



It has been a long time since the last 'Around the House', it has been a combination of things, too much sun and warm weather that have made other things have a priority and my uncomfortable feeling working on a laptop, God forbid I ever get one of those pad type things, I would be forced out of touch with everything and everyone.....Not too sure how Bill Bennett is making out numbers wise with the golf tournament, information is available on the website, if you are interested contact Bill and he will bring you up to date on available spaces.....Peter Davy has decided to postpone the car rally until before next curling season. This is an event that deserves your support, a fun day and a good way to socialize and at the same time support the curling club. When it comes up again in late summer get behind it.....I am sure most are aware at this time that the curling club has lost two people known around the club, as either a member or supporter. Walter Riley passed away at the too young age of 52. Walter was a mainstay around the men's league for years, prior to becoming ill. We pass our condolences along to his entire family and remember Cynthia and Brian at this all too sad a time. Also passing away was Joanne Whiteside, the mother-in-law of Steve Baker and a lady who we have known for many years, as a near neighbor, our condolences to the Whiteside and Baker families.....Another curling season gone, it was a different year, started late, and ended strong, at least in my mind, it was a good year overall and one to build on. I saw some growth and look for much better days ahead. There is no doubt in anyone's mind that we need at least a growth of 10% in membership for next year, that is going to be the target for the summer, at least in what I am doing. I ask you to get out there and sell the club to people who you feel may be interested curlers, we all too often put curling on the back burner come the end of April, but building for next year has to start now and not on October 1st.....For those teams who won the Ladies and Men's Division and the right to participate in the Dominion playdowns, don't forget to make your intentions known to your respective OCA rep as your entry has to be into the OCA before next curling season.....There will be a push put on over the summer months to increase the revenue to the curling club through advertising in many forms. If you own a small business and would like to advertise, for a very reasonable price, please let me know. We may not be aware of all members who are business owners and would like to help you make all members aware of what you have to offer....Until next time, and I assure you it will be a lot sooner, have a fabulous summer but still keep our great sport in mind and remember to talk up our club.