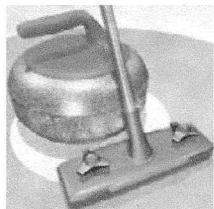


Home-and-home plus Provincial Intermediates

The temperature is rising outside and everyone has “sprung forward” with daylight savings, but there are still icy conditions in the Middleton Curling Club. In the few weeks remaining before the ice comes out at the end of the month, the club is going to be constantly busy.

On Saturday, March 9, MCC ladies hosted Berwick in the 36th Annual Home and Home for the Lola Videto shield. In 1977 one of the members of the



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Middleton Curling Club approached George Videto, owner of Cash & Carry Building Supplies, and asked him if he would sponsor a trophy for a “Home & Home competition” between the Middleton and Berwick ladies curling clubs. He readily agreed but he did not want his business name on it; he wanted the event named for his wife, Lola. Thus, the Lola Videto Shield was born.

In all that time only two years have been missed in playing for the shield. It is a friendly competition based on total points scored in the two games of play. In past years there were two days with an eight-end game and lunch on each day. As time passed and folks got busier, the format changed to a one-day event, two six-end games with lunch in between. The ladies of this year’s competition are pictured in the photo.

This Home and Home is one of several events that bring the players of these two clubs together to enjoy friendly competition and pleasant social time. The on-going relationship between the clubs is strong. Curlers from Middleton are front and centre in the Berwick Apple Spiel,



Pictured are members of the Berwick and Middleton ladies curling clubs at this years home-and-home event.

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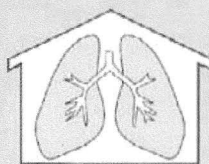
making up a quarter of the teams. Berwick returns the favour by participating in Middleton’s bonspiels, such this Saturday’s “Spring is Here” funspiel, a day of curling with lunch and prizes for everyone. It is proof that the rallying cry of curlers everywhere really is “SOCIALABLE.”

Intermediates

This week is also busy for the icemakers who are gearing up for the large Provincial Intermediate Championships being hosted by Middleton from March 22 to 24. Thirty teams from around the province will participate in this event which will begin with a double knock-out format. The ice at Middleton is widely praised as very good for players and the icemakers work hard to keep this reputation. As

soon as play ends this Thursday, flooding will begin the two days of “remaking” the ice to ensure that the Championships are played on the best surface possible. After the flooding comes a week of fine-tuning the ice while club play continues, in order to have everything ready for March 22.

Community spectators are welcome to come and watch this event during the three day of play, and also attend the Big Breakfast on March 23. Schedules will be posted on www.middletoncurlingclub.com as they are received.



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