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Music teacher in tune with curling tradition lauds Sifton

Bill Courtney knows bonspiels – lots of them. High on his list of his favourites is the Harry Sifton Classic, although he hasn't competed regularly at the LCC event since moving from Windsor to Wasaga Beach. The winter commute from there can be perilous.

"They had a dinner where you wore a tie and a blazer – no jeans. There was an open bar for an hour," he says of the Sifton event. "They know how to hold it. Prior to the dinner, a bunch of us would get together at the London Curling Club and we would jam. We had a group of good singers. They would entertain. It was sing-along stuff. I had quite a wide scope in music. I know the old Irish and Scottish songs."

Courtney knows a lot about curling and music, which came together nicely for him during a five-year stint with the air force. From 1962 until it was closed in 1967, he was a full-time music teacher to officers' children at Centralia, which was one of many bases across Canada in the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan that instructed Second World War air crew. It was a job that opened the door for him to bonspiels around Southwestern Ontario. He was an eager participant.

Perhaps foreseeing the day when the base would close, its school principal told the teachers if they had the least inkling of landing another job to take a day off to explore it. Courtney saw this as an opportunity to enter many area bonspiels. The base had its own four-sheet curling rink in a Quonset hut so there were potential teammates. One of his recruits was a flight lieutenant who was the head officer on the base. "He was not much of a curler but he had a driver (who served as their designated driver). We made up this team. We went to bonspiels almost every Wednesday. We were winning our share and drinking our share," Courtney quips.

The air force approved because its travelling curlers were doing a good job of public relations at clubs all over the area, including the LCC. He looks back affectionately at his Centralia days, living with his growing family in the PMQs (permanent married quarters) on the base within walking distance of the curling club, where a beer cost 25 cents and mixed drinks were just 10 cents more. When the senior officer left in the evening they closed the club door.

After the base was shut down Courtney's teaching experience helped him land a secondary school job in Windsor, teaching music. He joined the Windsor Curling Club and got an instant awakening to the reality of civilian life. After paying just \$25 a year in curling membership fees for his whole family at Centralia, his first year at the Windsor club cost him \$725.

When a tornado destroyed the Windsor Curling Club in 1974, killing eight people (a ninth curler died less than a year later from injuries), Courtney helped organize that city's Roseland Golf and Curling Club that opened to fill the void. "They were starting a curling club and had tons of people who didn't know anything about curling."

Like Courtney, city of Windsor controller Ed Agnew was a musician. He was on the board to get Roseland started and he called on Courtney to "show these people there's more to curling than just what goes on out on the ice."

He could not have asked a better person to introduce new curlers to the social side of the game. Long-time London curler Jack Judd remembers Courtney as "a guy with a real sense of humour." Other Sifton regulars will recall Courtney for the music he provided at the piano keyboard and with his auto harp, as well as his outgoing personality.

On some bonspiel entry forms he has been known to list his home club as the Wasaga Beach Curling Club, which doesn't exist. He curls out of nearby Stayner. When someone would ask him how things were going at the Wasaga Beach club, he would reply, "I haven't been out there yet. The lake hasn't frozen over."

Burt Dowsett



Winners of the two-day Sifton Classic traditionally receive their trophy a year later at the first-night banquet. This is because the champions are not decided until the next morning. The 2013 champions from Highland are, from left, Doug Glass, Don Lahti, Steve Gray and Dick Bowman.

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Redesigned LCC website offers new format, extras

As many of you have noticed by now, the LCC has a redesigned website. The new design offers all the same things as the old one in a new format, plus several extras such as access to the club roster after registering online. Go to the site <http://www.londoncurling.ca> and check it out. The LCC is in great debt to Eric Duggan, who has single-handedly accomplished this task. Thank you Eric!



When I first came to this position I had no idea how complex the creation of a good curling ice surface is. Obviously, the first step is a modern ice plant. At the LCC our ice plant is 10 years old and is maintained by Drennan Refrigeration and our head ice technician, Kevin Breivik.

The ice plant consists of essentially two sections. The refrigeration plant works like a giant fridge and the brine (a concentrated solution of calcium chloride) is circulated through the refrigeration section and then pumped out through the headers under the ice surface and then back again through the refrigeration plant. This past month the motor that drives the brine pump and then the pump itself had to be shut down to have their bearings serviced. It was a normal wear-and-tear event. The headers had to be replaced a year ago, which was considerably earlier than expected. No one could explain why they deteriorated so early but we replaced them with stainless steel, which should give us many years of service.

The second section is the environment that you are creating the ice in. In our case it is a very old arena. Although it has been well maintained over the years it is poorly insulated. This means the ice plant has to work overtime in warm weather and in extreme cold the ice surface is colder than desired, which greatly affects the curling surface and obviously is much more uncomfortable for curlers. The solution to this is a better insulated arena, which at the moment is beyond our reach.

The final stage in a good ice surface is the ice maker and the ice technicians. They are responsible for the cleaning, scraping and sculpting the ice. Ice is constantly changing. It evaporates, sublimates, wears down and builds up. Several of these issues depend on the arena itself so it is difficult to maintain the ice exactly as we would like in our building. But in spite of that the ice makers scrape the surface on a daily basis, trying to maintain the best surface possible. After scraping the surface, it is cleaned, pebbled and nipped before each draw. The pebbling is also critical. Too much, too little, too warm, too cold all affect the ice surface. So the next time you're in the hack think of all that is involved.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the entire staff of the LCC, I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

John Crosby, LCC President

Ontario Curling Report plays 'final end' of its 40-year run

Under the headline "Our final end," editor Bob Weeks wrote the obituary for the Ontario Curling Report, which had covered our sport for more than 40 years. "The simple reason is money. There simply isn't the financial support for a curling newspaper any more as the world turns digital. People get their news now from places like curlingzone.com and can read scores and results via Twitter, often directly from the players themselves," wrote Weeks.

He went on to outline some of the paper's accomplishments, from "getting Labatt's to return to the Purple Heart, to getting the free-guard zone implemented and to punting a number of officials who simply had to go. Last year, we finally got answers to the 'member not in good standing' debacle the CCA put the OCA into and helped change the course of the OCA's leadership. I don't want to take full credit for all of these things; just that we helped move the needle and provided much-needed information."

Weeks added that the OCR "didn't always make friends with people in high places . . . but we were always happier to serve the curlers first."

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In gymnastics or curling, Fay Weiler makes an impact

Fay Weiler saw the writing on the wall for her career as a competitive gymnast. “They changed the rules drastically and I was just too old. They wanted the jumpy little ones,” she said of the rise to the podium of early-teens girl gymnasts. “They were doing very difficult things.” At age 20, her competitive career was over.

But anyone who has been around the London Curling Club knows Fay is a take-charge, tireless volunteer and should not be surprised at her next steps in gymnastics. First came coaching, but that was complicated by the fact that her husband, fellow LCC member Willie Weiler, was in the Canadian army and was transferred every four years. “You’d work a kid up to a level and then you’d move. It takes a long time to get a gymnast up to the level where they are competing. In those days there weren’t a lot of coaches and you knew they would have no one to coach them. That’s when I went into judging.”

Fay found judging a better fit for their military lifestyle and she pursued it right up to the pinnacle of three Olympic Games – Mexico (1968), Munich (1972) and Montreal (1976). She was supposed to go to Moscow in 1980 but Canada withdrew. Willie was also deeply into gymnastics as a five-time Canadian men’s champion and Olympics participant as a competitor, coach and judge.

Fay jokes that one of the things that pushed her to advance to the top ranks of judging was “to stop being called Willie’s wife. I have a name.” She started judging in 1960 and judged until 2004.

“I was the first internationally qualified Canadian judge for women. During that time until I retired, I was Canada’s chief judge for women. That entailed directing all the judging at every national and international competition within Canada. I also drew up and ran the judges’ training courses at the national level and I judged a lot of international meets (including the three Olympics).”

She also served on national committees for various groups, including the Commonwealth Games, the Pacific Alliance and the Pan-Americans. Weiler also served on the women’s gymnastics technical committee, as well as being Canada’s representative to the international committee for gymnastics. She was responsible for training Canada’s judges and preparing them to get their international status.

“Many of those committees had a political aspect to them,” said Fay. “With the political stuff the international federation tried to stop it by assessing your scores against their own. If you were too far off you would get a reprimand or not be allowed to judge again.”

Fay’s work in gymnastics did not go unnoticed. She was the first winner of an Investors Group award for officials and sport administrators. Also, there was a judging award named after her, the Fay Weiler Award for Judges.

When Willie was transferred to London in 1981 the Weilers joined the LCC, at the urging of Fay’s sister, Joan Cuthbert (still a member) and her husband, Bill. “When we started curling it was for an activity and the social aspect. I did not want to add any new stress. I decided I would never be skip, or be on a competitive team and never do bonspiels.”

But her extensive volunteer work with gymnastics made for a natural transition to similar work at the LCC. Knowing how crucial volunteers are in gymnastics, she took on the same challenge with the LCC. She started volunteering with the women’s program, rising to women’s chair and then graduating to the board level. She is currently the board secretary, is a former club president and served in various portfolios, including the “curling committee” (now known as “leagues and OCA”). She has served as drawmasters for bonspiels, worked on club fund-raising, volunteer recognition, the calendar, registration . . . “all that administrative stuff.”

She certainly made her own name in both gymnastics and at the LCC. No longer do people refer to her as “Willie’s wife.”

Burt Dowsett

Editor’s note: This is the third in a series of profiles of LCC members.



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Highland rink wins second successive Sifton Classic

When the final rock came to rest at the 31st Harry Sifton Classic this month, the result was a mirror image of last year. The Highland rink of Doug Glass, Don Lahti, Steve Gray and Dick Bowman had finished first again.

Playing in A flight, the champions accumulated 52 points, while the LCC's Bob Kerwin and Tillsonburg's Dave Ireland finished second and third in that flight with 38½ and 38 points respectively.

Another Highland rink skipped by Doug Nixon finished second overall and first in B flight with 46½ points. LCC's Dave Rush was second in B flight with 44¼ points, while Chuck Townsend's LCC rink was third with 39¾ points.

Al Prentice, whose roots with our club go back to 1958, remembers when interest was so high in the Sifton Classic that LCC teams had a playoff to determine which eight rinks would gain entry. Some years the event had 32 teams but it has fallen off in recent years. This year there were 20 teams, of which nine were from the host club.

Sifton convenor Gord Sellery hopes to reverse that trend. The first line of recruitment had been to send a letter to all club managers and presidents, from Leamington and Kingsville in the west to Brantford, Norwich and Woodstock in the east. The north and south parameters were from Exeter to St. Thomas and Tillsonburg in the south. This encompasses 21 clubs.

"This year, I gave entry forms to our members going to bonspiels at other clubs. I am going to write to specific senior men who have convened bonspiels that have circulated their entry forms to our club. Also, I may . . . call the managers to make sure the bonspiel is publicized in the club rather than just filing the entry form."



A flight third place: Dave Ireland, Ed Muth, Dave Peeling (LCC spare), Gerald Sandham, of Tillsonburg



A flight second: Bob Kerwin, Terry Crawford, Richard Rodgers, Bob Wakefield of LCC



A flight & overall first: Doug Glass, Don Lahti, Dick Bowman, Steve Gray of Highland



B flight third: Chuck Townsend, Ken Walmsley, Ralph Lutes, Barry Montgomery of LCC



B flight second: Dave Rush, Rob Dann, John Rudell, Kevin MacDonald of LCC



B flight first: Doug Nixon, Bill Heasman, Leigh Foliott, Tom Geldard of Highland



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Card party, Jeanettes bonspiel kick off WDS season

Seventy-one women playing a variety of games attended the first WDS card party of the season on Oct. 29. Several former members and curling friends attended, as well as many out-of-club women.

The card party committee served sandwiches, veggies and desserts donated by WDS members, providing an atmosphere of fun and friendship. We thank all who donated food, time and prizes and also convenor Jean Walmsley and co-convenor Joan Bancroft. A profit of \$544 will be used to defray WDS expenses during the season. The next card party to be convened by Karen Lowry will be held on Jan. 28.



The Aylmer rink of Jeanette Pesall, Bozena Boadway, Bertha Strickland and Roberta Wilson won the Jeanettes Early Bird Bonspiel.

The LCC was all “atwitter” on Nov. 5 as the WDS played host to its annual Jeanettes Early Bird Bonspiel, one of the first events of the season. Teams from four area curling clubs – Aylmer, Ilderton, Chatham and Highland, as well as seven in-club teams, participated. Ornamental birds, nests, eggs and birdhouses decorated the club. The special bird this year was that quintessential early bird – the North American robin.

This event has been sponsored for 12 years by Joyce Hetherington to honour a four-generation family tradition of many of the girls having “Jeanette” as one of their names. Unfortunately, Joyce had an important event that day and was not able to attend. The first-place team from Aylmer included Jeanette Pesall, Bozena Boadway, Bertha Strickland and Roberta Wilson. How appropriate that a “Jeanette” placed first! Second-place winners from Ilderton were Judy Oryniak, Wendy Young, Gail McMahon and Becky Ostrom. The third-place team was skipped by the LCC’s Jean Walmsley, with Shirley Vaile, Marianne La Rose and Donna Millar. Fourth place went to Linda

Bailey’s LCC team of Carolyn Sheppard, Kathie Leigh and Joan Crosby. Gift certificates for the Pro Shoppe were given as “Blue-Footed Booby Prizes” to Tina Sturgeon from Ilderton and Trish Gamble from Highland. Jan Murray’s team won the robin quiz.

Our drawmaster, Fay Weiler, and assistant, Karen Shearer, did a wonderful job of getting everyone organized and keeping track of the stats. Fay was also a big help in the kitchen. Pam Harrison was a great source of planning advice. Jan Murray was games coordinator and on the day of the bonspiel, she worked from dawn to dusk and skipped a team in between. Thanks to Sandy Ronson, who helped set up, and to Kim, our housekeeper, who was a big help and kept the dishwasher humming. Thanks to Richard Rodgers from the Pro Shoppe for the gift certificates and to members who brought in birds to decorate and helped to clear tables. Last, but not least, thanks to Barb and Doug in the office.

The Caryl Baker Visage (CBV)-sponsored event, convened by Pam Harrison and Penny Brown, ended on Nov. 18. Sponsors Deyan Adams (owner) and Jenn Barnett (manager) of the three London stores, located in the Masonville, Westmount and White Oaks malls, attended the final game and awarded prizes to the top three teams. Everyone stayed to enjoy coffee and dessert, fun and fellowship following the last game. Placing first and winning the trophy was the rink of Jean Walmsley, Marnie Dickout, Cheryl Adams and Marilyn Brown. Second prize was won by Marlene Benny, Jan Murray, Cathy Townsend and Shirley Griffith. Third prize went to Sylvia Leuszler, Pam Harrison, Marilynne Van Buskirk and Mary Lucas.

A skins game organized by Fay Weiler was held on Nov. 20, as many WDS teams were out of the club at bonspiels. Eighteen WDS members and one conscripted man participated. The game offered some less-experienced curlers the opportunity to skip and vice, as well as the chance to apply the different strategy necessary for skins games. The games were followed by tasty soup, thanks to everyone’s vegetable contribution, as well as delicious desserts donated by Linda Bailey. Thanks to Sandy Ronson, co-convenor, Linda Karl for scoring, Judi Sofalvi for helping with the clean-up and Linda Bailey for the home-made desserts.

The Young and Company event was won by the rink of Linda Bailey, Mary Ellen Duggan, Marilyn Brown and Leslie Smith. It was convened by Jinx Findlay and Marilyn Brown.

Upcoming events this month are the Marshall’s Pasta Mill-sponsored event, as well as the WDS Christmas Party on Dec. 10.

Pam Harrison, WDS Vice-chair



Jean Walmsley’s rink, winners of the Caryl Baker Visage (CBV) event, from left, CBV owner Deyan Adams, Cheryl Adams, Marnie Dickout, Jean Walmsley and CBV manager Jenn Barnett. Absent is Marilyn Brown.



RANDY FERBEY

Brier returns to Ottawa in 2016 with new fan favourites expected

Ottawa last played host to the Brier in 2001, when Randy Ferbey's Alberta rink began a run of four Canadian championships in five years. Quebec's Guy Hemmings was also there, charming the crowd with his Gallic sense of humour.

After a 15-year absence, the Brier returns to Canada's capital March 5-13, 2016. It will be held in TD Place, which is the new name for the post-renovation former Ottawa Civic Centre.

While Ferbey had won two earlier Briers – 1989 and 1988 – playing third for Pat Ryan's team, he is best known for his 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2005 national titles for Alberta with David Nedohin, Scott Pfeifer and Marcel Roque. It wasn't commonplace at the time and still isn't, but Ferbey called the game and threw third rocks, while Nedohin delivered the crucial last rocks.

The Ferbey Four have retired and Hemmings is no longer on the scene. But the youth movement is creating its own household names. Brad Jacobs' Northern Ontario rink rose to fame quickly by winning the Brier and the gold medal for Canada at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. Just as dominant but without the hardware is Mike McEwen's Winnipeg rink that has won just about everything on the cashspiel circuit but so far has seen his path to the Brier blocked by Manitoba veteran Jeff Stoughton.

Given the time that had passed since its last Brier, the city's plethora of curling clubs, a renovated arena and good financial backing, the decision to choose Ottawa was not a surprise. In predicting it would be "a great event," Canadian Curling Association Chief Executive Officer Greg StremLaw cited the city's success with past Briers and its enthusiastic curling fans.

This will be the fourth time Ottawa has been the host city for the Brier. It will be the first time the Brier has been held in Ontario since the 2011 event at the John Labatt Centre (now known as Budweiser Gardens). London also was home to the 1974 Brier. The CCA reports that Ontario has played host to the Brier 30 times, the most of any province and that 31 Canadian cities have held the event.



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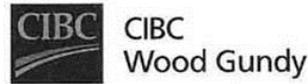
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Hogan's Heroes' hijinks can't match these real-life curlers

Not even television's Hogan's Heroes series on a fictitious and wacky German POW camp called Stalag 13 could come up with a storyline as unlikely as this.

Thanks to a Scottish general's wife who sent curling stones to her husband and his fellow officers being held captive in a German POW camp, the game of curling prevailed.

With the Second World War raging on the front, the imprisoned officers were holding their own little "Brier" at the POW camp known as Oflag IX A/H. Picks on their makeshift natural ice probably were commonplace, but when you miss curling because a war got in the way you get by with what you have.

The story was researched and written for The Curling History Blog by Bob Cowan, former editor of the Scottish Curler Magazine. His complete story can be read online at <http://curlinghistory.blogspot.ca/2013/08/the-pows-who-curlled-in-oflag-ix-ah.html>

Cowan writes that the 51st Highland Division led by Major General Victor Fortune of Scotland became isolated after being deployed and surrendered on June 12, 1940. Oflag IX A/H was a POW camp just for officers, so Fortune and his peers were sent there. Officers did not have to work at the camp but it was a questionable blessing because boredom set in. To alleviate that, Fortune sought curling stones from the Royal Caledonian Curling Club. Cowan believes the general sent the request via his wife, Eleanor Fortune, with whom he was allowed to communicate.

Given that Canada became the dominant curling power in the post-WWII era, it is fitting that our country was represented at the POW "curling club." A photograph of 10 curlers at the camp published in Cowan's story includes Major Painchaud of Canada. The others were from Wales, New Zealand, Ireland, Australia, two from each of England and South Africa and Scotland's General Fortune.

Information with the photograph reads: "Officers in a German prison camp played a curling match, Britain v The Dominions, won by the Dominions with last stone."

In the absence of further information, let's assume that the winning final shot for the "Dominions" was thrown by a Canadian.

Burt Dowsett

LCC daytime men planning prostate cancer bonspiel

In launching an inaugural bonspiel at the LCC to raise money to fight prostate cancer, Ken Walmsley described his focus this way: "Our simple mission statement is to increase awareness in our curling community and to raise funds for cancer research and improved treatment."

Walmsley, who is spearheading the March 4 event, plans to "involve daytime men to start with and if things go well I'd like to open up a Saturday for all London Curling Club men members."

For the first meeting he invited Lexus of London's Chris Pinelli to tell club members how the automobile dealership's "golf classic" became a huge success. In its 14 years it has raised \$1.13 million for prostate cancer.

The group had started with "meager objectives as far as financial contributions we were hoping to make," Pinelli said. But it grew from there. "Start small. Document everything as you go along," he advised.

One method the dealership used to expand its event is recruiting co-presenting sponsors, some of them involved in the car business. For their investment in the charity they get their logos on the dealership's website.

Pinelli cautioned the LCC to recognize the difference in abilities of its members. Some may be good at attracting sponsors while others may not be comfortable with it. "Tax everyone based on their professional and personal experiences and their commitment to the cause. Leverage everyone to their full advantage and make sure you document all those assignments so you know who went where."

Other fund-raising events related to the Lexus of London Golf Classic include live and silent auctions, 50-50 draws and raffles of donated items.

The dealership's contributions go to noted prostate cancer surgeon and researcher Dr. Joseph Chin of London, but it is channeled through the London Health Sciences Foundation. This is an accredited charity and Pinelli says its advantages include looking after income tax receipts for donors, as well as providing a staff member "to sit on your board" once the event gets large enough.

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LCC teams rock at St. Marys, finishing first and second

Two LCC rinks finished first and second at a Tier 55 event at St. Marys on Nov. 12. Congratulations go out to the winners skipped by Jim Lone, with Paul Pergau at third, Gord Browne at second and Doug Wilson throwing lead rocks.

Lone's rink edged out Chuck Townsend's team by the narrowest of margins – one quarter point. Townshend's rink also included third Ken Walmsley, second Jim Russell and lead Barry Montgomery.

Both LCC rinks finished with perfect 2-0 won-loss records.

Doug Wilson



The winning LCC rink includes (from left to right) Jim Lone, Paul Pergau, Gord Browne and Doug Wilson.

Boxing Day curling offered to members, families, guests

Again this year, the LCC will offer curling on Boxing Day for our members and their families and guests. Two-hour time slots are available at 10 a.m., 12 noon and 2 p.m. on a reserved basis. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board by the bar.

Doug Petch, LCC manager

Curlers urged to recycle cups

Those plastic cups we love to use for water and other beverages are recyclable, and should be left on the bar when you are finished, or in the recycle bin located under the long table near the bar. Please do your part to keep our environment healthy.

Doug Petch, LCC manager

LCC rinks begin OCA playdowns

LCC rinks will soon be active in the OCA playdowns. In the men's Tankard zone playdowns the team of Kirk Massey, Mark Flynn, Tyler Childs and Ben Walmsley will compete at the Chatham Granite Club Dec. 12-14. In the senior women's zone playdowns at the Golden Acres Curling Club in Blenheim Dec. 19-21, the team of Miolyka Steele, Lisa Flesher, Deanna Dougan and Judi LeBlanc will represent our club. The zone playdowns for the Fairfield Marriott Challenge will be held at the Glencoe and District Curling Club on the weekend of Jan. 2-4, with two teams competing for the LCC. One team will be Dave Mann's rink of Tyler Wylie, Dave Ross and Bruce Thom. The other is the Massey, Flynn, Childs and Walmsley rink mentioned above in the Tankard.

Bruce Thom, director of leagues and OCA

Mixed teams urged to register for Spring Thaw bonspiel

Attention mixed curling teams. Come on out to our annual Spring Thaw club event on Saturday, Jan. 10. You will enjoy two eight-end games, a catered hot full-course lunch, coffee, snacks-- and of course, prizes.

The cost is \$120 per team, payable on the day of the spiel. Wear your splashiest summer clothes and have some mid-winter fun.

Sign your team up soon—the sheets are posted on the lounge bulletin board. The deadline is Dec. 23.

Steve Hobbs, convenor



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