, visit <https://www.uswca.org/what-is-the-uswca-circuit-event> and be sure to check the Fall issue of the WRep Sheet.

## NEWS FROM GIFTS AND GRANTS

The Gifts and Grants Committee continues to financially support curling by women and youth, including Junior Travel Assistance. Although no grants are being awarded this season, we'd like you to keep us in mind as you begin to plan for next season. Grant applications will be reviewed twice a year in mid-September (Fall Meeting) and mid to late-February (Winter Meeting). Applications received after the Winter Meeting will be reviewed at the Fall Meeting. Applications received after the Fall Meeting will be reviewed at the Winter Meeting and applicants will be notified of their grant application status following each meeting.

## WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR DONORS

As a non-profit organization, the USWCA gets most of its money from dues. However, tax-deductible donations are always welcome. They can be sent through the mail or from the organization's website via PayPal. To donate, visit <https://www.uswca.org/make-a-donation>.

The Board of Directors expresses their sincere appreciation to the following individuals and organizations for their generosity.

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We are currently streamlining the application and it should be ready to use by the Fall application deadline. To find the application and for more information about the application process, visit <http://www.uswca.org/curling-development-fund>. You can browse to the page by using the About menu from [www.uswca.org](http://www.uswca.org).

## SUPPORT THE USWCA



Did you know? There are many ways you can support the USWCA!

Shop online using Amazon Smile. Start at <https://smile.amazon.com/>. Select "United States Women's Curling Association" as your charity. A portion of every eligible purchase supports the programs and events.

Sign up your male curlers as Associate members! Any male who curls at a USWCA member club may join as an Associate Member of the USWCA for \$7 each.

Make a cash donation! Visit [www.uswca.org](http://www.uswca.org) and click "Make a Donation."



## USWCA ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Surf the website, [www.uswca.org](http://www.uswca.org) for our brochure and latest news.

Twitter handle: @HeartofCurling Follow us on Twitter, and join the conversation at any USWCA event including the handle in your tweet.

You can also follow the USWCA on Facebook (group name: United States Women's Curling Association).



## HELP WANTED: PROMOTIONAL SALES

The Promotional Sales committee is seeking a creative and energetic woman to volunteer to lead the committee. The Committee raises funds by selling curling-themed merchandise to promote the USWCA. With the growth of curling, USWCA provides unique items to our 5,000 members and to the broader curling community.

Experience in retail marketing is useful for purchasing, pricing, and order management, as well as understanding of inventory and budgeting. Knowledge of online sales, especially for non-profits, is a plus.

Design and creativity welcome, and of course, a love of curling and the USWCA.

If you are interested, or if you know someone who might be, reply using the Contact form, <https://www.uswca.org/contact>.

To see the current offerings, visit <https://www.uswca.org/merchandise>.

**Curling with Altitude**

**39th USWCA Senior Women's Bonspiel**

Denver Curling Club will host the  
**39th USWCA Senior Women's Bonspiel**  
 December 1-5, 2021  
 32 Teams  
 Enter by Aug. 27, 2021  
 Visit [uswca.org](http://uswca.org) to register

[www.uswca.org/senior-womens-bonspiel-2021](http://www.uswca.org/senior-womens-bonspiel-2021)

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## JUNIOR BONSPIELS PLANNED

Early information is available for next season's USWCA-sponsored Junior Bonspiels.

**WEST:** January 21 - 23, 2022, Itasca CC, Grand Rapids, Minnesota

**CENTRAL:** February 2022, Rice Lake CC, Rice Lake, Wisconsin

**EAST:** Date TBD, Ardsley CC, Ardsley-On-Hudson, New York

For the latest information, visit the USWCA Junior Bonspiel website: <http://www.uswca.org/juniors.aspx>