



Carleton Heights Curling Club Newsletter

December 2015

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Fall of 2015 has been busy at Carleton Heights Curling Club. By now, all of our leagues are well into a great season of curling.

This being our Club's 60th anniversary season, has led to the planning of events to commemorate this milestone. As you read this newsletter, the club will have completed our 60th anniversary spiel that was held November 12th through November 15th. Special thanks to those leagues that gave up ice time to allow this event to be held.

Kim Lauzon continually dazzles us with an amazing job on our Club website. It is always a pleasure to check out the website to see what new features have been added. Congratulations Kim on a great site. Thank you.

Carleton Heights is fortunate to have a dedicated club management and ice technicians. Don Richardson, Alex Young and staff always have smiles and cold beverages at the end of each game and Richard Halliburton and his staff ensure great ice conditions for each match. Thank you from all members.

In closing, I would like to thank all of the members for your involvement in the Carleton Heights Curling Club. I am proud to be a part of such a great organization where everyone contributes to its success.

Don Raymond, President

CARLETON HEIGHTS – A Friendly Place to Curl!

Rather than listing all the events happening this year I refer you to our website. On the first page of the website at the bottom the Calendar for 2015-

2016 is available at all times. It is updated at least weekly.

All evening leagues are full this year. The Day Mixed League has picked up a few new members. The Day Men's Skip's Choice Draw which runs on Wednesday afternoon has ten teams.

What's New

In July we reinsulated the East Wall of the club to improve climate control in the arena and the ice conditions.

In the summer we renovated the Women's Washroom. It was in need of an upgrade. The Day Ladies donated \$2,000.00 to support the project.

60th Anniversary

For our 60th Anniversary we ordered commemorative pins and playing cards. They are available at the bar.

Our 60th Anniversary Bonspiel was held November 12 – 15. Doug Woods designed an addition to the 50th Anniversary plaque which has been engraved with the winners of the Open and Recreational sections. Results are posted on the website.

My Staff

As most of you know Alex Young is Assistant Manager this year. He works five shifts a week. Alex will be assuming the Manager's position in May. Erin Moncrieff is working Mondays & Saturday dayshifts. Angus MacLennan does the inventory of alcohol and juices each week, works some Saturdays and is a trainer, advisor and backup for the rest of us. Michaela Tuor works Sunday night and fills some shifts when necessary. She is curling with her mother & sister on Monday night. Ellie Burleigh works Sunday and Wednesday night shifts and some Saturdays. She has extensive experience in the foodservice industry. Erin



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Moncrieff works Friday and Saturday day shifts. She also has worked in foodservice at Camelot Golf & Country Club. Alyssa Dillinger, another Carleton student works Friday afternoons and some Saturday nights. Jennifer Gough is returning to work Wednesday nights and filling other shifts as necessary. Ann Campbell is my cleaner. Ann & her son Mike do a great job in ensuring a clean and fresh environment for all curlers. Ann also helps out in the kitchen as needed. Nancy Long can do anything in the kitchen and is called upon frequently to do everything. Nancy works major catering events such as the Open House, the 60th spiel etc., etc. If you have a meal here Nancy will probably be in the kitchen.

I thank the Executive, the Ice Makers, Richard & Phil and all members for their assistance and cooperation throughout the year. We all have fun when we work together well.

Pumpkin Contest Winners

Winning Pumpkin was ...#2 Carved by Ellie Burleigh

The winning voter was.....Barbara Leech
Congratulations to both.

Don Richardson, Club Manager

2015 JUNIOR SUPERSPIEL

A huge THANK YOU to all of you who volunteered to officiate or time a game during the 2015 Junior Superspiel. The Superspiel, held at various clubs around Ottawa the weekend of October 30 to November 1, hosted national champion teams from Switzerland, Scotland and the US, the Canadian junior Olympic team, the defending world junior men's champion, provincial champions from every province from Manitoba to Newfoundland and Labrador and several local qualifying teams. A total

of 16 women's teams and 16 men's teams competed for just under \$25,000 in cash prizes making this a world class junior competition.

Carleton Heights hosted 34 games over the weekend, the most of any club. Under the leadership of our head official, Murray Ballantine, a small army of club volunteers worked throughout the weekend to provide a world class environment for these junior curlers. As has been the case for many years, Carleton Heights provided by far the most number of volunteers, especially the timers for the 34 games held at the club.

New to the club this year was the introduction of a computerized time display system that contributed to the world class feel of the event. Feedback from Murray and many of the volunteer timers indicated that the new system was easy to operate and much improved over the previous chess clocks. Without question, the curlers certainly appreciated the timing display system.

Among the local teams playing was our own Carleton Heights junior women's team made up of Emma Wallingford (skip), Dayna Cullen (vice), Hannah Wallingford (second) and Isabelle Allan (lead). The team entered the Superspiel by placing first in the local qualifier held in mid-October.

Team Wallingford ended the Superspiel with a 4 and 3 record, losing in the championship women's semifinals in an extra end. The team took home \$1,500 for their efforts. Congratulations on an exceptional display of curling against world class junior competition.

As we close the books on this year's competition, plans are already underway for next year. While the Superspiel Board will be looking for ways to improve the event, it is certain that it can count on Carleton Heights to continue to provide an exceptional environment and hospitality to these



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highly skilled junior curlers. It is the dedication of the many volunteers that make the event such a success. Again, a huge **THANK YOU** to our volunteers.

Officials: Murray Ballantine, Gary Attfield, Wayne Attfield, Phil Bellissimo

Timers (Number of Games Timed):

Doug Woods (5), Terry Kuzma (3), Darrell Barnes(2), Bob Matheson (2), Andy Baldwin (2), Ted Thexton (2), Richard Davis (2), Earl Hartwig (2), Paul Julien (2), Gerald Fallu (1), Deb Crawford (1), George Orser (1), Andre Bouliame (1), John Tobin (1), Don Stahan (1), Fran Stahan (1), Monica McGahey (1), Noreen Morton (1), Scott Valair (1)
Paul Douglas (1), Sandy Douglas (1)

Data Entry: Chadd Vandermade, Cindy Jackson,

Ice: Richard Haliburton

Timing Display System and Display Boards:

Rowenna Moore, Dan Cogliati

Dan Cogliati
Youth Coordinator

ONTARIO CURLING ASSOCIATION – SWEEPING EQUIPMENT

The World Curling Federation and Curling Canada, the governing bodies for our sport on the World / Canadian stage and the organizations responsible for the Officiated Rules of Curling have each released a statement in regards to a moratorium on the use of brush heads at their upcoming championships.

This matter is before the governing bodies who are investigating and working towards a permanent solution. These organizations have implemented a

moratorium for their current Championships and the Ontario Curling Association will institute the same for Championships beginning with the Junior Zones starting November 20, 2015.

“A moratorium on the use of brushes with artificially textured brushing materials will be enforced for events on the O.C.A. calendar until such time as a new rule or statement is issued by the governing bodies.”

Teams currently using artificially textured brushing material may comply with the moratorium by:

(1) if applicable, reversing the brush materials to place the unmodified fibre weave on the exterior
(2) using alternate brush materials composed of fibre weaves similar to Norway or EQ brush material

or (3) using a hair brush.

Players must be able to “see” the “fabric weave” in any brush head fabric that will come into contact with the ice. Many fabrics are produced with two different sides: one that displays a weave, and one that appears to be embossed/sealed and almost plastic in appearance. You can differentiate with the naked eye. If you are uncertain, please bring additional brush heads that you are confident will be compliant with this statement. Also, only equipment available for sale to the public at retail outlets will be permitted in the field of play. No homemade equipment will be allowed during this seasons championships.

This is an interim decision and applicable until such time as the governing bodies change the rules or issue a new statement. A formal directive will be given to all personnel in charge of hosting a competition and their decision will be final. In the case of a desired appeal the complainant is to contact the Operations staff on call for that weekends competitions (Stephen Chenier 289-200-9188 or Dave Hutchison 416-834-1796) prior to the start of play. A detailed review will be undertaken and a final decision will be implemented before the start of play. It is imperative that all players,



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coaches and parents understand that the use of materials that do not conform to this moratorium at any time will jeopardize the results of the game or event that competitor is participating in. Our suggestion is that all competitors remove any non-complying equipment before arriving at the host site in order to make the potential for appeal non-existent.

Good Luck to all participants in this years' Ontario Curling Association Championships.

Ontario Curling Association
Pickering, ON
November 10, 2015

60TH ANNIVERSARY SPIEL

Despite lower than hoped for registration, the 20 teams (14 in Open and 6 in Recreational) and even greater food and camaraderie. Thanks go out to the league who gave up their ice time to allow the event to take place. There were 2 draws Thursday evening, 3 on Friday afternoon and evening, 5 draws on Saturday topped off with a great lasagna meal and 2 draws on Sunday afternoon.

In the Open division Team Warren (Ed Warren, Brian Prosser, Paul Meyer, Eric Fransky, Steve Hall) defeated Team Keeley (Bob Keeley, Peter Wright, Mark Bodnar, Lewis Robart, Darryl Janes) in the A Event final.

Team Thorne, from the Youth Program (Jessica Thorne, Thalia Hartwig, Jade Merkle, Cloe Bourguignon) defeated Team Dawson (Patrick Dawson, Chris De Haan, Derek Lawless, Maggie Walsh) in the B event final.

Team Barrie, from the Youth Program (Richard Barrie, Cole Johnson, Joel Morton, Cameron Larocque) defeated Team Davis (Richard Davis, Julie

Johnston, Roberto Ierullo, Richard Davis) in the C Event final.

In the more relaxed Recreational Division, Team Fallu (Gerald Fallu, Darl DiMillo, Ginette Fallu, Andy Baldwin) defeated Team Raymond (John Holgate, Jennifer Wills, Lesley Bowlby, Don Raymond) in the A Event final.

Team Matheson (Bob Matheson, Norm Patenaude, John Morris, Judy Matheson) defeated Team Smith (Kathy Fraser, Donna-Lee Smith, Leslie Milton, Sharon Richardson) in the B Event final.

Team Doherty (Ruth Doherty, Brian Kelly, Kay Blythe, Judy Maxwell) defeated Team Hall (Will Toms, Kevin Hall, Jeff Arbic, Sylvain Boulanger) in the C Event final.

Thanks to everyone involved and remember that next year the Turkey Spiel will be back!

DAY LADIES

We are happy to welcome 10 new curlers to the Day Ladies Program. Some of them had taken the instructional program during last year's curling season. So thank you to all the volunteer coaches, your efforts are paying off for our club!

New this year, we introduced the option of registering fixed teams. We did have some interest and we hope that the ladies will enjoy the choice of playing on fixed or draw teams.

One of our trophies for our draws has changed names to the Barker Trophy. Tedde Barker is a founding and lifetime member of our club. We are excited to recognize her dedication to Carleton Heights Curling Club with the Barker Trophy. Our first event for this year was our Welcome Back Lunch and General Meeting. It was very well attended and Heather McCormack and her team did a fabulous job serving our gang lunch. As always, we had some social members attend our



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lunch and we appreciate their on-going participation and support.

Upcoming, we have our annual Card Party which is usually sold out. This is our major fundraiser of the year and many thanks goes to Margo Korneluk for hosting this event...yet again!

HAPPY CURLING EVERYONE!

Nicole Deschesne
Day Ladies President

DAY MEN

The Day Men started the season with approximately 100 curlers. A few new faces and some decided not to curl this season for various reasons. The President's Cup is ongoing and will wrap-up on November 27th. The Flower's Cup commences on December 4th until January 29th, 2016. The last of the Day Men's friendly bonspiels is the Fiegel Ladder from February 12th until April 1st.

Throughout the season the Skip's choice is played every Wednesday afternoon with one game on Monday afternoons. Their season ends on Wednesday March 23th, 2016. The Day Men and Day Ladies Challenges will be held on November 25th 2015 and February 24th 2016. It allows all participants to socialize and enjoy good wine and food.

This past June the annual Day Men's golf tournament was held after three years. It was held at the Hylands Golf Club. A shotgun start commencing at 8am followed by Hamburgers and Salad in the lounge on completion. The winning team was Ken McCarvill's team - Mary-Lou and Kris McCarville plus Louis Ferrara. Also, we had the Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin for Men and Ladies. On the Men's side the longest drive went to

Bobby Ramjist - while closest to the pin was a tie between Ted Thexton and Bob Lapointe - we had a 'Putt-Off' - Bob won. On the ladies side there were only two names on both cards Liz Curran and Mary-Lou McCarvill. They were each given a prize. From the money collected and the purchase of prizes we realized at profit of approximately \$380.00. For those that could not make it, their money was returned to them \$80.00 X 4 = \$320.00.

For information, next year's tournament is tentatively booked for Monday June 6th 2016 at Hylands Golf Club once again. In January or early February a list will be put up in both the ladies and men's locker rooms. All leagues are welcome to sign-up (please Print your name). Also, if you are a member of the Hylands Golf club please list your member number - the cost for members will be for the food and prizes only. For years this has been a Day Men's tournament. If there are more than 72 names, the Day Men will be given priority when making up teams. If you have a foursome please indicate it - not putting arrows to other names up or down the list. It was very complicated this past June to make up teams and then have people complain that they were not on the team they asked for.

Wayne Moore
President - Day Men

FRIDAY MIXED

The Friday Night Mixed League season is underway with a full line-up of 20 teams playing a 20 game schedule, just like the club's Monday and Thursday Open leagues. This was accomplished with the addition of 24 players new to Friday Mixed. We attracted newcomers from the Tuesday DARA leagues, from our Day Men's and Day Women's programs, but also from outside the club. This



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speaks to hearing how friendly, hospitable and well-managed our leagues and club are. To all of our returning members, please take the time to welcome our many newcomers and show them Carleton Heights pride. Team standings are updated weekly on the club website. So far, Team Richard Davis leads the way. The league schedule is also updated on the website each time byes for future weeks are conferred. Don't forget the Banquet: mark December 11 on your calendars!

Rob Kanasy, League Coordinator
Debbi Craniford, Social Coordinator

YOUTH REPORT

The 2015/2016 curling season has started for our young curlers at the club and we are once again bursting at the seams. We have over 40 Little Rockers and over 30 Bantam and Junior curlers out every Sunday afternoon full of energy and enthusiasm. A big thank you to our instructors and parent volunteers who make every Sunday such an enjoyable and rewarding experience for our young curlers. Special thanks go to John Tobin and Mark Bodnar, our Little Rocks coordinators and to Phil Bellissimo for coordinating the Bantams and Juniors.

In addition to our Sunday recreational programs, there are a number of youth competitive teams competing locally and throughout the province. We have one junior women's team skipped by Emma Wallingford and 2 bantam teams skipped by Jessica Thorne and Richard Barrie. All of these teams have already competed in 4 or 5 bonspiels with many more on their respective schedules. As well, there are at least 5 of our curlers competing on bantam teams from other clubs. Good luck to all of our competitive curlers and teams for a successful season

On the weekend of October 30 to November 1, Carleton Heights co-hosted the Junior Superspiel. This spiel brings together many of the top junior men's and women's teams in the world to compete for just under \$25,000 in total prize money. This year, there were national champion teams from Scotland, Switzerland and the USA, the defending world junior men's champion, Canada's youth Olympic team, provincial champions from every province from Manitoba to Newfoundland and Labrador as well as several local qualifying teams. Our own junior women's team skipped by Emma Wallingford qualified for this event placing first in the local qualifier in mid-October. At the Junior Superspiel, Team Wallingford went 4 and 3 and ended up losing in the championship round semifinal in an extra end. The Team took home \$1,500 for their efforts. Congratulations on a fantastic bonspiel.

Still on the Junior Superspiel, such a high level bonspiel could not happen without significant volunteer support. Carleton Heights hosted 34 games this year, the most number of games amongst the 7 local clubs participating. With each game being timed, the need for a large number of volunteers is great. Once again, as has been the case for many, many years, Carleton Heights came through with tremendous support. A huge thank you to all of those who quickly signed up and timed a game at the club. Special thanks go to Murray Ballantine, Gary and Wayne Attfield and Phil Bellissimo for their officiating and coordinating roles and to Richard Haliburton for the excellent ice provided to these world class junior curlers. A big thank you to Don Richardson and staff for opening the kitchen during the bonspiel. Finally, special thanks to Rowenna Moore for her assistance in setting up the electronic timing and display system at the club. The curlers expressed their



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appreciation for the displays which made the bonspiel feel like a true world class event.

As always, with such a large and active youth program, we are in need of volunteer instructors for our Sunday programs. If you are interested in coming out to help, it would certainly be appreciated. Just contact me at 613-226-5238.

To support our competitive youth teams, the Day Ladies have very generously decided to donate three of their 50/50 draws to these teams. The monies will be split amongst the three competitive teams to help offset their costs which can exceed \$10,000 depending upon the team's bonspiel and travel schedule. The teams all expressed a huge thank you to the Day Ladies program.

On a final note, many of you in the club have enthusiastically supported Team Wallingford's fundraising efforts by purchasing bed sheets. The first orders have been filled and yielded over \$1,000 for the Team. A final round of orders will be placed on November 15 and filled by December 1st. The final fundraising total will be included in the next newsletter. Team Wallingford thanks all of you for your kind and generous support.

What a busy season, and we are only 2 months in!
It is shaping up to be a tremendous year for youth curling at Carleton Heights.

Dan Cogliati
Youth Coordinator

Club Sparring Policy

The CHCC club sparring policy allows any person to play up to three times at CHCC. Before the fourth time on the ice they must become a member. Each League has a policy on positional play of spares.

Suggestions???

Our Executive members are always ready, willing and able to answer questions and bring suggestions and inquiries to the Board. Feel free to bring anything to your League Coordinator or President. The Website is also an excellent source of information that is kept current on a daily basis for your use by Kim Lauzon.

Questions about the day to day operations do not require Board attention. For anything dealing with the clubhouse, rentals etc. please ask the Manager or if he is not here pass your enquiry on through the bartender. For matters dealing with the Ice Area the contact is the Ice Chair Steve Hall.

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.