

# After The 8th End!

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*We wish you all a prosperous and Happy New Year, but most of all we wish you good health and good curling. We must say, as much fun as the Holiday Season was, we are looking for some more exciting times at the Legion.*

*Let's take a quick review of an good end to 2010 and what we can expect in 2011.*

## **Hardy Rocks end the first part of their season on a high note!**

*Once again, this past Christmas, the Hardy Rock Luncheon provided a great end to the first part of their scheduled events. The Christmas Ham and Turkey Bonspiel was again very successful. Lots of good curling and a great finish.*

### **A little bit of our clubs history!**

#### **Our curling wheels keep on spinning to start all our games:**

*The wheels used by loads to determine which team will have the hammer were first installed three years ago in the Pointe Claire curling club.*



*Designed and built by P.C. Member David Leith using Olympic curling coins arranged alternatively, Heads & Tails to make a nice decorative useful and colorful addition to the clubs décor.*

*Our good and very ambitious member BOB FOURNIER, who is a friend of David's saw them and immediately thought that this type of wheel was needed at the Legion. Obtaining the pattern and the last remaining 16 Olympic coins from original mint roll, Bob proceeded to make the wheels. When recent renovations to the Legion curling club were done, Bob made sure that they were properly taken down, re-polished and ready to go into the newly renovated shed. Thanks Bob a job well done and noted in the clubs history book.*

**Winnie's Office Party** was held following the presentation of the Ham and Turkeys Christmas Bonspiel.



*This year the great Christmas Gift (the crazy hat) was given to Zbig Jasiukajc. It could not be awarded to a more fashionable guy. Don't forget Zbig - you have to keep this hat in safe keeping and bring it back next Christmas with something new added to it. What you add and where you place it is up to you. The gag gift is always a lot of fun. Keep the tradition going.*



**They Came To The Legion:**



After 4 ends it was time for a wee dram



Legion Teams won both games!



New friends and good cheers after the games

*Congratulations to the two Legion teams that hosted the SCOT'S for some great curling, competing for the Strathcona Cup. The Strathcona Cup is a hotly contested bonspiel that is played by Scottish and Canadian curlers who have alternated visits to each others country every five years since 1902. Two other visiting were playing simultaneous at Whitlock. Unfortunately the two Whitlock teams did not fare out as well, as the Scot's came away on the winning side. All four visiting teams were hosted to a luncheon back at the Legion. The Scot's left with very fond memories of good Hudson hospitality.*



### **A Tight Race For The Top Of The**

**Ladder:** *The Ladder is doing well with no issues....*

*Results are updated on the Legion Web site almost as soon as Zbig receives the info. Winners of Ladder games are requested to please e-mail all results to Zbig a.s.a.p*

**Treasurer's Report:** *As you are all aware we had substantial mechanical problems on January 09/10 an 11<sup>th</sup>. This may impact the purchasing of the dehumidifier for the time being. Obviously funds for the dehumidifier would have to cover the expense for the new compressor, motor and overload switch. There are a number of options that your executive will be perusing.*

*We will keep you informed as we determine which way we will be going. The financial status regarding curling expenditures will be presented at the Legion General Meeting on Wednesday Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>. At 7:00*

*If you have questions concerning the above mentioned , please do not hesitate to contact either Barb Robinson or Glenn Ruiter. Thanks for your patience and support.*

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO SERGES, ROGER, AND BILL:**

*We could not have done this work with out them.*

**We are looking for suggestions?**

**LETS PUT OUR NEW WALLS TO WORK FOR US!**

*Advertising in our curling shed would be a good idea to raise money which would help ti defray our recent expenses and help with our operating costs in the future, which benefits all our members. The curling executive is currently seeking members who can come forward with suggestions and would be able to help coordinate fund raising by soliciting advertising space in the curling shed. Anyone interested is asked to contact Glenn Ruiter, or Gerry Foliot.*

**Poppy Information:** *The Poppy fund committee has counted and posted all the money from the 2012 Poppy campaign . Once again we outdid ourselves . The 'Volunteerism' around this club is simply amazing. Our 'Gross' efforts produced just over \$26,000. which is a \$4,000. increase from the previous year. We will be distributing funds throughout the year and we will do our best to keep you informed. Thanks again for you continuing support.*

### ***Hudson Legion Curling Club Sponsors Elementary School Program.***

**Let's help the kids – our future curlers!**

*In February and March, the Legion Curling Club will host the elementary school program which has become an introduction to curling for Grade 3 and 4 students . This has become an annual event at our club and has proved to be highly successful. Last year nine schools participated with more than 300 mini curlers heading out onto the ice.*

*The physical education departments of the school include an introduction to curling in their programs. The instruction offered in their 'dry land' class in the schools provide the students with a basic understanding of the sport. The one hour sessions at the Legion presents the students with an opportunity to actually be on the ice.*

*Equally successful is the participation of the leadership program of Westwood Senior High. For each session, four of the leadership students become on-ice 'instructors' and lead the elementary students through the drills. The leadership students will participate in a training session and follow a lesson plan which has been created by the Legion.*

*The Legion coordinates the program with the schools and our volunteer members have supervised the on-ice sessions. Our role is to provide technical expertise to ensure that the skills presented are correct and to support the leadership students as they direct the program. During the drills we also help the kids as they practice their skills. Each session will have 20 – 24 students and there will be two groups per session. Ideally,*

*there will be four Legion members to assist with each session over a period of two and a half hours. We are hoping that there will again be nine schools participating. The comments from last year's Legion instructors indicate that it was a very rewarding experience. We are encouraging our members who have daytime availability to participate.*

*Please call or e-mail Barb Robinson 450 458 5032 <[robinson@sympatico.ca](mailto:robinson@sympatico.ca)> or Glenn Riter 450 458 1829.<[ruietg@sympatico.ca](mailto:ruietg@sympatico.ca)>*

*We will provide you with the information that you will need and a copy of the lesson plan. This has become an important contribution of the life of the community. Thanks for your help.*



## *Have you got the January Blues?*

*Then just don't sit at home feeling sorry for yourself, come on out and take part in the activities that go on at the Legion! Remember every Thursday afternoon from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. it's Happy Hour at the Legion, come on in and meet the gang at 'Thirsty Thursday's' it's good fun.*

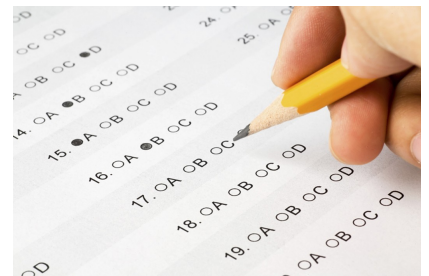


## *Legion Cribbage Night!*

*This month's Friday night cribbage night will be on Friday January 18<sup>th</sup>. at 7:30 p.m. Every one is welcome. Lot's of prizes and refreshments. For additional information call Rollie Normandeau at 450 458 5754.*

## *Have you ever tried playing Pub Quiz?*

*On the third Wednesday of every month, members get together in a fun game of trivia quiz. It is a real fun evening and each month the quiz committee gives a donation to a local charity. Last month the Quiz, with 8 tables, \$160.00 was raised for 'Le Pont Bridging'. January 29<sup>th</sup> will be the date for the first Quiz in 2013. Everyone is welcome.*





***The Friday Night dinners are a real good deal - you just can't go wrong!***

*It's a fun way to meet your friends and Legion members. You can be sure you get your money's worth. Always a super meal with all the trimmings. Chef Joan and her crew go to great lengths to make sure you enjoy a great evening. The next Friday night dinner and if it is anything like last Friday night's dinner you will be in for a real treat.*

*To make reservations for the next dinner on Friday January 26<sup>st</sup>. at 6:00 p.m. call Joan at 450 458 4882*



***The annual Legion's Robbie Burns Night will take place in the Community center on Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.***

*This annual tribute to the works of this great Scottish Poet, is celebrated in fine form by the Legion. 'The Ode to the Haggis' will take place, followed by a great Beef Tenderloin dinner. The evening will feature Scottish Pipers and dancers who will perform during the course of the evening. You still have time to make this years party.*

***Reservations are required at \$25.00 p.p. Call Joan at the Legion 458 4882. Bring along your friends.***



*Curling Note: You know that you're having a Bad Game if they start pebbling the ice in the sixth end and the opposing team starts hanging it's score on the next sheet.*

*So that's it for this month. Have a good month and good Curling.*

*Sylvia & Gerry*

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