



THE TORONTO CURLING ASSOCIATION

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TCA Update – December 2007

The bonspiel season is well underway. The first two TCA-sponsored bonspiels were held in November; many thanks to Retirement Residences Group for its generous sponsorship of these two events.

The RRG Business Women's bonspiel was held November 9, 2007, to November 11, 2007, and grew to a field of 32 teams this year. The main event winner was the East York team of Kelly MacIntosh (skip), Julie Ripley, Maureen Lawrence, and Laura White. The main event consolation final was won by Jan Carwardine (skip), Pat Reid, Marilyn Pleckaitis, and Debbie Baker from Leaside Curling Club. Thanks are extended to Unionville, High Park, Tam Heather and Mississauga Golf and Country Club for having provided ice for this event.

In the RRG Toronto & District Ladies bonspiel, held November 13, 2007, to November 15, 2007, at Scarboro Golf and Country Club, the winner of the Open division was the Ann Pearson team from the Dixie Curling Club; other members of the winning team were Elaine Voisin, Karen Clark and Virginia Voisin. The Senior event was won by the Scarboro Golf and Country Club foursome of Delaine Payton (skip), Louise Germain, Elaine McSween, and Diane Robert.

Dates for the remaining bonspiels sponsored by the TCA for the balance of the season are as follows:

Event	Date	Location
Energizer Heart to Heart Junior Mixed	December 26-27, 2007	Thornhill
Energizer Juniors	December 29-30, 2007	Leaside, Tam Heather, St George's
Energizer Mens	January 5-12, 2008	Tam Heather
Energizer Mixed	February 13-17, 2008	Scarboro
Melitta Bonspiel of Champions	April 5-6, 2008	Bayview

By now, your club has received the posters and promotional materials for "Toronto 2009". We are encouraging all curling fans in the greater Toronto area to demonstrate their support for world class curling by purchasing advance tickets for this unique event, which will feature 9 international men's Olympic curling teams and the top four Canadian men's qualifiers in a 15 draw round robin. In addition, the top four Canadian women's qualifiers and four selected "Legends of Curling" teams will compete in a round-robin tournament in conjunction with the men's event. The TCA club price for all draws will be \$150 (regular retail price will be \$250). Of this amount, \$25 is returned to the club and \$25 (less Ticketmaster fees) will be returned to the TCA.

Tickets for the Junior Development Lottery were distributed to all clubs last month. Half of the funds raised go back to the clubs to support their Junior curling programs. The deadline for sales is this Friday, December 7, with the draw to be held on December 30 at the Energizer Junior bonspiel.

It seems there is never enough curling coverage on TV. If you are interested in seeing a few more games, TCA members can purchase memberships to CurlTV at a reduced rate of \$35, which is a substantial savings from the normal rate of \$59.95. CurlTV will be broadcasting games from the Energizer Junior bonspiel this year. To purchase your membership at the reduced rate, go to CurlTV.com and enter promo code **TCAjunior**.

Last, but not least, we would like to encourage all of you to return the membership survey that was distributed to all clubs last month. Please be assured that all individual club information is kept strictly confidential. The data we collect from this survey feeds into our strategic planning process.

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The TCA would like to extend its greetings for a safe and happy holiday to one and all!

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