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The Saskatoon '89 Friars Briar

Following the disappointment of the failed Chicoutimi event in '88, it was heartwarming to receive an enthusiastic invitation from the Potash Capital of the World in Saskatoon with specific details of arrangements made by the local Clergy Curling Club for our reception in '89. Under the capable leadership of Gary Hellard and Cal Malena and their curling associates, one of the best planned Briars to date was staged in Saskatoon.

Registration took place Monday, March 6th from 6 to 9 p.m. in the hospitality room provided for us, complete with wide-screen T.V. in the Relax Inn. Rooms were available at \$42. whether one chose to have single, or double, or up to four persons using same. Both the Opening Breakfast on Tuesday and the Awards Banquet on Friday following the curling, were provided by the Relax Inn. Those not having tickets or wishing to see the Labatt Briar games at Saskatchewan Place could make use of the T.V. in the Hospitality Room at the hotel until Friday evening. Buses were provided from the hotel to both Briar and Brier venues and back again. Some home billets were made available at the nominal cost of \$10. per night. Those buying tickets to the Labatt Briar Games were able to purchase books for half the games as an option for paying \$125. for all the games. The registration fee of \$60. did not cover breakfast and banquet charges.

Eighteen rinks participated in the Friars' Briar. One from B.C., seven from Alberta, five from Saskatchewan, two from Manitoba and three from Ontario. Each rink played seven games of eight ends. In the final draw, the top four teams played ten ends and the bottom four played only five.

A first for subsequent Friars' Briars was a clean sweep of the medals by the host province. The first place gold medallions were awarded to a rink skipped by George Budd and included Bill Keisman, Bob McLaren and Garvin Hoff. Second place silver medallions went to a rink skipped by Gary Hellard and included Cal Malena, Ron Wagner and Crawford Edwards. Third place bronze medallions were won by a rink skipped by Jack Reggin and included Wes Long, Don Misner and Walter Boymook. Fraser Muldrew and his rink of Walter Cowan, Ken Innes and Milton Muldrew were left looking in and claiming fourth place.

The Awards Banquet at the Relax Inn proved to be a lively affair with many spouses and family members present. Don Amos presided over the Annual Meeting at which Jim Taylor acted as secretary. Hugh Christmas gave the treasurer's report for the Association. Don Amos stepped down as Chairman and Cliff McMurtry was elected to the post with Don to act as Vice Chair. Don would also be the second director for Ontario with special responsibility for encouraging participation by provinces east of Ontario. Jim Taylor was to be the director for B.C., Gerry Ward for Alberta, Gary Hellard for Saskatchewan, Cliff

McMurtry for Manitoba and Bob Mcnaught for Ontario. It was suggested that we go to Portage la Prairie in '90, where the World Junior Championships are to be held, and to Hamilton in '91 where the Labatt Brier is to take place.

A complete list of the participating rinks in the '89 Briar at Saskatoon according to provinces is attached for your interest, also a copy of the draw used, beginning with a round robin and ending with the final games. The Saskatoon event caused our poet laureate, Herb Eriksson, to blossom forth in extra fine style. Behold:

*Some clergy do some things besides preaching
And curling is one of those things.
"Sweep", you may hear the skip screeching
As the stone moves along to the rings.*

*Each year we have met in a bonspiel;
Friars' Briar is how it is named.
'Tis friendly the spirit we all feel;
For good curling we also are famed.*

*From B.C. to the east in Ontario,
This year we meet in Saskatoon,
Exhibition Stadium the location.
We curl morning and afternoon.*

*Our hosts have prepared a great welcome,
Have prizes galore for the games.
And trophies for those who win some;
(We'd like to record there our names)*

*Gold, silver and bronze to the winners,
And a banquet on Friday is spread.
We give thanks to our God, we poor sinners
For His goodness by which we are led.*

*We also give thanks to our hosts now,
We are grateful for all you have done,
To prepare for the feeding and housing,
And prizes and all of the fun.*

*We've enjoyed Saskatoon, this fair city
And hope we may some day return.
If we don't, 'twould be a pity
For our gratitude you did earn.*

H.F.D. Eriksson

Saskatoon '89 Friars' Briar Rinks

Alberta 1	Alberta 2	Alberta 3
Guy Scholz Herb Scholz Don Anderson Herb Eriksson	Hugh Bayne Dorn Cornish Loraine Cornish Gordon Hyde	Hugh Christmas Cameron Reid Wayne McLaren Bary Marshall
Alberta 4	Alberta 5	Alberta 6
Joe Rostad Ed Rostad Harold Ziprick Emil Kaminski	Don Brown Gordon Oakes Curly Doan Jack Colcough	Gerry Ward Paul Harding Harold Martin Vera Martin
Alberta 7	Manitoba 1	Manitoba 2
Ed Oman David Mulleur Elissa Oman Harold Hesje	Cliff McMurtry John Dick N. O. Hampton D. W. McIntyre	Fraser Muldrew Walter Cowan Ken Innes Milton Muldrew
British Columbia	Ontario 1	Ontario 2
Jim Taylor Wes Bray Wally Faas Jim Clark	Andy Denholm Janet Denholm Jan Huntjens Vic Sanguine	Doug Sloan Howard Wakelin Don Amos Bill Fennell
Ontario 3	Saskatchewan 1	Saskatchewan 2
Bob McNaught Beulah McKnight Robert Cole Doug Bennet	Gary Hellard Cal Melena Ron Wegner Crawford Edwards	Mel Murray Alan Grundahl Mark Hurnig Frieda Oswald
Saskatchewan 3	Saskatchewan 4	Saskatchewan 5
Jack Reggin Wes Long Don Misner Walter Boymook	Wendell Stevens Don Barss Bob Anderson Doug Barss	George Budd Bill Kiesman Bob McLaren Garvin Hoff

FRIAR'S BRIAR '89 PARTICIPANTS

Amos	Don	Don Mills	McNaught	Bob	Scarborough
Anderson	Bob	Saskatoon	McNaught	Beulah	Scarborough
Anderson	Don	Edmonton	Misner	Don	Saskatoon
Barss	Doug	Saskatoon	Muldrew	Fraser	Thunder Bay
Barss	Don	Saskatoon	Muldrew	Milton	Thunder Bay
Bayne	Hugh	Rimbey	Murray	Mel	Saskatoon
Bennett	Doug	Guelph	Oaks	Gordon	Edmonton
Boymook	Walter	Martensville	Oman	Ed	Calgary
Bray	Wes	Surrey	Oman	Elissa	Calgary
Brown	Don	Edmonton	Oswald	Freda	Saskatoon
Budd	George	Saskatoon	Reggin	Jack	Saskatoon
Christmas	Hugh	Calgary	Reid	Cameron	Trail
Clark	Jim	New Westminster	Rostad	Joe	Calgary
Colclough	John	Edmonton	Rostad	Ed	Calgary
Cole	Robert	Toronto	Sangwine	Vic	Oshawa
Cornish	Dorne	Comox	Scholz	Guy	Chauvin
Cornish	Lorraine	Comox	Scholz	Herb	Chauvin
Cowan	Walter	Winnipeg	Sloan	Douglas	Guelph
Denholm	Andrew	Willowdale	Stevens	Wendell	Saskatoon
Denholm	Janet	Willowdale	Taylor	Jim	Port Moody
Dick	John	Winnipeg	Wakelin	Howard	Guelph
Doan	Curly	Edmonton	Ward	Gerry	Lethbridge
Edwards	Crawford	Saskatoon	Wegner	Ron	Saskatoon
Eriksson	Herb	Edmonton	Ziprick	Harold	Calgary
Faas	Wally	Delta			
Fennell	William	Toronto			
Grundahl	Allan	Saskatoon			
Hampton	N.O.	Winnipeg			
Harding	Paul	Lethbridge			
Hellard	Gary	Saskatoon			
Hoff	Garvin	Saskatoon			
Hornig	Mark	Saskatoon			
Huntjens	Jan	Toronto			
Hyde	Gordon	Vancouver			
Innes	Ken	Winnipeg			
Kamwski	Emil	Calgary			
Kiesman	Bill	Asquith			
Long	Wes	Saskatoon			
Malena	Cal	Saskatoon			
Marshall	Barry	Edgerton			
Martin	Harold	Lloydminster			
Martin	Vera	Lloydminster			
McIntyre	Donald	Souris			
McLaren	Bob	Saskatoon			
McLaren	Wayne	Asquith			
McMurtry	Cliff	Winnipeg			

