

ROCK TALK

Newsletter of the London Curling Club

January 2009

HARRY SIFTON CLASSIC BONSPIEL **25th ANNIVERSARY** **DECEMBER 2-3, 2008**



Thirty-two teams from all over southwestern Ontario competed at London Curling Club for the Harry Sifton Trophy. The Sarnia squad of Murray Sinclair took overall top prize but were chased closely by our own Phil Desveaux and his team of Mike Bancroft, Bill McIntyre and Larry Round—the margin of victory a mere 3/4 of a point. Also finishing in the top 4 were the Jim Fitzpatrick team of Ken Walmsley, Al MacLeod and Chuck Townsend, and Don Lowry's team of Don Agnew, Fred Weisegger and Doug Petch.

The banquet on Tuesday evening was held at Mocha Shrine Temple. Jesse Davidson of Jesse's Journey and Harry Sifton's great-grandson presented the Trophy to the 2007 Championship team - Skip - Bob Freil, Vice - Bruce Cooper, Second - Nick Sauter and Lead, Bob Wakefield from LCC. Sherene Davidson, Harry's Granddaughter presented silver trays to the winners.

Entertainment was provided by the Sweet Adelines Quartet "In a Heartbeat". They did their Hillbilly Routine and later sang "Santa Baby" to Ken (crazy legs) Murphy from Wallaceburg.

Many thanks to the Sifton Committee of Don McKay, Stu McBride, Bob Hyatt, Bill McFarlane, Dennis O'Connor, Ed Galloway and Fred Weisegger.

Many Thanks to our Sponsors - Sifton Properties and Jack Judd of Executive Travel

STAY INFORMED

Our club is fortunate to have this publication to keep members up to date on what is happening at the club. I have heard several comments from visiting clubs that wish they had something comparable.

Be sure to take a copy home and if you don't read it cover to cover over your morning coffee, at least scan the headlines to pick out some of the informative information. Thanks to Karen Lowry and contributors for their efforts to keep members informed.

Don Agnew
Member Services

8-ENDER SCORED

-THE THIRD ONE AT OUR CLUB IN 2008



The team of Ted Ellwood, Peter Nardella, Bruce Turner and Bill Wright scored this amazing feat. It happened on November 24, 2008 during the Monday Night Miller Competition.

Congratulations!!

LCC LEAGUES

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FROM THE PRESIDENT---

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and thanks to Joyce Heatherington and the Women's Daytime Section for raising \$2030 towards the upper lounge renovations with their Friday Knight Out raffle.

Marilyn Wearing won the main prize and Barb Gordon the second prize.

Thanks to all those who supported this event by buying tickets.

ARCHIVAL PIG AUCTION

The silent auction of the pigs produced \$180 for the club.

Thanks for all your bids. We now have for sale, **2 Dart Boards**, each of which is mounted in a cabinet. These would be great for your rec. room.

If interested see Doug Petch or Bruce Cooper.

SUMMER BONSPIEL

The club looked into organizing a summer bonspiel at the Western Fair Arena in July of 2009.

Unfortunately this is not a feasible project for the club at this time.

Thank you to all those who helped in trying to organize this event.



Marc Claveau

INTRODUCE A FRIEND TO CURLING!!

We know that our most successful source of new members comes from existing members and past members referring potential new curlers to the Club. January is a great month to spread the joy.

Our **SATURDAY NIGHT FUN SPIEL** January 17th lets you bring non members to enjoy some instruction, a 6 end game and refreshments all for just \$10 per person. Sign up sheets are posted.

Daytime men and women can bring guests to the 10:00 AM game on Tuesday Jan. 13 and 20th at no cost and no commitment to give the game a try. If they show an interest they can purchase a package of three games for \$25 or get a super deal on the balance of the season.

RECYCLING



The City of London has advised us that we may now set out recyclable materials for collection with our garbage. That means glass juice bottles, plastics, cans (we've always had those recycled through pick-up by the Shriners!), empty milk and cream cartons, cardboard, paper, etc.

So, fellow members, don't just pitch those items into the waste baskets at the club. Take them back to the bar, where recycle bins are kept.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Doug Petch
Club Manager.

CHUCKLE FOR THE DAY

Health guru Jack LaLanne recently remarked on his 93rd birthday that " I'm feeling great, and I have sex almost every day. Almost on Monday, almost on Tuesday....."



If you have changed your e-mail address, **PLEASE** advise the Office.

Send revisions to londoncurling@execulink.com

The Directory Insert for the Roster 2008/09 is now available

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99TH City of London Bonsel January 3RD & 4TH

The 99th annual City of London Bonsel was held the weekend of January 4th with \$4200 in prize money at stake. The winning team was the Ken Baute rink of Jim Lyle, Ted Smith and Peter Hayman from St. Thomas defeating Bob Stafford's team from Chatham in the main event final.

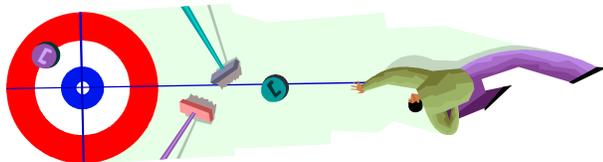
With the score tied 1-1 after 3 ends Baute made a critical and perfect draw to the button through a port with Stafford lying 3. The score was tied 3-3 after 7 ends with Baute having the hammer in the final end. Stafford's vice, Ben Curtis, made a great hit and roll to the button. Baute peeled the centre line guard and Stafford then tried to put it back but left a small opening. Lyle played a perfect hack weight hit though the port to give his team shot rock on the top of the button. With Stafford's first shot he tried a draw through the port which he made but his rock came up a foot short. Baute plugged the port and all that Stafford had left was an angle take out off a corner guard. His attempt nosed the guard giving Baute his third City of London championship title.

The second event was won by the Jerry Ferster rink out of Chatham who defeated John McColl from Glencoe. The third event saw Brandon Tippin from Owen Sound over Dan Cleveland and his Rolling Stones squad.

This event would not be possible without the financial support of our sponsors - Casco, London Life and Siskinds. I would like to send out a special Thank You to Fay Weiler who worked a long and exhausting shift on Saturday, and to Bruce Thom who stuck by my side all weekend. Thanks also go out to my wife Dawn, Cindy Thom, Norm Ducharme, Tim Hortons and Shoppers Drug Mart.

Next year marks the **100th Edition** of this historic event and we hope to make it memorable. More help is always welcome. If you would like to get involved please let me know.

Greg Lewis - Convenor



DAYTIME MEN

On the out-of-town bonsel circuit Garry Thompson's team of Dan McInnes, Dennis Sillett and Bob Davis finished 2nd at the Tier 60 in Forest on Dec 10th. Chuck Townsend's team of Dave Gray, Ron McLennan and Bob Wakefield started off 2009 with a victory at the Tier 55 in Glencoe on January 2nd.

On Jan 9th we host the Tier 55 bonsel and on February 3rd we host the second leg of the Highland Friendly—sign-up sheet on bulletin board.

If a legendary sea creature began using the door bell more often, I'd say it's the "knock less" monster.

Bob Hyatt

DAYTIME MEN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Daytime Men celebrated the Christmas season on Tuesday, December 16th with a luncheon in the upper lounge.

There were 58 members and alumni present, and we were treated to a fine lunch catered by Lynn 's Bakery and Deli. The lunch and meeting were spiced with stories, laughter, and 50/50 draws. Of course, there was some seriousness to the meeting, as we opened with a moment of silence to remember those who are now curling in the BIG arena above.

Secretary-Treasurer to replace Norm Coulson, who has given up Curling this year. Doug suggested that the expected line-up of volunteers for the position meet with him after the meeting to arrange for interviews for the job. As of this writing, we are still looking for Norm's replacement. In the interim, Peter Jackson has assumed the position...err 'role'!

Thanks to Peter, Garry Thompson (dish-washer extraordinaire!), Ray McCorquodale, for their assistance in setting up and cleaning up afterward. Also to Bob Davis and the Pro shop for donating 2 LCC ball caps to our draws.

Doug Petch



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LCC CURLING LEAGUES

We have a total of 17 different leagues within the club. Following is a brief description of each league. This information is also available on our web site. Convenors, if they don't already, are encouraged to pass league schedules to Eric Duggan at webmaster@londoncurling.ca for posting.

MILLER LEAGUE (Convenor: Ken McKinley ken@mckinleymclarty.com)

This is the Men's Competitive league. Teams compete for the title of Club Champion. The league is named to honour Russ Miller, a longtime member of the London Curling Club and two-time Ontario Silver Tankard Champion (1948 and 1954).

You may enter as a team or as an individual. We also need players who are willing to spare. If you are new to the club or the league please indicate your level of expertise/experience (e.g. curling god, experienced, average, new to the game, ?) so that I can fit you on to an appropriate team. Curling times rotate weekly between 5:30 and 7:45 PM. Monday evenings.

WINEXPERT LEAGUE (Convenor: Bruce Cooper bml.cooper@sympatico.ca)

This league was started about three years ago to cater to those men who are free to curl on Mondays during the daytime in a competitive format. This league was originally formed as a daytime extension of the Miller League. Curling is from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Teams play together for the year.

BUSINESS WOMEN (Convenors: Debra LeClair Tues leclairdj@sympatico.ca. Bethany Heinrichs Thurs. bheinric@london.ca)

This league is open to all women and provides both social and competitive curling on Thursday evenings. There is also an offshoot of this league that plays Tuesday evening. Both individual and team entries are welcome. The Thursday league is flighted and offers more competitive curling.

UWO (Convenor: Gary Shaw gshaw1@uwo.ca)

This is a mixed social group open to anyone and encourages both individual and team entries. Games rotate Tuesday evenings at 5:30 and 7:30. The early draw is often followed by pizza and the beverage of choice. Teams are made up for the year and ends with a closing banquet.

LEARN TO CURL (Convenor: Gary Thompson wg.thompson@sympatico.ca)

This fun Tuesday night league is open to every type of curler. Individual entries are encouraged. Coaching instruction throughout the season is offered to both beginner and intermediate curlers. More experienced curlers will be curling with newer curlers. This league provides a great opportunity for new members to learn and enjoy the game.

PRESIDENTS (Convenor: Roger Moyer inthepool@sympatico.ca)

The President League is an open social league that encourages both team and individual entries. Teams are flighted based on team skills. Games are played Wednesday evenings and rotate between 5:00, 7:00 and 9:00 PM.

ROLLING STONES (Convenor: Kevin Bentley Kevin.Bentley@ontario.ca)

This men's social league has a long history with the club and is associated with sister leagues in Montreal and Toronto. Individual entries are placed in a pool and drafted each year by team skips. Members usually play on different teams each year which gives the opportunity to mix with all members. At the end of the season, the league finishes with a regular season winner and a playoff winner with bragging rights for the next year. The league rotates times between 5:00, 7:00 and 9:00 PM on Wednesday evenings.

SWEENEY (Convenor: Ron Lewis ron-Lewis@rogers.com)

The league rotates times on Thursday's between 5:30 pm, and 7:45 pm. Individual entries only - a maximum of 48 curlers required. Players are assigned a position for the year based on position requested and the new players slotted based on experience and requested positions. New teams are drawn by the skips every 5th week - maximum 20 games. Each player is awarded points based on the outcome of the game



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TEASDALE TROPHY (Convenor: Ron McLennan donaron.ent@rogers.com)

This is a team entry league (individuals placed on a team where possible) for senior men and is named after Butch Teasdale who was a longtime member, past president, and curler at London Curling Club. Play is on Thursdays between 1:30 and 3:30. The team with the most accumulated points at the end of the season will have their names engraved on the plaque located in the lounge

FRIDAY MIXED (Convenor :Nancy Meyers myers57@sympatico.ca)

This is a mixed social league that plays at 5:30, 7:00 and 9:00 PM Friday evening. The three flights are ranked based on skill level so every team from beginner to experience plays teams that are at their skill level. Teams move up or down based on their record. There are either 3 or 4 draws over the season. Both team and individual entries accepted.

A very popular feature in this league is a "Pot Luck Dinner" held upstairs after each 5:30 draw.

WOMEN'S DAYTIME (WDS-Games Coordinator Sandy Ronson cronson@odyssey.on.ca)

This league is open to all women who wish to curl weekdays. Six game draws are run thought the year on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings with a competitive team event on Fridays morning. All games end with coffee upstairs and a good time is had by all.

MEN'S DAYTIME (Convenor: Doug Petch londoncurling@execulink.com)

This social men's league is open to all men who wish to curl weekdays. Games are scheduled at 10:00 AM Mondays and Tuesdays, 1:00 PM Wednesday and Fridays and 11:15 AM Thursdays. Each curler is assigned a position based on skill and experience and teams are made up just prior to going on the ice. A sign up sheet available up to a week in advance helps organize teams each day. Play as often or as little as you wish when ever time permits.

THAMES VALLEY (Convenor: Gary Nelson dg.nelson@sympatico.ca)

This is a men's social league that is open to anyone and curls each Sunday morning at 9:00 am. There are two five week draws followed by a Round Robin Draw to determine a league champion.

LHSC MIXED SOCIAL (Convenor: Nancy King d_n.king@sympatico.ca)

This league was originally formed from employees of the London Health Science Hospital but is know open to anyone. It accepts individual entries and teams are put together for one year and then change the following year. This provides the opportunity to play with a different team each year. Couples are welcome but will likely play on different teams. (Makes for a more enjoyable ride home!)

The league plays each Sunday at 6:00 PM and the season ends with a Round Robin playoff and banquet.

LITTLE ROCKS (Convenor Steve Jpbbs stevehobbs@hotmail.com)

Little Rocks is an innovation that allows youngsters ages 9 to 12 to curl. The rocks are half the size and weight of regular curling rocks and are used until members are ready to use full size rocks. The Little Rockers are supported by adult instructions on Sunday afternoon and the emphasis is completely on fun. A great way to introduce youngsters to curling.

BANTAM/JUNIORS (Convenor: Jennifer Cuddie jcuddie@execulink.com)

This is an instructional league open to boys and girls between the ages of 13 and 18 who are new to curling or have experience. There is an emphasis on both on and off ice training by competent coaches. There are opportunities to participate in home and away bonspiels. This league is and excellent compliment to high school curling.

Bob Lauckner
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London Curling Club



The St. Thomas Curling Club



December 19, 2008

Mr. Bruce Cooper, President
London Curling Club
377 Lyle Street
London, Ontario N5W 3R5

Dear Bruce:

Bid Committee 2, established by the four local curling clubs to attract a major curling event to the area, believes that we will host the Tim Hortons Brier at the John Labatt Centre in March 2011. While this is not a certainty, the Committee is proceeding with its plans to prepare for this event and this letter is to advise you of our need to appoint key people to manage the planning and operation of this major Canadian sporting competition.

The overall organization of the Tim Hortons Brier involves a combination of management by staff of the Canadian Curling Association (CCA) and the Host Committee. The Host Committee includes a Chair and five Vice Chairs. A description of these executive appointments is attached. Each of the Vice Chairs has a number of Directors, each of whom is responsible for a specific function. The positions of Chair and Vice Chair are volunteer, non-paying appointments.

The Committee intends to appoint a Chair and the five Vice Chairs within the next two months. Directors will be appointed after the official hosting announcement is made by the CCA.

The Chair

The process for selecting a Chair is as follows:

1. Candidates for the position of Chair will submit an expression of interest plus a resume and any supporting documents by regular post or by email to

Ms. Ann Lapchinski
57 Vanbuskirk Drive
St. Thomas ON N5R 4Z3 or, alapchinski@rogers.com

by **Tuesday, January 27th, 2009.**

2. Candidates will be interviewed by members of the Committee on **Monday February 9th.**

3. Each interview will involve a question and answer format and last for somewhere between twenty minutes and half an hour.

The Vice Chairs

The Committee is looking to interview the five Vice Chairs at a meeting on Monday March 2nd. The newly appointed Chair will play a role in the interview process. The specific process is as follows:

1. Candidates for the position of Vice Chair of any one of the five functions will submit an expression of interest in a particular Vice Chair position plus a resume plus any supporting documents by regular post or by email to

Ms. Ann Lapchinski
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by **Friday February 20, 2009.**

(cont'd next page)

2011 TIM HORTONS BRIER

2.Candidates will be interviewed by the Chair and members of the Committee on **Monday March 2nd 2009**.

3.Each interview will involve a question and answer format and last for somewhere between twenty minutes and half an hour.

The Committee reserves the right to recruit candidates for the positions, to postpone the dates advertised and to defer making decisions based on its collective judgement that more candidates are necessary to complete the appointment process satisfactorily.

The Committee asks that you communicate broadly and extensively with the members of your club to advise them of these positions. In particular, we urge you to include an announcement in the club newsletter, to post the announcement on the club bulletin board, to email your club members if that is possible, and to announce this information in various gatherings of club members. It should be noted that the candidates for these critical functions need not be members of a curling club.

The support of the London Curling Club is critical to the success of this event. This first step sets the stage for our presenting the Brier for the first time since 1974 and we look forward to a great competitive and financial success.

Sincerely,
Dave Shaw, Chair
Bid Committee 2

2011 Tim Hortons Brier

RESPONSIBILITIES OF VICE CHAIRS

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- Security & Accreditation
- Communications & Media Room
- Officials, Stats & Timers
- Construction & Signage
- Decorations

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- Merchandising

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- Paint The Town
- Community Events
- Curling Clubs
- 50/50

Hosting

- Team Services
- Transportation
- Lounges
- Info Services & Ambassadors
- Medical Services

Keith's Brier Patch and Purple Heart Lounge

- Facilities
- Banking
- Volunteers

WOMEN'S DAYTIME SECTION NEWS



Friendship Day (Lynda Reesor, Convenor/Deanne Fitzpatrick, Co-Convenor)

Curlers and guest began arriving at LCC at 8:15 a.m. for coffee and snacks. At 8:30, our lead instructor, Teresa Easter was leading the group in conditioning exercises and instructions before heading out onto the ice. Joyce Hetherington, Marg Sirna, and Marj Dudley assisted Teresa with the on-ice instruction time. The 24 members and guests played a six-end game before coming off the ice for refreshments and social time before lunch.

Lunch consisted of two kinds of homemade soup, Caesar salad and bread with assorted homemade cookies and squares for dessert. Each guest received a carnation, and the goodwill of those members present. Hopefully these invited guests will consider joining our club.

Thanks to our instructors as well as Jean Walmsley for registration and Donna Urbanek, Fay Weiler and Ruth Prentice for helping with serving and clean up. We had a smaller group than the last few years, but those present had a good time – no major injuries, new faces, returnees, good food, instructors and helpers. Thank you all.

Christmas Party (Linda Peeling, Convenor/Marianne LaRose, Co-Convenor)

Good times were had by the Daytime Women at their annual Christmas party, which was held on Wednesday, December 19th. Forty curlers were met with Christmas music as they entered the club. The women enjoyed coffee, juice and fruit loaves before they curled a fun six end game. Prizes were awarded for a hogged rock, double take-out and draw to the button. After the game, the bar was open and much laughter could be heard as the women imbibed, were joined by non curlers and played a game called Pass the Gift. They were invited upstairs at noon for lunch. Tourtieres from Pasquales were enjoyed as well as salad, chili sauce, relishes, bread, ice cream and squares.

After lunch, everyone enjoyed being entertained by Cathie Banks, a former curler, and her piano accompanist with a bell concert. There were great gales of laughter when Cathie had the women play the bells. The twenty minutes of entertainment went to forty-five and we certainly got good value.

The whole day was truly in the spirit of Christmas. The women were joyful, and the upstairs lounge was decorated beautifully by the convenors with the help of Sheila Novlan and Joyce Hetherington. Marianne LaRose added her own special touch with the lovely centerpieces and the bouquet of red and white roses.

The food was excellent and the women were extremely generous with their contributions to My Sister's Place. Staff was preparing tote bags for each guest and requested we donate articles to include in these bags. Many gifts of toiletries, socks, mitts, hats, and underwear were delivered that afternoon. The people at My Sister's Place were extremely grateful and amazed by the contributions.

Thanks needs to be given to Bob Davis, from the Pro Shop, Bruce Cooper who donated a drummer boy and others who donated prizes for the party. Santa's kitchen helpers, Carol Moir, Dianne McKenna, Barb Dalrymple and Mary Reeder deserve a very special thank you for their help in making this a special day.

We were very happy to have several former curlers join us, as well as staff members Barb Colbourn and Janice Henry.

We give heartfelt thanks to convenors Lynda Reesor, Deanne Fitzpatrick, Linda Peeling and Marianne LaRose for making these events so successful and enjoyable.



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WOMEN'S DAYTIME SECTION NEWS (cont'd)

Please check the Bulletin Board and sign up sheets for the upcoming events.

BYOP – Thursday, January 22, 29, February 5 at 9:15 am.

Sign up between December 11-January 15 (Carolyn Petley, Convenor/ Fay Weiler, Co-Convenor)

January Card Party – Monday, January 26 at 12:30 pm.

Tickets are available from Linda Peeling for \$32 for a table for four. Sign up sheets requesting card tables, kitchen help and donations of food and prizes are posted. (Linda Peeling, Convenor/Penny Brown, Co-Convenor)

Nash – Tuesday, January 27, February 10, 17, March 10, 17, 24 at 1:15 pm.

Sign up between January 6-January 20 (Jill Day, Convenor/Holly Cox, Co-Convenor)

February Foolishness – Thursday, February 12 at 9:15 am.

Sign up between January 22-February 5 (Joan Bidinosti, Convenor/Joan Cuthbert, Co-Convenor)

Curl for a Cause – Wednesday, February 18, 9:00 am--4: 30 pm.

Sign up between January 27-February 10 (Fay Weiler, Convenor/Sharon Sivak, Co-Convenor)

Subway – Thursday, February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 9:15 am.

Sign up between January 22-February 12 (Holly Cox, Convenor/Marilynne VanBuskirk, Co-Convenor)

BUSINESS WOMEN'S NEWS

The Thursday Business Women's league is just over half way through their round robin and making their way to the playoffs in March. Several teams have risen to the top so there is sure to be some great competition down the stretch.

On December 18 the Heather Greenfield team organized our annual Christmas Party attended by approximately 40 people. Good food, raffles (with proceeds to the capital campaign), door prizes and tremendous company was enjoyed by all. In addition, 6 to 7 boxes of baby food and baby products was collected for the London Food Bank. A huge thank to Heather and her team for taking charge and organizing a wonderful evening.

Keep your eyes and ears open as sometime in the next couple of months we will have a pizza/sub night after one of our games as a league fund raiser. If you've got any interesting ideas please speak with either Beth, Colleen, Liz or Linda.

Happy New Year!
The Beth Heinrichs Team

JOANNE LAWS



Good Luck Joanne

Joanne Laws is moving to Edmonton in January. We will miss her.

She has been a member of the London Curling Club for 21 years and was President of London Curling Club in the 2003-4 season.

Red rock #7 on ice 4 has been purchased to honour her.

Joanne we wish you all the best!!!



JANUARY OCA REPORT

Juniors/Bantams

Bantam Zones

The boy's team consisted of Eli Zeeb, Blake Nichols, Grant Davies & Mitchell Cuddie. Their first game on Saturday a.m. was against the home team of Kingsville. The boys showed real grit and managed to come back after being down 7-0 after 4 to score 6 in three ends. The game came down to the final rock and Kingsville managed to squeak out the win.

Their second game was against Gonsalves from Highland which includes two LCC players, Curtis Easter & Russell Cuddie. The Highland team is much more experienced; however, the LCC team did manage to win a few ends which was their ultimate goal.

The girl's team consisted of Hayley Hopkings, Andrea Holstein, Victoria Rode and Heather Aipperspach and they too, played two solid games against older, more experienced Highland and Kingsville teams. They managed to both score and steal points in ends but unfortunately we did not make it through to Regionals.

The Gonsalves team with Curtis Easter & Russell Cuddie lost out in the B semi-finals to Kingsville on Sunday morning so at this point; the only Bantam curling out of our club going to Regionals in Listowel is David Easter, curling with Team Dickson out of St. Thomas. Good luck!

Eric LeDreff-Kerwin from LCC played vice for Team Kee out of Sarnia club.

Thanks to the coaches, Jennifer Cuddie & Mike Zeeb, for their time and guidance as well as to the parents for driving, cheering & support their children. As always, the curlers represented our club well with their etiquette and sportsmanship. We know we'll do better next year!

Just a note to our "adult" club members...many thanks to you who welcome the Bantam/Junior curlers into the leagues. We really appreciate the extra ice time, the support as well as the on-ice lessons on strategy. They learn so much more curling in the regular leagues with more "experienced" curlers and at a faster pace. These leagues provide an opportunity for our Bantams/Juniors to be mentored on the finer points of the game. Thanks!

Women

We did not have any entries for the Women's Tankard, Tim Hortons Master Women or the Best Western Challenge. We wish Susan Lawrence and her team all the best as they get ready for the Intermediate Zones in Glencoe on February 6-8.

Men

Congratulations to our team of Ean MacDonald, David Heinrichs, Kirk Massey and Bob Bourdeau for winning the 'B Side' TSC Stores Tankard Zones and advanced to Regionals at Sarnia Golf & Curling Club on January 3-4, 2009. The men did not advance to provincials...Good effort!

Three teams will be representing LCC at the Fairfield Marriott Challenge at the Sydenham Community Curling Club...Jan 9-11, 2009:
 Dave Mann, Don Rawlings, Chris Sherman, Bruce Thom
 Dave Beckett, Tom Zavitz, Paul Reilly, Chris Thompson
 Ted Ellwood, Peter Nardella, Bruce Turner, William Wright
 Good Luck!

Message to all curlers...

- Make sure you use the boot cleaners every time you enter the curling club.
- Competition entry forms are posted for upcoming events...pay attention to the club closing dates.
- Check the OCA website for more information. www.ontcurl.com

Teresa Easter, Linda Peeling, Tom Zavitz and Sylvia Leuszler

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"President's League"

Let me begin by wishing all curlers a Happy New Year. After the first schedule of 11 games all the teams in each Flight have been re-seeded based on wins, losses and ties. Congratulations to the Don Rawlings rink for going undefeated in Flight 1 and to the Katie Lambert rink for going undefeated in Flight 2.

The bottom four teams from Flight 1 have moved down to Flight 2 and the top four teams from Flight 2 have moved up to Flight 2. Good Luck to all teams for a successful second schedule.

Just a reminder, as some lucky curlers head south for winter vacations, that there are 18 curlers on the spare list for Wednesday nights. The list is posted on the league bulletin board. Remember that you need two curlers from your original team to avoid a default.

There are 12 weeks of curling in the second schedule. The last night of curling will be on March 25, 2009. All teams in each Flight will again be re-seeded for a one game playoff night. All winning teams will receive "really big" cash prizes and the winner of the Flight 1 game between the top two seeds will be the President's League Champion for 2008-2009.

Finally, a reminder that we are still looking for a curler(s) interested in being our league designate for the purposes of the portable defibulator. Please see me if you are interested.

Cheers, Roger Moyer, Convenor

AFTER THE TURKEY ----



On December 26th the Curling Club was a full house for many members along with their families and friends. All sheets were filled for the three time slots available. A few lessons were given to non-curlers and few a games by played by others to introduce their guests to the game. The teenagers and those too young to curl got to try their hand at the game.

Maybe we have some future curlers in this group!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

January 10 The Next Step Clinic
 January 14 Grandmothers Bonspiel
 January 17 3M Bonspiel
 January 24 Spring Thaw Mixed Bonspiel

FEBRUARY

February 3 Highland Friendly 2009
 February 7 Shriners Bonspiel 2009
 February 14 Rolling Stones Bonspiel
 February 18 WDS Curl for the Cause Bonspiel
 February 21 LCC Business Women's Bonspiel
 February 24 Club closed -Ice maintenance
 February 25 Club closed until 5PM - ice maintenance
 February 28 TVCL Bonspiel 2009



PRO SHOPPE

THE FIRST HALF OF THE CURRENT CURLING SEASON IS NOW COMPLETED AND I AM PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE PRO SHOPPE IS ENJOYING UNPRECEDENTED SALES. THE CREDIT FOR THIS SUCCESS IS DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO THE EFFORTS OF OUR INTERIM MANAGERS, OUR SALES ASSOCIATES, BARB AND DOUG IN THE OFFICE, AND MOST CERTAINLY OUR MEMBERS.

FOR THE BALANCE OF THE SEASON, WE WILL BE RELYING ON CURRENT INVENTORY TO SUPPLY THE NEEDS OF OUR CURLERS, AND WILL ONLY ORDER IN "SOLD" ITEMS IN ORDER TO ALLOW OUR INVENTORY TO RECEDE TO NORMAL LEVELS.

SO, IF THERE IS SOMETHING YOU ARE CONSIDERING PURCHASING, NOW WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO BUY.

ONCE AGAIN, MANY THANKS FOR SUPPORTING "YOUR PRO SHOPPE".

Bob Davis,
 Volunteer mgr.



...about the importance of practicing good sportsmanship and creating a welcoming and friendly atmosphere, especially towards the new members of our club...

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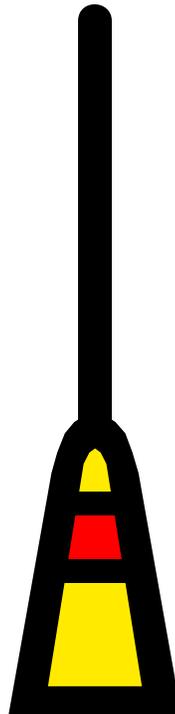


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