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A word from your president... Roy Vasey

Dear Members,

I trust everyone has had a great season – we're in the home stretch now with only a couple of weeks left – don't forget to come out to support your favourite teams on Championship night – and don't forget that the **AGM is on April 17th** at 7 PM – the Board and committees always welcome input from RKCC members – please have a safe and enjoyable off-season and we'll see you in September.

Roy Vasey,
President, RKCC

199th Annual
General Meeting

Sunday, April 17th
@ 7:00 PM



followed by a
Wine & Cheese
Reception

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Committee Reports

Marketing Committee

Bruce Jeffery, Chair

The members of your 2010-11 Marketing Committee are Bruce Jeffery - Chair, Garry Dupuis - Vice-Chair, Roger Taylor and Deanne Clark. I want to personally thank all of them for their efforts again this year.

Our Committee also wants to thank Graham Weatherby and Donna Poirier for helping us with Invoice mailings and processing the subsequent payments.

I am also pleased to announce that our Committee will remain intact for the upcoming 2011-12 season.

This was another very successful year for the Marketing Committee as we succeeded in providing Sponsors for all 6 Ice-Sheets and are at near capacity with 50 Wall Advertisers.

We did lose 5 Wall Sign advertisers this year but managed to replace most of them. We are also very pleased to welcome back SLH Transport to Ice Sheet #2 as well as having Dr. Deborah Berry @ Chiropractic Matters join us on Ice Sheet #5 as our 6th and final In Ice Sponsor.

As a reminder to the membership, these Wall & In-Ice Advertisers generate over \$23,000 in income to RKCC and we encourage all of you to patronize our RKCC advertisers whenever you are looking for a product or service.



Member-At-Large

Betty Bush, Chair

Reporting to the Media, Documentation

A New Protocol

Rational:

In recent years there has been little or no attempt to preserve results of our Club's History. The Board has, therefore, approved the following procedures to

assure we begin documenting our current record. A committee is actively researching our significant past and will document their findings in "History of RKCC" binders.

Procedure:

1. The **Club Manager** will now take responsibility for communicating to all media outlets (The Whig, Kingston This Week, EMC, CKWS) the results of Bonspiels, Section Draws, Championship Night, OCA Events, etc.
2. All **Bonspiel Chairs, Section Chairs or designate(s), etc.** shall provide the Manager, in a timely fashion, with a written report of the event.
3. **All OCA events taking place at RKCC** will be reported to Graham by the **OCA Rep** running the competition
4. **All RKCC teams participating in an OCA event at another club** shall be responsible for writing a report and submitting it to Graham for the media.
5. Each report will, henceforth, be saved electronically with a hardcopy placed in a "History of RKCC" binder.

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.

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!



Social Committee

Linda Lott, Chair

Congratulations to the RKCC teams, who were victorious at the City Championships on March 19th. Betty Bush and her rink of Joanne Miller, Joanne Manion and Lillian Rynbend captured the title of Ladies City Champion. The RKCC men's team of Sean Meleschuk, Rich Polk, Paul Wood and Phil Tomsett won the Men's City Champion title and the RKCC Junior mixed team of Leah Maxwell, Dylan Welch, Mackenzie Schroeder and Robbie Meyers were the Junior City Champs

As the season winds down and each section hosts a final celebration for their members, the Social Committee would like to invite you to **Club Championship night** April 15th. This is the last major celebration of our curling season-let's make it a great one!

For those lucky teams-curling will begin at 6:30. Dinner will be available at 6:30 for \$6.00 (tickets will be available at the bar until April 13th).

The AGM will be held on April 17th at 7pm followed by a wine and cheese reception in appreciation of our many volunteers.

The annual "Skate out the Ice party" will be held on April 18th from 5:30 to 8pm.

If you have an idea or a suggestion for an event, please let us know!

Have a great summer!

Section Reports

Day Ladies

by Claire Dominik

The curling season is coming to an end and soon we will be breaking out our golf clubs, lawn bowls, tennis rackets etc.

Our Rated Bonspiel was a great success thanks to Joan Roantree and her winning team of last year.

The lucky winner this year and of course the team who will run it next year is Diane Labrie along with Nancy Gray, Sheila Murphy and Barb O'Neill.

Next was the Spring Mini Spiel "Remember When" another enormous success. Great curling fun then our favorite comfort foods right down to the ice cream cone. How much better could that be. The winning team of Sylvia Wright, Mary-Stewart Ross, Sandy Duncan and Wendy Dutton came out the overall winners.

We still have not finished our 4th draw and therefore have not declared a winner for the Fanset Trophy.

Don't forget the Carrie Cole play-downs starting on April 5th spectators are always welcome. As you know the best shots are always made from behind the glass. On Wednesday April 6th there will be a free Pizza lunch for all, followed by our Annual Spring Meeting.

There is a signup sheet for our annual Afternoon Ladies Golf Day held again at the Landing Golf Course. Mark your calendars for a fun day on June 29th.

Tickets are still available for our Ladies Closing Dinner held on Wednesday April 13th. An excellent supper and friendship to close off our curling year is guaranteed.

Have a great summer; see you in the fall.



Evening Ladies

by Linda Lott

It is hard to believe but we only have two weeks of curling left. Club curling ended on March 30th with the fourth event winner being declared. Donna Smith and her rink of Renee Leclair, Mary Andrews and Claire Tremblay now join the winners from the first, second and third draw in the Evening Ladies club play downs to determine which team will play the Day Ladies for the Carrie Cole title on Championship night.

Our March "Bring a Friend" night was amazing. We had **23** friends join us for a night of curling and fun. A special thanks to Fran Cooney and her committee for making sure everyone stayed safe and had fun!

The In-house bonspiel was aptly named this year with its theme of "Pyjama Party". Denise Mulville, Joanne Gizzi and Mary Kelly won for best pyjamas. The top two teams in the bonspiel were Denise

Mulville, Nancy Gray, Katie Mountjoy and Mary Kelly followed by Celia Russell, Renee LeClair, Mary Buchanan and Claire Tremblay.

Championship night is April 15th. Curling will start at 6:30. Dinner will be available at a cost of \$6.00 (Lasagne, Caesar salad and bread). Tickets will be available at the bar until April 13th. This is the final party of the season, so please try to attend. Our teams on the ice need your support and what a great opportunity to raise a glass with friends!

The AGM will be held on April 17th at 7pm followed by a wine and cheese reception in appreciation of our many volunteers.

The annual "Skate out the Ice" party is April 18th from 5:30 to 8pm. Join us as we use the ice for that other winter sport!

As you are aware the Evening Ladies section has not grown in members in the last few years. To help solve this problem, Katie Mountjoy, Erica Campbell, Jennifer Young and Anneli Jokela have agreed to serve on an ad hoc committee to look at membership and retention ideas for our section.

The executive welcome your feedback and encourage you to voice any concerns directly. We are always available so if you have a great idea that you believe is worth sharing contact us.

On behalf of the executive, we wish you a safe and enjoyable respite from curling and we'll see you in September!



EL Club Curling by Karen Peters

The 2010/2011 Evening Club Curling season is completed with all four teams qualifying for the Carrie Cole playoffs determined. These teams will start playoffs Tuesday April 5th in a double knockout format to determine the Evening Club winning team. If you are not on one of the final teams you are still welcome to come out and watch some great curling. The playoff schedule is posted on the bulletin board. The winning team will go on to Championship night to play for the Ladies Club Curling Title on Friday April 16th so come out and cheer on our Evening Ladies.

The qualifying teams are....

Draw 1 - Linda Lott (skip), Joanne Touchette, Erica Campbell and Jennifer Young

Draw 2 - Donna Smith (Skip), Brenda Charette, Diane Gratton and Jennifer Young

Draw 3 - Betty Bush (Skip), Debbie Gillespie, Trish

Beckett and Grace Kennedy
Draw 4 - Donna Smith (Skip), Renee Leclair, Mary Andrews and Claire Tremblay

With Donna Smith and Jennifer Young both having qualified for two teams they will be "drawing a card" to determine which team they play with and the convenors will be finding spares for their other team. Good Luck to everyone....

With my stint as Evening Club Convenor concluded I would like to take this opportunity to officially thank some of the people who helped me over the past two years. A big thank you to Denise Mulville for helping me with player's names, rankings and club rules, Jane Kelly for doing all the shopping for the Event prizes, Judy Russell for proofing my weekly emails and Betty Bush, Claire Dominik and Marilyn Bellringer for their help with the Carrie Cole. The biggest thank you goes to the players for their ongoing support, encouragement and sense of humour when targeted in "Celebrity News". It has been a great experience and I have truly enjoyed getting to know everyone better. Have a great summer and I will see you on the ice next season.



EL Flight Curling by Lillian Rynbend

Evening ladies flight is now into their playoffs and the two final teams in the 'A' will play on Championship night, Friday April 15th. The 'B' flight final will be played on Thursday, April 7th.

The eighteen teams in 'A' flight played one round robin and the winners were the team of Carole Rivington, Janet Fowlow, April Welsh and Gail Irving with fifth player Teresa Gibson.

The 'B' flight had eight teams and played two full round robins. The winning team was Anna Sutherland's with Trish Beckett, Marianne Farrell, Kathleen Poole, Sandy Fairbairn and Susan Hara.

Congratulations to both teams.



Day Men by John Koronyi

At the city curling championship held March 19, the team representing our Day Men's section -Mike Schneider, Gary Dupuis, Chuck White and Roger Chown -earned their way to play in the Men's finals after winning their first two games against tough opponents from Cataragui. In the finals, Mike held

Sean Meleschuk's team to last rocks before losing in this all RKCC final. Congratulations to Mike and Sean and their teams for representing our Club so well!

The Spring Day Men's in-house bonspiel was held March 19. Russ Brown used his crafty stick to outpoint the other eleven teams to win this fun day of skins format competition. Supporting Russ were team members George Gratton, Dan Dickson and Robert Butcher. Thanks to Ernie Carter and Emil Lindt for organizing this event and to Jim Lesley for leading the kitchen detail.

At the Super Senior open bonspiel held March 25, Tony Bush and his team of Reg Gore, Brian Dowling and Mike Charette were the overall trophy winners in this twenty-four team event that was convened by Steve Quinn. Bill Duffe and Jim Lesley once again displayed their culinary talents in preparing an outstanding lunch.

The Day Men held their semi annual General Meeting March 29. With twenty-seven members in attendance, the current slate of officers for the Day Men's section was re-elected by acclamation. for the curling season. 2011-12.

Have a great summer!



Evening Men

by Gord Rogers

Please be aware of all previous club event winners that the semifinal playoffs are coming up shortly. Event winners from the first draw will play against the event winners of the second draw on Thursday, April 7th. Event winners from the third event will play against the winners of the 4th draw on Monday, April 11th. All finals, with the exception of the first event, will be played on Thursday, April 14th at 5:10. Please advise your skip early if you are not going to be able to make the game.

We have started our playoff round in men's flight. There will be 3 flights this year and all teams made the playoffs.

I am really pleased to report the results of the city championships held at Garrison on Sat. March 19th. Sean Meleschuk's team, representing RKCC evening men's section won the city championship winning out over Mike Schneider's team who represented RKCC day men's team. RKCC only had 2 teams entered of the 8 teams in the championship so to have both in the final is a real accomplishment.

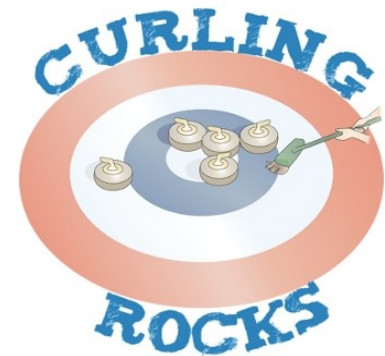
Congratulations to both the ladies and junior teams

who also won their divisions on behalf of RKCC and a strong second place finish in mixed.

Our closing dinner is Thursday, April 14th. Tickets are available at the bar and still only \$20.00.

Come out and cheer on your favorite teams at championship night on Friday, April 15th.

Thanks once again to all the men that participate in this section either in club or flight. You make this a very easy section to chair, as we generally have few issues during the year and this year was no exception.



Mixed Curling

by Erwin Batalla

We are nearing the end of the Mixed curling season. The team of Rick Pim, Joanne Miller, Tom Miller and Judy Russell won the round robin in the Competitive Friday division. The team of Dave Bradshaw, Cathy Lyman, Rick Lyman and Heather McMillan won the round robin in the Competitive Saturday division.

Playoffs are underway in the Competitive divisions. All teams will play at least three games in the playoffs.

The round-robin continues in the Recreational divisions. Teams are now playing against teams they have already faced earlier but all games will count equally towards the final standings.

The Sunday league completed its regular schedule and the winner of the round robin is the team of Linda Lott with her cast of thousand.

This is the first year with a mix of divisions playing on Friday only, Friday and Saturday or Sunday. This format has allowed us to make greater use of the facility and given the opportunity to Mixed curlers to play more games. Postponed games were kept to a reasonable level and Saturday curling was well attended. It is our intention to continue with this approach in the next year and we welcome any comments in that respect.

The Competitive divisions' finalists as well as the winners of the round-robin in all the divisions will be recognized at the end of the year dinner.

The mixed Awards dinner will take place on Sunday April 10. Tickets for this event, which includes a catered dinner, will be \$15 per person and can be purchased at the bar or from Erwin Batalla or Alexandra Simmons. Dennis Faubert and friends will once again provide the entertainment. Please help us make this the high point of the curling season.



Little Rock Curling

by Janet Fowlow

I would like to thank all the kids and parents who made Little Rock Curling so successful. We had 35 kids in our section this year with 23 kids completing their Little Rock Badges. I would like to thank all the coaches for your help instructing the kids and making my job easier.

Our focus was to keep the kids happy, our routines would be to instruct and practice for an hour and then we would let the kids play a game and they would always ask to play the short game.

We closed our section by joining the Junior Curlers for a Pizza Party and cake on March 27, 2011. Again fun was had by all.

I look forward to the 2011/2012 curling season I am committed to help with the Junior program as long as my kids are curling.

Thank you to the parents and kids for such a great season.



Junior Curling News

by Kevan Welch

The City Championships were held on March 19th at Garrison Curling Club. A team of junior curlers was chosen by a skills competition with the four highest scores to represent our club. With Leah Maxwell as skip, Dylan Welch as vice, Robbie Meyers throwing second and Mackenzie Schroeder as lead our club was victorious in a game against a junior team from Catarqui Curling Club. The team curled as well as they have curled all season, with Leah Maxwell calling a near perfect game. They controlled the game from the first rock and won with handshakes after seven ends. Congratulations team, well done.

Upcoming Events

The 57th Annual Famous Fisherman's Bonspiel

Thursday, March 31st thru
Saturday, April 2nd



Men's Closing Dinner

Thursday, April 14
@ 6:30 pm

Catering by Rent-a-Chef
(Joe Desousa)

\$20.00

50/50 draw

Free refreshments

Dinner 7:30 pm

The dinner will follow the final event games as well as the 'B' flight championship

*Ladies' Closing Dinner
Easter Bonnets on Parade!!*

Wednesday April 13, 2011



*Ham & Scalloped Potatoes Buffet
by Joe deSousa*



Cocktails 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Tickets \$ 20.00



Let's have some Fun!!!!

*PRIZE for the most colourful
"Easter Bonnet"*



All Ladies are Welcome

Please join us as we gather to reminisce about our 2010/11 season and say adieu...

Buy tickets by April 6th from:

Monday Evening: Judy Russell

Wednesday Evening: Lynn Witheridge

Day Ladies: Linda Miller

➤ **Friday Mixed:** Sandy Duncan

➤ **Sunday Mixed:** Alexandra Simmons

➤ **Social Ladies:** Diane Labrie

➤ **The Bar**

IT'S A PARTY
TO HONOUR
LEFTY & MARG
MCDONALD
APRIL 20, 2011
7-9PM
ROYAL
KINGSTON



7th Annual RKCC Golf Tournament Reminder

The sign-up sheet for the RKCC Golf Tournament on June 26th at Camden Braes is posted on the bulletin board in the men's section. There are approximately 110 names currently on the list. To achieve a full field turnout we need at least 160 people to sign up. (There is usually an attrition of about 15% before game day.) It is open to all RKCC members and families.

The first 144 sign-ups will be given priority. The curling season ends in less than 3 weeks, so please sign up early and save me a lot of headaches in trying to have the tournament filled.

It is the greatest dinner and entertaining value you'll receive all year, and your Club receives all the financial benefits.

Please be generous in providing prizes.

Thanks,
Steve Quinn

Larry Clayton Memorial Golf Tournament

Bruce Jeffery and Chris Clayton would like to let all RKCC Members that the Clayton family is holding a memorial charity golf tournament in the name of past RKCC member, Larry Clayton. It will be held at Amherstview Golf Club on **Friday, June 24th** with registration and lunch @ noon and a shotgun start at 1:00pm. Supper and prizes will follow the round. This cancer fundraising event will cost \$125 each and will include a \$50 charitable donation to Gilda's Club. We hope many of you will be able to participate. Registration forms will be available at the bar or from Bruce Jeffery.

 **Calendar of Events
April 2011**

Date	Event
Thu, Mar 31 st – Sat, Apr 2 nd	The Famous Fisherman's Bonspiel
Sat, Apr 9 th	Eastern Ontario Junior League
Wed, Apr 13 th	Ladies Closing Dinner "Easter Bonnets on Parade"
Thu, Apr 14 th	Men's Closing Dinner
Fri, Apr 15 th	Championship Night

 **Board of Directors
2011 Meeting Schedule**

Meeting Date *	General Meetings
Sun, Apr 17, 2011 @ 7 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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*Thank You,
Thank You,*



to all contributors!

Look for the next **Sweep** to be included in your August registration package.

Until then, have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Carole