



On the Broom

The BCCL Newsletter
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From the President

By Susan Wehling

Welcome back to curling and Happy New Year! As you know from previous newsletters and presentations at our shareholders meeting last April, the BCC is facing some significant challenges with replacing/ repairing aging infrastructure, and coping with rising operating costs. Your Board has been proactive in implementing many cost containment strategies and new revenue streams. This may not be enough to meet the challenges in the years ahead. A capable team has been struck to investigate options – one of which may be the retirement of the share structure so that we are eligible to apply for Trillium Foundation grants. This committee will be bringing forward their recommendations in the spring.

There may be some risks involved over the next year and we will need your patience and trust as we move forward. We cannot stay static or move back to the way we used to “do business”. We must stay alert for new opportunities and tackle obstacles with care and caution. Your Board is prepared to meet these challenges with dedication and enthusiasm.

As with every year, new positions are opening on the Board, as existing terms of office come to a close. There will be four vacancies, so please give some consideration to volunteering for the Board of Directors. More information on the

portfolios will be coming in upcoming editions of the newsletter.

I would like to wish everyone a healthy 2012.
Happy New Year!



From the Manager's Desk

By Gord Smith

Welcome back to all and Happy New Year. It seems that everyone had great holidays. All the leagues are up and running. As the winter and bad weather arrive I would like to let everyone know the “snow day” policy. The Barrie Curling Club is always open. The league convenors will decide whether or not to cancel their draws. If you are in doubt, you should call the convenors first to find out if the league night has been cancelled.

Terry Yorke was the winner of the Toonie draw in December. He took home \$1,032.00. Congratulations to Terry. The Toonie draw is back up and running for the New Year. See you all around the club.

Update on 2013 Dominion Men's Provincial Tankard

By Ken Leach

Planning is going ahead full steam on the 2013 Tankard with an energetic executive team. The team includes the following people:

Vice Chair: Bob Dumond
Secretary: Rick Meraska
Finance: Gary Mann

Coordinators include:

Logistics: Mike Connor
Ice Management: Curtis Desrosiers
Volunteer Co-ord: Ryan L'Abbe
Marketing: Christine Toth
Games Operations: Dana Case
Social Co-ord: Susan Wehling
Sponsorship: Ken Dumond

They will be reviewing their needs and reaching out for volunteers to fill their sub-committees, so please let someone on the committee know if you are interested in helping out! Volunteer forms are available at the bar and on the Spiel board in the lower lounge area. Additionally, a copy of the form is included in this newsletter. Thank you to all who have volunteered already.

Sponsorship - If you would like to sponsor some portion of the event or you know of anyone that could be interested in sponsoring – please contact Ken Dumond. This will be critical to our success – so we need your help in making this event a financial as well as curling success!

The cost of the volunteer kit will be \$100. This will give you a full week pass as well as an event jacket and (hopefully depending on cost) a golf shirt.

We have lots in process right now.

- The logo is designed and will be finalized shortly
- The Ticket Order Form is being created
- The website is under construction
- Finalization of the Barrie Molson Centre contract will be done shortly
- Work to provide an entertainment lounge at the BMC is ongoing

- Creation of the volunteer database is ongoing

And much more is in the works.....!

If you have any questions – please reach out to someone on the committee. We are here to help answer your questions!

With our central geographic location, event location, variety of accommodations and support from City of Barrie and local businesses, we are ideally positioned to put on an event that will attract curlers from all over Ontario. This event has the potential to make a healthy profit, **IF** we have the support of our members. I hope you will get behind this important event.

Ken Leach, Executive Chair
The Dominion Tankard Barrie 2013

January Events

Jan 14th Men's Bonspiel
9 am – close



Sunday Jan 15th BCC Instructional Clinic
2 – 4 pm

Jan 17th, 19th & 20th Grand Masters
9 am – 3 pm

Wed Jan 25th (Robbie Burns Day!)
Scotch Nosing 7 pm
Tickets go on sale at the bar Wed Jan 11th
(see flyer attached)

Update from Kitchen & Bar

By Kathy Parliament & Dave McLean

Thank you to Brenda Collins, Jane Barnes, Lee Schwartz, Mary Jo Davies and Connie Koscieliniak for cleaning out the storeroom in the upstairs lounge. Those items worth keeping were moved to the basement for storage. Now there is room for the extra dining room chairs and tables to be stacked in an orderly fashion.

Also, a “big” thank you to Brenda Collins for faithfully laundering the dining room table cloths each week (yes- washing and ironing them). This is saving the club on dry cleaning expenses and is much appreciated.

For the coffee drinkers, the Mother Parkers Coffee cards are now available; buy 9 and get 1 free. Pick your card up at the bar or kitchen, if you haven’t already got one.

We hope that you like the new lights at the bar. Thanks to Terry Yorke and Pieter Frans for completing the installation.

Update on Fundraising

By Cathy Baetz

Congratulations to Lorna Price the winner of the Travel Voucher raffle. Many thanks to Corinne Whitney for this generous donation to aid in our fundraising efforts. Also thanks to those who participated in this raffle.

Tickets for our second raffle are again available at the Bar and Club Manager’s office at the price of \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. The prize for this second raffle is a BCCL 2012-2013 membership. The draw for this raffle will take place Monday, February 13, 2012.

Also please keep in mind that gift cards can still be purchased through the Vista program. Forms are available in the upper lounge next to the exit door. Activity is usually quite brisk before the

Christmas season but does fall greatly in the New Year so we would remind you to continue to support this fundraiser.

The Toonie Bin will continue for the balance of the season. Don’t forget to deposit your toonie in the jar and enter your name in the book provided.

Again thank you to all who have participated in our fundraising efforts so far this season and with continued support we may be able to spruce up our club as it deserves to be.

Letters to the Editor

We invite your thoughts and opinions on what we’re doing well and what you would like to see improved. Letters to the Editor are invited by email to ploughren@rogers.com. These will be forward to the board and/or portfolio director for consideration.

NOTE from the EDITOR

This January newsletter is quite short as there was no Board meeting in Dec. to bring forward reports and updates. A more comprehensive newsletter will be published in February.

If you have articles, photos or events to be promoted, please email: ploughren@rogers.com.

2013 DOMINION TANKARD ONTARIO MEN'S CURLING CHAMPIONSHIP VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

Thank you for your interest in the 2013 Dominion Tankard Ontario Men's Curling Championship to be held in Barrie February 4 to 11, 2013. The 2013 Tankard is a partnership between the City of Barrie, the Ontario Curling Association and the Barrie Curling Club.

NAME _____ **EMAIL:** _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE (H) _____ **PHONE (Cell)** _____

PHONE (W) _____ **How do you prefer to be contacted?**

- I am interested in volunteering for the Ontario Men's Curling Championship during the week of February 4th to 11th 2013. I understand that if assigned a volunteer position I will be required to purchase a volunteer package for \$100.00. This will include an event volunteer jacket and a full week pass.

AVAILABILITY:

___ **DAYTIME** ___ **EVENINGS** ___ **ANYTIME**

Additional Information:

AREAS OF INTEREST:

Please enter 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice but remember you may be needed elsewhere.

___ **ICE TEAM** ___ **FOOD and BAR** ___ **FACILITY OPERATIONS**
___ **TICKETING** ___ **GAME OPERATIONS** ___ **SECURITY**

Please indicate any area of **special expertise or skill you may have:** (FIRST AID etc)

Your name will be put on file and will be forward to the chairpersons in areas in which you have expressed interest.

Mail to: 2013 Ontario Men's Curling Championships
c/o Gord Smith, Manager, Barrie Curling Club
175 Essa Road, Barrie
L4N 3L2
Email to: BCCL@barriecurlingclub.com
Or drop off at the Barrie Curling Club Office



**BCC presents...
Scotch Nosing**



**Wed Jan 25th 7 pm
(Robbie Burns Day)
BCC dining room**

\$34

**Features 3 premium scotches
& 3 premium ports**

Signup & pay at the Bar

(deadline to sign up Mon Jan 23rd 5 pm)

**Please note: this event will be cancelled Jan 23rd if
there is insufficient interest**



BARRIE CURLING CLUB

**PAST PRESIDENT'S
19TH ANNUAL
OPEN MIXED FUNSPIEL**

February 4, 2012

1 DRAW- 9:30 A.M. 3- SIX END GAMES

Entry Fee: \$200.00 per team (incl. HST)
Includes: Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

\$\$\$\$ COME AND HAVE FUN WIN SOME CASH \$\$\$\$

Please make cheques payable to Barrie Curling Club

Mail Entries by January 27th, 2012 to:

Barrie Curling Club
Attention: Ken Leach
175 Essa Road, Barrie, Ontario L4N 3L2

Phone: 705-726-1351 Fax: 705-726-1368

Email: BCCL@barriecurlingclub.com

For further information contact:

Ken Leach at ken.leach@rogers.com

Entry Form

Name: _____ Club: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Player 2 _____ Player 3 _____

Player 4 _____

If you have any special dietary requirements, please specify.