



HogLine News

OSHAWA CURLING CLUB
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November 17, 2009

First Annual Pub Night

Pub Night was held on **Friday, Oct. 2, 2009**. Unfortunately the weather was rainy, but that didn't keep Brian Rutherford and Fred O'Neil from barbecuing up some delicious Halenda's burgers and sausages.

The event was *fairly* well attended and overall a success. Thanks to the members that organized and helped out that night, and thank you to those who attended and supported the club. A special thanks to "The Rockhoundz" who graciously provided great live music for the evening.

The main objective for this event was to raise awareness of our club and to promote the club as a partner in the community. We were able to donate \$305 to the Lakeridge Cancer Centre.

Please plan on attending next year. It was a great way to kick off the season!

Learn to Curl - October 13, 14, 17, 18, 2009

Thank you Ron Moore, Steve Ball, Andi Kelcey, Ruth Leone, Rod Evans, Russ and Jennifer Langford (and anyone else we may have missed (sorry)) for your help with the Learn to Curl sessions. There were lots of smiling faces on the ice those days. Thanks also to Dave Ralston, Keith Olan, Joe Green, Joe Flett for your help with the ice making.

Open House - October 18, 2009

Many perspective members dropped by the club throughout the day to check out our facility and/or find out what curling was all about. Thank you to the club volunteers who helped with the Learn to Curl session also running that day and to those who were able to show potential new curlers the ice and the techniques. Thanks to Janice O'Neil for manning the Pro Shop for the day. And once again Fred O'Neil was at the barbecue, but this time the weather was nice and sunny. Thanks Fred. We raised over \$100 in food sales that day!

Please WELCOME the 89 NEW Adult CURLERS who have joined us this season!!!

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Bantam /Junior Bonspiel - October 17, 2009

The Oshawa Youth League ran a very successful bonspiel for Bantam and Junior curlers on October 17. Four Junior teams came from Oshawa, St. Georges, Chinguacousy, and Unionville. Eight Bantam teams represented St. Catharines, Burlington (2), Unionville, Scarboro, Bayview, Tam Heather, and Leaside. After two 8-end games and a skills competition, the scores were in and half of the teams in each "division" received their cash prizes. Oshawa's own team (Wesley Forget, Courtney Andrey, Todd Johnston, David Langford) took 1st prize for the Juniors. The Runner-up for prize money was the Jack Lindsay rink from St. George's. Top Bantam cash winners were Adam Pearson and his team from Burlington. Second place Bantam funds went to the Tam Heather rink skipped by Conor Joudrey while third place money was presented to Blake Sandham of St. Catharines. Heather Cridland's Burlington rink took the 4th place cash prize.

Many thanks to the Andrey family and to Alison Bone for setting up and manning a fabulous raffle table that earned \$280 for the Junior program. Thank you to generous prize donations from Black and Decker, Innoda Group, Shop Vac, Durham College Residence & Conference Centre, the Andrey Family.

Thanks Dave Ralston and Joe Green for great ice that day. There were many positive comments about the ice. Thank you to Alison Bone, Brittany Andrey, Dean Andrey, Diane Andrey, Dave Johnston, Cory Johnston, Russ Langford for your help with the day and for your part in raising \$550 for the club. And, as usual, thanks bartender Linda Steele for a job well done!

The Dominion Curling Qualifiers at the Oshawa Curling Club October 24 & 25, 2009

The Ontario Curling Association would like to thank the following people who made the two days at Oshawa Curling Club the best: Ellie Hutcheon who got some of the Afternoon Ladies to make the soup (it was really good), Peggy Cleminson who purchased ingredients and made all of the sandwiches with the help of Andi her next door neighbour. We also had some men help us: Fred O'Neil and Al Caswell. Rod Evans looked after the money on Sat. Lois McLaughlin came out early and helped with morning coffee and she also helped set up for lunch. Thanks everybody. Without your help we couldn't have done it.

As for our Icemaker, Dave: if we didn't have him, nothing would get done. Ice was great. Everybody liked it: no complaints. Thanks Dave for all of your help. Dave's helpers for the two days were Joe Green, Joe Flett, Keith Olan, and if I have missed anybody I am sorry. The bartenders were great too. Cheryl in the office thanks for your help.

The winning teams were:

Brent Murray's Men's team from Peterborough and
Liz Winters' Ladies team from Whitby.

Although they were unsuccessful in advancing to Provincials, Oshawa Curling Club's teams of Andi Kelcey and Brain Suddard showed us how good they really are. Way to go!

The Ontario Dominion Curling Finals were played at Annandale Golf and Curling Club on October 31 & November 1. The Canadian Club Championship will be held at St. George's Golf and Country Club on November 23 through 29, 2009. Come out and see some great curling.

Thanks again everybody. Thanks to the Oshawa Curling Club for having us.

OCA Zone 6 Representative
Donna Morrison

Please support our Club Fundraisers!

Help us reach our financial goals this season.

- ◆ Purchase an *ENTERTAINMENT 2010 coupon book* for only \$25. Look for more details available in this newsletter.
- ◆ Regal Gifts Corporation: club member Janet Marshall-Nicol has partnered with a Regal Sales Representative to offer 10% of sales profit for Club members' sales to the club. Catalogues and order forms are located outside the club office. Or you can order on-line indicating "Oshawa Curling Club-Regal Order" in the Subject Line. Please see Janet if you need more details. marshall-nicol@sympatico.ca or 905-430-1335.
- ◆ Watch for details on special events at the club such as Brier Party, an Olympics Curling party, etc..... Come on out and enjoy these events on the big screen at the club with fellow curlers.
- ◆ Attend Oshawa Curling Club's special evening at *Class Act 2010*. Details will be available later in the season.
- ◆ Once again this year we are asking members to drop their *Canadian Tire money and loose change* in the jar at the bar. Canadian Tire Money can be used to purchase duct tape, paint, light bulbs, and many other items that are needed for maintenance around the club. It can even be used to purchase bonspiel prizes! It all adds up -- so save up and drop it in!

Thank you for ordering your Poinsettias and Christmas planters. Please have your payment ready on November 30 when the plants are delivered!!

Paint your (Curling Shoe) Toes!

Dave Ralston (our ice maker) is offering a new service at the club. For \$20 you can have the toes of your curling shoes "dipped" to prevent them getting scuffed in the hack or on the ice. Interested curlers should arrange to leave your shoes with Dave.

**The Oshawa Curling Club
would like to welcome
OPG as a proud sponsor of
Little Rock Curling.
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Pot of Gold!!!

Oshawa Curling Club Members' own mini-lottery. Here's how it works:

There is a large gold jar labeled **POT OF GOLD** that sits on the Bar.

Every week the Club holds a "50 - 50" draw whereby the contents of the POT OF GOLD are split between the LUCKY ELIGIBLE WINNER and the Club.

But you have to enter to win!

- **Every adult club member's name** is written on a "tag" that sits in a drum from which potential winners' names are drawn every Friday night.
- To enter the weekly draw and be eligible to win, a member just needs to place a dollar in the POT OF GOLD and write his/her name in the accompanying binder *sometime before the draw takes place on Friday Night*.
- The name of the person whose "tag" is drawn from the drum on Friday night AND whose name is also written in the binder for that week (i.e. that person contributed a dollar) wins one half of the money in the POT OF GOLD!!
- If the name that is selected from the drum is NOT entered in the binder (i.e. the member didn't enter the draw that week) then **another name** is drawn from the drum. If that member's name is entered in the binder (draw), he/she wins \$20 in "Chits" for the club that can be used at the Bar or in the Pro Shop.
- If the second member's name that was drawn is NOT entered in the binder, then **2 more names** are drawn from the drum and checked in sequence in the hopes that someone will have entered the draw. If at least one of the names is entered in the binder (draw), he/she wins the \$20 in "Chits" **but**, if that member's name is NOT entered in the draw/binder, half of the contents of the jar that were eligible winnings are added to the subsequent week's winnings.

This is an "honour draw", so if you add your name, don't forget to put in your dollar!

But remember, ***You can't win if you don't put your loonie in...***

THE 3rd ANNUAL CHRISTMAS JITNEY FUNSPIEL

DATE : SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009
TIME : REGISTRATION: 9:00 a.m.
FIRST GAME: 9:30 a.m.
COST : \$25.00 per person (includes eye openers & lunch)
FORMAT:

- ◆ 3-four-end games
- ◆ Change teams after each game, taking your points with you
- ◆ Bonspiel standings are determined by total points
- ◆ Prizes to all-star Skip, Vice, Second and Lead

ALSO: 50/50 DRAW & ROD'S TURKEY ROLLS

Please sign-up in your rated position by December 1st and pay at the office or the bar. We need to confirm with the caterer as soon as possible.

This is a **fun, non-competitive** bonspiel, open to all members including juniors, seniors, club members past & present, family and friends. New members are particularly encouraged to participate.



Other Upcoming Bonspiels at Oshawa Curling Club

Returning members, don't forget to encourage new members to sign up to experience the fun of a bonspiel! Please invite friends and family to Open bonspiels so they can try curling. New members, don't be shy. Ask what bonspiels are all about and then come on out and try one. You'll be glad you did.

Christmas Jitney (Open)	December 5, 2009
Snow Lady Bonspiel (Club)	December 15, 2009
66th Annual McLaughlin Bonspiel (Open)	January 2 & 3, 2010
Dr. Harding (Open)	January 13, 2010
Wood Gundy Skins (Club)	January 23, 2010
Groundhog Spiel	January 30, 2010
Family Challenge (Open) ** NEW	Jan or Feb date to be confirmed
Leads & Seconds (Open)	February 4, 2010
Valentine Mixed Jitney (Club)	February 12, 2010 (Friday)
Marion Campbell Ladies' 1-Day (Open)	March 3, 2010
St. Patrick's Day Jitney (Club)	March 20, 2010
Jessie Lawrence Ladies' (Club)	March 17, 2010
Junior Family Day (Juniors & families)	TBD
Moonlighters (Club)	February 23, 25 & 27, 2010
Halenda's (Club)	April 10, 2010 (to be confirmed)
Little Rocks' Family Bonspiel (Little Rocks & families)	April 11, 2010

"Ice Maintenance" volunteers needed

As most of you know, mid-season ice maintenance is crucial in order to maintain the high quality of curling ice to which we have become accustomed.

Ice Maintenance will be done on November 28 - 30 with a plan to have the ice ready for Skips' Choice on November 30.

In addition, the club is hosting a Toronto Curling Association Bantam event on Dec. 29 and 30. As a result, we have chosen also Dec. 26th & 27th as the best time to do ice over the holiday period.

The last set of ice maintenance is scheduled for February 9 - 11.

We generally require 10 to 12 people to come out on the first day of an ice maintenance primarily to shovel snow, sweep, and mop. On the 2nd day of the ice maintenance, we will need a volunteer to help flood and on the third day volunteers are needed to scrape and pebble all day.

Please consider signing up if you can donate any time during any of these ice maintenance periods. Watch for the sign up sheets with specific time slots where volunteers are required to go up on the Volunteer Board near the office shortly.

Thanking you in advance.
Keith Olan - Director of Ice

Youth League Report

Our Juniors and Little Rockers were off to a delayed start this year due to club events in October. Nonetheless, we have had a terrific group of keen curlers coming out each Sunday since November 1.

The Junior League fills SEVEN sheets between 1 and 3 p.m. We have curlers at every level but we have the league sub-divided so that the newest curlers get a chance to get to know the ropes with more specific instruction and game play amongst themselves. The "veteran" Juniors have the opportunity to participate at a more intense level of competition. Everyone has a great time, including the helpers: Craig Veltman, Jim Thedorf, Jennifer and Russ Langford.

The Little Rock League has a number of new faces although our numbers are about the same as last year: 24. Courtney and Dean Andrey have been doing a great job taking the lead in getting the kids organized. Many of the kids look forward to Ron Moore's bag of tricks. Thanks to Ron and his helpers Sarah McGough, Emily Flett, and Jennifer Langford we see lots of smiling faces out on the ice on Sunday afternoons. There are even more smiles when the curlers come in to the popcorn and hot chocolate ably prepared by Brittany Andrey and Alison Bone!

The Youth League is once again selling **TCA Junior Development Lottery** tickets this year.

Tickets will be available for sale until December 2 from Jennifer Langford at a cost of

\$5 for 1 ticket, \$10 for 3 tickets.

1st prize is \$2000 cash; 2nd prize is \$300 Goldline Certificate; 3rd prize is \$100 from Goldline

Please support this worthwhile cause. The first \$120 in proceeds from our club's ticket sales will go directly to the Toronto Curling Association (TCA) to cover lottery costs, after which each dollar raised will be split evenly between the TCA and our club. Funds raised by the TCA are used for Junior Development programs across the TCA. Our club uses the money it raises mainly to pay Zone playdown entry fees for our Bantam and Junior teams.