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President's Remarks

Welcome back everyone after the summer break.

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Seona Hutton



DONALD STEELE TROPHY

know—all ideas are gratefully received.

The Opening Bonspiel will see the first piece of silverware being won for the new curling season.

This trophy was donated to Lanark CC by Tom Steele's father. I've asked Tom, and his brother Charlie, to provide some background information to the trophy as most members may be unaware of the trophy's history. Look out for the next issue.....





Lanarkshire Ice Rink

On Saturday 15th September a celebration day was held to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the Ice Rink.

Donald Macrae was the piper for the day but the big surprise was that Donald even curled in his kilt.....now what a sight that was!

The main opening celebration saw Lorna Gray deliver the first stone of the day. Lorna's father (R B Dick, Jnr) was the first President of the Ice Rink Club from 1967-68 so it was with great pleasure that Lorna accepted the invitation to deliver the first stone. By Lorna's side she had two current Senior World Champions (Archie Craig and Lockhart Steel) as sweepers. With keen ice and a perfect delivery the sweepers gently guided Lorna's stone onto the pot lid. Shouts of cheers were heard: glasses were raised and everyone was now ready for a day of celebration ie curling, drinking, eating and socialising. It was a great pleasure to see one of the founding Directors come onto the ice to 'cut the cake'. It must be of enormous satisfaction to the founding Directors to witness the success of Lanarkshire Ice Rink from those early days.



Archie preparing to sweep with Lorna preparing to deliver the first stone of the day.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Donald puffing his stuff and putting everybody into the party mood. (now where did I leave my bellows?)



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A letter from lan Reid......

Hi Anne

Hope your 'off' season has been better than mine.

I thought I should write and tell you about my little accident so that you can publish it in the next edition of Rocks so that when the season starts up again I won't have to repeat the story with everyone I play with.

I was out on my motorbike and had just passed through Rigside heading for the M74 and home, when I attempted to pass two cars on the A70. As I reached the point of no return in the overtaking manoeuvre the second of the two cars pulled out to overtake the first car, without checking to see if it was OK to do so. After some heavy braking on my part I ran into the rear of his car, which knocked me off my bike at about 50-60 mph. The bike slid to the left and I slid to the right towards the grass verge and as I was wearing the correct protective clothing, it was so far so good. My luck unfortunately didn't hold because as I slid along the verge at about 30mph I was slowed to rest by a concrete post in the face. Happily I was knock unconscious and only came round after the paramedics had arrived on the scene and had administered some much needed pain relief. Next thing I know I am in the A&E Dept. at Wishaw General but was later transferred to Monklands Hospital and an eight hour operation some four days later. As I write this I am almost fully recovered, apart from remedial plastic surgery on my right eyelid and some outstanding dental work and I am looking forward to once again throw myself into my curling.



Reply from the Editor Hi lan

One important point to note, if you are at the scene of an accident involving a motorcyclist DON'T attempt to remove his or her helmet unless they have stopped breathing and you need to administer CPR. The person I hit removed my helmet which could have led to neck or spinal injuries, and even death, luckily I was all right.

Keep up the good work and I'll see you on the ice.

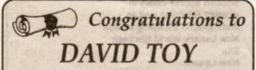


Your above account of the accident was horrifying and, on behalf of your fellow curlers, we are truly delighted you lived to tell the tale.

I remember you dislocated your collar bone at the start of last season with another biking accident so you must be the proverbial cat with nine lives. However, can I introduce you to croquet or some other less dangerous sporting hobby? You may be glad of it in the future.......

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Graduation



A former pupil of Robert Owen and Hamilton College recently graduated with a Masters of Engineering with Distinction in



Electrical and Mechanical Engineering from the University of Strathclyde. David will shortly be moving to London where he will take up a post with ARUP Consulting Engineers. Congratulations to Bob Gray and David Toy who graduated during the summer holiday.



Graduation

Congratulations to ROBERT GRAY

Former pupil of Braidwood Primary and Hamilton College has graduated from Glasgow University



with a first class Masters Degree in Engineering and Product Design, and has been accepted at Cambridge University to follow a post graduate course.

HATCHES AND MATCHES......

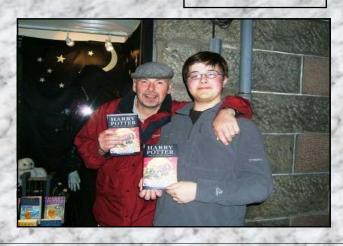
Congratulations to our new grandparents within Lanark Curling Club.

Frank Caddell has a new grand-daughter and he has just returned from Oz after visiting his daughter and new grandchild.



Moray and Diana Deane have done the double act with a grand-daughter and a grand-son—named Taylor and William.

Proud father of the bride was Martin Yuill who walked his daughter down the aisle earlier this month.



And you thought Harry Potter was for kids only?

Here is a picture of Jack and Andrew Jackson who waited in the Waterstone's queue at midnight to get their hands on the last book of the series.





<u>A National Curlathon</u> took place over the weekend 15/16 February, at Braehead, where the North of Scotland played against the South of Scotland.

Each rink was asked to raise a minimum of £400 for sponsorship money with all funds going to charities.

Hugh Campbell took part with his mother club 'Cambuslang'. Each rink was given a theme and Hugh's rink was the 'pyjamas theme'. A Lanark member instantly sponsored Hugh if she could get a photo of Hugh in his pyjamas. Hugh's reply was "I'll need to buy a pair". I leave that thought with you fellow members.......

Would Hugh be in pyjamas or not? Well, Braehead spoiled the fun because the theme was changed at the last minute to a 'black and white' theme. Below you will see Hugh with his fellow Cambuslang curlers. Apparently a good time was had by all.



As to the question if Hugh has pyjamas or not—he states "that is for me to know and you to find

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I do hope you have enjoyed this issue. If you have any items for inclusion or features you would like to see included in next issue, scheduled **December 2007**, then please contact me. It is always interesting to hear about your activities outwith the Club. So don't be shy! And of course we are always interested in 'Pick-ups' (Curling Gossip)!!

