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## CURLING ALBERTA AWARD NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN!

Even though the curling season was cut short this year, Curling Alberta will continue the tradition of celebrating the extraordinary people who have made a significant contribution to our curling community.

Three types of awards will be granted by Curling Alberta this season:

### 1 CLUB OF THE YEAR

Awarded annually to a member club or community curling centre which displays outstanding impact in and on the community. Areas of consideration may include: development of innovative programs and services; alignment to the provincial programs (e.g. whole of sport approach); evidence of volunteer management strategies (attract, develop, retain); evidence of financial sustainability / viability; sound leadership practices (role descriptions for committees and key club roles, robust governance practices); community engagement (e.g. with other clubs, schools, sponsors, external stakeholders or community groups); coach and/or instructor development processes in place; retention and growth of a diverse membership; success in fundraising and management of large capital projects; etc. Clubs are encouraged to self-nominate for this award. Only member clubs of Curling Alberta are eligible for this award.

### 2 CURLING COMMUNITY HERO (NEW AND ONLY FOR 2021!)

This award serves to recognize those who made an extraordinary contribution to the sport of curling and their community this season (e.g.- volunteer, administrator, ice technician, official, curler, instructor, coach, partner, team, etc.). . . . continued on page 13

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## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As summer approaches and I look back on our experiences of the past year, I want to share a few of my personal thoughts and feelings with you.

The first one is the pride I feel for what an extraordinary organization Curling Alberta is becoming thanks to you. We are united by a common culture of cooperation, fortitude, and community, and we have worked arm-in-arm to overcome the difficulties the pandemic has presented. I have seen countless examples of local heroes across the province stepping up to meet the challenges this crisis has presented. I want to remind you that Curling Alberta will recognize the efforts of these every-day but extraordinary people through our annual awards, which will be a bit different this year due to the circumstances but special all the same. In times like this, it is uniquely important to share our stories to give us energy and to connect us. I encourage you to consider nominating the rock star in your club or community who has gone above and

beyond in service of our sport to let them know that we are beyond fortunate to have their time and passion.

Second, there is no doubt that we will see more changes in our world, and I am curious to see where we will be in six months, a year, 10 years from now. I lie awake at night wondering what the future holds for myself and my loved ones. I wonder what will happen to our sport. Coronavirus is hitting the economy badly and many clubs and events have struggled significantly. How many curlers will return? How many new curlers will give us a try? There are limitless possible futures. While I am confident in our resiliency, I am not underestimating the risk that we may all slide into a worse situation; it will be imperative that we are prepared for the unexpected as we move purposefully into the future. As an organization, Curling Alberta will be focused on monitoring the evolution and effects (past, present, and future) of the pandemic. We will work diligently to keep our community collaborating and to provide the necessary support and resources to promote a safe return to curling next season. No one club or community is going to successfully navigate a challenge like this alone, and it



**Jill Richard**  
Executive Director  
of Curling Alberta

is going to take all of us working together to turn the tide on COVID-19.

Finally, on behalf of Curling Alberta, I would like to send strength and warm wishes to those of you that have been more significantly affected by COVID, either personally or through your nearest loved ones. This has been a difficult journey that we have all travelled in different ways. I believe that we will adapt well, emerging stronger, if we look after each other and work together.

Please, do take care over the summer. I hope to see you all on the ice this fall.

## COVID-19 RESOURCES

Please visit <https://curlingalberta.ca/member-club-resources> for important updates, upcoming webinars, and other relevant information for players, coaches and clubs.



## BUSINESS OF CURLING:

### CURLING ALBERTA PARTNERS WITH CURL BC FOR VIRTUAL FOR CLUB DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR SERIES

Curling AB and Curl BC have joined forces to deliver several online Club Development webinars beginning in mid-May and running through the month of June. Although we would prefer to meet in person, these sessions will still offer an excellent platform to share information, network with other clubs across Western Canada, and work together to solve common issues. The schedule is tentative, and we are open to adding additional topics. Registration will open soon, so please watch your club email for more details!

#### Sunday, May 16

6:30pm – 7:30pm: Social Media Marketing, presented by Alex Zabel from Sway Marketing

7:30pm – 8:30pm: Membership Recruitment

#### Thursday, May 27

6:30pm – 7:30pm: Grant Writing Boot Camp

7:30pm – 8:30pm: Capital Project Planning

#### Thursday, June 10

6:30 – 7:30pm: Risk Management, Presented by Amy Nixon and Brian Cowan

7:30pm – 8:30pm: Board Recruitment and Succession Planning

#### Thursday, June 24

6:30-7:30pm: Diversity and Inclusion

7:30pm – 8:30pm: Curling Alberta Round-up: Get up to date on membership benefits, the new Alberta Curling Tour, coach education, junior programming and more!

## CURLING ALBERTA'S YOUTH ADVISORY PANEL

In a week and a half, 29 applications were received by young curlers across the province looking to join Curling Alberta's Youth Advisory Panel. While many of the applications came from very accomplished competitive curlers, some of who have represented Alberta at national competitions and beyond, the most impressive common theme in all of the applications was how involved they

are with their local clubs and how much they are already giving back to the sport.

The 12 members of the panel will meet, virtually, on April 24 to establish its priorities for the coming season.

The Board established the panel because it recognizes how important it is to keep the sports young curlers engaged in

the sport, both on the competitive and grassroots streams and these Youth Advisory will be able to help determine what Curling Alberta can do to help engage and retain such an important demographic.

*Submitted by David Hyatt, Director-At-Large, Zone 8*

Name	Age Group	Location
Noah Mason-Wood	U15	Edmonton
Ainsley Davis	U15	Airdrie
Jaxon Hiebert	U18	Grande Prairie
Natalie Cholin	U18	Sherwood Park
Tyler Powell	U20	Calgary
Chris Pratt	U20	Calgary
Zoe Cinnamon	U20	University of Alberta
Brennin Turner	U20	St. Albert
Caleb Boorse	U25	Leduc
Mark Taylor	U25	Airdrie
Brenna Bilassy	U25	Edmonton
Jessica Wytrychowski	U25	Calgary





# CURLING ALBERTA 50/50 RAFFLE BUILDING MOMENTUM

Curling Alberta was fortunate enough to be granted the rights to the online 50/50 during every game day of Curling's Capital Series of events. In what can only be described as a marathon of 50/50s, curling fans have purchased tickets for 45 raffle draws with total jackpots over the \$950,000 mark and we aren't done yet. Curling Alberta will continue running 50/50s through the Pinty's Grand Slam of Curling Princess Auto Players' Championship and right to the end of the LGT World Women's Curling Championship with lots more money to be won.

So far, 45 very lucky and happy winners have taken home \$484,835 in cash and we have heard incredible stories from some very excited winners.

One of the most generous and impactful stories emerged on Curling Day in Canada. Curling is more than just a game, is often a key part of the social fabric in communities across Alberta. That was certainly the case for the Calumet Curling Club and their passionate team of volunteers and directors.

"We have a little 2 sheet curling rink in our community completely run by volunteers and of course, with no curling this year, no bonspiel – which is kind of our number one fundraiser for the year, it was looking a little bleak. Now it's not," laughed Holly Riske.

Holly and fellow directors Blaine Ravensborg, Vangie Gray, Eric Bloomquist, Rick Massing, Dan Lea, Dustin Krzywy, Ola Olson, Craig Massing, Kelly Dux and Lonny Olson decided to go in together and buy tickets for Saturday's draw.

"We put in \$20 each with the intent that if we win, we donate it to the rink and it can live to see another day," said Holly.

"And it is."

While each winner had a unique story to tell, other heartwarming highlights so far included:

- Kevin Koe's wife Carla winning on International Women's Day
- Mary Shearer winning \$8,110 and donating it to the Indigenous Women's Shelter, Awo Taaan Healing Lodge Society in Calgary
- Shanine Lafreniere winning \$5,010 during Organ Donation Awareness Month, which was all the more special as her daughter was the recipient of a life-saving liver transplant

And who can forget the life changing amount of money won during our largest daily jackpots? Barry Ashton, Maleah

Blair, and Lorna Tupechka all taking home over \$35,000 each! To read about each of our winners, visit our [winner's story page](#).

The best news yet? There is still lots of opportunity to win!

Thank you to all of the curling fans for supporting curling in Alberta. Funds raised through these 50/50's will be used to support grassroots curling, and community curling centres right across our province. Your support is making a tremendous difference!

Visit our website for more information on the 50/50s and to purchase during game days up until May 9th.

*Submitted by Curtis Fairhurst, Past President, Zone 3*

## OUR TOP FIVE TOTAL JACKPOTS:

MAR. 14/2021	\$89,830
APR. 11/2021	\$75,580
FEB. 28/2021	\$73,100
APR. 25/2021	\$59,280
MAR. 25/2021	\$46,430

## TOTAL OF ALL JACKPOTS FROM DAILY DRAWS DURING THE CURLING'S CAPITAL EVENT SERIES:

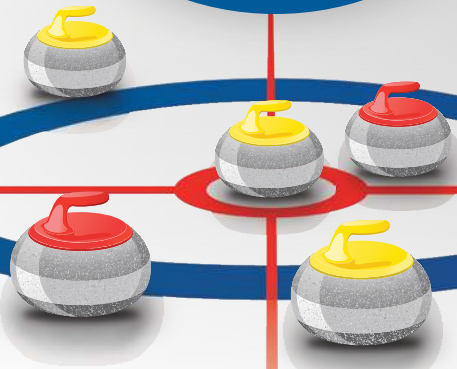
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# THE CURLING BUBBLE IN THE EYES OF A CHIEF UMPIRE

I was fortunate to be selected as the Chief Umpire of the 2021 Scotties Tournament of Hearts and a Game Umpire for the 2021 Men's World Championships in the Calgary "Hub City" bubble.

An umpire in the bubble is different from an athlete – this is our normal! Umpires work all draws and usually get only 3 games off of the scheduled 25 draws during the week. While teams are worried about how to entertain themselves, umpires are working. Typically umpires travel to cities/towns and only see their hotel and the arena, just like the Calgary bubble.

As Chief Umpire, I am responsible for my team and crew. I was the only local person with all the other five umpires flying into Calgary. I therefore offered to shop for everyone for their 10 day stay which amounted to \$800 in food and beverages which may sound like a lot, but when you can break it down to 1 person for 60 days, it makes sense. Because we were the first 'bubble' event, we were extremely cautious for the success of the event so all shopping involved individual snacks – Costco was our friend.

We were required to have a negative COVID test 72 hours in advance of arrival in Calgary. Non-resident umpires had to fly to Calgary February 17th, pick up the rental car at the airport, drive directly

to the venue/hotel and get their Day 0 COVID test. All of us had to stay in our individual hotel rooms until we received the email the next day that said "you are clear to leave your room and go to the arena." Practice ice for the teams was scheduled to commence the next day but only 1 team and 3 umpires had been cleared, so practice was postponed. Once all teams and umpires were cleared, we commenced a revised practice schedule and everyone adapted very well – communication was key and Alberta's own Nolan Theissen was instrumental in this transition. Everyone also does a Day 2 and Day 5 COVID test and we were not allowed to meet together until after Day 2 results were received. Everyone was restricted to their own room until Friday night. I had made up individual bags for every umpire for their first 3 days until we could meet together and they were all very appreciative.

At the arena, there were 3 zones: Green Zone was athletes, umpires, ice crew and Curling Canada staff all staying at the same hotel across the street from WinSport and tested 4 times during the event, Blue Zone was TSN staff and they stayed in a different hotel with testing every other day and Red Zone was Statisticians and Timers staying at home receiving daily temperature and wellness tests. The Green Zone hotel was

a 5-minute drive across the road, but due to isolation, no one was allowed to walk between the venues. Everyone underwent temperature and accreditation checks when leaving the hotel and scanned the same again when arriving at the arena. These were time stamped so you needed to be accountable. You could only be in the hotel or arena parking lot. Food and supplies could be dropped off at the hotel in the vestibule area and there was a full-time security guard at the door.

The umpires and ice crew had their meals catered at the arena by WinSport. You had designated seating for the entire event that had 2 people at an 8-foot table at each end and across from each other. As with all indoor experiences, everyone was required to wear a mask unless they were eating, drinking, or if they were an athlete in the Field of Play. All others i.e., coaches, alternates, umpires, ice crew and TSN were always masked. If a competitor left the Field of Play for a washroom break, they needed to mask up. I had to control this exit area particularly at the fifth end break and end of game.

Since there were no volunteers permitted in the Green Zone, umpires were required to sanitize all coaches' tables and chairs inside the arena and then the last game finished umpire needed to sanitize the 8 tables and chairs in the 'Athlete Warm up'

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## COURSES AND ONLINE LEARNING

After many of our courses were postponed or cancelled due to health concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, Curling Alberta is pleased to announce we will be moving forward with a new Learning Management System (LMS). This online platform will allow coaches, officials, and ice technicians an opportunity to fulfill many certifications and professional

development requirements. In May, we can also look forward to a coaching webinar series involving our own Excel Regional Coaches on this platform discussing many developmental topics such as strategy and tactics, team building, fitness, and more!

Currently a Timer course is available online for those individuals looking to

learn a new skill: <https://curlingalberta.ca/technical/curling-umpires-information>

Please email [info@curlingalberta.ca](mailto:info@curlingalberta.ca) to express your interest in hosting or registering for a course. Updates to the course list and schedule will be announced as soon as possible.

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area. This was the designated area for each team based on their sheet of ice and stone color. Likewise, each team had their own water cooler with the teams delivering red stones at the away end and the yellow teams were located at the home end.

Stones and coolers and all touch points were sanitized constantly by teams, umpires and ice crew. If a team requested a measure by the umpire, the curler needed to put on a mask in order to stand close enough to witness the measure. Umpires were assigned their own laser measures for LSDs, their own radios and headsets for the entire event.

I acted in the 'Red Zone' for the Canadian Mixed Doubles as a Timing Supervisor for 11 draws including the Semis and Finals. This allowed me to stay at home and enter for my shifts in timing which were located on the upper concourse with the Statisticians.

At the 2021 Men's Worlds, I went through the same 72-hour testing and isolation and entered the Green Zone bubble March 31st. I could see some changes over the six weeks where protocols were slightly relaxed but for the most part the same. The international teams were given an exemption that they could arrive in Canada and isolate for only 6 days. Regular COVID testing was maintained

Officials team



during this time with their last test April 1st. Competition continued until the teams were given their 72 hours exit COVID test on April 9th so that they could fly home. At 10:21 pm that evening, we received an email from the WCF (World Curling Federation) "that there were positive cases and as a result the 9am playoff game between USA and Switzerland would not be played and no further games would be played until there was more clarity." Everyone was required to isolate in their rooms immediately and no contact with anyone until further notice. At midnight Friday, we received notice that we would all be tested on Saturday at the hotel and appointment times were set up, this included all hotel staff. Sunday at 8:30 am, we received an email informing us that all Saturday tests were negative and the arena was being completely sanitized. Dr. Deena Hinshaw stated that play could resume with new restrictions requiring all players to wear masks and be tested before and after their games. Playoffs resumed Sunday at 11 am, Semis

at 4 pm, Finals at 9 pm, and declaring a World Champion around 11:45 pm! Five teams had to remain in quarantine after the event as it was deemed that they had been in close contact with someone who had tested positive.

The entire experience will not soon be forgotten and the Scotties will go down as one of my 'best ever' events. The players were all very appreciative of everything we did and adapted to any changes seamlessly. I told the teams at the start that we needed to be flexible and fluid and they definitely did that! Whenever we apologized for a change, they responded with "no apology required, we are happy to be here!"

I would like to thank everyone that took the online timing and officiating courses and volunteered for these events. We look forward to working with you at future Curling Alberta events!

*Submitted by Brenda Rogers, Chief Umpire, Curling Alberta*

## CLASSIFIED & BONSPIEL LISTINGS

Are you a member club looking to promote an upcoming bonspiel or a team starting to plan your upcoming 2021/22 season? To see what events are on deck in all levels of competition within our boundaries, visit the [Get Curling](#) section on Curling Alberta's website, where a detailed list of bonspiels will be listed and updated as soon as clubs add them.

Curling Alberta's **Classifieds** are a great resource whether you are looking to build a new team, fill a vacancy, or recruit a coach. It also offers our members a platform to buy and sell curling equipment or supplies.

Listings are posted on behalf of teams, curlers and member clubs, so head to the Bonspiels and Classifieds pages now to post your ad.



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## COMPETITION SCHEDULE UPDATE

We are looking forward to a strong return to our sanctioned competitions come fall with events planned to begin as early as the middle of September. We are eager to announce our competition schedule in the coming weeks to allow competitors to begin planning their season. That schedule will also include some exciting new youth events coming down from [Curling Canada](#), the Excel Cups, and other new initiatives that we are looking forward to sharing.

As previously announced, we will be partnering with Grand Prairie to host the 2022 Boston Pizza Cup, Presented by Best Western, and the 2022 Sentinel Storage Alberta Scotties Tournament of Hearts at Revolution Place from January 3rd to 9th. Although originally planned for this past January, this will be the first time a combined provincial men's and women's curling championship will be held.

Alberta is also fortunate to welcome several national championships in 2022,

starting the season early with the 2021 Canadian Mixed Curling Championship hosted by the Canmore Golf and Curling Club in November. Curling Alberta will announce the qualification process shortly to name Team Alberta. Also coming to Alberta, is the 2022 Tim Hortons Brier on March 4-13, 2022 in Lethbridge. Tickets are already on sale, so be sure to get yours early by clicking [here](#). Lethbridge has also started recruiting volunteers, and the volunteer form can be completed [here](#) to be part of the action. As there are still a few Curling Canada events to be announced, we are hopeful to see more scheduled for Alberta.

In addition to the nationals, we will also be welcoming the World Deaf Curling Championships in March to the Banff Curling Club.

As many new teams will be forming for the coming season, please keep the following eligibility criteria in mind. The finalised version, as well as related competition policies will be released as soon as possible.





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# FEMALE CURLERS COME TOGETHER AT THE 2021 WOMEN IN CURLING SUMMIT



In partnership with Curling Alberta, the first Women in Curling Summit, hosted by the Okotoks Curling Club will debut September 18th, 2021. In what will be a fun, fierce, and fantastic event, the one-day symposium will provide female athletes the opportunity to build peak performance skills and create powerful connections among like-minded women in the sport, igniting an ongoing passion for curling.

**“Whether you are interested in gaining a competitive edge in league play, club championships, the U18/U20 levels, Mixed Doubles, or even the Scotties, this event is for you,”** said organizer, Atina Ford Johnston. **“We are fortunate to have some of the most successful female curlers from our province who know the secrets to the game and are willing to share their knowledge and expertise.”**

Aspiring adult and junior female curlers will interact with some of Alberta’s best female curling athletes while building technical and strategic performance skills that contribute to strong leadership

and enhanced team dynamics. The combination of on-ice and classroom interactive sessions will be facilitated by past curling champions, including: Dana Ferguson, Beth Iskiw, Shannon Kleibrink, Heather Nedohin, and Susan O’Connor, just to name a few. The interactive workshop topics will be focused on:

- Building Performance Skills on Ice
- Thinking Strategically
- Wellness Tools for Your Curling Bag
- Performance Routines
- Building Team Support Systems and Trust

Brittany Tran is one of Alberta’s rising female curling athletes, and recently filled in on Team Peterson during the Scotties Tournament of Hearts and represented Team Alberta in the Canadian Mixed Doubles Championship. **“Curling is a unique sport that you can experience with family and friends of all ages. It has provided me with a community that shares my love for the sport, driven my passion to grow the game, and taught me valuable life lessons,”** said Brittany.

**“I have especially enjoyed my time volunteering on organizing committees, coaching juniors and getting involved with diversity programs, but ultimately, I love the competition.”**

A social networking event and panel will wind up the Summit and feature Executive Director of Curling Alberta, Jill Richard, along with members of Curling Alberta’s Board of Directors.

**“Endeavors such as the Women in Curling Summit are critical to foster lasting involvement in our sport and create inclusive spaces for women of all ages,”** said Jill Richard, Executive Director of Curling Alberta. **“Opportunities for women to connect with strong and relatable role models are necessary to help them shape their own identities as athletes and be better equipped to succeed.”**

Made possible by the Gender Equity Grant awarded by the Women in Curling Leaders’ Circle through Curling Canada, the 2021 Women in Curling Summit will celebrate the positive power of sport and will serve as a vehicle to inspire and empower female athletes across a spectrum of abilities to stay engaged and have a lasting impact in curling.

The **Women in Curling Summit** will be capped at a maximum of 100 participants. Registration for the event is \$100 plus GST per participant, and includes a keepsake hoodie, interactive notebook, snacks and lunch.

- To register, please visit <https://okotokscurling.com/eventRegister.php/curling-summit>.
- Should you have any questions about this event, please reach out to the Women in Curling Summit committee at: [womenincurlingsummit@gmail.com](mailto:womenincurlingsummit@gmail.com).
- Keep up-to-date with the latest information by following us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) @ [womenincurlingsummit](https://womenincurlingsummit) or visit <https://curlingalberta.ca/women-in-curling-summit/>



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# 2021-22 CURLING ALBERTA AGE & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

<b>Under-15</b>	14 years of age maximum on December 31, 2021, born January 1, 2007 or later. (Any combination of 4 male and female players and a coach per team.)
<b>Under-15 Rockfest</b>	14 years of age maximum on June 30, 2021, born July 1, 2007 or later.
<b>Under-18 Boys and Girls</b>	17 years of age maximum on June 30, 2021, born July 1, 2003 or later. (4 male or 4 female players per team)
<b>2022 World Junior Qualification Event</b>	20 years of age maximum on June 30, 2021, born July 1, 2000 or later
<b>Under-20 Men's and Women's</b>	20 years of age maximum on June 30, 2022, born July 1, 2001 or later. (4 male or 4 female players and a coach per team).  <i>NOTE: One overage player allowed 21 years of age on June 30, 2022 (must be born between July 1, 2000-June 30, 2001)</i>
<b>Under-21 Mixed Doubles</b>	20 years of age maximum on June 30, 2021, born July 1, 2000 or later (1 male or 1 female players and a coach per team)
<b>Under-23 Invitational Event</b>	Athletes ages are calculated on June 30, 2021; cumulative team age of 88 years or less. No athlete can be under 20 years of age.
<b>Under-25 Invitational Event</b>	Athlete ages will be calculated on June 30, 2022; cumulative team age must be 96 years or less for four-person teams and 48 years or less for mixed doubles teams.
<b>Women's</b>	No Age Restriction (4 female players/team)
<b>Men's</b>	No Age Restriction (4 male players/team)
<b>Mixed</b>	No Age Restriction (2 male and 2 female players per team, male and female must play in alternating positions)
<b>Mixed Doubles</b>	No Age Restriction (1 male and 1 female player per team)
<b>Seniors</b>	50 years of age or older as of June 30, 2022, born June 30, 1972 or earlier. (4 male or 4 female players per team)
<b>Master</b>	60 years of age or older as of December 31, 2021, born December 31, 1961 or earlier. (4 male or 4 female players per team)
<b>Wheelchair</b>	No Age Restriction (any mixed gender combination of 4 players)
<b>Club Championship</b>	Three players must be born on or before June 30, 2002. (4 male or 4 female players per team)

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This is your opportunity to recognize the tireless contributor at your club who makes it a better place, always willing to lend a hand for the common good. Up to 10 Curling Community Hero awards will be given this year.

## 3 PRESIDENTS' AWARD

Awarded annually to anyone as selected by the President of Curling Alberta for outstanding service to the sport of curling. Current Board members are not eligible. Nominations for this award will be considered but the recipient is usually self-selected by the President.

## SAVE THE DATE

Each award winner will be invited to a golf tournament hosted by Curling Alberta's Board and staff on July 31st at the Leduc Golf & Country Club in lieu of the annual awards banquet. The golf tournament will also be open for public registration on June 3rd. Further information is coming soon, so keep your eye on Curling Alberta's website and social media for the details.

## THE NOMINATION PROCESS

To make a nomination, simply send an email to [info@curlingalberta.ca](mailto:info@curlingalberta.ca) by May 9th to tell the selection committee why your nominee is so deserving. You are welcome to submit any additional testimony, pictures, or documentation to support the nomination. Nominations may be submitted by anyone, and self-nominations are also welcome. Please keep in mind that the awards are open to recognize contributors of any scope, whether local or provincial. Remember to give specific examples of what your candidate has done that make their contribution special and/or significant.

# ALBERTA ROCKS UPDATE

The Alberta Rocks Curling Camps have been a much-loved tradition for curling athletes for over 25 years. Unfortunately, due to these challenging times and an unknown timeline as to when Alberta will move toward safely reopening, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the Alberta Rocks Junior camp for this summer.

Curling Alberta eagerly anticipates welcoming our junior curlers back to Alberta Rocks Summer Camps in 2022. We remain confident that they will once again have that opportunity to interact with some of Alberta's best curling instructors and will create powerful connections with other youths in our sport.

At this time, Curling Alberta is still planning to host the 2021 Alberta Rocks Adult Camp in the fall, for adult curlers at all levels of development. Further details including the dates and registration information will be available soon.



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