



Elmira & District Curling Club

December 2009 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming events

2010

January 23 - Chocolate Lovers Ladies Bonspiel

February 6 - Men's Striploin Classic

February 13/14 - Colts & Trophy Zones

February 20 - Little Rock/Junior

March 6 - Ribs 'n Tails

March 13 - Men's Texas BBQ

March 15 - Teacher's Bonspiel

March 27 - Maple Syrup Bonspiel

April 14 - Ladies Banquet

April 17 - Spring Shindig

Please visit the website for more details on upcoming events!

Did you know?

We're on Facebook! Check out the "Elmira & District Curling Club" group.

Message from the President



Greetings everyone,

Well it's been a busy few months around the Club. We welcomed 49 new members bringing our total membership to 250. Please remember to say hello to these new faces when you see them around the Club.

Here's a bit of what's been happening lately. I encourage you to read the rest of this newsletter for all of the details.

We've got a silent auction planned for the end of February with proceeds going toward a new sound system for the Club.

Our ever-popular elimination draw is back. Proceeds will go toward our Junior Curling Program.

I encourage you to get involved in both of these events either by donating an item to the auction, bidding on something donated by your fellow members or buying a ticket in the elimination draw.

We're also looking at buying a defibrillator for the Club this season.

Congratulations to this year's Trophy Winner at the Home Hardware Bonspiel. Elmira's team skipped by Doug Adams came out number one. Congratulations Doug, Scott Foerster, Ben Larson and Chris Pidgeon. And Dianne Crossley was mentioned in Brian Belfry's Home Hardware article in the *K-W Record* for her work in organizing a last minute game in Elmira when a scheduling glitch occurred on the Friday night. Thank you Dianne for representing the Club so well.

Until next time, I wish you continued good curling and happy holidays.

Brian Rainville
President, Elmira & District Curling Club

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Welcome to our new members!

Gundi Barbour
Richard Bauman
Lisa Brennan
Tim Brennan
Melody Bridgen
Christine Broughton
Dan Cremasco
Helen Cremasco
Arlene Davison
Dolf Dejong
Murray Dickson
Paul Douglas
Andrew Epp
Mary George
Sheldon Goulding
Betty Hoffele
Nancy Holland

Regan Hori
Kevin Kitsemetry
Edwin Kling
Jeanette Kling
Cheryl Kraemer
Pamela Kraemer
Chuck Kuntz
Karen Kuntz
Ann Ludwig
Rodger Ludwig
Laura Martin
Tim Martin
Douglas Mcanally
Anne McDivitt
Mike Morgan
Linda Morriss

Sheri Munro
Tony Munro
Bob Raymer
Karen Ross
Bob Schmidt
Sandy Shantz
Susan Siebel
Clare Snider
Jody Soehner
Mick Toone
Donna Trimble
Kevin Wall
George Wilson
Laurie Wilson
Mark Womack
Gail Zippel

Pro-Shop – stocking up for Christmas!

New products are arriving daily including jewelry, giftware and clothing. Shop early for best selection. Remember that we can order anything for you from Tournament Sports (www.tournament-sports.com), Goldline (www.goldline.ca) or Balance Plus (www.balanceplus.com). Check out their websites or their catalogues at the pro shop. We can beat their list prices and at the same time keep the profits within the club.

Club jackets – back by popular demand

We are now taking orders for club jackets. The style for the lady's jackets is the same as what we sold two years ago. The men's jackets are a similar style but in blue. Contact Virginia Henry, Brian Henry or Linda Dickson for further details.

Two new curling clinics scheduled for the new year – Jan. 22 and Feb. 19, 9 to 11 p.m.

Our curling clinics continue to be very popular both for new curlers who want to learn more about technique and for more experienced curlers who want to work on a specific aspect of their game. All clinics are run by qualified instructors and cost \$10 per person with all proceeds going to our Junior Curling Program.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the "Social Curling" bulletin board.



Ice Committee – new!

In an effort to create a better two-way communication between members and the icemaker, we've formed an ice committee to work with our ice technician Lavern Brubacher in order to provide the best possible ice for our members. Currently the committee consists of Brian Henry, Steve Jones and Don Stockman.

Please contact them if you have comments about the rink including things like the ice itself, the ice plant, the equipment used to maintain the ice, the curling stones, temperature control, humidity, cleanliness, training and safety. They look forward to your input and any suggestions you may have. You can speak to Brian, Don, or Steve at the club, phone them or e-mail them at icecommittee@elmiracurlingclub.ca.

Home Hardware Bonspiel

Congratulations to the team of Doug Adams, Scott Foerster, Ben Larson, and Chris Pidgeon who won seven straight games and the Trophy title. Congratulations!



Silent Auction

We're raising money for a new sound system with a silent auction during the last week of February. We intend on using only items that members donate for the silent auction. Please help us out by donating anything you think another member would enjoy. It can be an item (homemade or store bought), a dinner out (via gift certificate or say you will take them!), something you've created with a special skill, or anything else you think fits. There will be silent auction sheets located on the bar starting in January for you to fill out for your donation. If you have any questions regarding items you would like to donate, please contact Colleen Coghlin.

Elimination Draw

We're still looking for a volunteer to run the very popular elimination draw. Proceeds from the draw will go to Junior Curling. Contact Brian Rainville if you are interested.

Chocolate Lovers Ladies bonspiel – January 23

There are still plenty of spots left in the 11:00 draw and only 1 on the early draw. Ladies can make up their own teams or contact Colleen Coghlin if you want to sign up on your own and be placed on a team. Watch for the sign up sheet in the lady's locker room.

If you want to donate something to the bonspiel raffle table, contact Sheila Smith-Jones or Jennifer Bernard.



What's going on at the bar?

Before



After



We're making room for a three keg cooler so we're moving things around a bit. On Saturday, December 5, six volunteers moved the old fridge out, moved in the other fridge from the kitchen and lifted the keg fridge over the bar. Our new member Richard Bauman is using his carpentry skills and Club volunteer duty to

make room for the new cooler. Thank you to everyone who worked on this. It looks great!

Club rentals

Did you know you can rent the Club facilities for your own special events? Call our Club Manager, Christina at 519-578-2331 for more information.

Boston Pizza tapes

When you dine at **Boston Pizza** (597 King N Waterloo location only) you can bring your copy of the bill to the Club and a portion of that total is returned to the Club. Every \$500 spent at Boston Pizza earns the Club a \$50 gift card. We use those gift cards throughout the year for bonspiels and other prizes.

So don't forget, next time you're at Boston Pizza, save your copy of the bill and leave it in the box located on the shelf by the used books.

50/50 draw

Our 50/50 weekly draw has started with proceeds going to ongoing improvements around the Club. There is a binder and payment jar located at the bar.

Here's how it works

Every member's name is included in the draw. If your name is drawn and you've paid that week, you win! If you didn't pay, that week's total is carried forward to the following week or until there is a winner. Good Luck!



Where do all of our members live?

Bloomingtondale	1
Bolton	1
Cambridge	1
Conestogo	4
Drayton	1
Elmira	69
Eramossa	1
Floradale	2
Heidelberg	2
Kitchener	32
Linwood	2
Listowel	1
Maryhill	2
Millbank	2
New Dundee	2
St. Clements	4
St. Jacobs	10
Wallenstein	7
Waterloo	101
Wellesley	2
West Montrose	3

Your 2009-2010 Board of Directors

President	Brian Rainville
Past President	Allan Dickson
Vice-President	Brian Henry
Secretary	Marc Bernard
Treasurer	Dave Oberholtzer
Assistant Treasurer	Colleen Coghlin (temporary)
Membership Manager	Scott Coghlin
Food Services	Dianne Crossley
House Facilities	Derek Pass
Club Events	Twyla Gilbert
Special Events	Colleen Coghlin
Junior Curling	Bob Johnson
Communications	Pat Johnson

The Board meets the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to attend these meetings or they are welcome to review the minutes located in the lounge. If you have any comments or suggestions about anything at the club, please feel free to contact a board member to discuss. We are still looking for someone to manage the role of Club Events. If you're interested in filling that position or if you are interested in becoming a board member for the 2010-2011 season, please contact any current board member.