



Elmira & District Curling Club

## April 2010 NEWSLETTER

### Upcoming events

#### 2010

August 15 – watch for your 2010/2011 membership package to arrive in the mail.

**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,

As Spring arrives and we look forward to our "off season" sports, I can't help but look back at the 2009/2010 curling season and reflect on the amount of exciting changes and member successes that have taken place at the Elmira & District Curling Club. As our 250 Club members pack their curling gear into summer storage, I hope that you will agree that this past season was an exciting one.

We've got some great improvements already scheduled to happen next season! I am delighted to report that the Board has approved the purchase and installation of replacement pipes, headers and sand for the ice surface. This is a major purchase and one that was urgently needed. It is a labour intensive job that will take place in August. We're hoping that many hands will make light work so please keep this in mind as the summer months approach and contact Brian Henry if you're able to help out. See the Ice Committee report included in this newsletter for more details.

I wish you each a safe and happy summer and I look forward to seeing you on the ice in October.

Until next time.

**Brian Rainville**  
**President, Elmira & District Curling Club**



## Elimination Draw

Congratulations !

Winners in the Elmira & District Curling Club  
Elimination Draw

Drawn #		Winner
1	\$100	Paul Pope
50	\$50	Kathy Ryan
100	\$50	Ken Salem
125	\$50	Pat Brandon
150	\$50	Team Fickling
175	\$50	Dan Donaldson
200	\$50	Stan Sitts
225	\$50	Regan Hori
250	\$50	Eileen Taylor
275	\$50	Barb & Murray Coghlin (Atwood)
286	\$250	Syd Dye
287	\$500	Dianne LaPierre
288	\$1,000	Matt LaPierre

Draw #		Early Bird Winners
1	\$50	Jim Broomfield, Cambridge
2	\$50	Don Stockman
3	\$50	Jody Soehner
4	\$50	Don Stockman
5	\$50	Lorraine Weber
6	\$50	Pat Andrews
7	\$50	Julie Tedesco, Waterloo
8	\$50	Richard Bauman
9	\$50	Julie Tedesco, Waterloo
10	\$50	Bill Barr
11	\$50	Paul Rudow
12	\$50	Rick Hofstetter, London

## Spring Shindig was a great success

The April 17 Spring Shindig was a great success. Thanks to everyone who attended. Over \$2,000 was raised from the **Silent Auction** which will go towards purchasing a new sound system for the Club. Sincere thanks to everyone who either donated an item for the auction, bid on an item, or both!

## Club Championships

Congratulations to the following teams who have qualified to represent Elmira & District Curling Club at the 2010 Dominion Curling Club National Championship at zones in the fall:

Men	Women
Dean Martin	Colleen Coghlin
Ken Gilbert	Dianne Crossley
Chris Pidgeon	Linda Dickson
Bill Barr	Melody Martin

## Thank you Lavern Brubacher

Sincere thanks to Lavern Brubacher, head icemaker for the 2009/2010 season who is retiring from icemaker duties. Members and visitors alike have commented throughout the season about the superb ice conditions at our Club. Thank you Lavern for your hard work.

If you have suggestions for a new head icemaker, please contact Don Stockman.

## Volunteers needed for August installation of new pipes, headers and sand

See attached report from the Ice Committee.



**A season in review –  
2009/2010 Elmira & District Curling Club**

**2009**

***September***

Mass mailing of curling club flyers to over 10,000 homes

***October***

- 1 & 2 Open House for new curlers
- 4 Club Open House
- Ice Committee Formed

***November***

Welcome to 49 new members bringing total membership to 250.

Congratulations to the team of Doug Adams, Chris Pidgeon, Ben Larson, and Scott Foerster who won the trophy event in the 2009 Home Hardware Bonspiel.

***December***

Three keg cooler installed at the bar.

**2010**

***January***

- 22 Curling Clinic
- 23 Chocolate Lovers Ladies Bonspiel

Congratulations to the team of Deanna Johnson, Julia Mackey, Jaime Jones, and Emily Walsh who won the "B" side in the Bantam Girls Zone 12 playdowns on January 9 in Ayr.

Congratulation to Twyla Gilbert, who won the Ontario Senior Women's Provincial Curling Championship January 20-24 in Orillia, playing third along with Brampton skip Dale Curtis, second Rosemary Gowman, and lead Vicki Marianchuk.



## **February**

- 6 Mens Striploin Classic
- 13/14 Colts & Trophy Zones
- 19 Video Curling Clinic
- 20 Little Rocks / Junior Bonspiel

Congratulations to the team of Colleen Coghlin, Dianne Crossley, Linda Dickson, and Melody Martin, who won zone 12 in the Tim Hortons Trophy playdowns on February 13-14 right here in Elmira.

Congratulations to the team of Matthew Dickson, Kendall Haymes, Zack Schurflett, and Cassie Savage, who won the "B" side in the Bantam Mixed zone 12 playdowns on February 13-14 and would later advance to the provincial playdowns in Ilderton.

## **March**

- 6 Ribs & Tails Bonspiel
- 13 Men's Texas BBQ
- 15 Teacher's Bonspiel
- 27 Maple Syrup Bonspiel

## **April**

- 8 Last night of regular curling
- 13 Ladies Banquet
- 17 Spring Shindig/Silent Auction wrap-up/Elimination Draw final draw

## **August**

Watch for your 2010/2011 membership package to arrive in the mail.



### **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. If you are interested in becoming a board member for the 2010-2011 season, please contact any current board member.

## ICE COMMITTEE

### Replacement of pipes

We have lots planned for the summer and need the help of many volunteers. The board has approved the replacement of the brine pipes that run under the ice and header pipes that are located under the walkway at the window end. The pipes and headers are original and have served us for about 45 years. However, they are deteriorating and the time has come for replacement.

We have found that most clubs faced with this situation rely heavily on **volunteer help**. We must remove not only the pipes but also the sand that surrounds them. Then we must install the new pipes attaching each one to the headers. New, clean sand must then be placed around the pipes. We expect this work to take about 8 to 10 days and are intending to **start the process the week of August 9** and continuing into the next week. Please call Brian Henry at 519-885-4425 or e-mail [btwhenry@gmail.com](mailto:btwhenry@gmail.com) if you can help. Let us know when you are available, during the day, early evening or even on the weekend. Credit will be given towards fulfillment of your volunteer duty. We may also consider hiring a couple of students to assist us. If you know of someone who may be interested let us know. Please do not put off contacting us.

Finally, we are looking to borrow boards or plywood panels to use beneath the wheelbarrows as we remove and replace the sand. Does anyone have access to this type of wood or know where we can obtain it?

### Icemaker

We regret to advise you that we are seeking a new icemaker for the coming season. Lavern Brubacher is unable to continue but has expressed an interest in helping the new team if needed. The board thanked him at their last meeting for the hard work of he and his team this last season. He will be greatly missed. If you know someone that might be interested in taking this position, please contact the ice committee at [icecommittee@elmiracurlingclub.ca](mailto:icecommittee@elmiracurlingclub.ca). We are actively seeking someone, hopefully with some experience but are willing to train the individual if needed. This is a contract position that runs from September until mid April. Please help us in this search.