

**International Tankard
Discussions on Reintroducing the Event**

- Date:** April 15, 2006
- Participants:** Steve Wade, Ross Johnson, Eric Jamieson, Jim Schuman, Wayne Braun, Nigel Easton
- Regrets:** Washington State representatives.
- Background:** After the 2004 International Tankard the participating associations agreed to postpone the event for one year while alternatives could be considered to ensure the continuing operation of the event. Washington State advised that they were having increasing difficulty finding members to participate because participation was generally restricted to one club.
- Discussion:** All agreed that the event is worth reviving. We wish to continue the focus on recognizing club volunteers.
- Issues:**
- Funding the event* We estimate a budget of \$1600.00 per year to cover crests and banquet costs. The group recommended that the participating associations will share the cost of the event each year.
- In BC we agreed that we would charge an entry fee (\$30.00) per person attending the event. We would expect interested clubs to pay this entry fee as recognition of their volunteers. We would further encourage clubs to assist with travel costs to the event.
- The benefit of this approach is that we open the event to all clubs that wish to participate (including Northern BC, Utah, California, Oregon)
- The hosting club will be asked to donate ice and put on the banquet. The banquet would be paid for out of the fee collected. Associations should consider an honorarium for use of the ice.
- Ownership and organization* Region 11 will organize and administer the event. We will ask for a three year commitment from the U.S.A.
- Scheduling* Continue with a March date for the first year (2007)
- Goal* To provide a visible reward for club volunteers

Format Options 24 Curlers from each country - 6 teams determined by associations
24 Curlers from each country - 6 teams to be determined at the opening social by draw.

Potential Sites: Golden Ears, Delta

To Do:

- 1. Eric will draft a history of the International Tankard for the Yearbook and Curl BC Newsletter.***
- 2. Steve to draft Terms of reference***
- 3. Nigel will look at alternate crestring costs***

Other Notes:

Region 11 will administer the renewed event but we stress that the event is open to all. This should permit Curl BC to fund in some fashion in the future.