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# GREETINGS FROM HOME HARDWARE STORES LIMITED



**Welcome to the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup! We are excited and proud to be in Leduc, Alberta, to celebrate the opening event of this year's Season of Champions and to support our Canadian teams as a part of our title sponsorship.**

The 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup is such an important event for the success of our curling teams. As Canada's largest dealer-owned hardware, lumber, building materials and furniture home improvement retailer, we are delighted to be able to offer support to this year's competing teams.

This event would not be possible without the support of the Leduc community and its dedicated volunteers. I would also like to thank the organizers of the Home Hardware Canada Cup and our partner, Curling Canada.

I want to say a final thank you to the many fans joining us here in Leduc for what I can only assume will be an incredible week. Thank you for supporting this event, this sport and our teams.

Best of luck and enjoy the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup!

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We are very grateful to the city of Leduc and the local organizing committee for hosting what will no doubt be a memorable event — one that brings together the best talent in men's and women's curling from across the nation.

To Curling Canada and the hundreds of volunteers who have put in countless hours of their own time to give back to the curling community: This event could not have been made possible without your dedication.

The best of luck to all of the teams. We hope all in attendance and watching at home enjoy the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup.

**BRYCE EGER**

*President, Canada  
Corteva Agriscience*



**I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND MY**

warmest greetings to everyone attending the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup.

Over the next five days, Canada's premier curling teams will compete for the Canada Cup and vie for the chance to participate in the 2021 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings. I am

certain that everyone in attendance will be impressed by the high level of precision and skill on display throughout this event.

I would like to congratulate all of the athletes who have qualified for these competitions and wish them the best of luck. I would also like to thank everyone involved in ensuring the smooth operation of what is sure to be a spectacular event.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I offer you my best wishes for a memorable experience.

**The Rt. Hon. Justin P.J. Trudeau, PC, MP**

*Prime Minister of Canada*



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and council, it is with great pleasure that I welcome the 14 competing teams, their family members and friends and curling fans to the Leduc region for the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup.

We are incredibly excited our region is able to host this tournament

and are proud to be a sponsor.

Over the course of the event, the Leduc region will serve as your home away from home; when not taking in the exciting games, we invite you to explore the wonderful attractions the region has to offer.

To the athletes: We wish you great success as you hurry hard toward the house. May the games be friendly and competitive and may your experiences be memorable.

Events like the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup take hundreds of hours to plan and equally as many volunteers to execute. I'd like to extend my thanks to the dedicated volunteers who contributed to another successful event that helps put our region on the map.

**Tanni Doblanko**

*Leduc County Mayor*



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council, administration and the community, we are excited to welcome all of the athletes, coaches and fans to the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup.

The City of Leduc is proud to be a sport tourism hub not only for Alberta but for all of Canada. We pride ourselves on ensuring that the athletes and guests who come to

our city to compete in sporting activities *Stand Out in Leduc*.

From our award-winning Sport Tourism department and facilities to our extensive amenities and community, Leduc is passionate about recreation.

Over the next few days, you will have the pleasure of spending time with our wonderful volunteer community, who epitomize the culture of sportsmanship, teamwork and positivity that the City of Leduc values.

We hope you enjoy your time in our community, and have a great event!

**Bob Young**

*Mayor, City of Leduc*



**ON BEHALF OF CURLING CANADA'S**

board of governors and our 14 member associations across our great country, I'm delighted to welcome everyone competing in and attending the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup, presented by Pioneer, in Leduc, Alberta.

This is a notable year for the Home Hardware Canada Cup, as the winners of

Sunday's championship games will have taken their first steps toward representing Canada at the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing, China. Their wins will qualify them directly into the 2021 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings, the event that will decide our four-player teams for Beijing.

Our title sponsor, Home Hardware, has been not just a sponsor but a partner in every sense of the word. We've worked together on the Canada Cup since 2014, and Home Hardware continues to be an enthusiastic supporter of our sport from coast to coast. We're truly grateful for this enduring relationship and look forward to many more years of working together.

To our volunteers, our organizing committee, the local event staff and Curling Canada's national staff, a sincere and heartfelt thank you for all of your efforts in making the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup an outstanding event, on and off the ice.

The sacrifices made by the families and employers of the athletes and coaches who are competing here this week also need to be acknowledged: My thanks to all of you.

I know that the City of Leduc is excited to host this event and I know fans and curlers alike are in for a treat. Good curling to all of you!

**John Shea**

*Chair, Curling Canada Board of Governors*

# GREETINGS FROM THE HOST COMMITTEE

## Welcome To Leduc!

We are honoured and proud to host the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup, presented by Pioneer. The winning men's and women's teams will earn the first berths in the 2021 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings, which will decide Canada's men's and women's four-player curling teams for the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing.

Leduc is well known for welcoming Canadian curlers to national sporting events. It hosted Curl 4 Canada in 2018, which saw four Canadian championships contested – the mixed doubles, wheelchair, CCAA and U Sports Canadian University – not to mention playing host to many provincial championships.

The 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup host committee welcomes Curling Canada to Leduc and we thank you for your leadership in all things curling!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome the best men's and women's curlers in Canada to Leduc for this season's first Season of Champions event. You all have worked hard to earn your spot here and we look forward to a fantastic week of curling.

An event such as this would not be possible without its volunteers, whose enthusiasm, dedication and

unwavering support have contributed to its success. Thank you!

This is the 15th edition of the Canada Cup and Home Hardware's fifth year as title sponsor. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Home Hardware for its amazing support and dedication to Curling Canada and the athletes.

We would also like to thank all of the local sponsors, large and small, for their support. An event of this size is not possible without you.

And we are grateful to TSN, the official broadcaster of the Season of Champions, which continues to provide shot-by-shot commentary. Without your commitment to curling, the country would not be able to witness the talent of our curlers. Your dedication to curling is truly exceptional. On behalf of all curling fans: Thank you.

Finally, we would like to thank the curling fans, young and old from near and far, for supporting curling by attending the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup.

We hope that you will enjoy the games on the ice in the Sobeys Arena, the lounge, the Leduc Recreation Centre and everything that the City of Leduc has to offer.



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# HOME HARDWARE CANADA CUP

Affinity Place › Estevan, Saskatchewan › December 5 to 9, 2018



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Canada Cup champions: from left, Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes, Jocelyn Peterman and Dawn McEwen. It was a record fourth title for Jones, who also won in 2007, '11 and '16. In addition to a big paycheck, the team earned a berth in the Road to the Roar pre-trials.

## Just 24 hours before the scheduled opening of the 2018

Home Hardware Canada Cup at Affinity Place in Estevan, Saskatchewan, there were very real concerns that an opening rock wouldn't actually be thrown. A massive power failure had paralyzed southern Saskatchewan and put the ice preparation well behind schedule.



Kerri Einarson fell short in the final against Jennifer Jones, who executed a long runback double takeout for three in the ninth end to take an 8-5 lead coming home.

But a stunning display of tireless work by the ice crew, headed by Jamie Bourassa and Greg Ewasko, to get the playing surface ready on time was followed by a stunning display of curling that ultimately led to championship final victories for Winnipeg's Jennifer Jones in the women's event and Brad Jacobs of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in the men's.

Jones, curling with vice-skip Kaitlyn Lawes, second Jocelyn

### WOMEN'S FINAL

Kerri Einarson	*100 200 110 X	5
Jennifer Jones	020 021 003 X	8

\* Last-rock advantage

### PERCENTAGES

Team Einarson		Team Jones	
Kerri Einarson	70%	Jennifer Jones	86%
Val Sweeting	78%	Kaitlyn Lawes	81%
Shannon Birchard	95%	Jocelyn Peterman	84%
Briane Meilleur	91%	Dawn McEwen	81%
<b>Team totals</b>	<b>84%</b>		<b>83%</b>

### SEMIFINAL

Jennifer Jones	*100 310 201 X	8
Rachel Homan	001 001 020 X	4

### FINAL STANDINGS

Playoffs	Wins	Losses
Jennifer Jones	2	0
Kerri Einarson	0	1
Rachel Homan	0	1
Round robin	Wins	Losses
Kerri Einarson	6	1
Jennifer Jones	5	2
Rachel Homan	5	2
Casey Scheidegger	4	3
Laura Walker	3	4
Chelsea Carey	2	5
Allison Flaxey	2	5
Darcy Robertson	1	6

### PRIZE SUMMARY

Jennifer Jones	\$21,500	Laura Walker	\$4,500
Kerri Einarson	\$18,000	Chelsea Carey	\$3,000
Rachel Homan	\$12,500	Allison Flaxey	\$3,000
Casey Scheidegger	\$6,000	Darcy Robertson	\$1,500

Peterman and lead Dawn McEwen, made history as the first four-time Canada Cup champion, and did it in style with an 8-5 win over Kerri Einarson's team from Gimli, Manitoba, in a final highlighted by a wonderful long runback double takeout in the ninth end to score a decisive three.

"It was just the way the score was," says Jones of the decision to play the risky shot in the ninth end. "Trying to hold them to not get two in the last end is challenging, so we thought it was worth the risk. I like throwing that shot, it looked good out of my hand and I knew it was going to be close. I just wasn't sure we would stick the shooter and it stuck around."



Brad Jacobs, Marc Kennedy, E.J. Harnden and Ryan Harnden won their first Canada Cup title in a tightly contested 5-4 win over Kevin Koe. Jacobs conceded a steal of one in nine to keep hammer and then made a hit with his final rock for the winning point.

Team Einarson had finished on top of the round-robin standings with a 6-1 record, followed by Jones and Ottawa's Rachel Homan at 5-2.

In the semifinal, Team Jones was an 8-4 winner over Team Homan to get into the final.

Team Jones not only took home the Canada Cup trophy but \$14,000 for winning the final, plus \$7,500 for its five round-robin wins. Team Einarson collected \$9,000 for finishing second and an additional \$9,000 for its round-robin wins.

On the men's side, Jacobs headed to Estevan without longtime vice-skip Ryan Fry, who was taking some time away from curling, but with a pretty solid replacement in Marc

Kennedy, who joined E.J. Harnden at second and Ryan Harnden at lead.

That lineup led the round robin with a 5-1 record, followed by three teams at 4-2 — Calgary's Kevin Koe, Brad Gushue of St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, and Brendan Bottcher of Edmonton.

Koe and Bottcher faced off in a third-place tiebreaker, with Koe taking two in the 10th end for an 8-7 victory.

In the semifinal, Koe rallied from a 5-1 deficit through six



Kevin Koe and his Calgary mates rallied from a 5-1, sixth-end deficit to prevail 7-5 over Brad Gushue in the Canada Cup semifinal to secure a spot in the final.

**MEN'S FINAL**

Kevin Koe	001 010 011 0 4
Brad Jacobs	*200 100 100 1 5

\* Last-rock advantage

**PERCENTAGES**

<b>Team Koe</b>		<b>Team Jacobs</b>	
Kevin Koe	78%	Brad Jacobs	80%
B.J. Neufeld	84%	Marc Kennedy	95%
Colton Flasch	86%	E.J. Harnden	91%
Ben Hebert	94%	Ryan Harnden	94%
<b>Team totals</b>	<b>85%</b>		<b>90%</b>

**SEMIFINAL**

Brad Gushue	*020 021 000 0 5
Kevin Koe	001 000 221 1 7

**TIEBREAKER**

Kevin Koe	*001 030 200 2 8
Brendan Bottcher	010 201 030 0 7

**FINAL STANDINGS**

<b>Playoffs</b>	<b>Wins</b>	<b>Losses</b>
Brad Jacobs	1	0
Kevin Koe	2	1
Brad Gushue	0	1
Brendan Bottcher	0	1
<b>Round robin</b>	<b>Wins</b>	<b>Losses</b>
Brad Jacobs	5	1
Brad Gushue	4	2
Brendan Bottcher	4	2
Kevin Koe	4	2
John Epping	3	3
Matt Dunstone	1	5
Reid Carruthers	0	6

**PRIZE SUMMARY**

Brad Jacobs	\$24,000	John Epping	\$6,000
Kevin Koe	\$17,000	Matt Dunstone	\$2,000
Brad Gushue	\$13,000	Reid Carruthers	0
Brendan Bottcher	\$8,000		

ends with deuces in the seventh and eighth ends and singles in the ninth and 10th for a 7-5 win over Gushue.

In the final, though, it was Team Jacobs coming out with a 5-4 win — a first Canada Cup victory for the 2014 Olympic champ.

"This is a great event, top Canadian teams — men and women — so any time you can sneak out a win like this it means a lot," says Jacobs. "You only get so many opportunities to win events like this. To put this on our résumé feels great."

Team Jacobs took home \$14,000 for winning the Canada Cup, plus \$10,000 for its five round-robin victories. Team Koe pocketed \$9,000 for finishing second and \$8,000 for its four round-robin victories.

Women's round-robin victories were worth \$1,500 compared with \$2,000 for the men, because the women had one extra team in their field based on a tie in the qualifying process, and thus one extra round-robin game in which to win money.

Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes, Jocelyn Peterman and Dawn McEwen have already earned a berth in the Road to the Roar pre-trials thanks to their 2018 Canada Cup victory. They have a chance to upgrade that to a spot in the Canadian Curling Trials with a championship win this week.



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# THE ROAD TO BEIJING BEGINS HERE

BY PAUL WIECEK

**The long and winding road to Beijing begins in Leduc, Alberta.**

The 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup, November 27 to December 1 at Sobeys Arena here in Leduc, will determine the first men's and women's berths into the 2021 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings Canadian Curling Trials, where Canada's team curling representatives for the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing will be determined.

And so even though the Olympic torch was extinguished in PyeongChang, South Korea, less than two years ago and won't be relit in Beijing for another two years, the Olympic quest for Canada's top curling teams begins in earnest this winter with the 15th edition of the Canada Cup.

It's all familiar terrain for skip Jennifer Jones — but it will also be entirely different this time around.

Jones has competed in four different trials over the course of her long career, winning in Winnipeg in December 2013 en route to a record-breaking undefeated gold-medal run in Sochi, Russia, the following February.

But while the long road to representing Canada in curling at the Olympics will be intimately familiar to the 45-year-old Winnipeg native, she will be without her most trusted travelling companion on this journey.

Larry Jones — Jones's father, former coach and most loyal fan — died on May 21, and Jones says nothing will ever again be quite the same for her, on or off the ice.

"The hardest part for me going forward in losing my Dad was that he was always such a cheerleader for our team. He never, ever missed a big event. And so that's going to be really hard," says Jones.

"He was such a big part of my career. He believed I could make any shot and he kind of instilled that belief in me too. He was my Number 1 fan."

In addition to losing her father, Jones is also grieving the loss of Janet Arnott, her long-time team coach and a hall of fame Manitoba curler in her own right, who died on June 24.

"It's been really just very emotional and hard to process all this stuff. It was a hard summer," says Jones.

"It makes you realize how short life is."

Those two losses will be a sobering backdrop

Canada's Dawn McEwen, Jill Officer, Kaitlyn Lawes and Jennifer Jones went on an unprecedented undefeated run to bring home Olympic gold in 2014. So what do you do for an encore? Well, you try to do it all over again and that journey could very well begin here in Leduc.



PHOTO: WCF/MICHAEL BURNS PHOTOGRAPHY

as Jones begins her quest in Leduc to once again represent Canada in women's team curling at the Winter Olympics.

Jones returns this year with the same lineup as last season — long-time third Kaitlyn Lawes and lead Dawn McEwen, as well as second Jocelyn Peterman, who joined the Jones team before last season following the retirement of Jill Officer.

The first-year team had plenty of success on the cashspiel circuit last season, but raised eyebrows at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts, where, for the first time in 14 Hearts appearances, a Jones-led team failed to make the playoffs.

Jones says she knows that she and her team will have to be better if they're going to be curling for an Olympics berth at the 2021 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings, November 27 to December 5 at SaskTel Centre in Saskatoon.

"Last year we tried some new things," says Jones. "We tried a little more relaxed approach after a long quadrennial so that we were sure we would be ready to go for the next three years.

"And we are. We've put in a lot of work over the summer and worked on some things and we feel good. It's all about slowly getting better and winning some events.

"But this isn't the year you have to be your best. That comes two years from now at those Olympic trials and, hopefully, the Olympics."

The trials process being used by Curling Canada for this quadrennial will be almost identical to the one used to determine Canada's team curling representatives for PyeongChang.

The format for the Saskatoon trials will be identical to the one used in Ottawa in 2017: a nine-team round-robin draw for both men and women, with the top three teams reaching the playoffs. The first-place team in the round robin will go straight to the championship final, while the second- and third-place teams will play in the semifinal.

As for getting to the trials, the nine-qualifiers in each gender will be determined as follows, with the default scenario in parentheses should teams qualify in more than one way:

1. Winners of the 2019 Home Hardware Canada Cup (2019-20 Canadian Team Ranking System total)
2. Winners of the 2020 Scotties Tournament of Hearts and Tim Hortons Brier (2019-20 CTRS total)

3. Winners of the 2020 Home Hardware Canada Cup (2020-21 CTRS total)
4. Winners of the 2021 Scotties Tournament of Hearts and Tim Hortons Brier (2020-21 CTRS total)
5. Highest two-year CTRS total in 2019-20 and 2020-21 seasons (non-qualified teams)
6. Highest two-year CTRS total in 2019-20 and 2020-21 seasons (non-qualified teams)
7. Highest single-season CTRS total in 2020-21 (non-qualified teams)
8. Road to the Roar pre-trials qualifier
9. Road to the Roar pre-trials qualifier

Last year's all-new Team Dunstone, from left, Dustin Kidby, Catlin Schneider, Braeden Moskwy and Matt Dunstone won the third leg of the 2019 Curling World Cup, defeating world champion Niklas Edin in the final. Dunstone is hoping that this lineup has the stuff to get them to the Roar of the Rings in 2021.



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Matt Dunstone, left, made his Canadian Curling Trials debut throwing last rock for Steve Laycock in 2017, finishing 2-6. Two years later, Dunstone is looking to earn his way back to the Olympic qualifier, this time skipping his own team. "What gets me excited is that we're young but we've got a lot of experience too...."



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The iconic Water Cube, insert, played host to the aquatic events at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Summer Games. The venue has undergone a dramatic transformation into the Ice Cube and is set to host the curling events at the 2022 Winter Olympics. In the future, the convertible structure will have both water and ice functions.

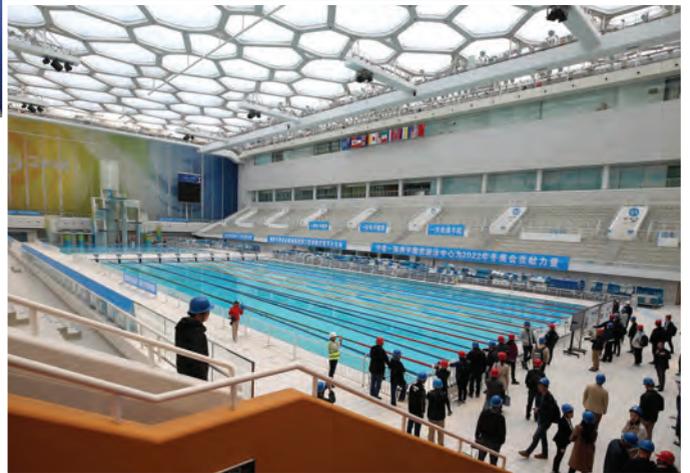
One change to the trials qualifying process is being made this time around: the Brier and Hearts winners are no longer required to win a medal at the world championships in order to claim their spot.

That's a change that makes sense, says former Canadian junior champion and trials hopeful Matt Dunstone.

"Most of the time, any team winning the Brier or Scotties is more than deserving of being in the trials anyway," says Dunstone, who was born and raised in Winnipeg but lives in Kamloops, British Columbia, these days.

Dunstone won Canadian junior titles in 2013 and 2016 and has spent the years since trying to gain a toehold among the elite ranks of the men's game. It's been a steep learning curve, he admits.

"It hits you pretty quick — you go from winning



85 to 90 per cent of your games in juniors to being more in the 50 to 60 per cent range in men's. You've really got to do the work," says Dunstone.

"I'm playing against guys who have been playing at an elite level for longer than I've been alive."

At age 24, Dunstone has already curled in his first trials — he threw last rock for Steve Laycock in 2017 in Ottawa, finishing 2-6 — and is hoping his second-year team with Braeden Moskoway at third, Catlin Schneider at second and Dustin Kidby at lead has the stuff to get him back to the Olympic qualifier in 2021.

"I think we can give this a pretty honest go. What gets me excited is that we're young but we've got a lot of experience too...."

"For the ages we are, we kind of have that big-game experience you need. So we're excited about this. And the best part is we have another two years to develop into what we think we can be."

*Paul Wiecek is a curling writer based in Gimli, Manitoba*

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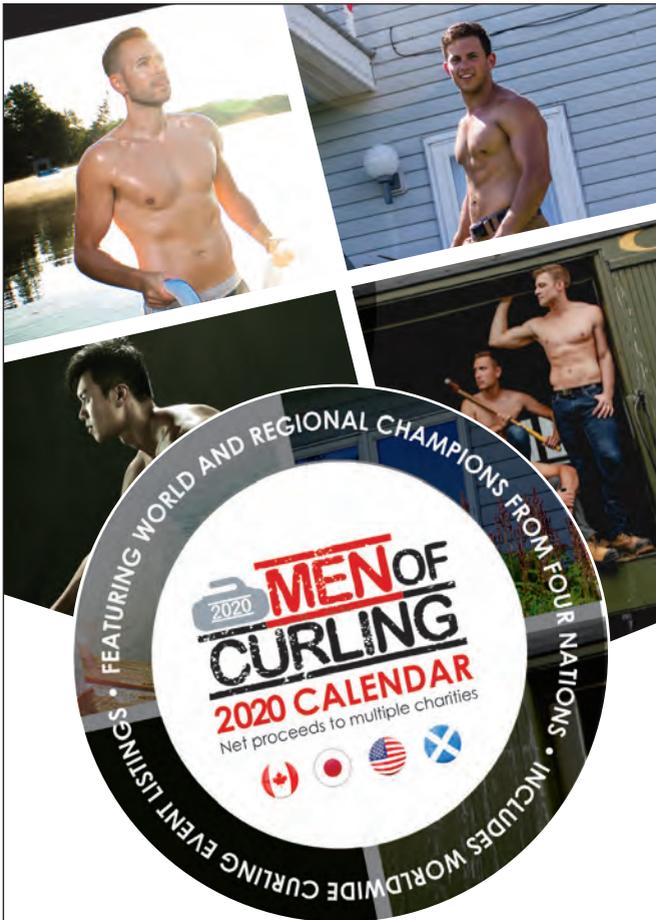
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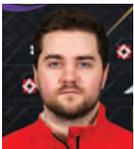
Brad Thiessen



Karrick Martin

**SKIP:** Brendan Bottcher **Born:** December 19, 1991 **Occupation:** Application specialist, Spartan Controls ■ **THIRD:** Darren Moulding **Born:** December 2, 1982 **Occupation:** Head ice technician, Lacombe and Bentley curling clubs/ business owner, Pinpoint Roofing ■ **SECOND:** Brad Thiessen **Born:** March 1, 1990 **Occupation:** Web developer, LawDepot ■ **LEAD:** Karrick Martin **Born:** May 24, 1989 **Occupation:** Event and labour supervisor, Government of Alberta

## TEAM DUNSTONE • REGINA



Matt Dunstone



Braeden Moskwy



Catlin Schneider



Dustin Kidby

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## TEAM EPPING • TORONTO



John Epping



Ryan Fry



Mat Camm



Brent Laing

**SKIP:** John Epping **Born:** March 20, 1983 **Occupation:** Curling consultant, Epping Consulting ■ **THIRD:** Ryan Fry **Born:** July 25, 1978 **Occupation:** Curler ■ **SECOND:** Mat Camm **Born:** March 29, 1990 **Occupation:** Owner, Camm & Jones Residential Improvements ■ **LEAD:** Brent Laing **Born:** December 10, 1978 **Occupation:** Entrepreneur, World Financial Group

## TEAM GUSHUE • ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND/LABRADOR



Brad Gushue



Mark Nichols



Brett Gallant



Geoff Walker

**SKIP:** Brad Gushue **Born:** June 16, 1980 **Occupation:** Owner, Orangetheory Fitness ■ **THIRD:** Mark Nichols **Born:** January 1, 1980 **Occupation:** Owner/ personal trainer, Orangetheory Fitness ■ **SECOND:** Brett Gallant **Born:** February 18, 1990 **Occupation:** Curler ■ **LEAD:** Geoff Walker **Born:** November 28, 1985 **Occupation:** Turf team, The Derrick Golf and Winter Club

**TEAM HOWARD • PENETANGUISHENE, ONTARIO**



Glenn Howard



Scott Howard



David Mathers



Tim March

**SKIP:** Glenn Howard **Born:** July 17, 1962 **Occupation:** Consultant and spokesperson, Brewers Retail Inc. ■ **THIRD:** Scott Howard **Born:** July 11, 1990 **Occupation:** Estimator and project manager, Maacon Construction ■ **SECOND:** David Mathers **Born:** May 12, 1991 **Occupation:** Commercial insurance advisor, Canada BrokerLink ■ **LEAD:** Tim March **Born:** April 28, 1987 **Occupation:** Senior accountant, Cathy L. Tune, CPA

**TEAM JACOBS • SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO**



Brad Jacobs



Marc Kennedy



E.J. Harnden



Ryan Harnden

**SKIP:** Brad Jacobs **Born:** June 11, 1985 **Occupation:** Senior marketing director, World Financial Group ■ **THIRD:** Marc Kennedy **Born:** February 5, 1982 **Occupation:** Coaching consultant, Curling Canada ■ **SECOND:** E.J. Harnden **Born:** April 14, 1983 **Occupation:** Product manager, Instant Games, OLG ■ **LEAD:** Ryan Harnden **Born:** June 28, 1986 **Occupation:** Sales representative, Lock City Dairies

**TEAM KOE • CALGARY**



Kevin Koe



B.J. Neufeld



Colton Flasch



Ben Hebert

**SKIP:** Kevin Koe **Born:** January 11, 1975 **Occupation:** Surface landman, Repsol Canada ■ **THIRD:** B.J. Neufeld **Born:** February 28, 1986 **Occupation:** PGA of Canada head golf professional, Larters at St. Andrews ■ **SECOND:** Colton Flasch **Born:** February 27, 1991 **Occupation:** Construction worker, K&S Contracting ■ **LEAD:** Ben Hebert **Born:** March 16, 1983 **Occupation:** Business development manager, Caltech Surveys Ltd.

**TEAM CAREY • EDMONTON**



Chelsea Carey



Sarah Wilkes



Dana Ferguson



Rachel Brown

**SKIP:** Chelsea Carey **Born:** September 12, 1984 **Occupation:** Sales representative, The Brick Mattress Store ■ **THIRD:** Sarah Wilkes **Born:** August 4, 1990 **Occupation:** Student advisor, University of Alberta ■ **SECOND:** Dana Ferguson **Born:** February 25, 1987 **Occupation:** Curling development coach, Saville Community Sports Centre ■ **LEAD:** Rachel Brown **Born:** July 9, 1986 **Occupation:** Teacher, Black Gold Regional Division

**TEAM EINARSON • GIMLI, MANITOBA**



Kerri Einarson



Val Sweeting



Shannon Birchard



Briane Meilleur

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**TEAM FLEURY • EAST ST. PAUL, MANITOBA**



Tracy Fleury



Selena Njegovan



Liz Fyfe



Kristin MacCuish

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**TEAM HOMAN • OTTAWA**



Rachel Homan



Emma Miskew



Joanne Courtney



Lisa Weagle

**SKIP:** Rachel Homan **Born:** April 5, 1989 **Occupation:** Curler ■ **THIRD:** Emma Miskew **Born:** February 14, 1989 **Occupation:** Industrial and graphic designer ■ **SECOND:** Joanne Courtney **Born:** March 7, 1989 **Occupation:** Registered nurse, Alberta Health Services ■ **LEAD:** Lisa Weagle **Born:** March 24, 1985 **Occupation:** Communications advisor

**TEAM JONES • WINNIPEG**



Jennifer Jones



Kaitlyn Lawes



Jocelyn Peterman



Dawn McEwen

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**TEAM SCHEIDEGGER • LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA**



Cheryl Bernard



Cary-Anne  
McTaggart



Jessie Haughian



Kristie Moore

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**TEAM SILVERNAGLE • NORTH BATTLEFORD, SASKATCHEWAN**



Robyn Silvernagle



Stefanie Lawton



Jessie Hunkin



Kara Thevenot

**SKIP:** Robyn Silvernagle **Born:** May 20, 1987 **Occupation:** Owner, Dazu Salon ■ **THIRD:** Stefanie Lawton **Born:** June 20, 1980 **Occupation:** Chartered professional accountant, Cameco ■ **SECOND:** Jessie Hunkin **Born:** August 24, 1988 **Occupation:** Manager, Olson Curling Inc. ■ **LEAD:** Kara Thevenot **Born:** December 4, 1988 **Occupation:** Sales agronomist, Lake Country Co-op



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DATE	TIME	DRAW	A	B	C	D	E
Wednesday, November 27	9 a.m.	1		EPPING vs KOE	SILVERNAGLE vs HOMAN	GUSHUE vs BOTTCHEER	JONES vs SCHEIDEGGER
	2 p.m.	2	HOMAN vs CAREY	GUSHUE vs DUNSTONE	JONES vs EINARSON	SILVERNAGLE vs FLEURY	HOWARD vs JACOBS
	7 p.m.	3	SCHEIDEGGER vs EINARSON	BOTTCHEER vs HOWARD	KOE vs JACOBS	DUNSTONE vs EPPING	FLEURY vs CAREY
Thursday, November 28	9 a.m.	4	JACOBS vs DUNSTONE	HOMAN vs FLEURY	CAREY vs SCHEIDEGGER		EINARSON vs SILVERNAGLE
	2 p.m.	5	EPPING vs GUSHUE	SILVERNAGLE vs JONES	DUNSTONE vs BOTTCHEER	HOWARD vs KOE	SCHEIDEGGER vs HOMAN
	7 p.m.	6	BOTTCHEER vs KOE	JACOBS vs EPPING	EINARSON vs FLEURY	JONES vs CAREY	GUSHUE vs HOWARD
Friday, November 29	9 a.m.	7	FLEURY vs JONES	CAREY vs EINARSON	HOWARD vs EPPING	BOTTCHEER vs JACOBS	
	2 p.m.	8	CAREY vs SILVERNAGLE	FLEURY vs SCHEIDEGGER	JACOBS vs GUSHUE	EINARSON vs HOMAN	KOE vs DUNSTONE
	7 p.m.	9	DUNSTONE vs HOWARD	KOE vs GUSHUE	HOMAN vs JONES	SCHEIDEGGER vs SILVERNAGLE	EPPING vs BOTTCHEER

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## TIEBREAKERS • SEMIFINALS • FINALS

WOMEN'S TIEBREAKERS	Saturday, November 30	9 a.m.	MEN'S TIEBREAKERS	Saturday, November 30	9 a.m.
WOMEN'S SEMIFINAL	Saturday, November 30	7 p.m.	MEN'S SEMIFINAL	Saturday, November 30	2 p.m.
WOMEN'S FINAL	Sunday, December 1	Noon	MEN'S FINAL	Sunday, December 1	5 p.m.

All times listed are Mountain Standard Time and are subject to change.

BY TERRY JONES

# PASSION FOR CURLING RAN DEEP

**On 49th Avenue in Lacombe, Alberta, there used** to be a six-sheet curling rink directly across the street from the house where I grew up.

My dad was the town drayman, so we had a double-sized lot to accommodate his flatbed truck. That was my baseball infield, and the curling rink across the street completed the scene. The roof was constructed in a way that made it look to me like outfield stands — with an upper deck.

For endless hours I'd attempt to hit baseballs over that roof.

My early ventures inside the rink were to hit the Coke machine. A bottle cost a dime in those days and on Sundays my dad would send me over to get bottles for everybody in the family.

It was during those visits that I discovered what every Canadian in every small town knew: A curling rink is like no other place. It's the town meeting centre, where people come to visit and where you could find a hamburger unrivalled by any concession stand anywhere else in the world of sport.

There was also a "snake room" upstairs where the bottles came out and the odd libation was consumed after an evening men's league game. I never did experience that. But I became very familiar with the evening men's league action.

Like clockwork, just as we were finishing supper, there would be a knock on the door. And there would stand the local dentist, pastor, gas station owner and once even the town police chief, needing a sub.

"Can young Terry come out and play?"

Always lead, of course. Corn brooms. I loved the sound of those things, particularly the ones with the strip of leather sewn in the middle of the brooms. I hated the actual sweeping part, though. And my draw weight was almost always heavy, quite possibly due to my Peewee Pickering delivery.

My only other time on the pebbled ice was to play in Edmonton's Sportsmen's Curling League, where media, former pro players — football player and coach Jackie Parker and the like — would play a few ends and retire to the bar, where somebody like former New York Rangers goaltender Ken McAuley would be encouraged to tell the story to some newcomer about the time he let in 14 and his teammates presented him with the goal light after the game.

Oh, and there was the year I joined one of the 400-or-so teams in the Northern Alberta Curling Association annual bonspiel, where you drove from curling club to curling club and played something like 14 games in 10 days. By then I was a journalist and I did that to get a column.

The point is that anybody who ever watched me

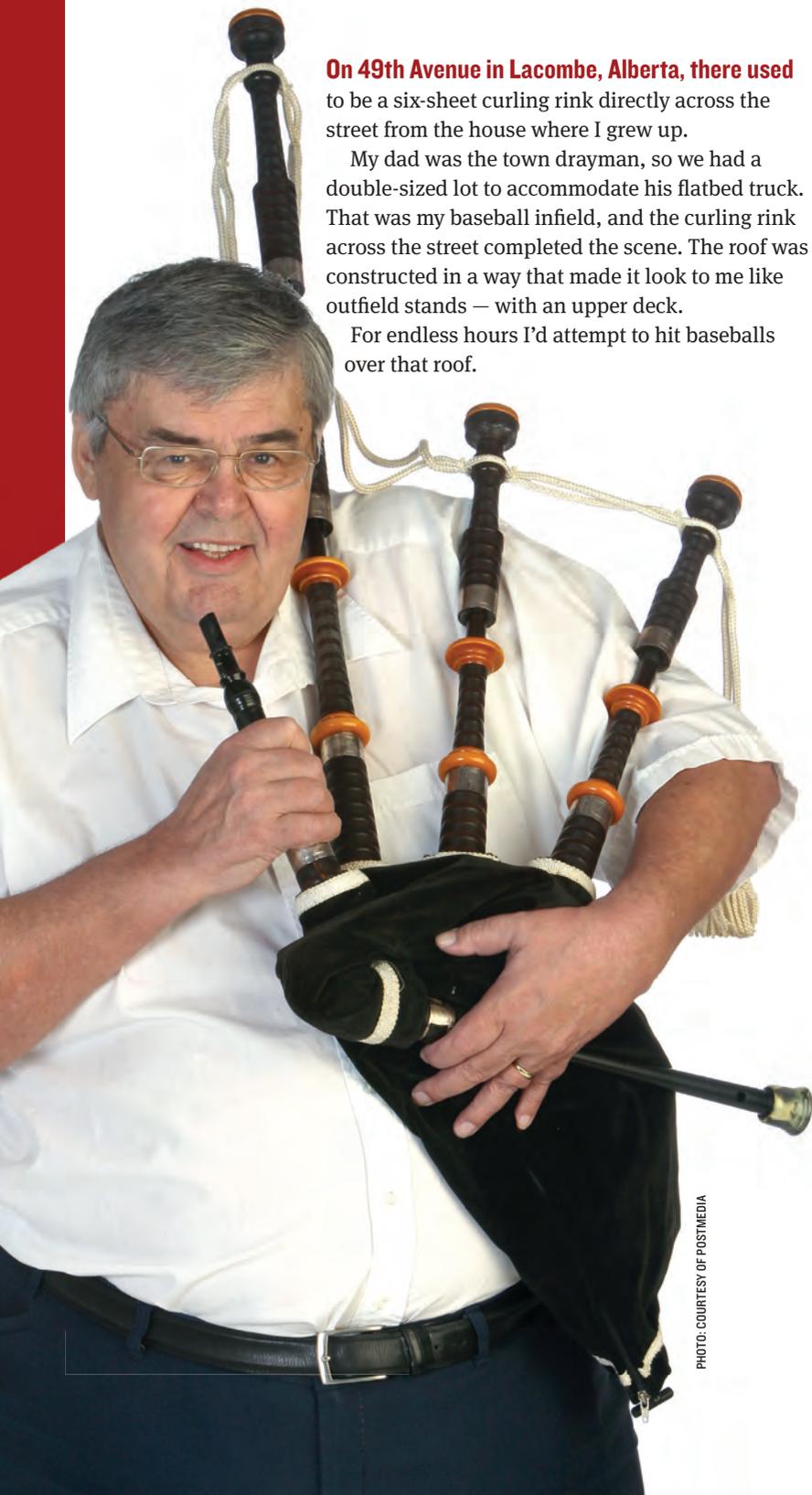


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curl would be flabbergasted to discover that during this Canada Cup I'm being inducted into the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame, a full-fledged member with the exact same status as Matt Baldwin, Hec Gervais, Randy Ferbey and Kevin Martin.

I have been inducted into a few other shrines, including the Hockey Hall of Fame, Canadian Football Hall of Fame and Alberta Sports Hall of Fame, where they put media people into separate wings. But in curling, while they don't let many in, you go in as a full-fledged builder.

And yet, you know what? The biggest kick of this is to join the other curling writers who made it. It's a short list: Don "Buckets" Fleming, Jack Matheson, Scotty Harper, and my long-time friend and travelling mate Larry Wood, who covered 54 Briers, double the number I've survived so far.

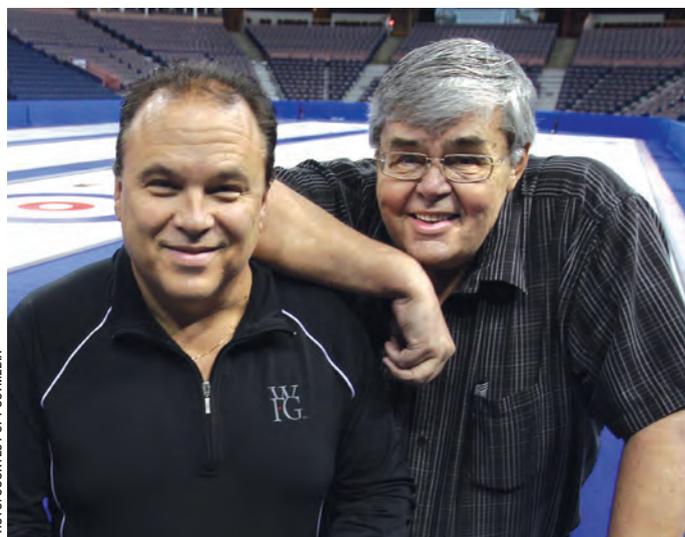
And let's not forget the broadcasters: "Cactus" Jack Wells, "Breathless" Bill Good, Bob Picken, Vic Rauter, Bob Weeks, Don Wittman.

Sitting in the hotel room of Sammy Richardson having a few one night at a Brier, he raised a lot of eyebrows when he said that cast of colourful characters was more responsible for curling becoming a big-event sport than the curlers. Okay, he'd had a couple. But still....

I wouldn't go that far. I wouldn't be going into the Hall of Fame if I didn't have the Ferbey Four, Kevin Martin and all the greats of the game to cover in all those Briers, world championships and Olympic trials.

I covered the greatest of the greats in the city that became the curling capital of the world. I was at the Olympics in Calgary in 1988 and Albertville in '92 and then when curling won official status and took large leaps forward in Nagano '98, Salt Lake '02, Torino '06 and Vancouver '10. I was there to witness curling not only defy the critics who suggested it ought not be included in the greatest show on snow but become one of the centre rings of the five-ring circus with television ratings the envy of almost all other Olympic sports.

Curling had me way back where I came in, across the street where I grew up.



Terry Jones — pictured here at the 2013 Edmonton Brier with six-time Canadian champion Randy Ferbey — will join his good pal as a member of the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame during this Canada Cup. His biggest kick? To join the other curling writers who made it.

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No stranger to awards and accolades, Edmonton's Terry Jones was presented with the 2016 Scotty Harper Award by Curling Canada vice-chair Peter Inch. The award goes to a member of the sports media for the year's best curling story.

It was Canadiana. It was people in the community who grabbed a broom, joined a men's league and played as equals to others from all walks of life. For the longest time it was a butcher, a baker and a candlestick maker finding a skip to take into the playdowns.

In my 52-year career there aren't many major sports events I didn't cover. In so many sports, the players have been trained to speak in clichés and avoid controversy and be as vanilla as they can possibly be. But in curling, the athletes are real. They don't make multi-million-dollar salaries. They are naturally colourful. They're so honest it's nothing short of refreshing. And most of them, after nine days of being major-league sports stars playing on television with the same kind of numbers as the hockey players, they return to their day jobs.

And at it's very peak, when the 2005 Brier drew 281,985 in Edmonton, a fan could head over to the Brier Patch and have a beer with Randy Ferbey.

How can you not become passionate about a sport like that? How can you not feel humbled and privileged to be called to the hall with the greatest of their greats?

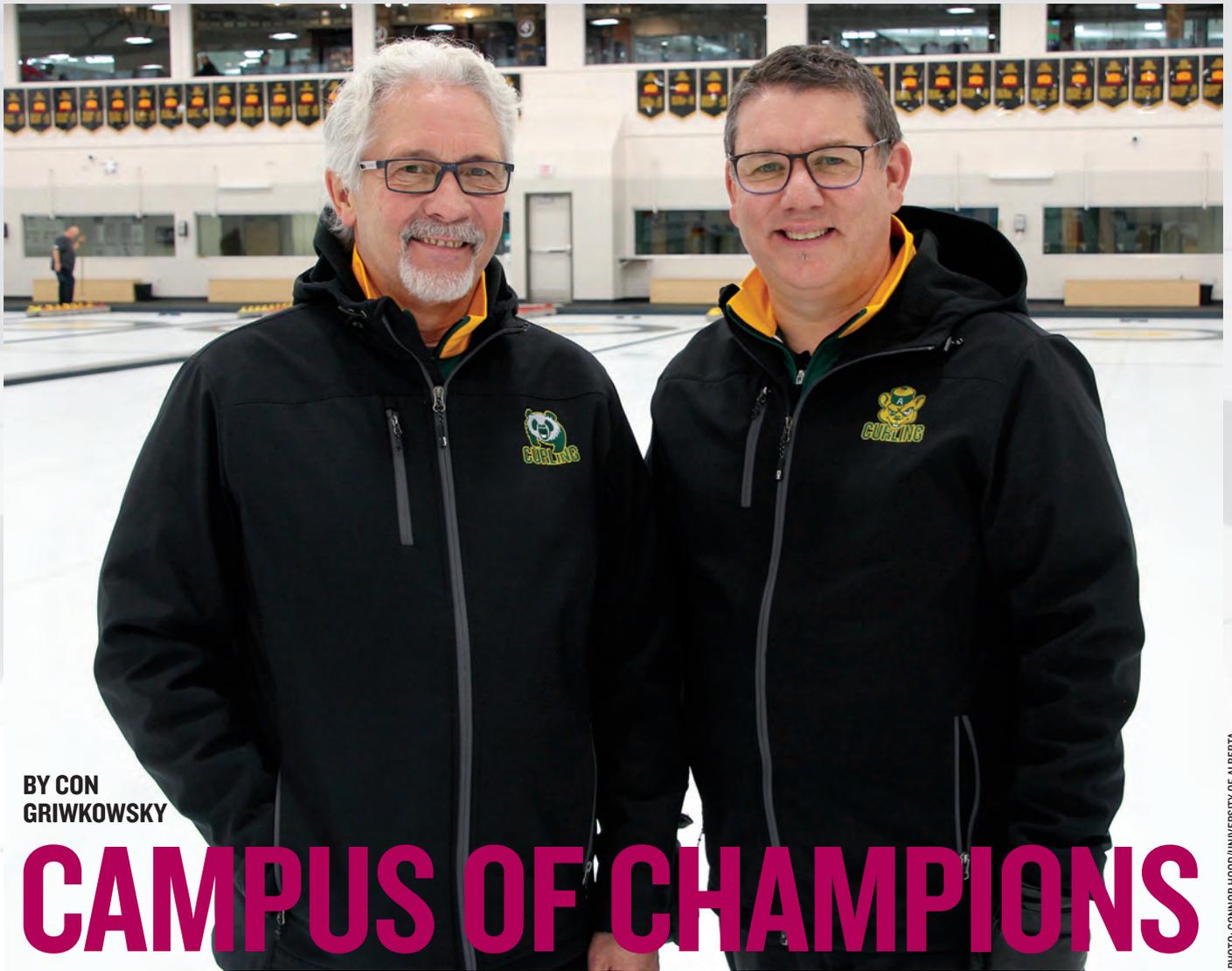
I was given the vehicle to allow my passion for covering the sport to play my part the City of Champions and Championships embraced to set ballistic records. It doesn't work if the populace doesn't care, but in Edmonton and Northern Alberta, they've clearly cared.

Mostly, I got lucky. Right time. Right place. Right people.

And I thank you all for the parts you've played.

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*In his 52nd year of covering sports in Edmonton, Terry Jones is in the Hockey Hall of Fame, Canadian Football Hall of Fame, both the Edmonton and Alberta Sports Halls of Fame, was given Sports Media Canada's Lifetime Achievement Award and now is to be inducted into the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame. Jones has covered an incredible variety of major events, including 16 Olympics, 47 Grey Cups, 27 Briers, more than 500 Stanley Cup playoff games, plus impressive numbers of Super Bowl, World Series, World Cup soccer and assorted other major events too long to list. Jones and his wife Linda, son Shane, twin daughters Nikki and Trina and grandsons James and Aiden live in Sherwood Park.*



BY CON  
GRIWKOWSKY

# CAMPUS OF CHAMPIONS

PHOTO: CONNOR HOOD/UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Head coach Rob Krepps, right, and associate coach Garry Coderre are now shepherding their third generation of student athletes in a University of Alberta curling factory that's churning out future superstars for the sport.

**Like a proud papa, Rob Krepps leans back in his chair, puts his hands behind his head and tries to put into perspective just what his efforts have accomplished this decade.**

From its inception, the University of Alberta curling program has been providing a transitional blueprint for young athletes with aspirations to move from junior to big-time competition.

Head coach Krepps and associate coach Garry Coderre are now shepherding their third generation of student athletes in a U of A curling factory that's churning out future superstars for the sport.

At first, almost anyone who showed up made the team. As its reputation grew, however, competition for spots on its two men's and two women's — senior and junior — teams has become intense.

"It was like being hired to work at Augusta (site of pro golf's legendary Masters tournament)," says Krepps, who arrived in Edmonton from Halifax in 2005 to manage a brand new curling rink, part of

the Saville Community Sports Centre on the U of A south campus.

The early days were a busy time for Krepps, a Curling Canada coach who accepted several women's international coaching assignments when the Saville Centre was first designated as one of Curling Canada's National Training Centres in 2007.

When news broke that curling was to become an official sport at the university level in 2008, the timing couldn't have been better.

"We have a world-class facility on our campus and it was sort of a natural to put it together," says Krepps. "At first, my focus was almost entirely on the National Training Centre, along with managing the largest curling club in the world.

"After the 2011 world championship with (Saskatchewan's) Amber Holland in Denmark, I said to myself, 'I've done this enough times.' I figured if I took all I learned and put that energy into the next generation of champions, our varsity program could really take off."



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Located on the U of A's south campus, the Saville Community Sports Centre's world-class, 10-sheet curling facility was first designated one of Curling Canada's National Training Centres in 2007. From its inception, the U of A's curling program has been providing a transitional blueprint for young athletes with aspirations to move from junior to big-time competition.

From there, with Coderre continuing to focus on the gal's side, the Pandas, and Krepps looking after the guys, the Golden Bears, the program was poised to take the next step.

"The university was terrific about that," says Krepps. "But none of this would have been possible without Garry Coderre. He was part of this program from Day 1, when we started it in the 2006-07 season. It's just been an absolute pleasure working with him the past 15 years."

Once the vision was defined, it took scant time for the coaching tag team and their young charges to create some fireworks.

Brendan Bottcher and Kelsey Rocque emerged as the program's early poster kids, drawing attention with international wins outside the university niche.

"When we started, I had no idea what we might be able to achieve, but I honestly felt if we applied a lot of the lessons we learned with our elite athletes to a younger group that was already really good, maybe we could advance them a little more swiftly and surely than what was happening naturally," says Krepps.

Bottcher won both the Canadian Interuniversity Sport and Canadian and world junior titles in 2012, followed by CIS silvers the next two years. His team took bronze at the 2013 Universiade.

"The level of talent that's coming out of the Golden Bears and Pandas program is second to none," says Bottcher, now skip of the No. 2-ranked men's team in the world. "For me, it was huge.

"I did not come from a structured (curling family) background where I knew what to do and when to do it. I needed a little help figuring all that out. Really, the Golden Bears program had it all laid out. You need to buy into the model, but once you buy in, you follow a certain path and that path has



proven to cover it all. I got in at the right time, for sure. Because we were kinda the trailblazers for that model, I got a lot of access quickly. That was huge as well."

Rocque followed with back-to-back world junior titles in 2014-15, CIS (rebranded U Sports in 2016) titles in 2015-16 and the 2017 Universiade gold.

"I probably owe a lot of success that I've had at a young age to the Bears and Pandas curling program," says Rocque, who's landed a job as curling co-ordinator at the Saville. "I'm sure a lot of our teammates can say the same thing. Fantastic coaching, fantastic program. It really helps you bridge the gap between junior and women's.

"You have to be able to handle it all when you move into the WCT (World Curling Tour). Life is busy so those skills, such as learning time management, come in handy."

It was all U of A at the 2018 U Sports-Curling Canada University Championships: from left, skip Karsten Sturmay, third Tristan Steinke, second Jason Ginter, lead Chris Kennedy, alternate Glenn Venance and coach Rob Krepps of the Alberta Golden Bears; and Alberta Pandas third Danielle Schmiemann, second Selena Sturmay, lead Jesse Iles, alternate Paige Papley, coach Garry Coderre and skip Kristen Streifel.

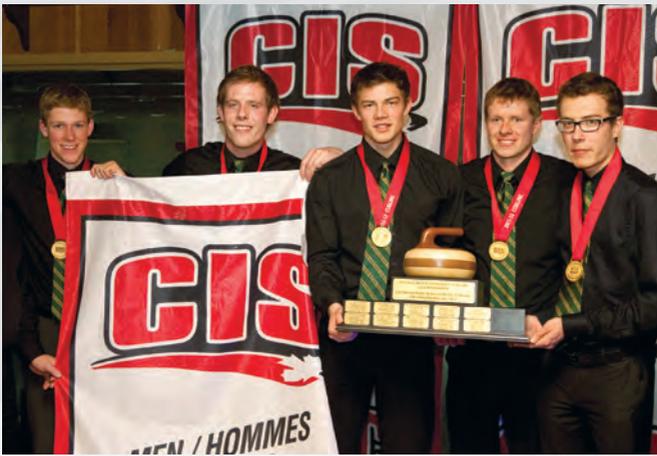


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Above: Just days after winning the 2012 world junior men's title, skip Brendan Bottcher, far right, led his Alberta Golden Bears — from left, Parker Konschuh, Karrick Martin, Brad Thiessen and Mick Lizmore — to the university's first ever CIS title. Now skipping the No. 2-ranked men's team in the world, Bottcher says the U of A program "is second to none."

Above right: Coach Rob Krepps helps prepare his Golden Bears — from left, Karsten Sturmayer, Glen Venance, Jason Ginter, Chris Kennedy and Tristan Steinke — for an early-season World Curling Tour event.



Right: Alberta Pandas coach Garry Coderre helped guide, from left, Kristen Streifel, Kelsey Rocque, Danielle Schmiemann, Taylor McDonald and Taylore Theroux to the 2016 U Sports gold medal. It was back-to-back victories for Rocque, who also won consecutive Canadian and world junior titles in 2014 and '15 with her Alberta junior teams.

Thomas Scoffin carried on the tradition — with a 2013 Canadian junior silver, 2015 CIS gold and then U Sports silvers in 2016-17.

Mick Lizmore skipped the 2016 Canadian mixed champions after time with Bottcher's foursome.

Kristen Streifel followed her 2017 Canadian junior title with a world junior bronze.

The newest generation features siblings Karsten and Selena Sturmayer of Leduc, Alberta, U Sports men's and women's winners in 2018. Selena skipped her Pandas team to a 2019 Canadian junior title and a world junior silver medal.

U of A teams have claimed six U Sports champions, tied for most with Wilfrid Laurier University of Waterloo, Ontario.

"They were all coachable," says Krepps. "I see my job as to get them to the elite level. When they get there, I move onto the next group. If we do it right, they can take care of themselves better.

"It's very satisfying. When our alumni get to the elite level, they don't need a whole bunch of help anymore. To this day, I still keep tabs on those players though."

Following a silver-medal finish at the 2018 Brier, Bottcher qualified for the 2019 championship by winning the wild-card game.

Kevin Koe won Alberta's all-time leading 28th Brier title, moving past Manitoba's 27, and Bottcher won his second straight silver in an all-Alberta final.

"It's really cool that the younger players are doing so well," says Krepps, proudly pointing out that Bottcher beat three-time Alberta junior champ Sturmayer in the 2018 Alberta final. "It's a matter of time before you see them advance and dominate at the elite level. Whether it's the men's or women's provincials, something like half the field was a Bear or a Panda at one point.

"That's really gratifying for Garry and me. That feels terrific. I love the fact they typically choose to continue playing with their former teammates. There have been marriages. Our players are family, in every sense of the word."

When a program has such a history of proven results, recruiting becomes a non-issue. In some ways, picking who makes the grade has become a much tougher task.

"In our case, the challenge is which of these really good curlers do we choose," says Krepps.

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*Con Griwkowsky covered curling for the Edmonton Sun for three decades*



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# A GRATEFUL CHAMPION GIVES BACK

## LANGLEY, BRITISH COLUMBIA'S

Tyler Tardi has a curling résumé that any young curler would envy — multiple provincial and Canadian championship titles, a 2016 Youth Olympics gold medal and, thanks to a dominant performance last season in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, a second straight world junior men's championship trophy as well.

"I believe that the majority of my success has come from the generosity of others," says 21-year-old Tardi, who was awarded a Curling Canada For the Love of Curling scholarship in 2016.

Coaches, teammates and the generous curling community made it possible for Tardi to follow his own path toward success, both on the ice and in his academic pursuits.

"The scholarship helped me in a way that is a little different than everyone else," says Tardi. "I really struggled with school and the daunting task of finding out what I want to do with my life. The scholarship helped me through the lows of school and eased the stress of figuring out what I want

to do because I had more opportunity to take time with my decision."

Tardi has a "giving back" attitude that includes trying to be an inspiration to other young curlers, both on and off the ice.

"Maybe I can inspire and enlighten other young curlers to work hard, learn and achieve their biggest dreams," he says. "Giving back makes me feel very good that I now have the ability to teach and help others, hopefully impacting them in a positive way, like so many people did for me when I was younger."

Tardi is demonstrating his commitment to giving back in a new way this season; as one of the featured athletes in the 2020 Men of Curling calendar, he's helping to raise awareness and funds for both youth curling across Canada and a charity close to his heart.

"I was just looking through my email and saw 'Men of Curling' and my eyes lit up because I know how many big names have been in this for a very long time and I was so honoured to receive that invitation and to have this opportunity," he says. "I was a 'yes' without question because I know in the past I have looked up to some of these guys in previous calendars and I thought maybe I could impact youth curlers like some of those curlers did for me so many times."

Besides funds raised for youth curling programs, Tardi's participation will also support cancer research, a cause inspired by the work of his dad — a researcher at Jazz Pharmaceuticals — and his coach, Paul Tardi.

"My dad has inspired me so much with his cancer research over the years, that I'm hoping to raise awareness for that cause as well," says a grateful son. "I thought it would be really cool to step into his shoes and maybe help out in his field, in the same way he has done."



Tardi has his sights set on building his curling career and he's prepared to work hard to achieve even more as he moves from the junior ranks into men's play. But he knows he owes much to the curling community, which has supported him in his journey so far.

"I am just so grateful to be in a sport where there is so much support from absolutely everyone," says Tardi. "It doesn't matter if you are winning or losing, you know people have your back. On top of that, to have that kind of support while playing a sport I love, there is nothing I wouldn't do to be a part of this sport forever. I want to continue to be inspired, hopefully inspire others, and try to influence and help others, like so many have done for me along my journey."

Curlers joining Tardi in this year's calendar are Canadians John Epping, Geoff Walker, Craig Savill, Brad Thiessen, Kirk Muires, Connor Njegovan, Robbie Doherty and Team Bottcher, as well as Korey Dropkin of the United States, Scotland's Bruce Mouat and Japan's Tsuyoshi Yamaguchi. In addition to Curling Canada's philanthropic programs, this initiative will support charitable causes selected by this impressive group of curlers from around the globe.

Be sure to order your calendar while supplies last at [menofcurling.com](http://menofcurling.com).



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Tyler Tardi skipped his B.C. team to an historical third straight national junior title last season. "I believe that the majority of my success has come from the generosity of others."





# BOTTCHER'S HOT STREAKS LEAD TO IMPRESSIVE RESULTS

BY NORM COWLEY

In 2019, Team Wild Card's Karrick Martin, Brad Thiessen, Darren Moulding and Brendan Bottcher lost the Brier final for the second straight year. Despite the disappointment, Bottcher believes his team "can finish it off" when they get there again.

**No one was surprised when Brendan Bottcher finally** leapt into the upper echelon of men's curling in Canada last season.

Bottcher, 27, has shown amazing promise since winning the world junior and Canadian Interuniversity sport championships within a few days of each other in 2012.

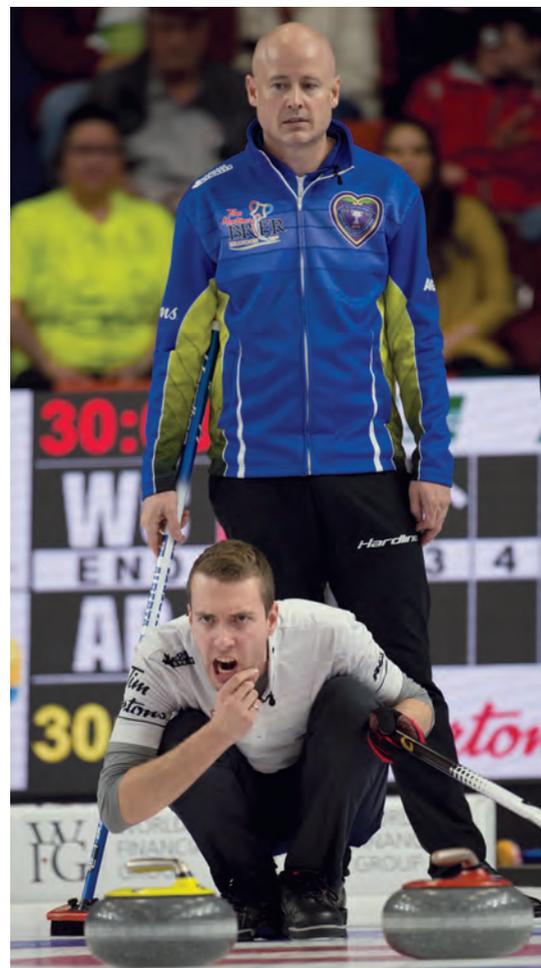
Assisted by head coach Rob Krepps and the University of Alberta curling program, Bottcher established a solid foundation that supported him through his transition into men's curling, but it wasn't until the last couple of years that his Edmonton rink of Darren Moulding, Brad Thiessen and Karrick Martin really started to excel.

"The gap from junior curling to men's curling is quite large, so we were sort of on top of the world in junior curling and we realized pretty quick that we were pretty low on the totem pole in men's curling," says Bottcher.

Some of that was due to inexperience at the men's level of competition and some of it was the intimidation of playing against your idols.

"But you can't put them on that pedestal," admits Bottcher. "Really, when you play the same teams enough, they're not as invincible as you thought they were when you were just watching them on TV. And if you're playing against them a whole bunch, that means you're in the mix as well. That's hard to wrap your head around and it certainly took us a few years, but once we got there, we've had a lot of success since then."

Team Alberta skip Kevin Koe, standing, was in tough against Team Wild Card's Brendan Bottcher, who took a 3-2 lead into the 10th end of the 2019 gold-medal match. The game has been hailed as one of the all-time great Brier finals.



BRIER PHOTOS: MICHAEL BURNS PHOTOGRAPHY

The turning point for Bottcher's team started with its Tim Hortons Brier debut in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, in 2017.

"For me, the accomplishment that year was getting to the Brier," says Bottcher. "We lost our third (Pat Simmons) a month before the provincial championship, so our ability to win that provincial was a testament to the work ethic we have and the stability we were able to generate in that month.

"I think we all soaked up everything at that first Brier. It felt like that was not going to be my only Brier and we were on a pretty steep learning curve, but that was one event we needed to learn from. It wasn't going to be one that we were going to knock out of the park."

Bottcher's rink finished in 10th place with a 3-8 record.

Eight months later, Bottcher won a Home Hardware Road to the Roar pre-trials berth into the 2017 Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings Canadian Curling Trials, where his team finished in fourth place with a 4-4 record.

"Those were our three big 'Okay, we're in The Show' moments," says Bottcher. "All three of those events really culminated in that second Brier we went to in Regina. We were a completely different team than we were one year earlier and I was proud of the guys for really digging in and learning all the lessons we needed to learn."

Bottcher has lost the Canadian men's championship final each of the last two years but believes his team "can finish it off" when they get there again.

Curling Canada's high performance director, Gerry Peckham, called Bottcher's progression through a long-term athlete development model "textbook."

"Obviously, Brendan came with an awful lot of natural skills and attributes that simply got fine-tuned and sharpened as a result of some of the coaching and consulting and programming he's been able to participate in (through the U of A)," says Peckham, who considers Bottcher "one of the better skips in the game."

"The way he runs a sheet of curling ice, the way he runs a team, his strategy capabilities, his ice-reading capabilities, his ability to make big shots on demand under pressure are all things that have evolved and matured and now he's world-class in many, many different ways," continues Peckham. "Once you know you belong,



it gives you a certain comfort and a certain confidence that you're not playing above your head; that your role models or your heroes are now your peers. That's where Brendan has arrived."

Bottcher was first attracted to curling while watching the 1998 Nagano Olympic Winter Games on television at the age of 10. He convinced his non-curling parents to enrol him in a junior learn-to-curl program in Sherwood Park, Alberta, and later moved to the Shamrock Curling Club's junior program, where he met Thiessen, his long-time teammate.

After winning the Alberta juvenile championship when Bottcher was 17, his team was approached by Krepps, who was running Curling Canada's National Training Centre and U of A curling program at the Saville Community Sports Centre.

"He said he could offer some coaching and some guidance," Bottcher recalls. "About a year-and-a-half later, once we decided we were

Above: The turning point for Brendan Bottcher — seen here with front-enders Brad Thiessen and Karrick Martin — started with the team's debut at the 2017 Brier. "I think we all soaked up everything at that first Brier," says Bottcher. Inset: Having lost their vice a month before the 2017 Alberta playdowns, Darren Moulding came aboard and "has been an awesome complement to our team," says Bottcher.

Team Bottcher's 9-5 win over the legendary Glenn Howard in a Road to the Roar pre-trials final, clinched a berth in the 2017 Canadian Curling Trials, where the team finished in fourth place with a 4-4 record.



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As a final act in a remarkable 2019 season, Team Bottcher capped a 7-0 undefeated run at the Champions Cup with a 6-5 victory over provincial rival Kevin Koe to win its third straight Grand Slam event.

Curling Skins Game last season to finish second to two-time world champ Kevin Koe in Curling Canada's 2018-19 Canadian Team Ranking System standings and on the World Curling Tour men's money list at \$159,000. As well, his team won the TSN Skins Game, pocketing \$54,500.

The only disappointment in the second half of last season was not winning the Alberta championship, at which Bottcher's team struggled with the switch from arena to curling-club ice. But they got a second chance to qualify for the Brier because of their excellent play all season and spent the week in Brandon as Team Wild Card, finishing round-robin play in fourth place with an 8-3 record and then winning the 3-4 Page playoff game and semifinal before losing 4-3 to Koe in the final.

"That was just how our season was going," says Bottcher about the Brier. "We knew what we needed to do and just plugged away. I wouldn't even say we had a great week until the Friday-Saturday-Sunday at the Brier. If you just get on a roll at the right time, you can accomplish some pretty great things."

It took a while for Bottcher's university team to find its footing in the men's ranks. After Lizmore moved on, the young team looked for a veteran presence at third, but didn't find what it was looking for until Moulding came aboard a few weeks before the 2017 provincials.

"We went through a few periods where I'm not sure we really knew what it was we needed and we rotated through a few thirds in some of those years," says Bottcher. "Now we've sort of matured a little bit and we're in a really good place, and Darren, obviously, has been an awesome complement to our team."

Moulding, 36, is several years older than his teammates and offers a different dynamic to the team.

"The three of us are pretty analytical and not overly emotional," says Bottcher about himself, Thiessen and Martin. "Darren brings a really balanced mix of intensity when we need to bring out a little more fire in us and knows what to say when we're floundering and need someone to lean on."

"Our team may be more of a partnership than a few of the top teams and that model has pros and cons to it," adds Bottcher. "But I'm curling with three of my best buddies and we've been doing it — at least in the case of Brad and I — for about as long as I can remember."

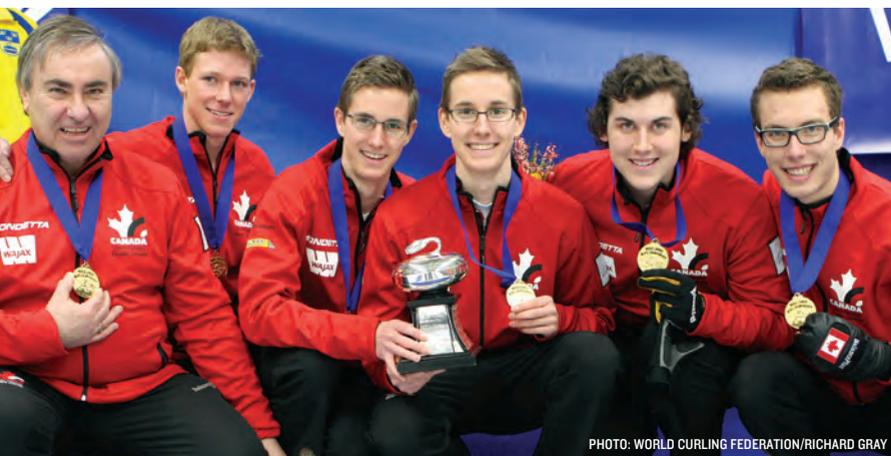


PHOTO: WORLD CURLING FEDERATION/RICHARD GRAY

Team Canada's Bernie Panich, Parker Konschuh, Bryce Bucholz, Landon Bucholz, Evan Asmussen and Brendan Bottcher won the 2012 world junior title in a blowout, needing only eight ends to defeat Sweden 10-4 in the final.

going to university, we became a formal part of that program.... That really accelerated everything I was doing and it opened up so many opportunities."

Bottcher won his first of two provincial junior men's titles in 2010 and then breezed through the Alberta, Canadian and world championships — with only two losses — with his rink of Evan Asmussen and twins Landon and Bryce Bucholz in 2012.

The following weekend, his U of A team of Mick Lizmore, Thiessen and Martin won the Golden Bears' first CIS championship.

"We definitely got our share of breaks along the way," says Bottcher. "We definitely played well when we needed to. But at the end of the day it was maybe a six-week stint of playing our absolute best and we accomplished some pretty cool things."

"I think that carries forward in men's curling, as well. You look at our season last year. We had a great year going along, but what we did from the first week in March until the second-last week in April — only seven weeks — was pretty spectacular." They qualified for the Brier final and won the Players' Championship and Champions Cup.

Bottcher also won his first Grand Slam of Curling event — the Canadian Open — and Pinty's All-Star

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# ON THE ROCKS

BY AL CAMERON

**AND SO IT BEGINS — A TWO-YEAR PROCESS THAT** will lead us to one of the most monumental moments in the rich history of the sport of curling.

Ah yes, you're thinking — the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing, where the sport of curling will take over a swimming pool that was used for the 2008 Summer Olympics and where curling will once again leap to the top of the TV ratings in the United States, as it does every four years.

Well, no. That's actually NOT what I'm referring to.

In fact, the two-year process I'm talking about is the World Curling Federation's Maximising (or Maximizing, as we spell it in North America) the Value project, which was announced at the conclusion of the WCF's Annual General Assembly in September in that famous curling hotbed of Cancun, Mexico.

As noted in the post-meeting news release issued by the WCF: "The project sets out to consider the length and pace of curling games in elite competition over the next two years. The aim is then to recommend potential changes that would enhance the game at the World Curling Congress in 2021."

It was a wise move on the part of the WCF, if you ask me. There was no shortage of talk leading up to the meetings in Cancun that the WCF was about to do away with 10-end games and adopt the eight-end format that is used in all events outside of championships that lead to national or world competition.

And while there is a school of thought that this needs to happen sooner rather than later, the fact remains that much more consultation needs to take place before eight ends becomes standard.

I think it's safe to say that everyone has a common goal here — of making curling (both live and on television) more entertaining as a product — and that quickening the games would be a good thing.

But while moving to eight ends certainly shortens a game, it doesn't necessarily quicken it; the pace of play (for example, the length of time between shots) probably wouldn't change at all.

Keeping the game moving is a crucial element in other sports, some of which have made changes to make that happen.

The National Hockey League, for instance, has adopted a "hurry-up" faceoff rule and quicker line changes that shaved significant minutes off average game times.

The Canadian Football League and National Football League have had long-standing play clocks; 20-second pitch clocks are in place in college and minor pro baseball and were tested in spring training this year to stop pitchers from dawdling on the mound (although a rule preventing batters from adjusting the Velcro on their batting gloves between every pitch might be a better idea). Tennis has a clock that limits the time between serves in order to prevent unnecessary — and boring — delays.

Curling Canada has actually tested different timing systems over the years. At last year's Home Hardware Canada Cup, for instance, rather than having a standard 38 minutes to work with, teams had their time clocks reset after each end, so there was no incentive for teams to play a couple of wide-open ends at the beginning of a game to ensure they'd have more time at the end.

Was it perfect? Depends on whom you asked, as always. The players, in general, didn't like it, and that probably can be partly put down to a lack of familiarity with it, as well. Ultimately, players would adjust and good teams will beat not-so-good teams most of the time, regardless of the timing system.

Ultimately, it will be a World Curling Federation call, and it wouldn't take effect until after those 2022 Winter Games in Beijing.

But it's encouraging that the WCF didn't take the path of least resistance and make a move to eight ends without considering alternatives — all with the intent of increasing the value of curling as a sports property in a landscape that places a premium on fast pace due to the ever-shortening attention spans of sports fans.

It will be an interesting process to follow, and I'm intrigued to see what possibilities come up; I never stop being surprised by the innovative, outside-the-box thinking that comes out of these consultative processes, and the sport will be better for it.

Ultimately, there will have to be a sound case presented for reducing the game to eight ends, a case that makes it definitively clear that curling will be a better game to watch — and, of course, an easier game to sell — with eight-end games as opposed to 10. We'll see if that case actually exists.

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# HOME HARDWARE CANADA CUP

# RECORDS & STATISTICS



Edmonton's Kevin Martin leads the way with four Canada Cup titles. The wily veteran won back-to-back titles in 2005 and '06, added a third in '09 and garnered No. 4 in 2011.

## MEN

### Most appearances

- 14 — Kevin Koe of Calgary in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '12, '14, '15, '16, '18; of Edmonton in '07, '08, '09, '10, '11
- 13 — Marc Kennedy of Calgary in 2004, '05, '06, '14, '15, '16; of Edmonton in '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12; of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in '18
- 12 — Ben Hebert of Swift Current, Saskatchewan, in 2004; of Calgary in '06, '14, '15, '16, '18; of Edmonton in '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12
- 11 — John Morris of Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, in 2003; of Calgary in '04, '05, '06, '14, '15; of Edmonton in '07, '09, '10, '11, '12
- 11 — Mark Nichols of St. John's in 2005, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '14, '15, '16, '18; of Winnipeg in '12
- 10 — Brad Gushue of St. John's in 2005, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '12, '14, '15, '18
- 10 — Brent Laing of Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, in 2003; of Coldwater, Ontario, in '06, '08, '10, '11, '12; of Calgary in '14, '15, '16; of Toronto in '18
- 10 — Carter Rycroft of Edmonton in 2005, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11; of Calgary in '12, '14, '15
- 9 — Mike McEwen of Winnipeg in 2008, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '16; of West St. Paul, Manitoba, in '18
- 9 — B.J. Neufeld of Winnipeg in 2008, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '16; of Calgary in '18

- 8 — Randy Ferbey of Edmonton in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09; of St. John's in '10
- 8 — Kevin Martin of Edmonton in 2005, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12
- 8 — Denni Neufeld of Winnipeg in 2008, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '16
- 8 — Marcel Rocque of Edmonton in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09; of St. John's in '10
- 8 — Craig Savill of Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, in 2003; of Coldwater, Ontario, in '06, '08, '10, '11, '12; of Penetanguishene, Ontario, in '14; of Toronto in '18
- 8 — Jeff Stoughton of Winnipeg in 2004, '05, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12
- 8 — Nolan Thiessen of Edmonton in 2007, '08, '09, '10, '11; of Calgary in '12, '14, '15
- 8 — Matt Wozniak of Winnipeg in 2008, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '16
- 7 — Steve Gould of Winnipeg in 2004, '05, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11
- 7 — Jonathan Mead of Winnipeg in 2004, '05, '10, '11, '12; of Toronto in '09; of Penetanguishene, Ontario, in '14
- 7 — David Nedohin of Edmonton in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09
- 7 — Scott Pfeifer of Edmonton in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09
- 7 — Pat Simmons of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, in 2003; of Swift Current, Saskatchewan, in '04; of Davidson, Saskatchewan, in '08; of Edmonton in '11; of Calgary in '12, '14, '15
- 6 — Reid Carruthers of Winnipeg in 2010, '11, '12; of West St. Paul, Manitoba, in '15, '16, '18
- 6 — Rob Fowler of Winnipeg in 2004, '05, '07, '08, '09; of Brandon, Manitoba, in '10
- 6 — Ryan Fry of Winnipeg in 2007, '08; of St. John's in '09; of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in '14, '15, '16

- 6 — Glenn Howard of Coldwater, Ontario, in 2006, '08, '10, '11, '12; of Penetanguishene, Ontario, in '14
- 5 — Kerry Burtnyk of Winnipeg in 2004, '05, '07, '08, '09
- 5 — John Epping of Toronto in 2009, '12, '15, '16, '18
- 5 — Brett Gallant of St. John's in 2012, '14, '15, '16, '18
- 5 — E.J. Harnden of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in 2011, '14, '15, '16, '18
- 5 — Ryan Harnden of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in 2011, '14, '15, '16, '18
- 5 — Brad Jacobs of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, in 2011, '14, '15, '16, '18
- 5 — Blake MacDonald of Swift Current, Saskatchewan, in 2004; of Edmonton in '07, '08, '09, '10
- 5 — Wayne Middaugh of Toronto in 2004, '09; of Coldwater, Ontario, in '10, '11, '12
- 5 — Geoff Walker of St. John's in 2012, '14, '15, '16, '18

### Undefeated records

- Randy Ferbey — 6-0 in 2003
- Kevin Martin — 7-0 in 2011

### Three-way ties for first place\*

2014 — Brad Jacobs, Glenn Howard and Mike McEwen, 4-2. Jacobs advanced to the final by virtue of head-to-head records. McEwen defeated Howard in the semifinal. McEwen defeated Jacobs in the final

Dubbed the Ferbey Four, Marcel Rocque, Scott Pfeifer, David Nedohin and Randy Ferbey are the only complete team to win three Canada Cup titles in the 14-year history of the event.





A two-time champion, Calgary's Kevin Koe is the only curler to have played in all 14 Canada Cups. He has skipped a leading II times and viced on three other occasions.

#### Two-way ties for first place\*

2015 — Mike McEwen and Kevin Koe, 5-2. McEwen advanced to the final by virtue of head-to-head record. Koe defeated John Epping in the semifinal. Koe defeated McEwen in the final.

2016 — Mark Nichols and Reid Carruthers, 4-2. Nichols advanced to the final by virtue of head-to-head record. Carruthers defeated John Epping in the semifinal. Carruthers defeated Nichols in the final.

\* Since single pool format was introduced in 2011

#### Four-time winner

Kevin Martin as skip in 2005, '06, '09, '11

#### Three-time winners

Randy Ferbey as skip in 2003, '04, '07  
Ben Hebert as lead in 2009, '11, '15  
Marc Kennedy as second in 2009, '11; as third in '18  
David Nedohin as vice-skip in 2003, '04, '07  
Scott Pfeifer as second in 2003, '04, '07  
Marcel Rocque as lead in 2003, '04, '07  
Carter Rycroft as second in 2005, '06, '08

#### Two-time winners

Don Bartlett as lead in 2005, '06  
Reid Carruthers as second in 2012; as skip in '16  
Kevin Koe as skip in 2008, '15  
Brent Laing as second in 2010, '15  
John Morris as third in 2009, '11  
Don Walchuk as third in 2005, '06

#### Back-to-back winners

Randy Ferbey, David Nedohin, Scott Pfeifer and Marcel Rocque in 2003, '04  
Kevin Martin, Don Walchuk, Carter Rycroft and Don Bartlett in 2005, '06

#### Highest score, one team

11 — Brian Humble in 2003; Pat Ryan in 2003; Randy Ferbey in 2004; Kerry Burtnyk in 2004; Mark Johnson in 2006; John Morris in 2006; Brad Gushue in 2009, '18; Mike McEwen in 2010; Kevin Martin in 2010; Kevin Koe in 2010; Brad Jacobs in 2011, '14

#### Lowest score, one team

0 — Jean-Michel Ménard in 2007

#### Highest score, two teams combined

19 — Kevin Martin, 10, vs. Jean-Michel Ménard, 9, in 2007; John Base, 10, vs. Kerry Burtnyk, 9, in 2007; Brad Gushue, 11, vs. Russ Howard, 8, in 2009; Kevin Martin, 11, vs. Randy Ferbey, 8, in 2010

#### Lowest score, two teams combined

5 — Kevin Martin, 4, vs. Jeff Stoughton, 1, in 2007

#### Highest single-end score

6 — Glenn Howard vs. Kevin Koe in 2012 (Howard scored 6 in the ninth end of Draw 6 to win 12-4)

#### Most extra-end games

5 — 2005

#### Most wins, one skip

45 — Kevin Martin, Kevin Koe

#### Most appearances, one skip

11 — Kevin Koe

#### Skips with 15 or more wins

Kevin Martin	45
Kevin Koe	45
Randy Ferbey	36
Glenn Howard	30
Jeff Stoughton	30
Mike McEwen	28
Brad Gushue	21
John Morris	19
Brad Jacobs	17
John Epping	15

## WOMEN

#### Most appearances

10 — Jennifer Jones of Winnipeg in 2004, '06, '07, '08, '10, '11, '14, '15, '16, '18  
10 — Amy Nixon of Calgary in 2004, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '16; of Sherwood Park, Alberta, in '14  
9 — Dawn McEwen of Winnipeg in 2007, '08, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '16, '18  
9 — Jill Officer of Winnipeg in 2004, '06, '07, '08, '10, '12, '14, '15, '16  
8 — Sherry Anderson of Delisle, Saskatchewan, in 2003, '04, '07, '08; of Saskatoon in '10, '11, '12, '14  
8 — Shannon Kleibrink of Calgary in 2004, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11  
8 — Kaitlyn Lawes of Edmonton in 2009; of Winnipeg in '10, '11, '12, '14, '15, '16, '18  
8 — Laine Peters of Halifax in 2005, '09; of Edmonton in '10, '11, '12, '18; of Sherwood Park, Alberta, in '14; of Calgary in '16  
8 — Sherri Singler of Saskatoon in 2003, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14  
7 — Sasha Carter of Kelowna, British Columbia, in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '08, '09, '10  
7 — Marliese Kasner of Saskatoon in 2007, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12, '14  
7 — Heather Nedohin of Edmonton in 2003, '07, '08, '10, '11, '12; of Sherwood Park, Alberta, in '14  
7 — Sherry Middaugh of Coldwater, Ontario, in 2003, '04, '07, '09, '12, '14, '15  
7 — Lori Olson-Johns of Edmonton in 2006, '07, '08, '14, '15, '16, '18

7 — Jeanna Schraeder of Kelowna, British Columbia, in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '08, '09, '10  
7 — Kelly Scott of Kelowna, British Columbia, in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '08, '09, '10  
6 — Carolyn Darbyshire of Calgary in 2004, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11  
6 — Stefanie Lawton of Saskatoon in 2007, '08, '09, '10, '11, '12  
6 — Renee Simons of Kelowna, British Columbia, in 2003, '04, '05, '06, '08, '09  
5 — Cheryl Bernard of Calgary in 2005, '07, '08, '09, '10  
5 — Chelsea Carey of Morden, Manitoba, in 2010, '11, '12; of Calgary in '16, '18  
5 — Kim Hodson of Saskatoon in 2003, '04, '07, '08; of Halifax in '05  
5 — Rachel Homan of Ottawa in 2011, '14, '15, '16, '18  
5 — Emma Miskew of Ottawa in 2011, '14, '15, '16, '18  
5 — Susan O'Connor of Calgary in 2005, '07, '08, '09, '10  
5 — Cathy Overton-Clapham of Winnipeg in 2006, '07, '08, '12; of Edmonton in '18  
5 — Lisa Weagle of Ottawa in 2011, '14, '15, '16, '18  
5 — Bronwen Webster of Calgary in 2007, '08, '09, '10, '11

#### Two-way ties for first place\*

2011 — Chelsea Carey and Shannon Kleibrink, 5-1. Carey advanced to the final by virtue of head-to-head record. Jennifer Jones defeated Kleibrink in the semifinal. Jones defeated Carey in the final.

\* Since single pool format was introduced in 2011

#### Four-time winners

Jennifer Jones as skip in 2007, '11, '16, '18  
Dawn McEwen as lead in 2007, '11, '16, '18

#### Three-time winners

Marliese Kasner as third in 2008; as lead in '10, '12  
Kaitlyn Lawes as third in 2011, '16, '18  
Stefanie Lawton as skip in 2008, '10, '12  
Sherri Singler as second in 2008, '10, '12



Winnipeg's Jennifer Jones made history last year as the first four-time women's Canada Cup champion. She won her first title in 2007, following it up with wins in '11 and '16.



Calgary's Amy Nixon is tied with Jennifer Jones with a leading 10 Canada Cup appearances. A two-time champion, Nixon won both playing third for skip Shannon Kleibrink.

#### Two-time winners

Sherry Anderson as third in 2010, '12  
 Shannon Kleibrink as skip in 2005, '09  
 Amy Nixon as third in 2005, '09  
 Jill Officer as second in 2007, '16

#### Back-to-back winners

Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes and Dawn McEwen  
 in 2016, '18 (no event in 2017)

#### Highest score, one team

13 — Jan Betker in 2006; Stefanie Lawton in 2010

#### Lowest score, one team

1 — Barbara Spencer in 2003; Colleen Jones in  
 2005; Kristie Moore in 2008; Amber Holland  
 in 2010

#### Highest score, two teams combined

21 — Marie-France Larouche, 12, vs. Cheryl  
 Bernard, 9, in 2009

#### Lowest score, two teams combined

7 — Jo-Ann Rizzo, 4, vs. Kelly Scott, 3, in 2005;  
 Kelly Scott, 5, vs. Heather Strong, 2, in 2006;  
 Cathy Overton-Clapham, 4, vs. Stefanie  
 Lawton, 3, in 2012; Tracy Fleury, 4, vs  
 Sherry Middaugh, 3, in 2015

#### Highest single-end score

6 — Kelly Scott vs. Sherry Middaugh in 2009;  
 Jennifer Jones vs. Krista McCarville in 2010

#### Most extra-end games

8 — 2009, '11

#### Most wins, one skip

45 — Jennifer Jones

#### Most appearances, one skip

10 — Jennifer Jones

#### Skips with 15 or more wins

Jennifer Jones	45
Shannon Kleibrink	33
Stefanie Lawton	26
Rachel Homan	23
Kelly Scott	19
Sherry Anderson	16
Sherry Middaugh	16
Cheryl Bernard	15
Val Sweeting	15

## HOME HARDWARE CANADA CUP MEN'S CHAMPIONS

2018	Brad Jacobs, Marc Kennedy, E.J. Harnden, Ryan Harnden
2016	Reid Carruthers, Braeden Moskowy, Derek Samagalski, Colin Hodgson
2015	Kevin Koe, Marc Kennedy, Brent Laing, Ben Hebert
2014	Mike McEwen, B.J. Neufeld, Matt Wozniak, Denni Neufeld
2012	Jeff Stoughton, Jon Mead, Reid Carruthers, Mark Nichols
2011	Kevin Martin, John Morris, Marc Kennedy, Ben Hebert
2010	Glenn Howard, Wayne Middaugh, Brent Laing, Craig Savill
2009	Kevin Martin, John Morris, Marc Kennedy, Ben Hebert
2008	Kevin Koe, Blake MacDonald, Carter Rycroft, Nolan Thiessen
2007	Randy Ferbey, David Nedohin, Scott Pfeifer, Marcel Rocque
2006	Kevin Martin, Don Walchuk, Carter Rycroft, Don Bartlett
2005	Kevin Martin, Don Walchuk, Carter Rycroft, Don Bartlett
2004	Randy Ferbey, David Nedohin, Scott Pfeifer, Marcel Rocque
2003	Randy Ferbey, David Nedohin, Scott Pfeifer, Marcel Rocque

## HOME HARDWARE CANADA CUP WOMEN'S CHAMPIONS

2018	Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes, Jocelyn Peterman, Dawn McEwen
2016	Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes, Jill Officer, Dawn McEwen
2015	Rachel Homan, Emma Miskew, Joanne Courtney, Lisa Weagle
2014	Val Sweeting, Lori Olson-Johns, Dana Ferguson, Rachel Brown
2012	Stefanie Lawton, Sherry Anderson, Sherri Singler, Marliese Kasner
2011	Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes, Joëlle Sabourin, Dawn Askin
2010	Stefanie Lawton, Sherry Anderson, Sherri Singler, Marliese Kasner
2009	Shannon Kleibrink, Amy Nixon, Bronwen Webster, Chelsey Bell
2008	Stefanie Lawton, Marliese Kasner, Sherri Singler, Lana Vey
2007	Jennifer Jones, Cathy Overton-Clapham, Jill Officer, Dawn Askin
2006	Cathy King, Lori Armitstead, Raylene Rocque, Tracy Bush
2005	Shannon Kleibrink, Amy Nixon, Glenys Bakker, Christine Keshen
2004	Colleen Jones, Kim Kelly, Mary-Anne Arsenault, Nancy Delahunt
2003	Sherry Middaugh, Kirsten Wall, Andrea Lawes, Sheri Cordina

## HOME HARDWARE CANADA CUP SITES

2019	Leduc, Alberta	Sobeys Arena, Leduc Recreation Centre
2018	Estevan, Saskatchewan	Affinity Place
2016	Brandon, Manitoba	Westman Communications Group Place, Keystone Centre
2015	Grande Prairie, Alberta	Revolution Place
2014	Camrose, Alberta	Encana Arena
2012	Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan	Mosaic Place
2011	Cranbrook, British Columbia	Cranbrook Rec Plex
2010	Medicine Hat, Alberta	Medicine Hat Arena
2009	Yorkton, Saskatchewan	Farrell Agencies Arena
2008	Kamloops, British Columbia	Interior Savings Centre
2007	Kamloops, British Columbia	Interior Savings Centre
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2005	Kamloops, British Columbia	Sport Mart Place
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## HOME HARDWARE CANADA CUP

November 27 to December 1, 2019 ▶ Leduc, Alta.

### Round robin

Nov. 27 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Nov. 28 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Nov. 29 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

**Tiebreakers** Nov. 30 11 a.m.

**Men's semifinal** Nov. 30 4 p.m.

**Women's semifinal** Nov. 30 9 p.m.

**Women's final** Dec. 1 2 p.m.

**Men's final** Dec. 1 7 p.m.

## OK TIRE & BKT TIRES CONTINENTAL CUP

January 9 to 12, 2020 ▶ London, Ont.

**Women's team play** Jan. 9 9:30 a.m.

**Mixed doubles** Jan. 9 2 p.m.

**Men's team play** Jan. 9 7:30 p.m.

**Women's scramble** Jan. 10 9:30 a.m.

**Mixed doubles** Jan. 10 2 p.m.

**Men's scramble** Jan. 10 7:30 p.m.

**Mixed scramble** Jan. 11 9:30 a.m.

**Doubles** Jan. 11 2 p.m.

**Mixed scramble** Jan. 11 7:30 p.m.

**Skins** Jan. 12 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

## NEW HOLLAND CANADIAN JUNIORS

January 18 to 26, 2020 ▶ Langley, B.C.

**Women's semifinal** Jan. 25 2 p.m.

**Men's semifinal** Jan. 25 7 p.m.

**Women's final** Jan. 26 12 noon

**Men's final** Jan. 26 5 p.m.

## SCOTTIES TOURNAMENT OF HEARTS

February 14 to 23, 2020 ▶ Moose Jaw, Sask.

**Wild-card draw** Feb. 14 8:30 p.m.

### Pool play

Feb. 15 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 16 9:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 17 9:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 18 9:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 19 9:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

**Pool-play tiebreakers** Feb. 20 9 a.m.

**Championship round** Feb. 20 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

**Championship-round tiebreakers** Feb. 22 9:30 a.m.

**Page playoffs** Feb. 22 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

**Semifinal** Feb. 23 12 noon

**Final** Feb. 23 7 p.m.

## TIM HORTONS BRIER

February 28 to March 8, 2020 ▶ Kingston, Ont.

**Wild-card draw** Feb. 28 7 p.m.

### Pool play

Feb. 29 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Mar. 1 9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Mar. 2 9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Mar. 3 9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

Mar. 4 9 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

**Pool-play tiebreakers** Mar. 5 8:30 a.m.

**Championship round** Mar. 5 1 p.m., 7 p.m.

Mar. 6 1 p.m., 7 p.m.

**Championship-round tiebreakers** Mar. 7 9 a.m.

**Page playoffs** Mar. 7 2 p.m., 7 p.m.

**Semifinal** Mar. 8 12 noon

**Final** Mar. 8 7 p.m.

## WORLD WOMEN'S

March 14 to 22, 2020 ▶ Prince George, B.C.

### Round robin

Mar. 14 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mar. 15 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mar. 16 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mar. 17 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mar. 18 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mar. 19 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mar. 20 11 a.m., 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

**Quarterfinals** Mar. 21 11 a.m.

**Semifinals** Mar. 21 4 p.m., 9 p.m.

**Bronze** Mar. 22 2 p.m.

**Gold** Mar. 22 7 p.m.

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