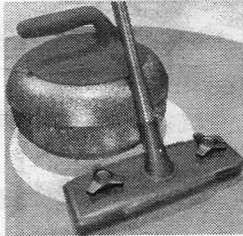


Curling heats up at MCC with Big Breakfast, registrations



Throwing Rocks

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The distinctive sound of granite hitting granite was added to the aroma of cooking bacon to welcome the crowd coming into Middleton Curling Club for the first Big Breakfast of the year. This community-pleaser has been a popular event

on the club calendar for a number of years, organized by Bonnie Morine and Bob Clattenburg, and with Dave Acker showing his skills as a Toast-Meister. It was a happy day for those waiting eagerly for the new season to start. Although the club is used out-of-season for other events, it really seems more alive when the ice is in and rocks are being thrown.

The Big Breakfast is held monthly both as a fundraiser and as part of other events at the club, most notably when there is a bonspiel. The next breakfast will be on Saturday, Nov. 19, and December's will be part of the day-long celebration of the Christmas Fete on December 10. Mark your calendars because this breakfast has earned its reputation and the description "Big."

Juniors, Little Rocks

Coach Fred Hole started Junior registration on Saturday, and the Little Rocks will be starting with registration this week. Young curlers who may have missed the first day can come Tuesday afternoons beginning on November 8 at 2:15. Little Rocks continue with their coach Dawn Spidle until 4 p.m. Junior curling is also on Tuesdays, beginning at 3 p.m. These hours are somewhat flexible to take into account the different dismissal times of the two schools in Middleton.

The Senior Drop-in League begins Monday, Nov. 7 at 1 p.m. This league is less formal, as its name suggests, and teams are made up each day from those who are in attendance. While the name "senior" implies an age group, anyone who wishes to play on Monday and Wednesday afternoons is welcome to come to these games. This is an excellent alternative for those who do not fancy night driving in the winter. Coordinator Jean Fry is happy to answer questions at 825-3067.

The club endeavours to make curling accessible to everyone who has an interest, whatever their circumstances. There is a snow-bird rate for those who head south after Christmas, a novice rate for members new to curling or just new to the club, and a mature student rate for those in post-secondary education. Further information is always available at www.middletoncurlingclub.com