



Glenmore Gazette

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Any articles, pictures, comments, ideas, or accolades for the Glenmore Gazette would be appreciated. I can be reached by e-mail at stan1020@hotmail.com. I would also like to thank **Eric Lessard** for volunteering to translate the Gazette into French for the club.

Stan

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The editor would like to wish all Glenmore members a very safe, healthy and happy New Year! May all your wishes both on and off the ice come true in 2007!

CHRISTMAS BASKET

A very special THANK YOU comes from Ruth Downard, co-ordinator of our Glenmore Christmas basket. She writes,

“Please extend appreciation to all anonymous Glenmore Angels who ensured the success of the Christmas Baskets again this year. Four families (16 recipients) welcomed the very generous contributions of food, complete traditional Christmas dinners, stockings of toys, games, clothing, infant gifts, children’s boots and special treats for all.

The caring support and cash donations from all the angels again surpassed other years and all four families were very appreciative. Late and excess donations were given to the Fonds de Dépannage for the food bank supporting 3000 West Island families. Heartfelt thanks to all!”

Glenmore thanks you, Ruth, and all of your helpers for looking after the Christmas basket.

TWO GLENMORE WOMEN’S TEAMS OFF TO PROVINCIALS

Congratulations to two of our women’s teams for qualifying for the QC women’s provincials. Team Belley with **Joelle Belley, Agnes Lanthier, Virginie Lessard, and Tracey Strunga** qualified by earning enough Circuit Provincial points from the start of the season! Way to go!

The 2nd team to qualify had to go through the regional playdowns and had to play 5 games in three days to qualify. Congrats go to Team Knox, with **Keri Knox, Sandra Monaghan, Guelena Chanchourova, and Dawn Sheppard!** They beat another Glenmore team (Cindy Kyle, Debbie DeRoy, Angie Kyle and Kendra Griffiths) in

a very emotional 'C' final game to reach the provincials.

In addition, Glenmore member **Andrea Lambert White** also qualified for the women's provincials playing with Elaine DeRyk out of TMR.

Special thanks to all of the Glenmore support crew who came out to watch the games on the weekend and cheered on the Glenmore women!! The Women's Provincials take place January 21 to 28 in Sherbrooke. Good luck ladies!!



Team Knox

DAY CURLER'S UPDATE

Here's the Day Curler's Update from Frank Scott:

"The Day Curlers Christmas Bonspiel was held Dec 18, 19 & 20 with the team of Gerry Fournier, George Lafontaine, Sharon Powell and Dirk Eerdmans winning the playoffs and having first pick of the prizes. A full course turkey luncheon was enjoyed by about 120 diners on the 20th and Santa presented each with a gift.

A Skins game was held Jan 3 and the team of John Adams, Bill Cox, Cecile Gravel and Carl Gaul walked off with the top cash.

The teams skipped by Bert Scullion and Ray Kalita tied for 2nd and shared the 2nd & 3rd place purses for a net profit of \$2.50 (Wow !) per player. A good time was had by all except for Ruth Downard whose team finally got to cheer in the 8th end. Another Skins game will be held Jan 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Since the last Gazette, the Day Curlers Golf Tournament at St-Polycarpe has been switched to Wed June 27 so erase the June 28 date.

On November 22, 2006, John Hackett made a beautiful draw shot , curling around a guard to lay buried on the tee line . I was curling on the next sheet and said "Nice shot John". He said it should be reported so that is why it made the Gazette."

CHRISTMAS CHEER REPORT

On Dec 22nd, Glenmore hosted the annual Christmas Cheer event to help ring in the holiday season. Special thanks to Susan Savard and friends who hosted a Canadiana-themed meal of tortiere and beans! Thanks to all of those who came out.

LITTLE ROCKS BONSPIEL REPORT

On Dec 9th, Glenmore hosted a Little Rocks bonspiel. Little rocks are for curlers aged 7 to 11. In all, 8 teams came to participate in the event run by Nancy Harvey and Larry South. Teams played for 4 ends, came in for hot chocolate and snacks, and went back out for more! Thanks to Larry and Nancy!

JUNIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY REPORT

On Dec 17th, Glenmore hosted the annual Junior Christmas Party, where juniors and little rocks are visited by Santa Claus who brought each child a special present! Children and parents enjoyed some good food and curling to bring some Christmas cheer. Thanks to all of those who came out.

GLENMORE HOCKEY REPORT

On Dec 23rd, several Glenmore members played a fun hockey game at the Excellent Ice arena in Kirkland. There were two goalies and 18 players who played two LONG hours of shinny hockey, 3 on 3. A fun time was had by all, and it just goes to show there are ice sports other than curling!



Goalie Tom Wharry faces a blast from the slot!

DEHUMIDIFIER PROJECT

After a couple years of research and development, the dehumidifier project is a go! The Glenmore board has decided to proceed with the project, as approved at the semi-annual meeting. The dehumidifier will be installed January 18th and 19th and will not have any effect on the ladder or TGIF games. Special thanks to Club President Barry Evans and VP John Adams for their hard work and dedication to this project.

CIRCUIT PROVINCIAL RESULTS

Vic Open – Dec 6-10: Team Proulx continued their hot play of late in Circuit events by winning their first three games in the ‘A’ section

before losing the ‘A’ semi-final and the ‘D’ final. They earned \$500 for their ‘D’ final. Also in the tourney was Team Belley who also showed some of the good play that earned them a spot in the Women’s Provincials. They were ‘C’ finalists at the Vic Open and earned \$400 for their play! In addition, Team Pierre Couturier also earned a ‘B’ semi-finalist finish and won \$300 for their weekend!

Baie D’Urfe Open – Dec 10-17: A few Glenmore teams took part in the first annual Baie D’Urfe Open. Some top teams were in the field and Glenmore had some good results. Team Glenn Eady won the ‘D’ section of the tournament and earned \$260 for the finish. Team Tom Wharry earned \$100 after reaching the ‘A’ semi-finals.

Keep a lookout in the Gazette and online at www.glenmorecurling.com for more results from Glenmore teams!

For full results and a list of cashspiels on the Circuit Provincial for the coming season, go to www.promocurl.qc.ca and click on Calendrier! Also keep an eye out on the bulletin board for posters on other cashspiels and Branch events, or check the Glenmore calendar.

NEW YEAR’S EVE REPORT

On Dec 31st, Glenmore hosted the annual New Year’s Eve Party to help ring in the New Year! After an initially slow sign-up, the event eventually signed up nearly 60 partiers and a fun time was had by all! Once again, Larry South continued his tradition of throwing the first rock of the year just shortly after the countdown was over! A terrific meal of beef ribs and braised chicken was cooked up by the caterer Andrew Bannister, and was helped served by juniors Alison and Lisa Davies, with another junior,

Michael Carrier, helping clean up in the kitchen. Susan Savard turned the main lounge party central with some great decorations and table centrepieces. And the DJ Geoff Finch played songs well into the early hours to keep the party going! A very special thank you to Debbie DeRoy for organizing the New Year's Eve party.

HEARD AROUND GLENMORE

The 'HEARD AROUND GLENMORE' section is for funny stories and anecdotes that happen on the ice or around the club regarding our Glenmore members. If you have a funny story to contribute, please send it to me by Email at stan1020@hotmail.com.

Those darned early morning games! – During the regional women's playdowns, Team Keri Knox had an early morning draw on Saturday, after playing on Friday evening. Sandra Monaghan arrived at the Longue Pointe curling club with plenty of time to spare before the start of the game, with broom in hand BUT only her broom! Her curling bag with her curling clothes and shoes were mistakenly left at home! So to the rescue came Sylvain Proulx who drove all the way back to St. Lazare (off island in the west) to get the bag, and then drove all the way back to Longue Pointe (in the east end of Montreal). I think Sylvain broke some speed records because he made it back in time for the 2nd end. Luckily, no speeding tickets were given!

CALCUTTA - WHAT IS IT?

The annual in-house Glenmore event, the Calcutta, is taking place from Jan 29th to Feb 1st, with the finals taking place on Saturday February 3rd.

The event kicks off with the always fun Calcutta Auction on Friday January 26th.

Here's some details about the event:

- It's for Glenmore members only and curlers of any ability.
- You sign up individually and teams will be formed by the Calcutta committee.
- Teams will be posted at the club probably by January 23rd or 24th.
- Each team will be 'sold' by way of auction. The 'buyer' of the team can be an individual, or it can be a group of people which is called a syndicate. A potential owner is basically trying to buy the team which it thinks is the best and that will win their games.
- After the team is sold at the auction, each player on the team has the OPTION of buying a 10% share of ownership. So, for example, let's say a team sells for \$600. Each person on the team can pay \$60 (equals 10%) to the owner/syndicate to buy a share in the team.
- After all the teams are sold at the auction, the teams are picked out of a hat to see who plays who starting on Monday night, January 29th at 7:00 PM.
- This event generates a lot of interest because you really have an interest in who wins the games. You are rooting for the team that you own to win!

The Calcutta is an awesome event! Sign up today if you haven't already! You'll have a great time! Deadline for sign-up is Monday, January 22nd. For more info, you can contact the event organizer, Kevin O'Connor at pkpkevin@yahoo.ca.

UPCOMING EVENTS – JANUARY 2007

Friday – January 12th – Café Glenmore

The first Café Glenmore of 2007! Look for sign ups to go up shortly!

Jan 11-21 – Men's Regional Playdowns

Six Glenmore teams are signed up out of 26 teams. Good luck to our men's teams, who will be playing the playdowns at TMR curling club.

Jan 12-14 – Lord Elgin (Branch event) takes place in Longue-Pointe

Sunday Jan 21st – LCA Debutantes: For women curlers with 5 or less years experience. Takes place at the TMR Curling Club

Jan 26-Feb 5 – Senior Men/Women's Playdowns: Regional playdowns will take place in Lachine and Pointe-Claire.

Friday, January 26th – Calcutta Auction
Get your syndicates ready! Sign up posters are already around the club, and we're hoping to have a big turnout. For our new members, do NOT be intimidated by this event. It may sound confusing, but it really is a lot of fun. Sign up today!

Jan 29th – Deadline to sign up for Regional Masters: For curlers 60 years and older. Playdowns take place at Hudson Whitlock on Feb. 10 and 11.

TGIF – ROOM TO PLAY

The TGIF league on Friday evenings still has room for 16 more curlers or 4 teams! The fun, non-competitive league is perfect for beginner's wanting to play, and for more experienced curlers to practice their techniques and help new curlers along! Teams are changed every week to allow you to meet new people, and snacks are served!

To join in on the fun, contact Dickie Young at dyoung@herouxdevtek.com if you are interested in signing up for one of the remaining spots.

CURLING EQUIPMENT

In need of equipment? New a new broom, gripper, pad, or does daddy need a new pair of shoes?? ☺ Contact our office manager, Carol Fitzgibbon, and she will be happy to help you with your equipment requirements. Glenmore has access to a full line of curling equipment for the beginner to the seasoned pro, with names such as Performance Curling, Asham, and Olson.