November 2022

Baysville Curling and Bocce Club







Buzz from the Board

- Murray Turnour has resigned as Vice President. Please join the Board in thanking Murray for his contribution. There are three Board positions open. Please advise Ed, Joan or Dianne if you are interested in volunteering for one of the positions:
 - Vice President.
 - Director-At-Large Bar Services.
 - Director-At-Large Ice Team Leader
- We have 76 members which is slightly down from previous years. We lost several members due to moves out from the area.
- Did you know that approximately 50% of the cost of running the club comes from membership dues? This is why volunteering and fundraising are so important to the success of our club. Please participate when you can.
- We have a new Sponsorship program. <u>Please click here to see the attached</u> <u>brochure that was created by volunteers.</u> If you know any business that would be interested, please forward the brochure or contact Kelly Priest at <u>kpriest1459@gmail.com</u>
- We are updating the "club provided" equipment with the addition of 4 new sticks and several new pairs of grippers
- We will be offering our members the opportunity to order products from Goldline at a 25-30% discount off the regular retail price. Watch for ordering instructions over the next few days
- Finally, we plan to participate in the Baysville Santa Claus parade. Watch for details in mid-November.



Practise Makes Perfect

All the news, about Practise First.

As fresh ice comes together this curling season I recall just how much curling is about noticing the small things that happen during gameplay.

The smallest nudge, slip, flip, or wobble seems to show up as a really big deal by the time a stone travels 140 feet from the hack. Each October I am reminded of many details that I have forgotten since March. As if they were lost in the attic somewhere. Summer has a way of misplacing fine motor skills and a sense of how the game is played.

Last year our club welcomed over 20 new members to Curling! With so many new faces Practice First became the Learn to Curl destination, which was an exciting program to be a part of. Still, our aim is to make sure the PF program is relevant to every level of ability in the club. One thing we learned last year is that working on the small steps requires a different focus than working on a big step.

And it is never going to be OK to say, in the heat of a game, "You know I bet I could have made that shot with a do-over!" Every new draw of curling will bring forth a new shot or sweeping skill that we might want to make just a little bit better.

This season, Alan and I are inviting all members of the club to participate in Practice First, full time or on a drop-in basis.

If any aspect of your delivery, sweeping or skipping game feels rusty this fall let us know. Feel free to reach out. And book any Saturday as the urge comes up without the need to commit to PF for the whole season. Open spots will be limited, so make sure to book by the Wednesday of the week that you wish to attend.

How exactly does Practice First work?

This season of PF each session is divided into two distinct ways of practicing. Techniques in the first hour and Situations in the second. For each hour all participants can cycle through three roles: Delivery, Sweeping, and Skipping.

If you feel something missing, let us know so we may find a way to work it in!



Michael and Alan

Ladies of the House

Thanks all the women who signed up for curling this season - whether it be Jitney, Womens League or the Mixed Leagues. We are all optimistically looking forward to a near normal curing season. The Womens League has five teams from October through December and will be played in 2 Draws. This allows for the opportunity to try out different curling positions and also to get to know all the women. Of course, the league will continue January through March so spread the word about this great league. The Marie Vanclieaf Womens Fun Bonspiel 'ROCKIN HOEDOWN' is scheduled for Saturday November 12th. The sign up board and info is at the Curling Club. The Parry Sound/Muskoka Womens Interclub League is back this year, which is a league consisting of Baysville and 6 other local clubs who play a schedule of games. This provides an opportunity to play in a more competitive, bonspiel like atmosphere. We send a different team to each game made up of experienced curlers and less experienced curlers. If you are interested, there will be a sign up sheet posted just outside of the Womens Changeroom. Until next time, be safe, stay healthy and see you on the ice! **Cathy Hoare** catlen.rp@qmail.com

Mens' Den



Grand Masters at home games

Tuesday November 1st,

15th, 29th

Masters at home games

Friday November 4th,

11th, 25th

BCBC is not the only club experiencing equipment problems. One club in our area is not expected to open until the end of Nov and another one for at least two more weeks



Come on out and cheer them on!

Submitted by Hugh Knox



Baysville Curling & Bocce Club (Maybe Annual) Intraclub Bonspiel

Bonspiels can be intimidating. So let's bring it in-house, among friends, and see how it works. Sign up for the Baysville Curling Club (Maybe Annual) Intraclub Bonspiel --

Sign up on the board at the club for a weekend of fun curling with all your Baysville friends. This is an event for beginners and seasoned curlers alike. Everyone is encouraged to sign up. This is an introduction to bonspiels for new curlers, and your opportunity to teach and shine for experienced curlers.

What's at stake: Absolutely nothing (except for bragging rights for the year)

How do I sign up: put your name on the board in your preferred position—this is your opportunity to try a position you haven't curled before

What do you get: Three eight-end games, dinner Friday night, light breakfast Saturday morning and lunch on Saturday

How much: \$50/person. Dates: Fri Nov 25th & Sat Nov 26th

Submitted by Lili & Michael Davis-Burchat.





Please make sure to visit the Baysville & Bocce Club website to keep up with current information. Click below <u>www.baysvillecurling.ca</u>



Fundraising Fun

As most of you are aware the Curling Club is in need of a new dehumidifier and so the fundraising committee is working hard to obtain funds to help offset the cost.

We are currently running several fundraising activities which can be found on the curling club website. Our first project is another **Music Night.** On Nov. 5th Jim Tomlinson and Jan (Steeling Time) will be returning to the curling club for another night of great music. Pizza will also be served and the bar will be open. You can purchase your tickets through the website and this time we are opening the event up to members as well as friends of members.

The second project to help raise funds is the return of the **Poinsettia Sales**. We will again be selling poinsettias from Bradford Nursery. If you would like to order one they will be available on the website, starting soon, and available to order until Nov. 23 with the delivery of the Poinsettias on Nov. 30th. Spread the word to all of your friends and neighbours that these lovely plants will be available soon

Len & Cathy Hoare have generously offered all members to cut your own naturally grown Christmas tree on their property Sun Nov 27th.

We also plan to have a **Basket Raffle** closer to Christmas and sales of raffle tickets will occur at the curling club after games in December. The basket will be brimming with many of your favourite treats; such as, wine, chocolate, shortbread, scotch...

Several events are being considered for the new year. Thank you to all in advance for your support of these fundraising endeavours.

Submitted by Elaine Rowlands





Kitchen Chatter



You have probably noticed that the club kitchen has had an impressive overhaul. Cathy Hoare, assisted by a multitude of volunteers, led the charge on making the kitchen a far more efficient and pleasant workspace.

What started as a simple project to sort out what was in the kitchen and do a "purge" soon lead to rearranging, painting and much more. Linda Lacroix championed the paint job, Tylor Jeffery jumped in with re-tiling the window surrounds and cleaning the truly horrible t-bar holding up the ceiling, Dana Pearson and Len Hoare installed the new sink (that had been sitting in the basement for almost 10 years) and helped to move the dishwasher, Cathy, Linda, Lorie Marsham, Ahne Crawford-Ridley and others painted the walls and the cabinets. Peter Craik and Len refitted and built us cabinets-and more (deepest apologies to anyone we overlooked). Other volunteers were Suzanne David, Bill Rowlands, Terry Kouyoumijian, Ed Mathany, and co-director of food services, Lili Davis-Burchat

Woodsmiths of Muskoka and Muskoka Paint and Decorating kindly donated supplies for this project, and thanks to all members who purchased items from the purge so that we could buy paint.

Cathy and Lili look forward to keeping the kitchen in good working order but would like to remind everyone that volunteer

efforts are always needed

Submitted by Lili Davis-Burchat