



Message from the President

As curling season begins, I'd like to welcome everyone back to the Club for another exciting year. This winter, the Olympic Games will be held in Torino, Italy and curling will be one of the highlighted sports for our Canadian athletes.

As for East York Curling Club, we're currently working on our website to bring a more fresh and robust look to the site, so we apologize if it's not up and running yet.

Our Open Houses were very successful and we've had a number of new players join our various leagues. We'll be starting up our 50/50 draw soon and encourage everyone to

participate. We've used some of these funds to purchase the newest set of junior rocks in the Club.

There are a number of bonspiels that will be occurring at the Club this year: Mixed, Men's, Ladies as well as Euchre Jitneys - I encourage you to sign up, as these are all great fun! (See list on page 2)

If you have any questions about the Club, contact any of the Executive, including your League Reps.

I look forward to seeing you around the Club.

Michele Misura
President

Annual Jitney a Success

Thank you to all who came out to enjoy the Oktoberfest Jitney.

75% of the 80 people who came out on Saturday, the 22nd of October were non-curlers, and by all accounts we succeeded in showing them what fun curling can be. Everyone had a great time and I would like to thank Dennis, Seth and Carolyn for all their help.

Thank you as well to all who purchased tickets in the draw for a DVD recorder, \$150 was raised and will be donated to the Canadian Red Cross.

Events that are open to bringing non-curling friends out to try the game run throughout the season. Look for them; it's a great way to introduce your friends and colleagues to the "Roarin' Game".

Good Curling,
Sandra Gabriel



Please Note:

In the past, we allowed Members to bring food into the Club, including ordering pizzas, due to the fact that food service was not available. On The Rocks Restaurant is dedicated to providing food to our Members during all curling times with a variety of items and price ranges. Therefore, no food or drinks should be brought into the Club. Thank you for your co-operation.

For safety and courtesy purposes, I would ask that Members do not enter the Ice Shed until your sheets are ready for your game. Please wait in the lounge upstairs or downstairs. Once the score cards have been removed from your sheet, then you can proceed into the Ice Shed.

In order to improve our recycling in the Club, we have installed a recycling bin in the upstairs entrance area. We ask that everyone do their part in recycling. ♦

YOU CAN'T WIN IT IF YOU'RE NOT IN IT!



Our first 50/50 Draw took place on October 28. This is a weekly draw (Friday evenings) and the book and cash box are located at the bar. Place your toonie (\$2) in the box and check off your name in the book. If the name drawn has not paid, the amount is carried over to the next week. The more people who enter the draw, the bigger the pot. And remember, the monies go toward improvements in your Club.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please contact the office for more information on these events.

2005

November 5	U of T
November 15	TCA Women's Energizer
November 19	Men's Bonspiel
November 26	Mixed Kick-off
November 27	Bantam Interleague
December 4	Bantam Interleague
December 10	Bantam/Jr Bonspiel

2006

January 7,	Men's Energizer
January 14	Little Rock Bonspiel
January 20	Masters Spiel
January 21	Soap Bonspiel
February 4 & 5	OCA Colts & Trophy
February 11	BNS Bonspiel
February 13	Day Ladies "Lads & Lassies"
February 25	Spa Bonspiel
March 4	Kings Feast Bonspiel
March 6	March Madness Daytime Women
March 17	St. Patrick's Spiel
March 18	Spring Thaw (Mixed)
April 1	Sunshine Spiel
April 22	Tailender Spiel

Golden Age Men

Greetings curlers! I hope everyone had a good summer and are ready to welcome in the 2005/2006 season. The following are some dates to remember:

Mark Your Calendars:

January 20th 2006.
Seniors Invitational Bonspiel
(55+ minimum team age of 240)

February 13th 2006 (9 am)
Lads and Lassies Bonspiel

February 24th 2006 (1:30 pm)
Leaside at East York
Interclub Bonspiel

March 17th 2006
St. Patrick's Bonspiel
(55+ minimum team age of 240)

Note: the Women's Energizer is at East York on November 15th 2005. There will be no seniors curling on that day.

Good Curling,
Gary Harlow



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East York Welcomes International Visitors

On October 11, 2005 East York Curling Club played host to a group of curlers from the Province of Sutherland Curling Association, in Scotland. The group consisted of twenty-four family members and friends who were looking to tour around southern Ontario and get a few games in during the process. East York Curling Club was their first stop.

Forty-eight curlers took to the ice at 7:00 pm, with a good representation of the leagues from our club. Our scoreboards certainly confused our friends from across the pond. It took a few moments of discussion for them to get the hang of them. In the end, after eight ends of curling each, the scores were tallied up, and the East York teams prevailed, having won 4 of the 6 matches.

A reception was held in the lounge following the games, giving everyone

the opportunity to get to know their fellow curlers even better. Gifts were exchanged, as well as many stories. The Scots were exposed to some of new tastes in food too, as most had never had spinach dip in pumpernickel bread. It took a bit of convincing to have some of the less adventurous to try, to say the least!

On display in our "International" display window is the gift presented to the club, and accepted by Cori Mark. It is a quaig, which is a friendship vessel. It symbolizes the friendships formed by this visit. An invitation was also extended to the members of our club to curl in Scotland in the future. Who knows, a reciprocal tour may be planned!

A thank you is extended to the Tuesday night Mixed League for allowing us to share their space during their open house. ♦

Buy Junior Lottery Tickets

Each year The Toronto Curling Association runs a lottery to support Junior Curling in the GTA and at local clubs. Tickets are \$1, \$2 for 3 tickets or \$10 for a book of 15 tickets. First prize is \$1000 cash, 2nd prize \$300 Goldline Gift Certificate and 3rd prize \$100 Goldline Gift Certificate. After the first \$100 the revenue is split 50/50 with the TCA with our portion going to support our Junior Section. Your curling sections will be selling tickets between Nov 7 and Nov 18. Thank you for supporting our Junior Curlers.

Why not try Competitive Curling

The Ontario Curling Association stages events for all curlers from Bantams to Seniors. This is an opportunity to curl against teams from other clubs in the Toronto area. East York will pay your entry fee.

Sign up sheets are posted on the mens ladies and juniors bulletin boards. Don't miss this opportunity.

Men's Energizer Bonspiel

One of the oldest bonspiels in all of curling: this is year 111! This year's event is Jan 7-14. The Energizer is a great bonspiel with over \$30,000 in prizes. A perfect opportunity to curl in various clubs around the city.

Entry and payment deadline is Dec 16, however sign up by Dec 9 and be eligible for a team Florida Golf Vacation! Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the lounge. ♦

On the Rocks Restaurant

at the East York Curling Club

Available daily:

- ❖ Burger and fries
- ❖ Chicken fingers and fries
- ❖ Soup and sandwich
- ❖ Meat pie and salad
- ❖ Chili with garlic toast

Featuring Pub Nights
on Thursday, Friday
and Sunday

- ❖ Wings
- ❖ Nachos Supreme
- ❖ Potato Skins
- ❖ Basket of fries
- ❖ Appetizer Sampler Platter

in addition to our regular menu.

Looking forward to
cooking for you!

Cheryl 416-806-2736

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ON THE ROCKS

Restaurant at the East York Curling Club

Women's Section News

A successful Open House was held on October 12, 2005, where all new applications were processed and teams were finalized. The executive is happy to announce that for the second year in a row, we have a complete draw!

It had been decided last season that the draw would be divided into two divisions, and that placement of teams would be determined by positions finished at the end of the season. This would only be valid if the

team retained the majority of their team members. All other teams would be slotted into the divisions once all previous teams had been placed. As a result, we expect some movement throughout the season as we have a few new teams in our section, all of whom are starting in the B division. League play has now begun.

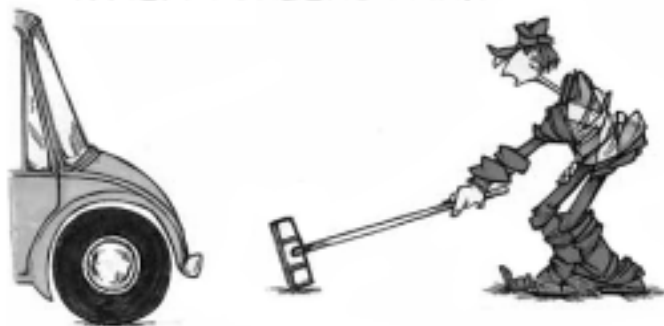
Curling Clinic

The executive is now planning the rest of the season. We are currently

organizing a clinic for section members, to give them an opportunity to work on various aspects of their game.

The annual Christmas party is also in the works. Stay tuned for more information. ♦

WHEN CURLERS PARK



We plan to distribute "Rock Talk" as an e-newsletter; if you would like your name added to the distribution list please let us know.

To subscribe, submit an article or a joke for an issue of "Rock Talk" please e-mail Sandragabrieltv@sprint.ca or eastyorkcurling@rogers.com or place it in my mail box at the Club. Thank you. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sandra Gabriel