Baysville Curling and Bocce Club







Buzz from the Board

We are participating in the Baysville Santa Claus parade on December 11. Watch for an update from Brenda Turnour who is leading our participation.

We will be holding a vote for Jim Rotz as our new Vice President. Watch for the email with the voting link later this week.

The Trillium Foundation has declined our grant application and have asked for more information about our process for project completion. Our submission included a long wish list of mechanical as well as cosmetic projects. For example, exterior building insulation, improved electrical and lighting, vinyl plank flooring everywhere, painting, and new kitchen appliances. You'll be glad to know that we are definitely going to apply in the next round of grants. Thanks to everyone involved in this rather complex undertaking — we have a great base for our next application!

See a further welcomed announcement on page 5 of this newsletter!

Submitted by Dianne Jones









2022 Everest Canadian **Curling Club Championships** in Edmonton, AB **NOV 20-26**

2022 Everest Canadian Senior **Curling Championships** in Yarmouth, NS **DEC 5-10**

FROM THE HOUSE TO YOUR HOME.

Watch the action live at youtube.com/c/curlingcanada



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Submitted by Joan Beaudry



Ladies of the House

Our annual Marie Vanclieaf Bonspiel has passed again for another year. A great fun day of curling, off-ice games and good food. Many thanks to June for her very informative talk on Marie Vanclieaf, her connections to the community, history with our CC, all reflecting why it is important to retain the name of this bonspiel. June also led a group instructing and then line dancing.

Also, many thanks and appreciation to Len, Terry, Bill R, Bill P and Jim who stepped up to keep the ice pebbled, the food prepared and served, the bar open and 50/50 tickets sold. As well a big shout out to Janet, Jean, Susie and Rhonda R who have been working with me arranging this bonspiel since August. Susie kept the day up beat with her enthusiasm and energy.

The Parry Sound Muskoka Interclub league is starting again in December. If you are interested in participating in these games, please let Cathy know.

We received a Bonspiel invite from the Fenelon Falls CC - <u>Saturday January 7th, 2-8</u> end games & lunch, \$160. per team. Draw times are either <u>8:45</u> or <u>11:00</u>. Poster is on the bulletin board by the Women's change room. If you would like to go, gather a team together and follow the poster instructions. Google maps says it is 1.3 hours from <u>Baysville</u>

Cheers to Women's Curling!

Submitted by Cathy Hoare



Mens' Den



Grand Masters games

Tues Dec 6th - Huntsville
Tues Dec 13th - Gravenhurst

Masters games

Fri Dec 2nd - Bracebridge Fri Dec 9th - Gravenhurst Fri Dec 16th - Bracebridge

Grandmasters decided to keep the rule allowing a lead person age 65 & up to play on a team. It was also decided all team members would buy their own drinks. The lunch situation was not resolved. Further discussion to take place.

Submitted by Hugh Knox



Funspiel Bonspiel

This season in Baysville we piloted a new event, to draw attention to curling in an event other than the weeknight leagues. With all new things we bumped into a few surprises and misadventures. Note to selves -bonspiels on the weekend of American Thanksgiving will face a lot of competition for hearts and minds.



We managed to organize an intimate gathering of 12 curlers, to try out the Triples Format as outlined by Curling Canada for a three-game competition that felt fun, engaging and frequently confusing. While the rules look simple, they take some time to absorb. More importantly, the format is just different enough that it upends many of the small habits we know from the traditional four-person team format.

While chaos set the stage, we eventually found our way to understand that this new game is really three very short two-end games. As the winning team of Elaine Rowlands, Terry Kouyoumjian, and Greg Symmes put it "there was no skip, because we were all the skip". That might just explain what folks were enjoying so much - Triples presents the opportunity to work on all three roles of thrower, sweeper and skip. The spirit of 'good curling' was on display on the ice and in conversations in the clubhouse.

Considering the unanimous level of satisfaction with the event, the comfort food and the Triples format, it seems natural that we would try to build on this experience. We'll find a better weekend in the calendar for next year and promote this opportunity for curlers who want to try all roles of the game. If you weren't available for this version, let us know your ideas for how we build this up to engage a second draw. And use it to jump start the curling season earlier in the year. There was even talk of a Triples league.

Special thanks to everyone who contributed to ice making, and bartending!

Submitted by Lili & Mike Davis-Burchat.







From Your President

Great News!

The dehumidifier is scheduled to be installed during the week of <u>Dec 15th</u> or <u>Dec. 22nd</u>, and should be fully operational for the second draw.

Submitted by Ed Mathany



Congratulations!

Every year BCBC enters all new members in a Goldline draw. This year Sam Melo was the winner of the \$50 Goldline gift certificate!

Congratulations Sam!

Submitted by Anna Landry

Kitchen Chatter



New to the kitchen will be a COMPOST bucket. Please use this for all food waste, egg shells, veggie peelings, paper towels, etc. A 'Composting Bag' is the only type of bag that can be used, then it can be tied up, taken and deposited in the Compost Green Bin at the dump. 'Compost Bags' will be found in the cupboard beside the sink. Please be mindful of making proper use of this both to help with the Program as well as reducing the CC's amount of garbage.

Many hands make light work and such has been the case in the kitchen. Tuesdays and Fridays, teams of two ladies have prepared and served delicious and varied meals to 16 men who come to Baysville to play one game and have lunch. Rumour has it that Baysville has risen to the top as 'the Curling Club to have lunch at'. Just ask John, Hugh, Keith or any of our other team players!

Submitted by Lili and Cathy



Please check out the Baysville &
Bocce Club website to keep up with
further information. Click below
www.baysvillecurling.ca



Bar Empties – Donating to the Rainbow Fund

In an effort to give back to the local Baysville Community, the club donates empty containers from the bar to local charity groups. During 2021-22, we donated the empties to the **Baysville Lions Club**. This year, we have decided to donate to Bruce & Doug Thomas' **'Rainbow Fund'**.

The Thomas family have been strong supporters of the club over the years. As well, Bruce Thomas is taking care of the club's snow plowing requirements again this year. In return for his services, Bruce asks that the club make a donation to the Bethune United Church.

The Rainbow Fund supports local Baysville groups who help to enhance social & recreational opportunities for the residents of Baysville, as well as help in attract new residents to the area. Bruce and Doug collect containers from alcoholic beverages (beer, cooler & cider cans, liquor and wine bottles) and return for the deposit value. As well, they collect pop, juice and non-alcoholic beer cans and sell the crushed containers for scrap aluminum value.

How can you help out? The club has a grey plastic garbage can by the bar where you can drop off your pop, juice and non-alcoholic beer cans from home. As well, you can drop off your beer, cooler & cider cans, liquor and wine bottles directly to the Thomas' at 3 Spruce Street, Baysville. Just place them in the back section of the garage near the barrels of crushed cans. To assist with managing of the empties in the club, please put your beer bottle empties in the empty beer cases in the bar, the empty beer, cooler & cider cans in the trays next to the cooler in the bar. Empty beer & wine glasses go in the designated blue bins in the kitchen and empty plastic bottles go in the recycling bin.

Submitted by Ed Matthany



Health & Safety First

Club Cleaning

There are still a couple of open spots on our cleaning schedule for this session and large number for after the holidays. If you have not signed up please go to the Club Cleaning & Schedule Section of the Members Area of our website and sign up for a session (password is Baysville20*). Please contact Bill Rowlands at rowlands108@rogers.com if you have any questions.



Submitted by Bill Rowlands



Fundraising Fun



Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts so far this year. Every dollar counts towards the purchase of our new dehumidifier.

Thanks to those who participated in the Grey Cup Squares pool. Congratulations to the winners of the Grey Cup Squares event. Susie Bloom had the winning numbers at half time and Suzanne David had the winning numbers at the end of the game.

The poinsettia sales were fabulous so thank you to all of you who purchased your poinsettias through the curling club. These plants will be available for pick up on Dec. 1st between 4:00 and 7:00 and Dec. 2nd between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

On Nov. 27th, Cathy and Len Hoare were happy to welcome the families who purchased Christmas Trees from them. This is a great fundraising event and we would like to thank Cathy and Len for their generosity in offering this event every year.

We are still selling tickets for the **Wonderful** raffle basket so if you haven't purchased your tickets yet you don't want to miss out on the opportunity to win this basket filled with a variety of goodies. (Valued at \$300) Tickets are available at the curling club for \$5 each or 3 for \$10.

We will be hosting our first Trivia Night on Wednesday Dec. 7th from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Be sure to sign up on the website to join in the fun. Thank you to Ahne Crawford-Ridley who is creating the questions and running this event. We are hoping to repeat this event so we will keep you posted of our next Trivia evening if you can't make it on the 7th.

Please keep your eyes open for other fundraising events that will be occurring in the new year.

Submitted by Elaine Rowlands



Word on the Street

Today, we ventured into the "acres upon welcoming acres" of emerald green balsam fir and pine trees as we visited our generous host, Cathy, Len and Rosie. They opened the forest for us and invited us to choose a Christmas tree as part of a fundraiser for the BCBC.

The first tree we saw chose us and Len had her felled in no time. We then joined Cathy, Len and their sweet pup, Rosie, for a beautiful bonfire and a welcomed cup of warm apple cider. As Rosie snoozed in the waning snow, we learned a little about the incredible history of Cathy's family. (And, about Len's motorcycle adventures around North America!)

Thank you for sharing your beautiful space with us! We have so enjoyed getting to know the kind folk at the BCBC as we repatriate back into the true north, strong and free!

Submitted by Ahne Crawford-Ridley & Phil Ridley



In Our Community

The Baysville Lions Club is at a crossroads with membership being down. They only have 13 members (Andre, Len, and Francois) are 3 of them. These gents would be happy to answer any questions you may have. Please consider joining this worthwhile group.

Click on this link for further information https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064377741674

Submitted by Stasi O'Hare



Practice strategy, with curling scenarios



Do you ever wish you could call a time-out, and talk your way through what is happening at the far end of the sheet?

Well, we started using game scenarios this year in PF just for that reason. Repeating a drill is a good way to build confidence in making a shot. But curling strategy requires a deeper dive if we expect to call the best game. Especially, when the clock is ticking and we are under a little pressure.

As different as one end of curling can be from another, there are a few recurring patterns that show up in club curling. And some of those are unique to the way we play here in Baysville. In addition to stopping time, discussing a scenario makes it possible to consider what happens with each option, and to rank them accordingly. Which shot is most difficult? Which shot is riskier? And what are the consequences of taking one of those risks?

Consider the scenario from Session 5, for example.

Team RED is filling the house with some aggressive shots, so the Vice-Skip from the team without hammer (YELLOW) needs to put some pressure on the Skip with hammer (RED). How might Vice YELLOW make life harder for Skip RED with his/her last shot?

One approach we see in Baysville would be to call for a firm weight take-out, with the objective of taking one rock out and changing some angles. Occasionally this works, especially if luck is on your side and our single turns out to be a double! However, the unspoken risk with a take-out shot is that we may leave behind a new guard in the process. And that guard creates more pressure for our own Skip. (YELLOW) So it stands to reason that a draw shot in this scenario will make things harder for the opponent than for our own team.

When Skip has hammer their silent expectation is to score 2 points. It's what Russ Howard calls "The Skipper's Deuce". But when the front of the house is guarded up after the Vices have completed their turns, the score that eventually goes up on the board is often a single point, a force. Or worse, a steal from the team without hammer!

If we look at the rock placement so far, team RED look set up for a big end. With 3 red rocks in the house they could sit 4 if Yellow misses its next shot. So let's compare some options.

Option A

In Baysville, the shot of choice will be to guard the open port that covers part or all of the shot rock, in the 4 foot circle.

Risks

If YELLOW throws a perfect guard, then there is a raise-double on the right side of the sheet for team RED. Yellow—> Red—>Yellow. RED might sit 2 or 3 after the dust settles.

If YELLOW fails to guard the port, then team RED has an open takeout to sit 4.

If YELLOW makes the guard, we will find it hard to add another counting stone to the house.

Option B

Draw to bite the 8 foot circle, to cover the shot rock. And take away the two of the run-backs.

Risks

If YELLOW makes the draw, they don't have two counting stones. And RED might double YELLOW's new guard to sit, 4 RED.

If YELLOW rubs the YELLOW guard, they still get a guard, but not another counting stone.

If YELLOW runs too deep they could push their own shot rock out.

Option C

Draw to bite the 4 foot circle. Yellow places a corner freeze on the shot rock. Making it hard to remove both YELLOW rocks.

Risks

If YELLOW rubs the YELLOW guard, they still get a guard but not another counting stone.

If YELLOW rubs the RED guard, they still guard the 4 foot circle but do not get another counting stone.

If YELLOW runs too deep they could push their own shot rock out.

So, if you want to join us on Saturday to play these scenarios like this out, you can experience the risks and rewards for yourself. But if you are not available, print out a copy and discuss it with your curling friends over some refreshments. You can also ponder the scenarios already posted on the Practice First webpages.

Submitted by Mike and Alan

Scenario Five

Put pressure on the opposing Skipper

