



Wolfville Curling Club

NEWSLETTER

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In the second half of this season, it looks like we have all settled down to some pretty serious curling. Those of you who haven't are of course free to dispute that – or to continue working on your game. As usual, winter weather has played a role, causing a few cancellations here and there. But all in all we are managing to handle a very full schedule in terms of both regular club play and special events. The CIS Atlantic University Championship has come and gone and we are now getting ready to host our second major. That's the NS Senior Men's where we can watch top-notch teams from across the province compete with one another. Although we didn't host the NS Masters, one of our top woman curlers, Audrey Dorey, is mate on the winning team. Then coming up in March we will be continuing in the traditional fun event of the season – Curl For Cancer. In a lighter vein, and also in March, our Seniors will put on their annual SuperSeniors Breakfast. Scroll down to read more about all of these.

In our club it is most important to note that none of this happens without the greatly appreciated assistance of club members. Whether it is as leadership or carrying out necessary matters behind the scene, the fact is that many of you have given up some of your personal time for the good of the club and the enjoyment of others. In some cases it is just a matter for one or two; others, like the Senior Men's, involve a cast of thousands – well, would you believe 30 or 40. The point is that it couldn't be done without you and it is a matter of pride for the club that allows us to accomplish so much – on a modest budget. We are very grateful for the many who are contributing so much. Thank you all!

TIMERS CLINIC - Wed, Feb 16, 12 noon at the club – Head timer Isobel Noel will be present to instruct all volunteer timers, In preparation for Senior Men's event.

2011 Atlantic University Curling Championship



Run to perfection by Mike Ferguson and a small efficient crew, this event [Jan 21-23] saw keen competition among some of the upcoming young curlers. Unfortunately, both Acadia teams were out of the running, with 1 win and 2 losses each. The big winners were **St. Mary's** in both men's and women's play.



SMU men won a squeaker over Dal, stealing one in an extra end to win 7 – 6. St. Mary's women defeated UPEI by a score of 12 – 9, running their opponents out of rocks in the 10th. The two winners advance now to the finals being played in St. John's, Newfoundland [Mar 9-13].

CURL FOR CANCER

It may seem like a much shorter time, but in fact for over a quarter of a century, our club has been contributing to the campaign to defeat cancer. We have been doing this since 1985, when Terry Moore [who later died of cancer] started us on this path. For a while in the earlier years this annual fun event was also known as the Dick Parker Tournament. In more recent times, the person who has taken on the leadership is



Judy Forsythe. She recalls the event as a marvellous, light-hearted day involving 96 people, “sometimes we didn’t get out til 9:30 at night”, she says. People just put together teams; curlers and non-curlers, families, neighbours, church members – Ken Parker from Berwick, The Black River Lake Boys, the Kennedys, the Saints are all regulars. At first, they registered at \$20 a head. “Later, when I put it up to \$25, lots of people thought it could easily have been more”. Lunch was included and a great time was had by all. Everyone contributed and at the same time the Cancer Society [NS Division] received a sizable donation. About this year’s Curl for Cancer, Judy says, “Come out; we’ve all lost someone to this disease. Come out; honour their memory. Support the fight against Cancer.

After 10 years Judy resigned. Two years later, she really resigned, though actually, she is still in the background helping out as **Marilyn Campbell Profitt** puts together this year’s edition [16 teams] which will be held on March 19. Marilyn’s message is, “look for the registration sheet which will be posted on the notice board in the first week of March. Entry fee: still \$25 [\$5 for lunch] participants get a \$20 tax receipt.” There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and last places – and also several random draws. **Other ways for you to participate:** in particular, consider volunteering to approach local companies for prizes. Contact Marilyn at 542-5821 to check out the details for this and other needed volunteers.



RECEPTION FOR AUDREY DOREY

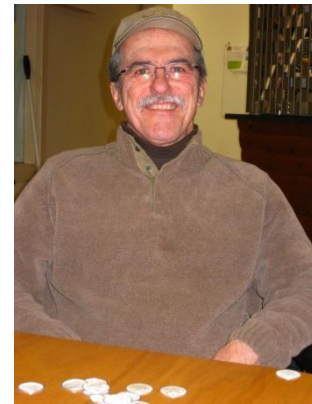
We’re exceptionally proud [read: “in awe”] of Audrey’s curling accomplishments over the years. Particularly now as her team gets ready to travel to the Women’s Masters National Championship to be held in Winnipeg at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club, March 30 – April 5. In case you did not know, Masters teams have to pay their own way for travel and accommodation at Nationals. The Wolfville Club wants to assist Audrey and her team in a tangible way by holding a Reception – a fun evening with fellow curlers **on Friday, MARCH 11 at 7:00 pm.** Good food and, as a fundraiser, we are looking at a silent auction, a donation jar, 50/50 draw – and perhaps other fun stuff. Get this into your calendar now and come out to help the NS Champs curl their way to success in Winnipeg. Team members are: Sue Green, Audrey, Norma Reid and Karen Romkey.



We note with sadness, the passing [Jan 25] of **Peter McPhee** of Dartmouth, while about to compete in the quarter-final match of the Masters in Middleton. One of Nova Scotia's great curlers, he will be sorely missed. To his family, our Club expresses the condolence of all who knew him here.

NOVA SCOTIA SENIOR MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

One week from today, some of the best curlers in the province will be stepping on to our ice as practice rounds commence. Tuesday evening at 6:30 is the Official Opening and Player Reception upstairs in the Club with civic and provincial dignitaries in attendance. Then on Wednesday morning at 10am, the first games are played. Members of the Executive of the Senior section of our club, under President, **Alden Profitt**, have provided most of the organizational energy to get this event to its present state of readiness. Other seniors and members from the general club have taken on committee roles as the planning has required. A full listing is found below.



We never have too many volunteers. Particular needs are for working the bar. Contact Ken Ochitwa or put your name on the sheet at the Club. Same thing goes for the Ice Committee – another sign-up sheet. But there are all sorts of needs that just crop up. As a member of the host club, consider making yourself available. Indeed, if you plan to be at an event and would be willing to volunteer on an as needed basis, let Alden know. 542-5821. Remember the **Timers Clinic Wednesday 16th at NOON.**

The club **website will keep you up to date with scores of games** as they proceed during the week.

13 Teams are registered including two from Wolfville – Tony Stirling, Brian Boutilier. Draws are scheduled at the following times: Wednesday the 23rd – 10am, 3pm and 8pm; Thursday 24th – 9am, 2:30pm and 8pm; Friday 25th and Saturday 26th – 9am and 3pm; Sunday 27th – 9am; Final Game at 3pm. Followed by the Closing Ceremony.

Committee Members: NSCA Liaison – Edie Lloyd

Chair	Alden Profitt	Secretary/Treasurer	Murray Phillips
Ice	Tony Stirling	Draw [Aaron Sweeney]	Murray Philipps
Umpires	Jane Harrington	Accommodations	Gerald Giddens
Publicity	Jane Cayford	Website	Jane Harrington
Sponsorships	Gerald Giddens	Brochure	Peter Selig
Registration	Murray Philipps	Ceremonies	Alden Profitt
House/Building	Darrell Anderson	Hospitality/ Kitchen	Audrey Dorey
Bar	Ken Ochitwa		

CLUB PLAY [report from Ellen Kennie]

The final session of mixed social evenings begins on Wednesday, Feb 16th. The second session ended with undefeated teams for both Wednesday and Thursday night play. Wednesday results had Team Stirling [Tony, Peter Morse, Fern Brydon, Terry Hines] winning with 3 wins and 3 ties. Thursday play saw Team Meister [Verne, Brian Rideout, Kathy Babcooke, Zach Maclsaac] unbeaten, at the top with 6 straight wins. Congratulations to both teams.

This weekend we will have a team skipped by Matt Gowland in the Dominion Club Championships to be played in Chester. All the best guys.

SENIOR PLAY

We continue to have a full house almost every Monday, Wednesday, Friday morning.

The **Annual Breakfast at which SuperSeniors** are inducted will be held this year on Friday, March 11. This year, two of our Senior members, aged 75 and still curling, will be added to the growing list in a special ceremony; Stewart Bishop and Peter Mosher. All Senior members and previous inductees are expected to be there [just kidding]. Others are invited too, of course. Breakfast between 7:30 and 8:30am - \$5 each – none better. The induction ceremony will start at 8:30. And then we curl.

Two teams of stick curlers, **Hubert Sullivan / Rob Stirling** and **Howie Johnson / Bob Richardson** will be representing Wolfville in the NS Stick Curling Championships in Truro, this weekend, February 18 – 20. Best of luck, and hope you bring the Sullivan Cup back home.

Alden hopes to plan a **stick competition** in the senior section for a day in March – yet to be decided. He'd like at least 8 teams with a proper playdown – to establish "bragging rights". Look for a sign-up sheet in early March.

CALENDAR

FEB 18-20	Dominion Club Championships in Chester
FEB 18-20	Provincial Stick Curling Championship in Truro
FEB 22-27	NS Senior Men's
MAR 11	Super Seniors Breakfast. Everyone invited. 7:30am – 9:00am
MAR 11	Reception / Fundraiser for Audrey's team. 7:00 pm

NEWSLETTER is published monthly during Curling Season and on other occasions. News items and pictures of interest to club members are accepted.

Deadline: 15th of each month.

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