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# Saint City scrap

## Granite gridlock looms in St. Albert as North America battles the World for the seventh Continental Cup



Team North America skips for the Continental Cup, from left: Cheryl Bernard, Kevin Martin, Jennifer Jones, Pete Fenton, and Erika Brown. Missing is Kevin Koe, who'll also be in action.



Skips for the Continental Cup's defending champion Team World, from left: David Murdoch, Bingyu Wang, Niklas Edin, Mirjam Ott, Thomas Ulsrud, and Andrea Schoepp.

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# Skipper's strategies? Just tune in



**TERRY JONES**  
Sun Media Columnist

Last rock in the Saskatchewan-Newfoundland game on Sheet B. Is Brad Gushue really thinking of trying a come-around angle freeze on the button?

Listen in.

Last rock in the Alberta-Nova Scotia game on Sheet D. Is Kevin Martin going to contemplate a 10-foot raise, angle-double-takeout?

Eavesdrop.

Last rock in the Ontario-Manitoba tilt on Sheet A. You don't think Glenn Howard is talking about trying a double-runback and roll-behind-cover?

Hear the debate.

Coming soon to a major curling event near you is a fan experience which no other sport will be able to offer.

Indeed, coming to you at the Continental Cup this week is an experiment which Warren Hansen of the Canadian Curling Association believes will be the future.

"I think if all of this works well, fans will soon be able to listen to what's going on with the curlers as they discuss shot strategy on every sheet.

"It's progressing there in our minds right now. We're just not sure how quickly things will be able to move.

"We will be experimenting with getting the transmitter situation correct at the Continental Cup so the special FM radio bugs will be able to be used at the Scotties in Charlottetown and the Tim Hortons Brier in London.

"For the Continental Cup, anyone who brings an FM radio to the venue can easily tune into the TSN commentators on the broadcast (at 88.9 on the FM dial). We'll get this up and running by the Scot-ties where fans will be able to either bring their own radio or purchase one of the inexpensive headsets from our merchandise area."

Curling TV numbers have become the phenomenon of the sports world.

## Ring discussions soon to be available on FM radio

Indeed, four of the teams competing for the Continental Cup -- Canada's Kevin Martin, Norway's Thomas Ulsrud, Germany's Andrea Schopp and Canada's Cheryl Bernard -- all played before almost seven million on Canadian television alone during the gold-medal games of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games.

As was the case with the Torino 2006 and Salt Lake 2002 Olympics, the TV numbers reported around the world were mind-boggling for the often ridiculed sport where they throw rocks at houses and sweep pimped ice with brooms.

"The use of RF mikes is what has set curling apart from all other sports and has been a contributing factor to the large television numbers we enjoy today," says Hansen, a former Brier winner curler with Hec Gervais, who also won three Little Grey Cups playing football with the Edmonton Huskies.

"We also allow the cameras in very tight on the curlers so someone sitting in their living room feels as

if they are right there in the conversation between the skip and vice skip.

"It is the only sport where the television viewer feels as if they are in the midst of the action. I believe the result is that it has brought in a great many viewers who otherwise may not be there."

The trouble is, it meant that the guy watching at home for free on TV was, although missing the live atmosphere and the experience of being there, which was phenomenal at the Vancouver Olympics, being cheated out of the thing which has made the sport compelling on TV.

This will now bring that component into play for those sitting in the stands.

"Our initial plan is to easily make it possible for all fans to listen to the FM signal provided by TSN. Making the RF mikes available on every sheet would be the next step. But we aren't there yet."

If this becomes a part of the live curling experience, it will be a legacy of the Vancouver Olympics where the bugs were made

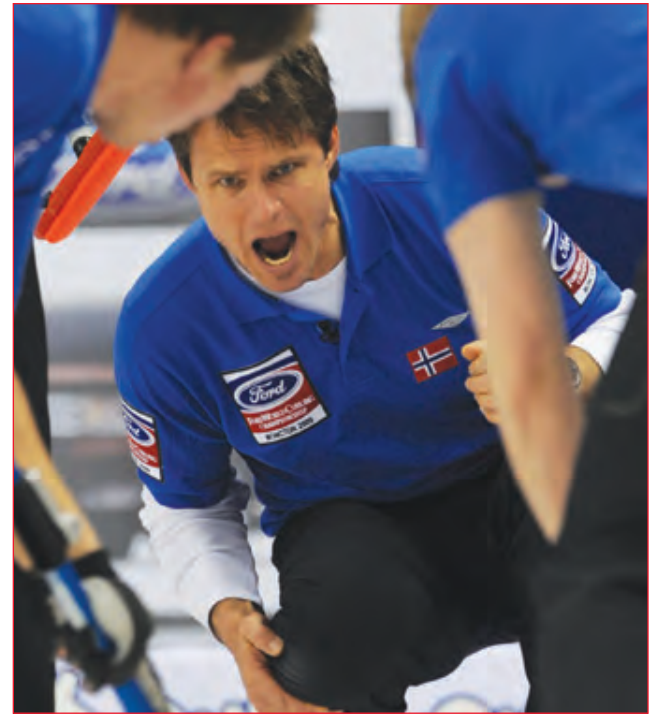
available to the crowd and Edmonton radio host Jackie Ray Greening, the organizing committee chairman of the 2005 Brier, 2007 Worlds and 2009 Olympic Trials in Edmonton, delivered a running commentary to the crowd, directing their attention from one sheet to the other.

"The experiment with Jackie Rae worked very well, which is why we're

expanding the idea this year with plans to create something even more extensive for the future," said Hansen.

"I think one of the reasons it was especially popular in Vancouver was because a large percentage of the audience was not very familiar with curling.

"Actor Donald Sutherland was at the venue a lot in the latter days and he always had on a headset."



Thomas Ulsrud's tactical moves, for your ears only, will be available at 88.9 FM this week at the arena.

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# Seventh heaven!

**Each team has won three times,  
with no repeat victories.  
Continental Cup VII is too close to call**

**Larry Wood**  
Morning Cup Editor

**S**o the show goes on . . . today at the Servus Credit Union Place . . . which signals good reason for three cheers and the proverbial tiger . . . but for more than some time there was more than some doubt.

Moments after the conclusion of the Team World triumph at Camrose in December, 2008, curling's version of the Ryder Cup was being embalmed and prepared for a deep-six burial.

The Continental Cup had no sponsor in sight and everybody in the administrative chambers of the World Curling Federation and the Canadian Curling Association admitted it was just too expensive to stage without commercial assistance.

Then, lo and behold, along came the World Financial Group to assist in cranking open the sepulchre and providing illumination for the resurrection of an event that had been enjoying immense popularity among the game's elite players and legions of fans.

Hence, Continental Cup VII — the World Financial Group Continental Cup presented by Monsanto, if you must know — and for the third time in its history, a rubber match. These keep cropping up because neither Team World nor Team North America has managed to put together a string of victories numbering more than one.

Team World has the latest opportunity to repeat. It won rounds two, four and six while the home squad was successful at the inaugural and in rounds three and five.

"I don't think winning here necessarily is the most important thing in this competition," said World captain Pal Trulsen, the



**Top, North America's Pete Fenson of Bemidji, Minn., a veteran of the 2003 and 2006 Continental Cups, delivers a rock during Wednesday's practice session. Above, World captain Pål Trulsen talks turkey with Qingshuang Yue, left, and Bingyu Wang.**

Norwegian from Oslo, on Wednesday.

"The most important thing is to make good competition and try to carry it right down to the last shot in the last skins game to decide it. All our decisions are geared in hopes that is what happens.

"The best thing for us is to have a good weekend and every body goes home with a smile on his face. Then we come back next year and win if we don't win this year."

Trulsen and coach Peja Lindholm directed the winner last time and both are back in their respective roles.

"I said the World team

was the strongest-ever in 2008?" Trulsen repeats a question.

"Ha, that's what the team captain has to say every time. Actually, I think this lineup is as strong as the one we had (at Camrose). But I'd say the North Americans have as tough a lineup as I've seen, too. You have Martin and Koe on the same team. That's pretty close to one that had Martin and Ferbey together in Regina.

"Maybe we'll have a fantastic weekend," he said with a grin. "Or maybe not."

Rookie Northern American captain Neil Harrison of Newmarket, Ont.,

stresses the fun aspect of the production.

"You spend your whole time in curling cheering against somebody and all of a sudden you're all one team now," he said.

"I was surprised and honoured (to be chosen). It was basically a no-brainer. I'm still a pretty big curling fan. How do you say no to come out and see this kind of curling? I haven't been too involved lately. You do your time, I spent a lot of years on the ice and I really enjoyed it. But I do enjoy a bit of coaching (with Patti Lank's U.S. team).

Harrison's coaching mate is Thunder Bay's Rick

Lang, who handled the duties in Continental Cup II, and lost.

"He's the brains and I'm not the beauty so I'm not sure how we'll get on," said Harrison. "But it'll be a joint thing. Rick's done a lot of homework on this.

"This will be more fun than anything. It's like being out there because you feel you have some influence on it as captain. But you can't see going too far wrong with the talent you've got in front of you. It makes it a lot easier."

The North American talent includes teams skipped by Edmonton's Kevin Martin and Kevin Koe (Olym-

pic and world champs respectively), Cheryl Bernard and Jennifer Jones (Olympic runnersup and Canadian champs), Pete Fenson and Erika Brown (U.S. champs).

The World opposition will come from teams skipped by Thomas Ulsrud (Norway), Niklas Edin (Sweden) and David Murdoch (Scotland, directing an all-star lineup), Andrea Schoepp (world champ from Germany), Bingyu Wang (China) and Mirjam Ott (Switzerland).

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## CONTINENTAL CUP FLASHBACK: REGINA 2002

# Electric debut earns rave reviews

Morning Cup staff

Remember the way they used to promote those big-budget biblical film epics, usually with Charlton Heston in the lead role?

Ten years in the making, a dozen Academy Award nominations, blah-blah-blah?

Well, curling's version made its debut at Regina in November, 2002, leading up to Remembrance Day.

Officials from Canada and around the planet had spent seven years plotting the idea of an event based on golf's Ryder Cup. It took that long to clear up the logistics, the disciplines, the rules and the merchandising to television. But when it came off — and, wow, did it come off, with a finish that only a scriptwriter steeped in fiction could have produced — the rave reviews were bouncing around the curling world for at least the remainder of the month.

The players were ecstatic — such utterances as, “one the best events I've ever played in” and “they're creating something very

special here” were heard.

The coaches (Rick Folk and Kristian Sorum) thought it was great — such utterances as, “it just doesn't get any better than this,” were heard.

The officials were drooling and rubbing their palms in glee — such utterances as “we'll average 5,000 per draw within five years” were heard.

The media was uncharacteristically positive, as in unanimous — such questions as, “how in the world do you top that?” were asked in print.

The television people were impressed and so were the fans. It was hit-parade stuff. A sure winner. And, in no time, word was seeping down they'd be back with Continental Cup II at Thunder Bay.

The final format, rules for which still were being tinkered with as they turned the November page on the calendar, called for six teams (three of each gender) from North America to contest six teams from Europe (otherwise known as World) in four disciplines — team play (12 regular games of eight ends duration worth six points

per result), mixed doubles (a new wrinkle involving a half-dozen six-end matches worth six points per), singles (a variation of the Ford Hot Shots points game involving 12 matches worth two points per result with an eight-point bonus to the winning side) and skins competition (which embraced six matches of eight ends duration, two valued at 30 points, two at 40 points and a climactic two valued at 60 points).

After four days of action, the issue boiled down to a Kevin Martin-vs.-Peter Lindholm skins tussle with Martin's North Americans (Don Walchuk, Carter Rycroft, Don Bartlett of Edmonton) requiring 26 points with three ends to go and Lindholm's Europeans (Tomas Nordin, Magnus Swartling, Peter Narup of Östersund, Sweden) needing a mere 11.

“When we came here I knew it was going to be a fun event but, whoa, it got incredibly tense,” said Martin, shortly after stealing the 13-point final end.

The North Americans were gifted a 20-point skin in the seventh end when Lindholm attempted a long-



Kevin Martin's crew authored an incredible rally in the final skins game to lead the North Americans to a win over Europe in the first Continental Cup.

chance last shot for all the marbles that, with his miss, guaranteed him control of the hammer in the last end. Martin had been attempt-

ing to tease Lindholm into attempting a routine draw facing a pair to force a carryover which would have given the North Americans

the last-end hammer.

Lindholm then narrowly missed another long-chance shot in the final end after Martin had caromed his last rock off one of his own and nudged another of his stones behind cover into undisputed shot position in the four-foot, just in front of a Lindholm brick stationed behind the button.

“He was running a 20-foot double raise,” said Martin of Lindholm's last effort, “and he came within a half-inch — that's close.

“I've never experienced anything like that because there's never been anything like that before where you watch teams play and you're just dying with every shot they make. It doesn't make sense, but it's true. It's fun.

“And it's pretty cool. If Colleen (Jones) didn't win that last skin (in the women's final), we were sunk. I couldn't sit still.”

The North Americans trailed by 34 points (157-to-123) heading into the final two skins matches, each worth 60 points.

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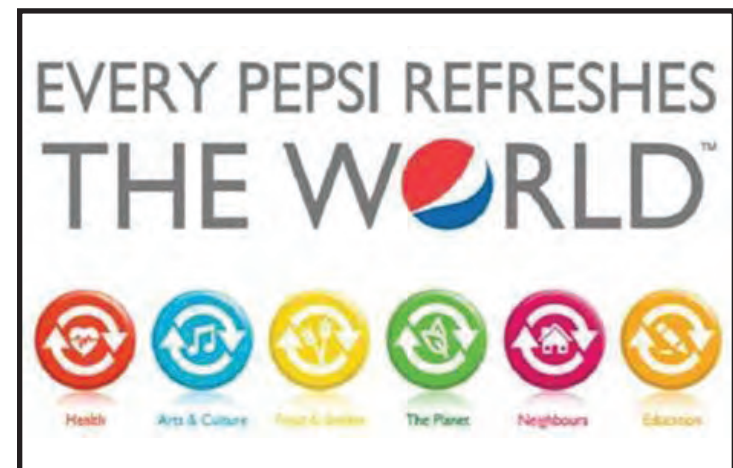
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“The fun thing about this event is that our teammates are our normal opponents,” said Schoepp.

“It’s a good feeling, it’s a fun feeling, you have to be relaxed and just try your best. You just enjoy being out there. And I think it’s the most fun if this event goes right down to the last game. It’s what I like. It’s kind of boring if it’s one-sided, win or lose.”

The idea for the Continental Cup was hatched back in 1995 during discussions that led to the formation of curling’s Season-of-Champions concept.

The World Curling Federation already had heard the suggestion from members of the International Olympic Committee that additional disciplines in the sport would be looked upon favourably. So the powers-that-be started tossing around formats.

Soon, a concept was taken beyond the drawing-board stage. It was original-

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ly planned to take the place of the Canadian Olympic Curling Trials during the three seasons between pre-Olympic years and, in the latter, would be held but staged out of Canada — either in the U.S. or Europe.


“A lot of suggestions were raised,” recalls CCA director of events Warren Hansen of Vancouver, “with a view toward the desire and need to introduce different aspects of curling. I mean, even golf has a variety of approaches other than medal play. And, from the Olympic standpoint, we’d been encouraged to develop different methods of participation.”

Hence, the current tradition-busting format which brings together 12 top curling teams to compete in a unique combine, embrac-

ing singles (points curling), doubles (a whole new wrinkle born of a proposal for competition involving both genders, equal participation, with a quick and aggressive style of play), team (normal championship play) and skins (play emphasizing the result of each end rather than just the final outcome) which was introduced in Canada as a made-for-television event back in 1986.

Much like the Ryder golf shootout, a total of 400 points are available to the sparring sides from the four curling disciplines. The first team to reach 201 points will be declared the winner, which is worth \$52,000 (Cdn) of the total \$91,000 (Cdn) in prize money.

Granted, the prize pot has shrunken by more than 50 per cent from its original \$200,000 (Cdn) but that is a reflection of the times and the fact that the original outlay involved sponsorship.



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## CONTINENTAL CUP: MEET THE TEAMS



# North America



## Cheryl Bernard (Canada)

**Home club:** Calgary Curling Club

Bernard, a 44-year-old native of Grande Prairie, is vice-president, marketing and co-owner of Insurance Associates Group. **Qualified:** 2010 Olympic Winter Games silver medalist.

Skipped at 2009 Tim Hortons Canadian Curling Trials (7-1 in Edmonton, won); skipped Canada at 2010 Olympic Winter Games (9-2 in Vancouver, silver medal, losing in an extra end to Sweden's Anette Norberg); skipped Alberta in four Scotties Tournament of Hearts (as Kullman) in 1992 (4-7 in Halifax), as Bernard in 1996 (8-5 in Thunder Bay, runner-up), 2007 (7-6 in Lethbridge) and 2009 (6-5 in Victoria); skipped at 2005 (0-5), 2007 (1-4), 2008 (5-2, third place), 2009 (4-3, third place) and 2010 (5-2 in Medicine Hat, runner-up, \$18,200) Canada Cup; won 2010 Players' Championship; won gold medal at 2004 Karuizawa Invitational; won 1993 Alberta Mixed, as third for skip Terry Meek, but could not play in Canadian Mixed in Swift Current that year.

**Other members:** Third **Susan O'Connor**, 33, born in Calgary; respiratory therapist, Foothills Medical Centre, won two Canadian mixed championships for Alberta, at third for Dean Ross (2008) and Kevin Koe (2000), played in two Scotties; second **Carolyn Darbyshire**, 47, born in Arborg, Man., office manager/owner, Canadian Decal Installers, played in three Scotties; lead **Cori Morris**, 39, born in Humboldt, Sask.; recruiter, Friday Professional Group, played in two Scotties.



## Erika Brown (USA)

**Home club:** Madison CC (Madison, Wis.)

Brown, a 37-year-old native of Madison, is a physician's assistant at Stone Church Family Medical Centre in Oakville, Ont. **Qualified:** 2010 U.S.A. women's champion.

Played for the U.S. in six Ford Worlds: as skip in 2010 (7-5 in Swift Current), as third for skip Lisa Schoeneberg in 1995 (4-5) and 1996 (8-3 in Hamilton, silver medal), as third for skip Patti Lank in 1999 (silver medal), 2002 and 2004; played in two Olympic Winter Games as third for United States skip Lisa Schoeneberg: in 1998 (2-5 in Karuizawa/Nagano) and 1988 (4-4 in Calgary); played in six World Juniors for United States: as skip in 1989 (4-5 in Markham, Ontario), 1991 (5-4 in Glasgow), 1992 (8-3 in Oberstdorf, Germany, silver medal), 1993 (6-4 in Grindelwald, bronze medal) and 1994 (7-4 in Sofia, Bulgaria, silver medal); as third for skip Tracy Zeman (Sachtjen) in 1988 (2-6 in Chamonix, France); member of Team North America at 2002 (won, in Regina) and 2004 (won, in Medicine Hat) Continental Cup.

**Other members:** Third **Nina Spatola**, 22, born in Madison, nursing student at Edgewood College, skipped U.S. teams in World Juniors at Jeonju (2006) and Ostersund (2008); second **Ann Swisshelm**, 42, born in Middletown, Ohio, resides in Chicago, Ill., played in four Ford Worlds, won gold in 2003 at Winnipeg with skip Debbie McCormick, played for U.S. skip Kari Erickson in 2002 Olympic Winter Games at Salt Lake City; lead **Laura Hallisey**, 24, born in Boston, Mass., doctoral student, Jefferson School of Pharmacy, Medfield, Mass.



## Pete Fenson (USA)

**Home club:** Bemidji CC (Bemidji, Minn.)

Fenson, a 41-year-old native of Bemidji, is a restaurant owner in his hometown. **Qualified:** 2010 U.S.A. men's champion.

Skipped U.S.A. at 2006 Olympic Winter Games (7-4 in Torino/Pinerolo, bronze medal), defeating Great Britain (skip David Murdoch), 8-6 in bronze-medal game; played in six Ford Worlds for United States: as skip in 2003 (2-7 in Winnipeg), 2005 (8-4 in Victoria), 2006 (7-5 in Lowell) and 2010 (8-5 in Cortina d'Ampezzo); as third for skip Scott Baird in 1993 (6-6 in Geneva, bronze medal) and 1994 (5-6 in Oberstdorf); member of Team North America at 2003 (lost, in Thunder Bay) and 2006 (lost, in Chilliwack) Continental Cups.

**Other members:** Third **Shawn Rojas**, 38, born in Virginia, Minn., field engineer for Lakehead Constructors, Chisholm, Minn. Played in 2006 Olympic Winter Games, four Worlds, two World Juniors, two previous Continental Cups; second **Joe Polo**, 28, born in Duluth, Minn., mechanical engineer for Lakehead Constructors, Bemidji, played in the 2006 Olympic Winter Games, three Ford Worlds and one previous Continental Cup; lead **Ryan Brunt**, 25, born in Portage, Wis., substitute schoolteacher in Bemidji.



## Jennifer Jones (Canada)

**Home club:** St. Vital CC (Winnipeg)

Jones, a 36-year-old native of Winnipeg, is a corporate counsel for Wellington West Capital. **Qualified:** 2010 Canadian women's (Scotties) champion

Skipped in seven Scotties Tournament of Hearts for Manitoba/Team Canada, winning four times: in 2002 (8-4 in Brandon), 2005 (11-2 in St. John's, won), 2006 (10-4 in London, runner-up), 2007 (10-3 in Lethbridge, third place), 2008 (11-4 in Regina, won), 2009 (11-4 in Victoria, won) and 2010 (10-3 in Sault Ste. Marie, won); skipped Canada at 2005 (8-4 in Paisley, Scotland), 2008 (11-3 in Vernon, gold medal), 2009 (9-4 in Gangneung) and 2010 (11-3 in Swift Current, bronze medal) Ford Worlds; member of Team North America at 2007 (won, in Medicine Hat) and 2008 (lost, in Camrose) Continental Cup; skipped at 2005 (5-4 in Halifax) and 2009 (2-5 in Edmonton) Tim Hortons Canadian Curling Trials; played in four Canadian Juniors for Manitoba, winning once: as skip in 1993 (8-4 in Trois-Rivières), 1994 (11-4 in Truro, won) and 1995 (0-1 as defending champion in Regina); as third for skip Jill Staub (Thurston) in 1991 (10-2 in Leduc, runner-up). \*Note: 1995 was the overlap year. The Jones team, as the 1994 Canadian champions, played one semi-final game only at the 1995 Canadian Juniors, in order to try to advance to the final and a chance to qualify for the 1995 World Juniors.

**Other members:** Third **Kaitlyn Lawes**, 22, born in Winnipeg, human nutritional sciences student, University of Manitoba, skipped in two Canadian Juniors — 2008 in Sault Ste. Marie and 2009 at Salmon Arm — and won both, skipped in two World Juniors (7-5 in Ostersund, 2008, 8-4 at Vancouver, 2009); second **Jill Officer**, 35, born in Winnipeg, RBC Olympian community ambassador, played with skip Jones since 1993; lead **Dawn Askin**, 30, born in Ottawa, case officer for Public Works and Government Services, Canada, joined Jones team in 2007.



## Kevin Koe (Canada)

**Home club:** Saville Sports Centre (Edmonton)

Koe, a 36-year-old native of Edmonton, is a surface landman for Talisman Energy, Calgary. **Qualified:** 2010 Canadian men's (Brier) champion.

Skipped Alberta at 2010 Tim Hortons Brier (11-3 in Halifax, won); skipped Canada at 2010 Capital One World Men's (11-2 in Cortina d'Ampezzo, gold medal); played in two Tim Hortons Canadian Curling Trials: as skip in 2009 (4-3 in Edmonton), as third for John Morris in 2005 (6-3 in Halifax, third place); played in eight Canada Cups: as skip in 2003 (2-3), 2007 (4-2), 2008 (6-1, \$28,200, won), 2009 (3-2 in Yorkton) and 2010 (5-3 in Medicine Hat, third place), as third for skip John Morris in 2004 (runner-up), 2005 and 2006 (third place); skipped Alberta at 2000 Canadian Mixed (10-3 in Lethbridge, won); skipped Yukon/NWT at 1994 Canadian Juniors (8-4 in Truro, runner-up); member of Team North America at 2008 Continental Cup (lost, in Camrose).

**Other members:** Third **Blake MacDonald**, 34, born in Cold Lake, AB., investment banker for Franvest Capital Partners, played in two Briers, two Canadian Olympic trials, one Canadian Junior and the 2008 Continental Cup at Camrose; second **Carter Rycroft**, 33 born in Grande Prairie, owner of Prairie West Ventures, Edmonton, played in three Briers, a silver medalist at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, won the 2010 Ford Worlds, two Continental Cups, skipped Alberta at the 1998 Canadian Junior, losing final to John Morris; lead **Nolan Thiessen**, 30, born in Pilot Mound, Man., a chartered accountant with Ernst & Young, Edmonton; played with Koe since 2007 and with skip Mike McEwen in the 2001 Canadian Juniors and the 2003 World University Games (gold medal). Debut at Continental Cup at Camrose.



## Kevin Martin (Canada)

**Home club:** Saville Sports Centre (Edmonton)

Martin, a 44-year-old native of Killam, Alta., is a sports equipment retailer in Edmonton and requires no introduction to curling fans around the world. **Qualified:** 2010 Olympic Winter Games gold medalist.

Skipped for Canada at three Olympic Winter Games: in 1992 (3-2 in Albertville, fourth place), 2002 (9-2 in Salt Lake City/Ogden, Utah, silver medal) and 2010 (11-0 in Vancouver, gold medal, defeating Norway's Thomas Ulsrud, 6-3 in final); skipped Alberta in 10 Briers, winning four times: in 1991 (10-3 in Hamilton, won), 1992 (8-4 in Regina, third place), 1995 (8-5 in Halifax, third place), 1996 (11-3 in Kamloops, runner-up), 1997 (12-1 in Calgary, won), 2000 (6-5 in Saskatoon), 2006 (8-4 in Regina), 2007 (8-4 in Hamilton), 2008 (13-0 in Winnipeg, won) and 2009 (13-0 in Calgary, won); skipped Canada in four World Men's, winning once: in 1991 (10-1 in Winnipeg, silver medal), 1997 (7-4 in Berne, fourth place), 2008 (12-2 in Grand Forks, North Dakota, gold medal) and 2009 (11-3 in Moncton, silver medal); member of Team North America at 2002 (won, in Regina) and 2008 (lost, in Camrose) Continental Cup; skipped Alberta at 1985 Canadian Juniors (9-4 in St. John's, won); skipped Canada at 1986 World Juniors (10-1 in Dartmouth, silver medal)

**Other members:** Third **John Morris**, 32, born in Winnipeg, firefighter for Rockview Fire Service, Chestermere, Alta., joined Martin in 2007 after skipping Ontario at the 2002 Brier. Skipped three Ontario teams at the Canadian Juniors, winning twice and adding world junior titles each time. Debut at Camrose in Continental Cup; second **Marc Kennedy**, 28, born in St. Albert, M&M Meat Shops owner, joined Martin in 2007. Played in three Canadian Juniors, for Carter Rycroft (1998) and for Jeff Erickson (1999 and 2001); lead **Ben Hebert**, 27, born in Regina, marketing representative for Fugro SESL Geomatics. Joined Martin in 2007.



## Captain: Neil Harrison

Retired fire captain, 61, from Newmarket, Ont. Played in six Labatt Briers for Ontario — skip Ed Werenich as second in 1981 (7-5 in Halifax), as lead in 1983 (12-1 in Sudbury, won), 1984 (10-5 in Victoria, runner-up), 1995 (8-5 in Halifax) and 1997 (7-5 in Calgary), as lead for skip Paul Savage in 1988 (8-4 in Chicoutimi-Jonquière, third place); played lead for Canada skip Ed Werenich

at 1983 Air Canada Silver Broom World Men's (10-1 in Regina, gold medal); first-team all-star lead at 1983, 1984 and 1988 Briers; won 10 Canadian Firefighter curling championships, six times as skip, four times as third for Ed Werenich; coached Scotland (skip Ewan MacDonald) at 2004 Ford Worlds (5-4 in Gävle, Sweden); currently coach of Patti Lank team of the United States.



## Coach: Rick Lang

Clinical investigator, Office of the Children's Lawyer, Lang, 57, of Thunder Bay, played in 10 Briers for Northern Ontario, winning three; as skip in 1976 (5-6 in Regina), 1991 (7-5 in Hamilton) and 1993 (9-5 in Ottawa, third place); as third for skip Bill Tetley in 1975 (9-2 in Fredericton, won), as third for Al Hackner in 1980 (9-4 in Calgary, runner-up), 1981 (9-3 in Halifax, runner-up), 1982 (10-3 in Brandon, won), 1985 (9-4 in Moncton, won), 1988 (5-6 in Chicoutimi-Jonquière) and 1995 (6-5 in Halifax); played in three World Men's as third, winning twice: in 1982 (9-2 in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, gold

medal) and in 1985 (8-3 in Glasgow, gold medal) for Canada skip Al Hackner; in 1975 (7-3 in Perth, bronze medal) for Canada skip Bill Tetley; skipped N. Ontario at 1981 Canadian Mixed (9-4 in Winnipeg, won); coach of Team North America at 2003 Continental Cup (lost, in Thunder Bay); coach of Krista McCarville team (won 2010 Pre-Trials B final in Prince George, third place at 2009 Tim Hortons Canadian Curling Trials in Edmonton and 2010 Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Sault Ste. Marie); played lead for N. Ontario skip Doug Smith at 1971 Canadian Juniors (9-2 in Kamloops, runner-up)



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The first team to score 201 points latched onto the Continental Cup. And the final day's drama was stifling.

Jones and her Halifax team of Kim Kelly, Mary-Anne Waye and Nancy Delahunt faced four-time world champion Elisabet Gustafson of Umeå, Sweden, in the final women's collision and, heading into the last end, Jones had managed to trim the deficit by a mere nine points with the Europeans threatening to pull within 11 points with an eighth-end steal.

"Skins games can get carried away but holding a team to 11 with 60 available is almost impossible," admitted Martin.

But Jones forced a carry-over in the eighth end with a cold outturn draw to the pinhole with her last rock. Then, with skips drawing sudden-death for the final points, Jones slammed another cold draw on the same pinhole. Gustafson's matching attempt slipped past the button.

"Wow, those are two draws I'll be able to talk about for the rest of my life," gushed the Canadian women's champion afterward. "I'm glad we were able to give him (Kevin Martin) a chance at it in the last game.

"It's hard to put the enormity of those shots in the back of your mind because you're part of such a team here. You know your mates are hanging on every shot. It's really a wonderful experience. I don't think any of us ever felt this kind of atmosphere and it's

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a whole different pressure when you're playing those shots."

The Jones draw duet left the Europeans in front 176-to-164.

Martin hit for a four-point skin in the first end (176-168) of the final thriller, Lindholm forced a second-end carry-over and stole 10 on the third end (186-168). Martin came back with a six-point skin in the fourth (186-174) but Lindholm persevered again and grabbed a seven-point skin in the fifth end (193-174).

With the issue in precarious doubt, Martin forced a nine-point carryover in the sixth end with two precise shots, a double-kill followed by a draw to the pin, then stole 20 in the seventh to go up 194-193 with the entire event riding on the final exchange. The final count: North America 207, Europe (World) 193, with Martin claiming 43 of the 60 available points in the last match.

Amazingly, the North Americans squeaked through in spite of a near-blanking of Kelley Law's team. Law, third Julie Skinner and lead Diane Dezura contributed

no points to the effort and second Georgina Wheatcroft was limited to a two-point singles victory. The Law team twice lost to Olympic gold medallist Rhona Martin of Scotland in team play, then was blanked 30-0 by Luzia Ebnöther of Switzerland in the 30-point skins opener.

"This is the hardest thing we've ever had to face," said Law afterward. "It's like we were an anchor. It's amazing how things went. I can't believe it. Not one point! It was bizarre, terrible, devastating, really. It was like fate dictated we weren't supposed to get a point. We didn't come here just to have fun and get some guaranteed money. That's not what it's all about. It was about the bigger team. But to end up like this, for us, we are going to take it hard."

Shortly after the event, Law switched her batting order with Wheatcroft moving to third and Skinner dropping to second.

Jones and Patti Lank of the U.S. picked up the slack for the women, each winning two team games and outscoring their opponents in skins by a 66-34 margin.

The European women won

five of six singles matches and joined male counterparts in winning four of six mixed doubles clashes for a total of 34 points. The North American men split six singles matches and won four of six team matches with Kevin Martin winning a pair, Randy Ferbey of Edmonton and Paul Pustovar of Madison, Wis., one each.

By virtue of their domination of the singles, the Europeans earned an eight-bonus offered at the completion of the discipline.

In earlier skins affairs, Pustovar (Mike Fraboni, Geoff Goodland, Richard Maskel) was blanked 30-0 by Hammy McMillan of Scotland but Ferbey (Dave Nedohin, Scott Pfeifer, Marcel Rocque) kept the North Americans in it by

outpointing Olympic gold medallist Pål Trulsen of Norway 30-10 in the 40-pointer.

"I've played this game for 20-some years," said Ferbey, "and I've never experienced anything like this. There are so many highs and lows during the week. It's great. Unbelievable."

Added Jones:

"This is going to be such a huge success. It's more exciting that the world championship. It's a fabulous format and I think the team play far surpassed anything that any of us could have imagined."

Indeed, player bonding on the teams combined with the complexities and emotions exhibited throughout proved to be one of its most compelling qualities.

"It exceeded our expecta-

tions," said Canadian Curling Association event manager Warren Hansen of Vancouver. "I thought we'd have a lot more question marks as this progressed — we should have done this, should have changed that. But there aren't a lot of things we will change. A few, but not a lot. I thought even if things were positive there'd be some naysayers among the players. But I haven't heard one discouraging word."

The winning team divvied up \$125,000 in prize money and the losers split \$75,000. Funny thing, the prize money appeared to be an afterthought.

Nobody mentioned it until much later . . . when they were passing out the cheques at a closing function.

## North America 207, World 193

### North America

(players and points scored)

Kevin Martin (57), Don Walchuk (55), Carter Rycroft (55), Don Bartlett (55), Edmonton, Canada. Total: 222.  
Colleen Jones (53), Kimberly Kelly (59), Mary-Anne Waye (53), Nancy Delahunt (53), Halifax, Canada. Total: 218.  
Patti Lank (37), Erika Brown (43), Nicole Joraanstad (37), Natalie Nicholson (37), Madison, Wis., U.S.A. Total: 154.  
Randy Ferbey (36), Dave Nedohin (fourth) (42), Scott Pfeifer (38), Marcel Rocque (36), Edmonton, Canada. Total: 152.  
Paul Pustovar (12), Mike Fraboni (6), Geoff Goodland (8), Richard Maskel (6), Madi-

son, Wis., U.S.A. Total: 32.  
Kelley Law (0), Julie Skinner (0), Georgina Wheatcroft (2), Diane Dezura (0), New Westminster, Canada. Total: 2.

### World

(players and points scored)

Luzia Ebnöther (36), Carmen Kung (32), Tanya Frei (30), Nadia Rothlisberger (30), Berne, Switzerland. Total: 128.  
Peja Lindholm (35), Tomas Nordin (35), Magnus Swartling (29), Peter Narup (29), Östersund, Sweden. Total: 128.  
Hammy McMillan (30), Norman Brown (36), Hugh Aitken (32), Roger McIntyre (30), Stranraer, Scotland. Total: 128.  
Rhona Martin (33), Debbie

Knox (29), Fiona MacDonald (29), Janice Rankin (27), Glasgow, Scotland. Total: 118.  
Elisabet Gustafson (27), Katarina Nyberg (27), Louise Marmot (19), Elisabeth Persson (19), Umeå, Sweden. Total: 92.  
Pål Trulsen (10), Lars Vagberg (16), Flemming Davanger (12), Bengt Aniund Ramsfjell (12), Oslo, Norway. Total: 50.

**Mixed Doubles:** World 24, North America 12  
**Singles:** World 24 (including 8-point bonus), North America 8  
**Teams:** North America 48, World 24  
**Skins:** North America 139, World 121.

CONTINENTAL CUP FLASHBACK: THUNDER BAY 2003

# Euro slingers crush hosts' hopes

Morning Cup staff

**B**ragging rights — and the \$125,000 in winners' loot — were carried back across the big pond at Thunder Bay in November, 2003, when Team Europe outpointed Team North America 208-179 in the second Continental Cup competition, totally on the strength of last-day skins action.

North American won the inaugural at Regina with big wins of the final day from Colleen Jones and Kevin Martin. This time, the Swedish pair of Anette Norberg and Peja Lindholm combined at the finish to nail down the victory for the 24-member overseas group.

Lindholm of Östersund managed to take 17 points in the climactic men's 60-point skins game against North America's Randy Ferbey of Edmonton but it was Norberg who set the table.

World champion Ferbey (Dave Nedohin, Scott Pfeiffer, Marcel Rocque) faced a monumental challenge — a 42-point deficit remaining after Norberg blanked

North America's Sherry Middaugh of Coldwater, Ont., 60-0 in the 60-point women's finale.

Lindholm (Tomas Nordin, Magnus Swartling, Peter Narup), a two-time world champion, had played in the finale the year previous as the Kristian Soerum-captained Europeans lost 207-193 at the last gasp. But Lindholm wasn't about to blow the advantage left to him this time, even though Ferbey and Co., took a great run at it, nabbing the first three skins worth 14 points, then pulling to within 18 points in the sixth end of the eight-end contest.

Spurred on by the crowd chanting 'Stayin' Alive' and the faint possibility of another Miracle On Ice, Ferbey's team played what could be described as the most defensive strategy it has adopted in several years, cautiously ensuring that Lindholm could neither set up a deuce or be in a position to steal.

In skins, of course, each end is worth a stated number of points, but in order to claim the points a team must either score two or more points with hammer

or steal one or more without it. If neither transpires, the points value is carried over to the next end.

Trailing 14-0, Lindholm was able to take a six-point skin in the fourth end. After a fifth-end carryover, the sixth end proved dynamic when Nedohin, who throws skip rocks for the Ferbey team, executed an amazing triple takeout with his last stone, killing all three Lindholm counters, two on the button, one in the four-foot. The result left North America with a host of rocks in the rings and forced Lindholm to make a decision — either draw the four-foot, give up the hammer and force a carryover or throw his rock away, give Ferbey the 'skin' worth 16 points on a steal, but retain the hammer. Lindholm chose the latter, leaving North America in front 30-6 but Europe in a position to win the match by taking either of the last two ends, worth 11 and 13 points respectively.

In the seventh end, worth 11 points, the strategy paid off and the game suddenly ended innocently enough when Nedohin's final stone, an attempted outside



Sherry Middaugh, pictured, was blanked 60-0 by Anette Norberg in the 60-point women's skins game, setting the table for a Team World victory.

come-around to the eight-foot, wound up raising a Lindholm stone further into the 12-foot, which, combined with another stone

at the back of the 12-foot, gave the Swedish skip the required two counters and the decision without the necessity of a final shot.

Having surpassed the magic 201-point mark (of the 400 points available), Europe was the winner overall and the final end was not played.

"It feels very good," said Lindholm, who had played two skins games in his life: "I actually told Tomas (Nordin) after we won that this is a different feeling than winning a worlds. This was wild, really wild. Ferbey's team was playing excellent every end and they kept the pressure on us. But I'm proud of my team for the way we stood up and won."

Reacting to Nedohin's triple-kill in the sixth, Lindholm added:

"That was an unbelievable shot, one of the best I've ever seen. But I've always focused on my opponent making every shot, because if you're expecting your opponent to miss, you lose a lot of energy. We just said we can, we will do it and we did. I'm very happy about that."

Said Ferbey: "We gave it all we've got."

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**CONTINENTAL CUP RULES: HOW IT'S PLAYED**

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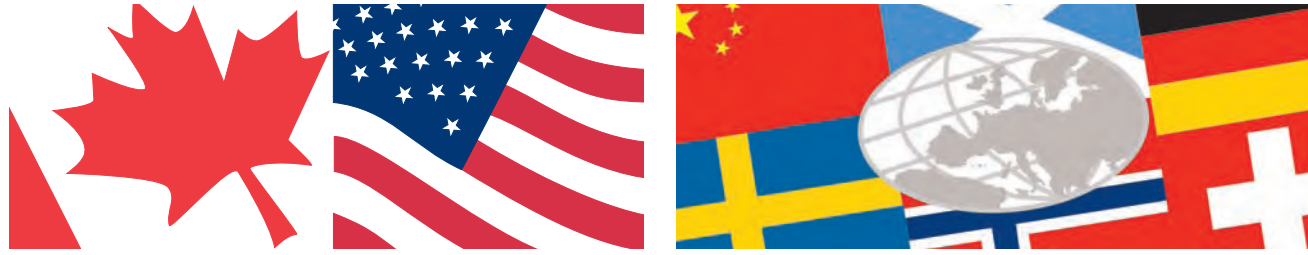
Total prize-money is \$91,000. The winning side is guaranteed \$52,000. The losing side is guaranteed \$26,000. Additionally, the final men's skins game will be played for a winner-take-all purse of \$13,000.

The competition involves four disciplines within the sport of curling, each worth a designated number of points — team games (72 points), mixed doubles (36 points), singles (32 points) skins games (260 points). The first side to reach 201 points of the possible 400 up for grabs is declared the winner.

**OVERALL RULES**

The rules of the World Curling Federation (WCF) will apply unless otherwise stated within the special rules that have been defined for each discipline.

In teams and skins competitions (excepting the mixed skins games), the teams participating must be those teams originally named to compete in the Continental Cup. If a



## North America vs. The World

curler is unable to play as a result of accident, injury or extenuating circumstances, a substitute or replacement player may be taken from another team on the same side. The chief umpire must approve all substitutions.

**MIXED DOUBLES**

Each side will be required to select six doubles teams. Each team consists of two throwers (one man and one woman). There will be no sweeping, except by these two players. Normal sweeping and throwing rules will apply.

**Points**

■ A total of six points

will be awarded for each doubles game won. In the case of a tie, each team will receive three points. Since six games are being played, a total of 36 points will be awarded.

**Rules**

■ Scoring is counted as in normal curling; each game will consist of eight ends and ties will not be broken; each team will be allocated 48 minutes per game and will throw five stones per end.

■ The player delivering the first stone of each end must also deliver the last stone of the end for his/her team while the player throwing the second stone must also deliver the third and fourth stones for his/her team. This rotation may change

from end to end and simply is determined by the player who delivers the first stone at the start of each end.

■ No stones can be removed from play until after the third stone of each end and any stone or stones it may have displaced has/have come to rest. If there is a violation, the played stone shall be removed from play and any misplaced stones shall be placed back by the non-offending team as close as possible to where they originally lay.

■ Two stationary stones will be positioned by the officials at the start of each end. One stone (a) will bisect the centre line, approximately eight feet in front of the rings (the exact position of this stone will

be determined by the chief umpire prior to the start of the competition dependent on ice conditions).

The other stone (b) will be positioned at the back of the button so that it bisects the centre line and touches the teeline. The chief umpire will notify the two team captains the exact position of (a) prior to the start of competition.

■ Prior to the start of each end, one team will have the option of (a) having its stone placed as a guard, or (b) having its stone positioned in the rings behind the button. If the guard position is chosen, the opponent's stone is positioned in the rings, and vice-versa.

The team with the stone out front as a guard will deliver first and the team with the

stone in the rings will deliver second (and have last rock in the end).

■ Following the first end, the team which lost the previous end will have the option. If an end is blanked, the team that blanks the end will forfeit the option for the start of the next end.

■ Before a stone can be delivered, the throwing member of each team who is not about to deliver must be holding the broom at the playing end of the ice sheet.

**SINGLES**

Each of the six teams from each side will participate in the six singles matches (three men's and three women's). The competition consists of six shots and each curler on each team must throw at least one of the shots but not more than two so that all 24 curlers from each side will participate. All shots will be thrown with one player holding the broom as a target, two sweepers and a thrower.

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You'll find the Patch at Troy Murray Arena at Servus Credit Union Place. It's open daily from 11:00 am 'til 1:00 am today through Saturday, closing Sunday at 8:30 pm. Enjoy an impressive array of food and beverages, all kinds of contests and games – and a lineup of high-energy bands performing on stage every night.

Keith's Patch is where fans and competitors alike come together to share the unique experience of the Season of Champions. With a capacity of 1,100 there's room for everyone. And the best part is... admission is free with every same-day draw ticket.

## hey...roam over for some great times

Tonight at 6:00 pm & 10:30 pm

If you were part of the Patch party during the 2009 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings, you'll be familiar with the talents of Hey Romeo. More recently, if you were in the stands for last Thursday's Oilers/Islanders game you would have heard them perform the national anthem.



Hey Romeo is one of Canada's busiest touring bands, chalking up more than 700 shows across the country since 2002. The Edmonton trio – featuring Stacie Roper (vocals), Rob Shapiro (keyboards) and Darren Gusnowsky (guitar) – has been entertaining crowds far and wide with their distinctive country sound. In 2008, they were presented the "Top New Talent of the Year – Group or Duo" award from the Canadian Country Music Association.

The band's style extends from classic country and honky tonk tunes, to an outstanding selection of contemporary numbers. Last year, the group rewarded its loyal followers with the release of a new album titled "That's What I Am".

With a wealth of talent, and an electrifying stage presence, you can be sure Hey Romeo will be lighting up the Patch tonight!



## the match in the patch

Competition at the Continental Cup extends beyond the ice surface of Servus Credit Union Place. You should see the action in Keith's Patch when the Cool Curling crowd gets down to business... it gets pretty intense when cash prizes are on the line!

Cool Curling is a miniature version of the real thing, played on shuffleboard style tables, and it's grown to become the rage at Season of Champions events across the country.

The action starts today at 11:15 am, so sign up for free in the Patch and take your best shot at the Cool Curling title – along with a share of \$1,000 in prize money. Each day 32 teams will compete with \$100 going to the winners... and the top two moving on to Sunday's playoffs. The champions win \$350 cash, plus an Alexander Keith's dartboard, with \$200 for second place and \$150 for third.

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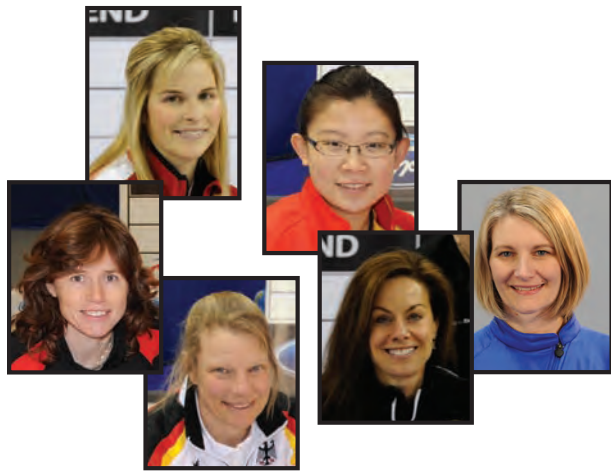
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Today - 4:00 pm

When you watch elite curlers in the heat of competition, it's an intense and focused performance. Put them behind the mike in the Up Close & Personal interviews and you'll see these world-class athletes in an entirely new light.

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The combined achievements of these women are simply too long to list... and this afternoon, they'll be sitting back in the relaxing environment of Keith's Patch for a candid discussion with the fans.

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Team Canada's Ben Hebert, Marc Kennedy, John Morris and Kevin Martin .

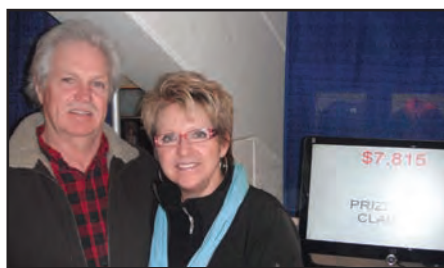
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junior stars

Sixteen young Northern Alberta curlers were chosen through a random draw for the St. Albert Inn & Suites Junior Star program as honorary members of the Continental Cup teams. They all receive:

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### Today's Junior Stars are:

8:30 am Draw

**Team North America**

Michael Salmas Hinton Curling Club  
Jessica Lofthouse Spruce Grove Junior Curling Club

**Team World**

Matthew Cullum Saville Centre  
Lauren Marks St. Albert Curling Club

7:30 pm Draw

**Team North America**

Taralyn Chapman Crestwood Curling Club  
Ryan Kwasnycia Myrnam Curling Club

**Team World**

Courtney Tuck Heather Curling Club  
Blake Weslosky Leduc Curling Club

“We thought that if we could get to the eighth end, we’d have a chance. It’s such a high-stakes game. But we knew it was going to be tough. It’s disappointing because we have 20 other teammates.”

Twelve teams, six representing each continent, contested a variety of competitions, each weighted on a points basis — traditional team play (72), mixed doubles (36), singles (32) and skins (260).

Europe enjoyed a 42-30 edge in team play, 20-12 in singles and 134-113 in skins, with the Norberg whitewashing the key component in the latter scuffling. North America finished on top only in mixed doubles, 24-12, but

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led 149-131 heading into the final two skins games.

Norberg’s team figured in a collection of 288 points while Jackie Lockhart’s 2002 world-champion Scottish team was involved in 122, Lindholm’s outfit in 120, Pål Trulsen of Norway and his team in 98, Hammy McMillan’s Scottish squad in 58 and Dordi Nordby’s Norwegians in 38.

For the North Americans, Ferbey’s team led the way with 156, followed by Mark Dacey’s Halifax crew (128), Debbie McCormick’s world champions from the U.S. (120), the defending Canadian champion team of Colleen Jones (104), Pete Fenson’s U.S. men’s champs from Bemidji, Minn. (84) and the Middaugh unit (40).

## World 208, North America 179

### World (players and points scored)

Anette Norberg (72), Eva Lund (72), Cathrine Norberg (72), Anna Bergstrom (72), Harnosand, Sweden. Total: 288.  
Jackie Lockhart (35), Sheiila Swan (29), Katriona Fairweather (20), Anne Laird (20), Aberdeen, Scotland. Total: 122.  
Peja Lindholm (29), Tomas Nordin (29), Magnus Swartling (33), Peter Narup (20), Ostersund, Sweden. Total: 120.  
Pal Trulsen (29), Lars Vagberg (23), Flemming Davanger (23), Bengt Anund Ramsfjell (23), Oslo, Norway. Total: 98.  
Hammy McMillan (20), Nor-

man Brown (20), Hugh Aitken (14), Roger McIntyre (14), Stranraer, Scotland. Total: 58.  
Dordi Nordby (7), Hanne Woods (13), Marianne Haslum (11), Camilla Holth (7), Snaroen, Norway. Total: 38.

### North America (players and points scored)

Randy Ferbey (42), Dave Nedohin (42), Scott Pfeifer (36), Marcel Rocque (36), Edmonton, Canada. Total: 156.  
Mark Dacey (35), Bruce Lohnes (35), Rob Harris (29), Andrew Gibson (29), Halifax, Canada. Total: 128.  
Debbie McCormick (33), Allison Pottinger (29), Ann Swisshelm Silver (29), Tracy Sachjen (29), Madison, Wis.

U.S.A. Total: 120.  
Colleen Jones (29), Kimberly Kelly (29), Mary-Anne Waye (23), Nancy Delahunt (23), Halifax, Canada. Total: 104.  
Pete Fenson (24), Eric Fenson (20), Shawn Rojas (20), John Shuster (20), Bemidji, Minn., U.S.A. Total: 84.  
Sherry Middaugh (12), Kirsten Wall (16), Andrea Lawes (6), Sheri Cordina (6), Coldwater, Ont., Canada. Total: 40.

**Mixed Doubles:** North America 24, World 12  
**Singles:** World 20 (including 8-point bonus), North America 12  
**Teams:** World 42, North America 30  
**Skins:** World 134, North America 113



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# Continental Cup trivia time

1. The second-best single championship record ever recorded at the world women's curling championship is 12 wins, one loss. In 2005, Anette Norberg went 13-and-1. Who was the last world winner to post a 12-and-1 record?
2. When and where?
3. Only one other skip in the current Continental Cup field has won 11 games at the world women's championship. Name her.
4. When and where?
5. Two Canadian curlers have played in more world championships

6. How many world-championship appearances?
7. How many wins does each curler have in world championship play?
8. Where do these numbers stand on a lists of all-time winning skips?
9. Name the women's skips with as many or more wins and their home nations.
10. Name the men's skips with as many or more wins and their home nations.
11. Name the U.S. curlers (male and female)

12. How many appearances?
13. Only two skips in history have achieved 10 or more wins while losing none in the world men's championship. Name those skips.
14. Name the skips competing in this Continental Cup who played in the 2010 world championships.
15. Name the skips competing in this Continental Cup who played in the 2010 Olympic Winter Games.

## Answers

1. Binyu Wang  
2. 2009, Gangneung, Korea  
3. Jennifer Jones  
4. Vernon in 2008 and at Swift Current in 2010.  
5. Colleen Jones, Randy Ferbey  
6. Six appearances.  
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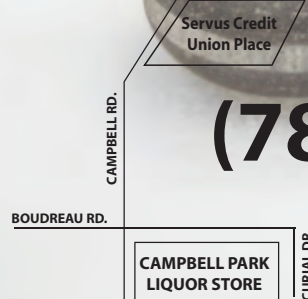
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# CONTINENTAL CUP: MEET THE TEAMS



# World



## Niklas Edin (Sweden)

**Home club:** Karlstad Curling Club (Karlstad)

Edin, a 25-year-old native of Ornskoldsvik, is a curling instructor and full-time participant of the game. **Qualified:** 2009 Euro champion. Skipped Sweden at 2010 Olympic Winter Games (6-6 in Vancouver), 2009 (9-2 in Aberdeen, gold medal) and 2010 (5-4 in Champéry) European Championships; played third for Sweden skip Nils Carlisén at 2006 Worlds (6-5 in Lowell, Massachusetts); played for Sweden in four World Juniors: as skip in 2004 (10-1 in Trois-Rivières, Quebec, gold medal) and 2007 (8-3 in Eveleth, silver medal); as alternate (skip Nils Carlisén) in 2005 (8-3 in Pinerolo, silver medal), as third for skip Nils Carlisén in 2006 (6-5 in Jeonju, silver medal); member of Team Europe at 2007 (lost, in Medicine Hat) and 2008 (won, in Camrose) Continental Cup; skipped at 2009 World University Games (Winter Universiade) [10-1 in Harbin, gold medal]; coached Sweden (skip Cecilia Östlund) at 2008 World Juniors (8-3 in Östersund, silver medal).



**Other members:** Third **Sebastian Kraupp**, 25, born in Stockholm, a student/curler, has played with Edin and/or Nils Carlisén since the 2005 World Juniors; second **Fredrik Lindberg**, 24, born in Stockholm, a student/curler, has played with Edin since 2004 Juniors and world university campaigns; lead **Viktor Kjäll**, 25, born in Vasteras, a student/curler who has played for Edin since Peja Lindholm's retirement following the 2007 Worlds. Kjäll played for Lindholm in Edmonton.

## David Murdoch (Scotland)

Murdoch, a 32-year-old native of Dumfries, is a former dairy farmer who has been a full-time curler with UK Sport since the 2006 Olympics at Torino. **Qualified:** All-star team selected by team captain and team coach. Skipped Great Britain at 2006 (6-5 in Torino/Pinerolo, Italy) and 2010 (5-5 in Vancouver) Olympic Winter Games; skipped Scotland in four World Men's, winning twice: in 2005 (9-4 in Victoria, British Columbia, silver medal), 2006 (11-3 in Lowell, Massachusetts, gold medal) and 2008 (9-4 in Grand Forks, ND, silver medal) and 2009 (11-3 in Moncton, gold medal), alternate for Scotland (skip Warwick Smith) in 2010 (10-4 in Cortina d'Ampezzo, bronze medal); skipped Scotland at seven European Championships; played in four World Juniors for Scotland, winning twice: as alternate (skip Tom Brewster) in 1995 (10-1 in Perth, Scotland gold medal); as lead for skip James Dryburgh in 1996 (10-1 in Red Deer, Alberta, gold medal); as third for skip Garry MacKay in 1998 (7-4 in Thunder Bay, Ontario, silver medal); as skip in 1999 (6-3 in Östersund, Sweden); member of Team Europe at 2004 (lost, in Medicine Hat, Alberta), 2006 (won, in Chilliwack, British Columbia), 2007 (lost, in Medicine Hat) and 2008 (won, in Camrose) Continental Cup.



**Other members:** Third **Ralph Stoeckli**, 34, born in Uzwil, Switzerland, is the Winter Sports Manager for the Swiss Olympic Association, played in two Olympic Winter Games and won bronze at Vancouver in 2010, skipped in four Ford Worlds and five World Juniors; second **Andreas Lang**, 31, born in Schwenningen, Germany, a mechanical engineer, has played for veteran German skip Andy Kapp in four World championships; lead **Simon Strubin**, 31, born in Zurich, Switzerland, a real estate consultant for Privera AG in Erlenbach. Played in two Olympic Games and four Ford Worlds.

## Mirjam Ott (Switzerland)

**Home club:** Davos Curling Club (Davos)

Ott, a 38-year-old native of Berne, the Swiss capital, is a project manager for Finaclear AG. **Qualified:** Top non-American team from 2010 Olympics. Played in three Olympic Winter Games for Switzerland: as skip in 2006 (8-3 in Torino/Pinerolo, silver medal), losing final to Sweden's Anette Norberg, 7-6 in an extra end, as skip in 2010 (6-5 in Vancouver) and in 2002 (8-3 in Salt Lake City/Ogden, silver medal), as third for Luzia Ebnöther, losing final to Great Britain's Rhona Martin, 4-3; skipped Switzerland in 1997 (2-7 in Berne), 2005 (4-7 in Paisley), 2008 (10-3 in Vernon, bronze medal) and 2009 (6-5 in Gangneung) Worlds, alternate for Switzerland (skip Silvana Tirinzoni) at 2007 Worlds; has skipped Switzerland at nine European Championships; member of Team Europe/World at 2006 (won, in Chilliwack) and 2008 (won, in Camrose) Continental Cup.



**Other members:** Third **Carmen Schaefer**, 30, born in Zurich, a business manager for Allianz-Suisse. Joined Ott in 2008 following a stint with former world junior champion Silvana Tirinzoni, played in the 2010 Olympic Games, three Ford Worlds and three world junior championships. Played at Camrose Continental Cup edition; second **Carmen Kung**, 32, born in Schenkon, a nurse in Feldbrunnen. Played in 2010 Olympics, four world championships, the 1996 World Juniors and Continental Cups in 2002 and 2004; lead **Janine Greiner**, 29, born in Schlieren, a business manager stationed in Dietikon. Played in 2010 Olympics, two world championships, two World Juniors and Continental Cups in 2006 and 2008.

## Andrea Schoepp (Germany)

**Home club:** Riessersee Sports Club (Garmisch-Partenkirchen)

Schoepp, a 45-year-old native of the twin Bavarian resorts and defending world women's champion skip, is an instructor in mathematics and statistics. **Qualified:** 2010 World champion. Skipped Germany in 17 Worlds, winning twice: 1985 (5-5 in Jönköping), 1986 (8-3 in Kelowna, silver medal), 1987 (8-3 in Chicago, silver medal), 1988 (9-2 in Glasgow, gold medal), 1989 (6-5 in Milwaukee, bronze medal), 1991 (5-4 in Winnipeg), 1995 (5-6 in Brandon), 1996 (6-5 in Hamilton), 1997 (4-5 in Berne), 1998 (5-4 in Kamloops), 1999 (4-5 in Saint John), 2001 (5-4 in Lausanne), 2006 (8-4 in Grande Prairie), 2007 (4-7 in Aomori), 2008 (4-7 in Vernon), 2009 (6-5 in Gangneung, Korea) and 2010 (10-3 in Swift Current, gold medal); skipped Germany in four Olympic Winter Games; has won seven European Championships as skip; member of Team Europe at 2006 Continental Cup (won, in Chilliwack).



**Other members:** Third **Monika Wagner**, 45, born in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, an executive secretary. Played in 14 Worlds for Germany, winning twice; played in four Olympic Winter Games for Germany: as second in 1988, 1992 (gold medal) and 2010; played in the Chilliwack Continental Cup; second **Corinna Scholz**, 21, born in Schongau, an industrial business management assistant; played in 2010 Olympics, the 2010 Worlds (gold), and the 2009 Euros (gold); lead **Stella Heiss**, 17, born in Cologne, a student who became the youngest curler ever to win a world title last year with Schoepp at Swift Current. Has played in two Worlds, two Euros and the Olympics.

## Thomas Ulsrud (Norway)

**Home club:** Snarøen Curling Club (Oslo)

Ulsrud, a 39-year-old Oslo native, is the owner of tanning salons (Oslo SOL AS) in Oslo. **Qualified:** Top Euro team at 2010 Olympics. Skipped Norway at 2010 Olympic Winter Games (8-3 in Vancouver, silver medal); played for Norway in six World Men's: as skip in 1998 (5-5 in Kamloops), 2006 (8-5 in Lowell, bronze medal), 2007 (4-7 in Edmonton), 2008 (9-5 in Grand Forks, ND, bronze medal) and 2009 (9-5 in Moncton, bronze medal), 2010 (was supposed to skip but did not compete due to a family illness); as alternate (skip Pål Trulsen) in 1999 (5-5 in Saint John); played for Norway in four World Juniors; skipped Norway in nine European Championships; member of Team World at 2008 Continental Cup (won, in Camrose).



**Other members:** Third **Torger Nergård**, 36, born in Trondheim, project engineer (Cronus Engineering AS), played for Ulsrud at 2010 Olympic Winter Games (silver medal), alternate for Norway (skip Pål Trulsen) at 2002 Olympic Winter Games (gold medal); second **Christoffer Svae**, 28, born in Oslo, a curling instructor and event manager for the Snarøen Curling Club, played in the 2010 Olympics, three Worlds, four Euros, four World Juniors and the 2008 Continental Cup; lead **Havard Vad Petersson**, 27, born in Oslo, supervisor at the Smoothie Xchange, played in the 2010 Olympics, three Worlds, four Euros, three World Juniors and the 2008 Continental Cup.

## Bingyu Wang (China)

**Home club:** Harbin Curling Club (Harbin)

Wang, a 26-year-old native of Harbin, won the 2009 world title and is a curler at the Harbin Winter Sport Training Centre. **Qualified:** Top non-American team at 2010 Olympics. Skipped China at 2005 (4-7 in Paisley), 2006 (6-5 in Grande Prairie), 2007 (5-6 in Aomori), 2008 (10-3 in Vernon, silver medal), 2009 (12-1 in Gangneung, gold medal) and 2010 (6-5 in Swift Current) Worlds and 2010 Olympic Winter Games (7-4 in Vancouver, bronze medal); skipped China at 2005 World Juniors (3-6 in Pinerolo), skipped China at 2004 (6-2 in Chuncheon, Korea, silver medal), 2005 (6-3 in Taipei, silver medal), 2006 (6-1 in Tokyo, gold medal), 2007 (7-1 in Beijing, gold medal), 2008 (8-1 in Naseby, New Zealand, gold medal), 2009 (9-2 in Karuizawa, gold medal) and 2010 (9-1 in Ulsong, Korea, silver medal) Pacific Championships; member of Team World at 2008 Continental Cup (won, in Camrose).



**Other members:** Third **Yin Liu**, 29, born in Harbin, curler at the Harbin Winter Sports Training Centre, played for Wang in six Worlds; the 2009 World University Games and 2010 Olympic Winter Games (bronze medal); seven Pacific championships and the 2008 Continental Cup; second **Qingshuang Yue**, 25, born in Harbin, curler at the HWSTC, played with Wang in five Worlds, the 2010 Olympic Winter Games, one World Junior, and the 2008 Continental Cup; lead **Yan Zhou**, 28, born in Harbin, curler at the HWSTC, played with Wang in six Worlds, the 2010 Olympics, 2009 World University Games, and the 2008 Continental Cup.

## Captain: Pål Trulsen

Trulsen, 48, of Drobak, Norway, is general secretary of the Norwegian Curling Association. Olympic Winter Games: Skipped Norway in 2002 (9-2 in Salt Lake City/Ogden, gold medal) and 2006 (5-4 in Torino/Pinerolo), alternate/second for Norway (skip Tormod Andreassen) in 1992 (4-1 in Albertville/Pralognan-la-Vanoise, runner-up); Ford Worlds: Skipped Norway in eight — 1997 (3-6 in Berne), 1999 (5-5 in Saint John), 2000 (4-5 in Glasgow), 2001 (7-4 in Lausanne, third place), 2002 (7-4 in Bismarck, runner-up), 2003 (7-4 in

Winnipeg, third place), 2004 (7-4 in Gävle) and 2005 (9-4 in Victoria); alternate for Norway (skip Tormod Andreassen) in 1993 (4-5 in Geneva); Euros: skipped Norway at six Euro championships, winning in 2005 at Garmisch-Partenkirchen; World Juniors: Skipped Norway in 1980, 1981 and 1983; Continental Cup: Member of Team World/Europe at 2002 (lost, in Regina), 2003 (won, in Thunder Bay) and 2006 (won, in Chilliwack), captain of Team World at 2008 Continental Cup (won, in Camrose).



## Coach: Peja Lindholm

Lindholm, 40, of Östersund, Sweden, is a curling coach and consultant. Winter Olympic Games: Skipped Sweden in three Winter Olympics: 1998 (3-4 in Nagano/Karuizawa), 2002 (6-5 in Salt Lake City/Ogden) and 2006 (3-6 in Torino/Pinerolo); Ford Worlds: Skipped Sweden in eight — winning three times: 1993 (4-5 in Geneva), 1995 (4-5 in Brandon), 1997 (8-3 in Berne, gold medal), 1998 (7-4 in Kamloops, silver medal), 2000 (8-3 in Glasgow, silver medal), 2001 (9-2 in Lausanne, gold

medal), 2004 (8-3 in Gävle, gold medal) and 2007 (7-6 in Edmonton); Continental Cup: Member of Team World/Europe in 2002 (lost, in Regina), 2003 (won, in Thunder Bay) and 2004 (lost, in Medicine Hat); coach of Team World at 2008 Continental Cup (won, in Camrose); skipped at three World Juniors, winning once in 1989; skipped Sweden in 10 European Championships, winning in 1998 and 2001; coached Sweden (skip Cecilia Östlund) at 2010 Ford World Women's (8-6 in Swift Current).



**Points**

■ The winner of each game earns four points. Two points will be awarded to each side in the event of a tie. A total of six singles games will be played, meaning the total points awarded will be 24. Eight bonus points will be awarded to the side with the highest aggregate score, meaning the greatest number of points from all the shots played by its side. Total points available for singles is 32.

**Rules**

■ In order to accommodate the needs of television for this event, each shot will be completed in the following manner: The shot will be explained in the arena and on air; the master of ceremonies (MC) will cue the thrower on sheet A; the MC will announce the score once the shot is completed; the MC will then cue the second thrower on sheet A; the MC will announce the score when the shot is completed; the MC will then cue the thrower on sheet B; the same procedure will be followed through B and C; the next type of shot is explained and the throwing procedure for each rock thrown will be the same but this time the rotation will go from C-to-A..

■ The order of the games to be played once the draw has been completed — the three women's games will be

played, followed by the three men's games.

■ The shots will be played in the following order: Run-through, draw-the-button, draw-the-port, raise, hit-and-roll, double-takeout. When a stone colour has been assigned, the player can only throw that colour. The team throwing red stones will have first stone at the start of the game. Once the first shot has been thrown, last stone will alternate from player to player and from shot to shot — the player who threw the run-through shot first will throw the draw-the-button shot second. The thrower can select the turn as desired for each shot, but each thrower must use three in-turns and three out-turns during the match. Also, the hit-and-roll shot and the double-takeout are designed to be thrown from the centre line out. Regardless of the turn chosen, this is the manner in which these shots must be played.

**Shots Run-Through**

■ A stone is positioned at the back of the button so that it bisects the centre-line and touches the tee-line and a second stone is positioned about four feet in front of the rings, also bisecting the centre line. The thrower will attempt to hit the front stone and raise it onto the stone at the back of the button, and remove it from play. Points will be awarded as follows: The stationary stone is removed

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Team games,  
mixed doubles,  
singles, and skins**

from the rings and the raised stone stops on any portion of the button, five (5) points; the stationary stone is removed from the rings and the raised stone stops in any portion of the four-foot circle, four (4) points; the stationary stone is removed from the rings and the raised stone stops in any portion of the eight-foot circle, three (3) points; the stationary stone is removed from the rings and the raised stone rolls out of the rings, one (1) point.

**Draw-the-Button**

■ The thrower will attempt to throw a stone to the button. Points will be awarded as follows: The played stone stops on any portion of the button, five (5) points; the played stone stops in any portion of the four-foot circle, four (4) points; the played stone stops in any portion of the eight-foot circle, three (3)

points; the played stone stops in any portion of the 12-foot circle, two (2) points; the played stone stops fully within any portion of the free guard zone area, one (1) point.

**Draw-the-Port**

■ The thrower will select a port that will depend on which turn is selected and plays a stone to the button through the port. Should the played stone touch either of the stationary stones, as it attempts to pass by, no points will be awarded. Points will be awarded as follows: The played stone stops on any portion of the button, five (5) points; the played stone stops in any portion of the four-foot circle, four (4) points; the played stone stops in any portion of the eight-foot circle, three (3) points; the played stone stops in any portion of the 12-foot circle, two (2) points; the played stone remains in the free guard zone area and its leading edge is clearly beyond the two stationary stones, one (1) point.

**Raise**

■ The thrower attempts to raise a stationary stone, which is positioned on the centre line in front of the rings, into the rings. Points will be awarded as follows: The stationary stone is raised and stops on any portion of the button, five (5) points; the stationary stone is raised and stops in any portion of the four-foot, four (4) points; the stationary stone is raised and stops in any portion of the eight-foot, three (3) points; the stationary stone is raised and stops in any portion of the 12-foot, two (2) points; the stationary stone is raised forward so there is a space between the two stones and the raised stone is still in play, one (1) point.

**Hit-and-Roll**

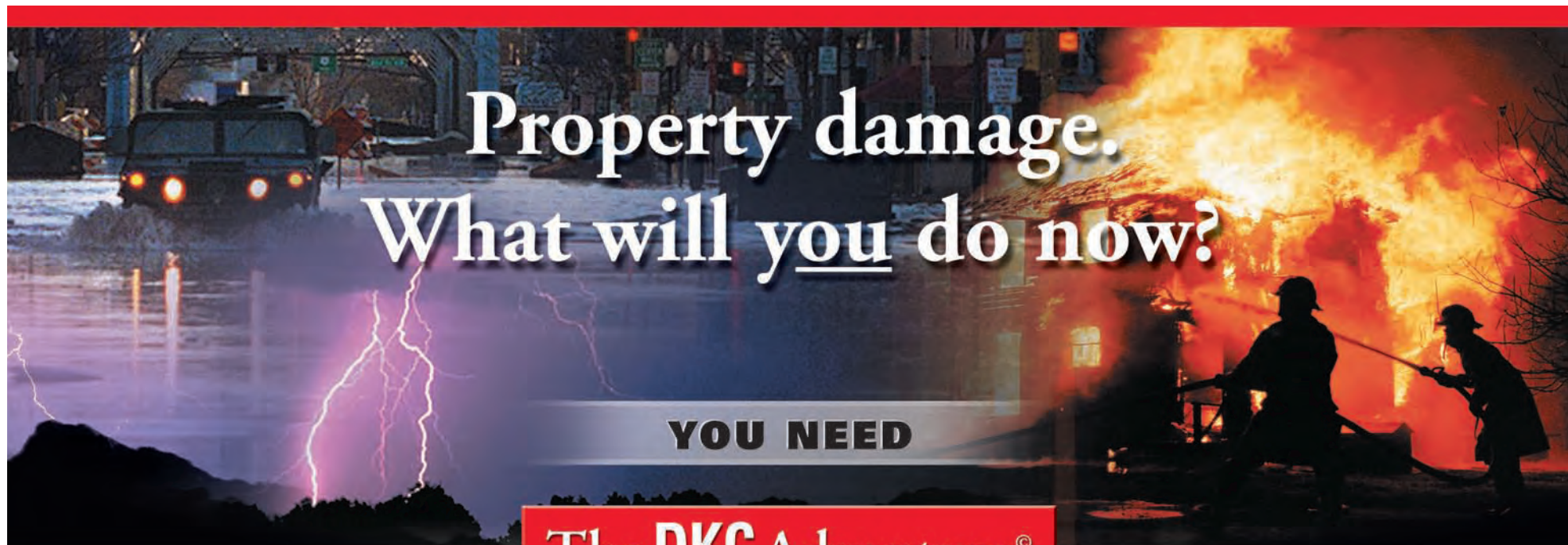
■ The thrower will attempt to hit a stationary stone on the outside of the 12-foot circle and roll toward the button. Points will be awarded as follows: The stationary stone is removed from play and the played stone stops on any portion of the button, five (5) points; the stationary stone is removed from play and the played stone stops in any portion of the four-foot circle, four (4) points; the stationary stone is removed from play and the played stone stops in any portion of the eight-foot circle, three (3)

points; the stationary stone is removed from play and the played stone stops in any portion of the 12-foot circle, two (2) points; the stationary stone is removed from play and the played stone does not stop in any portion of the rings, one (1) point.

**Double-Takeout**

■ The thrower will attempt a double takeout. The thrower must move both of the stationary stones out of the rings. Points will be awarded as follows: Both stationary stones are eliminated from the rings and the played stone stops on any portion of the button, five (5) points; both stationary stones are eliminated from the rings and the played stone stops in any portion of the four-foot circle, four (4) points; both stationary stones are eliminated from the rings and the played stone stops in any portion of the eight-foot circle, three (3) points; both stationary stones are eliminated from the rings and the played stone stops in any portion of the 12-foot circle, two (2) points. If both stationary stones are eliminated from the rings and the played stone does not stop in any portion of the rings, one (1) point is awarded.

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### TEAM COMPETITION

This discipline involves a game of regular curling. Each side will play a total of 12 games (six men's games and six women's games).

#### Points

■ A total of six points will be awarded for each game won. In the case of a tie, each side will receive three points. A total of 12 team games means a total of 72 points are available.

#### Rules

■ Each game will consist of eight ends. Ties will not be broken. Each team will be allocated 64 minutes per game. Each team will be provided a 10-minute practice session prior to the start of each game (the team with last stone will have the first practice session).

■ Matchups will have been announced by team captains at the Wednesday-night opening banquet.

### SKINS COMPETITION

Aggressive strategy combined with exceptional shotmaking should be the highlight of this final battle for points. Each gender will play three games but the points value will vary from game to game, dependent on a team's designa-

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tion in A, B, or C group.

In addition, the two mixed skins games will involve teams comprised of two curlers from the A group, two from the B group and four from the C group.

#### Points

■ The total points available are 260 (130 points for each gender); the men's and women's games A will be worth 20 points each; the men's and women's games B will be worth 30 points each; the men's and women's games C will be worth 55 points each.

■ The breakdown of points within each game is detailed below.

#### Rules

■ Each game will consist of eight ends; each team will be allocated 64 minutes per game; if a team exceeds the allotted time, the game will be stopped, each

team will retain the points already earned in the game and the remaining points will be forfeited to the non-violating team.

■ Each end is referred to as a skin. To count a skin when a team has last stone, it must count a minimum of two points. When a team does not have last stone, it must score at least one point to count a skin. If a team scores only one point when it has last stone, it not only loses the hammer but the end goes into carryover mode — the points at stake are carried over to the next end with last stone going to the opponent. If the final end of a skins game results in a carryover, the two teams will determine who will claim the carryover points by selecting a player from each team to deliver one stone to the button with sweeping. The team that had last stone in the last end will shoot first. The stone that stops nearest the centre of the button will claim the carryover points. Normal World Curling Federation sweeping rules apply to the throwing side; the opponent cannot sweep behind the tee-line.

		Game 'A' (20 points total)							
End	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Points	1	1	2	2	2	2	4	6	
		Game 'B' (30 points total)							
End	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Points	1	1	3	3	3	4	6	9	
		Game 'C' (55 points total)							
End	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Points	4	4	5	6	6	8	10	12	

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North America 207, Europe 193

**Continental Cup II**  
Europe 221, North America 179  
(final skin not completed)

**Continental Cup III**  
North America 228, Europe 172

**Continental Cup IV**  
Europe 229, North America 171

**Continental Cup V**  
North America 290, Europe 110

**Continental Cup VI**  
World 208, North America 192

**Cumulative Points**

**Mixed Doubles** — North America 117, World 99

**Singles** — North America 104, World 88

**Teams** — North America 222, World 210

**Skis** — North America 828, World 719

92 — David Murdoch, W (4)  
87 — Glenn Howard, NA (1), Marc Kennedy, NA (1)

86 — Allison Pottinger, NA (3).  
85 — Mirjam Ott, W (2)  
84 — Mark Dacey, NA (2)  
81 — Brent Laing, NA (1)  
80 — Peja Lindholm, W (3), Tomas Nordin, W (3)  
79 — Jeanna Schraeder, NA (2)  
78 — Magnus Swartling, W (3)  
75 — Pål Trulsen, W (3)  
74 — Bruce Lohnes, NA (2), Carter Rycroft (2)  
72 — John Morris, NA (1)  
71 — Erika Brown, NA (2); Kelly Scott, NA (2).  
70 — Jackie Lockhart, W (2)

51 — Sasha Carter, NA (2)  
50 — Hammy McMillan, W (2), Kajsa Bergstrom, W (1)  
49 — Brad Gushue, NA (1), Jamie Korab, NA (1), Mark Nichols, NA (9)  
48 — Renee Simons, NA (2)  
46 — Hugh Aitken, W (2)  
45 — Carmen Schaefer, W (1)  
44 — Roger McIntyre, W (2)  
43 — Pete Fenson, NA (2)  
42 — Shannon Kleibrink, NA (1)  
41 — Tracy Sachjen, NA (3).  
40 — Binia Feltscher-Beeil, W (1), Bill Todhunter, NA (2)  
39 — Anna Hartelt, W (1), Shawn Rojaskei NA (2), Andrea Schoepp, W (1), Tina Tschatschke, W (1), Monika Wagner, W (1), Jill Officer, NA (2).  
35 — Lindsay Wood, W (1), Marliese Kasner, NA (1), Christoffer Svae, W (1)  
34 — Christine Keshen, NA (1), Amy Nixon, NA (1), Bronwen Saunders, NA (1)  
33 — Rhona Martin, W (1), Markku Uusipaavalniemi, W (1), Andreas Lang, W (1)  
32 — Lorna Vevers, W (1), Yin Liu, W (1)  
31 — Doug Pottinger, NA (2), Peter Fraboni, NA (1), Andrea Lawes, NA (1), Richard Maskel, NA (1)  
30 — Laurence Bidaud, W (1), Tanya Frei, W (1), Nadia Rothlisberger, W (1), Yvonne Schlunegger, W (1), Kelly Wood, W (1), Thomas Ulsrud, W (1)

Wilson, W (1), Andreas Schwaller, W (1), Ralph Stoeckli, W (1)  
20 — Katriona Fairweather, W (1), Eric Fenson, NA (1), Anne Laird, W (1), John Shuster, NA (1), Holger Hohne, W (1), Andreas Kempf, W (1)  
19 — Veronique Gregoire, NA (1), Daniel Herberg, W (1), Annie Lemay, NA (1), Louise Marmont, W (1), Elisabeth Persson, W (1), Shawn Rojaskei, NA (1), Kevin Birr, NA (1), Stefanie Lawton, NA (1), Teejay Surik, NA (1), Kevin Koe, NA (1), Nolan Thiessen, NA (1).  
18 — Denise Dupont, W (1)  
16 — Patrick Hoffman, W (1), Stefan Knoll, W (1), Sebastian Stock, W (1), Kirsten Wall, NA (1)  
15 — Joel Larway, NA (1), Thomas Lips, W (1), Damian Grichting, W (1)  
14 — Madeleine Dupont, W (1), Rui Liu, W (1), Xiaoming Xu, W (1), Jialiang Zang, W (1).  
13 — Joe Polo, NA (1), Hanne Woods, W (1)  
12 — Sherry Middaugh, NA (1), Paul Pustovar, NA (1), Angelina Jensen, W (1), Kamilla Jensen, W (1).  
10 — Greg Johnson, NA (1)  
8 — Geoff Goodland, NA (1), Ekaterina Galkina, W (1)  
7 — Liudmila Privivkova, W (1), Olga Jarkova, W (1), Nkeiruka Ezekh, W (1)  
6 — Sheri Cordina, NA (1), Mike Fraboni, NA (1), Andrea Lawes, NA (1), Richard Maskel, NA (1)  
2 — Georgina Wheatcroft, NA (1)  
0 — Diane Dezura, NA (1), Kelley Law, NA (1), Julie Skinner, NA (1)

17 — Jackie Lockhart, W (1)  
15 — Rhona Martin, W (1); Todd Birr, NA (1), Thomas Ulsrud, W (1), Stefanie Lawton, NA (1).  
13 — Marie-France Larouche, NA (1)  
11 — Andreas Schwaller, W (1)  
10 — Jean-Michel Menard, NA (1), Sebastian Stock, W (1), Andy Kapp, W (1), Craig Brown, NA (1), Bingyu Wang, W (1), Fengchun Wang, W (1), John Morris, NA (1).  
9 — Jason Larway, NA (1)  
8 — Angelina Jensen, W (1)  
1 — Liudmila Privivkova, W (1)  
0 — Kelley Law, NA (1), Sherry Middaugh, NA (1), Paul Pustovar, NA (1)

(1), Hanne Woods, W (1), Torger Nergard, W (1), Carmen Schaefer, W (1), Fengchun Wang, W (1), Yin Liu, W (1), John Morris, NA (1), Marliese Kasner, NA (1).  
1-and-1 — Luzia Ebnöther, Eur (2), Pete Fenson, NA (2), Jackie Lockhart, Eur (2), Bruce Lohnes, NA (2), Shawn Rojaskei, NA (1), Pål Trulsen, Eur (2), Cathy Overton-Clapham, NA (2).  
1-and-2 — Randy Ferbey, NA (3), Colleen Jones, NA (3), Peja Lindholm, Eur (3), Eva Lund, Eur (3), Lars Vagberg, Eur (3).  
0-and-1 — Niklas Edin, Eur (1), Eric Fenson, NA (1), Binia Feltscher-Belli, Eur (1), Mike Fraboni, NA (1), Brad Gushue, NA (1), Olga Jarkova, Eur (1), Kalle Kiiskinen, Eur (1), Debbie Knox, Eur (1), Carmen Küng, Eur (2), Kelley Law, NA (1), Mirjam Martin, NA (1), Amy Nixon, NA (1), Liudmila Privivkova, Eur (1), Francois Roberge, NA (1), Andrea Schopp, Eur (1), Andreas Schwaller, Eur (1), Kelly Scott, NA (1), Julie Skinner, NA (1), Sebastian Stock, Ralph Stoeckli, Eur (1), Eur (1), Sheila Swan, Eur (1), Markku Uusipaavalniemi, Eur (1), Monika Wagner, Eur (1), Don Walchuk, NA (1), Craig Wilson, Eur (1), Kelly Wood, Eur (1), Craug Brown, NA (1), Kevin Koe, NA (1), Rich Ruohonen, NA (1), Stefanie Lawton, NA (1), Carter Rycroft, NA (2), Bingyu Wang, W (1), Rui Liu, W (1).  
0-and-2 — Patti Lank, NA (2), Hammy McMillan, Eur (2), Dordi Nordby, Eur (2).  
0-and-3 — Allison Pottinger, NA (3)

**Teams (skips)**

6-and-1 — Anette Norberg, W (4)  
5-and-3 — Randy Ferbey, NA (4)  
4-and-0 — Kevin Martin, NA (2)  
4-and-1 — Peja Lindholm, W (3)  
4-and-4 — Debbie McCormick, NA (4)  
3-and-1 — Patti Lank, NA (2), Mirjam Ott, W (2)  
2-and-0 — Andy Kapp, W (1), Jackie Lockhart, W (1), Rhona Martin, W (1), Jean-Michel Menard, NA (1), Andreas Schwaller, W (1), Bingyu Wang, W (1), Craig Brown, NA (1).  
2-and-1 — Mark Dacey, NA (2)  
2-and-4 — Colleen Jones, NA (3)  
2-and-6 — David Murdoch, W (4)  
1-and-0 — Andrea Schoepp, W (1), Markku Uusipaavalniemi, W (1)  
1-and-1 — Brad Gushue, NA (1), Glenn Howard, NA (1), Shannon Kleibrink, NA (1), Marie-France Larouche, NA (1), Jason Larway, NA (1), Sherry Middaugh, NA (1), Liudmila Privivkova, W (1), Paul Pustovar, NA (1), Sebastian Stock, W (1), Kelly Wood, W (1), Thomas Ulsrud, W (1)  
1-and-2 — Pete Fenson, NA (2), Kelly Scott, NA (2), Jennifer Jones, NA (2)  
1-and-3 — Luzia Ebnöther, W (2).  
1-and-5 — Pal Trulsen, W (3).  
0-and-2 — Todd Birr, NA (1), Elisabet Gustafson, W (1), Angelina Jensen, W (1), Kelley Law, NA (1), Stefanie Lawton, NA (1), Kevin Koe, NA (1), Fengchun Wang, W (1)  
0-and-4 — Hammy McMillan, W (2), Dordi Nordby, W (2)

**Skis (skips)**

174 — Anette Norberg, W (4)  
127 — Randy Ferbey, NA (4)  
111 — Kevin Martin, NA (2)  
83 — Colleen Jones, NA (3)  
71 — Glenn Howard, NA (1)  
68 — David Murdoch, W (4)  
62 — Debbie McCormick, NA (4)  
57 — Pål Trulsen, W (3)

**Mixed Doubles**

3-and-0 — Kim Kelly, NA (3).  
3-and-1 — Dave Nedohin, NA (3)  
2-and-0 — Erika Brown, NA (2), Norman Brown, W (2), Mark Dacey, NA (2), Jeanna Schraeder, NA (2), Ewan MacDonald, W (2), Mirjam Ott, W (2).  
2-and-1 — Debbie McCormick, NA (4), Tomas Nordin, W (3), Pal Trulsen, W (3).  
2-and-2 — David Murdoch, Eur (4), Anette Norberg, Eur (4).  
1-and-0 — Todd Birr, NA (1), Denise Dupont, W (1), Karo Gagnon, NA (1), Linn Githmark, W (1), Brad Gushue, NA (1), Elisabet Gustafson, Eur (1), Glenn Howard, NA (1), Russ Howard, NA (1), Jennifer Jones, NA (2), Nicole Joraanstad, NA (4), Andy Kapp, Eur (1), Shannon Kleibrink, NA (1), Jason Larway, NA (1), Rhona Martin, Eur (1), Jean-Michel Menard, NA (1), Sherry Middaugh, NA (1), Katarina Nyberg, Eur (1), Scott Pfeifer, NA (1), Paul Pustovar, NA (1), Bill Todhunter, NA (1), Kirsten Wall, NA (1)



**Anette Norberg: 227 individual points through four Continental Cups.**

**Individual Points (appearances in parentheses)**

227 — Anette Norberg, W (4)  
225 — Anna Svard, W (4)  
216 — Cathrine Lindahl, W (4)  
209 — David Nedohin, NA (4)  
199 — Scott Pfeifer, NA (4)  
182 — Randy Ferbey, NA (4)  
174 — Marcel Rocque, NA (4)  
169 — Eva Lund, W (3)  
141 — Kevin Martin, NA (2)  
128 — Nicole Joraanstad, NA (5)  
119 — Kim Kelly, NA (3)  
111 — Colleen Jones, NA (3)  
110 — Natalie Nicholson, NA (4)  
108 — Debbie McCormick, NA (4)  
101 — Mary-Ann Arsenault, NA (3), Nancy Delahunt, NA (3)  
100 — Jennifer Jones, NA (2)

69 — Flemming Davanger, W (3), Carmen Küng, W (2), Lars Vagberg, W (3), Cathy Overton-Clapham, NA (2), Valeria Spaltay, W (2), Janine Greiner, W (2), Euan Byers, W (4)  
68 — Andrew Gibson, NA (2), Rob Harris, NA (2)  
67 — Dawn Askin, NA (2)  
66 — Luzia Ebnöther, W (2)  
65 — Peter Narup, W (3), Bent A. Ramsfjell, W (3)  
63 — Patti Lank, NA (2)  
60 — Richard Hart, NA (1)  
57 — Craig Savill, NA (1)  
56 — Norman Brown, W (2), Ben Hebert, NA (1), Ewan MacDonald, E (2)  
55 — Don Bartlett, NA (1), Russ Howard (NA) 1, Don Walchuk, NA (1)

29 — Kalle Kiiskinen, W (1), Debbie Knox, W (1), Fiona MacDonald, W (1), Teemu Salo, W (1), Jani Sullenmaa, W (1), Sheila Swan, W (1), Ann Swishelm Silver, NA (1), Lana Vey, NA (1), Blake MacDonald, NA (1).  
28 — Marianne Haslum, W (2), Jean-Michel Menard, NA (1), Bingyu Wang, W (1)  
27 — Elisabet Gustafson, W (1), Katarina Nyberg, W (1), Janice Rankin, W (1)  
26 — Andy Kapp, W (1), Quingshang Yue, W (1), Yan Zhou, W (1)  
25 — Karo Gagnon, NA (1), Jason Larway, NA (1), Todd Birr, NA (1), Havard Vad Petersson, W (1), Niklas Edin, W (2)  
24 — Camilla Holth, W (2), Dordi Nordby, W (2)  
23 — Linn Githmark, W (1)  
22 — Maxime Elmaleh, NA (1), Marie-France Larouche, NA (1), Francois Roberge, NA (1), Eric Sylvain, NA (1), Craig Brown, NA (1), Rich Ruohonen, NA (1), Peter Annis, NA (1), John Dunlop, NA (1), Fengchun Wang, W (1)  
21 — Neil Murdoch, W (1), Craig



## And for starters ...



**Women's Team Games (8:30 a.m.)**

**Sheet A** — World (Bingyu Wang) vs. North America (Erika Brown)  
**Sheet B** — World (Andrea Schoepp) vs. North America (Cheryl Bernard)  
**Sheet C** — World (Mirjam Ott) vs. N. America (Jennifer Jones)

**Mixed Doubles (1:30 p.m.)**

**Sheet A** — World (Yan Zhou

**Today's Matches**

and Torger Nergard) vs. North America (Carter Rycroft and Jennifer Jones)  
**Sheet B** — World (Niklas Edin and Monika Wagner) vs. North America (Kevin Martin and Ann Swishelm)  
**Sheet C** — World (Bingyu Wang and Thomas Ulsrud) vs. North America (Shawn Rojaskei and Susan O'Connor)

**Men's Team Games (7:30 p.m.)**

**Sheet A** — World (Niklas Edin) vs. North America (Pete Fenson)  
**Sheet B** — World (David Murdoch) vs. North America (Kevin Martin)  
**Sheet C** — World (Thomas Ulsrud) vs. North America (Kevin Koe)

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**Women's Team Games (8:30 a.m.)**

**Sheet A** — World (Mirjam Ott) vs. N. America (Cheryl Bernard)  
**Sheet B** — World (Bingyu Wang) vs. North America (Jennifer Jones)  
**Sheet C** — World (Andrea Schoepp) vs. N. America (Erika Brown)

**Mixed Doubles (1:30 p.m.)**

**Sheet A** — World (Mirjam Ott

**Friday's Matches**

and Ralph Stoeckli) vs. North America (Blake MacDonald and Jill Officer)  
**Sheet B** — World (Sebastian Kraupp and Andrea Schoepp) vs. North America (Ben Hebert and Cheryl Bernard)  
**Sheet C** — World (Carmen Schaefer and David Murdoch) vs. North America (Pete Fenson and Erika Brown)

**Men's Team Games (7:30 p.m.)**

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