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It's more than just a rink

Spidle represented Middleton

Karen Sotvedt Throwing rocks

Less than a month into the curling season the Middleton Curling Club is busy, busy, busy.

In fact, that is the difference between being just a rink and being a "club." A club has activities on all sorts of levels and inspires a different level of involvement and commitment.

Some of the volunteers who look after maintenance have been busy all year, some of the ice-makers were busy for months before there was any ice, and the group running the Christmas Fete auction all had "homework" over the summer.

Now that the season is in full swing, the team bonspiels have clinic is for both learning curlbegun at other clubs and the first one this past weekend was curling or wanting to practice the Holly Spiel at the Glooscap their skills when not in the pres-Club in Kentville. Dawn Spidle sure of a game situation. Any-

was not as easy as that sounds. 0-7 after three ends - not an easy thing to come back from. It takes a lot of focus and determination to come back from odds like that but they persevered and ended up winning the game 9-7. Back at MCC the weekend

began with a boisterous and well-attended Chase the Ace on Friday night. The Ace stayed tucked in the deck and the game will continue this Friday.

There were no games being played on the ice over the weekend, but the Curling Clinic was held on Sunday and Ian Reesor and Bob Clattenburg had their hands, and the sheets, full. The ers and also those returning to

with her team of Emily Neily, one wishing to know more can Barb Eaton, and Christine contact the club (see below).

While the clinic was on, the and won the B Division in the Fete Committee was busy with final draw on Sunday. But it the final embellishments on the gingerbread fantasies for this In one game the team was down year's event on Saturday. Every year there are a few new projects as well as the old favourites. The weather may be challenging to drying gingerbread and sometimes projects change as they progress, but there is nothing that cannot be fixed with icing and more candy!

> The Christmas auction of gifts and crafts is open from 8 a.m. on Dec. 2. The draw for prizes is at 7:30 that night with winners contacted if not present. But the auction is not all there is to the Fete - there will be curling in progress starting at 10 a.m. and continuing all day plus a bake table with seasonal favourites and guess what - gingerbreads!

More details at www.middletoncurlingclub.com

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There were five tables of 45s play at the Rebekah Hall on

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