



USWCA 41st Annual Senior Women's National Bonspiel

Cape Cod Curling Club

Falmouth, MA

November 29th - December 3rd, 2023

The 41st Senior Women's Bonspiel will be held at the **Cape Cod Curling Club, Nov 29th thru Dec 3rd** as a 24 team event on three sheets of ice. The Senior Women's Bonspiel Procedure Committee requests this notice and entry form be shared with all eligible women at your club before your 2022-2023 curling season ends. Entry forms may be submitted now, but must be received by the **Sept 1, 2023** deadline date. Multiple entry forms from the same club are allowed. Only the rink fee checks from the teams which are eventually selected randomly will be processed after the Sept 1st deadline. The bonspiel theme is "**Senior Safari**", and the on-site bonspiel chair is Krista Longnecker.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

1. All team members listed on the entry form must be 55 or more years of age before Jan 1st 2024, and must be a USWCA member in good standing with regular curling privileges at a USWCA member club. All team members are required to have curled in a league during the 2022-2023 season.
2. Play downs for team rankings within a club are **not** allowed. All teams will be ranked by the SWBP Committee chair based on a random drawing. Allocation of the selected teams will be assigned by region based on total membership of the clubs submitting entry forms and the number of entry forms received per region.
3. Each team must have at least 3 members from the same club, and may include a 4th team member from a different club in the same USWCA region, constituting a composite team.
4. Composite teams will have equal standings in the random draw as that for teams with all 4 members curling from the same club.
5. Entry forms from individual curlers are encouraged. These curlers will be used to complete the selected teams that need to replace a curler as the bonspiel approaches. No rink fee payment is required with individual entry forms.
6. Please keep your team intact even if you are *not* selected in the initial random draw. These team members, as well as individual entry forms, will be placed on a standby list should a team drop out or is short one curler.
7. All completed entry forms will be submitted with a check for \$400 made payable to **Cape Cod Curling Club**. Entry forms and fees must be received by **Wendy Berger, SWBPC Chair, 419 Greenhill Ct, Albany, NY 12203** by **Sept. 1st, 2023**. This event is normally oversubscribed so this receipt deadline will be strictly enforced.
8. Please note that a rule has recently been approved by the USWCA Board of Directors stating that all teams proceeding into the final event games must be

present to complete the entire game. Exceptions for family or medical emergencies, and unforeseen circumstances may be allowed, as deemed by the Bonspiel Chief Official, the On-Site Chair, and the USWCA Rules Committee Chair or her designee. One substitute per team is allowed in the final game if needed, and games starting with 4 curlers may continue with only 3 team members.

If none of the exemptions described above apply, all members of the entire team which does not complete the final game will be barred from curling in the USWCA National and Senior Women's Bonspiel for the next two consecutive years.

The entry form includes a box acknowledging this rule, and must be checked off in order for a team entry form to be considered valid.