

# ROCK TALK

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE WHITBY CURLING CLUB

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All I can say is WOW!  
I am so impressed  
with the volunteer  
dedication to  
Whitby hosting  
the 2018 Ontario  
Scotties! The organizing

committee put in countless hours  
leading up to Scotties to ensure  
every little detail was taken care of.  
Thank you to the entire Organizing  
Committee for your work ethic and  
commitment to this event. We are all  
very grateful to you!

The event in itself was a HUGE  
success and that is thanks to all  
of you! Every team, official and  
spectator had nothing but wonderful  
things to say about the organization  
of the event, the volunteers, the staff  
and the facility. They say it takes a  
village and it actually did! We had  
over 100 volunteers ensure the event  
was a success. Thank you!

While the Scotties was the highlight  
of January, the club has many other  
event happenings in the near future.

☺ The “Game of Stones” Winterspiel  
is taking place on February 3rd. The  
spiel sold out in only a couple of hours!

☺ The “Decades” Novice Bonspiel is  
taking place on February 10th.

☺ 2018 Open House - Saturday  
February 17th from noon-4:00pm we  
are hosting our annual open house!  
ANYONE can come try curling for  
free.

☺ The Women's Bonspiel is taking  
place on Saturday February 24th and  
is open to all Women! The theme is  
Bachelorette party and is guaranteed  
to be a great time!

☺ The WCC Annual Euchre  
Tournament is taking place on  
Saturday March 10th. Get your  
tickets before they sell out!

☺ The 2018 Shamrock Bonspiel  
takes place on Saturday March 17th  
this year! Lunch AND Dinner will be  
provided with your registration this  
year.

Such a busy and exciting time of year!  
Thank you to all the volunteers who  
tireless work to organize leagues and  
events! The club wouldn't succeed  
without you all!

Angela Feurstein  
Club Manager,  
Whitby Curling Club

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

The theme of this edition of the Rock Talk is about volunteerism and contributions to our Club. Over the last two months, we have witnessed numerous examples of individuals and groups within the Whitby Curling Club who have donated time and funds to enhance our club, our prestige and conditions in our community. Many of these are presented in the articles and pictures within this newsletter.

With the inherent danger of missing someone when you list names, we would like to make note (in chronological order) of the following specific groups and individuals and apologize to those we missed:

- *The Day Ladies* for annually decorating the lounge for the Holidays
- *Chris Boer* for not only designing our float for the Santa Claus Parade, but supplying the materials and details construction plans
- *The Senior Men* for their annual contribution to the Salvation Army in the name of the WCC
- *Kyle Shulman and Ben Aldridge* for organizing the annual Christmas food drive
- *AnnMarie Fitzpatrick and Margaret Chew*, as Co-Chairs, and the rest of the Scotties Committee who marshalled their group (hoard?) of volunteers to hold the best Ontario Scotties ever!
- *The Winterspiel organizing committee* for setting new benchmarks in originality

You get much more than just curling when you join the Whitby Curling Club. And that is due to the efforts of all of you.

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## SANTA CLAUS PARADE

This year the theme of the Whitby Santa Claus Parade was "Candy Cane"

The goal was to build the biggest Candy Cane in the Parade. Chris Boers accepted the challenge and the pieces of the float began arriving at Papa Elf's Workshop.

The call went out to Curling Club members to assemble at the workshop the day before the parade and build the mighty Cane. Members from all leagues answered the call! They came with drills, hammers, ribbons, paint and rope. They worked as one well oiled machine creating the vision.

Filled by pizza, sausages and beer, the members worked tirelessly into the night.

The next morning The residents of Whitby were treated to a float, the likes of which they had never seen.

Christmas came early this year.

Thank you to every member that helped create our masterpiece and to the Little Rockers that marched in the parade !



## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

Thank you Whitby Curling Club! We've celebrated our 4th annual food drive this past Christmas with over 800lbs of food, several hundred diapers and nearly \$300 in cash/gift cards for the Salvation Army. This brings our 4 year total to over 3500lbs, 1500 diapers and over \$1000 in cash/gift cards. Great job and let's do it again next year.





# 55TH ANNUAL ATTERSLEY CASH BONSPIEL

By: Sherry Howard

On Wed Dec 6, 2017, the WCC Ladies Section hosted the 55th annual Attersley cash bonspiel. Eighteen teams from 12 different clubs enjoyed a great day of curling, camaraderie and great food.



Kudos to all who helped make this a great day. A very special thank you goes to the committee members for all their hard work before and during the day of the spiel. Thank you Madeleine Riley, Lynda Muschett, Joan Ellis, Gayle Jackson, Mary Parks and Val Elmhurst. Thank you to all the Whitby curling club ladies who decorated the club – the Christmas



trees were gorgeous as usual. Thank you to all the ladies who helped us throughout the day of the spiel.



The WCC Ladies are very thankful for the support of our sponsor, Mike Mackey of Attersley Tire Services. Mike could not join us that evening, however, his generosity was acknowledged by all participants. Thank you Mike, we look forward to seeing you next year.



This spiel is also fortunate to have the backing of Sharon Munro, a past member of the Whitby curling club.

Thank you to Jamie, Victoria, Angela and Glenn for great ice, office support and excellent bar service.

Thank you to Winston Muschett who joined us to tabulate the scores.

Thank you to Topitsch-Wolfson caterers for the wonderful turkey meal at lunch. Thank goodness the desserts were held off until after the curling. Cheryl, compliments to you and your crew on your wonderful food and service.

### *The results of the spiel are as follows:*

#### **Trophy Winner:**

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#### **8:45am Draw**

1st Place: Sue Leask (skip), Linda Bain, Gail Williams, Pat Worden – Oshawa Golf CC

2nd Place: Pauline Kiely (skip), Karen Fairley, Joanne Brennan, Pam Elliot - Tam Heather CC

3rd Place: Grace Bugg (skip), Betty Hicks, Anne Campbell, Cheryl Ker – Leaside CC

One Game High: Joyce Meredith (skip), Anne Jackson, Cathy Larkin, Margy Ward – Tam Heather CC

#### **11:45am Draw**

1st Place: Sue Layton (skip), June Boon, Sarah Gray/JoAnn Jordan, Lynda Muschett – Whitby CC

2nd Place: Linda Parcels (skip), Kerry Schumacher, Jane Brown, Darlene Hockaday - Lakefield CC

3rd Place: Sandy Gough (skip), Shirley O'Mara, Joan Ellis, Cathy Windover – Whitby CC

One Game High: Joan Nesbitt (skip), Nancy Nicholas, Fay McCorkell, Jan Wooley – Oshawa Golf CC



**2nd Draw 3rd Place Winners:** Sandy Gough (skip), Shirley O'Mara, Joan Ellis, Cathy Windover – Whitby CC




# Scotties®

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A few weeks have passed since we hosted one of the best Scotties Provincials that I have ever attended. I worked with some wonderful people who volunteered for the Timing Team. To the team Gary, Dave, Julie, Ron, Karen, Calleigh, Chris, Lori, Raquel, Terri, and Lori you all did an amazing job. Thank you all I had an amazing time with all of you. We also need to thank the host committee for all their time and efforts. We all had a great time because of your planning and ideas.

youth teams and men's teams enter events. Thank you all for representing the Club.

Everything is winding down for another season. The Olympics, the Brier, the worlds for the Women and the Men are all coming up next and we all have a lot of curling still to do. Enjoy the rest of the season everyone. Good Curling!!

It's been quiet for CurlON events, we have had some

Liz Winters,  
CurlON Club Rep



Way to go Whitby Curling Club! What an amazing show of hospitality. From the evening of the kick off party right through to the takedown on the Sunday, our volunteers kept smiling.

A big shout out to all our wonderful sponsors, for not only investing in a sponsorship package, but also the willingness to contribute food, equipment, flooring, carpet samples, vehicles, and the list goes on!

It was great to have volunteers from all the leagues within the club. Many of the volunteers may have started out as strangers but new friendships were formed throughout the event.

Thank you to the entire membership for their support in making this a successful event.

AnnMarie, Margaret & Andrea

# THE WINTERSPIEL GAME OF STONES



The King and Queen of The Whitby Curling Club were poisoned during their toast to the 5th Annual Games of Winterspiel. With no rightful heir to the Throne of Brooms the only way to find a replacement was to send 24 teams into battle. The winners would seat themselves on the Throne and rule the Curling Kingdom.

After battles of curling and games within the castle walls **House Gray** were crowned and knighted as Royal Rulers.

**House Solly** was a close second. **Bryce Jordan** won best individual costume with his tribute to Monty Pythons The Holy Grail.

With the Seamstress Lori being recruited by **House Macauly** and **House Way** it was a no brainer for them to win Best Team Costume.

Halenda's Meats in Whitby donated the baby Dragons (Turkeys) to be tossed with **Brent Barton** becoming The Mother of Dragons. Sarah

Gray owned Brent so she was pleased with her inheritance. Warren Preece for TD Wealth came on board as a new sponsor this year.

This is a fundraising event for the Whitby Curling Club and we were able to raise \$4400.00! This brings our five (5) Year total to over \$20,000 raised for the club!

Thank you to the committee of: Carrie and Mark Millar Mandy and Matt Bennett JC and Rob Phillips



## FRIDAY 4:15 MIXED CURLING

The Friday 4:15PM mixed curling league is well under way.. When you are reading this we will be in our third draw. there were ten teams in our first draw and in the second we picked up an extra team. The Friday night dinners have been well attended and of course everyone enjoys our pizza night.

We are always looking for new members and extra spares so if you want a little extra curling please come and join us.

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## **SENIOR MEN DONATE \$5,500 TO WHITBY SALVATION ARMY 2017 CHRISTMAS HAMPER!**



“The Senior Men’s Curling League continued with their long-standing tradition of collecting for the Salvation Army’s Christmas Hamper program. The Senior Men’s drive starts in November and concludes just prior to Christmas. The donations received by the Salvation Army in Whitby are used

to purchase food hampers for many needy families in Whitby. This year the Senior Men were once again very generous and collected \$5,500, which was presented to Charlie Burns of the Salvation Army by Rick Van Duesen, Past President of the Senior Men’s Curling league and a host of Senior curlers.”

### **NEW DIGITAL CLOCK**

A special Thank You goes out to the Senior Men for purchasing a new digital clock for the arena.

*Thank You Gentlemen!*



## *60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

On Saturday Sept 8, 2018 the Whitby Curling Club will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary with a huge party!!! There will an organizing committee formed in February 2018 (after we host the Ontario Scottie’s). In the meantime... we are looking for archives and photos.

### ***We are looking for photos for the following:***

- ~ 8 Enders ~ Mr. and Mrs. Bonspiel
- ~ Mixed closing pictures prior to 2005
- ~ Any pictures taken between 1958 - 1978

If you have anything you believe can help celebrate the 60th Anniversary, please contact Rob Phillips

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# Ladies Best Day Bonspiel



On Monday January 22nd, the Ladies' section held their annual Best Day Bonspiel. We are fortunate to have the continued generous support of Hazel Best's family. Hazel was a long time Whitby Curling Club member and past president of the Ladies section.



Scorekeeper for the day, Bill Fitzpatrick was on hand to keep the ladies on track and help out with his 'job list' while the organizer (his wife) curled. A big thank you also goes to Lil Stillar and Hope Cranston for all their help.



On hand to present the trophy to our winners was Hazel's daughter Marion.



Thank you to all the ladies who helped make the day a success!

Our theme for the day was 'Pyjama Day'. In keeping with the theme, the format for the day changed this year to having a breakfast before we began curling. The ladies were treated to fruit salad, french toast and sausages.

Given that it was a pyjama day and there were still some 'sleepy' participants, we played two four end games. the teams stayed on the ice after each short game, and one team moved to the right, the other to the left to meet their new opponent. A fill the House game was played as well as 3, 2, 1 rocks score more. Scoring was accumulated points.



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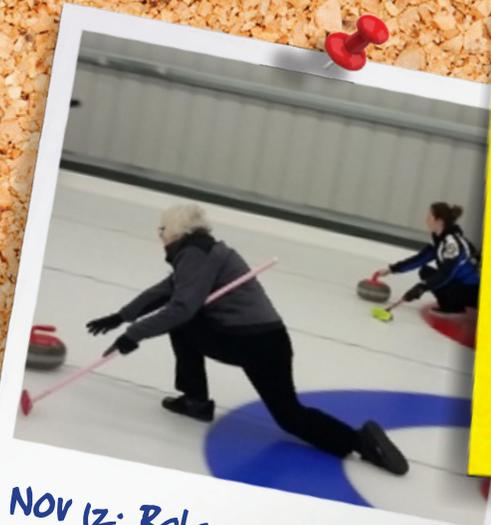
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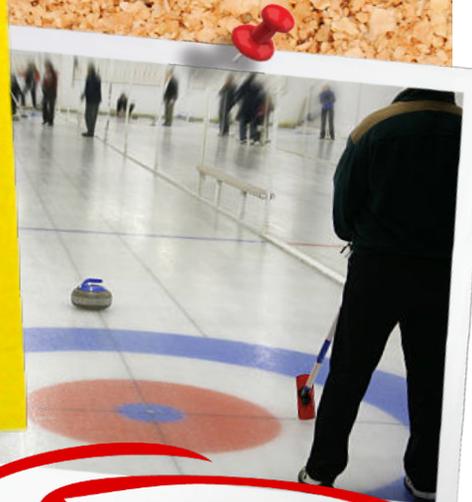
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