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President's Message

Welcome to West Kildonan Curling Club – Where Fun is still #1 !

Although the snow is just starting to hit the ground, the ice has already been in for two months now here at West K. In September we hosted a High Performance Clinic, followed by a very successful Opening Bonspiel. On October 1st our men's league play took over, soon to be followed by our seniors, ladies, juniors, students, mixed, and wheelchair curlers.

I would like to welcome back all our returning members. We hope you'll find yourself at home here at West K., and we encourage you to bring out a friend and spend some time at the club before and after your curling experience. Kendall and his staff would be more than happy to satisfy your hunger, and the girls upstairs are always smiling and ready to take care of your refreshment needs. We are always open to inquiries from new players, teams, and leagues, in terms of accessing ice time here at the club.

You may have noticed

some renovations at the club this year, with more improvements to come. It's all part of our efforts to provide for a great curling club atmosphere, and to be able to showcase our club as we host a couple of big events in 2008.

West Kildonan will be the host of the 2008 Target Junior Men's Provincial Curling Championship from January 3-7, 2008. The top 16 junior teams in the province will be playing off for the opportunity to represent Manitoba at the Canadian Championships. Then from March 25-29, 2008, West K. will also host the Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championships. We hope you will all come out and support these events, and there are also opportunities for anyone who would like to volunteer to help out.

In between these two events will be the always popular MCA Bonspiel, and a little event called the Briar. Anyone planning to attend the Briar can help out our club by "Quoting the Code".

I'd like to take this op-



portunity to acknowledge all the hard work done by the members of the West Kildonan executive board members, the volunteers who run our Junior Program, and all the other people whose efforts contribute to the well being of our club. And of course, thanks to Joe and all his staff for all their work both on and off the ice.

Well it's almost December so there should be no more curling excuses. So just let the rocks fly where they may, keep smiling and having fun, shake a few hands, and grab a bubbly. And remember, curling is a slippery game. Good luck to everyone this curling season!

Yours truly,

Rob Humniski – Club President



Target Junior Provincial Men's Championship

January 3-7, 2008 are the dates and volunteers are still needed,

West Kildonan is proud to host the Target 2008 Junior Men's Provincial Championships being held January 3-7, 2008.

Event Chair; Marge Winters has been busy putting together a committee that promises to host an event second to none.

Volunteers are still needed to help out in many areas. Time-keepers, media relations, 50/50 ticket sales, opening ceremonies, hospitality/housekeeping,

etc. are all required to help make this a first class Championship. If you can give up some of your free time please contact Marge Winters or Rob Humniski or see Joe in the office



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Canadian Wheelchair Championships

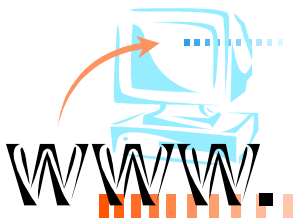
West Kildonan will also be host to another major championship this year with that being the Canadian Wheelchair Championships March 25-30, 2008.

Richard Dudek is the event chair who has been working extremely hard in making sure West Kildonan continues to show participants from across

Canada our hospitality and generosity in once again showing off our club and hard working members who make it all work.

If you would like to volunteer for this event please call Richard Dudek at 339-5974 or see Joe in the office. As you can see we have been busy upgrading parts of the building to ac-

commodate the handicapped. The front doors are now wheelchair access and the elevator to make the lounge accessible is nearly completed.



Check out our new and improved website at www.wkcc.ca
Any ideas or remarks about the site see Ed Turchyn

Kids Christmas Party

Breakfast with Santa takes place up in the lounge on Sunday December 9, 2007 at 10:00 AM.

All children receive a Christmas present. The morning starts off with breakfast cooked by the Past President's Association of the club. Panckes, bacon, scrambled eggs, orange juice, ice cream, egg nog, goodie bags.

There is music and singing and a visit by Santa himself around 11:30 AM.

The party is open to all members of West Kildonan all Renter leagues and anyone who wants to sign up a child for this great time. The price is \$20.00 per child. Please sign up and pay for the party by December 6th.

The Past President's of West Kildonan subsidize this annual event and hope all can make it .

This party is open to EVERYONE !!!!!



Leagues needed to fill open spots

We have been trying to fill a couple of empty spots that we have had open for a few seasons now.

Saturday at 2:30 and 5:00 PM as well as Sunday at 3:15 and 5:30.

If you know of a league that is unhappy at where they are curling and were looking for a

change, why not mention West Kildonan. We offer extremely competitive rates and would be very happy to sit down and discuss the possibility of any potential new leagues wanting to curl at West Kildonan.

Please call the club at 339-5412 or see Joe in the office.



CURLING LEAGUES
LOOKING FOR ICE



Renovations, wheelchair access, HD TV

The curling club has been a busy site with ongoing renovations and repair work done around the club. The asphalt parking lot has been re-paved. The front sidewalk has been redone giving it a wheelchair grade. The front windows both upstairs and on the main floor have been replaced as well as

we have installed new picture windows in the front vestibule giving the club a much needed more open look. The wheelchair lift is almost complete, new rink doors have been installed and the foundation on Enniskillen Avenue was repaired to prevent water seepage into the men's locker room. A

brand new sitting bench and cigarette snuffer has been ordered for the front door and how about those brand new HD Plasma TV's up in the lounge. We continually try to upgrade and improve. We hope you appreciate it. Many thanks to Richard Dudek for all of his hard work.



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A letter to Joe

The following is a letter written by Rob Humniski to Joe Pascucci
Global Winnipeg Sports Director for a Tim Horton's Brier Promotion

Here at West Kildonan, we feel so strongly about this statement, that we've made it part of our mission statement. While everyone likes to win, you rarely see a competitive team coming out of West K. To us, it's more about inclusion, participation, comradeship, and community. Our focus is to open up our club to everyone, beginners, juniors, students, seniors, and even the physically challenged.

We sponsor a couple of free clinics each year to encourage new and beginner curlers a chance to come out and try the game. We have a "Little Rocks" program on Saturday mornings to get kids ages 6-12 into the game. We also have a program for Junior curlers on Tuesday afternoons, as well as opportunities for high school students to participate and earn credits at the same time.

We have several active seniors and ladies leagues, as well as a number of fun mixed leagues.

West Kildonan, in its efforts to be inclusive, have opened its doors to the visually, hearing, and physically challenged. In March 2008, we will be playing host to the Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championships. In our efforts to be progressive we have been busy making renovations to our club to accommodate our wheelchair athletes, by installing new wider power-assist doors, and a soon to be installed elevator, which will allow everyone access to our second floor lounge.

Speaking of the lounge, this is where a lot of the real fellowship takes place. The walls are adorned with pictures of curling days gone by, and, of course, the standard trophy case, but again, it's not about the trophies. On any given day you will find members here enjoying each others' company, watching the curling below, and just having a few laughs. Our Past President's Association uses the lounge to hold its annual Children's Christmas Party, and kids are always welcome upstairs. Our PPA's other main focus continues to be on the support and encouragement of Junior curling.

Speaking of Junior Curling, West Kildonan will be the host of the Target Junior Men's Provincial Men's Curling Championship from January 3-7/08. Marg Winters and all her volunteers are looking forward to show-casing Manitoba's best young curlers on this weekend, in addition to having the opportunity to display some good old fashioned North End hospitality. We hope that you and your staff will have the opportunity to come down and see for yourself.

In the event that West Kildonan is selected as one of your featured clubs, the tickets will be forwarded to the Junior Program, to further support the promotion of curling with our youth. Who knows, maybe one day we will have a champ out of West K., but until then we'll just keep having fun. Thanks for your time, and this promotion.

Yours truly,

Rob Humniski – President WKCC

p.s. We even have an ice maker named Joe !

We're on the web
www.wkcc.ca



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120th MCA Bonspiel

120th MCA BONSPIEL

Entries are now being taken for the 120th MCA Bonspiel. Entry fee is \$280.00 per team. The dates are January 17-23, 2008. Please sign up on the bulletin board by December 20th to ensure your entry through west Kildonan. A \$100.00 deposit is all that is required to reserve your spot in the world's Largest Bonspiel.