

The month of November has been a busy one for the curlers on and off the ice.

First off the members of the club wish to congratulate the early arrival of Dan and Charlene Martin's little boy born on November 28<sup>th</sup> 2011. Hope everyone is doing well and we can't wait to meet him at the club.

The Club will be having its annual **Christmas party on December 16<sup>th</sup>** starting around 9pm after the Friday night curlers are done their game. The traditional turkey shoot is happening again along with a euchre tournament and a light luncheon served by the board of directors. Everyone is welcome to come out and participate.

### **Junior curling**

This year the committee of John O'Donnell, Jim O'Donnell and myself have 19 children signed up for junior curling program this year running on Sunday evenings from 6:30 till 8pm. Out of that 19, 11 are brand new curlers. We have the entire year planned out with teaching and reviewing skills and playing games every week. Along with the fun nights planned in amongst the skill nights. A new feature planned for this year is to introduce the curlers to our readers in a "junior curler of the week" profile. So please check that out every week.

Our curlers this year are:

Liam Anderson, Anne Cheyne, Paige Coffey, David Haramule, Christopher Haramule, Megan Hill, Caleb Hill, Ainsley Hill, Sarah O'Donnell, Jessica Farrelly, Josey Rooney, Haley Rooney, Lauren Neal, Ethan Smith-Johnson, Brandon Jackson, Lylie Shaw, Renee Babin, Lucas McDougall.

### **Home Hardware Bonspiel – November 21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> 2011**

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual Home Hardware Bonspiel (formally Clarica bonspiel) was hosted by the Guelph Country Club this year, with 88 teams participating. Out of the 88, Arthur had 6 teams play. The format of this bonspiel is played by playing in a different club the first three nights. Divisions are set by how well you do each night and in order to make it to the final day (Saturday) you must win your game on Wednesday night and keep winning each night until the end of the bonspiel. Arthur has done well the last two years now with teams making it to the Saturday.

Participates and how they did:

Bill McFadden, Ron Codlin, Daryl Hostrawser, and Rob Giles (Hank Pietrowski spared the Monday night) had a fun three days and end up in the cup consolation division not making it past Wednesday night.

Brian Jones, Art Roelofsen, Murray Roelofsen, and Dave Kidnie, won all three of the games and lost on the Thursday night. They were in the Trophy event.

Dan Martin, Darren Jones, Norm Staples and Greg Roelofsen had a win on the Monday night, loss on the Tuesday night and kept winning up until Saturday evening where they made it to the Trophy Consolation Event and lost.

Lori McFadden, Cathy Hostrawser, Sue Milley, and Debby Martin had a win on the Monday night, loss on the Tuesday night and kept winning until Saturday evening. They came up against their own club (Dan Martin's team) in the Trophy Consolation final and won the game in an extra end. Special thanks from the team goes to Darryl Rooney and Jenn McFadden for sparing for Cathy on the Saturday.

Sandra McFadden, Laura Burnett, Jenn McFadden, and Dana Samuel had a fantastic week where they had won all their games up until the Saturday afternoon semi final against a team from our own club. As Sandra said in her thank you speech on Saturday, it's too bad the three years she has been in this that she has been put out of the bonspiel by a team from our own club. Hopefully next year we can come up against someone not from our club if we make it to Saturday!

Special congratulations to Scott Lennox, John Roelofsen, Scott Milley and Pat Brewster for winning the Home Hardware Bonspiel! This is the second team in our club that has done this now since Home Hardware took over the sponsorship six years ago. It was a tense and close game against us girls but your team pulled it through and your win in the final against the Galt curling club team was great! The team would like to thank Rob Giles for sparing for Pat in the game against Sandra. Pat where you too nervous to come up against the undefeated women's team from Arthur???

A big thank you goes to Barry and Lynda Long from Longs Home Hardware. You continued sponsorship is always truly appreciated and we thank you so much for doing it. Our club always has fun participating and its great knowing our local home hardware is a sponsor too.

### **Standings of the Leagues**

#### **Monday Night Ladies**

The first draw of the ladies curling is over now, with the winning team being Sara McDougall, Bev Woods, Lori McFadden and Katie Cheesmand. Thank you to Bogg's Financial for being the sponsor.

#### **Tuesday Night Men's**

1<sup>st</sup>: Bill McClennan's Team

2<sup>nd</sup>: Skip Grant's Team

3<sup>rd</sup>: Jack McDougall's Team

4<sup>th</sup>: Ron Codlin's Team

5<sup>th</sup>: Bob Loughran's Team

6<sup>th</sup> Pat Brewster's Team

7<sup>th</sup>: Harvey McConnell's Team

### **Thursday Night Skip's Choice**

1<sup>st</sup>: Brian Jones's team

2<sup>nd</sup>: Darren Jones's team

3<sup>rd</sup>: Scott Lennox's team

4<sup>th</sup>: Bill McFadden's team

5<sup>th</sup>: Lloyd Wright's team

6<sup>th</sup>: Hank Pietrowski's team

7<sup>th</sup>: Keith Martin's team

8<sup>th</sup>: Jon Fleet's team

9<sup>th</sup>: Lori McFadden's team

10<sup>th</sup>: Art Roelofsen's team

11<sup>th</sup>: Norm Staples team

12<sup>th</sup>: Sandra McFadden's team

### **Friday Night Mixed:**

The first draw is now complete and the winners of it were: Bob Loughran, Mandy Hansen, Peter Bouwhuis and Jenna Crane. Thank you to Sussman's for being the sponsor.