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## President's Message

### I trust you are enjoying your "off season"!

For most of you the thought of curling is likely way down on your list (if it appears at all). However you might be surprised to know that the Club does not simply shut its doors in anticipation of the start of another curling season next fall. Casey remains hard at work addressing various business issues and co-ordinating the numerous rentals that use our Club through the summer. Not sure if I ever mentioned it before, but under Casey's management rental income has almost doubled from what it used to be. This revenue stream has become a critical part of our business plan, and has allowed us to keep fees in check year-to-year. And it's nice to know that the feedback we received from our renters is always, always extremely positive. Our thanks to Casey and her staff for taking the lead on our behalf and coming through in spades.

We also take advantage of the down time to try and keep up with the numerous repairs, both large and small, that are required of a 50+ year old facility. To Paul Slean and his crew of volunteers, thanks for taking the time to look after all of the little things, from drafty windows to leaky faucets and everything in-between (I'm guessing that none of our lady members are missing the wobbly toilets!).

For our part the Board continues to meet over the summer to address issues that came out of the last season (a "lessons learned" if you will) and to get ready for next season. First and foremost we need to deal with the year end audit and to wrap up the business year. We are also hard at work finalizing the fees and schedule for next year. To that end I would encourage you to follow along on our website, which of itself is another project we are trying to tackle over the summer. We are also taking the time to review the

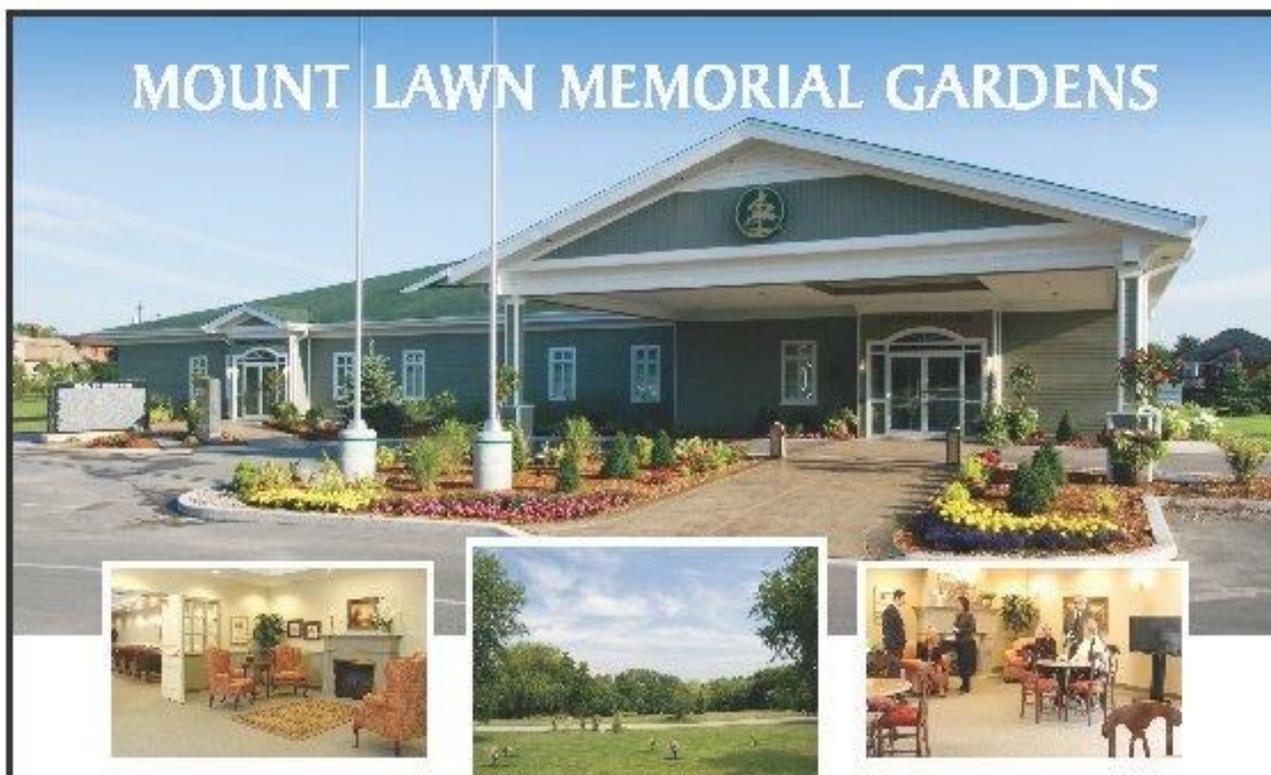
Constitution and, in particular the job descriptions and some procedures that perhaps need to be updated to reflect our current operations.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, we continue to look at our facility and our capital maintenance requirements. As I have mentioned on numerous occasions we have an aging facility and limited reserves. Over the summer, with the help of a few members well versed in operations and capital planning, we hope to have both a better understanding of our facility and a plan to address both short term and long term ready in time for the Annual General Meeting next September.

I hope that you all enjoy your summer and I look forward to seeing everyone next fall.

Until then, as always, "good curling".

Andrew Gray



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**Day Ladies**

The Ladies Monday and Thursday afternoon leagues ended their third draw with presentations to the winning teams. Our Monday Winners were as follows.....

First: Katherine Brown, Joan Wiseman, Connie Young, Shirley O'Mara

Second: Shirley Wozniak, Jane Way, Donna Macdonald, Heather Muirhead

Third: Donna Taylor, Judy Haight, Joan Ellis, Linda Doyle

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Thursday Winners.....

First: Katherine Brown, Jo Lintner, SandraTateishi-Kotack, Sandra Gough

Second: Kathy Robbins, Lil Stillar, Heather Muirhead

Third: AnnMarie Fitzpatrick/Gloria Ryan, Barb Heimstra, Lisa Smith, Linda Doyle

Throughout the year, at the end of each of our draws we have been treated to baked goodies by many of our members. Thank you ladies!

Our Skip's Choice Luncheon was held on April 9th. After a season of round robin, skins and playoffs, the overall trophy went to the Winters team. Congratulations to Liz Winters, Sandra Thain, Joan Cushnie and Donna Sguigna. On hand to present the trophy was our sponsor Malcolm Macaulay. As we have two divisions, in this league, a trophy is also awarded to each of our division winners. This year the Munroe trophy, sponsored by Sharon Munroe, went to Sherry Howard, Pauline Albert, Val Elmhurst and Andrea Chapin. The Winters trophy, sponsored by Bob Winters was presented to Team Winters. We are very fortunate to have Malcolm, Sharon and Bob as our sponsors and we appreciate their continued support.

On April 18th the ladies had their closing dinner. We were pleased that some of our sponsors and past members were able to join us for the evening. After dinner, the ladies participated in a game of Jackpot, fashioned after the Jackpot game that was on television many years ago. The ladies had a series of riddles to solve and of course there were prizes involved. Thanks to all ladies for taking part!



Of course our season is not quite done! Every year, at the beginning of June, the ladies hold a golf tournament. We welcome all ladies to take part, experienced golfer or not! It's a day of fun, laughter and usually great weather. We are keeping our fingers crossed this year that on June 10th we will have the weatherman's cooperation.



A successful curling season is always dependent on it's members. Thank you to all the ladies for their continued support of not only the Ladies Section but the Whitby Curling Club.

**In Person Registration Dates**

7 pm—9 pm

Wednesday July 17

Wednesday August 14

Tuesday September 24



*A Skip who had played poorly was asked after the game how he had done. His answer: "I made four friends and three enemies!"*

# No matter what the game, we're in it with you.

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## Youth Curling Program

This was a very busy and successful season. As always, this is due to hard work and dedication of our parents, coaches and club volunteers. We offer a heartfelt **'Thank You!'** from all of our curlers. Whether you were out every Sunday, helped coach a team or volunteered at one of our events....you made a difference!

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following for their generous donations to our program:

WCC Senior Men's Section  
Doug Schnurr

With these donations and our fundraising during bonspiels, we will be able to purchase jackets for our Bantam curlers to wear when they are playing in bonspiels. In addition, the Youth Curling Program will be getting new 'club brooms' to replace

the old brownies currently being used. This will help our kids develop better sweeping technique! The brooms will also be available for use by all other curlers at WCC.

Our final bonspiel of the season, *'Rocking in Whitby'* Bantam Funspiel was held on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We had teams from Lakefield, Port Perry, Bayview and Tam Heather participating. The curlers and spectators were treated to some great and some interesting shots! Comments from the all were very positive. Parents felt that the level of play was just right for the kids. It is very exciting that the winning team of Grant Schnurr, Colin Schnurr, Adam MacKay and Christopher Vine were from Whitby. Well done boys!!

Plans for next year are already underway for all aspects of our program. We look forward to working with the kids to help them improve and enjoy the great game of curling!

## WCC Golf Tournament

Whitby Curling Club 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament...It's not too late to sign up! Registration Deadline May 30/13.

### Includes:

- 18 Holes of Golf at Lakeridge Golf Club, including power cart
  - 4 Ball Scramble
  - Enter as a team or individual, any combination men, women, mixed
  - Registration at noon, with time for use of practice range
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From the January Edition  
of Curling Report

EDITORIAL

## Curlers have a job to do

**A**t the closing banquet at  
this year's TCA  
Goldline Championship,

sponsor Doug Flowers urged the assembled group of men to bring new players into the event next year, to break with normal practice of taking an entire club team into the 118-year-old championship and grab some rookies. Although close to 300 rinks played, entries were down in the famed event. That's the same at many great old bonspiels from one end of the province to the other. It's not that there are that many fewer curlers out there; but far too many don't know the fun and joy of playing in a bonspiel.

They simply don't get the opportunity to experience what many veteran curlers do - that a weekend bonspiel can be a lot of laughs, great fellowship, good meals and entertainment and, yes, curling too.

The Ontario Curling Report has urged provincial and national governing bodies to do all they can to attract new players to the game, but curlers have a role to play in building the sport too. If newcomers aren't made to feel welcome, they will depart. Quickly. Sometimes curling clubs can seem like a closed shop for a person just starting out. (And we applaud those facilities who choose to replace the word 'club' with 'centre' to remove at least one part of the stigma.

So curlers everywhere . . . invite a newcomer

into a bonspiel. Welcome them onto a team. Invite them to spare when you need a fill-in. It's easy to do and can help turn a new curler into a lifetime player.

### Member Guest Night October 18, 2013

A Member-Guest night has been scheduled during "Learn to Curl" week Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. We encourage all members to invite friends and relatives to join them for a fun-filled night of curling instruction, competition and now famous hospitality and great ice conditions. Guests of all levels of experience and skill are welcome. Snacks and instruction will be provided.

This event will introduce new people to our club and encourage them to join us for the 2013-2014 curling season. There will be an opportunity for new members to sign up that evening. With our wide range of competitive and less-competitive leagues for women, men and couples, including our novice league, we have many options for curling that suits most people's needs. So think of any friends/relatives who you think would have a great time curling at WCC and plan to bring them out that evening. More information on signing up will be sent out in the fall but get the date in your calendar and start notifying friends. The more the merrier!



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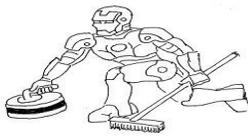
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## Men's Curling

After 6 months and nearly 500 games, the Men's Curling Leagues decided their 2013 champions on April 19. It was a great evening for all that attended as the teams that made it to the finals treated the spectators to three excellent games.

The Men's Divisional League settled two trophies on the final night. The battle for The Carroll Trophy saw Team Elliot narrowly defeat Team Jackson while in The President's Trophy it was Team Cavanaugh edging Team Sievers.

It was another very successful year for Men's curling and the organizers, Paul Slean, Stan Senkowski and Steve Crabbe would like to thank all those that participated in the leagues. We look forward to seeing everyone again this fall!



Carroll Trophy winners Team Elliot members Jeff Solly, Paul Adair, Paul Elliot and Doug MacKay



President's Trophy winners Team Cavanaugh members Dave Way, Jeremy Way, Club President Andrew Gary, Ian Cavanaugh and Mathew Bennett



The Old Piddler Trophy winners Team Tooze members Steve Tooze, Bob Fick, Todd MacNutt and Ryan Slobojan

## WCC Women's Club Championships

The weekend of April 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> saw 5 teams from our club compete in our first WCC Women's Club Championship. Spectators were treated to some exceptional curling, with a lot of spouses wondering where those shots were during mixed games! The level of play was outstanding, with a few of the games being decided on the last rock of the 8<sup>th</sup> end!

Entered into the event were the following:

**Team Winters:** Liz Winters, Sandra Thain, Joan Cushnie, Katherine Brown

**Team Lawes:** Andrea Lawes, Sheryl Tavoularis, Laurie Light, Angela Krieger

**Team VanHuyse:** Stephanie VanHuyse, Tracey Macaulay, Lori Way, Sarah Gray

**Team Arbour:** Laura Arbour, Belinda Solly, Ana Whelan, Mandy Bennett

**Team Jordan:** Jo-Ann Jordan, Natalie Enge, Jennifer Lovelock, Kym Raymond-Imrie

**Congratulations to Team Arbour for winning the inaugural WCC Women's Club Championship!** They will go on to represent WCC at the Dominion Curling Club Championship Zones on October 18-20, 2013. Good luck and we are confident that you will do us proud!

For those who may not know, Dominion Insurance hosts an annual event to celebrate club curlers and grassroots curling. Teams compete at the zone level with the possibility of advancing to regional, provincial and national level competition.

The club championship exceeded the goals and expectations of the committee. The women who participated took the challenge very seriously and worked hard to prepare for the competition. Team practices were held. Some teams, with players who had never played outside of the club previously, entered in a few out of club events to get more experience. For most of the women, this was the very first time that they had participated in an event where there was a timed practice/warm up before the game. A new level of interest in out of club competitions has been sparked, which can only benefit our club and the sport of curling!

Comments of how very rewarding this challenge was were heard frequently during the weekend. More importantly was the feeling of fellowship and camaraderie that was evident between teammates and competitors. This is something that each of the participants is sure to remember for a long time.

While some of us play in 'team entry' leagues, the majority of our women members play in 'rated' leagues. Often we wonder how we would measure up in a competitive event. If you've ever wanted to get the feel of playing in a competition but would like to do it in a familiar, comfortable environment, the WCC Women's Club Championship is the perfect place to do that.



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Talk to your friends and fellow curlers about entering a team next year. We hope that each year even more teams of women will participate. This is not a league specific event, but one that is open to all the women members of the club. If you have any questions about preparing for the event, feel free to get in touch with any of the committee. We are more than happy to help! We do anticipate that there will be lessons to learn and improvements to be made. With that in mind, an open meeting was held on May 7<sup>th</sup> to provide feedback and input into next year's event. The main area for improvement seemed to be communication about the club championship as well as the Dominion and other events.

Look for information on your league bulletin boards, as well as in the future editions of Rock Talk. Registration information for all OCA events is also posted on the bulletin board by the stairs to the ice, as well as being available on the OCA website, [www.ontcurl.com](http://www.ontcurl.com).

A special thank you to Linda Corcoran for officiating the event. Also, a big thank you to Jo-Ann Jordan (JSquared Pottery). She has offered to sponsor the WCC Women's Club Championship going forward. She will make a trophy for the event, as well as providing snacks after-game snacks.

### Looking forward to next season!

Committee Chairs: Andrea Lawes & Sheryl Tavoularis

Committee Members: Tracey Macaulay, Sarah Gray & Karen Bemister



Team Arbour: Mandy Bennett, Ana Whelan, Belinda Solly, and Laura Arbour

### 4:30 Mixed League

The Friday 4:30 concept of curl, dine at the club or have the balance of Friday evening to do other things continues to be a very popular league, with 13 teams in the 3<sup>rd</sup> draw.

The winners of the 2<sup>nd</sup> draw were Gord Chapman, with Shirley Wozniak and Sharon Chapmen.

The team skipped by Ian Jackson was second while the team skipped by Ken Noakes placed third.

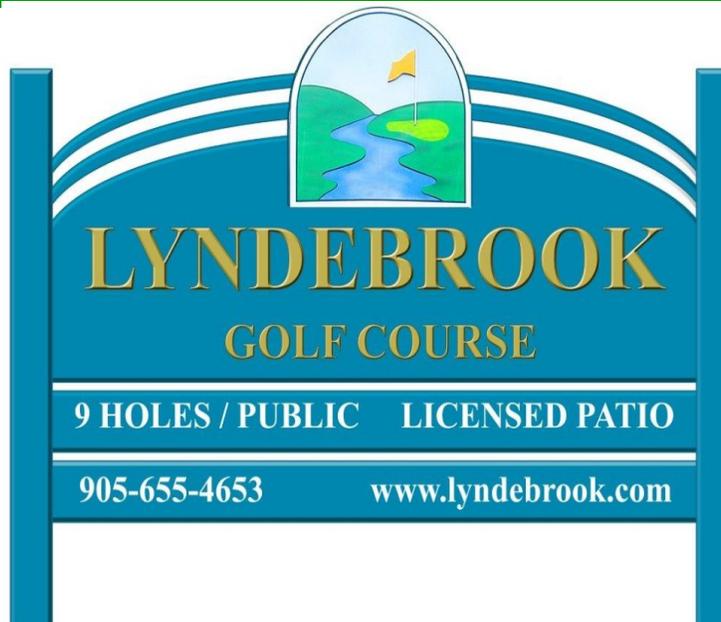
The winners of the 3<sup>rd</sup> draw were

First Place – Bob Winters with Liz Winters, Marty Wright and Helene Wright.

Second Place – skip – Ray Gorecki, Jackie Gorecki, Linda Oakes and Christa Loftas

Third Place – Ross Byford with Shirley Wozniak, Joan Wiseman and June Lumbar.

The committee - Lorraine and Winston Dixon, along with Kent and Connie Young, Jackie and Ray Gorecki, and Fay and Jack McCorkell wishes everyone a good summer and hope to see everyone back in the fall.



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Thursday Evening

7 pm ~ 10 pm

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## First Annual Oktoberfest Bonspiel



Ein Prosit... Grab "Die Mannschaft" (German for "the team") and sign up for the first annual Oktoberfest Bonspiel at the WCC.

This is the official First Call...I know what a great concept...Way better than Last call.

For those of you that have not yet heard, a little of Old Bavaria is coming to the Whitby Curling Club next season. I am delighted to be extending each of you an invitation to sign up for our first annual Oktoberfest bonspiel. That's right dust off your lederhosen and dirndl we are transforming the WCC into the biggest beergarden west of Munich. Get ready for the good times to roll-out-the barrel.

This "veranstaltung" (event) is going to take place on October 26 which is the Saturday after the "learn to curl week". Due to the timing of the event with the start of the season it is vital that we get our 96 interested curlers signed up and lined up well before the start of the 2013/14 season. The bonspiel will be run in the same manner as our hugely successful

Whitby Curling Club bonspiel format. We will have two 8-end games of curling and you will be fed and watered with traditional Bavarian fare. The day will progress in a typically efficient German style including all the glorious Oktoberfest traditions performed with our usual WCC flair.

The cost for the bonspiel will be \$240 per team, \$120 per couple or \$60 per individual. I want to run this bonspiel in a true mixed format to give the maximum number of members the ability to participate. Preference will be given to the first teams that sign up so do plan with each other and get your foursomes in. For couples and singles that do sign up and tell me the positions that you typically play and I will make the teams up as soon as the matches come available.

We are going to crown the first Curlmeister in the history of the Whitby Curling Club. Signing up is easy. Please contact me at [Whelan\\_jeff@hotmail.com](mailto:Whelan_jeff@hotmail.com) with the word Oktoberfest in the subject. I am also looking for a crackerjack committee to help with the organizing. If you are interested in getting your volunteer hours in the most fun way possible you can also drop me a line.

I look forward to raising a big stein with many of you next fall. Until then Guten Tag.

## Mixed Closing

The end of the season brings the highlight of Mixed Curling – the finals of the Playoffs and the Closing, merged into one evening. The four trophies being played for provide lots of exciting shot-making, strategy and team effort with the backdrop of the evening's theme competing for attention. A dinner follows the conclusion of the games with dancing and mingling to finish off the night.



This years' finalists and winners are:  
Remax Jazz Mixed Championship trophy: Jim and Joan Cushnie/Randy Pickle/June Lumber  
Runners-up: Bob and Liz Winters/Sue and Fred Layton Paul Welch Memorial Cup trophy: Gary Downs/Laurie Light/Joanne and Larry Arbour  
Runners-up: Glenn and Fran McKinnon/Doug and Astrid Schnurr  
Whiners trophy: Ian Cavanagh/Denise McMillan-Cavanagh/Stan Senkowski/Jill Lucas  
Runners-up: Jeremy Way/Mandy and Matt Bennett/Judy Haight  
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Runners-up: Andrew and Sarah Gray/Errol Gee/Janet Graham-Davison

The four trophy-winning skips pulled names from a pail to determine the winners of the Club Raffle. Karen Bemister won the television in the Lounge! Nine teams were recognized for winning draws over the season and Stan Senkowski won the highest points



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## Mixed Closing Cont'd

award.

However, in spite of all of the excitement over the curling, people didn't just warm up to the theme of "60's and 70's TV Shows", they jumped in head-first. One of our bartenders, Laura, did a great job of being the emcee for "The Newlywed Game". The Lounge was packed and people held their breath to hear the questions and responses of the candidates.

In an absolutely hilarious skit, a group of Trekkies, commanded by Captain Jeff Solly, maneuvered the USS Enterprise through the crowded Bradley Room. Finding cavewomen, they communicated with them and beamed them aboard in an operation to seek out and recognize the two newest 5<sup>th</sup> Bartenders: Sheryl and Art Tavoularis.



The highlight of the night was definitely the costumes. People came up with incredible ideas and set them to life. Here's a few vignettes:

An early arrival caught my attention with her long black auburn-hued hair, the slinky gown clinging to her curves, giving way to a seamed stocking and a sexy stiletto – that's right – Ginger from Gilligan's Island! I swear that I could hear a saxophone moaning in the background and as I looked down to find a microphone to pass to her for her number; I caught myself and looked up. She was gone! But in her place was a perky dark-haired woman with a pigtail, a bright gingham dress and a funky wedge running shoe. As I stared at her, I realized that I was looking at Mary-Ann and Ginger at the same time! Imagine Two-Face from Batman transformed into a beautiful creature with two bodies and personalities merged into one. Precisely one half of her was Mary-Ann and one half was

Ginger. Dave Way is living every man's fantasy – he sleeps with two gorgeous women every night! If you bump into Dave and he appears confused, it's genuine.



As I moved further into the crowd, I came up to a Madame Tussaud version of Don Adams from Get Smart. His extra eight inches of height threw me at first and I did-

n't catch on with whom I was speaking for a couple of minutes. When it finally dawned upon me who it really was, I mentally stepped back and admired the detail and effort that went into makeover and yes, he did have a shoe-phone! Beside him was an equally convincing Agent 99 with her trademark black hair cut just as if she had stepped out of an episode from forty-five years ago. She was tall and confident, looking as if she had just strutted from an Yves St. Laurent runway show. What a pair!

I began coming across more and more of Gilligan's Island. There were at least three Thurston Howell III's with their respective Lovey's at their sides. One of the Lovey's sported a little black dress and a diamond so large that it appeared to have needed a cane to hold it up. A diamond tiara matched it and was flashing against the dim lighting of the Lounge. Her feather boa was moulting, perhaps made from the feathers of birds on the island at the time. She even had the mannerisms and hand movements of Natalie Schafer from fifty years past. Of course, Gilligan was in full character as he went into his trademark stumble into an unsuspecting Thurston as Mr. Howell emceed the dinner.

The Flintstones were everywhere with costumes that looked like they had come from the set of the fairly recent movie. Small bones were used to adorn and shape hair while a few muscular types showed off their chest hair behind the sabre-toothed tiger "off the shoulder" manwear. A previously mentioned bartender sported a very muscle-bound chest and carried a formidable club. Perhaps those Amazon genes have been around longer than we realize!

Goldie Hawn was present in a trademark psychedelic Laugh-In dress and a couple of Killer Bees circulated through the room with enough firepower to take out a trio of Mexican Banditos. Another guy with small and very dark rectangular glasses wearing a badly made white wig sat a table and stared at people. He was so creepy that I couldn't turn my back on him, at least not until I finally figured out who he was. This creep drives a small compact car with the license "Byford" and can be seen showing off his charm at the Yacht Club this summer. Be warned!

The Closing was a wonderful evening and a great way to cap off a season of curling (thanks all around to the Mixed Committee for pulling it off). If you think that it sounds like fun, you're right! Next season, sign up for Mixed Curling (single entries always welcome) and join the party!

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