



**Pictured: Al Friesen**

Al's enjoyment and involvement with curling dates back to the 70's, as a founding member and ultimately president of the Southern Manitoba Super Curling league. He has also served on the Executive of the Altona Curling Club, including two different terms as President. On the provincial level, Al, co-chaired the Altona host committee for the 2004 Credit Union Diamond Ladies, the 2007 Mondetta Senior Ladies, the 2011 Scotties Tournament of Hearts, the 2015 Chicken Chef Mixed Championship and Strathcona Senior Men's Championship, and will co-chair of the 2018 Canola U21 Junior Men's and Women's championship.

He takes particular pride in serving on the MCA/MLCA/ Curl Manitoba Board for four years as it transitioned from a 44-member entity to its current 13-member board.

Al retired in June of 2015 from a 40-year career with Golden West. He was the CFAM morning man for 20 years. He was inducted into the Western Association of Broadcasters Hall of Fame in 2015. You can also find Al collecting the cash the first Wednesday of every month during curling season as a member the Altona curling club fish fry squad that serves up to 400 diners, and has done so for the last 20 years.