



At the Halfway Point!

By Board of Directors, LOLCC

The 2023/24 curling season is reaching the halfway point at the Land O' Lakes Curling Club (LOLCC). So far we have hosted two Bonspiels (Strike & Sweep, White Elephant/Turkey Bonspiel), an Open House, a fantastic Spaghetti Dinner, a successful Learn to Curl program, a More Than A Xmas Market, and started up a new Thursday afternoon Mixed League. There is more to come in the new year and we encourage you to let family & friends know that they can still join our various leagues in January.

Plans are underway for our next bonspiel- the **Doubles Bonspiel**, taking place Saturday, January 27th. We are also hosting the **Kiwanis' Bonspiel** on Saturday, January 13th. Sign up information for both bonspiels is located at the club.

Finally, we are very grateful for community support as the LOLCC has won Gold in **Belleville Community Votes** for 2023!



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PAINTING THE ICE FOR CURLING

(Excerpted from an article by Mark Johnston.) For the first time, I helped paint the ice for the curling club.... Ky Graham and I were tasked with painting the outside edge of the ice white with packs on our backs....As newbies, we were quickly covered in wet paint! The “professionals” (Jeff & Lester) painted the inside part...

We then moved on to making the rings and then painting the rings. Hog lines were painted by hand.

The second day we added the lines and light layers of water....

The decals were added on the third day....

I was there for about 13 hours over the Thanksgiving weekend. It was a great experience to see how the ice was made and to be a part of that process. I encourage others to help next year (there is also the removal of the ice in the spring). *N.B. The full article is attached to this newsletter email. Thanks for sharing this with us Mark!*



Spaghetti Dinner

Thank you to club members (and particularly Fundraising Committee members) for all of their hard work in putting together our *Famous Spaghetti Dinner*, November 1st. A special thank you to the Cuddy's for preparing their "secret" spaghetti sauce. Some pics from the day!



White Elephant/Turkey Bonspiel

Thank you to club members who participated in the White Elephant/Turkey Bonspiel. A good time was had by all. Congratulations to the winning team of Ky Graham, Brian Rylott and Dave Cuddy led by skip Dave Jackson. Congratulations also to Lori Martin & Paul Lounsberry the winners of the Turkey Gift Certificates from Tom's Valumart. Thank you to Mike Carmody & Meriel Child for organizing!





HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS. THE CLUB WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 22ND UNTIL JANUARY 5TH. CURLING FOR THE SECOND HALF OF THE 2023/24 SEASON WILL GET UNDERWAY THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8TH. UNTIL THEN STAY SAFE AND ENJOY THE SEASON WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS. WE'LL SEE YOU IN JANUARY 2024!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **KIWANIS BONSPIEL, JAN. 13, 2024**

- **DOUBLES BONSPIEL, JAN. 27, 2024**

- **LADIES BONSPIEL, FEB. 10, 2024**

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