



What a great summer, hope you all had as good a summer I did. Although it is still very pleasant now we do have to start thinking about our wintertime activities, and in our case curling.....Just one week tomorrow we will be turning on the plant, with the plan being to have the ice ready for play on October 15<sup>th</sup>.....Check out the website for club happenings during the first week....League play is scheduled to start on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> with the Sinners and Social league kicking it off, weeknight leagues will start on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>.....This year will see a new twist to the Early Bird as it will be a one day Bonspiel to be held on Saturday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, a poster should be on the website soon along with sign up instructions.....This coming week we have Registration set for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights from 7:00 to 9:00, so drop by the club, with your membership. The earlier you get your membership to us the easier life is for everyone, there is a lot of planning to be done before we can start to curl, so help us out.....Although the work has not been done yet plans are in the works to install new heaters in the arena and a new furnace for the building, we are waiting until the ice is installed to put in the heaters, makes it easier to get around....The big talk in curling this summer has been the broom controversy, the WCF/CCA/OCA have all the information on their websites but unfortunately they have limited it to Curling Canada events (OCA also), they are leaving the clubs to govern themselves, yes they are even saying hair brooms can be used in club play. This is not the way to go, the moratorium should be applied to everyone, I can see it causing a lot of controversy and grief within individual clubs.....Peter Fudge is stepping aside as the Youth convener, Peter, thanks for all you have done over the past several years. But don't despair Peter will be staying on as coach for the Junior team and he has left a nucleus of people who have stepped up to oversee the program. Thanks again Peter for all you have done.....A concentrated effort is being put on to grow the Ladies league, see the website for a Special offer being offered to new curlers to this league....Until next time, the Directors are open to any suggestions you might have to grow the club, so if you have an idea please let us know.