

Baysville Curling and Bocce Club



Buzz from the Board

Financial Status

Due to the efforts of many of our volunteer members, our financial situation is strong. Our membership is remaining constant and we have had an influx of revenue from a variety of sources including two recent very successful Bonspiels as well as the effective and fun fundraising committee events such as Trivia Night and Bingo. Revenue from an increased level of Sponsorship plus numerous Ice and Facilities Rentals has assisted us as well. We have also kept our expenses in check. Many many thanks to everyone involved. As you know, the work continues. We still have substantial loans to pay off and club maintenance but our cash flow is good. You can find a copy of our financials on the website posted monthly with our meeting minutes.

Lake of Bays Township

We are working closely with Stephen Derraugh, Lake of Bays (LOB) Economic Development, to pursue potential partnering opportunities. Our goal is to increase our membership by highlighting BCBC on the LOB website and any other LOB communication vehicle. We want to be recognized as a benefit to the community and one of many reasons to work and live in LOB as we plan and execute activities for an active community. The Board also responded to the request for community input regarding the LOB's draft Recreational Strategic Plan.

Practice First

Practice First resumed on January 28. Check the event calendar on our website for upcoming sessions.

Strategic Planning

Your BCBC Board will be holding a full day Strategic Planning session on May 4. Watch for more information on how to provide input.

Submitted by Dianne Jones



DORSET TIMBERMART MEN'S BONSPIEL, Baysville Curling & Bocce Club

The 64th annual Men's Bonspiel will be held on
Friday, March 3rd and Saturday, March 4th, 2023
at the Baysville Curling Club.

❖ Friday evening Pizza
Saturday Continental Breakfast,
Soup & Sandwich Lunch,
Roast Beef Dinner and Prizes.

3 games for all teams
(8 ends on Friday, 6 ends on Saturday)

❖ REGISTRATION FORM
with directions for payment

Go to baysvillecurling.ca

\$300.00 per team

For more information contact:
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for the Timbermart Bonspiel
so if you are aware of anyone
interested, please contact Dean

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Ladies “Living the Dream”

Here we are in a new year with a new dehumidifier and faster ice. Two teams of our women curlers have curled in two different women's Interclub games, both coming home with a WIN. The Parry Sound Women's Interclub league are all coming to Baysville on Monday February 13th for league play. 32 women curling and lunch, another busy day in our club. January 20th and 21st was the first, and hopefully annual, women's Bonspiel sponsored by Ashley Jeffery. An amazing two days with great curling, lots of really top notch food, laughs and new friendships. Many many thanks to Lili, Elaine, Ashley, Joan and Marilyn who have worked alongside with me since August on planning and also to everyone else who helped in so many ways making this such a success. Thanks also to our three Baysville teams who provided some tough competition throughout.

Submitted by Cathy Hoare
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Pictures submitted by Ahne Crawford-Ridley & Elaine Roland's





SURF AND TURF 2023



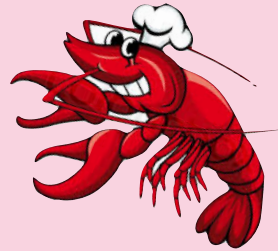
We are very excited to announce the return of the annual Surf and Turf event to be held on Saturday, June 24th at the Baysville Arena.

This Riverfront Group event, with the support from BCBC's volunteers will include a feast of a surf and turf dinner, silent auction, live-auction, raffles and much more. This is the most important fundraiser of the year for all programming and operations of BCBC. It is also important for the Riverfront Group to enable the continuation of their important community work in Baysville. **We need the support of all our volunteers to make this event successful.**

The event committee will require between 65-70 volunteers for many different jobs at various times of the event. A sign-up sheet will be available on our website soon so everyone can choose a spot to help out. The committee will also welcome new silent auction items or services.

Please mark your calendars and stay-tuned --

Submitted by Joan Beaudry



Health & Safety

Club Cleaning

We still require two cleaners for each of our last three weeks (February 26, March 5 and March 12). Please sign up on the schedule in the Members Section of our website or let Bill Rowlands know (rowlands108@rogers.com).

Head Protection

A reminder that we encourage our members to use head protection. Helmets and hair liners are available for use. Also Goldline has a variety of head protection equipment available for purchase.

[Curling Head Protection](#) | [Goldline Curling Supplies](#)

Submitted by Bill Rowlands





February Fundraising Report

Fundraising continues with events taking place throughout February. Check out the website to register for our upcoming Paint and Sip and Trivia Night.

We had a very successful **Bingo night** with 38 people participating. Thanks to Warren for being our Bingo caller. We were able to play 10 games and the event was attended by both members and non-members. Some of the non-members are now showing interest in becoming members so a successful event on several levels. We hope to have another Bingo Night sometime in March.

Paint and Sip is fast approaching. Come on out on **February 8th** and create a masterpiece of birch trees. All supplies will be included in the registration cost. Enjoy a fun evening of camaraderie, creativity, table snacks and of course the bar will be open.

Save the date for our next **Trivia Night** on **February 28th** at the curling club. Registration is open on the website so sign up as a team or as an individual and we will put you on a team. The event will be run by our very own Ahne Crawford-Ridley who will test our knowledge of events in many categories.

We look forward to seeing you at some or all of these events. Thanks for supporting our fundraising efforts

Submitted by Elaine Rowlands





Proud Sponsor of the Hap & Alice Bonspiel

The annual Hap and Alice Bonspiel was held again at the beginning of January this year. It was generously sponsored by Elaine Arbuckle of our local Remax. It was a lot of fun as usual and there was some great curling by 6 Baysville and two teams from away who have competed for several years. The tournament was won this year by one of our Baysville teams: Terry and Carol Koumoujian and Dean and Joan Beaudry.

This year Cathy Vanclieaf provided some historical background about her grandparents Hap and Alice Watson. She also brought some photos. It was interesting to learn about these pioneer curlers. We also remembered their daughter and Cathy's mother, Doreen Wheeler.

Our trophy needs updating with past winners, so if anyone has info on past winners please let me know so that we can make up some new plaques.

Submitted by Andre Tieman





Pictures submitted by Cathy Vanclieaf & Anna Landry

Kitchen Chatter



The kitchen has been a busy place this fall with several Masters and GrandMasters lunches being prepared and served. Breakfast and lunch for the Hap and Alice Bonspiel as well as all the meals and snacks for the Living The Dream Women's Bonspiel.

The 'compost' bucket project has been well received, some better than others. The goal of this is to encourage the CC to be more eco friendly at the same time, reducing the amount of garbage at the CC.

There is always a need for more kitchen volunteers. If you are able to help out, please let either Cathy or Lili know.

Submitted by Cathy Hoare & Lili Davis-Burchat



Please check out the Baysville & Bocce Club website to keep up with further information.

Click below www.baysvillecurling.ca

Mens' Den



Grand Masters Games

Tues Feb 7th - Baysville

Tues Feb 14th - Gravenhurst

Tues Feb 21st - Bala

Tues Feb 28th - Payoffs

Masters Games

Fri Feb 3rd - Baysville

Fri Feb 10th - Gravenhurst

Fri Feb 17th - Bracebridge

Fri Feb 24th - Playoffs

As we all know curling can be a humbling game. Last year we won a series, this year we are struggling.

With Keith's situation we have to thank Andre for stepping up to fill the position as needed.

The last game of the season will be our only long trip this year. It is in Bala.

Thanks to our ladies we are still known as the club with the most consistent good lunches.

Submitted by Hugh Knox

Ready to practise?



Curling by the numbers

There is a popular notion in the Club Curling that if the rock doesn't go to its intended target, then it was the shooter alone who failed to put it there.

This might be true if we were ever allowed to walk our stone down the ice and place it at the other end as called for. But in the real game, there is about 140 feet of ice that has to be taken into account. A draw weight that stops on the button will often run 15 feet shorter when set along a path toward the outside of the house. And that doesn't account for all of *the Twilight Zone* stuff that can happen on the side of the house which is closest to the wall!

And that leads to a whole lot of yelling!

Yelling may feel a little embarrassing at first. For that reason many new curlers quickly learn to keep their thoughts to themselves—at least until the rock comes to a stop. But your skip can't help your team when she or he doesn't know what you are thinking and that's a problem: the cost of silence may be a rock that travels shorter (or longer) than anyone on the team really wanted. And each time that happens, the opposing team gets a chance to capitalize on the error in judgement.

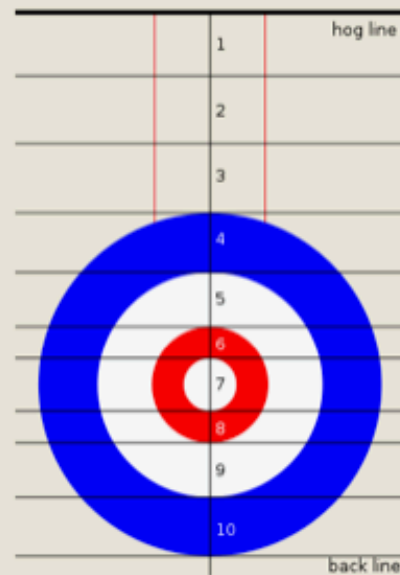
So sweepers need a simple but reliable way to think out loud about where the rock might stop. They also need to hear some words from their skip about how much line they have or don't have to go around a guard, for example.

But here is another problem: the language of curling is a janky mess of words that are hard to hear on the sheet and may not make sense to you in the first place. What is a high guard? Is a top eight in the house? Is a hit and flop the same as a hit and roll? Was that a split or a slash? And what do they really mean by hit it thick... or thin? The language of curling may feel like it was created in a galaxy far far away.

This is why Randy Ferby introduced or promoted a numbering system—a ten point scale that divides the competitive part of the sheet into ten easy pieces. The guard zone is divided into three (one for each type of guard) and the rest of the numbers slice up the sheet between the hogline and the backline into a layer cake of zones.

Curling Ice Numbering System

During a game, sweepers might call out numbers. These numbers indicate how far the sweepers think the rock in play will travel. This system has been around for a number of years and is often attributed to the Randy Ferbey rink since they were the first major team to use the system, but it is not known whose idea it originally was. 1 to 3 indicates a rock in the free guard zone, 4 to 6 the rings in front of the tee line, 7 being on the button, and 8 to 10 the rings behind the tee line. Sometimes, 11 is used to indicate a stone thrown so that it passes through the house and out of play. With this system, the sweepers can communicate more effectively to the skip where they think the stone will end up and if sweeping is required or not. The skip can also utilize it to better tell the deliverer how hard to throw the rock.



When we started using Ferby numbers in Practice First last November, most people reacted with concern: “How will I remember all of those numbers?”, “What if the one of us forgets the numbers?” So we began using just three of the ten numbers: 7, which means on or beside the button (“t-line weight”); 10, which means “at the back of the house on or beside the 12-foot circle”; and 3, which is for a tight guard (the one we use most in Baysville curling). It turns out these three numbers were comfortably in use within the first hour of practice. What our players discovered is that the numbers were quicker to bark out, easier to hear, and easier to understand.

What was even more interesting to witness was that, when sweepers and skippers talked using numbers, they were likely to make five or more judgment calls—a good idea because the ice can run slow in some sections and then seem to speed up in others. As it turned out, the team got best results when they kept calling the weight until the rock was a few feet from its target. We also saw that using numbers made it easier to change one’s mind about the weight. First call was a 7, no, now it’s a 5, actually it’s an 8... well, the rock came to stop as a 7. All part of a very helpful conversation!

This past week we welcomed the Master’s team to Practice First. Interestingly, it became clear that, when the team used numbers to make weight judgments, then their shot percentages rose from about 50% to something closer to 75%. Apparently, using numbers is a small adjustment that can make a big difference in game-play.

We also welcomed two drop-ins. And still there is more room on the ice to practice. So feel free to drop in if your Saturday is open. The club asks you to pay 10 bucks per session. We are in business from 10-12.

Submitted by Michael and Alan