



ST. VITAL CURLING CLUB
ST. ANNES ROAD & REGAL AVENUE (256-3623)
October 2006 NEWSLETTER
PRESIDENT – Ralph Dooley

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.

Beginnings

The club newsletter is here for you the member. If you have an interesting curling story that you'd like to share with the rest of the club, please submit it to the Publicity Director. The club newsletter is published once a month during the curling season. Deadline for submissions is the 7th of each month. Email submissions to publicity@stvitalcurling.ca or drop submissions in the Publicity Director's mail box in the office.

Lorne - Cont'd

completed his first tour on the board as President in 1999 – 2000; serving as Past President in 2000-2001. He returned to serve on the board for the 2003 - 2004 curling season. He and Nancy have been married for 40 years. Lorne worked for Otis Elevator Co. for 37 years in various positions, retiring in September 2002, just prior to the curling season. Once the snow is gone Lorne can be found on the golf course. He is an active member at the Transcona Golf Course. He and Nancy spend considerable time at their cottage near Kenora, fishing and golfing with Nancy.

OPEN HOUSE

The St. Vital Business Ladies will be celebrating their 50th anniversary Saturday Nov the 4th 2006 from 1-3 pm.

Alumni Welcome

Luncheon and Silent Auction

Anyone wishing to donate a prize for the silent auction will be MOST welcome. Contact Karen Towns (255-3885 or karentowns@yahoo.ca) for information. Proceeds will be used to send a junior curler to camp.

SVCC Board of Directors

This is the second in the series to introduce the Board of Directors.

Lorne Cox – 2nd Vice President

Lorne started curling at St Vital in the 1985-1986 season. He first served on the board in the 1992-93 season. After serving in various portfolios he

Bryon Batchelor – Publicity Director

Bryon has been a member of St. Vital since 1995 and has served on the board since 2004. He currently serves as the Publicity Director. Bryon started curling at age 9 in the junior program at Elmwood C.C. Curling quickly became a lifelong winter sport. When the military posted him to Germany in 1973, it provided the opportunity to curl in and around Europe. The people and the social side of European bonspiels remain as great memories. Bryon retired in 2005 after a career in the military and RCMP. Helene and Bryon have 2 grown children and 2 grandchildren. This fall they completed a retirement home and have now moved north of Gimli. Bryon says, "for me, curling has always been about the people that I've met through the sport. Serving on the St. Vital board is my chance to "give some-thing back" to the sport."

Annette Giguere – Ice Rentals

Annette was first taught to curl by the Mondor Family in 1984. She curled in the Grand Point League out of the Transcona Country Club. Her shoes and broom were hung up after that season and didn't pick it up again until 1992 when she began entering into the Centra Gas Fun Bonspiels she then realized that she enjoyed the game and in 1993 she joined the Friday Night Mixed league with a couple of friends and began to curl in the Centra Gas League at the Victoria. Shortly after she began curling she met Annette Lafreniere and was asked to join the Tuesday Night Ladies League and which lead to her curling more and more.

This past season she joined the Wednesday Night Men's League and the Board of Directors. She considers the St. Vital Curling Club her home and she has made many friends over the years. Annette began working at InterCity Gas (Centra Gas) in 1988 and her 18 year career has been spent in a number of departments. She is currently in the Underground Construction and Services Dept – Gas Division. She has recently received her Canadian Institute of Management Certificate (C.I.M.)

Annette has been involved in many different committees over the years at work and loves to get involved. She loves to volunteer at the many different events that occur in the city and has been volunteering for Operation Red Nose for 6 years. Her most recent volunteer experience was co-chairing the Target Junior Women's Provincials in January 2006 at the Club. What she loves most is meeting the many different people. Her summers are spent camping and golfing the winters are curling and sitting around with friends sharing a lot of laughs.

Past President's Annual Golf Tournament

The St. Vital Curling Club Past Presidents gathered at Falcon Lake on June 14th for their annual golf tournament and barbecue with 23 past presidents and "selected" associates in attendance. It was great to have Glenn Brand and Henry Enns there from B. C. to hobnob with their old St. Vital buddies. The barbecue was held at Barry and Sheila Hewitt's place at Faloma Beach. Thanks to Sheila Hewitt for organizing the food and cooking up a big batch of her famous baked beans, to Lana Pilling and Carol Jones for the desserts and to Roger Fontaine for lots of prizes. After calculating the scores according to a very complicated scoring system it was determined that

Past President Larry Smith was the winner of the coveted jacket and trophy. It will be his responsibility to add something significant to the trophy and to present it to the winner of the next tournament to be held in August at the Elm Creek golf course. Larry is pictured here with the trophy and proudly wearing the much sought after jacket.



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Please contact any of the Executive or Directors with any concerns or questions.

The Last Word

Last month I wrote about the many volunteers that help make our club one of the best in the province. Over the past few years we have been fortunate to have Andrew and Laurel working in the club. The SVCC staff take pride in their work and do a great job on and off the ice. They too make our club a great curling facility. Great ice, and good food and beverages served with a friendly smile.

Get involved, speak up and be heard.