



the weekly “hog-lines”

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October 2, 2017

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WELCOME BACK COYOTES!

It's our **FIRST Clubmates Corner** this season
And our clubmate is: **Sarah Aponte**

Sarah is one of our new Under 5 curlers that just took to the game like she grew up in Canada – she didn't! (*speaking for Canadians, we'd claim her as our own in a second – JB*)



Sarah was born and raised in Phoenix but spent college, medical school and residency back east. A graduate of Harvard University, she interned at Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge, MA and did her residency at Columbia NYPH before returning to Arizona to be an Anesthesiologist with the Chandler Anesthesia Consultants, providing anesthesia services for Chandler Regional Medical Center, Mercy Gilbert Medical Center, Ahwatukee Surgery Center and San Tan Surgery Center. Always good to have a doc on the ice!

Like most, Sarah first saw curling during the Olympics. And even though it's a popular sport in the Boston area where she was at college, she did not have the opportunity to get involved. No doubt distracted by other important college past-times!!

Returning to Phoenix, she and husband Bryce were looking for something fun and interesting to do – you only have to talk to them about things they have done to realize how diverse their activities and interests are! They have surfed Nicaragua, cruised the Caribbean and beach crawled through Waikiki!

Sarah and Bryce attended their first Learn to Curl in January 2016 and never looked back. They joined the Coyotes Curling Club just as we were closing last summer – a good thing as the hot Phoenix summer was only a teaser that made them want to get back out on the cool ice! They started curling in the fall of 2016 in the Learner's League. It didn't take long to see that both Sarah and Bryce had a natural talent for curling and both were sought after team-mates.

Sarah now tries to fit in time for work between all the leagues she is playing in. She may have started as a lead but lately has contributed her curling skill in various slots.

It doesn't take long to get pulled into the CCC family and Sarah and Bryce are both contributing – helping new curlers in Learn to Curl events and working with the committee for the upcoming Under 5 Bonspiel. **All Under 5 curlers – get ready to get your superhero on!** Sign up today! “We are looking forward and excited to host a great event October 27th to 29th,” Sarah says.

Sarah's other hobby is scrapbooking – even going to the annual scrapping convention in Portland each year. Betcha she will find time to make it to the Evergreen Curling Club on her next trip to Portland!!

If you would like to nominate a member to appear in this feature, please contact us at communications@coyotescurling.com

DONNA PURKEY CLASSIC

Our fellow Coyotes Curling Club members have worked tirelessly to receive the USWCA's approval to host the first annual DONNA PURKEY CLASSIC as an annual Circuit Event and it's time to show everyone what we can do! The bonspiel will be held **October 6-8** and we **NEED YOUR HELP** to ensure we make this a welcoming, fun and successful bonspiel that people will come back to play in year after year!

A great bonspiel always has great food! Coyotes, we are known for this! **Please consider making a donation of food or cash to help fill up our food table** (and in turn, fill up our hungry bonspiel participants) If you can help, head over to this link to sign up: <https://www.volunteersignup.org/Q8HYL> or contact **Carol Ann Naso**.

There may be another shout out for help in other volunteer capacities in the next few days, so stay tuned. We hope you will come out and help, and/or to cheer on some of the wonderful curlers playing in this event – including several Coyotes teams of course!

PIC PLAYDOWNS

The 2018 Pacific International Cup (PIC) will be held at the Richmond Curling Club in BC, April 11-15, 2018. This annual international event has a Men's and a Women's side. Countries invited to participate include USA, Canada, Australia, Brazil, China, New Zealand, Japan, Korea and Israel. If your team wants to earn the right to represent CCC at this year's PIC, it's time get yourself signed up for our club PIC playdowns!

Our Men's and Women's club PIC playdowns will be held **November 18-19**. One rule to call to your attention: teams can have only one sub for the playdown, meaning at least three of the four members of the winning CCC playdown team must attend the PIC. **To register, email Mike Siggins at mike@mdsfin.com by October 31.** For more information about the PIC, visit www.picup.ca.

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OCTOBER 6 -8, 2017	-	THE DONNA PURKEY CLASSIC
OCTOBER 13 -15, 2017	-	RUSS HOWARD'S ACADEMY OF CURLING
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CLUBMATES CORNER

This week's clubmate is: Luba Brock

This week we are featuring the Communications Committee's fearless leader, because we just know once you see how cool and awesome she is (*I mean, just look at that photo*), you'll be itching to join our little gang!



Luba, like many Canadians, especially those from farther North, started curling in her high school years. Why? Well, her best friends curled, her brothers curled... basically, if you didn't play hockey, basketball or do gymnastics – you curled! She played on her high school varsity team and was selected to play on the University of Western Ontario's varsity women's team in the years she attended school in London, Ontario. The competitive bug had bit!

She continued curling while working for IBM in Vancouver, and the love of the game followed her to the San Francisco Bay area. “Most of the curlers in California were transplanted Canadians - and there weren't many of us - not enough competitive women to make up a women's team but I did play mixed. We went to mixed nationals for several years - even after I moved to Georgia.”

Eventually, as Luba moved around the USA, lack of access to curling facilities resulted in her taking up golf (*boof!*). Four years ago, she was looking forward to honing her golf skills when she moved to AZ but – lo and behold – a dedicated curling club!! The siren call of curling pulled her back in (*yay!*).

“It was like riding a bicycle. You don't forget those basic things that have been ingrained in you for years. Except that I vividly remember the first time back out on the ice during a public “learn-to-curl,” **Karen Tait** seeing my 'lift- delivery,' said ‘Oh no - we don't do it that way any more!’” (*aw COME ON!! – JB*)

Luba quickly fell for life in the desert, and for this curling club. “The camaraderie - the friendships - the dedication of the members to contribute time, energy, resources, money ... you make the club a success. This club would not exist but for the volunteers and their commitment to the club and sport. It is amazing.”

And, yep, she volunteers herself, as Chair of the Communications Committee, a committee which needs members! “If you are interested in helping produce the newsletter, weekly flyer, write articles, interview members, take pictures, or help with social media, please contact us!” Luba is also an ice crew member in training and can be seen pitching in often doing whatever needs to be done around the club.

Currently a corporate attorney who specializes in intellectual property, Luba was also an adjunct professor at Kennesaw State University in Atlanta, teaching Computer Law. And there's more! She is a Certified Yoga Teacher who teaches “yoga for golfers” classes at Troon and Terravita. She WAS an avid golfer, “until curling took over my life.” She's also a motorcycle enthusiast and a private pilot.

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DONNA PURKEY CLASSIC RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated, watched – and especially those of you who played – for making the first annual Donna Purkey Classic a success! It was a fantastic weekend of women's curling! Taking home the trophy were the **Monsters** – **Jayne Burton, Tatiana Keeling, Amy Thompson and Kim Gaddie** of CCC who were undefeated in their pool and prevailed over team **Friends Of Donna** in an exciting Event A final. Congratulations to all of our event winners and runners up: Event B: **Team Stephens (CCC)** over **Team Heuermann (CCC)**; Event C: **Curl Friends** over **Curl Power**; Event D: **Ice Divas (CCC)** over **Merrylees**



Donna Purkey with the 2017 Donna Purkey Classic Event A Winners: Monsters from CCC

STORAGE AREA CLEANUP HAPPENING NOW!

We are clearing out the rear storage area to free up space to lease - potentially a huge financial gain for the club! If you donated tools, furniture, appliances, or anything else to CCC and it's currently in storage, please retrieve your items by **OCTOBER 21**. After then, the Building Committee will discard or sell items we don't regularly use. If you see something in storage that you (or someone you know) could use, please contact **Wayne Fleming** or **Carl Naso**. **Thanks for your help with this important project.**

FRIDAY LEAGUE REGISTRATION IS OPEN AGAIN

Just back in town for winter? New to curling and ready to jump into league play? We have room for more in our Fun Friday league! Head on over to your member page and sign yourself up!

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CLUBMATES CORNER

This week's clubmate: Kimberly Gaddie!

Alright, all you U5ers getting excited for a great weekend of curling and gourmet grilled cheese, now's your chance to get to know the lady who's got your back (and your draw schedule) – **Kimberly Gaddie!**



Ever since Kim, her other half **Travis**, and her Dad (the evercool **Dave Twohig**) walked into a Learn to Curl on a whim, they've been tireless: event leaders, board committee members, Learn to Curl coaches, ice crew and more. Also Kim helps make sure the bar is always stocked so THANK YOU for that!

Kim has been an Arizona resident most of her life. She grew up here, went to Colorado for college at the Air Force Academy and was stationed in California before she left the military and came back to Phoenix for the warm weather and golf. Because, who wouldn't.

She's currently working towards a degree in Aerospace Engineering with a focus on Astronautics, so yes, you are allowed to call her a rocket scientist. She has a background in legal studies and an MBA, and worked on Satellite Vehicle Systems and Controls for the Air Force, so you can also call her a smartypants.

Here's something you might not know about Kim – she's pretty competitive. (*I knew that – JB*). “Always super competitive,” she agrees. “Whether it's golfing,

kicking my hubby's a** in Scrabble, or even late night Super Mario showdowns on our old NES.” Her and Travis' debates are legendary in local watering holes; for example – did Samantha from Bewitched twitch her nose or her upper lip? (*discuss.*)

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Her advice to fellow U5ers who want to accelerate their game? “Practice practice practice! I decided early on that this was going to be a sport I wanted to be competitive in and quickly grabbed onto a mentor in the club. We have a lot of experienced curlers in the club who are always willing to help newer curlers learn. Take advantage of having near-year round ice and ask for help.”

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BE A SUPERHERO! HELP OUT AT THE U5!

The Superhero U5 Bonspiel is shaping up to be a weekend of fun, good curling and camaraderie. But you know, these things don't happen all on their own. We asked committee chair Kim Gaddie – what do you need from the rest of us? Here it is: **Volunteers and raffle prizes and support!**

“The Under 5 is an amazing experience because those who are new to the sport get to experience the competitive environment on a more level playing field. I'd love to have more of the experienced curlers come out to help support our newer curlers and really show the spirit of the club,” she said. So mark your calendar and plan to come on out and cheer on our newer-to-the game clubmates!! **October 27–29!**

ACADEMY OF CURLING – THAT’S A WRAP

After two days of intense learning and intense fun, campers bid farewell to Academy coaches **Mary-Anne Arsenault, Russ Howard** and **Grant Odishaw**. Watch for some new moves out on the ice this week because these curlers soaked up a lot! Thank you to everyone who participated!



JUST A REMINDER!

- The storage area purge-a-rama is near! Please retrieve all items you donated to CCC that are currently in storage by this Friday **October 20. After that, no promises that they'll still be around!**
- Our club PIC Playdowns will be held **November 18-19** but if your men's or women's team wants in you have to let Mike Siggins know by **October 31!** To register, or if you have questions about this event, email Mike at mike@mdsfin.com.

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LOOK WHO'S SHOWING UP AT THE CLUB THIS WEEKEND!

You needed more reason to come out a cheer on our U5 competitors? **Saturday. 1:30 pm.**



LOVE TO CURL? BRING A FRIEND!

Have your friends ever asked you what curling is all about? Maybe they watched it on the Olympics or have seen Curling Night in America (Tuesday nights on NBC)? There are great opportunities coming up for your friends to give curling a try!

- **NEWBIE NIGHT** – a try curling night for adults over the age of 21. Only \$20! **Saturday November 4 from 6:30 to 9:30!** To register, just go to coyotescurling.com and find the register button right there on the home page! It's going to be a fun, social evening for all.
- There are a couple of Learn To Curls for all ages coming up as well – **Saturday, November 18** and **Friday, November 24**, both from 2:00 to 5:00. Bring a friend! Come out and help! Do both!

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IT WAS A **SUPER** FUN U5 BONSPIEL! CONGRATS TO THE CHAMPS FLASH GADDIE AND YESTERDAY'S JAM.



Do you follow Coyotes Curling on Facebook? If not – GO DO IT! There are so many fun photos to see!

*Clubmates Corner will return! Have some news to share? Cool curling stories? Be our member feature!
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GET YOUR BONSPIEL ON!

We know all that U5 Superhero awesomeness got you hooked! Here are some important announcements about some upcoming spiels, courtesy our Events Chairperson **Ashley Siggins**.

- The **Winter Thaw Mixed Bonspiel** (Feb 1-4, 2018) has opened registration - this year with a slightly different format, as it will be a true mixed event (2 Men, 2 Women - must alternate) and there will be a cash prize. Registration will close two weeks prior to the event.
- The **Spring Training Bonspiel** (March 8-11, 2018) registration will be opening November 8, with registration closing two weeks prior to the event.
- You may already be in this one - the **Fall Fiesta Bonspiel** is Nov 9 -12, and you know that means we'll be looking for volunteers! Signup is coming out soon!

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH \$10,000?

Rally time, Coyotes! Over the last couple of years we have been running a raffle for the curling club, as a revenue source to "Pay off our debts, help fund new projects and pay for any unforeseen emergency expenses." We sell up to 2,000 tickets at \$10 each. The winning ticket (drawn at Halftime of the Super Bowl on Feb 4) will be worth \$10,000. You read that right – **a 1 in 2,000 chance to win 10 grand!** Even if we don't sell all 2,000 tickets, the winner will get \$10,000. BUT, if we sell all the tickets, the club will *also* get \$10,000.

This is where you come in! We need you to help move these tickets! First and easiest – please buy one or two or however many! Second – please help to sell them! We're not asking you to go door-to-door (unless you want to), just ask your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, etc., if they are interested. Once they hear about the odds of winning – much better than any lotto ticket or 50/50 from a sporting event – how will they refuse?

If you would like to **buy** a ticket, just ask around, many of our members have them for sale. They'll also be available at the bar beginning Monday, Nov 6. If you will help **sell** tickets, just find **Greg Gallagher, Carol Ann Naso** or anyone on the Budget committee. Tickets for selling are being signed out in packets of 20 or 10, with no upfront cost. Have fun with it! These raffle tickets are great gifts and stocking stuffers, they are a great way to help out a great sport, and, oh yeah, you or someone you know could **win \$10,000**.

Legal stuff: Yes, there are rules. You can find them posted on the bulletin board at the club and on our website. If you have any questions about anything to do with the raffle please contact **Greg Gallagher!**

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