

## NEW HORIZONS SENIORS' CURLING LEAGUE EXECUTIVE MEETING

Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 7:30 pm, McIntyre Curling Club

Present: Ray Schizkoske, President; Connie Grosvenor, Ray Dumoulin, Malcolm MacDonald, Noel Arbic, Archie Berube, Anne MacDonald, Bill Vane, Don Critchley.

### 1. Minutes of Last Meeting

Connie Grosvenor read the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on April 07, 2011. There was one correction noted: on page 5, Bill Vane had recommended that curlers only pay \$2 per game for the second game if they choose to curl twice on Tuesdays or Thursdays. MOVED by Malcolm, SECONDED by Don, that the minutes be accepted as corrected. CARRIED

### 2. BUSINESS ARISING

Ray noted that the ice will be ready for curling in early October; our league will begin with registration and curling on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

The Northern Ontario Men's' Seniors Provincials will be held at the Mac February 23-26, 2012. Volunteers will be needed to help on committees, etc. Malcolm noted there will only be eight teams involved.

### 3. Correspondence

Ray advised that an application has been made to the New Horizons for Seniors Program, a federal program providing grants to promote participation in community-based projects. A letter acknowledging receipt has been received, and we will be notified of the outcome within five months. Ray was commended for taking the initiative on this proposal, and thanked for the input and work required for this submission.

A suggestion was made that perhaps we could follow up by contacting our federal MP, Charlie Angus.

### 4. Treasurer's Report

Archie advised that our bank balance is comparable with previous years. As we will not have an increase crease in our rent this year, all curlers are encouraged to invite new curlers to participate in our league; our numbers are down slightly over previous years. A receipt was received from Timmins & District Hospital for our \$1,010 donation from the Merv Cauthers Bonspiel in December 2010.

Archie indicated that he may have to resign his position as Treasurer, but will fulfill his duties to the end of 2011.

MOVED by Anne, SECONDED by Noel, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. CARRIED

### 5. Fee Structure for 2011-2012

As there is no increase in rent, our fee structure will not change. Registration is \$40 (which includes the \$15 NOCA fee), and each game curled is \$4.00.

### 6. Draw Structure. No change for 9:00 and 10:30 draws. Seniority list is to be followed as much as possible; curlers' requests will be granted if possible. Noel Arbic will look after the first day of the 9:00 draw, and will recruit others to assist or take over the responsibility.

For the Wednesday league there will be a pre-Christmas and post-Christmas draw. Rules will be posted. If enough teams have signed up, curling will begin on October 19; otherwise, the starting date will be October 26.

7. Curling days: Calendar of Events 2011-2012, Wednesday Morning League 2011-2012, Ratings Sheet, Curlers Clinic dates and sign-up sheet, and Challenge Round with Iroquois Falls will be posted on the bulletin board. Rules for bonspiels will be posted so curlers have an opportunity to read and digest the information.
8. The Board would like us to clean the ice after each game, keep all rooms neat, keep hands and knees off the ice if possible, and turn off the lights when leaving the ice at noon if no one is curling after us. Please, NO STREET SHOES ON THE ICE. A sign will be posted at the entrance reminding curlers to use the boot cleaning machine before entering the curling club.
9. Dusty Baker Bonspiel: November 15 and 16, 2011. Banquet coordinator is Elaine Nyman, with assistance from Rhea McKane, Noel Arbic, and other Directors as required. This year the bonspiel will be two days, with two games per day. Banquet at 12:00 noon on second day, and awards at 4:00 p.m. Malcolm MacDonald is in charge of the draw and scheduling, with Ray Schizkoske and Bill Vane assisting. All other directors who do not have assigned jobs are asked to help wherever and whenever necessary.
10. Christmas Banquet: December 15, 2011. Don Critchley is in charge of food; Chinese fare has always proved popular for this event. There will be a Food Bank drive. Bill Vane noted that Pick of the Crop will provide cooked roasts and side dishes at a reasonable rate; pick-up is required. All Directors who do not have assigned jobs are asked to help wherever and whenever necessary. Guests to be determined at the next Executive meeting.
11. Closing Banquet: Thursday, April 5, 2012. Volunteers to help Elaine Nyman, Banquet Coordinator, and Rhea and Noel, assisting. Please give them ideas. As with Dusty Baker Bonspiel, all other Directors who do not have assigned jobs are asked to help wherever and whenever necessary. Malcolm and his assistants will need a lot of help. Please remember that only participants are invited to the meal; anyone else will have to pay for the cost of the meal.
12. Iroquois Falls Challenge Round: Malcolm is in charge of the draw, with Ray Schizkoske and Bill Vane assisting. Please remember to collect \$4 per trip from each curler going to Iroquois Falls. Don Critchley is in charge of booking the bus. The bus will leave the McIntyre at 11:30 a.m. for travel to Iroquois Falls. Challenge round dates for 2011/2012 are: Timmins November 2; Iroquois Falls November 30; Timmins January 11, and Iroquois Falls February 15.  
  
Archie expressed concern that the cost to curlers is far below the cost of the bus rental. Don Critchley will investigate the rental cost for this year and get back to the Directors. Ray Schizkoske noted that the bus for Iroquois Falls Challenge Round has been subsidized by the League for many years.
13. Roy Carroll Bonspiel in Iroquois Falls: March 6 and 7, 2012. Malcolm is in charge of the draw.
14. Pamphlet will be revised and passed out at Registration, along with the Rules and Etiquette of Curling.
15. Duties:

Drawmaster – Malcolm MacDonald, with assistance from Ray Schizkoske and Bill Vane. Malcolm will update the ratings sheet.

Get well/sympathy cards: Elaine Nyman

Banquet Coordinator: Elaine Nyman; assisted by Rhea McKane and Noel Arbic

Anne MacDonald is scheduled for surgery in October and will not be curling this year. She will help out as needed when she is able.

16. Rule Changes for Bonspiels and FunSpiel: Please remember that if a SPARE is used, that player must play LEAD. The ORIGINAL MEMBER may return to the team. If the team ends up in the prizes, the two players involved will share any prizes on a percentage basis. The Drawmaster has the authority to change the Draw and Teams for the Dusty Baker and Joe Gubbels FunSpiel until Day 1 of the Draw.
17. Registration Forms: only new members are required to complete them. Please have members check last year's Registration Form to ensure correct address, phone number and e-mail are listed.
18. Over Eighty Challenge Game. If numbers warrant, a game will be scheduled for this curling season.
19. OTHER

Ray noted he will be away for the first week of curling; Bill Vane will be in charge. A moment of silence will be held in memory of Pierette Steinbrunner and James McClinchey, who passed away over the summer.

Newspaper/radio/Cable 3 notification for when curling begins: Ray Schizkoske

Seniority List revision

Curling Rules & Etiquette to be handed out at registration

New Constitution: Connie

Calendar of Events, Executive Members, League Rules, Clinic, Challenge Round, Wednesday Curling league information to be posted on bulletin board

Clinic for new members: Wednesday October 26, 2011, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. and followup on November 9 at 1:00 p.m. Malcolm

Pins for new members who missed the General Meeting can get them from Ray.

Seniors Day in Kapuskasing: February 7, 2012; 20 teams maximum, six-end games;. \$25/curler. Contact Carmen Urbas at 705 335-6524.

20. Adjournment:

MOVED by Anne, SECONDED by Archie, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Connie Grosvenor, Secretary

Please forward corrections, errors or omissions to [grovers@live.ca](mailto:grovers@live.ca) THANK YOU!