



# Kitchener-Waterloo Oldtimers Newsletter



December, 2009

**Health & Welfare:** Well, believe it or not, we have almost reached the mid-point of our season. It seems like only yesterday we were digging out our equipment to get ready for the first game of the year. I hope everyone has had an enjoyable season so far. Unfortunately I know several players who have not. **Paul Thompson** of D2 had a run in with the end boards and came out on the short end with a broken leg. **Jim Hayes** from D3 also had a run in with the end boards and he to came up on the short end, breaking an ankle. Both Players are out for the season. **Ray Jacobs** (B4) had a hernia operation and will be out for several more weeks. **Bruce Reid** (B2) is also out for several weeks after taking a bad fall on the ice.

Following is a short note received by executive member **Mike Pollard** from **Bill Cook's wife Judy** thanking the league:

Dear Mike,

Please pass on to the K-W Oldtimers Hockey Club our sincere thanks for the generosity and support shown to our family at this difficult time.

Bill absolutely loved hockey and all the good friends associated with it. It greatly enriched his life over the years. He was such a special man that his passing leaves a void for all of us. He would have enjoyed seeing you in your hockey sweaters. It meant a lot to me. Many thanks.

Judy and Family

**2010 Annual Tournament:** The K-W Oldtimers Tournament will be held the weekend of February 5-7, 2010. Preparations are already underway to make this the best tournament ever. As usual we need your help. Anyone interested in helping the organizing committee setup the tournament or if you can be a bar tender or even be in charge of a facility for a shift or two, give **Mike Pollard** a call at **576-9284** and he will be happy to explain any of the jobs to you.

As in past years we will still be looking for hosts, scorekeepers and bar helpers from each team and your captain will have that information later in January. So mark those dates on your calendar now.

**Special Congratulations:** On November 6<sup>th</sup> a group of 12 golfers left for Myrtle Beach. Over half of the group are members of our league. On Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> while playing at Waterway Hills, executive member **Howard Rowley** scored a hole in one. I happened to be in the group and because there was a small mound in front of the pin, no one in the group saw the ball go in. When we got to the green and couldn't see Howard's ball I checked the hole and there it was. Congratulations Howard and you still owe me a drink.

**Blood Donor Clinic:** Received the following note from **Don Culp**.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Blood Donor Clinic was a big success. We had 15 donors on November 28<sup>th</sup> with other donors scheduled before the end of the year. Of those who donated, 5 were first timers and others had not given since their younger years. Several of our players said they are going to start donating blood on a regular basis.

The Oldtimers sign in book will remain at the clinic until the end of the year as this is a Christmas Promotion program. I will be the last name on the list when I donate on December 30<sup>th</sup>. I will then ask all the donors for permission to give the Canadian Blood Services their names and phone numbers and in this way our donors will be contacted directly and can book any future appointments themselves. This will eliminate any waiting time that some of the donors experienced this year.

Thanks to all our donors for their support. (A special thanks to the Health and Safety Committee for another job well done.)

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL  
HAVE AN ENJOYABLE BUT SAFE HOLIDAY  
SEASON AND WE'LL SEE YOU BACK ON  
THE ICE IN JANUARY.**