

April 8, 2021 – Erica O'Grady (\$12,565)

Team Canada was on fire Thursday in their game against Norway and Friday morning against Germany, locking up a spot for Canada in the 2022 Beijing Olympics. Also on fire, was Curling Alberta's 50/50 jackpot. Congratulations to Erica O'Grady of Lloydminster for winning the big cash prize of \$12,565.

Erica was shocked to discover that she had won this morning. "It's kind of crazy. I buy tickets in support of an organization and think that 99 per cent of the time I'm not going to win, but that 1 per cent sticks with me," said Erica. "This morning I was thinking that I probably didn't win anyway and was not even going to check my tickets, but then I got the call from Curling Alberta."

While Erica hasn't curled since high school, she enjoys watching it. As an accountant, she is extremely busy in the midst of tax season so she records the games and watches them late into the night. Outside of work, she enjoys traveling and wine. Europe is her favorite place to visit and she is looking forward to planning a trip to South America once restrictions ease. In the meantime, her winnings will help tackle some expenses and be put away for that next traveling adventure.

Congratulations to Jackie McGloin, winner of Thursday's Early Bird Prize. A Team Canada jersey signed by each member and a \$150 Guusto e-gift card are headed her direction.

It's the final Saturday of the championship, and once again, ticket-purchasers will have an opportunity to share the love with their local curling club. As part of the buying process, individuals can select their club of choice from a drop-down menu on Curling Alberta's website or use the club-specific link. The selected club will receive 50 per cent of the net proceeds from that sale.

Thank you to Erica, Joanne and to all the fans across the province for your support of Curling Alberta's 50/50 raffle. By purchasing 50/50 tickets, you are helping create a lasting legacy for our sport and supporting the next generation of curling champions.

50/50 tickets are available each game day of the BKT Tires & OK Tire 2021 World Men's Curling Championship. Tickets can be purchased from 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM MT at <u>https://curlingalberta.ca/5050-2/</u>. Those tickets purchased prior to 2:30 PM MT will also be entered into the Early Bird draw for a signed Team Canada jersey and a \$150 Guusto e-gift card. (LL#570518)