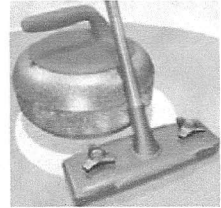


Of breakfasts, raccoons, and memberships

It is time once again to put away the golf shoes, take off the gardening gloves, and look for the curling gear. Middleton Curling Club opens the 2013-2014 curling season this Saturday, Oct. 26, with the first Big Breakfast of the year. The club opens at 8 a.m. and breakfast will be served until 10:30 a.m. — bacon, eggs, sausages, toast, juice, coffee, and self-serve baked beans. A free-will offering is collected at the door.



Throwing Rocks
Karen Sotvedt
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At the same time the ice will be open for the first time for anyone who has an interest in trying curling and would like to get the feel of being on the ice. The only equipment needed is a clean pair of sneakers. Club members will be on hand to coach those who have never tried curling and need a few pointers. Members are welcome to come and spend some time warming up.

Raccoon Stalemate

Visitors and members alike are reminded to

have a look at the new steel roof, covering the south side and additions. The project, supported by - Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness, Physical Activity, Sport and Recreation - was delayed in its completion by a wet spring, but volunteers completed it this summer, only just managing to stay ahead of the raccoons. The old roof had a number of weak areas that the raccoons had identified as entries. Obviously challenged by the steel roof that covered these points, they proceeded to chew their way down the roof, just ahead of the work party. The north side, of newer

shingles, does not appear to tempt them, so at the moment, it is a stalemate.

Membership Forms

Members who come on Saturday are invited to fill in their membership forms so that leagues can be made up in a timely fashion. Those who are new to curling get a reduced rate which allows them to try any and all the leagues available: Open League on Mondays (eight-end games), Western Draw on Tuesdays (six-end games with team composition changing occasionally), Mixed League on Thursdays

(eight-end games with equal men and women on the teams) and the afternoon games on Mondays and Wednesdays with teams composed at the time.

There are also leagues for elementary students (seven to 11 years) and junior high (12 to 13) on Tuesday afternoon. For complete information there is a link on the homepage at www.middletoncurlingclub.com and coordinator Dawn Spidle will be happy to answer any questions. Further information on all club activities can be obtained by email from the Contact page on the club website.

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