95th Mitchell Bonspiel
Don Knapp

The 95th Mitchell Bonspiel, marking the 121st Anniversary of the Mitchell Medal was recently held at the UCC. Thirty six teams from Canada, as well as the U.S. came to curl and party. The results are:

MITCHELL MEDAL - Winchester #2, skipped by Robert St. Pierre (with Kip Wagner playing lead) defeated Utica #2, skipped by Dave Palazzolli, in a thrilling game that came down to the last rock. Other members of Utica 2 were Howie Feldman, Rich Minutti, and Ryan Brown.


COUNTRY CLUB CUP - Winner: Winchester #1, skip Keith Baker. Runner up: Schenectady #3, skip Bob Travis

EVANS MEDAL - Winner: Cape Cod, skip Ken Stadnyk. Runner up: K-W Granite, skip Ian Anderson

FRIENDSHIP TROPHY - Winner: Guelph, skip Greg Webb. Runner up: Broomstones #1, skip Jerry Archambault

SARANAC AWARD - Winner: Pentanguishene, skipped by Roger Lesperance. Runner up: Schenectady #2, skipped by Pat Fitzgerald

By all accounts this year’s Mitchell continued the tradition of being one of the finest Bonspiels around. At this year’s Banquet Alan Fleming was presented with the scoreboard sign of Team Busdrivers. As all of you know Alan was a member of that team for 18 years along with Tom Garber. Alan shared his memories of Tom with all of Tom’s friends at the Mitchell. After which Tom was remembered by all the curlers with a standing ovation that lasted several minutes. It was, for me and everyone there, the highlight of the weekend and a fitting tribute to a great friend.

This Bonspiel is only possible through the hard work of a great many people. Toddy bowl; Joan, Gloria, Jennifer, Anne, Barb, Donna, Cheri, Bob, Teri and Howie, Clare and Dan, Sharon and Neil, and Mary and Mike for hosting the house parties, Dean for getting ads for the booklet, Teri, Denise and Carol for working the welcoming table. Bob for the drawboard, Colleen, Ed, and numerous other people for the snacks. Dan for his help in arranging the food, which got rave reviews, as well as donating his time in the early morning setup the continental breakfast each morning with the help of Jim, and Tom. Thanks to Kevin and Darlene, and the entire kitchen staff. Terry and his bartenders, Stephanie, Stephanie, and Stephanie, who were very busy all weekend, Chuck Delmonte, Chuck Harter and the entire ice crew who had the ice in amazing shape, under less than ideal weather conditions, which required long, long hours. Thanks guys you were tremendous. Teale for singing the Anthems, Paul and Michelle for the directions and pictures. My co-chairs Mike, Bill, Bill and Fred who did hundreds of things. I especially want to thank Bill Krause for all his work in getting the invitation, the drawboard, and the team signs together. This was Bill’s first year taking over these duties and without his immense help things would not have happened as smoothly as they did. If I forgot anyone, which I am sure I did, I apologize. It’s only because I am still a little tired and that there are so many things to do and so many people helping it is hard to think of everyone. Thank you all for your help.

Hor d’Oeuvres are needed for the Marie Cobb Bonspiel Opening Party on Thursday, February 16 at 5:45

We are serving the gamblers and fun-seekers of the curling world at the opening party of the Marie Cobb Bonspiel. We don’t want to disappoint them. Look for the sign up on the mixed board. If you know what you are bringing, jot it down next to your name. If you are not sure - surprise us!!! If you need ideas - talk to Gary or Susan Williams. Food should be ready at 5:45. Items arriving later will not be a problem as long as there is enough food to start at 6:00. Please let us know so we can plan accordingly.

Thank you, Susan and Gary Williams 339-7382.

Help, Please

I am looking for donations to the Marie Cobb Welcome Bags. These bags are given to all teams in the bonspiel when they walk in the door on Thursday night. It contains their itinerary for the weekend and some goodies to make them feel welcome. Examples of donations would be pens, pencils, note pads etc. We need 36 up to 144 of the same Kind. A notice of recognition for their donation is also placed in their information packet. Anyone who works for or owns their own company and would like to donate can contact Heather Swiercz at 315-737-4105.

Please Note: All Curlers

The February and March calendars have been revised on January 12th. Be careful to check your schedules, please note these dates. Thanks -

Tuesday, March 7 & 14
- Lambert-Grant 5:45
- Lambert-Grant/tiebreaker 5:45

Tuesday, March 21
- Lambert-Grant/tiebreaker 12:00
- Glenplaidie/tiebreaker 12:00
Dear Ms. Manners,

I don't have the heart to tell my teammate that her sweeping etiquette is not helping our team clean up!

Swifter

Dear Swifter,

Here are a couple of thoughts about sweeping: Stay between the hog lines and on the side lines when the opponents are up; and stand still when they are throwing their stone. Also, be ready when it is your turn to sweep, and move out of the house as soon as the stone stops. Finally, don't walk down the middle of the sheet - it is not nice to hold up the game! Hope this helps.

Ms. Manners

Charity Curling Challenge
To Benefit Up to Twelve Area Charities Curling for a Cause

Date: Saturday, February 25th
Time: Orientation 10:00 am
Practice 11:00 am
Game Time 1:00 pm
Place: Utica Curling Club
8300 Clark Mills Road
Whitesboro, NY

Exciting Fund Raiser!
Seventh Annual Event! Winter Sport at Its Best
Spectators Welcome - Bring Signs and Bells and Cheer for your Favorite Team

You're invited to enter a team from your company or organization in the Seventh Annual Charity Curling Challenge!

Teams are comprised of non-curlers. First year curlers may also play but must play front end position. Any existing curler may coach a team. Teams pick the charity of their choice. This is a great way to introduce non-curling friends and coworkers to this fun sport!!!

Sign a team up today!!! Call Carol Jones for details! work: 624-3801, home: 797-6356 or e-mail: ejones@tristate.biz

New Comers Try Curling
Carol Jones
As part of our involvement with the Genesis Group, the Utica Curling Club will host a Discovery Tour on Friday, January 27, 2006 at 7:00 pm. The Genesis Group brings together individuals and organizations that are dedicated to creating a positive regional impact. The group hopes to foster and promote regional unity. The Discovery Tour is intended to help new comers that have recently moved to the area discover what the Mohawk Valley has to offer. Please encourage those you know to come and learn the sport of curling. They do not need to be new to the area in order to attend the event. Many participants that have already signed up are not new but would like to learn to curl. At 7:00 pm the new comers are invited to eat dinner at the club and at the same time they will be able to watch the 7:00 pm Crawford teams curl. After the Crawford curlers leave the ice the new comers will have the opportunity to get out on the ice and try curling. Please help to make the new comers feel welcome at the club. For more information the flyers will be posted on the club bulletin boards.

Olympic Open House!
Carol Jones
The club will have an open house on Sunday, February 26th, the same day of the Olympic closing ceremonies. The Olympics run February 10th-26th, with curling events running February 13th-24th. The open house information will be advertised on local cable and in print ads during the Olympics in order to reach everyone we can. Please help us in making a festive atmosphere for our guests for the ultimate curling experience. We would love to have members volunteer to come down and help; whether to curl or mingle near the bar.

No Name Gang
Don Barrett & Jack Haggerty
A new daytime "Recreation League" for men
When: Wednesdays
Time: 2:00 pm
No sign up required - Just show up and play for fun - 6 ends - Skip rotation format. Co-chairs Don Barrett 853-3873, Jack Haggerty 735-6322
Roll the Dice, Throw Some Rocks, Take a Chance and Have Some fun -- It's the Best Party of the Year!

Escape the cold and dreary days of mid winter by taking a weekend trip to Las Vegas -- without even leaving Utica. How? Join the fun of the 2006 Marie Cobb Mixed Bonspiel on February 16-19 at the Utica Curling Club. It's Las Vegas - Utica Style! All UCC members are invited to attend.

Thursday, February 16
First Draws @ 4:45, 7:00 and 9:15 pm
Las Vegas Style “All You Can Eat” Buffet and Toddy Bowls 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Team Photos in the Chapel of Love -- witness vows of team loyalty along with Elvis, who will be “officiating” at the team photo ceremonies in UCC’s Chapel of Love
Bonspiel Drink Specials and Bonspiel Glasses for Sale
Raffle Basket Tickets/Jello Shots

Friday, February 17
Draws at 8:30 am, 10:45 am, 1:00 pm and 3:15 pm
Continental Breakfast for Bonspiel Participants 8:00 - 10:45 am
Dutch Treat Lunch Available 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Cocktail Hour 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Prime Rib Banquet Dinner 8:00 - 9:00 pm (non-bonspiel participants must sign up ahead to attend the banquet; 48 hour cancellation rule applies. See Mixed Board for details & sign up.)
Special After-Dinner Entertainment 9:00 - 9:30 pm
Live Band and Dancing 9:30-1:30 pm

Saturday, February 18
Draws at 8:30 am, 10:45 am, 1:00 pm, 3:15 pm and 8:30 pm
Continental Breakfast for Bonspiel Participants 8:00 - 10:45 am
Dutch Treat Lunch Available 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Cocktails and Dinner at UCC Members' Homes for Bonspiel Participants and their Host/Hostess 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Semi Final Draw at 8:30 pm
Live Band - music and dancing starts at 9:00 pm
Raffle Basket Drawing at 10:30 pm
Costume Parade at 10:45 pm
Live music and dancing continues until 1:00 am

Sunday, February 19
Semi Finals at 9:00 am
Continental Breakfast for Bonspiel Participants 8:00 - 10:45 am
Piper Parade of Finalists at Noon
Finals (6 Events)
Awards Ceremony

To assist with preparations for the bonspiel, contact Brian & Marj Moore, Marie Cobb Mixed Bonspiel Chairs or any Mixed Committee Member. There are lots of ways to help. Make this a memorable event - get involved!

Broomsters

Ask most people what the first sign of spring is and they will tell you it is the robin, but ask a Broomster at the Utica Curling Club and they will say it is the klunk of the broom in the closet and the klink of the golf clubs in the trunk - league has begun! Continue the friendships throughout the summer on Tuesdays at Sauquoit Knolls Golf Club. Tee time is 1:00 pm followed by drinks (of course) on the deck and a light supper at Packy's. For further information contact Doreen Hayes or seek out a smiling broomster. Ain't we got fun!

Soo... what are you goin to do this summer? Curl???? I don't think so. Well!!!! For many years some adults mostly "of a more interesting age" have had a golf league. We play Tuesday afternoons at 1:00 pm May through August at Sauquoit Knolls. We play 9 hole matches all pre-set. Men, women, husb, and wives all mixed up. You have a permanent partner. We will help you find one if necessary. Curlers, former curlers, friends of curlers, any one who might be interested. Want to join us? Call Doreen Hayes 736-0394. League dues are $15.00 and your weekly greens fees and cart rental.
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Member/Guest 7:00 | 10 | Crawford  
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Marie Cobb Finals  
No Junior Curling  
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Fish Fry | 25 | Charity Challenge  
Orientation 10:00  
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Prayer Meeting/Schenectady  
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Women's Club Championships 6:00 | 10 | Crawford  
Fish fry | 11 | Women's Club Championships  
(Finals Sunday AM) |
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Women's Challenge -  
Chesapeake | 17 | Gordon Intl.  
Women's Challenge  
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Closing Party | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | Annual Membership Meeting | 30 | 31 |
R-U-F
The 2006 Rochester-Utica Friendly Bonspiel
(a.k.a.-King Kong’s Revenge)
March 4, 2006 in Utica
10:00 am to 6:00 pm

$25 includes curling, lunch, snacks, moosemilk
(Four 6 end draws, lunch, snacks, award ceremony)
Need 16 men, 16 women
A few volunteers
The event is an annual one-day bonspiel held on even years in Utica, odd years in Rochester.
It is a total rocks contest, the club scoring the most points wins.
Utica has won the last two events, it is time to win again.
The sign-up sheet will be posted on the Mixed Board, the first 32 people are guaranteed slots. Teams to be arranged, or sign up as a mixed team or couples.
Contact the chairpeople: Dave and Kathy Palazzoli - for additional information.

Recipes
The mixed committee is looking to put together a collection of recipes for appetizers and snacks to be used in its events and league nights. Anyone wishing to share their recipes can email them to Heather Swiercz at Xavier@curler.com or 14 Glencrest Blvd., New Hartford, NY 13413.

Ladies, Mark Your Calendars!
Lis DeGironimo
The 2006 Glengarry Challenge (the UCC women’s club championship) will be held Thursday, March 9th; and Saturday and Sunday, March 10th and 11th. Glengarries are encouraged to form a team to play for the chance to be club championships and have their names engraved on the beautiful silver teapot trophy.
More details will follow in the next Curlogram, and a sign up sheet will be posted shortly on the Glengarry bulletin board.

Housing Needed for UCC Junior Bonspiel
The UCC will host its annual Junior Bonspiel from February 10-12. Approximately 12 to 14 hosts are needed to house the visiting junior teams. If you can provide 2 nights lodgings (meals are provided by the club) and rides to the club for a visiting team, please contact Daniel Bareiss, Jr. or Lis DeGironimo; or sign up on the Junior Bulletin board (near the stairs past the soda machine). Thanks!
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<td>Mixed Playdowns</td>
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<td>From The Broom Hildas'</td>
<td>We are back - those witches... The Broom Hildas.</td>
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<td>If possible - and deeply appreciated ... please send your news items typed or neatly written on letter size paper so we can use the fax, and as uncreased as possible. If you wish to fax to Ellen Boerger, please call her in advance. Please send news items to: ( ELLEN\ BOERGER ) 209 Hartford Pl., Utica, NY 13502 fax: 735-1182 or ( BETTY\ HURD ) 8 Knollwood Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413 fax: 797-1584 Thanks for your cooperation. &quot;The Broom Hildas&quot;</td>
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