

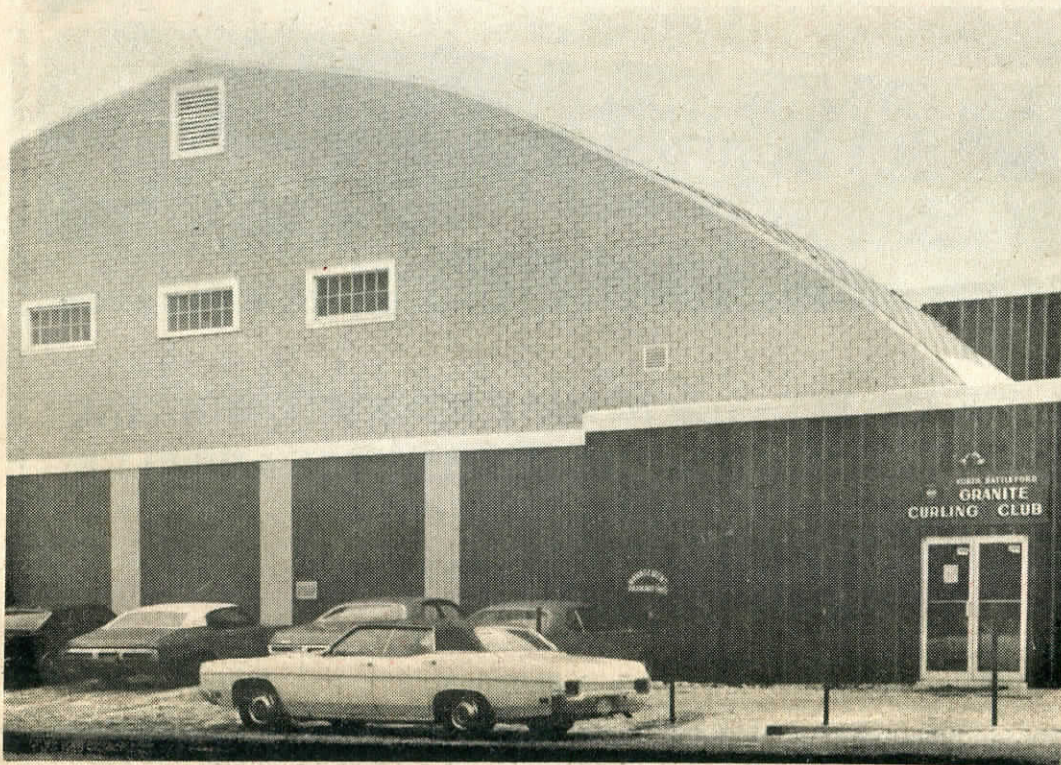
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1973 — NORTH BATTLEFORD, SASK.

## \$85,000 Renovation Completed



The new exterior entrance is part of the renovation program carried on at the Granite Curling Club during the last couple of years.

The executive of the club first started considering the idea of the addition of a cocktail lounge in 1963. However at this time the shareholders decided not to go ahead with the idea.

In 1968 the idea was brought up again and construction on the lounge was started in the fall of 1971 after various inquiries as to the costs and interest rates and so on were carried out.

The club then applied for a grant under the Winter Works Program and collected \$24,000 to help cover the expenses involved.

The completion of the lounge came in September of 1972 with a total cost of \$85,000 involved.

This price also included the building of a new exterior entrance to the rink.

There were also several interior renovations carried out including increased seating capacity upstairs and the recovering of the end walls. Additional heaters were also installed. As well as all this manager George Woodward has spent many hours touching up and improving the locker rooms and the club rooms too.

The building is approximately 200 feet long by 120 feet wide.

The total worth of the club now is estimated at the \$250,000 mark.

## Reid Heads Local Curlers

Clarence Reid, a 52-year-old native of North Battleford is the President of the Granite Curling Club this year.

Mr. Reid who was born in the city and has lived here all his life succeeds George Woodward.

He has been a car salesman in the city for 15 years with Manning Mercury.

Mr. Reid was vice-president

The first executive of the Granite Club was made up of president Harold Jackson, vice-president Mark Winder, treasurer Joe Ulmer and secretary Jack Greenwood.



## Celia Macdonald Will Cut Ribbon At Official Opening