



November 8, 2020

We have received notification that a member at the Olds Curling Club has tested positive for COVID-19. The member was last in the building for ladies curling on Tuesday, November 3. As to AHS protocol, the infected person has reached out to all who she was in close contact with. Close contact is defined by AHS as contact within 2-meter distancing that lasts 15 minutes or more while the person is infectious. If you are not contacted directly, you can feel confident that you are not a close contact of this curler.

We value and respect each member's privacy and will not be sharing names or personal details unless required to do so. The Club has contacted AHS and will continue to follow their guidance and provide members with any updates. League play will continue.

Our Club takes our staff and members' safety very seriously, and we have been following guidelines carefully. We will continue to follow these guidelines in operating our Club, as before, including: sanitizing rocks before play, cleaning and sanitizing surfaces between draws, a sign in sheet and setting up distancing guidelines and our other [Club protocols](#). In addition, we request that players go directly to the ice surface once ready to play (do not linger downstairs) to ensure more space for social distancing. As to [Curling Alberta guidelines](#) released on Friday, the Club requests players wear masks during play, but masks can and should be safely removed when needed (e.g., before and while sweeping, when drinking water, when regaining a comfortable rate of breathing, when replacing a wet mask, etc.). Masks are not required once seated at a table to enjoy food or a beverage in the lounge.

We are responding appropriately to continue to prioritize the health and safety of our entire curling community. We encourage all of our members and staff to follow all AHS prescribed actions including isolation and quarantine instructions should anyone have cold or flu like symptoms or should anyone test positive for COVID-19 or be in contact with someone who has tested positive. Members are encouraged to visit ahs.ca/test to complete an online assessment and book testing. Individuals looking for general COVID-19 information are encouraged to visit ahs.ca/covid or alberta.ca/covid19, case data specific to Olds and Mountain View County can be found [here](#).

If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to Wayne Heikkinen, ACTING PRESIDENT, by emailing oldscurlinginfo@gmail.com or 403-846-5077.

Best Regards,

The Olds Curling Club Board of Directors