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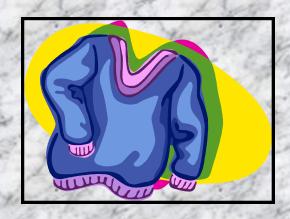
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#### **CLUB JUMPERS**:

DOES ANYONE REQUIRE TO ORDER A CLUB JUMPER?

I NEED TO KNOW YOUR SIZE AND WHETHER YOU PREFER A ROUND OR V-NECK JUMPER.

PLEASE GIVE ALL RELEVANT DETAILS TO ANNE HOOD.

THANK YOU

Anne Hood (President)

President: Anne Hood

#### Presidential Musings



Hi

Well, what a busy start to the season it has been!

Jack and I embarked on the 'Scottish/Edelweiss 2014' Tour at end of September for 2 weeks and, for my first tour, it was absolutely fabulous. Gordon Gilchrist (Tour Organiser and Leader), from Lesmahagow CC, certainly has a lot of contacts and he knows how to put together a tour. I am currently writing a Tour Report so I shall make this the next (and soon to be published) Lanark Rocks.

Our season also started with Brian and Lynn's wedding. Several members of the club were invited to share in Brian and Lynn's big day and we all had a great time. The weather was good: Lynn looked stunning and Brian even broke out in a sweat when he saw his bride walk towards him. The ceremony was very personal and we found out more about Brian - go on, ask him about Star Trek! Donald provided excellent piping and Hugh was spokesperson for Brian's dog—yes, we did find out more about Brian! Another first for me was when I drove to Wishaw to collect Jack from Brian's stag night—did I get Jack out of the hotel? No—but I was invited inside and thus joined the stag-do activities. I then had to drive Moray, Hugh and Jack home so thank you for my first stag night Brian. It was very memorable—I probably remember more than you do!

We have another possible new member and all thanks to Angus Law. Angus has introduced Martin Anderson to the club—Martin used to curl and, as a relative newcomer to Lanark, Martin is keen to start again. This conversation took place during Angus's brother-in-law's stag night—if that had happened at Brian's then nobody would have been able to remember such a conversation. Thank you Angus—contact has been made with Martin and Tom Steele has his name down as a new 'sub'. Martin has been invited to the Xmas Bonspiel and, if he is able to attend, I have no doubt he will be warmly welcomed by members.

Sadly we have lost Joanne Burt as there was a little misunderstanding between the names Lanark CC and Lanark Ladies CC. Joanne is unable to curl in the evenings.

As President I was keenly awaiting the additional curling past Presidents enjoyed via invitations to Lanark CC. The first two invitations proved disappointing to me as they were for 'men only' so our Vice-President, Frank, is certainly being kept busy. However, I have plans for one of the clubs who sent out 'male only' invitations which I will reveal later— hi hi.



I hope members will continue to support all club activities throughout the season. In fact, Moray Deane will be speaking to members shortly about our annual weekend away at North West Castle in February 2015 (Feb 14-15). I hope you have submitted your names......

For all new curlers I draw your attention to one of the 'Out turn' articles which is from Jim Morrison, Development Officer at Hamilton Ice Rink.. This new initiative may be of assistance to you so please do not hesitate to contact Jim. He will be delighted to help in any way he can.

**Best wishes** 

Anne Hood

President

I leave you with a couple of other photos from Brian and Lynn's big day:



Cutting the cake.

CONGRATULATIONS
TO YOU BOTH

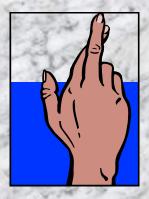
Aaw.....





GOOD LUCK must go to Bob Thomson, Ian Reid, Alan Sellars and Frank Caddell who have reached the Semi-finals of the T.B.Dick competition.

The SF takes place on 14 November at 7.55pm so if you can come along and wish the team luck then I shall be pleased to join you in the gallery.



THE ONE THAT GOT AWAY.....

On Wednesday 5 November Lanark fielded a rink in the Tom Dickson Rosebowl competition. Many thanks to Bill Jackson, Bob Thomson, Anne Hood and Jack Hood who represented the club. We were drawn against Lesmahagow CC and not only did we find ourselves playing against Tom Steele but Anne and Jack were also playing against two Lesmahagow players whom they had been on tour with quite recently!

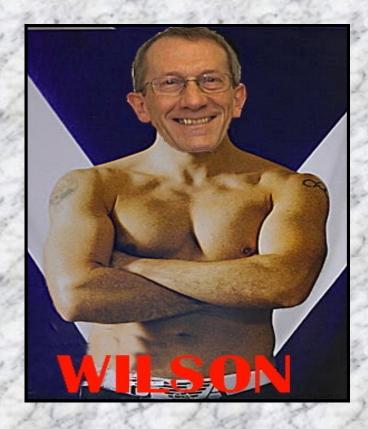
It is pleasing to note that we beat Lesmahagow but praise must be given to Bill Jackson who, as we know, likes to play the big takeout/outstanding shot but, within this game, Bill's level of curling was outstanding. He saved our bacon at several ends and acknowledgement was also drawn from our opposition. Unfortunately we lost our final end which kept us from winning the overall competition—Lanark was 2nd=. However, we all enjoyed the game with its high standard of curling.





Members will recall, last season, that Wilson Heatlie had damaged his shoulder and was playing with the cue (which he hopes to discard this season).

Well, over the summer holiday period Wilson sent me this picture stating his shoulder exercises were proceeding nicely!



Apparently this was made up at the Boswall CC annual dinner and I must thank Wilson for sharing it with us. What a hoot!

Question: Whose body has Wilson been given?

Ans: At bottom of back page.





Alistair and Margaret Mackintosh were visiting their two sons in Canada during the summer months and Alistair emailed me these photographs.

The photographs show a lovely two-sheet curling rink named Chateau Montebello and apparently it was used for a G7 summit during the time of Margaret Thatcher.

Isn't this curling facility awesome?



What an Entrance!

Light lunch anyone?









What a lounge? You would certainly enjoy a post-curling game drink here. In fact, I might not wish to go home......





#### CALLING ALL NEW CURLERS.....

Thanks.

You may remember the RCCC initiative, Try Curling, run in tandem with the Winter Olympics and supported by Lanarkshire Ice Rink. From the people attending these sessions we have now been able to establish two Virtual clubs in Lanarkshire, one at Hamilton and one at East Kilbride with a total of around thirty members, all of whom are keen to improve their curling skills and begin to become involved in learning and playing. The virtual clubs will provide coaching and organise games where they can put into practice what they learn, but it does not give real game experience, nor are the new players really sure of what they should be doing when asked to skip, or play at third

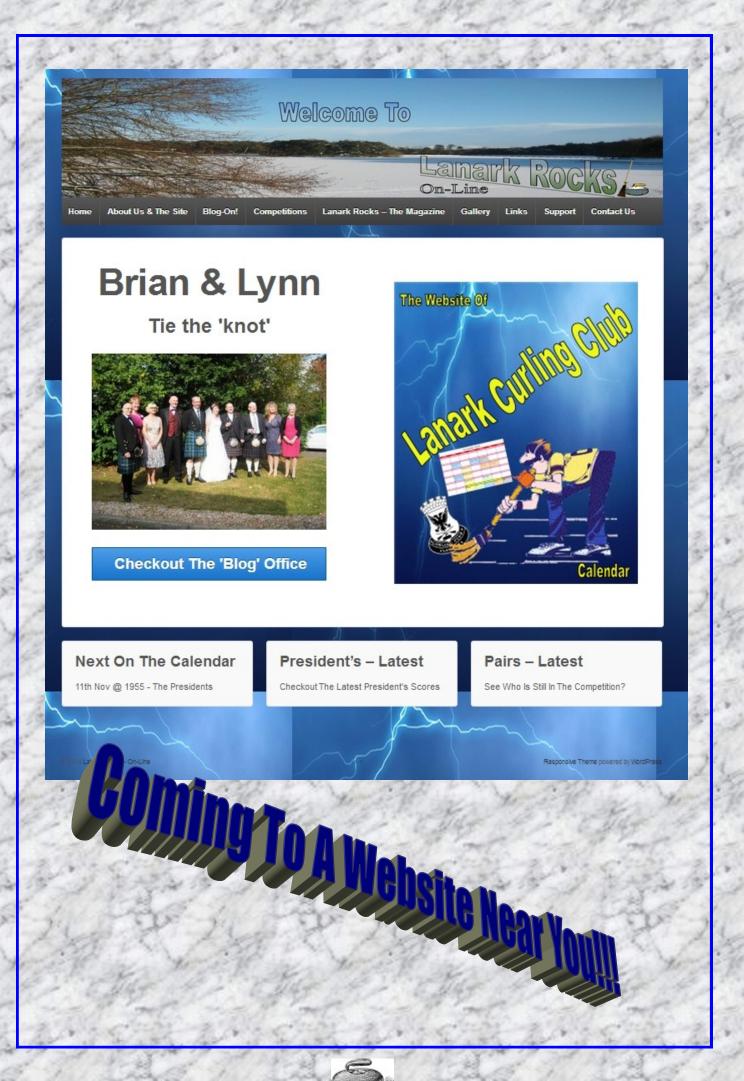
We hope that a way to resolve this lack of experience would be to form a Novice League allowing the new curlers to play lead and second alongside slightly more experienced players taking the other roles i.e. players who currently in their club games only play lead or second and who would appreciate the chance to broaden their experience and skills by moving up to third and Skip. These players will be playing with complete beginners and mistakes are going to be inevitable, but it will be a learning experience for everyone. It's also an opportunity to begin to explain some of the finer points of the etiquette of the game, the strategies, the range of shots and the social aspect of the game. The last point is probably the most important as these new curlers have to find a club to join since they can only remain within the virtual system for two seasons. This would be a great chance to tell them how, where and when your club operates, and possibly invite them to a game.

We are aiming at 12 teams, in two sections, therefore five games throughout the season, plus a final. For that, we need 24 curlers who want to expand their experience and play at third and skip and who will understand that the remainder of their team may not be that good......to begin with!!

If this sounds like it's something you would like to try, please either phone me on 07725162960, or email me at jmprop@btinternet.com or complete the tear off section and drop it into the office the next time you are at Hamilton.

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#### I NEED SOME NEWS AND STORIES!!!!

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Answer to Wilson's body part:

The torso belongs to David Murdoch. Now that is what good curling does to you!!!



