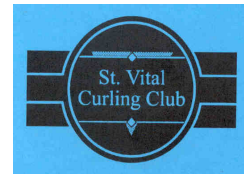


**THE NEWS – FEBRUARY 2008**  
**ST. VITAL CURLING CLUB (stvitalcurling.ca)**  
**ST. ANNES ROAD & REGAL AVENUE (256-3623)**  
**PRESIDENT – BILL STEWART**



**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.*

**2008 BRIER**

There are less than 40 days to the opening ceremonies of the 2008 Tim Horton's Brier.

When purchasing tickets for the **BRIER**, please remember to **QUOTE** the St. Vital Code.

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**March 8th - 16th, 2008 - MTS Center**

Site link: <http://www.seasonofchampions.ca/2008brier/>

**Congratulations**

To the Jennifer Jones team for capturing the 2008 Manitoba Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Gimli. Congratulations to Jill Officer and Dawn Askin for being named to the Scotties Tournament of Hearts All-Star Team.

A send-off party will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 7:00 pm upstairs at the St. Vital C.C. There is no admission fee so please come out and wish the team luck as they proudly represent SVCC and Manitoba at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts Feb. 16 – 24 in Regina.

**New Year's Day Bits & Bites**

Special thanks to the Piper Nathan Mitchell and to the drummer Matt Jaques for their performance that helped push Bill to victory.

**2008 MCA Bonspiel Recap**

Congratulations to the Dean Steski team for winning the Lafarge Construction event.  
 Congratulations to the Robin Nelson rink for making it to the final in the Asham 8-Ender event.  
 There were a significant number of SVCC teams playing into Tuesday and Wednesday again this year.

**2008 MCA Bonspiel Calcutta**

This year's Calcutta totaled over \$5000.00 with \$5,000.00 going towards pay outs. Special Thanks go out to Cliff Kitchen for auctioning off all the teams and thanks to all the bidders for their insanity.

It appears that a "*presidential connection*" was required to have a chance at winning this year! Calcutta winners and payout amounts have been posted throughout the club.

**MCA Bonspiel Thank You**

Thank you to all the volunteers for their efforts in preparing, stocking, serving, babysitting, cleaning and closing the SVCC Hospitality Room during this year's bonspiel.

**NOTE:** There will not be a Hospitality Room in the locker room for next year's bonspiel. The club will have a larger presence in the lounge and will try to provide entertainment in the lounge again next year.

Also, note that all MCA Club Teams will be required to register on-line for the 2009 MCA Bonspiel. There will be no more registering teams at the club.

**BATTLE OF THE SEXES**

This year's event will be the **16th** annual and it is scheduled for **6:30pm** on **Wednesday, February 13th, 2008.**

This is an event open to all SVCC members and rental league members where the **'men'** are pitted against the **'women'** and is a fun filled evening with food, drink and plenty of laughter. Sign up as a team or as an individual.

In the 15 years of battle, the Ladies have yet to win. Come on out ladies and let's make 2008 **The Year the Women WIN.**

Please call **Annette Giguere** at **255-7753** to register as a team or as an individual.

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## ROUND 3 WINNERS

### **Monday Night Mens**

Round 3 still in Progress

### **Tuesday Night Ladies**

A Group Lang (5 – 0)  
B Group Stoez (5 – 0)

### **Tuesday Night Mens**

Ongoing  
Current Leaders Friesen (11 – 3)  
Steski (11 – 3)

### **Wednesday Night Mens**

A – Group Chambers (5 – 0)  
B - Group Godfrey (4 – 1)  
C - Group Yosyk (3 – 2)  
D - Group Fonseca (4 – 1)

### **Thursday Night Mens**

A - Group Atkinson (4 – 1)  
B - Group Kanaski (4 – 1)  
C - Group Kushner (5 – 0)  
D - Group Schmidt (5 – 0)

#### Note:

Reilly will be awarded Round 2 playoff spot for C Group

### **Friday Night Mixed**

Round 3 still in Progress

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## TIP OF THE BROOM

To **Annette Giguere** for organizing the 2008 MCA Bonsel Calcutta.

To **Bill Stewart** for his insightful input into **Bill's Bullsheets** for Calcutta night.

To Lorne Cox and Ralph Dooley for slithering their way down south while we freeze our bottoms off.

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## MCA BONSPIEL QUIZ

What would you do?

You are the contact person for your team's bonspiel entry. You do not have a cell phone activated. You are in the lounge all evening and then the Hospitality Room until early in the morning. You get home and there's a message from MCA Headquarters that your team's Sunday 9:00 AM game is awarded to you by default. Assume that most of your team is already at home and possibly sleeping, should you call your team immediately (at 4:00 AM)?

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## JUNIOR NEWS

Thumbs up to our St. Vital Juniors for putting on a great show at the St. Anne bonspiel. We sent 3 teams to the bonspiel and all 3 teams ended up in a final, with 2 of the teams winning the final.

Congratulations to Team Kyle Thessen for winning the "B" event final of the 13 and under division.

Further congratulations go out to Team Briane Meilleur for winning the "B" final of the 16 and under division.

Congratulations to Team Jackie Hebert for making the "A" final of the 16 and under division.

Excellent job curlers!

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## LOOSE HAIRS

**ICE RENTAL:** If you require, or are interested in booking ice for practice or fun activities, please contact **Annette Giguere** at **255-7753**.

**ROCK THE RALPH 2008:** The 2008 World Men's Curling Championship will be held in Grand Forks, North Dakota April 5<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

The **Club** will be closed on **Good Friday** (March 21<sup>st</sup>) and on **Easter Sunday** (March 23<sup>rd</sup>).

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** If you are interested in becoming a member of the club board of directors or know someone who may be, please contact Ralph Dooley (253-5924) or email ([rjdooley@mts.net](mailto:rjdooley@mts.net)).

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## SKINS BONSPIEL

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual **Skins Bonspiel** will run from April 1 through April 4. This event is open to **SVCC members** only. Look for posters around the club.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Team Jones Sendoff	February 12
Battle of the Sexes	February 13
Tim Horton's Brier	March 8 – 16
Good Friday (club closed)	March 21
Easter Sunday (club closed)	March 23
O'Grady Challenge	March 30
St. Vital Skins Bonspiel	April 1 - 4
Men's Worlds (Grand Forks)	April 5 – 13
Annual Awards Banquet	April 26
Annual Meeting/Membership	May 14

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