

Master's Interclub League at Baie d'Urfé Curling Club

Brief Description of MICL

The Master's Interclub League (MICL) comprises 12 Montreal area curling clubs. Curlers must be 50+. Each club plays against each other club twice in a season – one match at “home” and the other “away” at the other club. Matches are typically on Thursdays or Fridays.

Points are accumulated based on wins and ties in each match and a league champion declared at season end.

The format for each match:

- 9:30 AM teams arrive at host club and enjoy coffee with rum and Tim-Bits
- 10:00 AM Teams play 8 end games
- 12:00 Noon Teams socialize in “typical” post game fashion
- 12:30 approx. Lunch provided by “host” club
- Note: there is a \$60.00 charge per team for the match.

How the MICL works at Baie d'Urfé

Eligibility: Any member who is 50+ years of age AND curls regularly in the daytime events.

Sign-Up: A Sign-up sheet for each scheduled match will be posted on the bulletin board in the downstairs bulletin board. This sheet has the names of all regular players pre-printed with a box to be checked if the player wishes to play in that event. There are spaces on each sheet for additional players to “print” their name and check the box.

Selecting Players: Approximately 1 week before each match the sign-up sheet will be taken down. Players are selected to fill the number of sheets at the host club and teams formed. Player selection is made to assure the each player gets roughly the same percentage of games based on number of requests. In previous years one could expect to be selected 55% of the times (s)he signed up. I expect this to be somewhat lower this year due to more players available.

Teams: Teams are formed with an attempt to have different players play together each time and to have balanced and, hopefully, competitive teams. The list of teams for each match is emailed to each regular player and is posted on the bulletin board approximately 4 to 5 days before the event. Each player selected is asked to initial the posted sheet to acknowledge (s)he will play. It is each selected skip's responsibility to ensure all players will play.

Note: If any replacements are required the skip should notify Bob Sage who will select the replacement ensuring the equality of player selection.

Driving to Away Games: For away games the posted team list on the bulletin board will have spaces for the number of cars required. It is up to the players to have volunteer drivers and form car pools – usually based on people's neighborhood. With the high gas prices it is suggested that each passenger pay the driver \$5:00.

Lunch Preparation: Four person teams are required to prepare lunches for each of the 12 Baie d'Urfé home matches. Each person will be asked to work once and a few will work twice in the kitchen. Alex Brown is coordinating the lunch teams and will post a list for the season once we have a complete list of all senior curlers. Any conflicts should be solved individually by trading places with another person. All changes should be noted on the lunch schedule on the bulletin board.

Note: The first name for each lunch team will be the “Chief Cook” who decides on the menu and assigns responsibilities, such as buying supplies, preparing and serving the meal and cleaning the kitchen.