

NORWOOD CURLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2013

The curling season has come to a close with the final league play during the last week of March. The **annual meetings** of the **Norwood Curling Club** and the **Centennial Sports Complex** will be held **Tuesday April 9th at 7 p.m.** at the curling club. All members are welcome to attend. It is a good chance to learn more about the operation of the club. Hope to see you there!

It's been some time since the last newsletter so the following is a review of club activities since Jan. 1st.

LEAGUE NEWS:

The **winners of the first half** of the season were as follows:

Mon. Nite Ladies: Jan Hay, skip; Karen Radnor, vice; Sylvia Sanders, second; and Helen Casmey, lead.

Tues. Nite Mixed: Derek Hatfield, skip; Christine Pichie, vice; Andy Crowell, second; Allan Purves, lead.

Wed. Nite Men: Chris Towells, skip; Leo Christl, vice; Andy Crowell, second; and Allan Purves, lead.

Thurs. Aft. Mixed: Denton Curry, skip; Sue Ireland, vice; Allan Purves, second; Wylanne Curry, lead.

Convenor Reports of Second Half:

Monday Night Ladies – It was another successful season for the Monday night Ladies. While we only had six teams, a good time was had by all. First half winners were Jan Hay, Karen Radnor, Sylvia Sanders and Helen Casmey. Second half winners were Eleanor Price, Heather Reynolds, Karen Howson and Karen Pasternak. Have a good summer! See you in the fall. Eleanor Price

Tuesday Night Mixed – 2nd half winners were Brian Radnor, Karen Radnor, Sandy Bruce, and Aziel McKenna.

Wednesday Night Men – Our Wed. night Men's curling wrapped up on March 27th with Dan Selby's team of Brian Gee, Wayne McComb and Glen MacDonald coming out as the 2nd half winners. Curling was followed by pizza and beverages which all seemed to enjoy. Special thanks to Larry Sullivan and Ron English for their help this year. Hope to see you all next year!Steve Harold

Thursday Afternoon Mixed – The winners of the Thursday afternoon mixed in the 2nd half was the team of Chris Towells, Bill English, Marianne Kelly and Jodi DeJong. Winners of the 13th Centennial Pharmacy spiel (which raised \$300.00 for the club) was the team of Gord Montgomery, Terry Stephens, Janice Laver and Anne Parker. The league also raised \$570.00 on the 50/50. In the second half we had three weeks left after regular play, so we did playoffs to see who would be champs. The playoff champs was the team of Brian Radnor, Sandy Bruce, Doris Stephens, and Terry Baker. I would like to thank all the curlers for their support. Terry Baker

Thursday Night Mixed – There was no league this past season. Hopefully there is enough interest to form one in the fall. Anyone interested in playing or organizing, please contact an executive member.

We appreciated the group of ball players who rented the ice for curling during the first half of the season. During the second half, approximately 16 curlers played the game of “Sturling” on Thursday evenings. Two-person teams competed against each other using either 'stick' or 'slide' delivery of the rock. From all reports, those who played enjoyed this variation of curling. Check it out on website at www.sturling.net
Thanks to Gord and Sharon for promoting this variation of curling.

Senior Men’s Kawartha League – We finished the season in a ‘blaze of glory’ with a second and third in the closing spiel. A tie for third with Peterborough Curling Club in league play resulted in our being awarded third place because we had fewer losses. We also introduced a few new curlers to the ‘very senior’ sport and as a direct result we enjoyed it immensely (this was probably due to our very superior bartenders who attended every home game).
..... Mac Danford

Ladies Inter-Club – The ladies did not participate in the inter-club this past season because a convenor was not available. Ladies, please consider organizing &/or playing in this league next season. It is an excellent opportunity to participate in some extra curling during the daytime, meet other ladies who enjoy the sport of curling, and a chance to see how other local clubs operate.

JUNIOR CURLING PROGRAM

Under the dedicated instruction of Sherry Wilson, the “After School” Novice League began Jan. 7th and ran every Monday for eight weeks. Approximately 90% of the participants were ‘new’ to curling.

League Winners were: Jack Wilson, Sarah Wilson, Austin Murray, and Avery Page.

Outstanding Male: Hayden Baptie and Stephen Wilson. Outstanding Female: Sarah Wilson.

Sherry also taught elementary school classes in January, 400 students from St. Paul’s Catholic and Norwood Public schools. She has a goal to start a high school age league at the club next season with the hope of seeing NDHS back into competitive inter-school curling. In order to do this, she will need someone to help with the Novice program. Anyone interested can contact the club President.

PAST EVENTS:

Skins Open Mixed Bonspiel – Jan.26th – organizer Brian Radnor welcomed 16 teams to the club to participate in two draws. This bonspiel sponsored by J.J. Stewart Motors this year and in the past has become a popular spiel at the club. Several Norwood teams as well as teams from Campbellford, Keene, and Oakwood played two games each during the day of ‘friendly competition’. Between games a delicious lunch prepared and served by club members and friends was enjoyed by all curlers. At the end of the day, Brian expressed his appreciation to all those who helped with the bonspiel, thanked all teams for their participation, and then announced the winners of each draw:

1st Draw: High Score – from Norwood, Steve Harold, Donna Anderson, Denton Curry, and Linda Harold.

2nd Place – another Norwood team skipped by Gord Montgomery who initiated this bonspiel several years ago. Joining Gord were Sue Ireland, Earl Thompson, and Marianne Kelly.

2nd Draw: High Score – Katherine Nicholas’ Campbellford team including Ken McCulloch, Aaron Nicholas, and Bonnie Curle.
2nd Place – also from Campbellford was Albert Stadtke’s team of Glenn Brubacher, Ray Carroll, and Gary Alex.

Mixed In-Club, Centennial Pharmacy Bonspiel – the 13th annual Norwood Centennial Pharmacy Bonspiel was held Feb. 14th. Eight teams took part in this event organized by Terry Baker. Gord Montgomery ‘skipped’ his team to 1st place. With Gord were: Terry Stephens, vice; Janice Laver, 2nd; Anne Parker, lead. 2nd Place was the team of Ron Cooney, skip; Eleanor Price, vice; Doris Stephens, second; Allan Purves, lead. 3rd Place was Earl Thompson’s team of Sandy Bruce, vice; Gary Parker, second; Christine Pichie, lead. Congrats to all!

Guys vs. Gals – Sat. Feb 9th saw the “battle of the sexes” as the Guys vs. the Gals in-club fundraiser took place. Organized by Gord Montgomery and Eleanor Price, the day’s event included 2 games of curling, lunch, and lots of laughs and ‘hi-jinks’. The ‘special’ attire worn by the ladies did not seem to deter the men’s ability to curl as the ladies had anticipated. At the end of the day, the Guys excelled over the Gals by a score of 41 ½ to 35 ½ points. No doubt there are already bets on who will win next year!

Ladies Open Spring Fever Bonspiel – was held March 20th. Jan Hay organized a successful bonspiel which fittingly fell on the first day of spring. The curling club was decorated appropriately with spring colours and floral arrangements.

Sixteen teams from Campbellford, Ennismore, Keene, Lakefield, Marmora, Omeme, and Peterborough curled two six-end games.

The overall winner of this spiel was from Draw B – Team Nickson from the Peterborough Curling Club: Jane Moore, skip; Doris Nickson, vice; Janet Schmidt, second; Wendy Stamplecoskie, lead.

Maplefest Mixed Bonspiel – was held March 22 & 23 attracting curlers not only from our club but from the greater Kawartha area. Thanks to all who participated, organized, or helped out in any way to make this final bonspiel a success again.

The Sap Bucket Trophy was won by Ron Cooney’s team with 56 ½ points which included an **eight-ender** in one of his games. Curling with Ron were: Sue Ireland, vice; Ron English, second; Sandy Bruce, lead.

2nd Place team with 53 ¼ points was: Trevor Brewer, skip; Sharon Scott, vice; Eddy Pitt, second; Donna Brewer, lead.

3rd place with 51 ¾ points were: Eric Mendum, skip; Gloria Ward, vice; Earl Thompson, second; and Sheryn Nelson, lead.

Bonspiels hosted by NCC –

22nd Annual Curl for Kids bonspiel organized by Bruce and Marilyn Wharram along with family and friends was held Jan. 12th in support of Camp Oochigeas, a camp that supports children affected by cancer. The Wharrams who lost their daughter Tammy to leukemia 23 years ago have visited the camp located on a private lake near Rosseau and are happy to see Sick Kids hospital-based Urban Ooch & Day Camp thrive.

A Draw Winners were: Brian Hook, Angela Hook, Andy Crowell, and Sheila Crowell

A Draw Runner-up team: Larry Sullivan, Lori Sullivan, Virginia McGriskin, and Bob Clement.

B Draw Winners were: Gord Montgomery, Marianne Kelly, Terry Baker, and Dian Pagett.
B Draw Runner-up team: Colin Brethour, Judy Brethour, Rob Hanes, and Meaghan Brethour.
Sponsors of the spiel included the Norwood Lions and Lioness Clubs, Oakland Greens Golf Club, Pakenham/Bullock Insurance, and Hilts Butcher Shop.

Farmers' Spiel, Feb. 16 – organized by club members Paul Cole and Pat McGriskin, Participants (including numerous members of our club) who have 'a connection' to agriculture played two games during the one draw event which saw many local businesses support the spiel with prizes, Empire Cheese being a main sponsor. Congratulations to Paul and Pat on the successful day!

Out of Club Bonspiels – are important to our club's viability since other clubs will patronize our bonspiels if we go to theirs. The following are the ones which club members have attended this past season.

Jan. 12/13 saw NCC members Rick Lochhead, Vern Stockdale and Doug White along with Lion Peter Oord represent the Norwood Lions Club at the **9th Annual Lion Mel McKeown** Curling bonspiel in Campbellford.

On **Jan. 23rd** two ladies' teams travelled to **Marmora** curling club. Sharon Scott's team of Sue Ireland, Sandy Bruce and Doris Stephens came home with second place in the first draw which was sponsored by K.M. Construction. Third place on the same draw was the other Norwood team of Marje Lunn, Heather Reynolds, Wendy Hale, and Karen Howson.

Tweed Senior Mixed bonspiel, Feb. 16th – two teams travelled to Tweed to take part in this fun-filled, two-draw event. After two six-end games, the team of Earl Thompson was the overall winner. Joining Earl were Sandy Bruce, vice; Bill English, second; and Jess Brewer, lead. In second place was the team skipped by Gord Montgomery with Sue Ireland, vice; Raeburn Scott, second; and Sharon Scott, lead. Now that's the way to get Norwood curling club recognized!

On **Feb. 12th** Sharon Scott's team of Sue Ireland, Sandy Bruce and Doris Stephens were the overall winners of the two-draw **Ladies Valentine spiel** at Campbellford.

Gananoque Mixed Spiel, Mar. 16th - Brian Radnor's team of Gord Montgomery, Sue Ireland and Sandy Bruce had a super day ending up in second place to Lloyd Emerson's Gananoque team in a close final game.

Omeme Cash Spiel, April 6th – the theme for this spiel was the "fifties" and a number of teams were costumed for the occasion. Prizes were given for the best costumes. Music from the 50's was audible on the ice surface as each team played 3 six-end games. A Norwood team had a 'rockin' good time as they were the overall high point winners. Congrats! To Gord Montgomery, skip; Sue Ireland, vice; Brian Radnor, second; and Sandy Bruce, lead. Cash prizes were presented to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each draw.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Norwood Curling Club Annual Meeting – Tuesday April 9th at 7 p.m. at the curling club.

4th Annual Golf Tournament – will be held June 22/13 at Salt Creek Golf Course, Norham

Shot-gun Start at 9 a.m. 4 person, best ball

Approx. \$50.00/person includes 18 holes, golf cart, & lunch

Contact Eleanor 705-696-2833 for more info.

Registration for Curling Season 2013 – 2014 – **Thursday Sept. 12, 2013 at 7 p.m. at the curling club.**

PRESIDENT'S LETTER:

To Members of Norwood Curling Club 2012/13

We've just completed another successful year with so many members and volunteers to thank!

Thanks go out to: The league convenors and their assistants for well-organized and successful league play.

Denton and his crew for our great ice this year.

Jenn Hannon for a clean and tidy club and for your comic relief.

Don and Marg Delorey and Jan and Mary Hay for an organized bar service.

Sherry Wilson for her continued dedication to our youth curlers.

Terry and Doris Stephens for their continued support of the Jet Ice system.

Eleanor Price for a well-run kitchen and her endless work for our Golf Tournament.

Vicky Best for the Friday Night Gang rental which seemed to be a great success!

Linda Antoine for her superb culinary skills.

Raeburn Scott for his organization of the fair gate each fall our biggest source of income each year.

Mac Danford and Nick Nickson for organizing the Sr Mens Kawartha League play.

In conclusion, every member of our club is very important. I have had the privilege of working with so many of you for bonspiels, dinners, work bees, etc. All I ever had to do was ask and I found many willing participants to make the tasks a whole lot easier! Our season-ending Maplefest was a great time again this year with a full 24 teams competing! As well, the Ladies' invitational was also very well received by the visiting clubs! I'd like to thank our executive for their support and I feel confident the new executive will continue to provide positive energy and input for the continued success of our club!

Thanks again to all! It's been a 'slice'.

Sincerely,

Brian Radnor
President, NCC

FUNDRAISING PROJECTS:

Fundscrip Gift Card Program - is an on-going project to raise money for our club. When individuals purchase gift cards, 2% - 10% of the purchase value of the cards can be earned for the club. For more information contact Mary at 705-295-6505.

***** If anyone has an idea for a fund-raiser, please contact one of the executive. Thank you. *****

"HEARD IT AT THE HOG LINE"

An 8-ender (yes sir) was scored during Maplefest play by Ron Cooney's team of Sue Ireland, Ron English, and Sandy Bruce. Congratulations!

Marje, Jan and Eleanor spend a lot of evenings 'hanging out' at Mark Stanley's auction sales. Sometimes they make purchases, but most of the time they're selling 50/50 tickets to raise funds for the club. Thanks! Ladies.

A big thank-you to Brent at the Skillet restaurant for cooking the sausages that were consumed at the Maplefest breakfast

The club's website is up and running Check it out at norwoodcurling.ca

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2013whale@gmail.com

*Thanks to all who contributed to this newsletter!
Hope you all have a safe, fun-filled spring & summer. See you in the fall!*

..... Wendy