



THE TORONTO CURLING ASSOCIATION

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TCA Update – October 2008

The TCA is pleased to announce that Oshawa Golf & Country Club will be a member of the TCA effective November 1, 2008. That brings the total membership to 24 clubs. The TCA would like to thank Mr. Gordon Baker, a member of that club for encouraging them to join the TCA.

The re-launch of our website (www.torontocurling.com) was a success. For the month of September we had over 88,000 hits. Please use the site to enter your club bonspiels. We need all the Melitta Qualifiers entered by November 1, 2008.

Curling has or will start at most of the TCA clubs this month. All of the planning for the TCA bonspiels is well underway. The first bonspiel of the Season is the Revera Retirement TCA Business Women's Bonspiel which takes place November 7 – 9, 2008. That bonspiel is followed by the Revera Retirement Toronto & District Ladies Bonspiel November 11 – 13, 2008. This is the 50th Anniversary of that bonspiel. There are still spots open in both bonspiels – please encourage your club members to enter. There will be great competition but even better – fun curling!

The Dominion TCA Junior and Bantam Bonspiel is scheduled for December 29 – 30, 2008 as well as the Dominion TCA Heart to Heart Charitable Mixed Junior Bonspiel planned December 26 – 27, 2008. Entry forms for both events are available on-line at our website.

The Energizer TCA Men's Bonspiel is scheduled to take place from January 10 – 17, 2009. Our sponsor would like to see as many teams entered as possible – without the ice, we can't accommodate every team. Our target is 330 teams this year. It doesn't matter if the curlers just started playing the game or have their eye on a Provincial title – all levels are welcome. Everyone gets three games and free beer on the opening Saturday - all for the low price of \$100 per team! Team can now enter on-line at www.torontocurling.com.

A reminder to ensure that the Junior Lottery tickets are distributed to your members, The TCA receives the first \$120.00 raised by each participating club which is used for expenses. The remainder is split 50/50 between the TCA and the participating clubs. Over \$4000 was shared last year. All proceeds must be used for youth curling which is a requirement of our lottery license.

If your club is celebrating a significant anniversary this season, please let us know so that your club can be recognized. Please contact the TCA President – Elizabeth Woolnough at ewoolnough@publicnet.ca.

More updates are coming shortly about Toronto 2009. Another package will be offered to all TCA clubs with the opportunity for additional fundraising. While the price will be higher than the initial offer of \$150, it will still be a great deal. Again, TCA clubs will be able to raise some funds from the sales. The TCA would also like to list all the clubs who are willing to sell tickets to non-TCA clubs. There is a lot of interest from curlers throughout Ontario and Canada in attending this event.

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