

MCC IN THE HOUSE

The Manotick Curling Center Newsletter



April 2023

WE ACCEPT:   



It was a great curling season!



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The Richmond March Hare U13 Bonspiel - March 25

Manotick entered four teams in this bonspiel and although none placed in the top three, Chris Innes reports that it was a fun event for them. All of these young players received participation medals.



Girls' Team:

Lily Brown, Kenzie Thompson, Hailey Carter, and Julian Mackie



Boys' Team:

Preston Wiltshire, Harrison Grimes, Alton Kaye,
and Alex Mitchell.



Mixed Team:

Kellan O'Hallaran, Rebecca Luedee,
Holly Rowland, and Henry Quail

RCMP Easter Spiel for U18/U15 and Little Rockers

Congratulations to Team Manotick who placed third in this Easter spiel, with 2 wins and 1 loss. They had wins against RCMP2 and Metcalfe and a loss against Richmond. They came home with \$20 each for their efforts. Well done team!



Skip - Kellan O'Halloran
Vice - Alex Mitchell
Second - Hailey Carter
Lead - Ethan Cooney

Manotick had a second team entered at the same spiel.
This was a Bantam team. And they placed second.
Congratulations! (we love your ears)



Left to right are:
Hannah Robert (vice)
Isabelle Rother (lead)
Dahlia Bonnell (second)
Lyra Erhardt (skip)

How the Season Ended

Not to be outdone by Manotick's talented youth curlers, the adults threw themselves into a slew of curling events at the end of the season. **The Grand Spiel** was organized last year by Merv McBride. It was cancelled at the last minute due to, you guessed it, Covid 19 rearing it's ugly and annoying head.

But undaunted, Merv and his team of volunteers tried again this year. Everything was going great. It was the final end for C division. One rock left. Suddenly, the curlers were standing in darkness. There had been a power outage due to a neighbourhood accident. Good grief! The rock was thrown anyway! The opposing team turned on their phone flashlights and lit the way down the ice for the sweepers. How is that for great sportsmanship! And we have a cool photo of it courtesy of Ray Lapensee.



Merv had these words regarding the spiel:

“Thank you for your participation in the Grand Spiel and Extravaganza Night. Unfortunately, Extravaganza Night could not go ahead due to the power outage, but the spiel was a lot of fun. In addition, it also had a mission. It was conceived and built to promote the integration of new curlers into the Manotick Curling Club. I saw many encouraging signs of that integration happening as we played through the tournament. I met and played with, or against, people I did not previously know, but I recognized the enthusiasm and talent the club needs now and in the future.”

Grand Spiel Winners

A Event Winners - Merv McBride, Rohin Lakani, Jason Mateer, Gina Bies
Runner Ups - Brad O'Reilly, Stephanie Luedee, Theresa Horne, Quentin Gunter

B Event Winners - Dave Rogers, Lana MacKenzie, Tracy Perkins, Pam Sully
Runner Ups - Bill Davis, Kerry Rollins, Richard Pitman, Carrie Stewart

C Event Winners - Greg Henderson, Ainsley Bousseau, Colin Bush, Andrew Shepherd
Runner Ups - Alex Sinclair, Charlotte Smaglinski, Marcus van der Pas, Julie Lapensee

D Event Winners - Don Monfette, Duane Perkins, Michael Fowler, Jeff Gill
Runner Ups - Ron Greig, Peter Royle, Zachary Farrell, Isabelle Rivest

Scotch Doubles - A great way to spend Friday mornings



Ending the season with breakfast and a few curling matches.

A big thank you to Chris Bradford and Bijoux for organizing us every week.



Sonny shows us what the well-dressed curler wears when the weather turns warm in April.



Mike, I think Bijoux would like you to share what you have there.

The Closing Spiel

The Closing Spiel took place Apr 13-15 to wrap up the curling season at MCC! Thanks to Lindsay and our hard working ice crew for making sure the ice was in good shape after another power outage! Great curling with lots of prizes, a delicious dinner and live music after the curling.

Special thanks to Cindy, Mike, Jason, Krista, Mary, Lisa, Kim, Sonny and all the bar staff for making the event run smoothly!

*See you next year!
Dave Hannah
Special Events*



Group A Winning Team -
Dave Rogers, Nick Fisette, Mike Coulterman, Gavin Beveridge



Group B Winning Team -

Bill Davis, Bryna Burtch, Ross Ulan, Jason Creally, Rob Meekin (Spare)



Group C Winning Team -

Lorianne Alexander, Jean Stevenson, Gina Bies, Kim Lacelle

Congratulations to Alex Sinclair for winning the Senator's jersey.



Many thanks to Dave Hannah, Cindy Bradley and their team for a fun-filled season of special events!

Special events!

Quick Items of Interest

The MCC **Annual General Meeting** will be held at the club on Tuesday, June 6 at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Manotick's Best Summer Camp is back. We have a 2023 contract with them for \$10,000. It was popular last summer. Parents who are interested in registering their children can contact Bob Van Tongerlo: bob.vt@hotmail.com.

The curling lessons and workshop on curling strategies and tactics run by **Jamie Sinclair** were fully booked and very much appreciated.

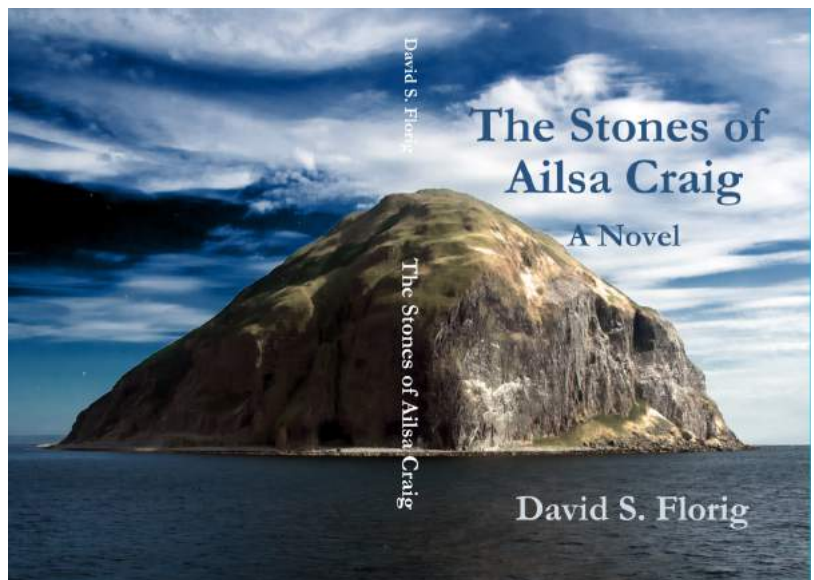
This fall will see a **new Saturday League** and a **new Wednesday daytime Ladies' League**.

*I am excited to let you know that my first novel, **The Stones of Ailsa Craig**, will be released in September! Set partly on the island of Ailsa Craig, in 1890s Scotland, where the finest curling stone granite comes from, and in present-day Belfast, Maine, the book is full of curling history and anecdotes, as well as being a mystery.*

If you are interested in learning more about how it came to be, visit www.davidflorig.com/blog

Good Curling,

*David Florig
Pine Tree Curling Club
Portland, Maine*





Annual Mixed Summer Bonspiel Is Back!

July 20 - 22, 2023

\$500 PER TEAM

3 - SIX END GAMES

THURSDAY - PIZZA

FRIDAY - BBQ, DANCE & LIVE MUSIC

SATURDAY - RIBFEST, PRIZES & LIVE MUSIC



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The muse was not on MCC shoulders this month, as no poetic creations were sent in. But I have one final for you.

It's been quite a year, has it not?

Remember your one superb shot?

They thought that you failed it

But no way! You nailed it!

And now they respect you a lot (finally). 😁

Have a wonderful
summer everyone!

