

SPORTS

No February blues last week

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Throwing rocks



Two social curling events beat the February blues at Middleton Curling Club last week and left everyone feeling that this winter was not so bad, after all.

The Afternoon League had been to Bridgetown several weeks ago for the first games of their annual Home-and-Home and had ended with a point deficit going into the second part of the event. Last Friday Middleton hosted Bridgetown for part two and the three teams not only managed to make up the 12 points needed to pull even, but also to score three additional points to bring home the coveted trophy but almost more importantly, bragging rights for another year.

At a time when everyone is glued to the Olympics and feeling very competitive, MCC curlers enjoyed the moment.

Friday night the club hosted a good crowd for Chase the Ace and the pot for the night was won by Emily Neily, who seemed to be a fan favourite. However, the cheers were even louder when the card pulled was NOT the ace, and the club looks forward to at least



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Friends and Family Funspiel winners at the Middleton Curling Club were, from left, Emily Neily, Chad Uhlman, Lauren Tattersall and Jady Phinney.

another week with the Ace now worth more than \$2,100.

On Sunday youth co-ordinator Dawn Spidle held the annual Friends and Family Funspiel with a full house and more spectators

than there were chairs! For this event Spidle signs up equal number of students from her youth programs (which start at age seven years) and adults in the "friends and family" category – club mem-

bers, parents, siblings, friends. The teams are very mixed and a lot of fun to watch, with three generations on the ice.

For many of the very young curlers, and there were quite a few, trying to curl with adult rocks was really a challenge and in some cases, games were curled with a combination of adult and "lite" rocks. Spidle loves this event because it gives the very young curlers a chance to witness some curling rules and etiquette outside of a class environment.

And for the slightly older student curlers, they are delighted to find that the adults also make mistakes, get tired, and that youth and energy and concentration can be very competitive.

To start everyone played one four-end game followed by lunch for all curlers, and then a second four-end game for all teams. Points are awarded for ends won, ties,

and point difference – a traditional MCC funspiel scoring, not just win and lose.

And at the end of the day Emily Neily won the day with her team of Jady Phinney, Chad Uhlman and Lauren Tattersall. (A very winning weekend for Emily!) Everyone participating won a prize and the watching friends and family were entertained by a great day of learning, fun, and good sportsmanship. Kudos to Spidle for managing to keep all that energy under control.

Friday night MCC invites you to Chase the Ace with the club open at 6:30 p.m. and the draw at 8 p.m. And don't forget the Big Breakfast this Saturday, Feb 24, with the doors open at 8 a.m. Still the best breakfast around!

Check on www.middleton-curlingclub.com

Karen Sotvedt is a member of the Middleton Curling Club.

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Whose total gross income from all sources for the year 2017, excluding any allowance paid pursuant to the War Veterans