



# Lanark Rocks

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR MEMBERS.**

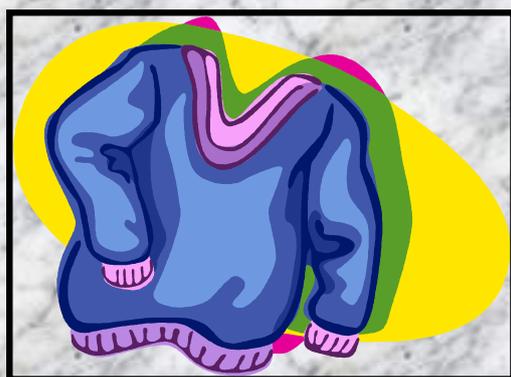
In times of austerity there is always a way to get a wee Christmas tree erected for that 'feel good' factor. Whose Christmas tree is it? Read on.....

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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

Hello

Here we all are—approaching the half-way stage of our curling season and Lanark CC has picked up some silverware as well as declaring our Pairs champions and President's League winners.

The first trophy to come to Lanark CC this season was the magnificent Lawrie Trophy. Two teams are fielded by each club and scores are accumulated to determine the ultimate winner. Team 1 ie Bill Jackson, Anne Hood, Martin Yuill and Jack Hood played against Dipool CC and triumphed with a +5 score which we were delighted to hand over to Team 2. Team 2 consisted of Donald Macrae, Brian Stephenson, Hugh Campbell and Anne Macrae who were drawn against Lanark Ladies. Team 2 accumulated a massive +20 shots therefore Lanark finished 1st with a total of +25 shots. For more details of the ends and shots that were played then kindly refer to our website. Well done to those members who played.

## THE LAWRIE TROPHY



A funny story I heard last week related to Miller Bowie's gloves. Miller had been curling on Tuesday only to discover when he got home, that he was missing a glove. Miller was playing for Lanark two days later and as he walked towards the front of the ice rink he spotted his glove lying in the middle of a big puddle. Miller picked it up, wrung it out and stated "That'll save me buying another pair". All's well that ends well. Needless to say, Miller didn't wear his gloves that evening!!

Speaking of saving money: do you like the Christmas tree featured on the front page? At this point I have to point out that it does not belong to Jack Hood! He has nothing to do with it—so, keep thinking. Who has this Christmas tree?

Congratulations to our new Pairs champions: Donald and Anne Macrae. It was a good final to watch and I must congratulate the finalists in getting through to this stage. Bill Jackson and Hugh Campbell put up a good fight but, as Hugh stated, he was disappointed in his play. There is always next year Hugh. I think it was a fitting tribute to the finalists that the club paid for the ice for the final.



**PAIRS CHAMPIONS 2015-16**

**Donald and Anne Macrae**



Our President's League also has a twist at the end. On the website our Webmaster had declared that there was a close finish to this League. Donald Macrae remarked "Aye—a close finish if my rink goes twice around the score board with Bob's team losing heavily! Tom's team were still required to win". We all had a laugh about this and the final saw Donald Macrae's rink playing Bob Thomson's rink. Tom Steele's rink were playing Alistair Mackintosh's rink.

Bob's rink needed to win with +6 shots and they certainly had the upperhand at the beginning of their match. However, Donald always fights back and soon destroyed the opportunity of Bob going +6 shots on the scoreboard. Meanwhile, Tom's rink were not having their own way either against Alistair's rink. Tom's rink had never lost a match in this entire league and they were going for glory. However, Alistair loved the idea of having no pressure on his rink but knowing all pressure was on Tom's rink so Alistair called some big shots. You often hear of the saying that when no pressure is on, people play well—well, that is true. It was the best game Alistair's rink had played all during the league and we won. However, Tom's team had amassed enough shots to see them result as President League winners so hearty congratulations must go to them. The win is more deserving when you realise that Tom only had 2 consistent players in his rink ie himself and Brian Stephenson—Tom had to rely on 'subs' to complete his rink so thanks are due to Miller Bowie, Peter Kerbey, Anne Ramsay and Dorothy Jackson who all played, at some stage, for Tom. This is going to give me a headache for the President's prizes but that is a problem for next year (hi hi).

I stumbled across the President's League trophy in one of my cupboards this week and asked Jack what it was doing there—given the fact that Martin Yuill and his team had won it last season. "Oh yes", said Jack, "I was going to re-spray it". A job still needing to be done! Sorry Martin, I'm sure you would have wished this displayed on your mantelpiece by now.

Next week will see our Christmas Bonspiel and if you have a friend you wish to bring along to try curling, then please feel free to do so. We are always looking for new members.

I would encourage CHRISTMAS SWEATERS to be worn during our Bonspiel. It is always a fun game and there will be a Christmas meal to follow.

Have a lovely festive season.

(President) Anne



# Out-Turns



We all know that Dot Moran's other passion (away from curling) is her classic car collection.

Dot and I have met up for a coffee and chat on several occasions and, one day, I said to her "Did you see that racing car parked outside" to which Dot just laughed and replied, "Yes—it's mine".

Here is a picture of Dot with one of her 5 cars—however, the car does have a name. No, I don't mean a pet name!—the car actually has a model name so if you can name it Dot will buy you a drink at the bar. (Dot doesn't know this yet.....)

For those who are safety conscious I can assure you that Dot does wear a crash helmet when driving this (oops.....nearly named the car!) vehicle.

Now Dot—what is the heating system like?

PS: The Christmas tree is not Dot's.



# Out-Turns



As we all indulge during the festive period here is a message from Alistair. He says “Enjoy it”.

Ok Alistair—looking at your huge mug of hot chocolate, cream and marshmallows on top then all I can say is “Hold on to your arteries”!!

Seriously though—the committee wish all members a Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2016.

Does Alistair have anything to do with the Christmas tree?



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**I NEED SOME NEWS AND STORIES!!!!**

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**CHRISTMAS TREE (FRONT COVER):**

**Did you guess whose tree it is? NO—well, it belongs to Alistair Mackintosh.**

