

# WINNIPEG WINTER CLUB

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## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER



The Annual General Meeting of the Winnipeg Winter Club was held on Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> prior to the Members Holiday Celebration. I am happy to inform you the 2009-10 was a success for the WWC as reported in the Audited Financial Statements. For the second year in a row the Club realized a profit with this years profit being \$66,800, which exceeded the 2008-09 surplus by \$22,000 resulting in a two year surplus of over \$105,000, a remarkable turnaround!!! If you would like to obtain a copy of the Financial Statements or a copy of Annual General Meeting Presentation please stop by the main office for a copy.

Prior to the AGM a presentation was made by the WWC's Future Planning and Priorities Commit-

tee. This presentation featured "Bubble Drawings" based off of discussions with architects at Smith Carter and was a result of consultation with membership through focus groups and discussions with the club leadership over the spring and summer of 2010. These drawings initial in concept and scope, show that we are creating a vision for the future of the Winnipeg Winter Club. These plans will be on display in the Trophy Lounge and if you have any feedback, questions, or suggestions please stop in the office and if I am available I look forward to hearing from you. A full presentation is being planned for January so stay tuned for more information.

Concluding this fabulous evening was the Members Holiday Celebration with over 120 members and their guests enjoying a very festive night of com-

panionship and an incredible array of food and beverage from Chef Craig and his team. With the caroling group Snow Tones reciting Christmas Carols throughout the facility the evening was a tremendous success. What a perfect ending to great night!

Christmas and the holiday season are times for appreciating our families and friends. On behalf of our family of employees we would all like to extend a healthy and happy holiday season to you and your families. We are all looking forward to a successful and prosperous 2011!

### NOTES FROM MY DESK

• Christmas Eve  
Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 a.m. - noon

• Christmas Day  
Saturday, December 25<sup>th</sup>  
Closed

• Boxing Day  
Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

• New Years Eve  
Friday December 31<sup>st</sup>  
6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

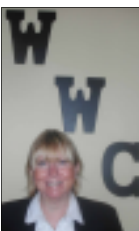
• New Years Day  
Saturday, January 1<sup>st</sup>  
Closed

*Cheers,  
Rob Guthrie*

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## MEMBERSHIP



Be My Guest Campaign has taken off like wildfire! Thank you goes out to Pauline Boisselle, Clarissa Koh (2), Mary Groen, Lisa Bayko, Lori Mann, Chris Davis, Glenn Dyck, Kennedy Campbell (2), Graeme MacDonald, Brian Sholom, Sean Grassie, James Percival (2), Ryann Leggett, Kristin Farlinger (5), Ted and Marilyn Redekop, Jazz Mancer, Jane Henrick- Rebizant, Maria Paukovic, Malcolm Crooks (3), Graham Bargaen, Shirley Jones (3), Bong Sun Lui, Debbie Martin, Amanda Forbes, Lisa Pre-

fontaine, Frank Wade and David Harak for your Be My Guest referrals in November. To date we have one hundred and ten referrals, with forty three actively using the club and eleven sales to this point. As you can see it is a great way for you to introduce your friends, family and colleges to your club and keep the community strong and vibrant.

Ladies Christmas Luncheon and Toy Drive will be held Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. in the Sportsman's Lounge. Please bring an unwrapped gift for the Christmas Cheer Board. Reservations can be made at the front desk.

Holiday one week passes are now available for your out of town guest at the front desk (Single \$20 – Couple \$30 – Family \$35)

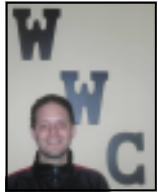
Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday season!

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### NEW MEMBERS

Jason Normandale  
Ray and Jeanne Dubois  
Rasool Askarifar and Hamideh Saffari  
Rachit Agarwal  
Robert and Marnie Puchnaik (Caitlin)  
Harry Melynyk  
Jason Bachewich  
Janice Koverzin  
Brian McWhirter  
Jamie Stagg

## SQUASH



### UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS

#### Juniors and Masters

The Winter

Club Junior Open and the Manitoba Masters are running alongside one another from December 2 - 5 at the Club. The Junior Open has kids ranging in age from 9 to 17, while the Masters begins at age 40 for men and 35 for women. It's a great chance to come out and see some of our young up and comers and some of our legends from yesteryear!! Please note Junior programs for Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> are cancelled due to these tournaments.

#### HOLIDAY HANDICAPPER

Our Annual Holiday Handicapper is happening on Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. The Handicap-

per is a one night holiday party for the squash section. In the Handicapper all players compete in one big draw, made at the start of the night. Each player is given a "handicapped" score to begin with. More novice players may start as high as 13, whereas some of our advanced players may start as low as -13. Games are up to 15 points, a rally scoring. Everyone will be battling it out for the prized holiday turkeys. The cost is \$10 per player and munchies provided. The night begins at 6:30 p.m., please register with Trevor.

#### RACKETLON

Our first ever Winter Club Racketlon is fast approaching. With the competition date set for December 18<sup>th</sup>, we are already almost full. We have two divisions; competitive and intermediate. We recommend that

you be an "A" player in one sport and fairly "handy" in at least one other if you would like to enter the competitive division. Feel free to speak to one of our Pro's if you are unsure. Racketlon is played by competing against your opponent in all four disciplines of table tennis, badminton, squash and tennis going up to 21 points in that order of each sport. The person with the most points at the end is the winner. There is great buzz for this event around the Club, so don't miss your chance to enter. We are registering 16 players for the competitive division and 24 for the intermediate division. Entry forms are available throughout the Club.

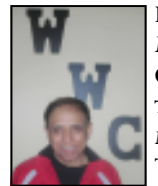
#### WISPA

The Meadowood Pharmacy Open is back this year from February 22 - 27. It is the sec-

ond year in a row we will be hosting this Professional Women's Squash Championship, alongside our Manitoba Closed Championships. The event will be drawing several top female players from all over the world. We are currently looking for billets to house some of the girls while in the city (Wispa rules don't allow single males to billet). If you would be interested in helping out with billeting, please contact Trevor or our billet coordinator Glenis Younger at [gyounger@shaw.ca](mailto:gyounger@shaw.ca). We are also offering a number of great sponsorship opportunities. If you would like to be part of this event, please contact Trevor.

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## BADMINTON



### HERB RICHARD MANITOBA OPEN BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

The Winnipeg Winter Club

successfully hosted the above tournament from November 25 - 28. There were a lot of hard fought matches during the event and the finals on Sunday provided even more exciting badminton.

The following Winter Club players did very well at this tournament.

#### A Division

Men's Singles: *Andrew Harrison* - Runner-up  
Women's Singles: *Lean Inglis* - Winner; *Kristy Beettam* - Runner-up  
Men's Doubles: *David Harrison* - Runner-up  
Women's Doubles: *Lean Inglis/Kristy Beettam* - Winner  
Mixed Doubles: *Jordan Beettam/Kristy Beettam* - Winner; *Ryan Giesbrecht* - Runner-up

#### B Division

Men's Singles: *Justin Friesen* - Winner  
Women's Singles: *Melissa Liew* - Winner  
Men's Doubles: *Justin Friesen/Ryan Giesbrecht* - Winner  
Women's Doubles: *Valerie Chan/Caitlin Dansen* - Winner; *Jessica Schmidtke* - Runner-up  
Mixed Doubles: *Melissa Liew* - Runner-up

#### C Division

Men's Singles: *Jonathan Dryden* - Winner  
Men's Doubles: *Jonathan Dryden* - Runner-up  
Women's Doubles: *Jennifer Bruneau* - Runner-up  
Mixed Doubles: *Simon Liew/Clarissa Koh* - Runner-up

#### D Division

Men's Singles: *Wesley Chow* - Winner  
Men's Doubles: *Bryan Liew* - Runner-up  
Mixed Doubles: *Hannah Hendrickson Rebizant* - Winner

Special thanks to Tracy Cart-

wright, Ted Lightly, Archie Chawla, Ryan Giesbrecht and many other volunteers at the draw desk for their time and help. Also big thanks to the maintenance staff for their hard work in keeping the facility in great shape.

#### COMING EVENTS

Mixed Badminton Christmas Party  
Wednesday, December 8

Racketlon Championships  
Saturday, December 18

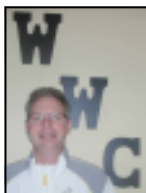
Wishing everyone a very safe and joyous holiday season.

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Member Christmas Party - Friday, November 26

## TENNIS



### COURTS ARE BACK TO NORMAL USE!

After a hectic week of tournament play, all programs, PCT's and clinics resume normal scheduling. Thank you to the members for giving up the courts for the week. We had a successful tournament with one of the highest number of entrants in recent history.

Big thanks to member **Lisa Bayko** for her tireless volunteerism during the past week. We experimented with a few different ideas. Some of which should become part of future tournaments not just at the WWC but for all tournaments run in the province.

### ROGERS ROOKIE TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS!

On November 7<sup>th</sup> we hosted a Rogers Rookie event in the morning. There were over 20 junior players that took part. A good time and much play was had by all! Next Rogers Rookie

Tournament takes place at WWC on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>.

### WWC OPEN TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS!

Over 75 entrants took part in the tournament this past weekend. Highlight was being able to run a number of Women's Singles and Doubles events. Thanks to who came out! Hope this is the rebirth of getting more women playing in tournaments. For full results and tournament recap of all winners, please visit [www.tennismanitoba.com](http://www.tennismanitoba.com). Click on tournaments, click on open tour, click on the event of your choice under the baseline edraws!

Thanks to all our sponsors for their support!

### KIDS DENTAL RAISE A RACQUET FUNDRAISER A HUGE SUCCESS!

The event took place on November 27<sup>th</sup>, at the WWC. Over 110 tickets were sold which included, lunch and Hall of Fame induction. A Singles Exhibition took place after be-

tween Davis Cupper, Phillip Bester and former Top 10 Ranked Canadian and former MB Open winner Alex Gravina. Followed by a doubles exhibition where local boys and college scholarship players Sean Bailey and Muzeen Ismath took on the pros and won!

The evening was capped by a Pro Am and Junior clinic that featured Peter Polansky, top 200 player in the world!

The event raised around \$15000 for tennis development in the province. Thanks to all volunteers (especially Jan Taylor and Lori Mann), ball kids, and the many sponsors (especially Kids Dental, who was the title sponsor for the event).

### FALL SESSION WINDING DOWN

Only 3 more weeks left in the fall session. Final day for all programming will be Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Time to start thinking about the winter session. Winter schedule will be posted on the website in the upcoming days. Make sure you

sign up early for any winter session program, league etc. If the fall session is any indication, there will be a few waiting lists created to get into many of the programs. Tennis is on the rise in Winnipeg! Get on board the Tennis Train!

"Tennis- The sport of a lifetime!"

Peter Otto

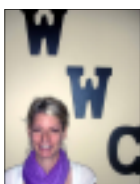
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## SKATING



### MEMBER HOCKEY

We held our bi-annual 4 vs. 4 Member Hockey Tournament, November 4 - 6 and this was our most successful tournament to date with 47 members participating. This year Team Black won. The team consisted of Jeremiah Lechman, Neil Krovats, Wayne Friesen, Jeff Koffman, Patrick Sutherland, Jim Venn, Tim Dean, Michael McCaffrey, Bernie Clement, Ian Gillies, Eamon Douthart & Ryan Downey - Congratulations Team Black!

The most goals scored were by Bernie Clement with 8, followed by Rob Logan and Ben Bruneau tied with 6 goals each.

All stats can be viewed on our website by clicking on Club Areas; Member Hockey; and then Member Hockey Tournament.

Congratulations to all the teams for the exciting action that took place on the ice!

Thank you to the Member Hockey Committee, Maintenance Crew, Urban Prairie Cuisine and Johnny Hall.

The next MH 4 vs. 4 Tournament takes place February 3 - 5.

**HOLIDAY SEASON OPEN ICE** General Skate (GS) and General Hockey (GH) have been allocated during the holiday season (December 23 - January 4). Please visit our online schedule

to view when GS and GH have been slated.

### PROGRAMS

The skating programs end Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> and Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. The next session commences Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

and Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Contact me to register.

Have a wonderful holiday season!

Carmina Bellisario

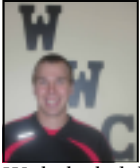
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## FITNESS & AQUATICS



HO HO HO-PE to see you in the Fitness Center this holiday season.

With the holiday season just around the corner or already in full swing for some, be sure you take the time to take care of yourself.

A few days a week to get into the Club and get active will help your body get through the fun festive season with flying colors.

### PRIVATE SWIM LESSONS OFFERED THROUGHOUT DECEMBER

If you are looking to keep your swimming skills sharp before the start of the Winter Session in January this may be the perfect thing for you and your family.

Please contact Lyndsay down at the pool deck to register.

### AQUAFIT CLASSES OFFERED MONDAY TO FRIDAY THROUGH DECEMBER

Starting the first week of December we will now be offering Aquafit Classes every week from Monday to Friday until the holiday break commences on Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### AQUAFIT HOLIDAY BREAK

The Holiday break for Aquafit

classes will be taking place starting on Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and resuming on Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011.

### AQUAFIT SCHEDULE CHANGES COMING FOR JANUARY 2011

Starting our first week back in January we will be offering Aquafit Classes starting at 9:15 a.m. instead of 9:00 a.m. This 15 minute change should help give the participants and the instructors a few more minutes to get here through the busy morning rush hour traffic.

### More Scuba Classes Added

Have you ever wondered what it was like to breathe underwater?

Tried snorkeling but kept getting water in your mask?

Taken a Discover Scuba course on a holiday resort but wondered if you were really taught everything you need to know?

Always wanted to try Scuba but have a few questions to ask first?

The WWC is offering PADI certified training in Discover Scuba, Snorkeling, full Scuba certification, and Scuba Review to refresh your skills if you haven't been diving in a while. We can also help you size your own equipment or help fit you for new equipment. Specific pro-

grams are available for adults and for kids 10 and up.

Sign up for an orientation session for more information on the different programs and see which one is best for you. Best of all, all courses will be offered right here in the pool at the WWC and are flexible around your schedules!

Please contact Jeff or Lyndsay for more information or to register.

### PERSONAL TRAINING A GREAT HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA!

If you have been meaning to get into the gym a little more often, or are just looking for a fitness program revision or plan, then Personal Training could be the right gift for you or someone you know. We offer a variety of Birthday and Holiday Gift Packages, so don't hesitate another moment on this great gift idea and contact Jeff for further information on packages.

### THANK YOU TO FITNESS INSTRUCTOR AINSLEY MCSORLEY

We would like to say a big thank you to fitness instructor Ainsley McSorley for her time spent here at the Club, and the hard work bright and friendly personality she has brought with her from day one.

Ainsley's famous "Athlete Training Class" will be having a final class with Ainsley taking place on Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 7:00p.m.

### HOLIDAY BREAK FOR FITNESS PROGRAMS

Fitness programs will be taking an extended break this holiday season. Fitness Programs will be on hiatus from Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup> and re-commencing on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> (Note: some programming may be offered during the break based on member demand).

### MO-Vember is Over!

Thank you to all members who took part in the fun annual tradition of "Mo-vember" this year. We had the most moustaches by far this year and are all looking forward to numbers growing even more next year.

Hope everyone has a fun and safe holiday season and a happy New Year!

*Peace, Love and Positivity to everyone this holiday season.*

*Jeff Mitchell*

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## RECREATION



**JR. LOUNGE & BABYSITTING HOLIDAY HOURS**  
Beginning on December 20<sup>th</sup> we will be operating on holiday hours.

### BABYSITTING

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday  
CLOSED

### JUNIOR LOUNGE

The After School Program closes for a 2 week period from December 20 - January 2.

\*If your child takes the bus from SJR we have bus pick up available! Let me know if you require your child to be met at the bus.

If you are a frequent visitor of the Junior Lounge contact me to find out more about your month long pass.

### MUNCHKIN MANIA

Every Friday night in conjunction with the Friday Night Dinner at the Wint our Junior area throws a party for the kids!

We have a set theme each week and we do activities based around that theme! We also provide them with their dinner and we finish the night with a movie and popcorn for the group!  
When: Friday 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$12 if you register in advance with the front desk or \$14 drop-in.

Check out the posters around the Club or on our website for upcoming themes!

### PROGRAMMING

Check out the latest Winter program guide to catch a glimpse of new program dates and times!

*Look forward to seeing you!*

*Jessica Barsky*

*Recreation Supervisor*

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