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North Battleford, Sask.

RINK RAT

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My interest in the history of the game in this "neck of the woods" was kindled by two events. One the Centennial of Fort Battleford and the second Battleford Ladies Bonspiel which was successfully completed over the weekend. The ladies had 40 entries. The rink travelling the farthest was the Betty Stewart foursome from Grand Centre, Alberta. The prize for the oldest curler in the 'spiel went to Mrs. Goldie Steele while the one for the youngest rink went to the Karen Mitchell entry. As is their custom the ladies provided excellent entertainment at their "Pot Luck Supper". The gernie of Shirley Micnick would certainly send her to the Mery Griffin Show. Puppeter Emma Buziak and her friend "Bird" displayed fine talent. Doris Dillabough brought her guitar to the rink Saturday night and kept the party rolling. On Sunday Penny Belt opened her home to the curlers - we sure enjoyed your hospitality Penny! The cartoons by Carol Juba were hilarious.

The Reeves Grand Challenge was won by Jean Guest of North Battleford. Curling with Jean were Carol Christopher, Nona Cross, and Janice Sharp.

Other winners were the Co-op Event - Phyllis MacLeod (N.B.); Eve's Beauty Salon - Olga Maybuck (N.B.); Battleford's Food Fair - Penny Milnthorp (Battleford); Revelstoke - Mary Sharpe (N.B.); and House of Kwon - Donna Beaton (Battleford).

Guest wins ladies spiel

Two North Battleford rinks met head on in the Reeves Business College Grand Aggregate (first) event of the annual Battleford Ladies' Bonspiel which was held Friday through Monday at the Battleford Curling Rink.

Jean Guest and her rink from the city scored an 9-6 victory over the Connie Wilson foursome, scoring two on the final end to secure the victory.

Other winners were as

follows. First name is that of the winning skip, the second that of the runner-up.

Revelstoke event — Mary Sharpe (North Battleford); Marryette Blais (Edam).

Co-op Insurance Event — Phyllis MacLeod (North Battleford); Betty Housen (Unity).

Ev's Beauty Salon Event
— Stell Petres (North Battleford); Pat Rathgeber (North
Battleford).

House of Kwon Event -

Donna Beaton (North Battleford); Carol Dyck (Meota).

Bonspiel chairman, Frances Mitchell, said that the bonspiel "was very successful. We had all the rinks we could handle and everything went without a hitch." A total of 40 rinks were entered with the rink travelling the greatest distance from Grand Centre, Alberta.

The majority of rinks were from the Battlefords with the Maidstone area and Unity also represented.



REEVES BUSINESS COLLEGE [FIRST] EVENT

(Left to right, Donna Beaton (making presentations); Jean Guest, skip; Carol Christopher, third; Nona Cross, second; Janice Sharp, lead.



CO-OP IMPLEMENTS EVENT

(Left to right) Phyllis MacLeod, skip; Marion Scott, third; Bill Lewchuk (making presentations); Rita Johnson, second; Shirley Hartley, lead.