President's Report

Art Cobb

DUES. Please, if you have not yet finished paying your dues do so IMMEDIATELY. Names of members who have not completed payment will be POSTED in the club shortly. If they are not paid within 5 days of the posting your membership privileges will be SUSPENDED. This includes those members on the 6-month payment plan! Send payments to John Davis Assistant Dues Treasurer.

TV RAFFLE. Our second annual TV raffle is underway. Win the Sharp 27" Remote control TV that hangs next to the Bar. Tickets are $5.00 each. See the bar tender to get yours now! The raffle will be held at Annual meeting in April, you need not be present to win.

NEWEST HONORARY LIFE MEMBER. I am pleased to announce our newest honorary life member is Mr. Bob Nobel of the Kingston, Ontario Curling Club. Bob was elected by the Board in recognition of the extraordinary fact of his attendance at 40 Mitchell Bonspiels!

BOILER ASSESSMENT. Please, if you are a resident or senior resident member put $15 in the envelope with your name on it at the bar. It's been great curling with a properly warmed ice shed.

ICE PROBLEM CORRECTED. Wild swings in the outside temperature and humidity the week before the Mitchell Bonspiel helped cause ice to form in our cooling tower, this in turn caused a drive belt to break. The net result was some poor ice conditions for a few days. The problem has been corrected and we are back to our usual great ice.

Charity Curling Challenge

Ed Koslick, Chair

On Saturday, March 11, 2000, at 1:00 PM, a new and unique event will be presented by the Utica Curling Club. The First Annual Charity Curling Challenge will be held and serve as the prelude to the 2000 Mixed National Championship. The purpose of this event is two-fold; raise donations to benefit local charities and serve as a marketing tool to attract potential members. Participating will be 12 teams of novice curlers from our Mixed Nationals sponsors, such as WKTW, WIBX, Observer-Dispatch, to name a few. Each team will pre-select a charity that will be the recipient of their teams donations, if they win, plus 50% of the losing teams donations. Losing teams charity will still receive 50%. A win-win situation with a lot of fun and excitement for all. It is possible that up to 12 local charities can benefit from this event with team members soliciting donations for their teams charity. Please support the participants if asked to contribute. The team that wins the most dollars for their pre-selected charity will become the overall grand champion for the event. There will also be a runner-up team prize along with prizes for the team that raises the most donations plus the individual that raises the most donations in dollars. We are extremely excited about this event and hope you will be too. Shortly, we will be seeking club members to serve as coaches/mentors for the novice teams. Since this is a club sponsored event, we know that our members will get behind this unique event and support these novice curlers who may possibly become future members.

Sweet Dreams, Sweet Cream, Sweet Pea Sweet Points!

Chair - Carol Jones

So you think you're a hot shot? Consider yourself championship material? Perhaps you always have those friendly wagers with your skip that "you wouldn't have missed that double take-out in the eighth for the win". Or maybe you want to see how well you would do without those friendly sweepers on your side. Well, this is the true test! Come join in
116th Annual Mitchell Bonspiel

Mike Semararo - chairman

Jan. 13-16, 2000 the Utica Curling Club hosted the Mitchell Bonspiel for the 89th time. The 48 team Bonspiel was a huge success due to the hard work by the Mitchell committee. First I'd like to thank the Thursday night Toddy Bowl Hostesses, Linda Whitney, Bonita Nagy, Bonnie Louis, Karen Tardugno, Karen Townsend, and Chris Gleason. I know the girls felt very welcomed by these lovely ladies. Lee Gibbard, the draw master, did an excellent job fitting 48 teams into an extremely civilized draw with no games before 9:00 AM or after midnight. The ice was the best we've ever had due to the hard work and dedication of Denise Fusco and Jim Gleason and their crew. Many Canadians couldn't believe our ice was better than theirs. Thanks also to Tom Garber for his professional work on the draw board and program and Colleen Thomas for her snacks after each draw. Last and certainly not least, Terri Flemma and Eydie Savett were the backbone of this Bonspiel and they have my eternal gratitude for all they did. After 5 years of Chairing this Committee it is my hope that the next chairman has as great a committee to work with as I have had.

Runner Up - Mitchell Defender (Ardesley) Gert Messing, Skip, Greg Poole, Mike Murphy, Bob Welch
Allen Medal - Utica 3 - Paul Giovannone / Dean Kelly, Skips, Dan Boeger, Dave Halligan, Mike Sexton
Runner Up - Hylands Frank Van Ryckeghem, Skip, Jeff Norman, Rick Westfall, Marc LaLonde
Country Club Cup - RCMP Ewen MacMillan, Skip A. McGuire, Doug John, Jim Over
Runner Up - Cumberland - Dan Richardson, Skip, Andre Nantel, Marc Lacombe, Guy St. Pierre

Evans Medal - Royal Kingston David Cox, Skip, Doug Murray, Guy Lajoie, Doug Swain
Runner Up - Utica 7 - Joe Giovannone, Skip, Reid Porter, Pat Costello, Sal Inserra, Dave Mishalanie
Friendship Medal - Penetang Curling Club - Dave Brunelle, Skip, Dennis Gignac, Roger Leperance, Aaron Kontkanen
Runner Up - Cornwall - Larry Benoist, Skip, John Leroux, Don's Trembley, Lee McRae
Saranac Brewery Award - Utica 1 - Bill Morehouse, Skip, Mike Kessler, Jim Gleason, Rich Czembrak
Runner Up - Plattsville CC. - Rodsteinman Skip, Leroy Bliven, Brady Code, Jim Nagy

Responsibility, Regulations, Responses
By Marcia Garber

This is the third in a series of articles that I was asked to write by the Glengarry Executive Committee to educate and focus attention on how to save time, obey rules and practice etiquette on the ice.

Keep the game moving; delays detract from the sport. The skip should always be planning the next shot to call while the opposition is playing hers. She may need to plan several alternative ones so she will be ready at once.

The enforcement of rules is usually left to the honesty and integrity of the players.

Local Rule Substituting 3. If a team starts a game with 3 legal players, the first and second player shall deliver three stones each. If the first player has thrown her third rock, the late player must wait until the next end to begin playing.

USCA Rules of Play 10 Touched Running Stones (1) If a running stone is touched by any of the playing team or by his/her equipment, the touched stone shall be removed from play immediately by that team. However, if in the opinion of the opposing skip, removal of the stone would be beneficial to the offending team, then he/she may place the stone as nearly as possible to the position where he/she considers it would have come to rest had it not been touched. He/she may also reposition
any stone or stones that would have been displaced had the running stone not been touched and been allowed to continue. For an opposing skip to reposition any potentially displaced stones, the infraction must have occurred inside the hog line at the playing end.

The courtesies of curling have existed for a long time and are expected. All players except the vices stay out of the rings and do not touch stones until the vices have agreed upon the score or until measurements are taken.

Ladies Daytime Curling

The Glengarry Challenge will be played Tuesday, Feb. 29, Mar. 7, Mar. 14 at 11:00 AM. A sign-up sheet is in the Ladies Locker Room. If you are not contacted or forget to sign up please call June Balduf at 797-4349. Come join us!

Win A Prize - All you perfect people!!

Do you ever find errors in the Curlogram - spelling - grammar dates etc.? Count them up in this issue and let the Broomhilda's know. The prize will be VERY special. Deadline is Feb. 10th.

2000 Exhibit Of Sports In Oneida County

The Oneida County Historical Society Museum at 1608 Genesee Street is planning an exhibit of all sports in Oneida County in the last 60 years. The director, Dr. Kevin Marken, has asked me to plan the curling exhibit. If any UCC members can help me by loaning pictures (not newspaper) or anything interesting, please call me. It will be set up in February and continue all of 2000.

The Rochester - Utica Friendly & Ice Work

There is a 3 game, point format. Games are at pre-determined times and a position reversal occurs in the second game. The Thirds become the Skip, Skips play third, Leads play second and Seconds play Lead. Each team includes, 2 males and 2 females. (M,F,M,F or F,M,F,M)

Mark your calendar - get your teams together, or couples or individuals.

We will do our best to put you on a team.

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Carla Wallaesa & Donald Barrett, Chairs

An unfortunate set of conflicts has resulted in the canceling of the Rochester Friendly (but the good news is they get the monkey back). We are going to take advantage of this to do a flood immediately after the Crawford Friday March 3rd. The ice will be down for work from the end of the Crawford Friday, March 3rd until Teenage curling begins 3:00 pm Sunday, March 5th.
THE MARIE COBB
MIXED BONSPIEL
AT THE UTICA
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presents
THE
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ON EARTH

February 17th-20th, 2000

TO ALL UTICA CURLERS: Please Join Us For The Circus Bonspiel - The Fun Under The Big Top Begins.

THURSDAY: The Welcoming Party - First Curling Draws, Games and Prizes - Specialty Drinks, Roll The Dice For Your Raffle Tickets, Toddy Bowls and Great Hors D'Oeuvres. No Reservations Necessary, $6.00 - DRESSED IN CIRCUS ATTIRE $3.00.


SATURDAY: Curling All Day. After The In-House Parties It's The Night To Shine Under The Big Top, With Prizes For The Best Looking Costumes. All Members Are Invited To The Club For Curling Partying And Dancing. (no charge).

SUNDAY: Mooros Milk, Bloodies and Brunch (Dutch Treat) Semi-Finals Finalist Parade with Piper - Finals - Awards.

Lunches Available Friday and Saturday (Dutch Treat). Sign Up Sheets For The Banquet and Brunch Are On The Mixed Board. For Any Questions Please Call Linda or Dick at 733-4074 or Brian or Marj at 735-1960. We Look Forward To Seeing all Utica Members Participating In The Fun Events Of THE MARIE COBB - GREATEST BONSPIEL ON EARTH!!

Let's Fill The UCC Circus Carnival Prize Booth To Overflowing --

WE NEED YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!!

As you may recall, at last year's Marie Cobb Mixed Invitational Bonspiel, our guests were greeted by an awesome array of prizes to be won from the Buccaneer's Treasure Chest. This year for the Circus Bonspiel, the Curling Club's front entry alcove will be transformed into a carnival prize booth. Let's make it downright eye-popping! (One they'll still be talking about next year!)

Here's how it will all work:

On Thursday evening, during the Opening Party of the Bonspiel, the carnival games will be open to all comers. It'll be almost as much fun to see who the kids (or adults?) are at the carnival as it is to see the skill (or luck?) found on the ice. No doubt, there will be something for everyone... which is what makes our Bonspiel so memorable for all the participants! Each Bonspiel participant will have ten carnival game tickets in their welcome packet. It will take one ticket to take a turn at a carnival game booth. ($1 buys them 10 more turns if they get really hooked!!) Carnival game winners will accumulate play-money when they win at one of the booths. They may then take this money and "buy" the prize of their choice at the prize booth. It's likely that individuals, couples or whole teams may pool their money to "buy" whatever it is that they have their eye on!

Now, in order to WANT TO PLAY, they need some INCENTIVES right?? That's were you come in - prizes are needed in every shape, size and/or value. PRIZES MAY BE DROPPED OFF ANYTIME IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS - USE THE BLUE DROP BOX OR GIVE TO ANY MIXED BONSPIEL COMMITTEE MEMBER. Member donations and those from local businesses are equally important. Need a form to request a donation from a local business you know? Forms are available in the blue donation box... Take as many as you think you'll need. FYI - here's the inventory so far - keep those donations coming -- we'll need lots more B!

CATEGORY "A" (under $5 value)
- Tobler Chocolate Orange
- Mug
- Playing Card Set in Commemorative Tin
- Magic Tricks Card Deck (2)

CATEGORY "B" ($5-15 value)
- Candle
- 2000 Desk Calendar
- Lavender Aromatherapy Collection
- Bottle of Schnapps
- Wine (1)
- Giant Beer Bottle Banks filled w/popcorn (2)
- Audio Book
- Photo Album
- Pistachios in Glass Canister

CATEGORY "C" ($15-25 value)
- Travel Blow Dryer
- Michael Jordan Signature Basketball
- Folding Camp Chair
- Large Mag Flashlight

CATEGORY "D" (over $25 value)
- Leather Portfolio

LADIES & GENTLEMEN
THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO THE CLUB
AND WE NEED YOUR HELP

On Thursday, Feb. 17th at the Welcoming Party we will be needing at least 38 Hors d'Oeuvres for 20 people each. Don't like to cook? Sign up to bring 2 lbs of hot dogs, complete with buns. Or how about a big bag of Nacho chips? Please sign up on the mixed board and bring in your Hors d'Oeuvres by 5:00 PM on the 17th.

LADIES LOCKERS NEEDED:

We are in need of Ladies lockers for the Marie Cobb Mixed - Join the Circus Bonspiel, February 17th - 20th. Ladies, please clean out your locker by Wednesday, February 16th. THANKS!
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**REMINDER - DEADLINE FOR MARCH CURLOGRAM WILL BE FEBRUARY 21, 2000**

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**The Banquet**
& Everyone's Invited!

For: USA Curling Mixed National Championship

When: Saturday - March 25, 2000

Where: The Holiday Inn, Burrstone Rd.

Time: Cash Bar at 5:30
      Dinner at 6:30

Dinner: Choice of 5 oz Filet Mignon or Baked Filet of Sole Almondine with Vegetable, Potato & Dessert

Fun: The Silent Auction

Entertainment: The Joe Angerosa Band

Cost: $25.00 per person

Tickets: See Joyce Shatter at 735-8775 or Sign up on the mixed board

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**Reminder!!!**

Anyone interested in becoming A Sponsor or Advertising in the Official program for the USA Curling Mixed National Championship, The Deadline is February 16th. Please contact: Deb Morehouse at 734-1475 or Pete Ciaralli at 361-1496

**Website!!!**

Thanks to Jim Nagy & Mike Swiercz you can now check out our new website that's continuously being updated with information about the UCC and the USA Curling Mixed National Championship!

**Ice Notice:**

The ice WILL NOT be available for playing on, from 10:00pm, Friday, March 3 through 6:00pm, Sunday, March 5. Due to flooding and ice maintenance in preparation for The Mixed Nationals.

Thank you for your cooperation - The Ice Committee

**Please Note**

To Curlogram Contributors - Deadline Change.

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**Schedule of Events**

Come join in the fun and festivities of the USA Curling Mixed National Championships! Watch spectacular curling! Meet the athletes!

For information on banquet tickets, see Joyce Shatter at (315) 735-8775. For other events, see Erlene Daley (315) 724-6371 or Carol Jones (315) 732-4195 x643.

**Sunday, March 19th**

10-11:30 am, noon-1:30 pm ... Ice available for practice
11:30 am .................................... Team meeting
3:00-5:00 pm ......................... Social - food, drinks, fun! Come meet the teams.
5:45 pm (teams prepare at 5:30) .......... Opening Ceremonies
7:00 pm .................................... First Draw

**Monday, March 20th**

1:00 pm .................................... Second Draw
7:00 pm .................................... Third Draw

**Tuesday, March 21st**

1:00 pm .................................... Fourth Draw
7:00 pm .................................... Fifth Draw

**Wednesday, March 22nd**

1:00 pm .................................... Sixth Draw
7:00 pm .................................... Seventh Draw

**Thursday, March 23rd**

1:00 pm .................................... Eighth Draw
7:00 pm .................................... Ninth Draw

**Friday, March 24th**

9:30 am .................................... Tie Breaker if needed
2:00 pm .................................... Tie Breaker if needed
7:00 pm .................................... Semi-finals

**Saturday, March 25th**

1:00 pm .................................... Finals
3:30 pm .................................... Closing Ceremonies
6:30 pm .................................... Silent Auction, Dinner Dance, a Few Boring Speeches, and Party Hardy.

I want to thank Donna and Gary Evans for the use of their home for the opening party. Don Zillioux and Gary Evans for bartending at party. Also thank you to Joyce Shaffer and her committee, Ellen Boerger, Betty Hurd, Mickey Haase for their work well done on the decorations and arrangements for the banquet held at the Yahnundasis. A big thank you to Bob Caines for doing the draw for me. Thank you Joe C. and his staff for all the great food and service provided during this Bonspiel. Appreciation goes out to everyone who gave their time to help out with the kit bags, Kiltie Kornet, awards presentations, and their support they gave me throughout the Bonspiel. Last, but not least, thank you Denise Fusco and the ice committee for great ice. Many compliments were heard throughout the Bonspiel about our ice and curling facility.

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The Broom Hildas Say!

Deadline for March Curlogram is Monday, February 21, 2000
Please send news items to:
Ellen Boerger - 209 Hartford Pl., Utica, NY 13502
or Betty Hurd - 8 Knollwood Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413

Thanks for your cooperation. “The Broom Hildas”