

Carleton Heights Curling Club (CHCC) - Day Men's AGM
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) April 6th, 2016

The AGM was called to order by Wayne Moore, President of the Day Men, at 12.30 PM.

President's Report

Wayne Moore opened with a special well done to our Provincial Stick participants of Bob Matheson, Albert Cole, Dale Campbell and Michel Lalonde. Another team, made up of Gerald Fallu, Maurice Forgues, Doug Stafford and Harold Humber, were the Finalists in the 3/4 Senators Division of the City of Ottawa Bonspiel.

The Flegel Ladder ended April 4th and the Doug Woods team with Wayne Attfield, Don Raymond and Don Gilmore finished in first place.

Thanks were offered to Don Richardson and Alex Young for their excellent service and co-operation during the season. Don's contribution as Club Manager since 1997 was noted and a plaque was presented along with a token of appreciation for his many years of service to CHCC. Don's duties will be assumed by Alex starting next season.

Thanks to Richard and Phil for the ice making as well as the entire Executive Committee which made his job very easy. Special thanks to Bob Walsh for his 50/50 and Treasurer efforts as well as Lee McCormack who helped forward all the emails and pertinent correspondence throughout the past year. Our Web Master, Kim Lauzon, did another exceptional job producing the best run Web site of all the curling clubs in the area.

Wayne mentioned that more golfers are needed for the June 6th golf day at Hylands. We have room for 27 more golfers to ensure a shotgun start . There may be up to 3 ladies teams who will join us again this year, but that leaves room for others as well.

Thanks to all the curlers for another successful season and I hope everyone enjoys their summer.

Financial Report

Bob Walsh, Treasurer, noted that a copy of the budget and expenses to date is regularly posted on the bulletin board located in the Men's locker area.

He noted that the current season started with a bank balance of \$ 3,163.23 and the closing balance, as of April 5th, 2016 was \$ 2,543.97.

Bob also provided a brief explanation of the 50/50 draw format and how all monies received are for the benefit of the Day Men's group.

Day Men's/Ladies Social Event

Len Baird expressed his thanks to the participants (6 teams) as well as the efforts of his counterpart in the Day Ladies group. The intent is to continue with the event next year.

Membership

Larry Dimillo reported that there were just over 100 members in the group. He indicated that 6 members had left CHCC Day Men's and 3 new members had joined.

Kitchen/Canteen

Dave reported a successful year for the canteen with an opening balance of \$ 180.00 and a closing balance of \$ 117.00. Dave went on to thank Murray Manley for his assistance. He did indicate that there will not be cashews available for table snacks next year!

Skips Choice

Doug commented on the successful season for the Skips Choice group which again included 10 teams. Doug also commented on the success of the various teams that were involved in a variety of Bonspiels plus club events. He also thanked the current year's Executive Committee for their assistance and volunteer efforts.

He initiated a lively discussion on adding an extra team to Skips Choice and other members noted the impact that might have for other day groups. It was agreed that this item would be covered under New Business as there was a proposal to be tabled on the subject. The various members' comments offered during this part of the report have been consolidated under New Business.

Friendlies

Ted Thexton reported that there were 2 Friendlies held this year, one with RCMP and the other with Navy. Ted indicated the RA has approached him with the suggestion to participate in a casual format Friendly which was anticipated to mean a limited luncheon/snack post match.

Ted pointed out that an additional Friendly would add pressure on available ice time given the usual format of playing the matches in the morning followed by a luncheon/snack. Suggestions were made to consider an afternoon starting time in order to avoid the preferred morning times. It was agreed to include the RA in the Friendlies pending scheduling challenges being resolved and finding sufficient interested members to participate in the extra match.

Day Men's Invitational

Lee McCormack provided the list of winners and thanked everyone who helped him out with this event. He did suggest that the work that goes into the Invitational is quite time consuming and he felt it would be appropriate that a separate group be formed to organize and run the event. He also suggested that this same group should be asked to commit to approximately 3 years of participation in order to ensure consistency and mentor new participants as they agree to join the organizing committee.

Match Scheduling and Special Events

Doug Stafford reported on the success of the Friday afternoon cup matches and listed the winning team members from each of the three sessions.

Doug took the time to explain the impact of adding teams to existing formats and that this should be considered when the discussion (New Business item) is held concerning adding a Skips Choice team next season or offering a sheet on Monday afternoons to another group.

Doug indicated the average number of participants in the Monday afternoon open ice schedule is 8 participants and this was verified by Club Manager, Don Richardson.

Nominations for 2016-17 Executive

President	Terry Perkins
Vice-President	Jeff Sanderson
Past President	Wayne Moore
Treasurer	Bob Walsh
Membership	Larry Dimillo
Scheduling	Doug Stafford
Day Men/Ladies	Len Baird
Catering Coordinator	Dave Scott
Friendlies	Ted Thexton
Golf	Wayne Moore

Passed

New Business

Wayne Moore noted that there has been an informal discussion with the Day Ladies over offering one sheet to them on Monday afternoons. The sheet would be used to complete make-up game needs.

Doug Woods had indicated during his report that the Skips Choice group had suggested another team be added to Skips Choice, bringing the total to 11 teams. He was prepared to table a Proposal to this effect, but attendees offered many opinions/suggestions related to the impact of increasing Skips Choice by one team and the floor was opened to discuss the item.

The Minutes do not attribute the comments to any specific individuals as it was a general discussion encouraged by the Chair. A consolidation of the points made are as follows:

- one additional team be added to Skips Choice which would require an additional sheet of ice on Monday afternoons. This also included a commitment to not increase the eventual number of Skip's Choice teams beyond 12 teams.
- the need for an extra sheet, whether full season or on occasion, would impact the availability of sheets for recreational curlers.
- suggestion that Skips Choice be limited to 10 teams in order to encourage recreational curling at CHCC.
- response made that members are curling in the format of their choice and the onus is on the participants to encourage greater participation if they want to retain ice for their needs.
- given the availability of ice on some afternoons, particularly Wednesday's after 2.30, should these times not be offered or used first rather than at the expense of existing scheduled ice.
- the use of ice by existing groups be monitored, especially afternoon events.
- ensure Skips Choice teams do not use the Open times to complete make-up games.
- it was suggested that any Proposal impacting ice scheduling should be tabled to all members via the Club Executive.
- Don Richardson noted that the Day Ladies do not fully occupy their afternoon sheets on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The floor discussion was completed by a Proposal from Doug Woods that one team be added to the Skips Choice schedule for the coming year. Richard Davis seconded the Proposal.

Murray Ballantine Proposed an Amendment to the Skips Choice Proposal that it be reviewed after one year. Seconded by Ted Thexton.

Wayne Moore indicated he would forward the Proposal to the Day Ladies Executive for information purposes and to seek clarification on their informal request.

Broad agreement that "off the board" participation be encouraged at all levels.

Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the Annual General Meeting at 1.40 PM.