



49 Days Until the Brier!!

March 8-16, 2008

Re-live your community club days!
Burton Cummings brings it all
back...live, up close and
personal... with the biggest Friday night
dance party in decades.
Opening Act: Tooth 'n Nail.

Bringin' it Back
with **Burton**

Friday, March 7th
Winnipeg Convention Centre
Tickets \$35

These tickets are going fast. Don't be disappointed—get yours now! Tickets are available online at www.seasonofchampions.ca, by phoning Ticketmaster at 204-669-3333 or in person at the MTS Centre Box Office.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday February 20th - **Volunteers: 'You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet!'**
Including Uniform & Accreditation Pick-up
Canad Inns Club Regent & Club Regent Casino
5:00pm—10:00pm

Thursday February 21st - Uniform & Accreditation Pick-up
Canad Inns Club Regent



If you haven't had your Accreditation photo taken yet, it will be taken when you pick up your uniform on either of these dates

Complete details on these events coming soon...

Manitoba Hydro School Program Volunteers Needed for February Learn to Curl Clinics

Due to an overwhelming response to our school program, we are running Learn to Curl clinics for over 2300 school kids around the province during the month of February. 1400+ students will be taught curling basics at the Granite Curling Club on Tuesdays & Wednesdays, February 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, and 27. Clinics will be run from 9:00am - 3:00pm on these dates.

We are looking for 6 volunteers per day to provide on-ice assistance, following the lead of the MCA course conductors of the clinics. If you are interested and would like to sign up for one or more days, or even if you can only spare part of a day, please contact Lorne Hamblin (VP of Business and Promotions) by the evening of Wednesday January 23rd, at chamblin@mts.net or by phone at 955-3824 (cell).

Fun Curling Fact

"The first formal curling club on the prairies was the Manitoba Curling Club, formed in 1876 with a membership of 70. On December 7, the hose used for flooding froze and ice-making was delayed for a few days. The first recorded curling game was played by club members on 11 December 1876.

The Manitoba Curling Club had no home at first. Games were played on the Red & Assiniboine Rivers, at a skating rink and in a rented shed. In 1882, the Manitoba Club & the Granite Club (established in 1881) together erected a large canvas tent over 4 sheets of ice but this did not work out. By 1883, games were again being played in a skating rink. By 1884, the Manitoba Curling Club had ceased to exist."

Taken from Vera Pezer's book 'The Stone Age: A Social History of Curling on the Prairies'.

Brier Directors are beginning to schedule volunteer shifts. Watch your inbox in the upcoming weeks for "Changes to your Schedule" in the subject line, or check your VicNet profile at <http://vicnet.curling.ca> and log in with your username and password.