

The Bradford Curling Club News

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

By Rob Ben

Welcome everyone to a brand new year in the curling club. Exciting news for us ahead: OCA Regional Bantam Curling Bonspiel Saturday January 16th, Canadian Paraplegic Bonspiel Saturday January 23rd, Leads & Seconds Bonspiel Saturday January 30th. The following men's teams, Team Dafoe, Team Green and Team Williamson are representing the Men's League at the Colts Bonspiel taking place in Stroud on January 9-10th. Good luck all!

Coca-Cola is coming into our club in January. We will be serving Coca-Cola's pop, clamato, juices, sports drink products and water in the times ahead. This means good things for our bar in the not so distant future.

We are looking for a co-ordinator to take over the Wind-Up Bonspiel formally run by Peter Davy and Rick Meraska, all interested parties talk to any director within the club for more details.

Your directors are discussing some possible changes to next year, including some friendly competition within the club which will surely brighten up next year's activities. A sneak peak will include some team competitions which might include a bus trip to somewhere mysterious, some bonuses for bringing in new members, for participation in our own bonspiels, in some fun Saturday Night events within and involvement in other clubs bonspiels and more.

Wishing you a successful and rewarding year.

FBA Filling Bonspiels Association

By: Russ Gale

We at the Bradford Curling Club organized the Filling Bonspiels Association (FBA). Essentially, this is the local area curling clubs

helping to fill each other's bonspiels. Clubs helping clubs.

The 7 member clubs have designated a bonspiel or two each. The premise is simple, we will send a team to each FBA member club's bonspiel and in return they each will send one to ours. We have designated the Mixed Invitational (Feb.27/10) and the Ladies Invitational (Mar.27/10) as the Bradford FBA bonspiels. It will be good for each organizer to know they are starting each bonspiel with 3 outside teams each.

The FBA is also trying to encourage experienced bonspielers to take out people who have not done so previously, to experience the other side of curling. This will show club curlers a good time, and hopefully keep them in our sport.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

A great time was had on Dec. 31, 2009 at the New Year's Eve Party. There was a DJ, dancing, Blackjack, Crown and Anchors and a buffet.

The DJ named Dustin was terrific playing a mixture of their own music along with hits from the 70's to the 90's. Thank you to committee members Barb Dafoe, Barb Miedema, Len Nardini, Russ Gale and special thank you to Karen Nardini and Bonnie Gale for their initiative and hard work to make a superb New Year's Eve Party.

PURCHASE A SHARE IN BRADFORD CURLING CLUB

Buy a share of the Bradford & District Curling Club! A onetime cost of \$110. This gives you a discount on your membership each year and allows you to attend the Annual General Meeting held in September. If you are interested talk to Barb Dafoe.

Bradford Curling Club Advertising Program.

By: Bob Kelsey

Do you or someone you know, have a business to promote? Consider the Bradford Curling Club advertising program. Rates are 1 year for \$250 or 3 years for \$500. We can arrange to produce a

sign (for a one-time cost) or the sign can be supplied by the advertiser.

Contact Bob Kelsey at 905-775-0456 or advertising@bradfordcurlingclub.ca

UPDATE FROM THE MIXED COMMITTEE

By: Bob Kelsey

The first session is nearly wrapped up with play-offs completing the week of January 11. The second session starts the week of January 18, schedules will be distributed the week before.

The **Leads and Seconds Bonspiel** is scheduled for Saturday, January 30. This event is oriented towards curlers that normally play front end and inexperienced curlers. Each player takes a turn playing each position. This year's theme is the Olympics. The cost is \$25 per player which includes two eight end games, lunch, and prizes.

Wear a costume and pay only \$20! A Sign-up sheet is posted near the Mixed bulletin board. Non members are welcome.

The second is the **Mixed Bonspiel** scheduled for Saturday, February, 27. We are changing the event this year by adding a theme. We're going with Tropical this year. Cost is \$200/team or \$50/person. Teams can sign up, individuals and couples sign-up are invited as well. There are three six end games with lunch, dinner, dance, and prizes to top half finishers. The sign-up sheet and entry forms will be available soon. The Mixed Bonspiel is an FBA bonspiel, the committee is looking forward to outside teams participating.

Committee members for this season are Bob and Sue Kelsey, Brian and Cynthia Riley, Carolyn Johnstone, Marie Pearson, Barb Miedema, Richard and Carol Karner. Some of us are transitioning off the committee so new members would be welcomed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Strategy & Delivery Clinic on Sat., Jan. 9 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

OCA Bantam Regions on Sat. Jan 16 and Sun. Jan. 17.

Canadian Paraplegic Association Rock & Roll Fun Spiel on Sat. Jan 23. Register on-line at www.cpaont.org/barrie

Leads & Seconds Olympic Theme Bonspiel on Sat. Jan 30.

Sunday Sinner's Challenge on Sat. Feb. 13

Mixed Curling Bonspiel on Sat. Feb. 27.

Men's Village Inn Bonspiel starts Fri. Mar.12 and runs through to Sun. Mar. 14

Juniors Bonspiel is on Sat. Mar. 20

Ladies' Alice in Curlingland Bonspiel is on Sat. Mar. 27.

All Bradford Curling Club Bonspiel registration forms are available at the club or on-line at www.bradfordcurlingclub.ca

NON-MEMBERS SPARING

Any non-member is subject to a spare fee of \$10/game. Certain club members are subject to a \$5/game spare fee. Please see the membership forms for complete details. The maximum number of games one is able to spare is 5. After 5 games spared, the player is then expected to pay and become a full member. The spare fees accumulated can be used against the membership fee.

FROM THE EDITOR

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