MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NEW HORIZONS SENIORS' CURLING LEAGUE THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Ray Schizkoske with approximately 60 members present.

TROPHY PRESENTATION:

Joe Gubbels Funspiel:

First Prize: The Joe Gubbels Trophy was presented to Team Ray Schizkoske with Bob Gerbasi, Bill Cox and Norm Beaudry. \$40 each curler donated by New Horizons.

Second Prize: Greg Burke, Parmalat representative, presented the Parmalat Trophy to Team Len Comisso with Carmen Perrier, Sandra Leblanc and John Leblanc. Gift card donated by Parmalat and \$30 each donated by New Horizons.

Third Prize: Chris Wright, Labatt representative, presented the Labatt Brewery trophy to Team Gerry Lajeunesse with Gil Lebrun, Wayne Jaszan and Rita Beaudry. \$25 each donated by New Horizons as well as a gift basket donated by Labatts.

Sportsmanship Award: Team John Perrier with Bill Pye, Laura Steep and Elaine Jaszan.

Drawmaster Ray Ginglo advised that the final rankings would be available on our website.

Wednesday Curling League:

MacDonald Feed Supply Trophy was presented to the winners of the pre-Christmas draw: Team Wayne Jaszan with Louis Fortin, Jeremy Pacaud and Norm Beaudry.

Tiffany Kitchens Trophy was presented to the winners of the post-Christmas draw: Team Terry Pawson with Ray Ginglo, Sandra Leblanc and John Leblanc.

RECOGNITION:

Ray Ginglo gave a tribute to outgoing President Ray Schizkoske. He said that during Ray's 10 years as President, we were "well led". He presented the Past President's Plaque to President Ray, along with a plaque honoring Ray's service and dedication, and a lifetime membership in New Horizons Seniors' Curling League. Ray Schizkoske thanked everyone.

ELECTIONS:

Laurier Larcher opened the elections portion of the meeting.

President: Ray Ginglo was nominated by Jack Watson, seconded by Claudette Pelletier. Ray declined, saying that he prefers the duties of Drawmaster.

Wayne Jaszan was nominated by Bob Third, seconded by Sandra Leblanc. Wayne accepted the nomination.

Moved by Louis Fortin, seconded by Marcel Heroux that nominations close. Carried.

Past President: Ray Shizkoske will be Past President.

Vice President: Norm Beaudry was nominated by Connie Grosvenor, seconded by Rick Promane. Norm accepted the nomination.

Moved by Jack Watson, seconded by Anne McDonald, that nominations cease. Carried.

Treasurer: Archie Berube has agreed to be the Treasurer for 2014-2015.

Secretary: Moved by Connie Grosvenor, seconded by Gervais Pelletier, that Elaine Jaszan continue as Secretary. Elaine accepted.

Drawmaster: Ray Ginglo agreed to continue as Drawmaster.

President Ray stated there is a need for Directors, to be chosen by the new President. Wayne said 4 Directors are needed. Terry Pawson has volunteered to be a Director and to be in charge of meals. Wayne asked for other volunteers. Claudette Pelletier, Gervais Pelletier and Joan Pye volunteered. Wayne thanked the volunteers.

Ray Schizkoske thanked the previous Executive and all members for their assistance and support. He thanked Don Davidson, who, although not a member of the Executive, faithfully opens the doors on curling days. His dedication is recognized and appreciated.

NEW MEMBERS:

Ray Schizkoske presented new Horizons pins to new members.

OVER 80 CLUB:

Marcel Heroux's name is to be added to the plaque, and following members will be 80 during this year: Roger Pellerin, Len Comisso, Neil MacIsaac and Aime Lambert.

MCINTYRE CURLING CLUB PRESIDENT:

Eric Glaister addressed the meeting, advising that he will be the President for the next 2 years. He thanked New Horizons members for help with the Provincial Championship, which was much appreciated. He wants to build the relationship between the McIntyre Club and our club

to keep curling strong and surviving. If there is anything he can do to facilitate this relationship, please advise him.

APPRECIATION:

Ray Schizkoske thanked the Ice Makers, Dave Moore and Bob Maenck, as well as Bartender Tarja Brayshaw for their work over the season.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Elaine Jaszan read the Minutes of the Previous AGM held March 28, 2013. Moved by Elaine Nyman, seconded by Rick Promane, that the Minutes be adopted as read. Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Wayne Jaszan said that he had taken over financial duties from Archie Berube at the end of January, and that the financial situation would need to be reviewed by Archie. However, an estimate as of last night indicates that we have \$3000 more in the bank than at the start of the year. This is a result of some tough decisions made by the Executive this year. We increased the membership from \$40 to \$50 and the price of games from \$4 to \$5. Terry Pawson did the Christmas lunch, and we did not lose money on that. Terry and Louis Fortin did lunches for 2 days of the Joe Gubbels Funspiel and made approximately \$200. We reduced the Joe Gubbels Funspiel from 2 weeks to 1, giving us an extra week of revenue from regular curling. Elaine Nyman and Elaine Jaszan secured a better price per person with the meal today from the Pick of the Crop. Up to last year we were losing approximately \$1000 per year and would have been broke in 2-3 years. With the changes, Wayne does not foresee an increase in fees for the next year, although our rent will go up 3% and NOCA fees will go from \$15 to \$20 in 2014.

Wayne will attend a meeting and walk through of the Curling Club along with Eric Glaister on April 4, 2014.

Ray Schizkoske thanked Wayne for the report and said if we are in financial difficulty there will be a general meeting. We will have a Rental Committee if necessary. There will also be an Executive Meeting in mid-September.

Moved by Marcel Heroux, seconded by Anne Mcdonald that the Financial Report be adopted as read. Carried.

DRAW STRUCTURE:

Ray Schizkoske asked if there were any questions or problems with the draw structure and none were raised. He reminded us that on the Wednesday curling league seniority does not apply.

MEMBERSHIP:

There was a discussion around ideas to increase membership which were tried over the past year. Marcel Bougie asked if it was still necessary to be retired to join our league and Ray Ginglo answered it is not. Ray will update the website.

Moved by Elaine Jaszan, seconded by Leon Robinette, that the age for membership be reduced to 50 years old. Carried.

BONSPIELS:

Ray Schizkoske reminded us that once teams have been made up and posted, no changes can be made. Spares must play lead.

Ray thanked Terry Pawson and Louis Fortin for the meals during the Joe Gubbels Funspiel.

Bill Cox inquired if there would be the Merv Cauthers Bonspiel and offered to help if Louis Fortin will be holding it this year. The proceeds go to Timmins and District Hospital.

IROQUOIS FALLS CHALLENGE:

Ray reminded members that teams are made up for the Challenge not necessarily according to seniority. If you want to remain at your position according to seniority, advise the Drawmaster. This year the first Challenge will be in Iroquois Falls.

CLOSING REMARKS:

There were no other concerns. Ray Schizkoske thanked members for their support and urged us to keep up the support. We have fun and get exercise, comradeship and enjoyment. He wished all a healthy enjoyable summer. Watch for advertisements in the paper, on the radio and on the website in mid-October for our start-up date.

Moved by Mae Beauvais, seconded by Rita Beaudry that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Minutes recorded by Elaine Jaszan, Secretary, New Horizons Seniors' Curling League.

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