



Ottawa Special Olympics

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ROCK AND ROLL! SPECIAL OLYMPICS AND CITY VIEW CURLING CLUB HOST THE 2ND ANNUAL CURLING CHALLENGE.

OTTAWA, ON (FEBRUARY 5, 2008) – Athletes, volunteers and coaches from across the Ottawa region will be gathering at the City View Curling Club on Friday, February 8 for the second annual Curling Challenge. Brooms will hit the ice at 3:30 pm with a total of 6 teams (rinks) competing. There will be 3 Special Olympics rinks from the Nepean City View Curling Club and 3 other rinks consisting of sponsors and strong supporters of the Special Olympics organization and its local Curling Club.

This fun event has been organized by Gord Stockdale and Norm McEwen, the Head Coach and Manager of the Ottawa Special Olympics Curling Club in Nepean. Going strong in its second year, the annual bonspiel is an event that provides athletes and supporters with an afternoon of fun competition.

“The purpose of the Curling Challenge is three-fold. The first purpose of the event is for participants and spectators to have fun. Secondly, we would like to provide supporters of the team with an opportunity to participate in the sport, with and against the athletes that benefit from their involvement. Lastly, the bonspiel is part of our goal to create an awareness of the sport club and the Special Olympics organization in the local Ottawa market, so that others too can enjoy such sport training opportunities,” says Norm McEwen, Manager of the Special Olympics Nepean Curling Club.

New athletes, volunteers or sponsors who are interested in becoming involved with the Special Olympics Nepean Curling Club may contact Gord Stockdale at gord.stockdale@sympatico.ca. Further information on the sport and other local activities within the Ottawa District Community of Special Olympics can be found at www.ottawaspecialolympics.org.

About Special Olympics

Special Olympics is a charitable, non-profit organization that provides sports training and competition opportunities for individuals with an intellectual disability.

The Ottawa District Community of Special Olympics Ontario has over 250 volunteers and over 500 athletes who participate in sixteen sport disciplines throughout the year. If you would like to learn more about Ottawa Special Olympics and how to become involved as an athlete or volunteer, please visit our Web site at www.ottawaspecialolympics.org or call the Community Phone Line (613) 860.6184.