

## DIAMONDS ON ICE! THE USWCA'S 60<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL Bonspiel Duluth Curling Club – Duluth, Minnesota February 14 - 17, 2008



2008 National Bonspiel Champions EXMOOR CURLING CLUB

(l-r): Peggy Griem, Lead; Leslie Earls, Second; Tracy Lawless, Vice; and Skip: Marcy Calaway

The 60<sup>th</sup> USWCA National Bonspiel "Diamonds on Ice" began Wednesday evening, February 13 with the Kit Party at the Duluth Children's Museum. It was a wonderful and inter-active place to have the Kit Party, and a terrific way to kick-off the Bonspiel. The theme was selected because diamond is the gem for a 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Thirty-two teams competed in the event from all five regions of the USWCA on the Duluth Curling Club's wonderful 8 sheets of ice. The Opening Ceremonies and first draw began Thursday morning with the first rock being thrown by Linda Draper – President of the USWCA. Many past-presidents swept her stone to the button!

The cocktail party, banquet and Annual Meeting were held Thursday evening at the Holiday Inn with the Rockers String Trio providing music during the cocktail hour and local dancers providing entertainment before the meal.

Three house parties were held Friday evening. On Saturday evening the Duluth Curling Club was open for our women to come and enjoy themselves and unwind from the days curling.

The finals of all events were held at 9:00 am on Sunday February 17, with the finalists piped on the ice by Chuck Bergquist. The awards ceremony immediately followed.

Chair Cindy Lawrence said "All-in-all the week was full of renewed and new friendships and great curling. We wish to extend a huge thank you to all the committee chairs for their dedication to this event and hard work that went into making this bonspiel a big success. And congratulations to Marcy Calaway and her team on becoming Champions of "Diamonds on Ice".

Cindy added "Thank you to all who participated in this 60<sup>th</sup> USWCA National Bonspiel. We sincerely appreciate your sportsmanship and enthusiasm."

Cindy Lawrence and Barb Payette Bonspiel Chairs: Duluth Curling Club

## USWCA $60^{th}$ Annual National Bonspiel Results February 14 - 17, 2008

## 1st Event

Winners: Exmoor CC: Marcy Calaway; Tracy Lawless; Leslie Earls; Peggy Griem

Runners Up: KETTLE MORAINE CC: Bonnie Dixon; Janis Duncan; Kathy Hyslop; Carol Stevenson

2<sup>nd</sup> Event

Winners: BOWLING GREEN CC: Joan Freeman; Sharon Gargasz; Mary Glowacki; Martha Mazzarella

RUNNERS UP: THE COUNTRY CLUB: Coco Wellington; Anne Robertson; Lee Ladd; Sally Hurlbut

3<sup>rd</sup> Event

Winners: DULUTH CC: Linda Christensen; Becky Johansen; Barb Payette; Tiffany Litman RUNNERS UP: SEATTLE CC Linda Draper; Marj Yalowicki; Nicole Wood; Saralee Schneck

4<sup>th</sup> Event

Winners: MILWAUKEE CC: Margie Knitter; Linda Goetsch; Barb Hamm; Mary Beth Goelzer

RUNNERS UP: ARDEN HILLS: Jan Evingson; Judy Jytyla; Laurie Arnold; Paula Arnold