



The Sweep

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A word from your president... Roy Vasey

Dear Members,

We are well into our curling season. We look forward to reporting and updating our membership at the **Spring Annual General Meeting on Sunday, April 17th at 3:00 p.m.** I encourage all members to attend this very important meeting and invite you to bring your constructive comments and questions to the meeting.

We've had great news this year with the announcement that Napanee CC will host the Canadian Juniors next February and also the announcement that Kingston will host the 2013 Scotties. These events will require a great many volunteers, and I am confident that RKCC will do its part to make these events a success for local curling.

The Club has been very busy with in house bonspiels and rentals. I would like to take this opportunity to again thank Rod and Terry for the great ice this year. Thanks also to our Manager and bar staff for providing such great and friendly service.

Good
Curling!
Roy Vasey

HAPPY
ST. PATTY'S
DAY!!

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Articles / submissions to **The Sweep** are accepted from all members. Submit to Carole Rivington at carolnr62@cogeco.ca by **March 27th** to be included in the **April** edition.

Thank You!

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Henry Treier, Chair

I am pleased to welcome Lucas Parafianowicz to the Finance Committee. Karen Matheson, C.G.A. has accepted the position of Financial Advisor to the Board of Directors and will also sit in our Financial Committee Meetings.

Financially speaking, the club is tracking very well with respect to revenues and expenses for the first nine months of our fiscal year. Year over year revenues are up 8% over this time last year and expenses are down 2% over the same period. We appear to be on target to meet our budget and enjoy another financially successful year.

Many thanks to the staff and those members who volunteer their time to make this happen.

Curling Etiquette #14

Scoring and measuring by the thirds only

- The thirds (vices) must agree on the score at the end of each end.
- When a measurement is necessary, only the two vices shall be in the house.
- No rocks are to be moved until the vices say so.

Social Committee

Linda Lott, Chair

The closing social bonspiel, on March 19th, has a new theme this year, "Battle of the Sexes". We encourage you to get three of your friends together to challenge a team from the opposite sex. You can sign up as an individual or as a team. The signup sheet will be posted on the mixed board. There will be 2-6 end games, breakfast and lunch and of course the ultimate prize-bragging rights for your team!! Cost is \$100.00 per team.

Championship night is **April 15th**! Please join us for dinner while you relax and cheer for your friends. Tickets for dinner are \$6.00 and will be on sale at the bar until April 13th.

April 17th is the annual general meeting. There will be a volunteer appreciation wine and cheese following the meeting.

Section Reports

Day Ladies

by Claire Dominik

March already and as the saying goes "Time flies when we're having fun". And we are having fun. Some people like the competitive curling and some like the recreational curling but whichever one, enjoying the great game is what matters most.

Due to the BIG snowstorm, February turned out much different than we had planned. Our Rated Bonspiel had to be cancelled, and then to find ice time in our busy club was a job. In the meantime Cataraqui was hesitating on coming to our club for our annual Friendly Day due to few members available. After talking it over with the Cataraqui Flight representative we have decided to rotate years and have just one Friendly Day in a year. We will then host the first in 2012 during the Christmas season. Because of this the ice time was available on March 3rd for the Rated Bonspiel.

Close on the heels of the Rated Bonspiel will be our Spring Mini Spiel "Remember When" to be held Wednesday March 23rd.

The Grandmothers and Great Aunts Invitational Bonspiel appears to be full as of mid February. Wow we picked the right date this year, Wednesday March 30th with lots of outside rinks. A job well done by the committee.

Our third draw for the Roantree Trophy was won by Judy Sly and her team of Nancy Gray, Nancy Page and Nancy Morrow. This was Judy's Thursday team. She also won the Tuesday Draw with Joanne Gizzi, Bonnie Bird and Penny Steel. Judy watched from behind the glass as spare Joan Doucet along with the three Nancy's won on a close game played by the spare Linda O'Sullivan.

Betty Bush and her team of Joanne Miller, Joanne Manion and Lillian Rynbend recently represented our Region in the Ontario Curling Association Master Women's championship in Gravenhurst. Congratulations on your placement and for representing RKCC for yet another year.





Evening Ladies

by Linda Lott

There is seven weeks of curling left and there are seven things that you need to mark on your calendar! March is a busy month-the ever popular "Bring a Friend night" is scheduled for March 16th-what a great chance to bring a friend, to try out the sport of curling and also help them understand why you are unavailable from October to April. Next, we have two events on the same day...the RKCC in house social bonspiel, "Battle of the sexes" and the City Championships at Garrison curling club.

For the Battle of the Sexes 'spiel, you can sign up as an individual and be put on a team or get a team together to challenge teams from the men's section. There will be 2-6 end games, breakfast and lunch. Cost is \$100.00 per team

City Championship will have the best teams from each of the three Kingston clubs (Garrison, Cataraqui & RKCC) playing for the title of best in the city.

March 23rd at 8pm is our Spring General meeting.

On March 26th our section is hosting the Evening Ladies rated Bonspiel. The signup sheet is posted on the Ladies board-this is a fantastic day of fun, curling and great prizes. This year's theme is pyjama party-be **outrageous**. Cost \$25.00 per person.

Playoffs for flight start the week of March 7th and playoffs for club curling begin April 5th. Our Evening ladies potluck is on April 13th at 6pm. We are the hosts for this event so if you would like to help out -please see Fran Cooney.

Finally what we aim for all year-Championship night on April 15th starting at 6pm. If you are on the ice Congratulations for wining and if you are behind the glass-thank you for coming out to support our section!

We are still looking for ladies to serve on the executive so if you are interested, please speak to me or one of the executive.

As we head into the final weeks of curling, please remember that at every time slot, every sheet will be booked so **timely** play is important! On Wednesday night, evening ladies have two sheets of ice booked for our games; the other four sheets will be in use by teams from the other sections. We may use only the sheets of ice that Karen has booked for our use.

Club Curling

by Karen Peters

With the last of the four round robin draws under way the Evening Club 2010/11 curling season is rounding its final corner. Because of the "snow day" we were one week late starting the fourth and final draw but will be finished in time for the playoffs starting the first week in April. With three weeks to go any team is still in the running for the fourth and final Carrie Cole playoff spot.

Draw three playoffs resulted in Betty Bush's team of, Debbie Gillespie, Trish Beckett and Grace Kennedy capturing the First Event and Colleen Bennett, Nancy Hayes, Karen Hannah and Karen Matheson finishing as runners up. The Second event winners were Jan Ray, Denise Mulville, Erica Campbell and Nickie Lake and Third Event went to Judy Russell, Joanne Gizzi, Mary Buchanan and Claire Tremblay. The three established draw winners will join the winner of the fourth draw for the Carrie Cole playoffs held April 5th, 6th and 7th with Championship Night being April 15th. If you have already qualified make sure you are available for those dates.

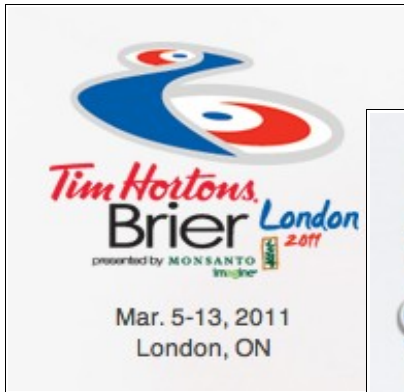
"Bring a Friend Night"

Wednesday, March 16th @ 6 PM



Bring your friends out for a night of curling and fun. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board and there will be a prize for the person who brings the most "friends". There is also a Facebook event for Bring a Friend Night, thanks to Katie Mountjoy at: <https://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=191471217542387> so if you use Facebook please say you'll attend and invite your friends.

The Evening Ladies Rated Bonspiel is being held this year on Saturday March 26th and the sign-up sheet is on the Bulletin Board. Teams will be set so just put your name down and you will be assigned to a team. This is always a great day with breakfast, lunch and two games for only \$25.00. There are also prizes and lots of laughs to go around. The theme this year is "Pyjama Party" so grab your favourite "jammies" and join the fun.



Day Men

by John Koronyi

The City Curling Championship will be held this season at Garrison Saturday, March 19. Teams representing RKCC are based on selection criteria developed by the Curling Committee. Representing Day Men will be the Senior Flight "A" Team of Mike Schneider, Gary Dupuis, Chuck White and Roger Chown. On behalf of all Day Men, we wish you the very best!

The Spring Day Men In-House Bonspiel will be held Friday March 18. The signup sheet is posted and is almost full. As a reminder, your entry is confirmed only upon payment of the entry fee. Organizers for this bonspiel are the Fall event winners Bob Helliard, Emil Lindt, Ernie Carter, and Don Mallory.

The Playoff Schedule for Senior Men's Flight is now posted in the "Schedule" section of the website. Monday April 04 is our "championship day" with a celebratory lunch (free!) for all Senior Flight curlers.



Evening Men

by Gord Rogers

Our third club draw is now over and we are well into our fourth draw at this stage. Congratulations to Dave Bradshaw and his team of Brad Finch, Ernie Carter and Remi Simpson on winning the first event. Other event winners were Rob Campbell, Ron Cameron, Lucas Parafianowicz, Greg Ruse, and Joe Waller

Round 2 of flight is also going smoothly. This is a reminder that if you are posting a score from a

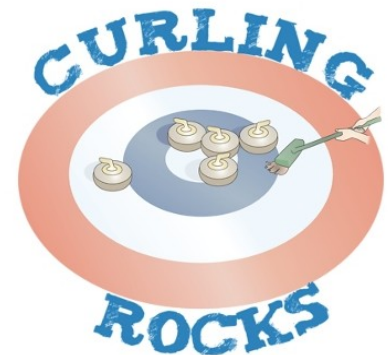
previous postponed game, please write it somewhere on the current score sheet. Previous score sheets are not reviewed. This is also a reminder that games originally scheduled for March 29th are now being played Sat. March 12th

The flight playoff format is also now available on the website. All 42 teams will be participating

The city championships have taken on a different format this year. They will now be held during the year rather than after our championship night. There will be no longer a category for club. The city championships will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Garrison G&CC with events in men's, ladies, mixed, and juniors.

Sean Meleschuk's flight team will be representing the evening men's section at these championships. Sean's team won the A flight first round and that is what the decision was based on

Please pencil in our closing dinner on Thursday, April 14th



Junior Curling News

by Teresa Gibson

Thank you to all volunteers who helped out at our annual Junior/Bantam bonspiel. This year we ended up with two divisions - Major Bantam (under 17) and Minor Bantam (under 14). We had hoped to run a Junior division (under 20) but did not get enough teams. Luckily, we had a waiting list so when a team had to cancel due to illness we were able to fill their spot with a team from Napanee at the last minute. Congratulations to the Zielizniak team from RKCC who won the Major Bantam division. This 3-man team included second Ross Fabbro, third Caleb Gray and skip Nick Zielizniak. The Minor Bantam division was won by the Daly rink from City View CC in the Ottawa area. We were pleased to welcome teams from as far away as Montreal. Curlers and coaches enjoyed a Minos lunch and there were prizes for all participants.

In our junior club curling we are into the second draw. Curlers are looking forward to Championship Night when the draw winners will play each other for the junior trophy.

If you have some spare time on Sunday afternoons and would be interested in helping out with junior/bantam or little rock curling please contact Teresa Gibson or Janet Fowlow. Janet will stay on as convenor of the little rocks (under 12). We are also still looking for someone to chair the junior section and convene the 2:00 – 4:00 club curling league.



Landings Stick League

by Jan Ray

It is hard to believe that we have only three more games to play before our playoff schedule begins. We have given up our scheduled game on March 2nd to accommodate the ladies In Club Rated Bonspiel. This event was cancelled due to inclement weather.

The top teams at the time of writing are: Bill Worthy and Phil Neatby, Diane Labrie and Joan Roantree, Roy Vasey and Russ Brown. Carrol Knowles and Jan Ray are tied for fourth place, with the team of Barry Elvidge and Jim Rose. There are several other teams within 1-4 points behind these teams, so there certainly could be some upsets between now and the beginning of our playoff games.

Our first playoff games will be held on April 6th at 11:30am and 12:30pm respectively. Then on Wednesday April 13th the final playoff games will be played at 9:30am and 10:30am. Following these games we will have the Trophy and prize presentations and a luncheon. This will also give us an opportunity to discuss how our year went and bring up any suggestions you may have for next year. Hope to see you all there!

OCA

OCA Report

by Kevan Welch

OCA Zone 4 Competition

February 12, 2011 at the Stirling Curling Club two teams from Royal Kingston competed in OCA Zone 4

Mixed competition. Our bantam team of Dylan Welch, Shannon Maxwell, Robbie Meyers and Mackenzie Schroeder lost their first game, won their second game with a final draw to the button and then lost in the B final to the Hofman team from Cataraqui.

A junior team of Peter Andersen, Leah Maxwell, Matt Walsh and Kaitlyn Welch won both of their games to capture the A side title. Both teams played well and represented our club admirably. The Junior team will compete in regionals March 12-13th in Campbellford. I wish them continued success.

Curling Etiquette #15

Handshake and a drink

- At the end of a game, whether you win or lose, give each of your opponents a hearty handshake, thank them for the game, and arrange to meet them in the lounge for a drink.
- If you have won, offer to buy the first round of drinks for the opposing person at your position.

Upcoming Events



7th Annual RKCC Golf Tournament

THE SIGN-UP SHEET FOR THE RKCC GOLF TOURNAMENT ON JUNE 16th IS POSTED ON THE "MENS SECTION" BULLETIN BOARD.

PLEASE SIGN UP EARLY!

Steve Quinn

Battle of the sexes



Time: 9 & 11

Date: Mar. 19 2011



2-6 End games
Breakfast and lunch
\$100.00 per team

Contact Linda Lott

WANTED

Newspaper Clippings

Do you have old newspaper clippings reporting curling events or happenings at KCC and RKCC?

We would like to photocopy them for a new "History of Curling at KCC and RKCC Memory Book" so future generations of curlers may learn about us.

As we have not been diligent in keeping articles and would appreciate any you would share with us.

Please leave them with Graham. We will copy and return them to you.

Thank you, in advance, for your participation in this project to record and preserve our storied past!



Calendar of Events March 2011

Date	Event
Fri, Mar 4 th	Insurance Adjusters
Sat, Mar 5 th	Kidney Foundation Stick Spiel
Wed, Mar 16 th	EL "Bring a Friend Night"
Fri, Mar 18 th	Day Men's In-House Spiel
Sat, Mar 19 th	Annual Closing Social Bonspiel City Championships at Garrison
Wed, Mar 23 rd	Day Ladies Spring Mini Spiel
Fri, Mar 25 th	Super Senior's Bonspiel
Sat, Mar 26 th	Evening Ladies Rated Bonspiel
Sun, Mar 27 th	April Sweep submissions deadline
Wed, Mar 30 th	Grandmother's & Great Aunts Spiel
Thu, Mar 31 st – Sat, Apr 2 nd	Famous Fisherman's Bonspiel



Board of Directors 2011 Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date *	General Meetings
Wed, Mar 16, 2011	
Sun, Apr 17, 2011 @ 3 pm	Spring Annual General Meeting
Wed, Apr 20, 2011	
Wed, May 18, 2011	
Wed, June 15, 2011	
Wed, July 20, 2011	
Wed, Aug 17, 2011	

* Regular monthly meetings begin @ 5 pm

Questions or concerns?

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