

MCC IN THE HOUSE

The Manotick Curling Center Newsletter



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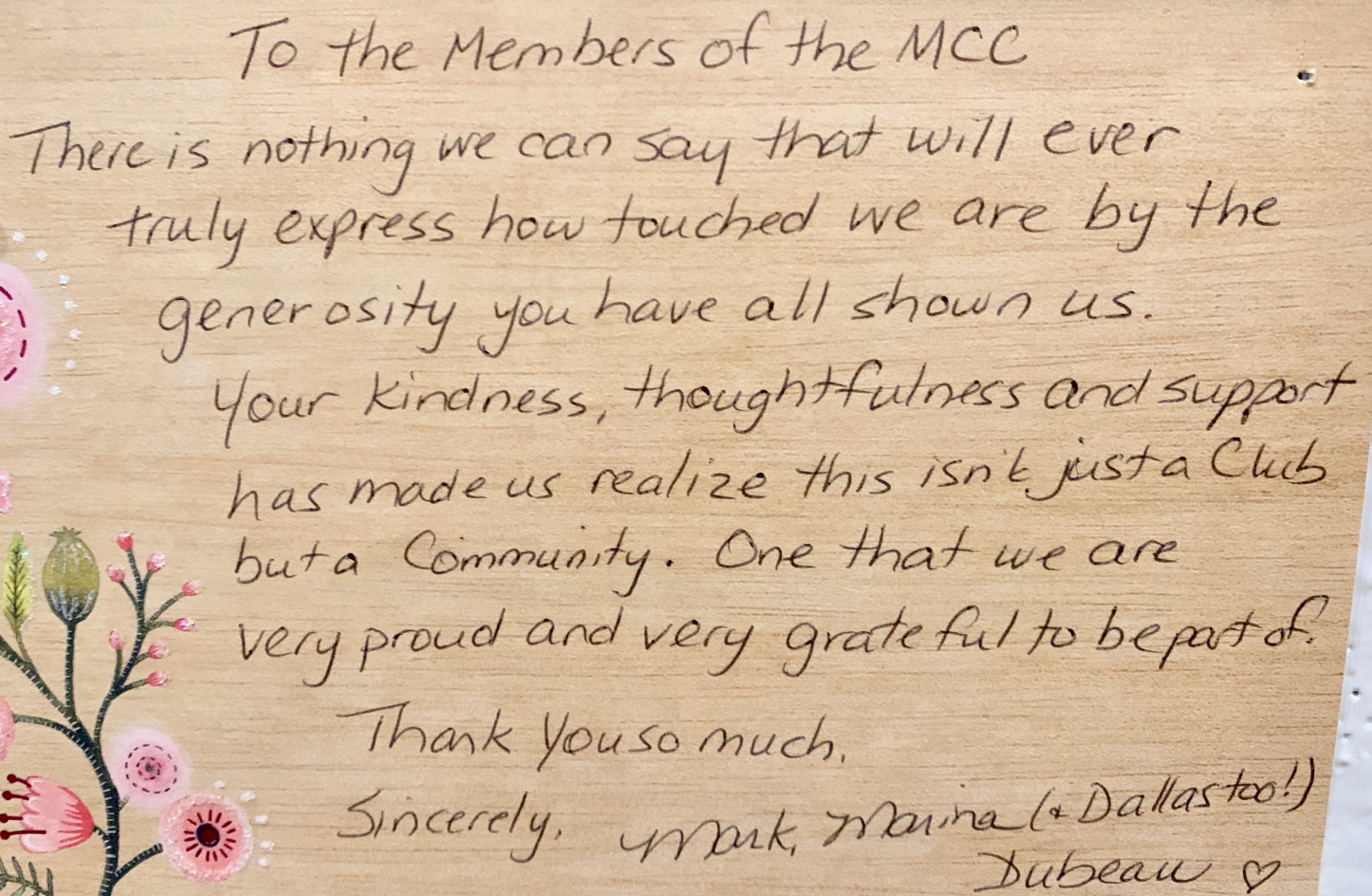
WE ACCEPT:   

*Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year*



A Note from Mark Dubeau

MCC members wanted to help Mark Dubeau and his family following a devastating fire last month that destroyed their home. We were able to give them \$750.00 in Goldline Gift Certificates and an additional \$250.00 in cash donated at the bar. Mark and Marina sent a beautiful thank you card, which is pinned on the lounge bulletin board. Here is a photo of what they wrote.



To the Members of the MCC
There is nothing we can say that will ever truly express how touched we are by the generosity you have all shown us.
Your kindness, thoughtfulness and support has made us realize this isn't just a Club but a Community. One that we are very proud and very grateful to be part of.
Thank you so much,
Sincerely, Mark, Marina (+ Dallas too!)
Dubeau ♥



The Grand Spiel

March 20 to April 12, 2023

Registration begins Jan 2, 2023

Early registration highly recommended if you want to play in late March / early April

- Go to the Events tab on the website on Jan 2, to ensure you get in (only 128 spots)
- Teams picked by Skip's draft – a great way to meet new people and learn new skills
- You will play between 4 and 7 games over the 14 possible play days of the Grand Spiel
- All games scheduled for weeknights - No games played Good Friday or Easter Sunday
- Choose your preferred position (Skips already selected)
- This is a major Club Award for “Club Curlers” - this is not the Brier or the Scotties!
- Bracket style playdown - games will be against teams with similar win/loss records
- Extravaganza Night party on Finals night
- All the nitty-gritty details are on the registration form on the club website

Quick Quiz

These curling shoes have been worn and loved by this person since 1996. In recent years they have looked um, a bit worse for wear. This week the bottom fell off the left shoe while being put on in the club lobby. Your quiz question is, who is the tenacious owner of these shoes? Answer at the end of the newsletter.



Christmas potluck lunch following Thursday morning curling. So great to be doing these things again!



Emily Deschenes Headed to World Junior Championships

Former Manotick junior skip, Emily Deschenes, was recruited by team Nova Scotia, leading them to a gold-winning qualifier for the World Juniors, Feb. 25 to Mar. 4. Congratulations Emily and good luck at the Worlds!

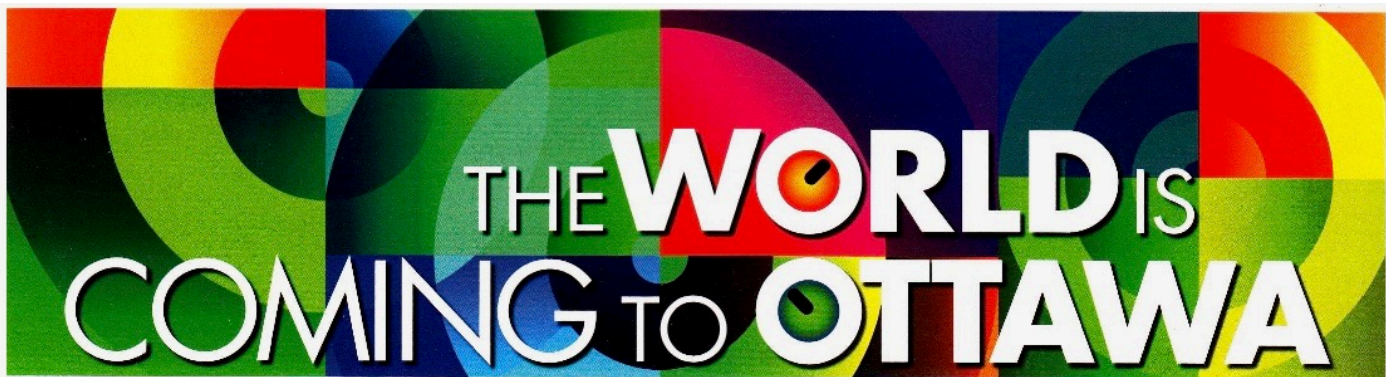
<https://www.saltwire.com/atlantic-canada/sports/canadas-emily-deschenes-captures-gold-at-world-junior-curling-qualifier-100807541/>



A new **Rock Our House Competition** is being held, similar to previous competitions where club members, family, or friends can purchase event passes using our club's unique direct link to Ticketmaster or by accessing Ticketmaster through the general link and entering our club code:

Code: MANOTICK <https://am.ticketmaster.com/lansdowne/promotional-page?filterType=NjU=>

Each time our club is tagged in the purchase of an event package, we will earn credits toward rewards in the form of free event passes, to use as we wish eg. a fundraising raffle, volunteer recognition, league or bonspiel prizes.



World Men's Curling Championship 2023
TD Place, Lansdowne Park – April 1 to 9, 2023

ROCK OUR HOUSE

Get your full event passes or weekend packages
and your club will win exciting prizes!

Limerick Lane

It's back! Due to popular request, we are again posting limericks, created by various talented MCC limnists.

A quick lesson on how to write a limerick for those not yet familiar with this not so highbrow and sometimes mildly rude poetry:

- 5 lines
- 1st, 2nd and 5th lines rhyme
- 3rd and 4th lines rhyme



The cadence is as follows:

Da da da da da da da da

Da da da da da da da da

Da da da da da

Da da da da da

Da da da da da da da da

Easy, right?

I have written an example for you.

There once was a curler named Dick

Who grew quite adept with his stick.

He had a strong thrust.

To win was a must.

There was no one that he could not lick.

Keep reading. Here are a few limericks from a couple of limnists who enjoyed writing them last year. And now that you know Limerick Lane is back, do get writing and send me your creations (communications.mcc@gmail.com). If they are printable, they will be in the next newsletter. And you will be a published poet!

Curling is the perfect game.
 A Skip making his shot obtains fame.
 If it doesn't work out
 You'll sure hear him shout
 At the teammates he's all set to blame.

Dan Lanthier

To be a great curler he's tried
 To him it's a matter of pride.
 On grass in his yard
 He practices hard
 Yet still he can't make the rocks slide.

Bernie White

If curling is your chosen game.
 And you hope at it to find fame.
 When you miss every throw
 Here's what you must know.
 Assign to the skip all the blame.

Bernie White

There once was a curler named Willy
 Who thought parts of the game were quite silly.
 But worst of them all,
 That most made him bawl,
 From both ends the ice ran uphillly.

Bernie White



Answer to the Quick Quiz:
Charles Slade

Yes, Charles has curled in those shoes for 26 years and is proud of it. That must be a record. But he is now forced to lay them to rest. Will Santa will bring Charles a new pair for Christmas?



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Have a wonderful Christmas and a New Year that is everything you wish it to be.

Curling starts up again Monday, January 2. Yahooo!