

ROCK TALK

Newsletter of the London Curling Club

December 2012

Making curling fun for kids key to sport's survival

Putting the best players on one team to win a bonspiel may jeopardize a club's junior and bantam divisions that are so crucial to curling's long-term survival.

LCC coach Tony Francolini says participation in bonspiels is the most important factor in hooking juniors and bantams on the sport because they meet others their age, get a free lunch and it is "entertainment for them."

"At most of the bonspiels we go into the London club brings more teams than anyone else. We run up against clubs that sign up their four best players (for the same team)," he says. Instead, the LCC splits up its four best, with each one skipping a team of players whose skills are at various levels.

This gives everyone a chance to play and enjoy the experience. "That's how they get hooked." It's a much better long-range plan than winning with your best and leaving the others behind, discouraged and ready to quit. Within the club it is also a positive factor because, says Tony, "there are so many kids at all levels of skill that it is not intimidating (to new curlers). It is an accessible sport."

With 40 to 60 juniors and bantams and about 20 kids in Little Rocks, west of Toronto the LCC is probably second only to Brant in program participation, says Tony. Brant is an interesting case. During renovations to the club, they put in a curling rink at a mall next door. Kids go to malls. Curling registration spiked.

Still, at the high school level, unless a school has six or seven students already active in the sport, it is hard to fill out a team because of peer pressure, says Tony.

That is not a problem at London's Central Secondary School. There, a team comprised entirely of LCC players, including Tony's daughter Joanna at skip, went to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations playoffs last year.



William Buss follows Norwegian curlers' fashion statement.

Joanna, 16, started curling six years ago when her family moved back to Canada and her father urged her to take up a winter sport.

"I like how it is mentally challenging, but also physically challenging," says Joanna.

Chantelle Cheung, 16, one of Joanna's Central teammates, likes the uniqueness of curling where the onus is on the players to referee themselves. "You can't be too stubborn. You have to agree," she says, adding this is a good life skill.

Andrew England, 15, came out to curling because his parents were pressuring him to find something to do. His father used to curl so he decided to follow suit. Andrew brought along his friend, Douglas Tweedie, also 15.

Garry Thompson, who coaches the Little Rockers at the LCC, says they all want to throw the big rocks instead of the half-weight ones that are made for young children. So he obliges by giving them a big rock for each hand and tells them to push off out of the hack. This gives them something to lean on while coming out of the hack. It also makes it seem easier when they try the half-weight rocks. They soon learn to get them down to the other end of the ice. "Most of these kids want to curl and they soak it up like a sponge."

Tony Francolini believes that those coming out for bantam and junior curling are a "unique brand of kids. This sport attracts people looking for friends and activity at the same time. Once they are here, most kids are hooked."

Burt Dowsett



Patrick Meyer gets set in the hack during practice.

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Ken Buchan emphasizes sportsmanship in sports hall of fame induction speech

I had the opportunity to attend the London Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Nov. 8 and see Ken Buchan become the first curler selected for that honour. There was a good group of curlers in attendance to support Ken's induction.

Ken, a long-time LCC member, gave a very good acceptance speech that emphasized the sportsmanship element of curling. The video of his experiences related to curling was an excellent boost for our sport.

If you haven't already done so, please pick up your copy of the new club directory (yellow cover this year). Pam Harrison is to be commended for her efforts to get this directory produced for our members.

On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 4, I was at the club watching the three leagues that were playing at that time. I met with the three conveners -- Julie Scopel for the elementary students, Tony Francolini (Jennifer Cuddie was away) for the Bantams and Juniors, and Laura Murphy for the Western students. They seemed to be enjoying our facilities and no major problems were brought to my attention.

Marketing the club is an important aspect in order to ensure that we continue to thrive. Connie Weir, as past president, has been working to move this process forward. New brochures are available for members to pass out to prospective members and at events, such as the London Sports Council luncheon last month, which I attended.

Our club has a large contingent of supportive volunteers. A raffle was organized by Joyce Hetherington to recognize the winning volunteer by presenting him/her with tickets to the London Knights' game on Dec. 1. Also, I would like to make special mention of the volunteers who spend a Saturday at the club ensuring that organizations that rent the ice for the day have a safe and enjoyable day of curling.

Doug Petch has developed a protocol for our volunteers to use as a guide on these Saturdays. Also, please note that volunteers are needed for the Ontario Junior Curling Championships to be held at the Highland Curling Club, January 2-6, 2013.

Contact information is available at ojcc2013@gmail.com

The Pro Shop has been doing well with sales. The Christmas sale display table will be set up in the lounge from Dec. 1 to 21. There is nothing that is appreciated more by that special someone than a gripper or a curling broom. Richard Rodgers will be asking for volunteers to help with Christmas sales.

I hope all our members can enjoy the Christmas season with friends and family and begin the New Year with optimism and enthusiasm.

Gord Sellery, LCC President



Volunteers needed for junior championships

Organizers of the 2013 Ontario Junior Championships to be held at Highland January 2 – 6 are seeking volunteers from surrounding clubs, especially during the day times.

If you could spare some time during that five-day period, please email your contact info to ojcc2013@gmail.com and a committee member will contact you.

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Don Dudley's LCC rink wins 2012 Sifton Classic

Two London Curling Club rinks won their respective draws at the 2012 Sifton Classic November 27 - 28, but second-draw winner Don Dudley was the overall winner courtesy of a higher point total.

Dudley's rink of Larry Round, Bill McIntyre and Peter Askey accumulated 51.75 points. The first-draw winner, fellow LCC member Jim Fitzpatrick's rink of Doug Weir, Mike Rozon and Randy Southern, recorded 47.5 points.

Runners-up to Fitzpatrick in the first draw were rinks skipped by the LCC's Jim Lone (42 points), Highland's Ken Setterington (40) and Lou Kuzych, also of Highland, (39).

In the second draw, Dudley's total topped rinks skipped by Doug Nixon of Highland (50 points), and the LCC's Ken Walmsley and Peter Jackson at 49 and 40 points respectively.

The event attracted 22 teams representing Sarnia, Leamington, Forest, St. Thomas, St. Marys, Brant, Highland and Ilderton curling clubs.

The Sifton Classic, now in its 29th year, is in memory of the late Harry Sifton, an ardent member of the LCC who curled into his 90s. Harry was the patriarch of the well-known Sifton family in London.

The Sifton family is still the major Sifton Classic sponsor. There are three other sponsors – Executive Travel, New Era Grafix and the St. Andre Council 8339 Knights of Columbus.

The Sifton Classic is one of several Tier (age) 55 men's bonspiels held annually in Southwestern Ontario. The entry list has declined in recent years. Sifton Classic convenor Fred Wiesegger said the event used to attract 32 teams and still have a waiting list. "It's a two-day event and some of the older folks don't want to do that. Some of them have told me 'I can feel my knees,'" said Wiesegger. "And we're not getting the younger ones."

Barb Colbourn's husband, Ross, dies

London Curling Club members mourn with club office manager Barb Colbourn, whose husband, Ross Colbourn, died Nov. 28. Our sympathy goes out to Barb.

Rolling Stones London chapter to play host to tri-city bonspiel

The London chapter is playing host to its counterparts from Toronto and Montreal at the annual Rolling Stones Tri-City Bonspiel in February. London is going for a three-peat, having won the last two spiels in Toronto and Montreal. A welcome reception will be held on the evening of February 8, with the opening draw at the LCC February 9 at 8 a.m.

Meanwhile, Rolling Stones curling kicked off its 37th season in London on October 10. Veteran skips Sean Burns and John Richard are returning to defend the Brian Devries and Jim Finn trophies, respectively. We have four new skips this year – Andrew Culver, Steve Eimer, Shane Peters and Don Russelo. The "rookies" established themselves quickly, all recording their maiden victories in the opening draw.

In regular-season play, the rink of Bruce Turner (skip), Randy McGuire (vice), Glenn Kolano (second) and Todd Aldrich (lead) were undefeated through seven weeks of play. They were followed in the standings by teams skipped by Bob Reid, Eimer and Russelo.

Learn-to-curl event replaces Friendship Day

The Women's Daytime Section's annual Friendship Day was changed to a "learn to curl" event on Nov. 21, due to a lack of uptake in the former. Ten curlers of varied experience in the sport received on-ice instruction from Joyce Hetherington, followed by refreshments in the lounge. Although it was a small group, it was quite successful.

Cheryl Adams, convenor

No need to fight lineups, shop at LCC Pro Shop

Are your families tired of battling the Christmas shopping crowds in the malls? How about suggesting they shop for curling gear at the LCC's Pro Shop, where there's lots of free parking in the club lot and no lineups at the checkout.

Pro Shop director of sales Richard Rodgers says he carries Olson, Goldline and Tournament curling products and suggests if anyone has a question to contact him. Check the club directory for Richard's phone number or email address.

The Pro Shop is open Monday to Friday and every evening except Friday and Saturday. It is open Saturday in the daytime if there is a bonspiel and is open Sunday afternoon and evening.

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Three club coaches added to LCC ranks

The weather may have been more suitable for golfers than curlers in mid-November but that didn't stop three London Curling Club members from hitting the ice and achieving their club coaching certification. Brian Arnold, Richard Rodgers and Gord Browne responded to the club's call for more club coaches by participating in a two-day coaching clinic at the Stratford Golf and Curling Club.

The weekend workshop focused on many aspects of the game, including a step-by-step breakdown of a curler's delivery, sliding, brushing, safety on the ice, hand position on the stone, game strategy and how to organize a clinic. For Arnold, breaking down a curler's delivery was his favourite part of the workshop because he'll be able to correct his delivery whenever he struggles with his game.

Rodgers also enjoyed learning how to properly throw a stone.

"To have a proper sliding and delivery technique is the most important part of the game. The game becomes more enjoyable for new and experienced curlers when they can position rocks properly and make the shots as called," said Rodgers.

Browne thought proper brushing technique was helpful. He's been a part of the Wednesday elementary school program and he took the course because he wanted to improve his teaching abilities.

"It has helped me with my own technique and I believe made me a better curler," said Browne.

Each year, the club invites members to participate in the club coaching clinic. For those who are interested but are hesitant to sign up, Arnold recommends the workshop because it provides a solid base of curling knowledge, which can help the individual and their teammates improve.

Besides self-improvement, Rodgers recommends the clinic because it's about helping the club.

"I decided to become a club coach in order to give back to a game I have participated in and enjoyed for over 40 years. In order to grow the game of curling, new curlers must be taught the fundamentals of curling, such as sliding, brushing and strategy so they enjoy the game, have fun and keep returning," said Rodgers.

Arnold and Rodgers said they look forward to taking the knowledge they've learned from the clinic so they can help other curlers improve their game.

The clinic was run by Ontario Curling Association coaches Jan Hamilton and Katie Brooks and 13 people took the course. Participants came from Southwestern Ontario, the Greater Toronto Area and one curler from the Detroit Curling Club.

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Jeanette's Early Bird kicks off bonspiel season

Ruth Alexander's Highland team of Sue Aubin, Sue Bierbaum, and Gayle George won the 10th Jeanette's Early Bird Bonspiel on Nov. 7 at the LCC. Ruth is a past winner of this bonspiel, as well.

Hosted by the Women's Daytime Section, the bonspiel attracted eight teams from Ilderton, Highland, Aylmer, Tillsonburg and Woodstock, as well as four LCC rinks. It is a warm-up event for the bonspiel season.

Under Sheila Novlan's able direction, the LCC was decorated upstairs and downstairs, using our bird theme and "bird items" brought in by our members. Our colours this year were yellow and blue, and we had a bird-themed quiz for the curlers after their second game while waiting for the curling results to be tabulated.

Miolyka Steele's LCC rink finished second in the bonspiel, while Ilderton teams skipped by Judy Oryniak and Jane Galloway were third and fourth, respectively.

We would like to thank the teams that took part, bonspiel secretary Pam Harrison, drawmaster Fay Weiler, games coordinator Mardi McLachlan, our helpers for the day – Dianne McKenna, Doreen Stacey, Jean Cameron, Sylvia Leuszler, Mardi McLachlan – and the WDS members who brought in items for the décor.

Special thanks go to the LCC's Joyce Hetherington, who, for the last 10 years has sponsored the Jeanette's Early Bird. We appreciate her support and enthusiasm for this event at our club.

Convenor Lynda Reesor and co-convenor Sandra Fox

Novlans win raffle for London Knights tickets

Ken and Sheila Novlan have won the raffle for free tickets in Row B to a London Knights game on Dec. 1. The raffle was open to LCC members who had volunteered in the previous three years. Both Ken and Sheila have been dedicated volunteers at our club for years. This is a small and lucky token of our gratitude for their service. If the Novlans had not been able to use these tickets, the second name drawn was another outstanding volunteer, Ken Walmsley. More than 70 members threw their names in the hat and to all our volunteers we say a huge "thank you." You make all the difference. We are grateful to Rob Kelland of Scotia McLeod for his donation to the club.

Joyce Hetherington, Board of Directors



Women's Daytime Section upcoming events

January 23, 2013: Card Party, 12:30 p.m. at the LCC. The cost is \$8 per person or \$32 per table. Lunch will be served. Members are urged to bring their friends. Tickets are available from Linda Bailey. (Linda Bailey and Liz Oehm)

February 5, 2013: Nash-sponsored event (Jean Cameron and Linda Peeling)

February 13, 2013: Curl for a Cause (Joyce Hetherington and Carole Darowski)

February 14, 2013: Subway-sponsored event (Linda Karl and Sherry Chambers)

Bonspiels

January 9, 2013: Grandmothers and Over-50 Bonspiel (Miolyka Steele & Deb Pullen)

February 20, 2013: Sister City Spiel (Mary Lois Cooper)

March 4 and 5, 2013: Sheila Betkus Bonspiel (Sylvia Leuszler and Mardi McLachlan)

WDS card party fundraiser a success

The annual Fall Card Party on Oct. 31 raised \$621.69 for the WDS. The upper lounge was filled with the laughter and chatter of 80 women (20 tables) enjoying lunch and an afternoon of card playing.

Special thanks go to Linda Bailey, Penny Brown, Mary Lois Cooper, Jill Day, Marj Dudley, Deanne Fitzpatrick, Marg Fliss, Barb Gordon, Nellie Haig, Pam Harrison, Joyce Hetherington, Linda Karl, Sylvia Leuszler, Sue Lundy, Dot MacRae, Dianne McKenna, Donna Millar, Jan Murray, Sheila Novlan, Liz Oehm, Linda Reesor, Lil Richardson, Judy Rolston, Sandy Ronson, Linda Round, Bonnie Shawyer, Karen Shearer, Marnie Sherritt, Darlene ten Haaf, Marilynne Van Buskirk, Jean Walmsley, Fay Weiler and Connie Weir, who donated food, prizes, brought card tables and served as helpers during the day of the event. Your generosity and assistance were greatly appreciated.

Convenor Jean Cameron

LCC offering Boxing Day curling

Again this year we will offer families and friends the opportunity to curl at LCC on Boxing Day.

This has proven to be a very popular feature, and the ice requests usually fill up quickly. Ice times are for two hours each, and start times are at 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m. A bartender will be on duty to satisfy your desires from 11:00 to 5:00 that day.

The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board beside the bar.

Sign up as soon as possible, while there is ice available. We expect that there will be a minimum of six people per sheet. Try to join with others if you have fewer than six.

Doug Petch, Manager

Hurry, hard Santa, T’was the Night before the ‘spiel

T’was the night before the Cashspiel and all through the club not a creature was stirring not even the bartender. The brooms were all hung on the end boards with care in hopes that St. Hec Gervais soon would be there.

The curlers were nestled all snug in their beds while visions of triple takeouts danced in their heads. With mama in her jammies and me in my tam we had just settled in for a long winter’s nightcap.

When outside my window there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew with peel weight, then opened the shutters and looked with great fright. The glare of the light from the newly pebbled ice gave lustre of mid-day to the rings below. When what to my bleary eyes did appear but a curling stone sleigh with eight tiny curling deer.

The skip was so lively and quick with his broom, I knew in an instant it must be St. Hec. As rapid as sweepers, his curlers they came, and he whistled and shouted and called them by name. Now Martin, now Howard, now Koe, now Jones, on Stoughton, on Nedohin, on Gushue, on Scott, to the top of the 12-foot, to the top of the four, sweep away, sweep away, and hurry hard all.

With a check of the spilt, I heard from the roof the brushing and sliding from each little hoof. As I drew in my head, and was turning around, St. Hec appeared with such a great bound. He was dressed head to toe in Olson, Goldline and Tournament.

A broom bag over his shoulder he carried.

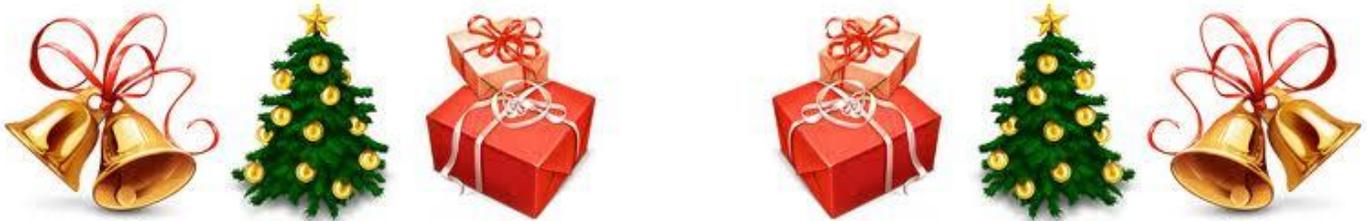
His eyes how they twinkled, his dimples so merry, his cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry. His beard was as white as the fresh curling ice with a piece of corn broom held tight in his teeth.

He had a broad face, a mischievous smile with a big round belly that shook when he laughed. He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old curler and I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself. With a wink of his eye and a twist of his broom head, soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread. He yelled not a word and went straight to his call, and filled all the stockings with new curling gear.

Then laying his finger aside of his nose and giving a nod up the chimney he rose. As he slid to his rock sleigh, to his curling team gave a whistle, away they hurried hard like sweeping pros do. As he went down the rink and out of sight I heard him exclaim, “Merry Christmas to all and to all good curling.”

Thanks to Clement Clarke Moore (1779 - 1863) for his classic T’was the Night before Christmas, which inspired this article.

Richard Rodgers





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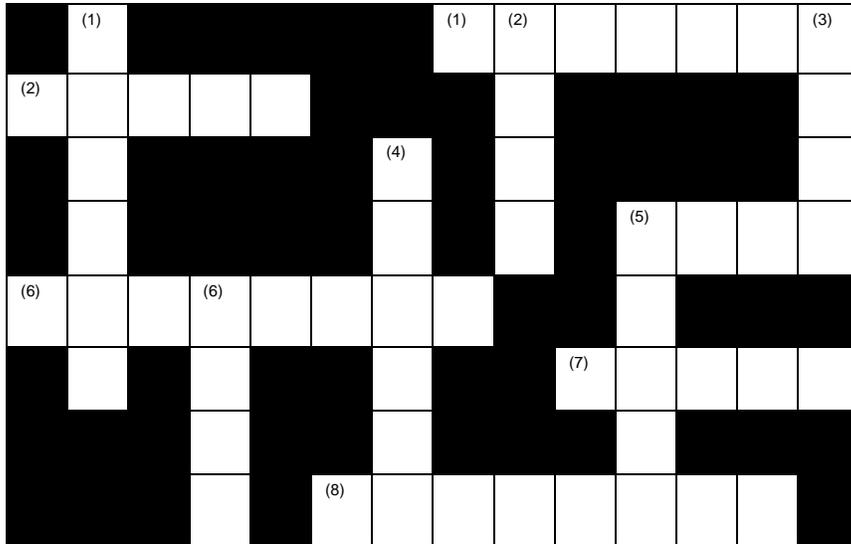
Three weeks of playoffs for Miller League

The Miller League is playing a 19-week schedule that will be followed by three weeks of playoffs. It is off to a great start this season, with a total of 24 teams competing in four flights of six teams.

The 2011-2012 league champions were Tim Lindsay, Kirk Massey, Shawn Quigg and Mark Flynn. This team also won the LCC's men's championship, giving it the right to represent the club at the Dominion Club championships. The Lindsay rink came close to winning the zone, making it to the final game. Well done.

Co-convenors *Dave Mann and Bruce Thom*

Hit the button with our Christmas curling crossword



Crossword by Anne Gallant

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| <p>Across:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Movie that holds our attention is a ____. 2) To get boxing Day Deals, you must 5) What nasty people do to computers 6) Fun day of curling 7) Changing of the ____. 8) Special _____. <p>Down:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Frosty's Coal ____ Nose 2) A curling team or a 3) Don't do this to a boat 4) Keep your hat, coat and mitts on so you don't 5) Santa comes to everyone's on Christmas Eve 6) Need a rope to do this |
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Curl for a Cause names St. Paul's Daily Bread as its charity

The registered charity for our annual Curl for a Cause bonspiel will be ST. PAUL'S DAILY BREAD PROGRAM, which each month helps 800 to 900 families that are dealing with poverty, homelessness or unemployment.

More than 50 churches and social agencies are represented in this program and they rely almost solely on private donations to fund their activities. Several of our own members volunteer and will be helping us run the bonspiel on Wednesday, February. 13.

This is the only mixed bonspiel we offer to our daytime curlers and last year we had an excellent response, raising more than \$1,500 for our "cause." Please consider re-gifting items for our raffle table or donating more valuable items to our silent auction. We are also able to donate money and receive a charitable tax receipt.

Curlers get two games of six ends, lunch, and a short presentation about the Daily Bread Program. Last year's winning rink was co-skipped by Linda Peeling and Paul Pergau, with Joanne Diehl and Jim Russell providing the brooms. Let's make this year's event even bigger and better. To donate items, please talk to Gord Sellery, Carol Darowski or Joyce Hetherington . . . or just let the office know that you can help us out.

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Cindy Thom's rink wins first WDS event of season

A rink skipped by Cindy Thom won the six-week Autumn #1 league, which was the first event of the season for the Women's Daytime Section. The competition, on Tuesday afternoons this fall, was also the first unsponsored event. Our final game was followed by cake, coffee, fruit and punch.

Cindy's team included Nellie Haig, Carole Darowski and Liz Oehm. Dot MacRae's rink of Deanne Fitzpatrick, Sue Lundy and Marnie Dickout finished second. Placing third was Marj Dudley's team of Joyce Hetherington, Cheryl Adams and Mardi McLachlan.

Thanks to all the curlers, and especially Sandy Ronson and Sherry Chambers for their help.

Marj Dudley, convenor and Sydney-Ann Davidson, co-convenor



Crossword Answers

- Across:** (1) Gripper, (2) Hurry, (3) Hack, (4) Bonspiel, (5) Guard, (6) Delivery
- Down:** (1) Button, (2) Rink, (3) Rock, (4) Freeze, (5) House, (6) Skip

Pam Harrison's work on directory cited

Our new directory was in the club by Oct. 31, thanks to the Herculean efforts of Pam Harrison, who spent many hours putting the pieces together. Pam, we are indebted to you for taking on this task.

Our members obviously await the publishing of the directory, as many disappear in the first couple of weeks. They are on the small table near the front entrance for those who have not picked up their copy.

Our Office Manager, Barb Colbourn, also deserves credit for a big assist in getting the membership data ready for Pam. Barb reminds us that the directory could be out **EVEN SOONER** if the members would get their registrations in to the club by the deadline date in September.

Doug Petch, Manager

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