

# Happenings @ ACC

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## ACC Calendar

### Sept

15 Sept Requested dues payment  
26 Sept League sign-ups due

### Oct Calendar:

1 Oct Dues REALLY due  
3 Oct ACC Whisk Dinner  
4-5 Oct ACC Open House 1-5PM  
6-10 Oct ACC Training New Members  
11 Oct Board Hosts Member Dinner for Semi-Annual Mtg  
13 Oct Leagues begin  
17 Oct ACC Corporate Challenge Practice  
18 Oct AM - Pick up games & Training  
21-22 Oct Goldline's 5:30-8:00P Tues/Wed; 9-11AM Wed  
24 Oct ACC Corporate Challenge Practice  
25 Oct ACC Corporate Challenge Bonspiel  
30 Oct-2 Nov SCC Carosella Bonspiel

## So you think curling is expensive??

<u>Entertainment</u>	<u>\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$</u>	<u>What you get</u>
⇒ ACC dues (single)	\$410	6 months of all the curling you want (up to 6 times/week!!!)
⇒ Mt. Snow season pass	\$699	Adult single season pass—skiing for 1 season
⇒ AAU summer basketball	\$350	One summer session of AAU basketball for 1 child—doesn't include uniforms, hotel rooms, travel etc.
⇒ Movie Passes (4 people + 2 popcorn/soda)	\$60	A <u>single afternoon</u> of entertainment
⇒ Albany Junior Rats Ice Hockey	\$1000+	One child single season hockey—uniform extra
⇒ Dinner for 2	\$100	One evening (not to mention hardened arteries!)

## July Board of Directors Minutes

The meeting of the Board of Directors of Albany Curling Club was held on July 29, 2008 at the Albany Curling Club.

Present were: Roberta Crain, Dan Curran, Nancy Drischler, Patricia Frey, David Ryan, Kevin Risko, Jeff DiStefano, Wendy Berger, Michael Loudis, Sherry Seeley, Jerry Wendel and Dorothy Euvrard.

### TREASURER'S REPORT – Mike Loudis

There is \$2830.71 in the Operating Account and all the bills are paid. Mike reported that there is still \$50.00 outstanding in the script account.

After some discussion, Mike Loudis and Dan Curran agreed to review the 2007-2008 accounting for script. It is possible the year end Treasurer's report will be adjusted.

REVISED BUDGET - Mike presented the budget for 2008-2009 year, reflecting the changes made at the June meeting.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN – Mike reported that he has received \$20,900 in pledges.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

· The clean up of the water dam-

age was completed and paid for by the insurance company in the amount of \$6,000.

Jim Hoffman, a contractor and member of the club, gave us a price of \$2400.00 to expand the bar and replace the flooring behind the bar. Since the bar would have to be enlarged with the expansion of the warm room and adding the two sheets, it was felt that it would be cheaper to include it now while doing the water damage repair.

· The ceilings in the Mens' and Ladies locker rooms will be deferred until the expansion is done.

· Expansion Update – the architect has checked with the town and submitted plans requesting a permit.

· It was pointed out that by decreasing the price of the bar books, that we would be losing money on the higher end beer and liquors. A motion was made to increase the number of tickets on the high end liquors and beer as needed to see a profit. Motion carried.

· Ice Man – Still looking for someone to replace Art Nuss. David will contact John Ross to see if he plans to return this year.

A motion was made by Jerry and seconded by Roberta to increase the maximum amount of a pur-

chase not needing Board approval, from \$500.00 to \$1000.00.

· It was unanimously agreed to continue with the Pin program.

· Website – A volunteer is needed to be Webmaster. Wendy will check with Gary Conn.

· Empty Bottles and Cans – A volunteer is needed to return empty bottles and cans as Winn can no longer do it. Dorothy and Nancy will look for someone.

· Doug Shanley will chair the Juniors but is looking for help.

In order to be compliant with the 501 c 3, the club must have one bank account. In view of that, Pat Frey will discuss this with the Whisk Executive Committee and report back. Marcia Codling will be contacted about the Geritol account

Nancy will see how much it will cost to fix the outside barbeque.

The next meeting will be held on AUGUST 20, 2008 at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Euvrard, Secretary.

### Capital Improvement

A separate E-mail went out requesting member participation in identifying companies who may be interested in participating in the Corporate Challenge. If you haven't given it thought, yet PLEASE do so now. The only way we will earn sufficient funds for capital improvements is to solicit funds from outside sources. We need your help!

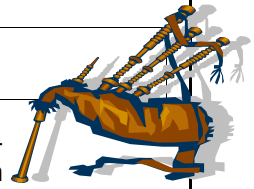
### Open House!!!! 10/4-10/5

The ACC open house will be held on October 4th and 5th from 1-5. The membership committee has rounded up a host of workers, BUT what we need from the general membership is.... **bring** a friend, neighbor, coworker, acquaintance to the open house.

You can send them on their merry way to the open house... but the personal attention they will get if YOU bring them can make the difference between a new member and someone who expresses interest.... but doesn't follow through and join. See attached flyer



## Scottish Games



Dear Fellow Members of Albany Curling Club:

With the Scotch Mist and the Skirl of the Bagpipes in the background, The Altamont Fairground was the setting for the Albany Curling Club Tent at The Scottish Games 2008. Our Displays consisted of a Mannequin with period dress. Kilt, knitted Sweater, Tam with appropriate Pins plus A hanger with the jacket with appropriate pins, worn by men and women of 2008. On the card tables, covered with material of blue, decorated with the White cross of St. Andrew, [an eye catcher, easy to make] we displayed The Stone, from our Hearth, a Little-Rocker stone. The spectators passing by loved to try out their strength, by lifting those. The stones sat on a "place mat" of the 12"red, 8"white, 4" blue" & white button.

There were curling shoes with gripper which showed how we slide on the ice, as Roger explained the fine points of the game. A scrap book of pictures taken at various bonspiels by Bud Hovey. The Curling Cookbook and Pins & sweat shirts were on display, from the store and a Bowl of candies, like we have at the rinks. There were old and new brooms

tied to the tent posts, a new banner on the roof of our tent, to show passers by who we were. Many tents didn't have a sign. We looked good. And in the back of the tent, like our kitchen, was an assortment of food. Good old Scotch hospitality. We had the Schenectady Curling Club across the street from us, and they came over to lend helping ideas, helped getting a long table or Just to say hello and wish us luck. Dorothy stopped by to chat, and stayed for a bite to eat and to encourage us to come back again. [SAL member]

Tim Gordon did us proud. Was he handsome in his Gordon regalia, kilt, sporran, dress jacket & from center stage of the opening ceremonies throng of thousands to hear, Tim said..."I'm a member of the Albany Curling Club, ! Yeah Tim! He, Chris & two boys came by to visit. Our volunteers: Chris & Mel Abelseth, Nancy Drischler & Roger Townsend from the New York Army National Guard, who loaned us tent, easels, mallets & a helping hand, erecting the tent. Ethel and Roger #1 salesman, Cooper, Pat Frey with the guest book, Wendy Berger, Pat Lanphear, Margie, Fred & John Stonner, Martha Naber, Pauline Gaige and Lenore Collins. Flo Springstead, & Gary Conn stopped by to visit. We had help and

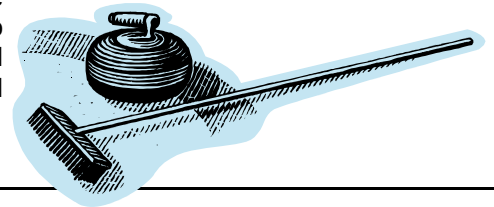
encouragement, hospitality and good fun & conversations.

All this with bagpipes playing in the background all day long. The sun came out, it got positively hot, and I've a sunburn to show for it.

As Schenectady Curling Club said.."Albany, Where have you been.?. We've been here for ten years, WHY haven't you been here?"..

From the Gordon International, '08 to the Scottish Games '08, the year for the clubs to pull together, to promote the fine sport of Curling, and keep alive the traditions of Courtesies and camaraderie. Truly good friends and neighbors. Should we do it again, and again, Yes indeed! Was it work, yes indeed, was it fun, yes indeed, was it A great day, Yes indeed!

"A toast to ye al.  
"Here's to: frosty weather, fair games and friendships."  
Margie Stonner 30/8/08



### Misc.—Summer Picnic/Clean-Up Day

Summer Picnic: Thanks to Doug Hadley for once again hosting the ACC summer picnic. Approximately 30 people attended and all had a fantastic time. The food was great as usual. Thanks to Doug!!!!

Fall Clean-up  
The ACC fall clean-up was held 9/6. Thanks to the following people who chipped in..... Jim Hoffman

and Adam Halstead were hard at work repairing the bar. Art Nuss was doing his usual hard work preparing the ice. Dave Ryan, Al Campisano, Dan Keller and Howard Halligan worked on the lights and windows. Pat Lanphear, Pat Loudis, Gloria Martino, Joy Campisano, Linda Felice, Andra Sheinkopf, Jeanette Davidson and Pauline Gaige worked in the kitchen

and locker rooms. Thanks also to Johanna Kawola who came Thurs night as she couldn't make it on clean-up day. Thanks to everyone who helped get ready for the season to start!!!!