The '86 Kitchener-Waterloo Briar

As with the Canadian and World Championships, so with the Friars' Briar, the West has always been in the forefront of hosting such curling events. Other than the London event we had never returned to the East for our yearly pre-Easter curling extravaganza. It was therefore with great pleasure that the Association accepted the invitation of the Kitchener-Waterloo clergy curlers to come there for the '86 Friars' Briar.

Our much-appreciated secretary, Mel Boyd of Cambridge, was able to persuade Jesse Bigelow, who was also president of the K-W Clergy Club to work with him. Later David Watson consented to do the fund-raising that was to provide generous travel subsidies for the out-of-province curlers. A second former moderator of the Presbyterian Church, Wayne Smith joined his friend Jesse as treasurer.

Arrangements were made by the local committee for visiting clergy curlers to stay at the Relax Inn on a main highway near Cambridge. This proved very satisfactory in as much as there was a good restaurant there and good shuttle service was provided to and from the rink.

The Canadian Men's Brier Playdowns were staged in the large Auditorium surrounded with adequate parking facilities. Our own Friars' Briar games were played in the nearby Granite and Westmount rinks. There were twenty entries in all: one from B.C., two from Alberta, two from Manitoba, and the balance from Ontario (three from East Metro, two from Hamilton, three from Kitchener-Waterloo, one from London, one from St. Georges, two from Guelph, two from Brantford and one from Niagara). The gold medallions went to the Bob Oliver rink from the St. George's Clergy Curling Club in Toronto. On his rink were Don Amos, Carl Bull and Doug Kramer. Silver went to the Ed File rink from East Metro in Toronto. Curling with him was Don Johns, Eric Klassen and Rick Horst. Gerry Hofstetter's rink from Guelph took the bronze and Gerald Ward's rink from Alberta was 4th.

As I look back, reported Mel Boyd, who retired as secretary of the Association at this year's annual meeting, one of the high points of the Kitchener-Waterloo event proved to be the Friday night banquet held on the upper level of the Granite Club. There was a fine meal, a happy spirit throughout, and evidence of good competitive curling.

The list of those who participated is printed as an appendix. Thanks is expressed to Bob Gmeindl for his carefully prepared list of daily game results and standings. This is the first evidence of computer input to our Association's operation! Most of the rest of us are still using manual methods. Another first at Kitchener-Waterloo was the offer to our tireless president, Don Amos, to submit a full page story of the Friars' Briar for publishing in the daily Brier publication circulated among fans attending the Canadian Championships.

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Manitoba 1 Fraser Muldrew W. Cowan B. Miles J. Forsyth East Metro 2 A. Denholm V. Sangwine A. Miles O. Hossie Alberta 1 H. Guse C. McKay G. Friedrich D. Brown Kitch/Waterloo 3 Mel Boyd J. Bigelow K. Miles E. Allsop Guelph D. Sloan E. Smith W. Rodgers R. Rebky

Manitoba 2 Cliff McMurtry N. Hampton D. McInyre I. Hohm St. Georges B. Oliver D. Amos C. Bull D. Kraemer Alberta 2 G. Ward P. Harding H. Martin M. Graham B. C. W. Taylor I. Brown E. Hughes B. Dyke Brantford 1 G. Bigelow

London J. Vardy M. Johnson J. Thompson D. Pletsch

Hamilton G. Rivers A. Oughton B. Adams A. Johnson

Kitch/Waterloo 1 R. Gmeindl E. Peng B. Gallagher W. Minke

East Metro 3 B. McNaught F. Whitely H. McNaught Beulah McNaught

Brantford 2 J. Skinner D. Ogilvie R. McKenzie B. Wilkinson East Metro 1 E. File H. Klassen D. Johns Wally Minke

Guelph G. Hofstetter H. Waklin J. P. Jones C. Cribar

Kitch/Waterloo 2 W. Smith H. Currie B. Schafer Muriel Boyd

Hamilton D. Nicholson W. Allum D. Herbison B. Cole

Niagara G. Elliot L. Harvey P. Wartman D. Chubb

Substituting on Elliot's team were: G. Hasting, R. Nelson and R. Sinclair.

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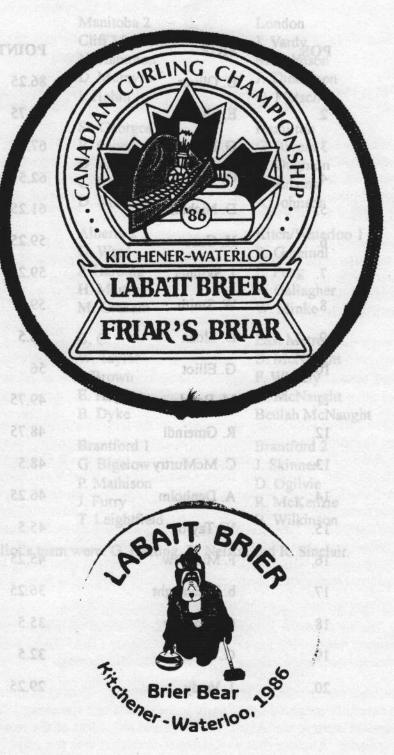
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Friars' Briar

Final Standings 1986

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	2.	E. File	70.75
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	.4.	G. Ward	62.5
	5.	D. Nicholson	61.25
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	7.	J. Skinner	59.25
	8.	W. Smith	59
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		G. Elliot	56
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