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To: Membership of Bradford Curling Club

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Subject: Ice Plant Chiller Replacement

Hope everyone had a great summer. Curling season is just around the corner and, as you can imagine, there was many off-season activities at the club to make sure everything is ready for the curling season.

Some may have heard through the grapevine that the start of our season is in jeopardy. The board of directors would like to assure everyone that this is not the case.

One of the maintenance projects undertaken this summer was a rebuild of our brine pump. The brine pump was rebuilt successfully mid-September but serious leaks in our chiller appeared when it was installed and tested. The leaks were investigated thoroughly and it was learned that our chiller needed to be replaced.

The chiller is very expensive piece of equipment usually made to order. Normally a chiller would take about 8 weeks to make and cost \$35,000 to \$40,000.

Fortunately for our club, CIMCO had one on hand they could install at a good price. The good fortune continued with emergency financing being arranged through the OCA MCAF program.

The chiller replacement is nearing completion and is going very well. Our ice team has the ice area fully prepared and the ice plant is expected to be turned on in the next few days. We should be ready to go in a couple of weeks which is very close to on schedule.

The only anticipated disruption is to the free clinic originally slated for October 12. The organizers are looking at the best scheduling options and details are expected to be available early next week. In the meantime, don't forget about the open house October 4 – 6.

Please feel free to contact myself or any of the directors if you have any questions.

Regards,
Bob Kelsey
President, Bradford Curling Club