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Orillia's Wine Experience started out in the summer of '98 as a franchise under the name Wine Not and was located in the Fittons West Centre. In 2006 the Franchise Wine Not was sold and I decided to go out on my own and that is when Orillia's Wine Experience was born. For those of you that don't know what we do, here it is in a nutshell:

We are a licensed establishment for people to come and make their own wine, the legal requirement of the customer is to sprinkle the yeast and come back and bottle it, we do all the rest, clarifying, stabilizing, degassing and finally filtering. I should also mention that we can also customize an individuals wine, for example, by leaving out the oak of a Chardonnay making it 'Naked' as some wineries refer to as or adding more oak to a wine.

Other items that we have used over the years include, peppercorns, banana chips, elderberries, strawberries to name a few.

As the owner of Orillia's Wine Experience, I have entered wines into the Wine Maker Magazine amateur wine competition and have won many awards over the past 24 years because of my passion for making a quality wine that I can be proud of. Most of the wines we sell are drank within 3-6 months but they can last a lot longer, I have had our 4 week wine kits at 5 years old still tasting great. We don't recommend aging the wines that long, but some of our high end stuff at \$224.00 per batch is best if aged for a year. All of our wines are priced with the corks, shrinks, labels and all the taxes in, bottles are extra, prices start at \$149.00.

If you are considering making your own wine, but are still a little unsure just ask Tom Ormsby or Bill Baker, long time wine making customers and pretty good curlers, could there be some correlation?

Since joining the Orillia Curling Club in 2019 I have met a lot of interesting people and developed some friendships. It's unfortunate that I didn't join sooner as here it is 2022 and I have just one full year of experience due to covid and ice equipment failure. When I was younger I use to think curling was a boring sport, but once you play it, like golf, you realize its not boring at all, the game is a challenge, its a chess match combined with a precision skill of rock throwing and sweeping.

The other cool thing is that the Club makes it easy to join and offers on ice classes to explain the rules, etiquette and the basic approach to throwing the rocks as well as some sweeping lessons. I have truly enjoyed my time since joining and look forward to many more years to come."

Cheers
Don Corrick

Don's Monthly Message



Hi everyone.

I hope you had an enjoyable holiday break!

There is not too much to report but what I have is important.

Everything seems to be running well due in large part to our Convenors, so be sure to thank them. We have had many Fall Half Season members renew their memberships for the winter draw, which is great to hear, and a few new signups as well!

I am happy to report that we are least managing debris on the ice. Please continue to use the boot cleaners, check grippers for wear, and non-piling clothing.

We should be receiving our new pins this month and will be available for purchase shortly thereafter.

The Sponsor of the Month for January is Orillia's Wine Experience. Check out their writeup [here!](#)

We have a few events coming up so be sure to check the website!

Of Note: Monday, Wednesday, Friday Leagues Valentine Fun Spiel

Our Orillia Ladies Red and White Invitational Spiel, February 11th

Family Day Fun Spiel, February 18th

Lastly on a more serious note, we have had a few falls on the ice. Some were fairly minor, a couple were fairly major. I can't stress enough about being aware of your surroundings while on the ice.

Be aware when sweeping into the house, skips stepping backwards while in the house, and skips should warn each other and adjacent sheets if a possible takeout could come their way. In the event of a fall, a member should quickly assess the situation. Ask if the member is ok and determine their condition. If they seem off, a report should be done. These reports are hanging on the walls at each end of the rink. It will guide you through some simple questions to ask. If serious enough, a facility staff member should be contacted and if determined, an ambulance should be called.

Don's Monthly Message



Obviously, many of us are not doctors or nurses and we are doing the best we can using common sense. Always err on the side of caution.

If YOU should fall, don't be a hero. Do your own self assessment and at least sit out an end. Many times its just a bruised ego but understand, its things like this that created "Rowan's Law" which is also on our website and part of your registration.

Curling is supposed to be a fun, enjoyable outing and we all hate hearing if a member was injured.

Please be safe out there and check those grippers!

Thanks
Don



Slip & Fall Protocol

HEAD TRAUMA GUIDE



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Call 911 if any of the following Red Flags exist:

Neck pain or tenderness

Double vision

Weakness or tingling in arms or legs

Severe or increasing headache

Seizure or convulsion

Loss of consciousness (knocked out)

Vomiting more than once

Increasingly restless, agitated or aggressive

Getting more and more confused

Contact /request a 2nd person to contact the child/youth's parent/guardian to inform them of the injury and that their child is being transported to the hospital.

Stay with the individual until Emergency Medical Services (EMS) arrives.

Monitor vital signs and initiate First Aid care as required.

Monitor and document any physical, emotional and/or cognitive changes on back of this form.

Advise EMS personnel of details of the accident, signs and symptoms, information on the individual including family, close friend or guardian.

Even if consciousness is regained, it is strongly recommended that person be examined by a physician/nurse practitioner prior to returning to physical activity.

If person does not show any of the Red Flags:

Advise the individual and/or guardian if a minor, that the club **strongly recommends** that they remove themselves from the activity or area as early and as safely possible.

Notify the child's parent or guardian (if the individual is a minor).

If the person/parent or guardian (in the case of a minor) indicates they do not wish to leave the ice and want to play even though they may have a suspected concussion they will be allowed to continue.

If the curler leaves the ice surface, review the signs & symptoms of concussion with them and advise that these can also occur a few days after the injury.

Headaches/pressure in the head

Dizziness

Nausea or vomiting

Blurred Vision

Sensitivity to light or sound

Ringing in the ears

Balance problems

Tired / low energy / Drowsiness

Irritability (easily upset or angered)

Sadness

Nervous or anxious

Not thinking clearly / Slower thinking / Feeling confused

Problems concentrating / remembering

Having a hard time falling asleep / sleeping more or less than usual

It is strongly recommended they consult with a physician/nurse practitioner.

Arrange a ride (if requested)/remain with them. Advise family/friend of any signs/ symptoms and the need to seek medical assessment.

Advise - person should be isolated in a dark area/ external stimulus (noise) be reduced until seen by MD. Monitor/document any physical, emotional/ cognitive changes.

It is up to individual/individual's parent/guardian in consultation with a physician (if applicable) to determine when they return to curling. A coach of a minor on a competitive team will support the individual plan for return to sport outlined by the participant's physician/nurse practitioner.

Nuts 'N Bolts Bonspiel

After a 2 year Covid hiatus, the Nuts 'n Bolts bonspiel resumed on January 7 and was quite successful to start the new year.

A full field of 48 curlers met for coffee at 9 am and the field was divided by the unique matching of the nuts and bolts. Teams took to the ice for 2 games of 4 ends each with a 5 minute break between games for a quick realignment and a chocolate treat. Lunch at noon and then spirited euchre tournament was next with 24 hands in 3 rounds. Surprisingly, 24 hands can be played in 45 minutes with this large motivated group.

Team euchre scores are added to the curling scores which could compensate for underperforming on the ice. Euchre was followed by 2 more four end games and then prizes.

The top 2 teams were last off the ice with an exciting finish as Don Kinzinger made a spectacular comeback to defeat Dave Douse for the championship and remain undefeated.

Interestingly, Dave was just one "lone hand" away from scoring enough euchre points to snatch the trophy despite the curling loss. Congratulations to Don Kinzinger, Andrea Town, Ron Desmoulins and Irm Lentini for prevailing over Dave Douse, Ann Ciccì, Liz Ross and Cathy Chernier.

Top Euchre teams were Mike Ciccì's foursome who tied with Bob White's group.

A very generous prize table followed with everyone receiving a \$15 restaurant voucher from local restaurants.

Thanks to our sponsors for subsidizing the prize table:

- Brewery Bay
- Rustica
- Shine
- Picnic
- Common Stove
- Mariposa Market
- Couchiching Brewery
- Theo's Eatery

Jan 7
2023

MASTER SCORING

TEAM	Wins	Rd 1	Rd 2	Euchre	Rd 3	Rd 4	Total Pt.
Rob Town	2	0	5½	18½	12	8½	44½
Tony Baker	2	11	10½	18	1½	2	43
Wes Brennan	5	2	9½	1½	16½	2	11½
Mike Ciccì	4	2	7	10	20½	11	48½
Ray Little	5	2	9	2	16½	10½	6
Paul Ross	6	0	6	5½	15½	6½	0
Dave Douse	3	3	12½	10½	16½	10½	7½
Murray Kelly	2	1	1½	10	12½	4	5
Charlene Ley	3	1½	10	14½	9	8½	43½
Don Kinzinger	4	11	11½	15	12	10	59½
Dave Readman	2	10	4	18½	10	6	48½
Rob White	1	1	3½	4	20½	1½	9½
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The 50-50 winners of \$105 each were Lori Gillespie and Dale Montgomery
We look forward to a great winter session and hope for a successful year.

Nuts 'N Bolts Pictures

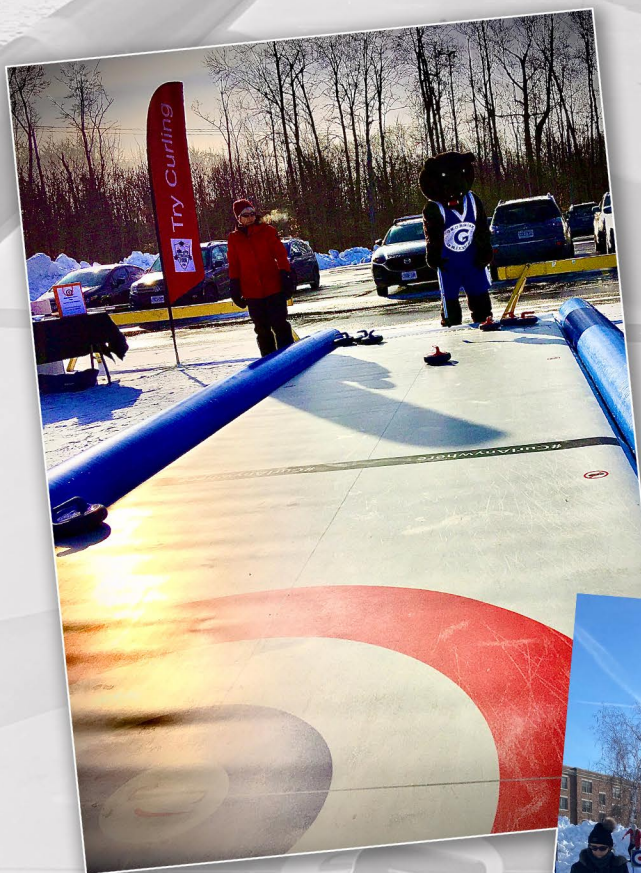


OCC at Georgian College

Nancy Bowers and Charlene Ley had lots of fun promoting the weekly Pay to Play Friday night curling and the upcoming Lakehead University / Georgian College Curling Fun night on Monday January 23 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

Quite a few students and faculty tried their hand with the CurlON street curling set up. A draw was made for a Pay to Play pass that went to an enthusiastic student.

We lucked out with the weather not to mention being treated to Beaver Tails and maple syrup treats.



Santa Spiel

Santa Spiel was a huge success!

December 17th was our Santa Spiel and was a huge success. Almost everyone had Christmas attire and some went all out for the fun!

In the morning a 50/50 draw was held and the winner was Pauline Stewart. In her generosity, Pauline donated \$50 of this back to the club.

The Spiel was sponsored by The Atrium Retirement Residence's Laurie Brewer. Laurie brought in 6 beautifully festive centre pieces for each table, complete with a glass curling ornament on top and were presented to the random person who sat in a lucky marked chair.

Laurie also supplied a large goodie basket as a door prize. As Carma would have it, Pauline Stewart won this! Truly something larger at play!

The 2 draws were held and had a spectacular finish.

Team Kapple won the day with 24 points. At 23 points was a 3 way tie with a cash prize going to only 2 of them! Skips each threw 1 stone without sweepers to choose the winner.

In the end, Team Hoover came second with Team Ken Baily from Parry Sound came 3rd edging out Jim Quigley.

As part of the Santa Spiel, curlers were asked if they were able, to bring food for the sharing place. The staff at Sharing place were very happy and grateful for our donation.

Lastly the 58" TV winner was drawn by Noella Robert-Kapple and the winner was Don Kinzinger. It was a fun moment since he had been storing this TV for almost 3 years! The Large screen TV was donated to the club by Bob and Judy Middaugh.

UPDATE: OCC collected quite a bit of food for The Sharing Place during our Santa Spiel. Many thanks to all those that helped!



Ladies Christmas Spiel

The following is a correspondence from Delaine Payton, Convenor of the Day Ladies' League, to Paul Gravelle at Jim Wilson's Dealership

I am the convenor of the Day Ladies' Curling League at the Orillia Curling Club. We were the extremely grateful recipients of your generous donation of \$400.00. This gift from your dealership was used to fund a very special Christmas Bonspiel for our ladies. It helped defray the food costs of the day and it subsidized the entry fee. 51 ladies dressed in their Christmas finery, spent a wonderful day playing the sport that we all love and enjoying social times, seasonal greetings and best wishes with their friends. The bonspiel was a huge success. Enclosed you will find an array of pictures from the day, including our two winning groups and our best dressed elves. Please note all the happy smiles. During acceptance speeches, many a thank you was directed at you and your business and our winners happily displayed your name plates to acknowledge your generosity. Thank you so very much for this gift. I wish you and yours Seasons Greetings and Best Wishes for a safe, healthy and successful 2023.



Upcoming Important Dates / Club Notes

February

February 10, 2023

Mon/Wed/Frid Mixed TAG draw Mini Spiel

February 11, 2023

Ladies "Red & White" Bonspiel

February 13, 2023

Stirling Games Night

February 18, 2023

Family Day Spiel

February 27, 2023

Euchre Night

Check the website under events for further information and to register.

NOTES

*Friday Night Pay to Play - Learn to Curl Sessions are now running from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Non members pay \$20 per session and members are free. This is a great opportunity to introduce people to curling, so please extend the invite to family and friends.

*Thanks for everyone's participation and the convenors' support with sales of 50/50 and TV raffle tickets. Year to date, the club has raised (net) \$1,640 ! Well done and congrats to the winners!



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