



## OCA MASTER WOMEN ZONES/ REGIONALS

Congratulations to:

- Skip:** Gloria Sorely
- Vice:** Jackie Lococo
- 2nd:** Lynne Coull
- Lead:** Brenda Grimo

for winning the "B" side of the Zones in Grimsby and then winning the "A" side of the Regionals at the NFCC. At the Regionals, Marg Newton spared for Jackie Lococo and played lead while Brenda and Lynne all moved up a position. Good luck at the Provincials ladies.

## OCA SCHOOLBOY ZONES



Congratulations to the A.N. Myer Secondary School team for winning the Zones.

- Skip:** Jon Copfer
- Vice:** Dennis Gienow
- 2nd:** Cooper Gienow
- Lead:** Chris Becker

Good luck at the Regionals in Feb. at the Exeter curling club.



### THANK YOU



Thank you Sean Brady for the painting of the back stairway leading down into the men's change room. What a difference. The mural looks great.

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Congratulations to Murray Etherington for being asked to coach Team Ontario at the Canadian Junior Men Curling Championships in St. Catharines Febuary 3-11. Way to go Murray.



## JANUARY CURLING CLINIC

The 3<sup>rd</sup> curling clinic of the season was held on January 6, 2007.

There were 42 students coming from both sides of the border. Several of the students have since joined various leagues in the club.

The Friday night leagues are getting fuller and the new curler league is now up to 17 teams.

Thanks go to Sandra Brown for running the clinic and to Algie Vant, Cynthia Paul, Tracy McCabe, Ian Morrison, Jamie Brunaccioni and Brian Nichols for helping out as on ice instructors.

## NEW ROCKS ARE COMING



We have been informed by the company making our new rocks that work will soon begin on our new rocks. They should be here for the beginning of next season.



## NFCC ANNUAL MEETING

The NFCC Annual Meeting will be held on Tues. March 27 at 7:00pm.

This is also the volunteer recognition night and the 2nd Annual "Wilkie" Award will be presented to this years winner.

All NFCC members are not only welcome to come, but encouraged to be part of this meeting.

## BRIER TICKETS

Silent auction, Thursday March 8, Draw 1 and Draw 2. 2 pairs of tickets up for grabs. See bulletin board for more information.



## 25th ANNUAL MASTERS BONSPIEL

The Les Anthes Memorial Trophy was presented to the winning team from Bradford.

This was the first time in the 25 year history of the bonspiel that there was a repeat winner.

4th place went to Ralph Wilde's local rink of John DiPasquale, Don Tubbe and Geoff Ollerhead.

5th was another local rink of Dennis O'Connor, Ted Corner, Mike Sawada and Al Johnson.



## FUNDRAISING

The NFCC roof sponsorship program raised \$6,900. A plaque to recognize our generous members will be put up shortly.



The shrimp fundraiser over \$1,900. Thank you Tracy McCabe for supplying the shrimp.

The Greg Frewin Dinner Theatre



fundraiser is off to a great start as almost 100 tickets have been sold so far.

Tickets are still available for the Feb. 17th show. It is possible to reserve tables of 6 or 8 to ensure your group will sit together.



The Business Women will again be selling Maple Lodge chicken.

To order your chicken please see Brenda Grimo, Tracy McCabe, Elaine Mundle or any of the Business Women.

## ETIQUETTE TIPS

- Every curling game begins and ends with a hearty handshake of friendship and goodwill to both team mates and opponents.
- Sweepers, not on the team delivering the stone, stand on the sides of the sheet, between the hog lines. This allows the curler delivering the stone an unobstructed view of the skip and allows for easier communications.
- Do not rest your bare hand on the ice for longer than an instant. Your body temperature will melt and damage the ice in a matter of moments. Also, never rest your knee on the ice for longer than a few seconds. Even with pants on, your body temperature will melt and damage the ice.
- Take care not to walk down the middle of the sheet after your team's shot. You should walk on the sides to minimize wearing down the pebble, as well as to provide a clear view for the next curler to deliver the stone. They cannot determine what shot the skip calls for, nor can they deliver a stone if you are strolling down the middle of the sheet.
- As another courtesy to keep the game moving, it is typically the lead's job to place the skip's rock in front of the hack when it is time for the skip to shoot.
- It is expected that the winners will buy (or offer to buy) their counterparts the beverage of their choice after the game. Both rinks enjoy each others company and some lively conversation about your favorite topic(s) around the tables. The losing curlers invariably offer to buy the second round.
- If you are the next curler, put on your slider or remove your gripper and have your stone cleaned and in front of the hack while your opponent's shot is in motion. It's OK to watch your opponent's shot, but not so long that you can't be ready for your own.
- Let the vice-skips do his/her job (keep score). When the final stone of an end comes to rest in the house, leads and seconds should remain well outside the house until the vice-skips have measured (if necessary), determined the score, and agreed to move stones.
- Practice on a different sheet. If you arrive early and want to throw a few stones to practice or warm up, by all means do so. But be sure not to use the sheet you'll be playing on.
- Strategy and decision making is the responsibility of the skip. When it comes time for skips to throw, they should discuss strategy with their third. Decisions by skips, and skips and thirds together, should not be drawn out. Taking too much time is unfair on the opposition. Seconds and leads can get involved in some strategy discussions, but consistently being involved slows the game down.
- When a person is delivering their rock, all players on the opposite team should not be near the player while throwing. They should be located around the hog line. Opposition players should not be moving while the rock is being delivered.
- Behind the tee line, only one member of each team can sweep at one time. If you decide not to sweep your own rock, make way for the other team.
- If you "burn" (touch) a moving rock with your broom while sweeping, do not stop the rock. Allow it to come to rest and alert both skips of what occurred. The opposing skip has three choices:
  - 1) allow the play to stand
  - 2) remove the burned rock from play and replace all the affected rocks to their original positions
  - 3) place the burned rock and all rocks it would have affected where they would have come to rest if the violation had not occurred.
- If any opposition stone in the Free Guard Zone is removed from play prior to the delivery of the fifth stone of the end, the delivered stone is removed from play and the stone that was removed from the Free Guard Zone is replaced to its original position to the satisfaction of the non-offending skip.



**MONDAY  
SENIOR MEN  
DRAW 1 RESULTS**

**FIRST PLACE**

**Skip:** Carl Cloutier  
**Vice:** John Clark  
**2nd:** Rob West  
**Lead:** Richard Lambert

**SECOND PLACE**

**Skip:** Glenn Sparrow  
**Vice:** George MacKenna  
**2nd:** Brad Kempston  
**Lead:** John Van Wyck

**THIRD PLACE**

**Skip:** Roy Marzetti  
**Vice:** Ron Barton  
**2nd:** Joe Patchett  
**Lead:** Dennis Savriga

**MONDAY  
SENIOR MEN  
DRAW 2 RESULTS**



**FIRST PLACE**

**Skip:** Kerry Knapp  
**Vice:** Fred Harvie  
**2nd:** George Mitchell  
**Lead:** Ken Mason

**SECOND PLACE**

**Skip:** Glenn Sparrow  
**Vice:** Ron Barton  
**2nd:** Rob West  
**Lead:** Don MacDonald

**THIRD PLACE**

**Skip:** Dave Smith  
**Vice:** Mike Sawada  
**2nd:** Carl Reid

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**TUESDAY  
BUSINESS WOMEN  
DRAW 2  
RESULTS**

**WINNERS**

**Skip:** Cheryl Scott  
**Vice:** Cynthia Paul  
**2nd:** Janet McQuay  
**Lead:** Peggy Feather

**RUNNER-UP**

**Skip:** Brenda Grimo  
**Vice:** Sam Shaubel  
**2nd:** Peggy Scott  
**Lead:** Jenelle Kostran



**MONDAY MEN  
DRAW 2  
RESULTS**

**WINNERS**

**Skip:** John Cameron  
**Vice:** Frank Spadafore  
**2nd:** Paul Campigotto  
**Lead:** Ian Morrison

**RUNNER-UP**

**Skip:** Ralph Wilde  
**Vice:** Mark Mooney  
**2nd:** Ron Barton  
**Lead:** Tim Williams



**WEDNESDAY  
SENIOR MEN  
DRAW 1  
RESULTS**

**“J. S. Howard Trophy”**

**WINNERS**

**Skip:** Gord McKindsey  
**Vice:** Bob Biggar  
**2nd:** Brad Kempston

**RUNNER-UP**

**Skip:** Ralph Wilde  
**Vice:** Dave Smith  
**2nd:** Hugh Smith



**WEDNESDAY  
SENIOR MEN  
DRAW 2 RESULTS**

**“Don Johnson Trophy”**

**WINNERS**

**Skip:** Roy Marzetti  
**Vice:** Ted Corner  
**2nd:** George Mitchell  
**Lead:** Gerry Rive

**RUNNER-UP**

**Skip:** Bob Sorely  
**Vice:** Bob Biggar  
**2nd:** Bud Rebstock  
**Lead:** Richard Lambert

**CURLING ON TV**

M&M Meat Shops Canadian Juniors	Feb 10	CBC	Men's Final
M&M Meat Shops Canadian Juniors	Feb 11	CBC	Women's Final
Scotties Tournament of Hearts	Feb 17-23	TSN	Round Robin
Scotties Tournament of Hearts	Feb 24	CBC	Semi-Finals
Scotties Tournament of Hearts	Feb 25	CBC	Finals
Tim Hortons Brier	Mar. 3-9	TSN	Round Robin
Tim Hortons Brier	Mar. 10	CBC	Semi-Finals
Tim Hortons Brier	Mar. 11	CBC	Finals
Strauss Canada Cup of Curling	Mar. 17	CBC	Women's Final
Strauss Canada Cup of Curling	Mar. 18	CBC	Men's Final
2007 World Women's Championships	Mar. 24	CBC	Semi-Finals
2007 World Women's Championships	Mar. 25	CBC	Finals
2007 World Men's Championships	Apr. 7	CBC	Semi-Finals
2007 World Men's Championships	Apr. 8	CBC	Finals

## MURRAY ENDICOTT AWARD

The award is given to a junior curler who is a member of the NFCC, and who is proceeding on to post-secondary education at a college or university. One or more awards may be presented and the amount of the award will be decided by the committee, based on the funds available and the number of awards to be presented.

Prospective award winners must apply in writing to the club and selection of the winner(s) will be made by the committee.

The criteria for the selection of award winners are as follows:

1. Must be a junior curler
2. Must be a member of the Niagara Falls Curling Club
3. Must be a high school graduate proceeding to post-secondary education
4. Must submit a letter of application to the club: Attention: The Murray Endicott Award Committee

Please see club postings on the bulletin boards for more information on what to include in your application and when to submit it by.

## BRODIE LEAGUE INFO

Are you a new curler looking for a more competitive league. Are you intimidated about curling in a Men's competitive league like Brodie? No need to be.

The Brodie league is broken up into flights depending on how good your team is. New teams start at the bottom and have to work their way up. The best teams at the club are in the top flight. You never play teams out of your flight. Every 5 weeks the top 2 teams in each flight go up a flight and the bottom 2 teams go down a flight. At the end of the year each flight has its own Championship.



## NFCC RAFFLE

This year's raffle will soon be under way. Tickets will be \$5 each and the prizes are as follows:

- 2 rounds of golf at Thundering Waters (\$250 value)
- 2 rounds of golf at Bridgewater Golf and CC (\$100 value)
- one year fitness memberships at the St. Catharines Raquetball Club (\$600 value)
- Private wine tour for 8 Lakeview Cellars Winery (\$50 value)
- Private wine Tour for 8 Eastdell Estate Winery (\$50 value)

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Annual Club Championship/Calcutta is coming up. The sign up sheet will be on the board very soon.

This is a great bonspiel for new curlers. Don't think that you are too inexperienced to sign up. Teams are made up as evenly as possible matching inexperienced curlers with seasoned pro's.

Last year Doug Kidd of the new curler league signed up, was put on a team as a lead, and the team won the entire event. Doug now sports his Championship jacket when he curls.

Sign up no matter what level curler you are, there is a spot for you. Who knows, maybe you will be on this year's winning team and receive a jacket for doing so. At the very least you will get to meet and curl with other members of the club.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mixed Valentine Bonspiel	February 10-11
Bus. Women Mardi Gras Cash Bonspiel	March 2-4
John Clark Senior Men's Bonspiel	March 7
NFCC Annual Meeting	March 27
Honeymoon City Men's Invitational	March 29-31

## HARRY WILKIE VOLUNTEER AWARD

This award is given out yearly to a member who exhibits the following:

- Ambassador for the Club and a member in good standing.
- Congenial, cooperative and a supportive team player.
- Has a positive attitude with a good sense of humour.
- Enthusiastic participant on and off the ice.
- Resourceful - willing to share talents/skills for the benefit of the club.

If you know of any member who exhibits the above qualities and you think they would be deserving of this award, please inform your Section President by March 1, 2007.

## SECTION PRESIDENTS

Men's:	Sean Brady
Ladies:	Lynda Northcott
Bus. Women:	Tracy McCabe
Sr. Men:	Don Jackson

The award will be presented to this year's recipient at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 27, 2007.

## CURLING STATISTICS

Curlers in Canada:	872,000	% of
<u>Times per Year</u>	<u>Curlers</u>	<u>Canada</u>
10 or more	487,000	56%
3-9	128,000	15%
1-2	257,000	29%
Ontario	281,000	32%
Atlantic Provinces	82,000	9%
Quebec	94,000	11%
Prairie Provinces	268,000	31%
British Columbia	147,000	17%

