

Cornwall rink wins Leighton Electric Skins Bonspiel

Matt Dupius' Cornwall Curling Club rink won the Leighton Electric Skins Bonspiel held last weekend at the Stirling Curling Club, raking in \$1,858 for the three-day event.

Leighton Electric of Trenton, title sponsor of the event in this year's Skin's along with the 60 plus other sponsors helped to make the Skins in Stirling once again the premier men's bonspiel of the year.

Twenty-four teams from across Ontario and New York State flocked to Stirling in search of the big prize. Because of huge generosity from the community and surrounding area, Stirling Curling Club was able to offer the largest cash purse in the area this season. The Leighton Electric Skins was able to provide its largest cash purse of \$13,620 for the weekend. The lucky team that made it to the 'A' Event final would be playing for \$250 per end or skin.

The 24 team field began Friday evening using the skins format. Each team is on the offence at all times, defense is very rarely used. It is great to watch that many rocks in play and it always comes down to a team's last rock of each end before the skin can be decided. There is very rarely no shot to score. The team without last rock only needs to score a point, while the team with last rock must score two or more points to get the skin. If this does not happen then the end is carried over at which time the nerves can get quite stretched because each shot could decide the game. A three game qualifying round was held on Friday night and Saturday. After the dust settled the standings were as follows:

McKeown Motor Sales (Bryce Rowe - Quinte) - \$288; Royal Lep-

age - Trisch Clark (Matt Dupius - Cornwall) - \$248; Laurier Optical (Paul Aitken - West Northumberland) - \$212; McCaw Farms (Chris Ripley - Quinte) - \$200; Pro One Stop (Neil Harder - Trenton) - \$186; Campbellford Chrysler (Jim Brownson - Campbellford) - \$184; Bellevue Fabricating (Rob Dickson - Napanee Curling Club) - \$180; Laver Farms, Warkworth - (Ian Laver - Campbellford) - \$176; Farquhar Cabinets (Dennis Murray - Quinte) - \$164; Jimmy's Special Pizza - (Rick Barnard - Stirling) - \$160; Newman Insurance (Calvin Newman - Campbellford) - \$156; Cooney Haulage (Joesph Smith - Quinte) - \$148; Sullivan Auctioneers (Boyd Sullivan - Quinte) - \$148; Woodbeck Auto Parts (Ray Bruneau - Brighton) - \$140; McKillop & Associates (Andre Chapman - Ottawa) - \$136; Buc's Construction (Jeremy Fowlie - West Northumberland) - \$124; Exit Realty-Shawn Lumley (Jeff Brown - Stirling) - \$96; Boyer Ford (Mike Thorne - Marmora) - \$90; Shear Image (Barry Brown - Campbellford) - \$84; Lyman's Landscaping (John Rock - Stirling) - \$78; Carissant Care Marmora (Ben Ripley - Ottawa) - \$64; Farrell Designs (Jason Brien - Utica, NY) - \$36.

Because standings are determined by dollars won teams quite often end up tied with the same dollar amounts. To make it fair and to give the team some control of their own destiny in this bonspiel we use a shoot-out system to break ties. Each team member will throw one rock each, measuring its distance from the button in the cen-

ter of the rings. The total distance accumulated is then used to break ties in dollar amounts between teams. To make it a little bit more competitive the field was broken up into groups of four teams. Each group would then be competing for \$100 and the overall winner would get an additional \$100. This activity was generously sponsored by Meta Employment Service and Belleville Dairy Queen. The results of this were:

McKeown Motor Sales (Bryce Rowe - Quinte) - 267cm; Lyman's Landscaping (John Rock - Stirling) - 271cm; Cooney Haulage (Joesph Smith - Quinte) - 62cm; Overall Winner Campbellford Chrysler (Jim Brownson - Campbellford) - 254cm; Bellevue Fabricating (Rob Dickson - Napanee Curling Club) - 243cm; Don McCurdy GM (Barry Brown - Campbellford) - 382cm.

Leighton Electric 'A' Event semi-final - McKeown Motor Sales (Rowe) defeated McCaw Farms (Ripley) \$440 to \$60; Royal Lepage - T. Clark (Dupius) defeated Laurier Optical (Aitken) \$360 to \$140; Final - Royal Lepage-T. Clark (Dupius) defeated McKeown's (Rowe) \$1,250 to \$770.

Northstar Refrigeration 'B' Event semi-final - Laver Farms (Laver) defeated Pro One Stop (Harder) \$220 to \$200; Campbellford Chrysler (Brownson) defeated Bellevue Fabricating (Dickson) \$320 to \$100; Final - Laver Farms (Laver) defeated Campbellford Chrysler (Brownson) \$1,620 to \$0; Laver Farms (Laver) took home \$2,016 for the weekend.

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Campbellford Curling Club's Fred Veldhuyzen, Ian Laver, Lloyd McCoy of Northstar Refrigeration, Scott Mahoney and skip Jeremy Gale were the Northstar Refrigeration 'B' event winners at the Leighton Electric Skins Bonspiel.



Brighton Curling Club's Neil Taylor, Craig Martel, Ray Bruneau and skip Mike Whiteman won the Stirling Foodland 'D' event.



Leighton Electric "A" Event Winners from the Cornwall Curling Club's Charles Wert, Jonathon King, Terry Litchy and skip Matt Dupuis were the 'A' event winners at last weekend's Leighton Electric Skins Bonspiel held at the Stirling Curling Club.