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WREP SHEET

News from the USWCA September 2025 Meeting and Committee Highlights

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members and Friends of Curling,

Welcome to the Fall issue of the WRep Sheet. It contains the news from the USWCA 2025 Fall Meeting. Hosted by the Belfast Curling Club, officers, directors, and committee chairs came together from across the country to conduct business, share ideas, and enjoy the fellowship that is at the heart of our organization. In addition, the meeting accomplished significant organizational work: a Regional Realignment, Governance Updates, Bonspiel Planning for the next several years. For our Tours, the Incoming Friendship Committee began preparations to welcome Canadian curlers to the U.S. in Fall 2028, and The Scot Tour Committee selected 20 women from across the country to represent the U.S. in Scotland in November 2026. The meetings concluded with the Board of Directors Meeting renewing our sense of purpose and enthusiasm for the year ahead. Thank you to all members for their dedication to promoting curling and building lasting friendships on and off the ice.

Please enjoy this issue of the WRep Sheet.

Good Curling!
Ann C. Kirkpatrick



ANNOUNCING THE 2026 USWCA OUTGOING SCOT TOUR

The United States Women's Curling Association (USWCA) is thrilled to announce the upcoming 2026 USWCA Outgoing Scot Tour. Twenty women, selected from nearly 50 applications received from players at member clubs across the United States, will represent the USWCA in Scotland in 2026.

The tour is much more than competition—it's a celebration of the spirit of curling, sportsmanship, and international friendship. The Scot Tour is part of a long history of exchange between the USWCA and RCCC dating back to 1955. These tours have fostered international goodwill and have become a highlight for women curlers in both countries. The USWCA team visits clubs throughout Scotland, engaging in friendly matches and cultural exchanges, while the Scots reciprocate by touring the United States every ten years.

To ensure fairness and uphold the values of the USWCA, the Outgoing Scot Tour committee adopted a structured, ranked rubric for selection of the women who will hold the 20 coveted tour slots. The rubric assessed curling volunteerism, curling resume, and club evaluations. All applicants were required to be USWCA members for at least five years and belong to a club with a minimum three-year USWCA membership. Teams will depart for Scotland in late October and return mid-November 2026. The US women will enjoy 19 days of curling, touring, and club visits across Scotland.

What's Next: The players have been selected, and teams will be announced soon. Stay tuned for more details as we prepare to send our U.S. curlers to Scotland for this unforgettable experience!

For more information about the Scot Tour and the USWCA's mission to promote women's curling and international friendship, visit <https://www.uswca.org/scot-tour>

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September 2025

- 2026 National Bonspiel entries available through Club Reps and the website.

October 2025

- Super Senior Women's Bonspiel, Rice Lake Curling Club, Wisconsin, October 28-30.

November 2025

- Junior Bonspiel, Centerville Curling Club, Galesville, Wisconsin, November 11-16

December 2025

- Final day for Club Reps to approve National Women's Bonspiel entry forms, December 2
- Senior Women's Bonspiel, Grand Forks Curling Club, North Dakota, December 10-14
- Junior Bonspiel, Philadelphia Curling Club, Paoli, Pennsylvania, December 12-14
- Final day for National Women's Bonspiel accepted teams to pay entry fee, December 17

January 2026

- Final day to pay club dues to the USWCA Comptroller, January 15 (first/only installment)
- Five and Under Open Bonspiel, Schenectady Curling Club, Niskayuna, New York, January 16-18
- Five and Under Open Bonspiel, Duluth Curling Club, Duluth, Minnesota, January 23-25
- Final day to send physical quilt raffle tickets to Tammy Hoffman, January 31

February 2026

- Five and Under Open Bonspiel, Eau Claire Curling Club, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, February 6-8
- Final day to purchase quilt raffle tickets online, February 8
- Gifts and Grants application due date, February 9
- Winter Meeting, Hampton Inn Boston/Natick, Natick, MA, February 16-18
- National Women's Bonspiel, Broomstones Curling Club, Broomstones, MA and The Country Club, Brookline, MA, February 18-22

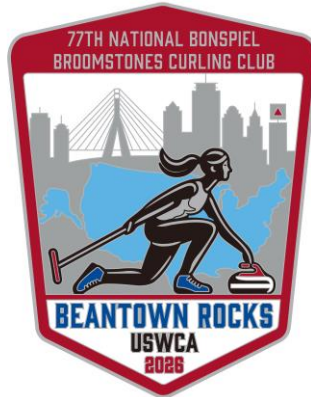
April 2026

- Five and Under Open Bonspiel, Detroit Curling Club, Ferndale, Michigan, April 18-19
- Final dues payments due to USWCA Comptroller to count for 2025-2026 season, April 30nd, Massachusetts, February 18-22

BEANTOWN ROCKS AT NATIONAL BONSPIEL

The 77th National Bonspiel, "Beantown Rocks" will be hosted in the East Region by Broomstones Curling Club, Wayland, MA from Wednesday, February 18 to Sunday, February 22, 2026. Some games will also be played at The Country Club in Brookline, MA. Note that this will be a 10-end bonspiel.

Entry due dates are set by individual clubs, with all entries due to the Regional Coordinators by December 2. Entry forms are completed online. Club Rep approvals will be completed electronically. And payments will be made electronically once a team has been accepted. See your Club Rep for more information.



Visit <https://www.uswca.org/national-womens-bonspiel> for the latest information.

Follow the bonspiel news and plans on social media using hashtag #uswcamb2025

SUPER SENIOR BONSPIEL

Rice Lake Curling Club looks forward to welcoming the 5th Super Senior National Bonspiel, "Women with Brooms", to Rice Lake, Wisconsin,

October 28 to 30, 2025.

Full details and team rosters are available on the USWCA website <https://www.uswca.org/super-senior-womens-bonspiel>



43RD USWCA SENIOR WOMEN'S BONSPIEL

Grand Forks Curling Club is pleased to welcome the 43rd Senior Women's Bonspiel, "Spicy Senior Belles," to Grand Forks, ND. The event will be held Wednesday to Sunday, December 10 to 14, 2025. Twenty-four teams have been selected for the 4 sheets of ice at Grand Forks. The games will be 8 ends. For full details and team rosters, visit <http://www.uswca.org/senior-womens-bonspiel>.



NEW MEMBER CLUBS

We are pleased to announce that 2 new member clubs have joined the USWCA, bringing our membership to 83 total clubs. Please welcome them!

Pine Tree Curling Club, Portland, Maine

Dakota Curling Club, Lakeville, Minnesota

View the complete list of member clubs on our website:

<https://www.uswca.org/club-listing>.



ANOTHER CIRCUIT SEASON UNDERWAY

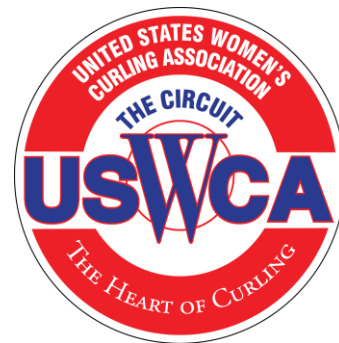
Our goal is to support women's bonspiels at our member clubs by attracting more teams to them and support women curlers in the Spirit of Curling -- meeting other women curlers, involving newer curlers in the sport, improving skills through friendly competition and awarding cash prizes! All funds collected go back as prize money to the Circuit Curlers, by region. A maximum of your top 3 bonspiels will count toward points. This year we are running a pilot program where only one person on the team needs to be a member of the Circuit in order for you to earn points. We still encourage you to get other members of your team to sign up. We have also adjusted the scoring to be simpler which is posted on the website. Our goal this season is to be able to post the scores as they are reported to us every few weeks throughout the season.

The new season started on May 1, 2025 and will run until April 30, 2026.

USWCA Member Women Curlers \$30 per season

USWCA Member Clubs \$100 per bonspiel

Individuals can register at <https://www.uswca.org/circuit-individual-application> and clubs can register their bonspiels at <https://www.uswca.org/participating-bonspiels>. If you have any questions please email chair Shannon Zwick: shannon@norfolkcurlingclub.org.



THE ALL-AMERICAN

The All-American bonspiel is a special event only to those clubs that are USWCA members. Member clubs do different themes and event types. You can elevate your event or give curlers who participate something special from the USWCA merchandise store. The Promotional Sales team has put together a variety of All-American logo items from koozies to T-shirts. Don't want it to be specific to the All-American? There are many other items to choose from for prizes and or participation swag.

Please remember to order your pins using the easy online pin application form found on the USWCA website under "Bonspiels" then "All-American" tab or click here: <https://www.uswca.org/all-american>. Enter your club results using the form on the same page.

If you have any questions regarding hosting an All-American event, please email Kristin Smith, kshknitnut@gmail.com. She is the All-American chairperson and would be happy to help your club host an All American.



KEEP WARM THIS SEASON - WIN A CURLING QUILT

The Financial Stewardship Committee is excited to announce their fundraiser for the 2025-26 season. This lap quilt is made and donated by Ilene Barbree from Wine Country Curling Club. The quilt measures 54" x 56" with curling stones on the front and curling theme on the back.

Tickets can be purchased now through February 8th at <https://www.uswca.org/merchandise>.

1 Ticket - \$10 / 3 Tickets \$25

The winner will be announced at the USWCA Winter Meeting, February 2026.

Don't miss your chance to own this unique quilt!



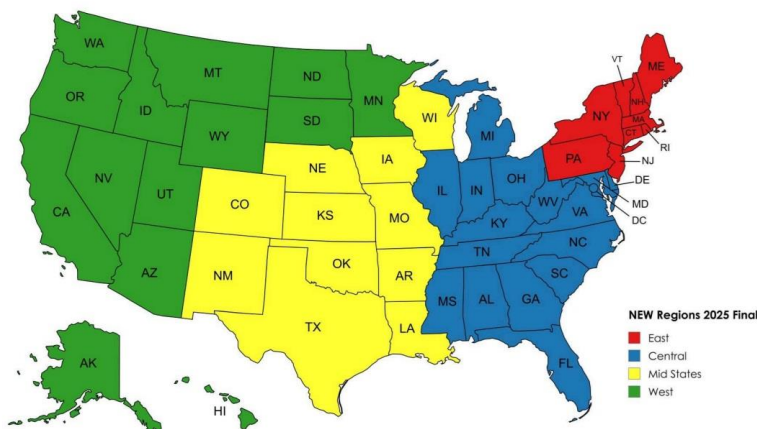
REGIONAL RE-ALIGNMENT APPROVED

The Board of Directors voted at the Fall Meeting in Belfast, Maine, to adjust the regions to which some of its member clubs belong.

The changes are designed to promote more even representation of our member clubs when bonspiel team and Tour membership selections are made, when Standing Committees are formed and when officers are elected. Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana move from Central to Mid States. Wisconsin is added to Mid States. Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Colorado move from West to Mid States.

The regions are shown in the map below.

If you have any questions, reach out to your club representative, your club's Representative Liaison, or use the Contact Us link on the USWCA website <http://www.uswca.org/contact>.



IS SOCIAL MEDIA YOUR THING?

Communications needs you for Social Media! A great place to help especially new reps and members. We would be grateful if you could help us with:

Social Media Administrator – Responsible for the technical setup, platform management, account security, and system integrations to ensure smooth operation and compliance across all social media channels.

Social Media Content Manager – Curates, schedules, and delivers engaging content while actively managing audience interactions, fostering community engagement, and ensuring consistent brand voice across platforms.

The Communications Committee is looking for someone to implement our social media strategy on Facebook and Instagram. We are seeking to engage with our members and members clubs, our volunteers and external communities as we inform and educate.

We would love to have you join the team for all or part of these roles!

Contact Deb Coviello,
uswcacommunicationscoviello@gmail.com

JUNIOR BONSPIELS

The USWCA sponsors three Junior bonspiels, one per season, in the East, Central (OH, IL, IN, MI, MO, TN, WI), and West (AK, AZ, CA, CO, MN, ND, NE, OR, WA). The USWCA provides host clubs with winner and runner up pins for four events, as well as a championship plaque for the first event winners. Travel assistance is available for teams that travel 150 miles or more by car or 300 miles or more by bus, rail or air. Contact the Gifts and Grants committee: <https://www.uswca.org/gifts-and-grants>

WEST: Completed: Granite Curling Club, Seattle, Washington, May 2025

EAST: December 12-14, 2025, Philadelphia Curling Club, Paoli, Pennsylvania

CENTRAL: November 11-16, 2025, Centerville Curling Club, Galesville, Wisconsin

If you are interested in having the USWCA sponsor a Junior Bonspiel at your club next year, please contact The Junior Bonspiel Chair through the USWCA Contact Form: <https://www.uswca.org/contact>. We provide the event pins, a plaque for the winners, and advertising through the USWCA website. The Junior Bonspiel can piggyback on an already scheduled bonspiel.

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

5 & UNDER BONSPIELS



The USWCA is sponsoring 5 & Under Bonspiels in all regions this 2025-26 season.

Two of the USWCA 5 & Under Bonspiels are qualifiers for the USA Curling Five and Under Nationals.

East Region:

Schenectady Curling Club, Niskayuna, NY (Open) January 16-18, 2026 (qualifier for USA Curling Five and Under Nationals)

Central Region:

Detroit Curling Club, Ferndale, MI (Open), April 18-19, 2026

Mid-States Region:

Eau Claire Curling Club, Eau Claire, WI (Open), February 6-8, 2026

West Region:

Duluth Curling Club, Duluth, MN (Open) January 23-25, 2026 (qualifier for USA Curling Five and Under Nationals)

Check the USWCA 5 & Under Bonspiel website, <https://www.uswca.org/5-year-and-under>, for updates. Bonspiel date confirmations, host club flyers, registration and eligibility forms, as well as bonspiel results and pictures, will all be posted there. For more information about the 5 and Under National Championship, visit <https://www.usacurling.org/5-and-under-national-championship>

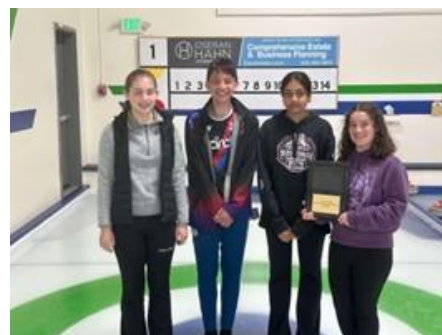
JUNIOR BONSPIEL RESULTS

One Junior Bonspiel was hosted last curling season since the last WRep Sheet issue was published.

The Granite Curling Club in Seattle, Washington held the West USWCA-sponsored Junior Bonspiel May 2025. There were 30 youth and 10 adults playing with teams from Granite CC, Palouse CC, Fairbanks CC and Evergreen CC.



The winning team in the Youth division was Team Müller: Greta Miller, Shriya Patankar, Felix Hester, and Audrey Campbell. The winners in the Unders/Overs division were the Yub Nub Curling Club: Jessica Schultz, Sophie Santiago, Philip Tilker and Georgia Willis.



IN MEMORY OF

We are sad to report the passing of two Past Presidents.

Diane Firari was President in 1976-1977. During her term the 1st Women's National Championship was held in Wilmette. More recently, Diane was a major contributor to the 75th anniversary celebration. Her obituary is here:

<https://www.cressfuneralservice.com/obituaries/diane-firari>

Dorothy Ensign was a member of Duluth Curling Club and served as President in 1982-1983. See her obituary here:

<https://www.duluthnewstribune.com/obituaries/obits/dorothy-marie-ensign-co2fxcjc6zvpgpcdmu3w>

SUPPORT THE USWCA - SHARE WHAT YOU CAN

We are most grateful for all who have made donations to USWCA. Every gift enables USWCA to achieve its mission. Please consider making a donation. Donations may be designated for: USWCA's General Fund, Gifts and Grants (Women and Youth curling), Scot Incoming Tour 2031, Friendship Incoming Tour 2026, and the Jean Borland Memorial Fund for Youth Curling. Donations in memory or honor of a loved one can be made anytime. There are multiple ways to give:

- Tap the Donate heart on our home page <https://www.uswca.org> and make a Pay Pal payment
- Send a check. The response form is found at <https://www.uswca.org> – make a donation
- Sign up for matching funds donations with your employer using our 501(c)(3) identifier of 41-6200109. Select a one time or recurring payroll-based donation.
- Consider making a Legacy gift (guidelines are found at www.uswca.org>about>support USWCA), include USWCA in your estate planning or donate your RMD (Required Minimal Distributions). Consult your financial advisor or tax professional and uswca.treasurer@gmail.com

DISCOVER THE LATEST USWCA MERCHANDISE

Curling isn't just about the ice and stones—it's also about community, identity, and pride. The USWCA store (hosted via Tilson Bay Company) has just updated its lines to reflect that. Whether you're a junior athlete, a loyal bonspiel participant, or running a team, there's something here for you. Items include pride-themed apparel, junior curling gear, National Bonspiel merchandise and custom merchandise for teams and bonspiels, all through the USWCA merch shop. Order quantities of specific items with your team or event logo and colors. Or use custom merch for fundraising.

Visit the TilsonBayCompany/USWCA website for details and tips for ordering. <https://www.uswca.org/merchandise> to view our other merchandise.



USWCA ARCHIVES MOVE

We are excited to announce our partnership with the Wisconsin Historical Society: Division of Library, Archives, and Museum Collections.

The WHS team collected all of the USWCA materials from their previous home in Past President Star Pfiffner's basement. This included records, scrapbooks, meeting minutes, songbooks, rulebooks, articles of incorporation, bylaws, promotional materials, and other related documents, from 1947 to 2020.

The WHS will be digitizing the materials for preservation and access purposes; materials will be available for research and scholarship. Materials stored at the library are rotated out to the museum for exhibition displays.

We thank Past President Terri Gleason and her Thanksgiving guest (a friend of her son's), who is on the Board of Directors for the Wisconsin Historical Society. We also thank Star for her years of storing the materials in her basement and manually searching for information as requests came in.

The Historical Society is forming displays and filming components for the forthcoming history center, scheduled to open Fall of 2027. They are looking to preserve curling history. They will be filming at various Wisconsin Clubs this winter as part of the museum's video exhibition. See the article about the Historical Society project in the Winter 2025 WRep Sheet:

<https://www.uswca.org/Data/Sites/2/media/about/brochure-repsheet/wrep-winter2025.pdf>

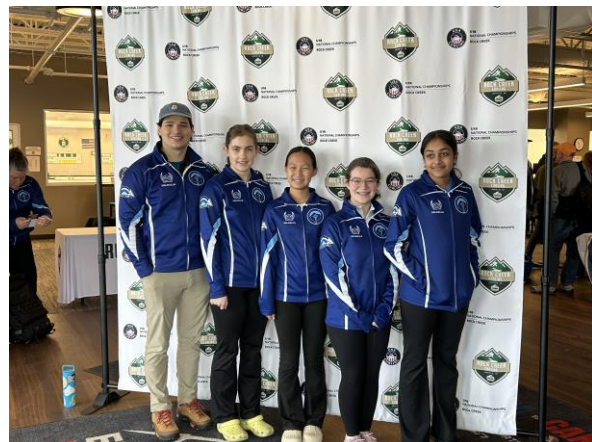


USWCA GRANTS AT WORK

Two Junior teams from Granite Curling Club received funding in Winter 2025. Both received Grants for \$300.

Team Miller is using their grant to register for the Optimist Junior Interclub Curling League, a competitive junior league that plays across the border with teams in British Columbia. Founded in 1919, the Optimist Club is a community service organization that focuses on bringing out the best in children, communities and its members through various service initiatives. It operates worldwide with local clubs that engage in projects aimed at enhancing the well-being of youth.

Team Janusiak participated in the Bill Mills Memorial Junior Bonspiel at Port Moody Curling Club, Port Moody, BC.



GIFTS AND GRANTS

The Gifts and Grants Committee continues to financially support curling by women and youth, including Junior Travel Assistance. At the Fall Meeting 2025 in Belfast, Maine, the Board of Directors approved seven requests presented by the Gifts and Grants Committee.

This season's grants were awarded to:

- Coyote Club – Junior Doubles Camp - \$1000
- Junior Boys Team St. Paul CC, Frogtown CC, Four Seasons CC - \$225
- Junior Girls Team Waltham, Milwaukee - \$150
- U25 Women's Team – San Francisco Curling Club – travel expenses to U25 Grand Slam of Curling - \$300
- U5 Women's Team – Jersey Pinelands CC - travel expenses to USCA Nationals - \$300
- St. Louis CC – All-American - Ice time support (Arena Club)- \$1000
- Wauwatosa CC – Disaster support for Junior supplies following flood - \$2000

Thank you to all who helped increase the funding for G&G through donations and purchase of promotional items.

Club representatives please help drive applications for Gifts and Grants for your clubs. It can be for travel for juniors and women, but also for coaching, helping your club be ADA compliant, events that help a broader group etc. USWCA has a special interest in 5 and Under Women's teams attempting to qualify, or who have qualified for Nationals, please look for those teams in your club and encourage them to apply for grants. We are very pleased with the wide variety of requests received this grant cycle.

Applications are reviewed twice per year during the Fall and the Winter meetings. The due date for consideration at the Winter 2026 meeting is 2 weeks prior to the meeting, February 9, 2026. Applicants will be notified of their grant application status following each meeting. Funds will be released when receipts and pictures are received. Applications can be submitted with receipts for an event that has already taken place.

To find the application and for more information about the application process, visit our website, <https://www.uswca.org/gifts-and-grants> or from the home page <https://www.uswca.org> choose "About" and then choose "Gifts and Grants."

BENEFITS OF USWCA MEMBERSHIP

The USWCA is comprised of capable, committed women dedicated to the expansion of the sport of curling. Our members are talented volunteers who collaborate to bring new ideas and direction which help grow this wonderful sport. Our objectives are to build friendships, have fun, and promote fantastic curling. The USWCA promotes women's and junior curling programs.

A full color brochure is available which summarizes our programs. It is ready to download and print. Share it with your club members, the men at your club, and anyone who wants to learn more about the USWCA. Visit the website <https://www.uswca.org/brochure>.



USWCA ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Surf the website

www.uswca.org

for our brochure and latest news.

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

X handle: @HeartofCurling
Join the conversation on X (formerly Twitter) at any USWCA event including the



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Our Mission is to:
Develop, nurture and promote the sport of curling among today's women and all youth.