



The Sweep

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A word from your President... **Mike Schneider**

While it is early in the season, I'd like to turn your attention to the longer term and the issues that we as a club need to deal with over the next 10-20 years.

While RKCC is mortgage free and in much better financial shape than the vast majority of Canadian curling clubs, our recent financial trend is going the wrong way. Last year rising costs (particularly Hydro costs) and flat membership fee revenue meant we were unable to put enough money away to fund expected future capital replacement costs. In other words, our budget wasn't balanced.

To get back to a balanced budget (something very important for the club in the long term), we had three options; cut costs, raise fees by significantly more than inflation or increase membership. As significant fee increases aren't particularly appealing to anyone, the board elected to place our off season focus on reducing our hydro utilization and increasing membership. Hopefully the initiatives we have undertaken this year will reverse our financial trend and return us to a balanced budget for 2014-2015.

The next challenge will be keeping our budget balanced. Which brings us to our next long term issue: the club's demographics. One of the many benefits of our new on line registration system is the immediate availability of information. This information tells us that more than 50% of our membership is 60 years of age or older. Now we have been doing a good job of recruiting new members. But with over half our members over the age of 60, chances are we will be losing more than 300 of our existing members in the next 10 to 20 years even if we retain 100% of the existing members who are under the age of 60.

So if we are to grow, we need to continue to find ways to add new members, with initiatives such as the new Novice League. And equally importantly, we need to find ways to improve our retention

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of existing members and thus extend their affiliation with RKCC.

Going forward, if anyone has suggestions for how to address these challenges please feel free to contact me or any of the other board members. Alternatively, we are always looking for members with good ideas to put their name forward for nomination to next year's board of directors.

Before I finish I would be remiss if I didn't thank all the board members and their committees for all the initiatives they have put in place over the past 6 months. Obviously a club such as ours is built upon, and relies upon, the countless hours put in by our many volunteers.

Committee Reports



For those of you that attended our SAGM on October 26th, some of this information will be a repeat but still well worth getting the message out.

Thanks to Adam Young of Secker Ross & Perry for completing the Review Engagement for the 2013/14 budget year. This is the end of the third year commitment and we will be going out to tender in the spring for another 3 year term for our audit services.

In addition to our annual budget process, the Committee has been working on putting in place better financial policies and procedures as well as streamlining our banking and investment accounts.

The committee did an extensive review on the summer operations of RKCC and we are moving in the right direction by using the club more in the off season which in turn creates more profit. Let's get creative with some of our events!

The club is in relatively good financial shape for now but if things don't change for the better, we will have some

tough financial decisions in the not so distant future.

When I compare 2013 and 2014 you will see that our membership dues were flat but we made up some revenues in other areas. The problem is that our expenses outpaced our revenues which meant that in 2014 we had approximately \$22,000 less in net revenue. We are really worried about rising hydro and natural gas costs and how it effects our bottom line. Congratulations to the Committee and the Board for holding your membership dues increase to the cost of inflation or approximately 1.5%.

Our biggest concern is with our annual budget and the fact that we are not putting enough money away every year to deal with capital cost replacements and depreciation on the equipment and building. The solution to this is to create more revenue, lower expenses or a combination of both. Most of our expenses are fixed without much room for substantial savings although we are trying some new cost saving ideas. The opportunity lies in creating more revenue. We would prefer to do this by increasing our membership numbers as well as increasing the profit that we make when we have bonspiels or other events at the club.

If anyone has any ideas or if you are interested in joining the Finance Committee, talk to any of the committee members.



Carole Rivington, Chair

October 26th SAGM Report

As Chair of the Personnel Committee with members Mike Schneider, President and Jim Barton, Governance and Communications Committee members Teresa Wilson, Mike Charette, April Welsh and Joanne Gizzi we have been very busy during the summer and fall.

The *Personnel Committee* is pleased that our full time staff is returning and we anticipate another successful

year of curling at RKCC.

This has been a very busy time for the *Communications Committee* who implemented a new Online Registration system this year, and as with any type of change of this nature, there were a few glitches, but overall was a great success. A necessary step forward for our club. To date, we have 626 members registered for the 2014-15 season, which is up slightly over last season.

Mike Charette has a list of all members who have expressed an interest in volunteering and all sections should refer to this list whenever possible. RKCC is largely a volunteer-run organization, and for that reason, it is very important that we take advantage of the generous individuals who have expressed an interest in helping out.

Teresa Wilson is actively keeping our website up-to-date with teams, standings, upcoming events, etc and the online roster has been updated using last years ratings which will be updated with this years ratings as soon as they become available. Hard copy Rosters will be printed shortly thereafter. Teresa can only update the website with information that is provided to her from the sections and members so please keep her informed.

On the website front, we are in the process of migrating all our current content over to a new website hosted by CurlingClubManager.com. This new site will have all of the same features that we currently have, such as, Club Calendar, Private Members area, League Standings, etc but will also have some new features like Event Sign-ups (for bonspiels, dinners, any event), Personal Info Self Management, Member Volunteer Signup, Online Member/League Registration, Online Payments (if desired) just to name a few and will also have an all new look and feel. Now that the registration season is all but behind us we hope to have the new website up and running very soon.

April Welsh as Bonspiel Chair, will serve as a resource person for our bonspiel convenors. She will be touching base with all convenors to make sure they are aware of the financial and logistical points of running a bonspiel.

and **Joanne Gizzi**, our new Kitchen chair, has enthusiastically taken charge and has been busy cleaning up the kitchen making it spotless for the upcoming season. Special thanks to Alice Pignal and Julie Cox for helping with this nasty job.

In closing, the HRC Committee is encouraging all members to get more involved with ideas through our "Suggestion Box" located outside of Graham's office and/or through contact with any of our committee members. As well, all sections and members are strongly encouraged to submit articles monthly for "The Sweep" so all members will know what is going on in our Club.



Governance Committee

Jim Barton, Chair

Three new Appendices have been added to the Policy and Resource Manual as follows:

- a) Wall of Fame Process and Parameters Policy – Appendix 9
 - This Policy has been in place for some time but is now formally included in the Policy and Resource Manual
- b) Succession Planning Policy for the Board of Directors – Appendix 10
 - This is a new Policy developed by Governance Committee and approved by the Board, covering succession planning for Director positions on the Board as well as Committees and sub-Committees of the Board. Thanks to Bob Helliard for taking the lead on this one.
- c) Sub Committees of the Curling Committee – Appendix 11
 - This is a new Appendix which is only partially completed to date. When it is finished it will include the Terms of Reference for all sub-Committees (Sections) of the Curling Committee

Please see the Policy and Resource Manual for details on each of these new Appendices.

The Board of Directors has approved the following change to By-Law 7.0 Directors. The change will be

introduced to the April 2015 AGM to request the approval of the members.

The current phrase:

Directors shall be eligible for election to three (3) consecutive terms of office. A term of office shall be one (1) year in length.

Will be replaced by:

Directors are eligible for election to three (3) consecutive one (1) year terms for any particular role on the Board and for a cumulative consecutive total of nine (9) one year terms as a Director in any role. This Policy does not apply to the role of past President.

The Terms of Reference of all Board Committees, documented in the Policy and Resource Manual, are already based on one year terms of office.



Operations Committee

Reg Gore, Chair

Based upon the efforts made this summer I am pleased to report the progress made to date on Energy Savings for the club.

- The Ice thickness is now 1-1/4 inches as compared to 2-1/2 inches last year. This has not impacted the quality of the ice in any significant manner
- The brine temperature parameters are now + 2 degrees vs 1 degree.
- During the month of September the compressors operated 116 hours less than they did in September 2013. This amounts to 3.8 hours per day less. The compressors are actually shutting off and starting back up on their own. The significant factor here is that the Ice Plant was started on Sept. 1, 2014 as compared to August 26, 2013. Cooling the ice pad down

before flooding begins, takes significant energy and we still were ahead of last year's figures.

- The next step is to begin shutting the Ice Plant down for a period of time between the hours of 11 PM and 5 AM to gain further savings. This is accomplished through the purchase and installation of the new Honeywell Controller. **This will not start until the weather turns colder.**
- Control parameters are in place that will restart the Ice Plant should the ice temperature get to high during this period.

Everyone will have seen the illuminated sign for Wally's Bar!



Membership Committee

Linda Lott, Chair

Your membership committee is comprised of the following people: Katie Jeziorski, Nancy Gray, Linda Shanks, Leslie Higginson, Denise Ryce, Martha Tanner & Linda Lott (Chair).

Some of the initiatives that the committee has been pursuing:

1. Seventy flyers, with a coupon for a free L2C session, were handed out at the Landings in early September. This generated a lot of interest amongst the golfers. For many of them, they are already accustomed to making the drive to the Landings so it would be an easy adjustment to start curling at RKCC.
2. A booth was set up at the Chamber Business Expo. We had 45 people submit ballots for a free membership in the Adult Novice league-Allyson Tonelli was the winner. She attended the Oct 5th. Meet & Greet for that group. The committee is going to contact the 44 non-winners and encourage them to use their L2C

coupon and let them know when the next Novice league starts.

3. All non-returning members will be contacted in the next two weeks about the reasons why they are not rejoining.
4. The committee is looking at ways to advertise during the Fronts games and strategies to reach the employees at several of our larger employers.

The membership count is now at 626. There are 107 members not returning, 30 of them were junior members and 9 who are returning in January. We have approximately 99 new members so we have replaced the members that we lost. The high school league has just started so there are no stats from that just yet.

If we look at our membership demographic, more than 50% of our members are in the 60+ age bracket. We need to increase our membership base. More members=more revenue! Nine o'clock games aren't so lonely, if the other five sheets are full.

Registration by Gender/Age	Female	Male	Total
	12	8	20
5-11	4	10	14
12-20	8	21	29
21-29	8	14	22
30-39	12	13	25
40-49	21	42	63
50-59	71	75	146
60-64	46	58	104
65-69	35	34	69
70-74	19	43	62
75+	32	40	72
	268	358	626

Print advertising and media exposure is very expensive and doesn't yield a high return. The best membership drive rests with the members of a club. Please take the time to invite a friend out on a Sunday morning to throw rocks or attend a L2C Sunday night session..The brochure with the L2C coupon is available from the Pro shop and members of the MC. Book a couple of hours on a Saturday and bring your co-workers out to curl.

The membership committee invites you to share your recruitment ideas with them and encourages you to bring a friend to the club!

Marketing Committee

Tom Bryant, Chair

This committee works throughout the year soliciting new advertisers for the club and doing follow up with those who were sponsors last year. Each year there is some turn over and as a result it is a continuous process to ensure that we refill advertising spots and generate enough advertising revenue to meet our budget requirements.

In addition to having their name prominently displayed on the wall or ice sheet (and in some cases affiliated with a bonspiel or a league), advertisers also have their logo / name featured on the foyer video monitor, the website, in the published roster, and periodically in this newsletter.

If you have any leads for potential advertisers kindly mention this to a member of the Marketing Committee: Garry Dupuis, Roger Taylor, Linda Lott, Bruce Jeffery, Tom Bryant

Finally, when using the services of a business who is a sponsor at our club, let them know you are a member of RKCC - they then are assured that their advertising dollar is being well spent and are more likely to renew their sponsorship for the next season.



Social Committee

Pennie Robert, Chair

Hope everyone has had a good start to the curling season.

Please join your fellow curlers and cheer on the teams representing RKCC at City Championships on November 8th at Garrison Curling Club.

On December 13th the Social Committee is hosting a Craft Sale. We are looking for crafters to host tables, as well as people to donate desserts and goodies. There is no fee to host a table, there is a \$10 entry fee to come and browse the tables, this entry fee also allows you to help yourself to as much dessert, coffee, and tea while you shop. We hope you will come out and see the

talents of your fellow members and help support RKCC as all proceeds from the entry fees will be returned to the club.

Tickets are now on sale for the New Years Eve Party on December 31st. Tickets can be purchased at the bar and are \$30/person and \$55/couple. Come and enjoy the evening ringing in the New Year to the sounds of Whiskey Overdrive, hot finger food buffet, and party favors. This years theme is Black and White (not formal!). Again all proceeds from this event are returned to RKCC we hope to see you there.

Enjoy the colors that are left in this Fall season, as soon that white stuff will be upon us!!!



Section Reports



Day Ladies by Nancy Gray

We are off and sweeping with 114 curlers in Day Ladies this year. In Club curling there are 14 teams playing on Tuesday and 12 teams on Thursday. The Tuesday Draw will run from October 7 to November 11. The Thursday Draw started October 2 and will finish November 6. In Flight curling, the number of teams this season has

gone up by one to 12 competing on Wednesday morning. The first round robin will run from October 1 to December 17.

We have first time curlers; we have curlers returning after one or two or several years of absence; we have curlers coming to RKCC from other clubs and we have curlers coming into Day Ladies from the Evening Ladies. The following are the names of women we are welcoming into Day Ladies: Jennifer Robertson, Valerie Malmsten, Kathy Jackson, Francine Korczynski, Nancy Roantree, Nicole Marsh, Anne Berry, Barb Tureski, Laura Winter, Joanne Cosgrove, Karen Hannah, Sharon Windsor, Anne Godlewska, Joan Stevenson, Gillian Turnbull and Glenda Bauder.

The Opening Pot Luck Dinner, on September 17, was attended by 83 ladies. This number was comprised of both Evening and Day time curlers as well as social members. It was an enjoyable outing where the women shared stories of their activities and adventures throughout the summer months. Thank you Alice Pignal and Pat Bradshaw for organizing such a fine event. The food was wonderful as always.

Finally, I will mention a competition that took place recently (October 25/26). The winning team from Evening Ladies Flight last year, which has all four members playing in Day Ladies this year, travelled to Carleton Place to compete in a regional playdown. The team of Donna Jeffery, Nancy Gray, Mary Dupuis and Liz Baer (filling in for Debbie See) produced 3 straight wins to advance to the final where they lost in a close game to a team from Richmond.

I hope to report on more out-of-club bonspiels/competitions throughout the 2014/15 curling season.

Until the next report, continue to have fun with your curling.



Evening Ladies by Heather McMillan

At this time, we have approximately 120 evening ladies that have joined for either club or flight or both. We

have welcomed 7 new ladies to our leagues this year. The first draw for Wednesday Club has 14 teams playing with the playoff games being held on November 5th and then the second draw will begin on November 12th and run to December 17th.

On Wednesday, December 3rd, we will be running an additional Bring-a-Friend night this year. This will take place at 6pm, with most of the Club games being played at 8pm that night to accommodate. Invite your friends and co-workers to come out and try curling in a fun and safe atmosphere! Let our Evening Ladies Social Convener, Mirelle Ringuette, know if you would like to help out with this event and watch for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Ladies who would like to join the club in January following the Bring-a-friend night will be able to get a half-year rate and will be placed on a Club team.

The Flight League has 19 teams this year so we have divided it into two divisions. We will play two full round robins within the divisions, with movement up and down between rounds. Following the round robins, teams will be split into A, B and C divisions to play a further round robin for playoff rankings. Playoffs for an A, B and C division championship will follow.

We will be running an Open Invitational Bonspiel with a 'Saturday Night Fever' theme on Saturday November 15th. There is still room for teams in this bonspiel so if you are interested let me know, and invite your friends from other clubs to enter a team! We would also love to have a few more volunteers for the day, so please let me know if you are available to help.

Thank-you to the Day Ladies for organizing the Ladies Opening Pot Luck on September 17th. As always the evening was enjoyed by all who attended with a great variety of delicious dishes and a chance to catch up with our curling friends!



Day Men

by Brian Hetherington

Senior Mens Flight literally took flight with 30 teams, we had a few hiccups with the schedule because we added a new to RKCC team, 2 days prior to Monday, start date. But thanks to Roger Chown the scheduling issues were

resolved.

There were a number of men unrated from the previous year, so thanks to the rating committee, all men are now rated and the "X" designation for Senior men has been eliminated. Men are now rated as if they curled on a Senior Mens Flight Team.

There are 3 Fun Skins Spiels scheduled for this season , all on Friday Days, so sign up early because its limited to the first 48 curlers .

NOV 14--MENS SKINS

FEB 6 --- OPEN MIXED SKINS SPIEL

[new this year]

MAR 13--MENS SKINS [lucky Fri the 13 th]

The Mens Spiels start at 8:00 am with light breakfast supplied by ROBERT J REID & SONS FUNERAL HOME. Followed by 3 games consisting of 4 ends each, cross corner draws, and usually Chinese food for lunch. Individual players sign up and are drawn from a hat and assigned to balanced teams using our rating system.

The Monday lunches are again a big hit , thanks to all the volunteer "Cook & Bottle Washers "and to Ken Burns for coordinating the eager volunteers.



Mixed Curling

by David Townsend

Another season is now in full swing! And by now, the second draw for A and B Friday nights is running, hopefully with no scheduling mix ups. I want to thank everyone for their patience as I put together teams and schedules for the first time.

To start, I hope to see many of you at our two events on November 29. Our first attempt at starting a Mixed Club event will be on Saturday. I am looking for 48 curlers for two draws, the first at noon with the second to follow at 3:00 p.m. There will be veggies and snacks between draws. Cost for the event is \$10 per curler and you don't need to sign up with a team or partner! The four members of the winning team will each get a frozen turkey as the first prize and runners up will earn RKCC bar bucks. Sign up sheet is on the board in the foyer or e-mail me directly at

bevdauidtownsend@gmail.com. Let me know what position your first two choices are and I will do all I can to create 12 fairly equal teams!

Following the Mixed Club event is the Mixed Christmas dinner. You don't need to play to have dinner and all are welcome for our turkey dinner. Drinks and meet and greet at 6:00, followed by dinner at 7:00. There will be music for dancing following dinner, courtesy of Mary Kelly and Kathleen Poole. Cost is \$25 and tickets can be purchased at the RKCC bar.

For Friday night curlers, all of us have a favour to ask. If you are scheduled for the 5:10 or 7:15 draw and will not be playing for whatever reason, I ask you to look on the schedule, find out who is curling on that same sheet of ice at the 7:15 or 9:15 draw and call one of the Skips to offer them your ice slot. Then it is up to that 7:15 or 9:15 Skip to arrange their own "move-up."

Empire Life bonspiel registration should be out in the next few weeks. I know the Club is still looking for volunteers to help with the event. Have a look at your calendar and if you aren't planning on playing in this great event, see if you can help out with the organization.

The Social Committee is having a craft and bake sale on December 13. Tables are available and details are elsewhere in this Sweep.

Again, should you have any questions or concerns about the Mixed Curling, give me a call or send me an e-mail and I will do what I can to make this a great curling year.

Happy sweeping!



The Stick Leagues of RKCC by Ian Duncan

Seventy-six curlers signed up to participate in the 2 and 4 stick draws.

There are 25 teams in 2 stick and 7 teams in 4 stick. This is close to what existed last season. Some people have

retired, but they have been replaced by new members.

Six people are taking advantage of the enhanced social membership which allows them to curl once a week with the stick league at a reduced fee.

Stick curlers are reminded to complete the score sheets on the notice board for wins and losses in order to allow our scorekeeper to present an accurate record for everyone.

Everyone is also reminded to check the notice board from time to time. It's another source of information additional to personal contact.

And, for anyone reading this who is not already part of the stick leagues, you are welcome to join in the camaraderie. We're willing to add you to the roster at any time.



If people haven't noticed yet, the bucket for food bank donations has re-appeared in its customary spot just inside the door to the lounge.

Each year so far, members have filled the container five or six times each season. Newspaper reports indicate that those in need of this support have increased this year over last, so that every little bit we give can help someone.

Please be as generous as you can.



Juniors & Little Rockers

by Dave Wolovick

As of October 15, we have a total of 35 members enrolled in our curling program. We look forward to an excellent year of learning and curling. We have lost a

couple of our coaches from last year and can always use additional coaches. If you can assist us as a coach even in a part time role, please contact Dave Wolovick at 613-384-08708 or at wolovickd@yahoo.ca.



Curling Skills Development

by Denis Faubert

As mentioned in the August Sweep, the Curling Skills Development Committee has been repurposed to better oversee several club related Learning Initiatives.

Under Tom Bryant's leadership, the sessions for the **Thursday Daytime Learn to Curl** Program are going very well.. There are 13 registrants, 12 of whom are from the Seniors Association. Cost for this 8 wk program is \$85.00 per person. Tom is well-supported by fellow instructors: Trish Beckett, John Koronyi, Dave Kerr, Mike Charette and Sandy Fairbairn. Not unexpectedly, they have received positive feedback from this group and thanks to their excellent tutelage all but 2 or 3 of them will be requiring the stick for their curling delivery.

Although having only logged one session so far this season, Kimberly Barker supported by Judy Russell and John McMillan have already assisted several interested people as part of the **Sunday Evening Learn to Curl Program**. This on-going initiative is intended to provide participants with basic curling instruction followed by an informal game amongst other curlers. It is also designed to provide targeted instruction for members looking to improve their technique and/or understanding of the game.

The **Adult Novice Curling League** is a new pilot program for RKCC and has attracted 31 participants, only 3 of whom are current RKCC members. At a cost of \$140.00 per person (incl. full slider/2 grippers), this 10 wk program seeks to help new curlers acquire the skills and confidence necessary to eventually curl in a more competitive setting. It follows the Canadian Curling Association's "Getting Started for Adults" Program, and under the direction of Steve Lloyd we have the good fortune of having an all-star cast of certified instructors, namely, Mirelle Ringuette, Martha Tanner, Kathleen

Poole, Trevor Kirby, John Koronyi, Tom Bryant, Steve Lloyd and Denis Faubert, who have been carefully shepherding their flock of new curlers.

Lastly, thanks to a funding endowment, a new storage unit adjacent to sheet 6 as well as a variety of curling implements (brooms, stabilizers, sliders, grippers and an iPad) are now available to all of the above-mentioned programs with the intent to enhance the participant's curling instruction and experience.

We are also considering having another Stick Curling Seminar, please let me know if you're interested in attending.



OCA Report

by Dianne Wylie

The competitive season has started for the Club. RKCC was well represented at the Travelers Club Championship on October 24-26, 2014. On the ladies side, the team of Donna Jeffery, Nancy Gray, Mary Dupuis and Liz Baer did very well, making it to the final game before losing to Ronna Reddick's team from Richmond. On the men's side, the team of Tim Aldridge, Kelvin Cole, Joe Murphy and Mario Fabbro also did well against some very tough competition but did not advance. Zone 3/4 will be represented on the men's side at the Provincials by the Mike Hull team from Catarauqui.

RKCC will be hosting the Senior Men and Senior Ladies Zone play-downs on December 6 and 7, 2014. The deadline for entries is November 23, 2014. Please plan on dropping by the club to watch – you will see some excellent curling! We will also be hosting the Bantam Boy and Bantam Girl Zone competition the weekend of January 17-18, 2015. The dates of all OCA competitions are posted on the OCA website at www.ontcurl.com under the "Competitions" link.

RKCC hosted an OCA-sponsored coaching clinic on November 4-5, 2014. There were 18 participants (16 from RKCC and 2 from Picton). The clinic involved off-ice instruction on topics such as warmups, ethics and strategy, as well as on-ice instruction on how to teach a new curler. On the last afternoon participants worked with RKCC volunteers and friends to strengthen their

on-ice teaching skills. Thanks to Judy Russell for all of her hard work in organizing the clinic, and to Kimberly Barker for coordinating the participants' lunches on both days.

Continued good curling!!



Bonspiels

by April Welsh

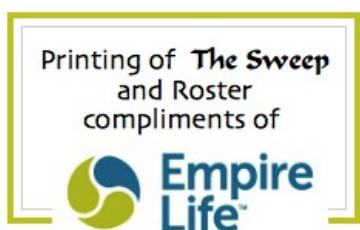
The "Limestone" Sr. Men's bonspiel has come and gone. Many thanks to Convenor Ernie Carter and his committees for hosting a very successful bonspiel again this year. Ernie is stepping down as convenor after several years, so if anyone is interested in taking the helm for next year, please talk to Ernie. Thank you Ernie for all your hard work with the Limestone!

Next up? The Day Men's in-house is on Fri. Nov. 14. Please sign up gentlemen!

The Evening Ladies' Invitational "Saturday Night Fever" is on Sat. Nov. 15. Thank you to Heather McMillan and her flight team for volunteering to convene. Ladies (Day and Evening), - please send in your entries! The flier is on the RKCC website, under invitational bonspiels. If you want to curl but don't have a team there is a signup sheet on the EL board.

- Sat, Nov 29: Mixed club fun spiel
- Wed, Dec 3: Day Ladies' Christmas fun spiel
- Fri, Dec 5: Stick Mini Spiel

Convenors needed!! The Empire Life Mixed Spiel is in need of convenors. It is a two-day, 3-game pts spiel in Feb. The Grandmothers' and Great Aunts' Spiel in March is still looking for a convenor. The spiel is a one-day, 2-game pts. spiel.



The Kitchen!

by Joanne Gizzi

We have started getting the RKCC kitchen ready for the upcoming season. Thank you to Alice Pignal and Julie Cox for helping with the cleaning.

Let's all try and do our part to keeping the kitchen clean. Food stored on kitchen shelves or in storage room must be in labelled sealed container. In order to keep expenses down for the kitchen, please take home any dirty tea towels, aprons, table cloths etc, to launder and return to RKCC kitchen as soon as possible.

We are looking for help from a club member with a serger to make alternation to 10 round black table cloths that were donated to the club. Please contact Joanne Gizzi at joannegizzi@hotmail.com

Thank you to all members for your assistance in keeping your club kitchen clean.

Upcoming Events

Calendar of Events November 2014	
Date	Event
Sat, Nov 1	EL In-Club Rated Spiel
Sat, Nov 8	City Championships (at Garrison)
Fri, Nov 14	Day Men's In-House Spiel
Sat, Nov 15	Evening Ladies Invitational Bonspiel
Sat, Nov 29	Mixed Club followed by Mixed Dinner

December 2014	
Wed, Dec 3	DL Christmas Mini Spiel
Sat, Dec 6	OCA Zone Play-downs Sr. Men & Women
Mon, Dec 8	EL Flight Dinner
Wed, Dec 22	Men's Christmas Dinner
Thu, Dec 25	Merry Christmas
Sat, Dec 27	Family Fun Day
Sat, Dec 31	New Year's Eve Party

held at the Royal Kingston Curling Club on Saturday, October 25th. This very popular annual Eastern Ontario curling event continues to attract team entries from most curling clubs in Eastern Ontario, which this year included the Land O'Lakes, Quinte, Napanee, Manotick, Prescott, Brockville, Garrison, Cataraqui and Royal Kingston curling clubs. We also had an entry from St. George's of Toronto.

The champions were Al Kennedy's team of Warner Bishof, Larry Burrows and John Lapierre from the Brockville Golf and Country Club. Runners up were the Frank Dunham team from Napanee and District Curling Club. They just edged out Ron Cameron's team from Royal Kingston who took third place.

It was a great event and it could not have happened without the excellent ice, service and amazing volunteers. We received a lot of generous comments and feedback from the curlers regarding the service, ice, food and hospitality. Kudos to these very special volunteers: Diane and George Gratton, Eden Jefferies, Nora Taylor, Maxine Bridges, Linda O'Sullivan, Mike Olive, Murray Cotton, John Berry, Garry Dupuis, Reg Gore, Brian Collingwood, Paul Hannah, Roger Chown, Guy Lajoie, Lorne Lloyd and Glenn Owen.

Ernie Carter, Convenor



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