



YORK CURLING CLUB

President's Message

Happy New Year!

We are well into the curling season and it has been very busy.

On October 29, 2005 we held our 50th Anniversary Open House (see article page 3). The event had members from the past and present attending and from all the feedback I received, everyone had a blast. Thanks to Bob and Sandy Booth and all their volunteers for such a fantastic afternoon. We were fortunate to have Art Kavanaugh, the OCA president come and present us with the 50th anniversary plaque. It is with a sad heart that I must inform our members that he passed away curling in Peterborough November 25th, 2005. He

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has been a good friend to curling and the York Curling Club, he will be truly missed.

The ladies had their 50th

Anniversary bonspiel (anyone else catching the theme of all these events this year?)

Many thanks to Jodi Brash and her group of volunteers, who had a wonderful prize table and from what I witnessed in my short visit, these ladies certainly know how to have fun.

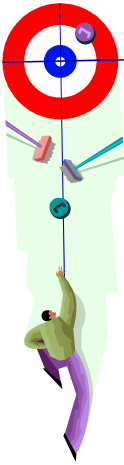


Safety in our club is of the utmost importance. I would like to highlight one specific issue that seems to creep up every year. While the ice is being prepared, **do not practice slide**. General rule of thumb - do not remove the hack covers, if they are still on...the ice is not ready for you to be on it.

Keep your eyes open for all the events that are up and coming, we have signs and banners posted so all can attend, take the time to read them...if you got this far, we know you're willing to read some stuff. (Ha Ha)

Good curling, everyone!

Rob Bell



In the House

York Ladies' Bonspiel

The Ladies kicked off the 50th anniversary season with a "Birthday Party" on November 12th. Many thanks to all the volunteers that helped Chairperson Jodi Brash with the event. A special thank you to Kara-Lyn DeWilde who volunteered her massage therapy skills during the event and, on behalf of York Curling

Club, generously donated the proceeds of the day to the Sandra Schmirler Foundation. The winning team was from the Royal Canadian Curling Club: Sandra Robertson, Marianne Gieruszczak, Jennifer Forrest and Kikuye Inouye.

Friday Night Dinner at the Club

Dave Carrigan has started a new dinner service on Fridays at 6:00 p.m. at the club. Dinner is open to all curlers and our friends. Come and enjoy great food and good prices! The weekly menu is available on the website at www.york.curlingclub.ca

YCC is looking for you!

Our volunteer-driven club is looking for some more volunteers. Skills needed vary, but help is always appreciated. If interested in becoming more involved please contact Rob Bell, JoAnn Inouye or Marilyn Vian.

Gala Evening

The Golden Gala Committee is in the midst of planning for this wonderful end to our 50th Anniversary year.

This not-to-be-missed event will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2006 at the Newmarket Seniors Meeting Place.

Dust off your dancing shoes and get out your "glad rags" for this gala event.

Great food, entertainment, dancing and exceptional door prizes: all yours for \$50 ticket. Only 200 tickets will be sold so get yours early to ensure a table. Reservations will be accepted for tables of eight.

Tickets are now available. See you there!



50th Anniversary Open House

To celebrate its 50th year, York Curling Club held an Open House on October 29th with approximately 150 people attending. It was great to see many former members attend, including John McIver, our oldest Past President and Helen Kurtz, the oldest member at 100 years old. Lunch and cake were served to celebrate our 50 years of curling in the same building. It is doubly amazing because the Club has been run for 50 years by volunteers and everyone who attended had a part to play in those 50 years. Political attendees included Tim Jones, Mayor of Aurora, Regional Councillor Tony Van Bynan, Newmarket Councillors Dave Kerwin and Larry Blight, and a Councillor from East Gwillimbury.

Awards were presented to Lindsay Davies for painting the mural in the entry; an OCA award presented to our Club for 50 years; an OCA award presented to Sandy Richards for her dedication to the Club; and an award was presented to Claude Rosborough, a founding member still curling in the Club. Everyone who attended signed a print to celebrate the day, which hangs in the Club. The print was created from the painting which hangs over the fireplace in the Club.

Many thanks to the organizing committee of Marilyn Vian, Aileen Filman, Sharon Downer, Judy Sheridan, Anne Perrin, Jill Inwood, Sandra Booth and Bob and Nancy Jackson.

Anyone interested in viewing photos of the event taken by SNAP Newmarket should go to [Http://www.snapnewmarket.com/dec/curling.html](http://www.snapnewmarket.com/dec/curling.html)

With so many familiar faces - both present and past curlers - it was a terrific event and one enjoyed by all!



Claude Rosborough, accompanied by his family accept an award for being a founding member who still is curling at the Club!

First Aid Reminder - when a curler falls or gets hurt: A pillow, blanket and first aid kit can be found in the cupboard above the kitchen fridge, and a cold pack (bag of peas) is kept in the freezer. If you know you aren't hurt try to get up as soon as you can. If you are hurt or have had the wind knocked out of you or a bump on the head, you should stay on the ice and not get up too quickly - make sure you have someone help you off when the time comes. We don't want people passing out or slipping again. The ice is important, but our members are more important!



BRAGGING RIGHTS!

Provincial Championships

For her 10th Ontario Scott Tournament of Hearts Provincial Championship, skip Kathy Brown (our very

own Club Manager) and her team of Janet Langevin, Christine Loube and Heather Carr, travelled to Fort Frances the last week of January to compete for the right to represent Ontario for the Canadian Hearts in London. With one more loss than last year, their record of 4 wins and 5 losses had them falling short of tie-breaks at the end of the week. Krista Scharf's team from Thunder Bay will represent Ontario at the end of February.

Ladies Team

Congrats as well to one of our ladies' teams, Kerry Isnor, Jean Posyniak, Karen Morrison and JoAnn Inouye, for their advancement to the Best Western Ladies Challenge provincial competition, where they won the fourth event.

OCA Masters Zone

Bob Booth's team of Silvio Vian, Dave Purvis and Mike Shields won the "A" side of this event. The next level of this competition was held at York at the end of January and two teams will advance to provincial level of this competition.

The York Curling Club newsletter is published four times yearly. If you have an article of interest, please contact Linda Potter at 905 830-0604 or by email at dpott@rogers.com.

The deadline for the next issue is March 15.

Coming Soon!



Saturday March 4

House of York

March 10

Hot Shots Night

7:00 p.m.

Friday Night League

Food and Fun For ALL!

\$2.00 per participant

March 11

Rose Bonspiel

March 14

Ice Break

March 17

Bring A Friend Spiel

March 18

Wine & Wing Spiel

March 25

Family Bonspiel

Watch the bulletin boards in March for sign-up sheets for the Closing Spiel.



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