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Our Poinsettia Fundraiser has been a wonderful success again this year! Our members have ordered over 300 Poinsettia's and Christmas plants. Once again, Myrrhl Shepherd had the largest order of 50 plants for over \$700! We had a few members who tried

to give Myrrhl a run for the title, but she is hard to beat!

While the final tally is not in, it appears we have made approximately \$1200 towards our fundraising efforts.

Submitted by Tracey Macaulay

LOOKING FOR A LITTLE EXTRA CASH

The Whitby Curling Club is seeking an experienced Sales Representative to promote sponsorship and advertising opportunities available within the Club. 100% Commission. Leads Available.

If you are someone you know are interested and require additional information, contact Casey Warren directly

PROPERTY AND ICE UPDATE

Things have been happening around the club. On-going maintenance of the building is taking place. Some of these changes you can see and some of them you can't. It is all important work to keep our building in shape. Some of the noteworthy changes are as follows:

- Patching of the holes in the exterior siding. The north side of the building has been patched and the south side will be completed weather permitting. Special thanks to Don Brooks for his work on the patches.
- In addition to our new sidewalks, new eavestroughs are going up this month to keep the roof runoff off of the sidewalks. A crew of volunteers removed the old eaves in October. The existing roof fascia is also being covered with aluminum to protect it from the weather.
- There is a minor repair list in Casey's office. If any of our members is interested in fulfilling their volunteer hours, there are several odd jobs to be completed around the club with varying skill levels. See Casey or Ross Weldon for questions or a copy of the list.

A new door has been purchased for the southeast side of the rink and needs to be installed.

Again a shout out to any of our members who are licensed electricians who would like to get their volunteer hours taken care of, we have a few minor electrical issues that need some troubleshooting. If you are interested speak to Casey, Jamie or Ross.

There are several other projects planned going forward such as new front doors and repairs to the front awning, and other external upgrades that will be dependant on our upcoming Trillium grant application.

Submitted by Ross Weldon

MONDAY NIGHT RATED

We just completed the first draw for the Men's Rated League. The winners of each division are as follows:

Division A: Team Adair with Paul Adair (skip), Craig Muir (vice), Thomas Markiewicz (second) and Alan Parsonson (lead)

Division B: Team Whelan with Jeff Whelan (skip), Frank Veltri (vice), Mike Gillen (second) and Michael Bertrand (lead)

Division C: Team Downs with Gary Downs (skip), Bob Fick (vice), Paul Bryan (second) and Randy Pickle (lead)

These teams have qualified for playoff spots.

The Men's Rated league is holding steady with 16 teams and 3 divisions. It makes scheduling tricky with 5 games in a draw to try to have the teams within a division play each other with one crossover game with another division. Starting the second draw we are going to move to a new format where all teams in the 5 man divisions will do a complete crossover. This means that teams within a division will not play each other at all but should result in balance because each team in a division will play the same teams in another division.

The other change this season is the move to a pseudo points system to create the teams. I am using Glinz points to try to create teams with a similar number of total points. In theory if the teams have similar points the wins and losses should be close. Looking at the results of the first draw I was partially successful especially in division B where the top 3 teams had 49.5, 50 and 50.5 points. My main goal is to keep trying to achieve this kind of outcome in each division and to make sure each team has strength on it.

Good luck to all teams in the second draw!

Stan Senkowski

SENIOR MEN

The Senior Men started the new season by again holding our 27th annual Golf Tournament at Whispering Ridge under warm and sunny skies. A full complement of 72 golfers enjoyed getting reacquainted as well as hitting a few balls.

Our membership for the 2014/2015 season remains strong and we currently have 110 curlers signed up and eager to play.

The Special Events calendar is established and our first event, fill the house, was sold out and a fine lunch was enjoyed by all.

Interclub play is in full swing and of all the participating rinks, the Senior Men from the Whitby Curling Club continue to provide the strongest representation.

Our Friday Competitive league features 16 teams competing in two divisions all eagerly vying for a place atop our trophy and a share of the prize money.

Our Salvation Army Christmas hamper program supporting needing families right here in Durham is underway and historically been well supported by our membership.

The Senior Men continue to be generous supporters of the Whitby Curling Club. This year it was agreed to cover the cost for the new hacks we are all enjoying as well as sponsoring a new coach in getting his level 1 certification. The Senior Men's commitment to youth curling at our club remains strong.

Submitted by David Taylor

Past President WSM



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