

Here's an example of a Canadian Branch honorary member nomination for Joe Smith

When he and his wife moved here in the late 90's they became involved with the Curling Association. At that time, members of our community rented ice in Ottawa and some became part of the Seniors Club.

As the club expanded and grew to build the Municipal Centre with two ice surfaces, the curling group wondered if they could rent the old arena and turn it into a curling site. This happened in 2005. Joe was a key leader in the negotiation the lease this building. Four key Curling Association members were inducted into the city Sports Hall of Fame in 2017 because of his leadership.

With the lease, thousands of hours of volunteer time transformed the Hockey Rink into a Curling Club. This tradition of Volunteer Hours are still key to the life of this club.

He was our second president and served on the council for over 12 years in various rolls. He represented the club at the Ottawa Valley Curling Association for some time. If you want to know something about the club he is a sure source of information.

He is a member and promoter of the Men's Ottawa Valley League.

He has organized and run a Senior Men's Invitational Bonspiel for over 10 years.

He promoted our participation in the Ontario/Quebec Challenge Cup which we held for two years.

He was a prime mover in obtaining this Ladies Fall Classic that brings top level curling to the club. Teams from Japan in the West to Russia in the East have played in this event. Champions of many Provinces, Countries, World and Olympic Champions have competed in this event. It is a place where many of our member's volunteer time, energy and money to make it a world event.

At our club, Joe is a tireless worker, coach, teacher and mentor. He recruits members for the council, convenors of leagues, leaders for our school and youth programs and curlers to play this great game. Encouraging everyone from the beginners to those who now venture outside of our club to participate in regional competitions; Little Rocks, Bantams, Colts, women and men.

He is a true Champion of our Game of Curling.

John Malcom - 5th President