



**ST. VITAL CURLING CLUB
ST. ANNES ROAD & REGAL AVENUE (256-3623)
DECEMBER 2003 NEWSLETTER
PRESIDENT – BOB KIRKLAND**



ST. VITAL CURLING CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

The St. Vital Curling Club is a family orientated facility proudly dedicated to promoting affordable recreational and competitive curling in a friendly traditional environment.

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

The New Years Eve Dinner and Dance will be held on Wednesday, December 31, 2003 in the club lounge.

**Cocktails: 6:30 PM Dinner: 7:30 PM
Recorded Music by: One Man Band
Tickets: \$ 35.00
CASH BAR**

Tickets can be purchased at the bar or from Ralph Dooley (253-5924).

Table reservations are being accepted.

If you are interested in helping with the decorating before the event or the clean up after the function, contact Ralph.

Ticket cut-off - Monday, December 22nd

ROUND 2 RESULTS (Monday to Friday)

Monday A (Keeler)	Monday B (Fontaine)
Monday C (Deniset)	Monday D (Colman)
Tuesday Leaders (M)	Loreth and Hayes
Tues. (L) A (Young)	Tues. (L) B (Neelan)
Wed. A (Sawatzky)	Wed. B (Pyle)
Wed. C (Marcon)	Wed. D (Milloy)
Thursday A (Hebert)	Thursday B (Muntain)
Thursday C (Atkinson)	Thursday D (Wong)

Friday Mixed – Round not complete at time of printing. Results will be in the January newsletter.

JUNIORS

The Junior's are selling Transformer Brooms for \$70.00 (including taxes) and a limited selection of replacement heads \$35.00 (including taxes). Please contact Mike Hebert (255-2047) or Ken Stanley (981-7042).

The second annual Hot Shots Competition will be held on December 20th (Saturday) and December 21st (Sunday). Each draw will be divided into A and B groups and participants will be competing for transformer brooms and cash prizes.

Everyone is welcome to come out and watch.

GIFT CERTIFICATES

The curling club is selling dollar for dollar gift certificates for Safeway and Sobey's grocery purchases. They can be used to purchase your own groceries or be given out as gifts. The Safeway Gift Cards will be accepted by any Safeway store in North America and are available in denominations of \$20.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00. The Sobey's Gift Certificates will be accepted by any Sobey's or IGA within Canada and are available in denominations of \$10.00, \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$50.00. Both types can only be used for grocery purchases.

Certificates can be purchased as follows:

Monday evening	Gord Kawecki	254-2121
Tuesday evening	Ken Stanley	981-7042
Wednesday evening	Garry Shumka	253-3626
Thursday evening	Jim Pratschler	254-3105
Friday evening	Bob Kirkland	257-3294
Day time (week)	Al Erickson	257-2676

Al will be available at various times throughout the day. Please call first to find out what time he will be at the club.

Weekends	Mike Hebert	255-2047
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Mike will be available at the club on the weekends before and after the junior draws.

RAFFLE TICKETS

The draw will be held on Friday, December 19th in the lounge. Winners will be posted at the club and included in the January 2004 newsletter.

GAME OF THE NITE

The Bellamy team defeated the Dooley team in the inaugural game held on November 17th. The Bellamy team received \$ 11.50 in St. Vital Bucks as have all of the subsequent winners.

Winnings can be picked up in the lounge after your victory. (Note: Winners by default are not eligible for the St. Vital Bucks.)

TIP OF THE BROOM

To the Jennifer Jones team for winning the BDO Cash Spiel in Hamilton.

To the Karen Young team for making it to the finals of the Minute Muffler Cash Spiel in Stonewall.

To Crystal and Veronica for decorating the lounge for the holidays.

To the Brad Humphreys rink for getting into the win column on December 8th. It looks like Brad's middle initial (W) stands for WIN after all.

To Terry Atkinson for winning the Big Screen TV. Looks like Andrew will be able to watch a replay of his victory over Bob Kirkland in the New Years Day Bank Board Game in style.

To the Elaine Jones team for qualifying for the Provincial Senior Women's (Diamond Ladies). The event will be held in Altona from February 26th to March 1st, 2004.

To the Jennifer Jones team for qualifying for the Provincial Women's (Scott Tournament of Hearts). The event will be held in Beausejour from January 28th to February 1st, 2004

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Cash Raffle	December 19
Christmas Day	December 25
Boxing Day	December 26
Junior Christmas Spiel	December 27 – 30
New Years Eve	December 31
Select City Zones	January 15 – 17
MCA Calcutta	January 21
MCA Bonspiel	January 22 – 28
Battle of the Sexes	February 17
Credit Union Masters	Feb 26 – Mar 1

PAST PRESIDENT'S NEWS

The Past Presidents Banquet was held in the Lounge on Sunday, November 16th. A total of 49 people attended the event. Everyone was treated to a wonderful evening and a great meal.

KITCHEN & LOUNGE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

December 22 - 26	Closed
December 27 - 28	Limited Hours
December 29 - 30	Closed
Dec 31 – Jan 1	Special Events
January 2	Limited Hours

For specific details, either call the club or consult the hours of operation postings at the club.

Note: Regular hours begin again on January 3rd.

CREDIT UNION MASTERS

St. Vital will be hosting the Provincial Men's Masters' Championships Feb 26th–Mar 1st, 2004. Greg Milloy and Dennis Lafreniere will be chairing the event.

Volunteers will be required for various functions and duties. If you would like to volunteer for this event, or require additional information, please contact Greg Milloy (256-5237 or gmilloy@shaw.ca) or Dennis Lafreniere (233-7987).

Tickets prices are set at \$ 5.00 per day and \$ 15.00 for the entire event.

CLUB ROSTERS

The 2003 / 2004 club rosters are being handed out to all leagues for distribution. If you require additional copies, please contact Richard Muntain at 222-6765.

In addition, please advise Richard or Lorne Cox (256-5354) of any errors or omissions that you may find.

LOUNGE DRAWS

Recent winners of the men's league attendance draw were Gary Arnold (\$192.25) and Ken Loney (\$109.75). Gentlemen, please share your wealth with all of us unfortunate ones.

The winner of the Two Rivers sweater was Jan Innes from the Friday Night Mixed league.

LOOSE HAIRS

According to Al (Secretary Al Erickson that is), the Colman team kicked butt against the Bellamy team to win the round (Monday Night D Group no less), a playoff spot and the well sought after St. Vital Bucks.

The Lorne Cox Team had a slight reprieve from their log jammed (or shall we say broom jammed) locker as Lorne was away for a brief holiday.

To have information placed in the newsletter, contact Ralph (r.j.dooley@shaw.ca or 253-5924).

If you require ice for practice or fun activities, please contact Gord at 254-2121.

Club Website (www.stvitalcurling.ca) – check it out.

Please drink responsibly during the holiday season and most certainly DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE.

Las Vegas odds makers are no longer taking bets on the annual New Years Day Icemaker versus President Bank Board Game. Latest odds were 13-1/2 to 3 for Andrew, which were based on past performances.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year