

The Brier is Coming!

If you are keeping up on the news in the curling world, the 2010 Brier is coming to Halifax. Halifax, which has hosted the Brier five times, including 2003 and 1995, has been hard after the event for the past year.

Halifax drew an attendance of 158,144 five years ago, a total that stands eighth all-time.

This event will have a financial impact upon our club. Please consider getting involved with volunteering at this event as there are funds available for local clubs based upon the representation and participation in the event.

NSCA Fundraiser

The Nova Scotia Curling Association is hosting a fundraiser. A portion of the money raised will return to the club. Tickets will be \$20.00 each with \$5.00 of this returning to the club. Also, the club that sells the winning ticket will receive \$1000.00. The prize will be a trip to the 2009 Brier. The final draw will take place at the Women's Provincial Playdowns. As more details become available, we will post them in the club. Tickets will most likely be on sale from the bar.

Sponsorship

In our current budget, the Executive has identified a goal of \$3000 in sponsor signage in the ice shed. If you have a business and would like to advertise, or know of somebody who would like to advertise in the club, please contact Andrea, or a member of the Board.

This would be a great year to get involved with a sponsor's sign in the club. The 2009 TSX Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championships will be generating a lot of press and interest at the club level.

Spares!

If you are going to miss a night of curling, it is your responsibility arrange for a spare to replace you for that night.

Try to arrange for a spare from the Spares List from the league concerned. These lists are listed on the web site. Copies can be obtained at the Club for those without internet service. If a spare from your league's list is unavailable, any other member may spare.

If this is not possible, please let your skip know! A non-member may spare for a fee of \$10.

Upcoming Events

The **Christmas Club Social** scheduled for November 29th, at 6:30pm. A sign up list will be located at the bar in the next couple of weeks. Mark the date on your calendar!

The deadline for team entries for the **Club Championship Playdowns** is Nov 30th, 2008. Teams

2009 TSX Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championships

Volunteers are needed now for the Wheelchair Championships in March 2009.

We are looking for 3 coordinators:

- Transportation & Accommodation
- Public Relations
- Awards & Entertainment.

Please consider getting involved to make this event a great success. Contact Erin Edmundson or Trenal Hubley-Bolivar at:

cwcc-2009@hotmail.com or contact the office at 869-CURL.



can be put together with any Lakeshore members who are not participating in competitive curling leading to a national championship, excepting mixed playdowns. The format of the event will be determined by the number of entries.

There is an entry fee of \$40.00 per team which will be used to help the winning teams defray travel costs to the provincial playdowns. The club playdowns will take place on either January 4th or the 11th, 2009.

The **New Members Social** will take place Sunday, November 16th at 2:00 pm. First and second year new members are invited to attend.

Equipment Maintenance

Have you wondered where those bits and scraps of rubber on the ice appear from? Brian advises that most are not from the soles of grippers, nor are they from Zamboni tires. They are mostly from the inside of your gripper.

"How so?" you might well ask. Well, as you are furiously sweeping under the whip of your skip, your slider is working around inside the gripper, eroding away thin scraps of rubber, some of which stick to your slider. Then they stick to the ice when you make your perfect "Stoughton" slide delivery.

The preventative measure to take (away from the ice of course), is to regularly take a moment to clean out the inside of your gripper in order to remove any loose bits of rubber before they are transferred to the ice.

Now you know, and will have to think of something else to wonder about as you wait in the hack while your skip ponders about how much ice to take.

Name Tags

Looking for a different Christmas present idea? How about a personalized, tole-painted name tag! There will be a sign up list posted at the bar for those who would like to purchase a hand painted name tag like the one pictured below. They are about 4 cm x 4 cm in size and the cost is \$5.00 and must be prepaid at the time of ordering. Please sign up at the bar before Nov 21st. (...and yes, you can even ask for your own name!)



Adult Rental Information

Another way to access our facility is through our Curling Rentals Program, where a sheet of ice can be rented for a 2-hour session. Basic equipment will be provided as part of your rental fee. For more info please contact Andrea at 869-CURL (2875).

Fee Payments

Just a reminder fees are due. Second installments on fee payments are due by the end of October. Many thanks!

Curling Etiquette

Start on time

Be on the ice when your draw is scheduled to begin. Remember, if you are late, there is a penalty for every 5 minutes you start. The opposition can hang an end on the board taking a point for each 5 minutes delay. There is a time limit for games.

Be ready

As soon as your opponent has delivered a rock, you should retrieve your own rock, get into the hack and clean your rock. You should be ready to throw as soon as your opponent's rock comes to rest. This practice can save a lot of time over an eight end game.

At the end of an end, the Lead of the team who just scored should not help put the rocks away, but quickly identify the first rock and get ready to deliver. Leave the 'racking' of the rocks up to the other team members.

Sweepers, pay attention to the Skip when they call a shot, so that you understand what is being called.

Curling Basics

Are you new to curling? Need to brush up on the terminology? Check out this website on the Internet. <http://www.curlingbasics.com/> It has animations of all the 'technical' terms involved in the game. Now you'll know what your skip is asking you to do!

League Reps Finalized for 2008-09

MMO & WMO: Doug Gray
TMO & ThMO: Dennis Grant
MNW: Marilyn van Eden
MNM: Carl Hartlen
TNO: John Clahane
WNO: Keith McMaster
ThSM: Brian Hausman
ThStick: Wayne Gorman
FNC: Gerry Archibald

The contact information for all the league representatives can be found in the membership directory, located in the member's only section of the website. Please feel free to contact them with any issues or concerns which may arise.

Newsletter is Online

The Lakeshore News is also available online. Go to the Lakeshore Website and look for the newsletter link found on the main page.

Curling Humour

TOP TEN SIGNS YOU'RE HAVING A BAD GAME

10. They start pebbling the ice in the fourth end.
9. Your skip keeps saying, "Nice try!"
8. Your opposition starts hanging its score on the next sheet.
7. While you're in the washroom, your team-mates sneak away to the bar.
6. The Ice-maker starts heckling you. (Brian?)
5. It's only the third end and already you owe your team-mates six drinks.
4. Your opposition is laying four and your skip wants you to throw your rock through the house.
3. You throw out your knee in the first end and your team-mates don't even notice.
2. Your sweepers burst into laughter when you release your rock.
1. You score an eight-ender in the second end and you have to throw your last rock to win 9-8.



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