



Carleton Heights Curling Club Newsletter

December 2013

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Carleton Heights is off to a great start in 2013-2014 season. Our ice was ready on August 23, 2013 and has been well used since then. Our "summer leagues" were a success again as were the many events we have hosted. Special thanks go to Judy Dimillo, our Match Chair, and for the Junior Superspiel to Dan Cogliati, our Youth Co-ordinator and all the volunteers who assisted them.

Dan Cogliati was one of five individuals honoured by the Ottawa Valley Curling Association (OVCA) with the Ken Thain Award for his contribution to curling over the years. A former President of the Club, Doug Sears, also received the award.

Congratulations go to our bantam girls' team of Emma Wallingford - Skip, Dayna Cullen - Third, Hannah Wallingford - Second, Thalia Hartwig - Lead and Coach Dan Cogliati who won the Pepsi Juniors Region 3 and will be in Gananoque January 2-6, 2014 for the Provincials. Michaela Tuor, who is a former member and currently tends bar at our Club, is also going to Provincials with Team Lewin from RCMP.

November is over and my blue hair is starting to fade - no more touch ups. Thank you to everyone who supported the CHCC team for Movember. We raised over \$750. To complement our support for Breast Cancer, I am looking for other ideas to raise money for Men's Health over the next year. Contact me if you think of something.

Our curling club experience is made pleasurable thanks to the hard work of our Club Manager, Don Richardson and his staff, our Ice Technicians under Richard Halliburton's leadership and all of the people who volunteer their time to organize and

run the leagues and events at the Club. If you would like to help, mention it to someone.

Thank you everyone and have a great holiday season and year of curling.

Murray Ballantine, The Blue Man
President

CARLETON HEIGHTS - A Friendly Place To Curl!!

With the exception of Friday mixed all leagues are at the same number as last year. They are down two teams. The Day Mixed League has picked up a lot of new members. The Ex-Nortel rental is growing to three sheets. The Day Men's Skip's Choice Draw which runs on Wednesday afternoon has enough teams to have byes. It is very popular.

I want to introduce members to my staff for this year. **Sandra Lusk** is working Monday and Friday & Saturday nights and backing up on Sundays. **Angus MacLennan** does the inventory of alcohol and juices each week, works some Saturdays and is a backup for other bartenders. **Michaela Tuor** works Tuesday night, Wednesday night and Sunday night. **Ellie Burleigh** works Sunday and Monday day shifts and some Saturdays. **Josh Kent** works Thursday night and some Saturdays. **Josee Major** works Wednesday and Friday day shifts. **Ann Campbell** is my cleaner. She is in three times a week to give the place a good cleaning. I have just hired **Emily Quaile** to do some fill shifts on the bar as well as many of the bartenders are students who need time off for exams.



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I thank the Executive and all the members for their assistance and cooperation throughout the year. We all have fun when we work together well.

Don Richardson, Club Manager

PRO SHOP CHRISTMAS SALE!!

From December 1 until December 20 all Items in the Pro Shop will be ON SALE! Discounts are 15% off items listed under \$149.99 and 30% off everything listed at \$150.00 and over.

If you cannot find what you want ask the bartender for a gift certificate. It will be ready for you to pick up next time you curl.

The first \$2,000.00 of our Pro Shop profits go to fund the Junior Curling Program at Carleton Heights. The prices for adult equipment is set at the Manufacturer's suggested retail but we include the tax in most of the items so we have competitive prices and we do have a sale at Christmas and in April.

Orders for our new club jackets have started up again brisk. PCW have kept the pricing very close to last year so we are still able to sell them at a cost way below the price on their website and that includes our crest. They can be ordered at any time by signing the sheet by the bar. Try them on and see why they are so popular. Due to the deep discount on these the sale cannot include them.

You can order CHCC crested Golf Shirts as well. The sign-up sheet for those is to the left of the bar door. As for the jackets, the mark-up on the Golf shirts is so low that we cannot include them in the sale.

All Junior Members of CHCC can buy their equipment at a deep discount so Junior Curling does not have to be an expensive sport.

MATCH

Jack Young Opening Bonspiel

The Jack Young Opening Bonspiel took place on Monday, September 16th. This year, 24 curlers participated in the event. The winning team members: Don Gilmore, John Hunton, Edmond Groulx and Charles Fauteux. Thanks to the club for providing after curling snacks of pizza and chips for each table. Thanks To Don Richardson arranging for the pizzas.

Turkey Spiel

Thirty-two curlers took part in the Carleton Heights Annual Turkey Spiel on November 16th. Maurice Forgues with Don Stahan, Carolyn Forgues and Fran Stahan won the three draw event. All 8 teams were awarded with 2 turkeys and consolation prizes. All curlers were treated to a mid-morning snack, lunch and full turkey dinner prepared by Don Richardson and his staff.

Proceeds from the 50-50 draw went to the "Movember" fund raiser for Men's Cancer research.

Judy DiMillo, Match Chair

2013 AT CHCC

December 7 – Scotties Zones

December 8 – Little Rock Christmas Party

December 11 - Business Women's Christmas Dinner

December 13 - Friday Mixed Christmas Party

December 15 – Juniors Christmas Party

December 17 - Day Ladies Christmas Lunch



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December 18 – Day Men’s Christmas Lunch
January 4 – Linseman rental
January 11 - OSSTCA Bonspiel
January 16, 17 & 18 - OVCA Mixed Bonspiel
January 22 - Day Men’s Invitational Bonspiel
January 25 - Stats Can Bonspiel
February 1 – CHCC Stick Spiel
February 6, 7, 8 Crystal Heart Bonspiel
February 15 - Bantam Bonspiel
February 22 - DARA Funspiel
February 26 - Day Ladies vs Day Men Challenge
March 4 & 6 - Ottawa Ladies Inter-Club Bonspiel
March 12 -16 - Men’s City of Ottawa
March 18, 19, 20 - LCA MacDonald-Paterson-Roy
March 29 - Bonspiel for Breast Cancer Research
*April 15 - Day Ladies Closing Dinner
*April 16 - Business Women’s Closing Dinner
*April 11 - Day Men’s Closing Party
*April 11 - Friday Mixed Closing Dinner
April 6 - Little Rock Closing Party
April 13 – Junior Closing Party
April 21 – 30 - Club Championship Bonspiel
April 25 – StatCan Banquet
May 1 - Open Leagues Closing BBQ
May 3 – DARA Banquet
* Date not yet finalized

ICE

Once again this year our ice technician Richard Haliburton and his crew had our ice in and ready to play on by the last week of August, allowing us to profit from a number of rentals, leagues, and other events prior to the start of the “regular” curling season. There were no major projects undertaken over the past summer, but some minor improvements to the ice plant were made recently, and we are looking at the longer term to identify whether/when other improvements will be needed.

As your Ice Chair, I have two main messages. First, an important part of my job is to act as liaison between the members and the ice technician, so please feel free to talk to me if you have comments (positive or negative) about any aspect of ice maintenance, ice quality, rock maintenance, etc. We may not have a solution for every problem, but will try to address your concerns. Second, please do your part to help keep the ice in good shape – ensure that your brooms, shoes, and grippers are clean and in good shape, and remember that it only takes seconds to make a hand or knee print in the ice that will affect subsequent shots.

Steve Hall, Ice Chair

DAY LADIES

With 67 active (last year 74) and 23 social (last year 26) members, the Day Ladies membership has reduced slightly. We have two active members who plan to join us after Christmas. We were very pleased to welcome four new active members: Louise Boyer, Gail Daniels, Nancy Robino and Heather McCormack. Thanks to Thérèse D’Aoust for keeping the social members informed about upcoming events.

Thanks to Patricia Fairbairn and her Match Committee of Myrna Latham, Monica McGahey and Shirley Petrie the first draws of the season started on October 8th and 10th. The sign-up sheets for the draws after Christmas will be posted in late November. The first games of the New Year start on January 7th & 9th.

The Opening Lunch was held on October 24th with approximately 75 ladies in attendance. Catherine Lewis and her Social Committee put together an excellent sandwich buffet. During a discussion after lunch it was agreed by the ladies that the Closing



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Banquet on April 15th would be held at 12:00 noon instead of 6:30 pm.

November was a very busy month. We had six teams competing in the Centennial-Mary McGuire and the CHCC Day Ladies hosted the opening day reception on November 5th at 4:00 pm. Catherine Lewis and her team put together an excellent buffet enjoyed by approximately 100 ladies. Unfortunately none of our teams made it into the finals. We had four teams entered in the Hope and two teams in the Beddoe that began on November 19th. The team of Carolyn Daniels, Simone Julien, Ofelia Webster and Liz Curran won the Beddoe Trophy and prize money of \$25/each.

In addition, Margo Korneluk and her marvelous team of 18 hosted the annual Card Party on November 14th. This is an important fund-raiser and 100 tickets were sold out within a couple of days.

The ladies enjoyed a delicious lunch and played cards for a few hours. The Day Ladies are looking forward to meeting the Day Men at their semi-annual competition on November 27th.

Helen Blenkarn has volunteered to co-ordinate the annual Christmas Party on December 14th and will be looking for volunteers to assist her.

Carolyn Daniels, President

DAY MEN

There has been a great start with returning curlers and some new faces. The activities and programs are giving the men the potential to be very active. Our revised format has competitive curling on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Wednesday afternoons is our increasingly popular 'Skip's Choice Teams' event that will go for the whole year. Friday afternoons features competitions for 3 different cups/trophies and is spread out over the curling

year. We are presently competing for the President's Cup.

Other highlights of the fall are the Ladies/Men Challenge Day near the end of November, and an inter-club friendly with the RCMP in mid-December. We will wind up 2013 with a 'Fun-Spiel' and lunch (Chinese Food) on December 18th.

Applications are coming in for the Day Men's Invitational Bonsel in late January. In addition, we are also exploring the possibility of a 'Stick Spiel' in the New Year. Also in the New Year we have the Day Men/Ladies Social series of matches.

Jim Henneberry, President

DAY OPEN RECREATIONAL LEAGUE

We used to be called Day Mixed but that may have created some confusion as we do not use the fixed structure of mixed curling and there is a series between the Day Ladies and Day Men which is called day Mixed as well.

We curl for fun and recreation (the scores are not tracked) on Monday and Thursday at 2:30 PM using teams that are made up from the individuals who are there. We generally are using 3 sheets so there is lots of room for more curlers.

Why not come out and try us!

Marilyn Myers, Coordinator
Murray Ballantine, Contact/Membership
Glen Carkner, Draw/Teams

MONDAY OPEN

The Monday night league 2013-14 season is well under way with a full complement of 20 teams. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome



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everyone to the Monday night league especially all the new members that have joined our league for the 2013-14 season. There are several new members joining our league and also a few curlers that have come from other leagues at Carleton Heights. Please take the time to welcome them to the Monday night league and hopefully this is the first of many season of curling with us.

For the second year, the Monday and Thursday night leagues will be running the 50/50 draw throughout the season in an effort to help subsidize the Monday and Thursday leagues end of season BBQ & prizes monies. I happy to announce with 85 members signed up, the 50/50 draw will consist of 20 draws of \$85 starting on October 21st until March 17th, 2014. The draws take place in-between 7 & 9 pm draws on Monday evenings with the winning member being advised via email if not present at the time of the draw. Also on the bulletin board next to the kitchen there is a list of all members who have won a 50/50 draw.

On behalf of the Monday night curlers I would like to thank Don, our club manager for again selling grippers at cost to members in an effort to promote a clean ice surface and hope everyone took advantage of this offer.

For information concerning the Monday night league feel free to visit our club's website <http://www.carletonheightscc.ca> to lookup information about the Monday night open league or view the latest updates of events happening at Carleton Heights Curling Club.

If you have any other question, require more information about Carleton Heights curling do not hesitate to give me a shout.

Michel Ouellet, Coordinator

THURSDAY OPEN

Thursday night curling is off to another great year. We are well into the first round and will be moving 3 teams from each division at the each of the round based on how they fared in the standings. For more information as to how wins and losses in the first two rounds will determine team placement in the final round please check the CHCC web site for procedures under the Thursday Night Open League.

The number of people participating in the Monday and Thursday Night League 50-50 draw is down slightly this year but we are still offering a weekly prize of approximately \$85. The money raised by the 50-50 helps subsidize the year end banquet for the Monday and Thursday Open Leagues and provides a small cash prize pool for league and division winners.

We are looking at offering a "skins" formatted fun evening at the end of the third round. If you have any ideas as to how we can improve the Thursday Open League sit down and share a drink with me after curling or drop me an e-mail.

Richard Davis, Coordinator



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RENTAL LEAGUES

The following rental leagues are part of our curling family:

- Carleton Tavern - Sunday morning
- Sunday Fun League (Canada Patent Office) - Sunday night
- Ottawa Sports & Social Club - Sunday evening
- Bill's League - Monday evening
- DARA - Tuesday night
- DND - Wednesday evening
- Ex-Nortel - Wednesday night
- Corporate League - Thursday evening
- Stats Can - Friday evening

MOVING? NEW EMAIL?

Are you moving, getting a new phone number or new email address? Please let Don Richardson, our Club Manager, know so we can keep our files up to date and keep you informed of Club events.

CHCC 15th ANNUAL BREAST CANCER BONSPIEL

Curl for Hope

Saturday, March 29, 2013

Thank you everyone for GENEROUSLY supporting this annual event year after year.

The Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation is very appreciative of our on-going efforts and the funds we raise are making a significant difference in the fight against breast cancer. **Please** give generously when one of your "fellow" curlers asks for your support!!!

Sincerely,
Sherry Ostrom, Sandy Mutart, Leona Duncan, Julia Kelly and Sue MacLatchy

P.S. We need baking and prizes so please don't be shy – we need your help.