Wisconsin State Seniors Report Spring 2016

It has been a successful year of curling for the State of Wisconsin Seniors.

The Wisconsin State Senior Bonspiel was held at the Milwaukee Curling Club in January with 32 teams entered. 24 Senior and 8 Masters. The Neidhart rink of Madison won the Seniors and the Qualie rink of Arlington won the Masters. Listed below are the rinks and members.

Seniors Masters
Madison CC Arlington CC
Ken Neidhart Dave Qualie
Paul Ryan Cliff Erstad
Kevin Teschendorf Bill Monteufel
Rob Wixon Gordon Dunn

Everyone enjoyed the new facility and new rocks. Only positive comments were heard. Looking forward to Madison in 2017

In February the Wauwatosa and Kettle Moraine Curling Clubs hosted the United States Senior Bonspiel. 64 teams from across the USA participated. Next year it will be hosted by Columbia County which involves 5 clubs. Wisconsin continues to be a leader in Senior Mens Bonspiels.

WISCA continues to be a stronghold in South Central/Eastern Wisconsin. Many club teams travel to other clubs and meet to curl against one another. Congratulations to the Milwaukee 3 team for winning the championship.

It is with a sad heart I have to report a founding member of this group Sam MacNeil recently passed away. He was an active force in curling on the state and national levels. He was involved with getting the World Curling Bonspiel in Milwaukee in 1989. I had the pleasure of knowing Sam and curling with and against him. He is in heaven now starting a new curling club with No Free Guards.

Finally I have decided it is time to have someone else take over my duties as Wisconsin State Senior Director. It is always nice to get "new blood" and ideas how to keep improving for Wisconsin Seniors. I have taken this from mailing envelopes to the age of computer with email addresses for all participants. We have a current email list updated each year. I think this helps in getting the necessary teams for this bonspiel. Most clubs now have bonspiel applications on their website and can download directly to the participating club. Mr. Mark Hartman has agreed to take over this responsibility and comes with high recommendations. Please continue to support Mark as you have supported me.

Sincerely, Jack Baker Wisconsin State Senior Director