

The Granite Connection

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President's Message

Happy New Year to everyone and thank God for artificial ice, otherwise we would be facing the same dilemma as the skiers who are all crying in their ski boots (like me)...no ice to play on

A number of queries have come in with respect to the raffle ticket charge that is hitting everyone's bill this month, so I would like to go over our rationale for our initiative. As was outlined in the application form this year, we are using a raffle as a method of fund raising as opposed to the 50/50 draws held in the past. Funds generated from these raffles allow us to make capital improvements at the club, buy new equipment and start to build up a pool of capital should we be forced to move premises again. While we hope this will not be the case when our agreement is up in 2011, prudence suggests we make sure our alternatives are not eliminated with not having an adequate cash reserve. We are the benefactors of having one of the nicest stand alone curling facilities in the province and to maintain that status and facility requires constant investing in our premises. Even though the city owns the building, we are still responsible for all the leasehold improvements. So we hope you understand and support the club's initiative.

While this is a new thing to our membership, this sort of thing is done at many other athletic groups year after year with tremendous success. All we are asking is for each member to be responsible for selling 5 tickets @ \$5.00 each, that way no member is out of pocket. The prizes are terrific, so I am sure your friends, neighbours and work colleagues would be willing buyers if asked with a little enthusiasm. We are doing this for the benefit of the club, which in turn benefits all of you, so we hope you will be supportive of our efforts.

Here is a reminder of the prizes that are up for grabs, which are on display at the club:

- 42" LG Plasma TV
- Broil King BBQ
- Pair of Gold Leaf Tickets and Jersey
- Garden Bench from Home Hardware
- \$150 M&M Gift Certificates

Happy New Year!

Upcoming Events

Business Ladies Bonspiel

Saturday January 6th

Ladies Bonspiel in the Park

Monday January 22nd

Video Clinic

Saturday January 27th

Men's Seniorfest Bonspiel

Saturday February 10th

Valentine's Jitney

Saturday February 10th

Lea Bauman Masters Bonspiel

(Men)

Wednesday Feb. 21st

Sticks & Stones Bonspiel (Open)

Friday March 2nd

Battle of the Sexes/Hospitaliano

Night

Saturday March 17th

Video Clinic

Plans are currently under way for a video clinic to be held January 27th.

If you are interested set aside some time that morning and early afternoon. Watch the bulletin boards for more details.

Seniorfest Senior Men's Bonspiel

Saturday February 10, 2007

3 6-end games

Entry fee \$120.00

Convener – Les Houston

Prizes – Glenn Pascoe

Entry forms available at the club

Lea Bauman Mens Masters

Bonspiel

Wednesday February 21, 2007

2 8-end games

Entry Fee \$120.00

Conveners – John Ready, Lew Ayers

Prizes – Glenn Pascoe

SENIOR DAY TIMERS

STARTING IN JANUARY 2007, THE SENIOR DAY TIMERS WILL PLAY LEAGUE GAMES ON TUESDAYS AT 9.00AM (NO JITNEYS THEN).

THE LEAGUE GAME SCHEDULE IS POSTED IN THE CURLING LOUNGE.

JITNEY GAMES WILL BE PLAYED ON THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 9.00 AM

Day Ladies Curling

Sylvia Bell once again capably hosted the Christmas M & M Social. Current and former members enjoyed the gathering and array of delicious sweets provided.

Sylvia, along with Co-conveners Barb Ready and Sharon Lidstone, assisted by Jean Price, Bonnie Ladano, Marcia Condon and Isabel Bruce, helped to make this a fun, festive event.

A special thank you goes to Meribeth Anderson for providing a touching memorial for a grand lady, Betty Hill.

Ongoing Events:

Monday p.m. – Pot of Gold – Convener Judy Stiles

Tuesday p.m. – Sweeping to Victory – Convener Jean Richardson
Co-convener Bonnie Ladano

Thursday a.m. – Snowflake – Convener Tami Asselstine

Co-convener – Dorothy Hinschberger

Sponsor – Myrna Saunders

Coming Events:

- Ladies Bonspiel in the Park – Monday January 22nd 9:30 am & 1:15 pm (for out of club rinks)
Convener – Wendy Simpson, Co-conveners Glad O'Hara, Lorna Allen, Barb Ready. Sponsor – Sketchley Cleaners
- Fudge's In-Club Bonspiel – Thursday February 8th
9 am & 1 pm
Convener – Sharon Lidstone, Co-convener – Sandy Elliott
Sponsor – Fudge's Ladies Wear Waterloo Town Square
- Granite Classic – Thursday February 15th 9:15 am
Convener – Bonnie Ladano, Co-convener – Sharon Lidstone. Sponsor – Bette Eccles

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