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# Yo! Canada!

Team Canada skip Brad Jacobs celebrates the semi-final game-changer, a triple with a tap in the sixth, leading to a defeat of Scotland and a final date with Sweden Sunday.

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# Line-up shift doesn't work for Scots

**JIM MORRIS**

Eye Opener staff

They flirted with disaster but now Brad Jacobs' rink has a chance to be world champions.

Jacobs and his team of third Ryan Fry, second E. J. Harnden and lead Ryan Harnden began the day one loss removed from playing in the bronze medal game. A 6-3, nine-end victory against David Murdoch's rink from Scotland in Saturday afternoon's semifinal leaves them one win away from a gold medal at the 2013 Ford World Men's Curling Championship, presented by Booster Juice.

"This is our team," said an emotional Jacobs. "We are grinders. We don't like to do things the easy way, apparently.

"We were taught at an early age never give up."

Jacobs will play Sweden's Niklas Edin in Sunday afternoon's final.

"They are good friends of ours off the ice and rivals on the ice," said Jacobs, a bank account

manager from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. "Hopefully it's going to be everything that everyone expects, a back-and-forth battle."

Jacobs took advantage of a Murdoch miss to break open a close game in the sixth end. Murdoch attempted a hit and stay, but his rock skimmed off the Canadian stone and slid out of the house. Jacobs used a tap-back for three points and a 5-2 lead.

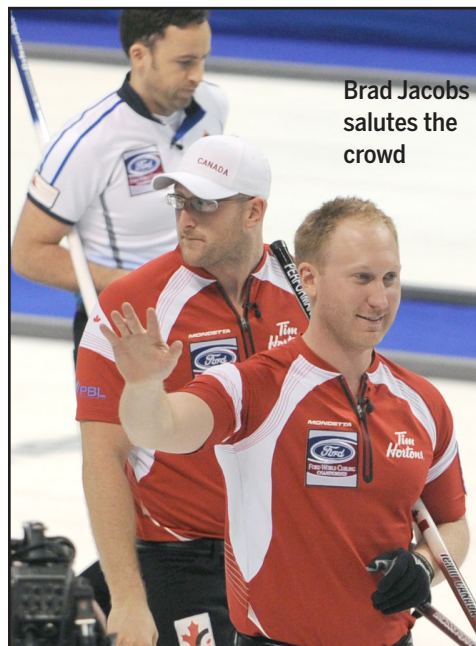
Murdoch knew then his chances of winning a third world championship had been badly damaged.

"I didn't think it was all over but it was certainly a bad blow to us," said Murdoch, who will play Denmark's Rasmus Stjerne for the bronze medal.

Things got worse in the eighth. Murdoch missed trying to remove a pair of Canadian stones, giving Jacobs a steal of one for a 6-2 lead.

"That's just curling," sighed Murdoch. "When you go for these big shots you do hope for a wee bit of luck and we never got it."

Scotland opened with the hammer and scored one in the first end. The next two ends



were blanked before Canada finally got on the board in the fourth when Jacobs used a takeout to score a deuce.

Both Fry and E. J. Harnden made some big

shots early. Fry had the crowd cheering after a triple takeout in the third end. Canadian flags waved when Harnden cleared the house of Scottish rocks in the fifth.

It will be the seventh time Canada has met Sweden in the final. Canada's hold a 4-2 and has won the last four games.

Edin isn't worried about the momentum Jacobs' rink brings into the final.

"I just think we need to play the way we have," said the two-time world champion bronze medallist. "I don't think they seem to be on a role.

"They've had a couple of good games lately but they struggled in the round robin, the same as we did. It's a struggle to be (in the final) and I think both teams will be happy to be in the final. Hopefully it will be a good game."

Jacobs' rink needed a 8-6 win over Denmark earlier Saturday to advance from the 3-4 Page playoff game. Murdoch, who had finished first overall in the round with a 8-3 record, lost 6-5 to Edin in Friday night's 1-2 playoff game.

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## PAGE 3/4 GAME

# Fry seals deal with big triple

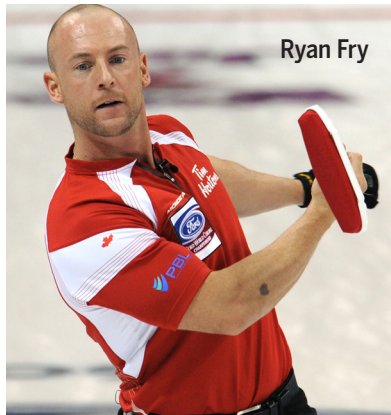
**JIM MORRIS**  
Eye Opener Staff

Brad Jacobs always swore his rink would go down swinging.

Third Ryan Fry delivered the knockout blow with a triple take-out in the 10th end as the team from Sault St. Marie, Ont., defeated Rasmus Stjerne of Denmark 8-6 in Saturday afternoon's 3-4 Page playoff game at the 2013 Ford World Men's Curling Championship, presented by Booster Juice.

The win put Canada in the evening semifinal game against David Murdoch of Scotland. The winner of that game advanced to Sunday's final against Sweden's Niklas Edin.

Jacobs' rink of Fry, second E. J. Harnden and lead Ryan Harnden wobbled into the playoffs losing four of their last six round-robin games. They found their legs against Den-



mark using a booming takeout in the sixth end and a finesse draw in the eighth.

"It's not easy to dig yourself out when you put yourself in a hole," said Fry. "The team is really strong at sticking with one another. I thought we were pretty composed as a team out there."

Stjerne drops into the bronze medal game against the semifinal

loser.

"We didn't come up with the really big key shots," said the former world junior champion who beat Canada during the round robin. "They made some huge ones."

The crowd at the Save-on-Foods Memorial Centre let out a huge roar when Fry knocked three Danish stones out of the house in the 10th, pretty much throttling any chance of a Stjerne victory.

"Ryan killed the game with the triple," said Stjerne. "You know Canadians. In the playoffs they always step it up."

A close match turned in Jacobs favour in the sixth end. The 27-year-old skip produced a load cheer from the crowd when he coolly threw a raise takeout to remove a pair of Danish rocks and score two points for a 4-3 lead.

Jacobs took advantage of a Danish

miss in the eighth. Stjerne attempted a long raise takeout but his rock rolled too far. Jacobs didn't miss with a draw for two.

There were a few tight collars when Jacobs missed a double takeout in the ninth. One of the Danish rocks remained in the house, leaving Stjerne a draw for two to tie the game 6-6.

"When Fry made that shot in 10, that's the loudest cheer we've ever had for our team," said Jacobs. "When you hear that, you really want to close that game out for the crowd."

"We went out and played really well. I think that do-or-die situation really brings the best out of us."

After starting the week 5-0 Jacobs' rink finished in a three-way tie for second place with a 7-4 record.

Jacobs said having Friday off allowed the team to regroup physically and mentally.

"That's the biggest reason we were able to come out refreshed and so hungry," he said. "We played awesome."

Jacobs' rink has taken the long road to the final before. They came out of the 3-4 playoff game at the Brier to defeat Manitoba's Jeff Stoughton in the final.

The last Canadian rink to play in the 3-4 game at the men's worlds was Randy Ferbey at the 2005 championship in Victoria. Ferbey went on to defeat Scotland's David Murdoch in the final.

It's the first time since 1990 Denmark has reached the playoffs. That rink, which went on to win the bronze medal, was skipped by Tommy Stjerne, Rasmus's father. It's third was Ivan Frederiksen, the father of current third Johnny Frederiksen.

Denmark started the tournament 0-2 then won it's next five games.

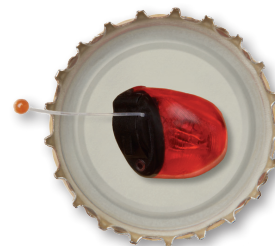
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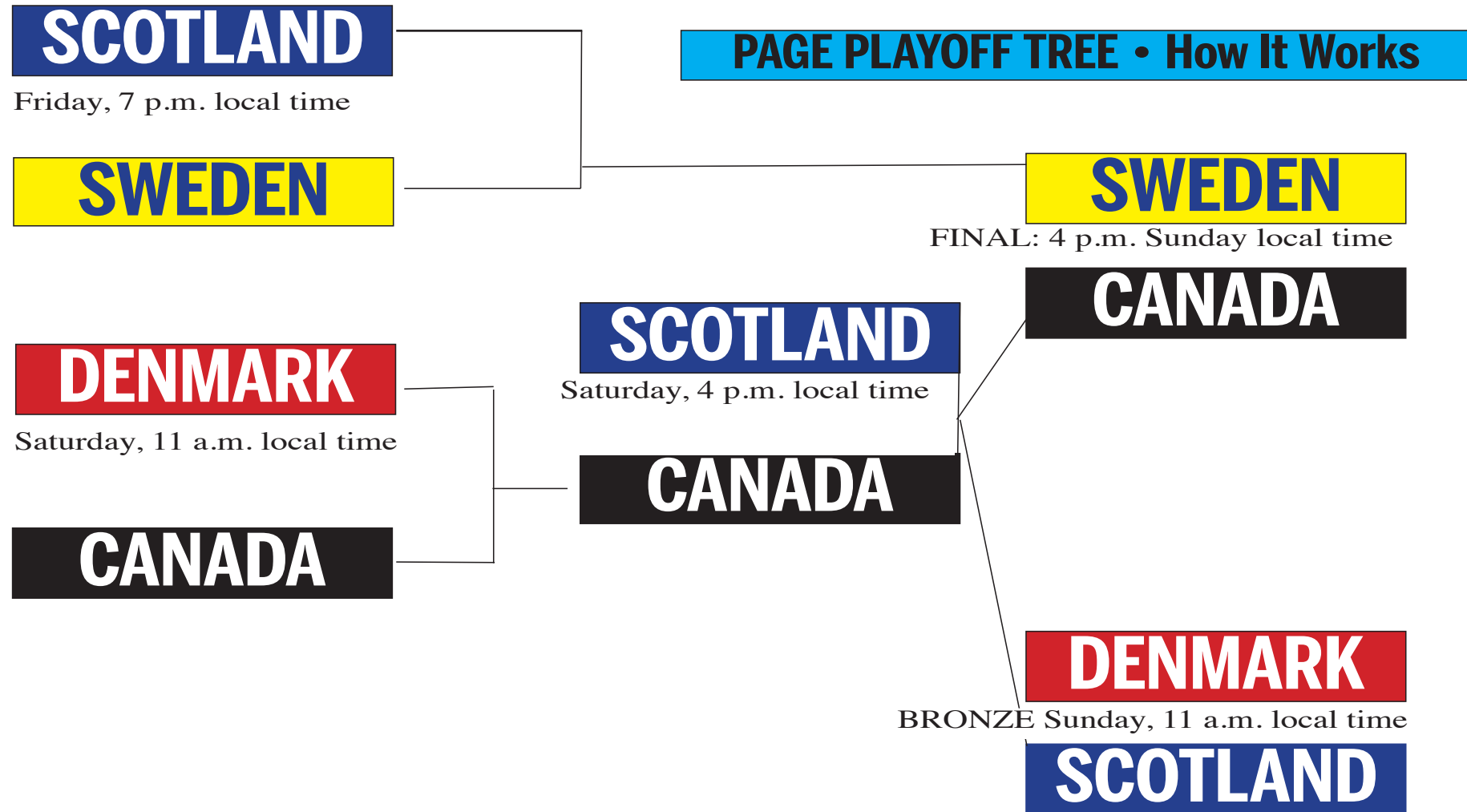
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**Team you've played lots this season, best challenge?:** Bronze medal at European Curling Championships 2012 in Sweden.

### Skip

#### Jiri Snitil

**Family Details:** Son Jonas (8 years) Daughter Magdalena (6 years), Divorced, current girlfriend Monika

**Occupation:** Managing Director (IT and New media education and consultancy)

**Birthdate:** 24.2.1975

**Birthplace:** Prague

**Hometown:** Roztoky u Prahy

**Favorite place to curl?:** Warm arena packed with spectators. Hate to curl in cold curling clubs...

**Delivery:** RH

**Go to shot:** Draw

**Longest serving teammate:** Me and Marek Vydra (lead)

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? Sorry I do not like reality shows.

**Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? (PAST)** Peja Lindholm For his attitude to the game, success and personality. (PRESENT) John Morris, he is just cool.

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Triathlon

**Social media important to you?** Yes

**Favourite supplier of curling gear?** Goldline

**Favourite band or type of music:** Pearl Jam

**Favourite website:** www.enodomo.com (and they should add curling to activities J)

**Favourite ethnic cuisine:** Couscous, Kebab

**On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing?** Cross country skiing

**Summer? Mountain biking od rock climbing (ideally with my girlfriend and kids)**

**One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why?** Rodger Schmidt (I worked with him for 6 years as an ice maker and curling instructor)

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Lead: Craig Savill Second: Marc Kennedy Third: Wayne Middaugh

What would be the best thing about representing your country in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? It would be a great honor for the whole team to be first curlers ever being part of Czech Olympic Team. Enjoy the whole atmosphere, watch other sports, and meet other sportsman.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? Time should stop for a time out. Isn't it being called "time out" for some reason?



### Third

#### Martin Snitil

**Family Details:** married  
**Occupation:** self employed' handy man

**Birthdate:** 20.11.1978

**Birthplace:** Prague

**Hometown:** Prague

**Favorite place to curl?:** Moncton

**Delivery:** right

**Go to shot:** peel

**Longest serving teammate:** all same

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? Star Dance - I would dance like a star :-)

**Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why?** Peja Lindholm, David Murdoch - great curlers

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Whitewater slalom

**Social media important to you?** Don't use it

**Favourite supplier of curling gear?** Goldline

**Favourite band or type of music:** Bjork, Tom Waits

**Favourite website:** radio1.cz

**Favourite ethnic cuisine:** Francaise

**On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing?** Cross-country and downhill skying

**Summer? Canoeing**

**One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why?** Ellery Robichaud

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? David Murdoch, Ryan Fry, Viktor Kjall

What would be the best thing about representing your country in Sochi, what

you want to do there other than winning Gold? Would it be a good idea to support Pussy Riot? :-)

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? None

### Second

#### Jindrich Kitzberger

**Family Details:** married

**Occupation:** boat man

**Birthdate:** 13.4.1981

**Birthplace:** Prague

**Hometown:** Prague

**Favorite place to curl?:** Moncton

**Nickname:** Pooh

**Delivery:** right

**Go to shot:** peel

**Longest serving teammate:** all

**Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why?** Peja Lindholm, Wayne Middaugh

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? MMA

**Social media important to you?** Facebook

**Favourite supplier of curling gear?** Goldline

**Favourite band or type of music:** AC/DC, Pink Floyd, Kabat, Fousatej had

**Favourite ethnic cuisine:** Italian

**On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing?** nothing

### Lead

#### Marek Vydra

**Family Details:** married, two kids - Anna and Matyas

**Occupation:** manager

**Birthdate:** 14.3.1975

**Summer? Whatever with my family**  
**One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why?** Jiri introduced this sport to me a long time ago and we still play together

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Peja Lindholm, Jon Mead, Wayne Middaugh

What would be the best thing about representing your country in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? Be there would be enough!

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be?

Why change the best game world-wide? I

### Fifth

#### Jakub Bareš

**Family Details:** Single

**Occupation:** Student

**Birthdate:** 20/3/1988

**Birthplace:** Prague

**Hometown:** Prague

**Favorite place to curl?:** Prague

**Nickname:** Fab

**Delivery:** Right

**Go to shot:** Draw to button

**Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why?** Marku Ussipavalniemi - great result in Olympic tournament for Finland/ Sune Frederiksen - He is my friend

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Chess

**Social media important to you?** No  
**Favourite supplier of curling gear?** Goldline

**Favourite band or type of music:** Classic music

**Favourite website:** blenderguru.com

**Favourite ethnic cuisine:** Thai cuisine

**On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing?** traveling

**Summer? Traveling**

**One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why?** Stepan Vojtus. He show me how to curl.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be?

I want to use Thinking time.



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## THE STATISTICAL STORY • PLAYOFF SATURDAY

### STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DRAW 19

Page Playoff 3v4

SCORING AND PERCENTAGES SUMMARY FOR DRAW 19

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Canada			Denmark								
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2	E.J.	Harnden	20	72	90	2	Mikkel	Poulsen	20	66	83
3	Ryan	Fry	20	76	95	3	Johnny	Frederiksen	20	59	74
4	Brad	Jacobs	19	65	86	4	Rasmus	Stjerne	20	65	81
Team Totals			79	289	91	Team Totals			80	264	83

\*last rock advantage

ATTENDANCE DRAW 19: 4119 TOTAL: 47085

### STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DRAW 20

Semi final

SCORING AND PERCENTAGES SUMMARY FOR DRAW 20

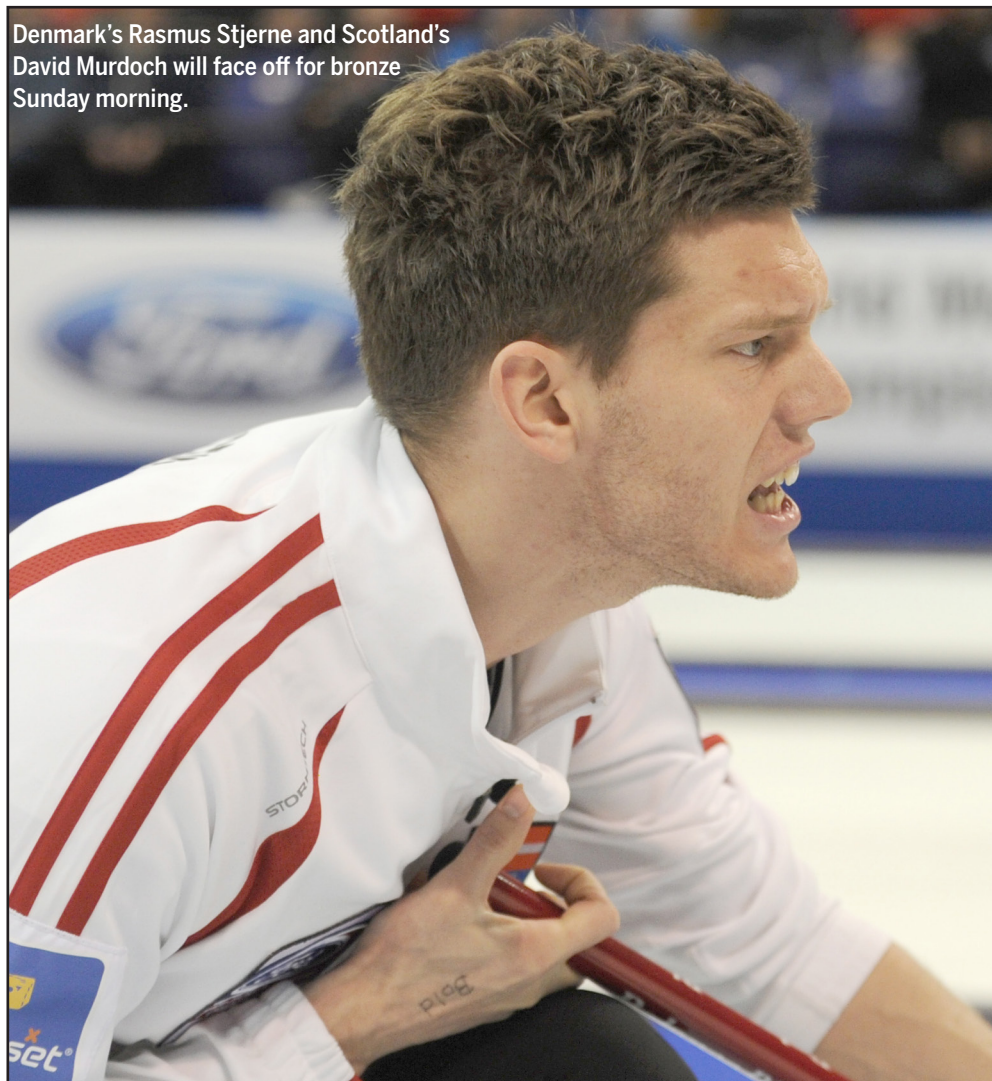
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Canada			Scotland								
#	SH	PTS	PCT	#	SH	PTS	PCT				
1	Ryan	Harnden	18	69	96	1	Michael	Goodfellow	18	68	94
2	E.J.	Harnden	18	68	94	2	Scott	Andrews	18	55	76
3	Ryan	Fry	18	60	83	3	Greg	Drummond	18	58	81
4	Brad	Jacobs	18	67	93	4	Dave	Murdoch	18	63	88
Team Totals			72	264	92	Team Totals			72	244	85

\*last rock advantage

ATTENDANCE DRAW 20: 4221 TOTAL: 51306

Denmark's Rasmus Stjerne and Scotland's David Murdoch will face off for bronze Sunday morning.





# Saint John group looks ahead to 2014

**JIM MORRIS**

Eye Opener staff

Organizers of next year's Ford World Women's Curling Championship are hoping the excitement of the Winter Olympics spills over from the Black Sea coast to the shore of the Bay of Fundy.

The 2014 women's world championship will be held March 15-23 in Saint John, N.B., at the 6,500-seat Harbour Station. The event begins about two weeks after the curling medals are handed out at the Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

"You will be able to watch some of those teams from Sochi, literally two weeks later they will be in our city," said Jeff Lacey, chair of the host organizing committee.

"It does add a little bit more value. We are going to use that in our marketing a little bit."

Lacey and members of his committee spent time at this week's world men's curling championship Victoria, getting a behind-the-scenes look at how the event was operated at the

Save-on-Foods Memorial Centre.

"We just want to have a look and see what model is used here, maybe learn from that a little bit," said Lacey. "It gives an opportunity to my vice-chairs to get a little bit of a feel for the event.

"It's a good little testing ground so we are not going in totally blind next year."

People attending next year's event will be able to walk from the arena to two of the city's major hotels via a pedway system.

"A lot of the fans will be able to park their car and walk where ever they want to go," said Lacey.

The women's worlds will be the first major curling event held in Saint John since the 1999 world championship. That event combined both the men and women

Scotland's Hammy McMillan won the men's gold, defeating Canada's Jeff Stoughton in the final. Sweden's Elisabet Gustafson won the women's goal, beating American Patti Lank.

Lacey said one of the ticket options available for Saint John is a flex package with 22 vouch-

ers.

"You can take you and 21 of your friends to one draw, or two folks can attend 11 draws," he said.

Already there has been a strong response to tickets.

"Saint John is a little bit starving for a curling event," he said. "It's been a long wait."

The Scotties Tournament of Hearts, which will determine Canada's team attending the women's world championship, will be held Feb. 1-9 in Montreal.

The 2014 Tim Hortons Brier will be March 1-9 in Kamloops, B.C. Next year's men's world championship will be in Beijing March 29 to April 6, 2014.

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## the memories live on

By Bryan Wright

An exciting nine days of competition at the Ford World Men's Curling Championship concludes today with the bronze and gold medal games.

But, for most fans, the memories will live on with a variety of souvenirs and keepsakes available at the merchandise shop, located on the concourse at the main entrance of the Save-On-Foods Memorial Centre.

Robin Henry, manager of merchandise sales, said business has been brisk all week. "Everything is selling pretty good... t-shirts, flags, everything's been doing well," said Henry.

"Canada's the biggest seller for flags obviously, followed by Scotland, which we actually ran out of one night," he added.

A new item that's been extremely popular is the "puzzle pin", made up of three separate pins – Brier, Scotties and Ford World Men's – that fit together to form a maple leaf. They've been so popular there's a limit of two per customer.

Henry advises fans to get to the shop early on the final day before the merchandise sells out.

Today, also marks the end of a busy week for the hundreds of volunteers that have made the event such a great success. Many of them have been working tirelessly behind the scenes for the past several months.

They're the ones wearing the blue event jackets, and the reason everyone has been having so much fun this week. So, when you see one of them on the job today, be sure to say "Thanks!" for all of their hard work!



The merchandise has been going fast at the Ford World Men's all week long.

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# cheers to the volunteers!



Special thanks to Party Line photographer Duncan Malcolm (left) and reporter Bryan Wright (pictured above) for capturing all the excitement of the Ford World Men's Curling Championship.



## A LITTLE MORE FROM JIM MORRIS

# Come what may, experience golden

Prior to the start of this week's Ford World Men's Curling Championship, presented by Booster Juice, Brad Jacobs said his rink was going to treat it "as another curling bonspiel."

Jacobs and his Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., team have learned the world championship is like another bonspiel like Game 7 of the Stanley Cup final is just another hockey game. The game is the same but everything else is different.

Like any team competing at their first major international event Jacobs' team has faced a steep learning curve.

"It's been a good learning experience," said Jacobs. "It's completely different playing these European teams as opposed to playing against Canadian teams."

Jacobs has played in five Tim Hortons Briers where he could go to school on the shots made by former world champions like Kevin Martin and Glenn Howard. At times this week Jacobs has felt like he was watching a foreign movie without subtitles.

"When you play against some of the top Canadian teams you can read the ice off their rocks," said the bank accountant manager. "Here, in a lot of instances, you can't."

"It's really tough and frustrating when guys are making everything on you. Sometimes you can't do anything but stand back, smile, and take it."

Second E. J. Harnden said the rink tried not to get distracted by what went on around them, or by how the other teams



played.

"All we can do is make our shots and worry about ourselves," he said. "I think it is distracting sometimes (when) you see a team that calls a shot that probably isn't the right call but makes it and sets themselves up."

"It is a little demoralizing sometimes, a little frustrating. Traditionally that's not the way to do things. If it's working for them, that's great. We have to execute ours better."

What third Ryan Fry came to understand is, at the world championship, every game is high noon. Canada is considered the top gun. Every other team is the new gunslinger in town wanting to test them.

"I do think the Brier is a tougher event to win, but the field is 100 per cent deeper in the words than it is in the Brier," said Fry, a 34-year-old business owner. "When you play in the Brier, you're playing against teams that will lay down a little to you because they're intimidated."

"When you're playing in the worlds, their (other teams) sole

mission is to beat Canada. They are coming out with their absolute best performance. We lost four games here (in the round robin). I would put the onus on us for a couple we didn't play very well. Two of the games we played against teams that played unbelievable against us. They played better than the Kevin Martins, the Howards, the Stoughtons. They would have beaten anyone in Canada on that day."

At 27 years old, Jacobs is the youngest Canadian skip at the world championship since a 24-year-old Kevin Martin competed in 1991, losing in the final to Scotland.

Another thing Jacobs' rink probably didn't count on was the mental and physical fatigue they experienced. During the week Jacobs sent out a tweet saying he felt 65 years old and mentally done.

That might explain why Jacobs' rink of Fry, E. J. Harnden and lead Ryan Harnden burst from the gate like thoroughbreds, winning their first five games, but then stumbled down the stretch with loses in four of their last six matches. After leading the pack most of the week Jacobs slipped to fourth with a 7-4 record.

Former world champion Russ Howard said it's always a challenge dealing with the distractions and commitments of being Team Canada. Especially when a world championship is played at home.

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Whatever the outcome, wearing the Maple Leaf is an experience this Soo crew will never forget.

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“In Canada, all the media is on Brad,” said Howard, who is now a TSN analyst. “There’s a lot more distractions than I think they’ve been used to.”

“There are commitments and doing different things. You get pulled in nine different directions. You get pretty tired.”

Canada has won the last three world titles and five in the last six years. The win streak has fuelled Canadian expectations but maybe doesn’t take into account how much the rest of the curling world has improved.

Team Canada suffered round-robin losses for the first time ever this week against the Czech Republic and Japan. They also were beaten by Denmark for the first time since 2003.

“That’s been difficult for this Canadian team,” said Howard. “Ten years ago you were beating Denmark. You were beating these guys by five or six points.”

“They are good now. We have to face it.”

Maybe the hardest thing about treating the world champion like another event is the Maple Leaf Jacobs and his team wore on their back. At a Brier you represent a province. You are another team in the pack. At the worlds you are Canada’s team and under a nation’s scrutiny.

“When you have that Maple Leaf on, and there’s a lot of people in the stands, you want to do even better for them and you want to get everyone in the building involved,” said Jacobs.

“That’s fine. This is what we’ve dreamed of ever since we were kids, to be in a position where we are. This is what we live for.”

Jacobs’ rink is part of the next wave of Canadian curlers. They have the potential to reach many more world championships.

Hopefully they will look back and chuckle about how they planned to treat the first one like another bonspiel.

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# Fussen, Germany named host of World Olympic trials

BY EYE OPENER STAFF

World teams hoping to play at next year's Winter Olympic Games now know where they will make their last stand.

The German city of Fussen was named Friday as host of the inaugural World Curling Federation Olympic Qualification Event. The Dec. 11-15 competition will select the final two men's and women's team spots for the curling competition at the Sochi Olympics.

Games will be played at the 3,500 seat BLZ Arena. Fussen also hosted the 2007 European Curling Championships.

"We expect them to be able to draw on this expertise, to ensure that the qualification event is an even greater success," WCF president Kate Caithness said in a release.

Dieter Kolb, president of the German Curling Association, said his association is thrilled with the opportunity to host the event.

"We will guarantee an outstanding curling event in a magnificent arena," he said.

Eight of 10 nations have qualified women's teams for the Olympics. Sweden, Switzerland, Scotland, Canada, the U.S., Denmark and Korea have all qualified directly, based on points gathered for their final ranking at the 2012 and 2013 World Women's Curling Championships. Russia qualified as the host nation.

The teams left battling for the two Olympic spots are Germany, Japan, China, Italy, Latvia, Czech Republic and Norway.

The World Curling Federation will give official confirmation of the men's teams that have qualified directly for Sochi and those heading to Fussen following the conclusion of the Ford World Men's Curling Championship.

Canada's two Olympic curling teams will be determined at the Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings competition, Dec. 1-8, in Winnipeg.



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### QUESTION OF THE DAY:

Name the youngest player in the 2013 world men's curling championship (alternates

excluded).

1. Age, please.
2. He plays for which team and at which position.

tion.

3. Name the youngest player in the 2013 world men's curling championship (alternates included).

4. Age, please.

5. He plays for which team.

6. How about the oldest player (including or excluding alternates) in the men's and his age?

7. He plays for which team at which position.

8. Only three players in the current Ford Worlds field have skipped teams in

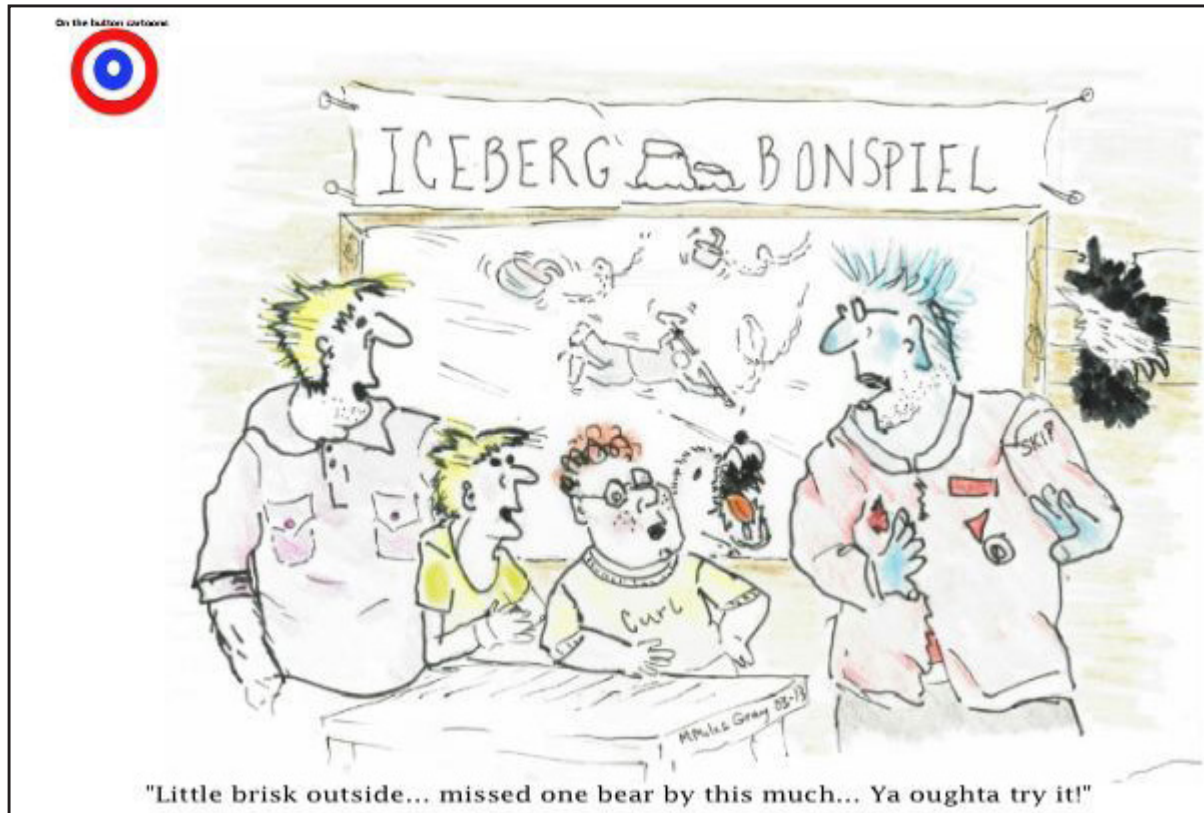
world men's championship finals. Name them.

9. Name the first skip to win the world men's curling championship while losing three games in the process and the year of that championship.

10. Name the first Canadian skip to win the world men's curling championship while losing three games in the process and the year of that championship.

11. Which country has posted the most silver-medal finishes in the world men's championship... and how many?

12. Which country has recorded the most bronze-medal finishes in the world men's championship... and how many?



- QoD: Troels Harry  
1. 22, as of last Christmas Day.  
2. Denmark, lead  
3. Yoshituro Shimizu  
4. 20.  
5. Japan alternate.  
6. Darren Lehto, 44  
7. U.S.A., second  
8. Tom Brewster, David Murdoch, Torger Nergard.  
9. Bud Somerville, 1974.  
10. Al Hacker, 1985.  
11. Scotland, 20 silver medals.  
12. U.S.A., 12 bronze medals.

(Answers)



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# No big numbers in 1/2 game was cause

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Like they had done all week the Scots tinkered with their lineup. Tom Brewster, the team's former skip who has rotated at third this week, sat out the match. He curled 60 per cent in Friday night's loss.

"We've been rotating all week," said Murdoch. "We expected to have some sort of change unless a team was shooting really big numbers.

"We didn't quite shoot that big of numbers in the 1-2, so the coach decided to make a change."

Brewster was replaced at third by Greg Drummond. Scott Andrews was second and Michael Goodfellow was lead.

Jacobs' rink won their first five games of the week, including a 9-4 thrashing of Scotland, before losing four of their last six to finish the round-robin 7-4.

Jacobs rink won the Tim Hortons Brier by

winning the 3-4 playoff game, beating Glenn Howard in the semifinal then knocking off Jeff Stoughton in the final.



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# Duguid, Northcott enter WCF Hall of Fame

Two of Canada's most accomplished curlers will be inducted into the World Curling Hall of Fame, it was announced by the World Curling Federation (WCF) and Canadian Curling Association (CCA).

Three-time world champion Ron Northcott and two-time world champ Don Duguid will officially be inducted into the Hall on Sunday during the closing banquet of the Ford World Men's Curling Championship, presented by Booster Juice.

"The Canadian Curling Association and curling fans across our country are thrilled to see Don Duguid and Ron Northcott inducted into the World Curling Hall of Fame," said CCA Chief Executive Officer Greg Stremlaw. "The achievements of Don and Ron speak for themselves, and just as importantly they represented themselves, our country and our sport with class and professionalism."

Northcott (born Dec. 31, 1935) put together a team in Calgary that followed in the footsteps of the legendary Ernie Richardson foursome from Saskatchewan. Northcott put together a 23-2 cumulative record en route to winning world titles (known as the Scotch Cup from 1959 through 1967) in 1966 (8-0 at Vancouver),



Ron Northcott

Don Duguid

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1968 (8-1 at Pointe-Claire, Que., when the event became known as the Air Canada Silver Broom) and 1969 (7-1 at Perth, Scotland). Northcott had the same front end — lead Fred Storey and second Bernie Sparkes — for all three of those titles, and three different thirds: George Fink in 1966, Jim Shields in 1968 and Dave Gerlach in 1969.

Known as the "Owl," Northcott won six Alberta championships, and also was named to Canada's Sports Hall of Fame in 1970 and the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame in 1973, and was appointed to the Order of Canada in 1976.

"I definitely was thrilled. I was totally sur-

prised," said Northcott. "I have no idea who would have nominated me and how I got by the selection committee. But it's certainly an honour and I'm very excited about it. I mean, how long has it been? Close to 50 years — that's a long time."

Duguid (born Jan. 25, 1935) took up the Canadian cause the year after Northcott's last world title. Backed up by third Rod Hunter, second Jim Pettapiece and lead Bryan Wood, the Winnipeg powerhouse swept to back-to-back unbeaten world championships, going 8-0 in 1970 at Utica, N.Y., and 9-0 a year later in Megève, France.

Previously, Duguid had played third for Terry Braunstein's 1965 Brier championship quartet, and made it to the final of the 1965 world championship in Perth, Scotland, finishing second (5-2) after losing the final to Bud Somerville of the United States.

Duguid, who turned to broadcasting after his competitive playing career was over (he worked for CBC and NBC), was inducted into the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame in 1974 and Canada's Sports Hall of Fame in 1991.

"It's a great honour; it's unbelievable," said Duguid. "I'm in the Manitoba Curling Hall of Fame, the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame, the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame, the Canadian

Sports Hall of Fame, and now the World Curling Hall of Fame? That's just great. It's been a great journey for me. And going in with Ron Northcott really tickles me. He was an inspiration to me when I watched him curl."

It's the second year the World Curling Federation has accepted nominations for induction into the Hall of Fame, which is described as "the highest 'non-playing' honour that the World Curling Federation can bestow on someone and recognizes outstanding contribution to the sport of curling whether through on ice exploits or off ice endeavours."

Prior to 2012, the WCF awarded the World Curling Freytag Award, named after the late Elmer Freytag of the U.S. Curling Association, who was a founding member of the International Curling Federation (now the WCF).

Previous Canadian Freytag honourees were: Ray Kingsmith (2011), Sandra Schmirler (2009), Shirley Morash (2001), Ernie Richardson (2000), Colin Campbell (1990), Bob Picken (1987), Don McLeod (1985), Mabel Deware (1983), Doug Maxwell (1981) and Ken Watson (1978).

For more information on the World Curling Hall of Fame, go to: [www.worldcurling.org/world-curling-hall-of-fame](http://www.worldcurling.org/world-curling-hall-of-fame).



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