



The 1016th Challenge Summary
Sutton at North Hatley
Jan. 15, 2023



The 1016th challenge took place on Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023, at the North Hatley Curling Club. Their friends from the Sutton Curling Club made the 50-minute trek east.

The juniors once again opened the day and were on the ice as the guests arrived.

Following snacks and rules the teams made their way onto the ice.



Back Row (Sutton CC): Alan Morley, Victor Duncan, Fred Enns, Ian Joannides, Vincent Lengacher, Denis Broulliard, Yanik Houle, Ron Lancaster
Front Row (North Hatley CC): Christian Lupien, Joe Cox, Steve McPherson, Marty Rourke, Matt McCrea, Chelsea Cote, Morgan Cote, Marc Cote

North Hatley made a three line-up changes from their last defense, but they showed no ill effects. The home team jumped out to leads in both games. A spectacular shot by Sutton's Ian Joannides in the third end to cut North Hatley to just a single instead of 4 or 5 kept the game close for a little bit longer.

The hosts on sheet one (Marty Rourke, Steve McPherson, Joe Cox and Christian Lupien) scored in six consecutive ends to set the tone. Their teammates on sheet two (Matt McCrea, Chelsea Cote, Morgan Cote, Marc Cote) also were in control after a conservative start that saw two blanks in the first three ends.

At the break North Hatley led 7-2 before coming out and scoring in the sixth and seventh ends in both games en route to a 16-6 final.

After the game the teams exchanged pleasantries, stories and enjoyed a nice meal of meat balls, mashed potatoes, and carrots.

The cup was filled with the traditional rusty nail and enjoyed Covid style. Ian Joannides of Sutton claimed the bragging rights.

Once again, a great turnout of members and non-members to watch the game created a wonderful atmosphere at the small 2-sheet club.