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## PROVINCIAL NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP SLATED FOR 2022-23 SEASON DEBUT

With many exciting initiatives on the horizon for the 2022-23 curling season, the launch of a new Novice Provincial Championship event is certainly one of the highlights. Designed specifically for curlers with five years of experience or less, this new event is the heart and soul of what grassroots curling is. Featuring an open format, four players, 18 years of age or older, of any gender or ability are able to compete for a provincial title.

"This new championship is a way we can engage, inspire and offer competitive opportunities for those new to our sport," said Jill Richard, Executive Director. "It is a key piece of Curling Alberta's vision to provide equitable and quality opportunities for all ages and abilities to participate in curling."

Teams will qualify for the provincial championships through one of eight Novice Bonspiels to be held at curling centres province-wide. The top two finishers in each of these events will earn a berth in the Novice Provincial Championship, to be held at the Airdrie Curling Club, March 9th–12th, 2023.

The preliminary bonspiel schedule is listed below, with the remaining location and dates to be finalized in September.

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# MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A happy new curling season to you all! I hope you all enjoyed our spectacular summer safely and in good spirits. As we approach the first days of fall and the 2023 championship season, we look forward to work further on the many initiatives aimed to support our clubs and deepen our curlers love of the sport.

At Curling Alberta, we strive to build our culture around a simple set of values:

- Fearless Leadership
- Trusted Professionals
- Part of a Community
- Excellence by Design

As an organization, Board members and staff alike, we operate in ways that demonstrate our commitment to those values. Every single day, they reflect how we interact with our curlers, our partners, and our communities. We endeavor to remind each other of this commitment in order to best honour our rich history of curling excellence and to move forward as proud

contributors to an even brighter future.

I hope this season provides you with a few reasons to get to know Curling Alberta better. Whether you're a recreational or competitive curler, volunteer, supporter, or staff member at a club, we look forward to finding out how we can work together to encourage participation of all kinds in our sport. There are numerous ways for you to engage with Curling Alberta.

I promised myself that my message for the beginning of the season would not focus on COVID, but I simply must pay our community the recognition it deserves by once again commending our clubs, curlers, and partners on the tremendous job they've done stewarding our sport through such challenging times. One of our greatest attributes is the ability to work together and adapt to operate at the top of our game. I am tremendously proud of our collective accomplishments.

Looking toward our future, you can



**Jill Richard**  
Executive Director  
of Curling Alberta

expect to see us continue reinforcing our efforts to support our local clubs and grassroots curlers. Support with marketing and membership development, delivering welcoming and innovative youth programming, and a focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. If you would like to know how we can best support you or your club, please reach out to us at [info@curlingalberta.ca](mailto:info@curlingalberta.ca). If nothing else, the last few years has reminded us that if we stay connected within our communities and dedicated to our values, success will follow.

On behalf of Curling Alberta, I would like to wish you all a healthy, happy, and successful season. It remains my privilege to continue serving the community within this wonderful sport.

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- Grande Prairie Curling Club:  
January 20 - 22, 2023
- Red Deer Curling Club:  
January 6 -8, 2023
- Ottewell Curling Club:  
December 9 -11, 2022
- Innisfail Curling Club:  
February 10 -12, 2023
- Thistle Curling Club:  
February 3 -5, 2023
- Beaumont Curling Club: Dates TBA

"Novice curlers have something to strive for and will enjoy the full provincial championship experience," said Shannon Kleibrink, Director of Community Curling Centre Development. "The provincial



format is a sixteen team, triple knockout with eight qualifiers advancing to a single elimination playoff."

If your curling center is interested in hosting one of the qualifying events, please contact [shannon.kleibrink@curlingalberta.ca](mailto:shannon.kleibrink@curlingalberta.ca) and

should you be a member of a new to curling gang, pull that team together, lace up those curling shoes, and get your broom ready. That could be **your** team's name displayed on the first ever Curling Alberta Novice Provincial Champion banner.



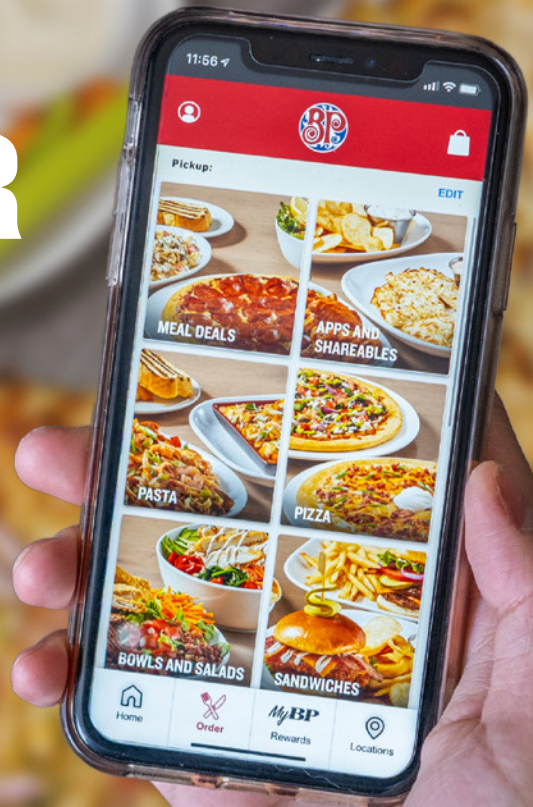


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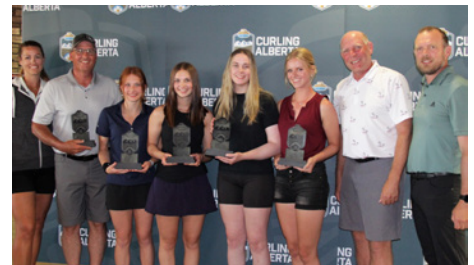
# 2022 ANNUAL CURLING ALBERTA'S GOLF TOURNAMENT AND AWARDS CELEBRATION

On July 22, Curling Alberta champions, sponsors, award winners and supporters gathered to celebrate for the annual Curling Alberta Golf Tournament and Awards Celebration. The day began with a beautiful morning on the Quarry Golf Course in Edmonton as thirty-two teams participated in an 18-hole Texas Scramble tournament which was followed by a celebratory evening to recognise the award winners and season's champions with banner presentations.

While the past couple of years have been anything but normal, Curling Alberta is thankful to everyone that joined us to celebrate what was an amazing year. Thank you to all our athletes, coaches, umpires, volunteers, sponsors, curling centres and stakeholders for their ability to adapt to safe Covid-protocols that ultimately demonstrated the resiliency of our sport. As the Awards Celebration got under way, it was a delight to see smiling faces and listen to the appreciation from athletes, coaches, volunteers, and sponsors as they accepted their awards and championship banners. The sport of curling is back, and Curling Alberta's Champions and leaders have helped and demonstrated its recovery from what was a couple of difficult years.

Thank you to everyone that supported the event and participated in what was a fun and special day. Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to all the hole activation sponsors and volunteers that helped bring everything together. A special thank you to Rachel and Dana for helping with the Awards Celebration. We are fortunate to have such enthusiastic and dedicated individuals as part of our great community.

Curling Alberta looks forward to continuing its annual Golf Tournament and Awards Celebration next year and wishes everyone a successful and happy 2022-2023 curling season!

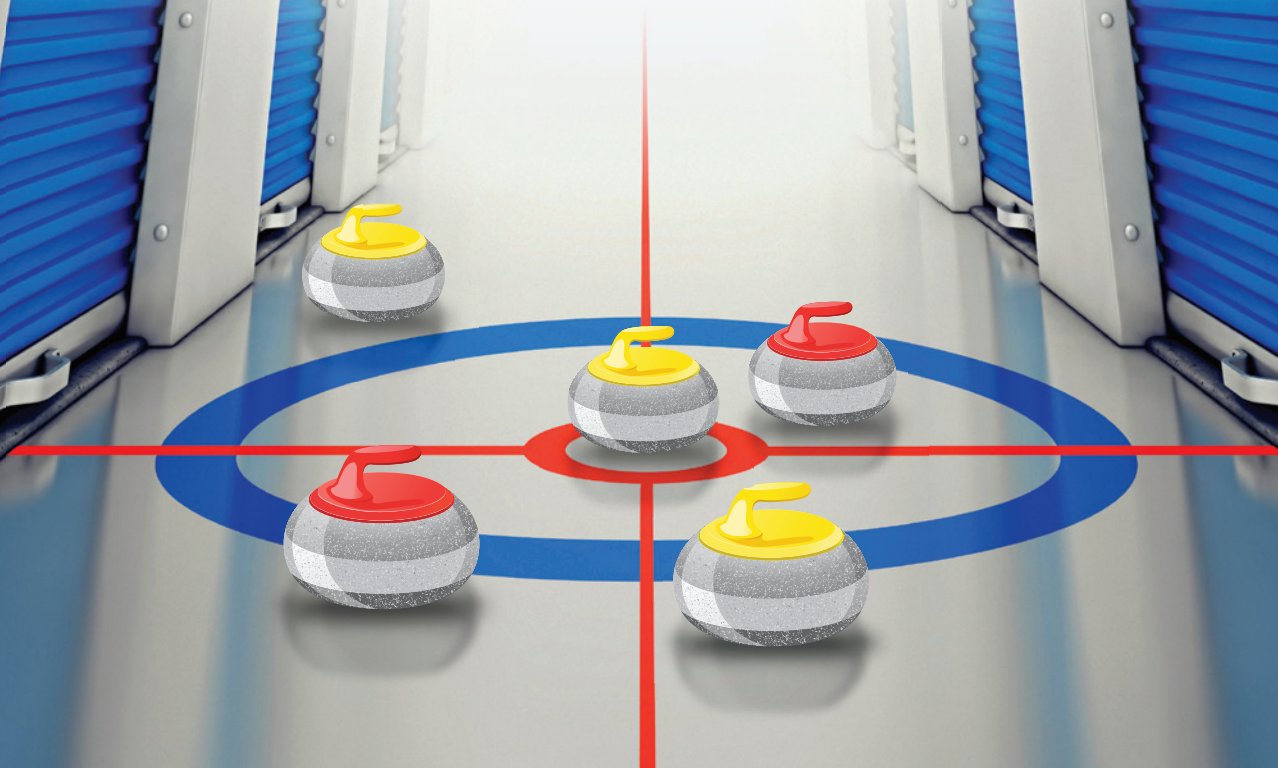






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# CURLING ALBERTA – 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS

EVENT	DATES	LOCATIONS	DEADLINE	PRE-QUALIFIER DEADLINE	PROVINCIALS
U20 EXCEL CUP	Oct 21-23	Okotoks C.C.	Aug. 18	Sep. 27	
U18	Dec. 8-11 Dec. 9-11 Dec. 15-18 Dec. 15-18	Medicine Hat C.C. (South) Grande Prairie C.C. Spruce Grove C.C. (Boys) Jasper Place C.C. (Girls)	N/A	Nov. 29	Jan. 3-8 Spray Lake Sawmills Family Sports Centre, Cochrane
WOMEN	Dec. 8-11 Jan. 5-8	Rimbey C.C. Granite C.C.	Nov. 9 Last chance Dec. 13	Nov. 29	Jan. 17-22 Wetaskiwin Civic Centre Twin Arenas
MEN	Dec. 9-11 Dec. 8-11 Jan. 5-8	Slave Lake C.C. Okotoks & High River C.C. Avonair C.C.	Nov. 9 Last chance Dec. 13	Nov. 29	Feb. 7-12 River Cree C.C., Edmonton
ARCTIC WINTER GAMES	Dec. 16-18	Fort McMurray C.C.	N/A	N/A	N/A
U20	Dec. 29-Jan.1 Dec. 29-Jan.1 Jan 12-15 Jan 12-15	Jasper Place C.C. (Men) Spruce Grove C.C. (Women) Brooks C.C. (Women) Olds C.C. (Men)	Nov. 30	Jan. 2	Jan. 31 - Feb. 5 Ellerslie C.C. (Edmonton)
MIXED DOUBLES	Jan. 27-29 Jan. 26-29 Feb. 2-5	High Prairie C.C. Leduc C.C. Crowsnest C.C.	Dec. 28	Jan. 9	Feb. 14-19 Granite C.C. Edmonton
WHEELCHAIR	Open	N/A	Dec. 7	N/A	Jan. 6-8* St. Albert C.C.
MASTERS	Open	N/A	Nov. 30	N/A	Jan. 3-8 Grande Prairie C.C.
SENIORS	Open	N/A	Feb. 22	N/A	Mar. 21-26 Red Deer C.C.
MIXED	Open	N/A	Jan. 25*	N/A	Feb. 21-26* Thistle C.C. Edmonton
U15	Feb. 9-12 Feb. 9-12 Feb. 17-19	Airdrie C.C. Lacombe C.C. Grande Prairie C.C.	Jan. 11	N/A	Mar. 8-12 Grande Prairie C.C.
U21 MIXED DOUBLES	Open	N/A	Feb. 1	N/A	Mar. 2-5 Saville Community Sports Centre
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS	Mar. 9-12	Ottewell C.C. (Men) Thistle C.C. (Women) Huntington Hills C.C. (Men) Coaldale Granite Club C.C. (Women) Slave Lake C.C.	Feb. 1 (Intent) Mar. 6 (Roster)	N/A	Mar. 28-Apr. 2 Lethbridge C.C.
NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Open	N/A	Feb. 15	N/A	Mar. 9-12 Airdrie C.C.

# OKOTOKS CURLING CLUB WELCOMES JD LIND AS NEW JUNIOR PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The Okotoks Curling Club will be adding a new member to their all-star line-up of elite coaches this upcoming season. JD Lind is joining the team as the new Junior Program Director, and will be working with the competitive Okotoks Junior Curling Academy, Little Rocks, Learn to Curl, Rock Stars, and the Thursday Junior programs.

As a former curler and long-time coach, JD Lind is bringing his competitive experience and extensive knowledge of the game to share with Okotoks' junior curling athletes. He has coached at all levels of play, including his recent years as the national coach for the Japan Curling Association. JD coached Team Fujisawa to the bronze medal in the 2018 Olympic Winter games in PyeongChang and the silver medal at the 2022 Winter Games in Beijing.

Since the Okotoks Junior Academy first launched in 2019, one of the primary goals was to create an elite program for junior curlers who wanted to take

their level of competition to the next level. Last year, the 18 junior athletes who participated in the program competed in all levels of junior qualifiers, from U15 through to U20, with Okotoks athletes earning berths in the Canada Winter Games trials and the Canadian U18 National Championships. Aiming to keep growing the program and enhancing the sport, JD will work alongside coaches Atina Ford Johnston, Moe Sonier, Mickey Pendergast, Carolyn McRorie, and Tenielle Bachek.

"We want to give the best to our athletes," said Kristine Campbell, Assistant Manager. "With technical and mental training as our main focus, our program is a place where junior competitive athletes can grow their game both on and off the ice."

Now entering their fourth year, the Okotoks Junior Academy is continuing to build a solid foundation for their junior program. "With JD on board, the Okotoks Curling Club will continue to work on ways develop and enhance our program to best suit our junior athletes and help them find



JD Lind

success at all levels of competition," adds Kristine. "He not only brings his amazing coaching ability, he also brings experience competing and knowledge about the game. This will make a tremendous difference helping the juniors grow and become the best athletes they can be."

To learn more about the Okotoks Curling Club's junior programs, please visit <https://okotokscurling.com/>

## CLASSIFIED & BONSPIEL LISTINGS

Are you a member club looking to promote an upcoming bonspiel or a team starting to plan your upcoming season? To see what events are on deck in all levels of competition within our boundaries, visit the **Bonspiels** section on Curling Alberta's website under Competitions, 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.







## CANADA WINTER GAMES UPDATE

This season, Alberta will qualify three curling teams for the Canada Winter Games (CWG) that will take place in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island from February 18 to March 5, 2023. The first week of competition will feature the U18 Women's team competition, while the second week in Charlottetown will feature both the U18 Men's and the U20 Mixed Doubles team competitions.

The process for qualifying teams for this prestigious event started back in March at Curling Alberta's U18 CWG Pre-Trials at the Saville Community Sports Centre in Edmonton. Eight U18 women's teams and six U18 men's teams competed throughout the weekend in hopes of earning one of three berths into the U18 CWG Trials. After the dust settled in Edmonton, six teams punched their tickets to Lacombe in November:

### U18 GIRLS:

**A EVENT - Team Deschiffart** (Emily Deschiffart, Morgan Deschiffart, Abby Whitbread, Natalie Cholin, Rhiley Deschiffart, and coach, Mark Deschiffart)

**B EVENT - Team Yarmuch** (Emma Yarmuch, Allie Iskiw\*, Hayley Adams, Sarah Yarmuch, Jayda Stead, and coach, Beth Iskiw\*\*)

**C EVENT - Team Jackson** (CJ Jackson, Shianna Lind, Anna Bakos, Madison Milot, and coach, Chris Lind)

*\*Allie Iskiw has been replaced at third by Cadenz Matter*

*\*\*Beth Iskiw has been replaced at coach by Ron Delmage*

### U18 BOYS:

**A EVENT - Team Hiebert** (Jaxon Hiebert, Oliver Burton, Kolby MacDonald, Nate Burton, and coach, Brent MacDonald)

**B EVENT - Team Kiist** (Ben Kiist, Aidan Snider, Marcus Yurko, Logan Thomas, and coach, Wayne Chyz) *\*Team disbanded following CWG Pre-Trials\**

**C EVENT - Team Davies** (Zach Davies, Wyatt Wright\*, Terren Algot, Lucas Sawiak, Logan Thomas\*\* and coach, Byron Jagoe)

*\*Wyatt Wright has been replaced at third by Ben Kiist*

*\*\*Logan Thomas has been added as alternate for Team Davies*

In the off-season, our five remaining CWG Trials teams were able to take advantage of off-ice training opportunities with nutritionist, Jessica Hess and mental skills trainer, Frank van den Berg. Teams will continue to have opportunities to work with Frank to further their mental skills training, as well as the opportunity to work with Excel Regional coaches through observations of curling games.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

U18 Teams still have one more opportunity to reach the U18 CWG Trials!

- One U18 women's and two U18 men's teams will earn berths through their standing on the U18 Alberta Junior Team Ranking System (AJTRS).
- Teams will be ranked using their top three Alberta Junior Curling Tour event totals in the 2022-23 season.
- Teams will be chosen for these final Canada Winter Games Trials berths as of November 14, 2022, to complete the field.

### CANADA WINTER GAMES TRIALS

The Canada Winter Games Trials will consist of a four (4) team double round-robin, with the top 2 teams qualifying for the championship final. If one team can go through the round robin portion of the event undefeated, the second-placed team must defeat the undefeated team twice to become Team Alberta at the 2023 Canada Winter Games.



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## ALBERTA ROCKS SUMMER CURLING CAMP RETURNS TO LEDUC

After a two-year hiatus, the Alberta Rocks Summer Curling Camp made its triumphant return to the Leduc Curling Club. This four-day camp, held August 18 – 21 was filled with both ice and classroom sessions, physical education blocks, and other fun activities to help welcome junior curlers back to the ice. The young athletes had the opportunity to learn many new skills and build relationships to help prepare them for the upcoming season. We had 114 participants guided by 25 highly qualified instructors, as well as a number of guest coaches to help our campers on the ice, and answer any questions they might have. Olympic bronze medalist, Geoff Walker, Tim Hortons Brier champion Brad Thiessen, provincial champion Taylor McDonald, 19-time Scotties Tournament of Hearts participant Kerry Galusha, and mental performance consultant Erin Brennan, all joined us throughout the week to share their stories, knowledge and experiences.

Camp kicked off with the inaugural Camp Challenge, which involved one camper from each colour group joining forces to

complete various stations and accumulate the most points in an hour and a half. These stations included games like bean bag toss, two-truths-and-a-lie questions about instructors, fitness challenges and name games.

Day 2 marked the start of our Ultimate Camp Championship, a two-day event where teams formed within each colour group and played one-hour games against a team of another colour group. After the second day of competition, the team with the most points of each colour pairing was crowned our champion. Fitness was also on deck, where campers tested their physical fitness in a fun, cooperative, and competitive way.

Saturday was a very busy day with a mental skills presentation from Erin Brennan, guest coaching appearances, the final draws of the Ultimate Camp Championship, and the highly anticipated dance! The dance was

lively and fun, with high energy levels, good music, and some special performances from our first-time instructors.

Our final day came way too soon. The Great Shootout, a draw to the button contest between the colour groups was a true test of performing under pressure. Our Red team ended up winning, hitting the button on 3 of their 4 last rocks, surging past the Blue team to clinch the title.

To end our week, we handed out prizes to all of the event winners, along with the Team Spirit Award. This award is determined by the fitness instructors based on the enthusiasm, effort and sportsmanship demonstrated throughout camp. Team Blue ended up winning this award due to their very creative cheers, respect for each of the other groups and athletes, and unequivocal enthusiasm.

Josh Kiist donated an Olympic Pre-Trials jersey that was awarded to Terran Algot, who exemplified the same attributes as the Spirit Award. Finally, Evan Asmussen was the recipient of the John Hamm Award, as selected by the instructors. As a 12-time camp attendee as a coach or camper, Evan best demonstrated exceptional coaching on and off the ice.

With an exceptional Alberta Rocks week at camp done and dusted, we look forward to seeing everyone at next year's edition!

*Submitted by Paige Papley, Summer Program Coordinator*





# NATIONAL COACHES WEEK

Join Curling Alberta and the Coaches Association of Canada in saying **#ThanksCoach** for all that coaches have given back to the game. Although we encourage you to always recognise your coach, let's make it extra special for them during **National Coaches Week, September 17 – 25**.

Curling Alberta will kick off National Coaches week by recognising all of the current, past and future coaches that make a tremendous positive impact on our athletes and sport. The integral role that these individuals play shape the development of the next generation of athletes, are the mentors to future coaches and leaders in curling. We thank the coaches and role model volunteers that have helped us during the seasons with programs such as the Excel Program, Alberta Rocks Camp, Ready to Rock, Learn to Curls and so much more! **#ThanksCoach**

Additionally, we look towards Robert Sibbeston as he continues his training as part of the 2023 Aboriginal Apprentice Coach Program (AAPC) before he heads to the Canada Winter Games on Prince Edward Island in February. We are thankful for meaningful programs such as the AAPC and that not only support, but encourage the successful learning, development, and mentorship of coaches.

## HOW YOU CAN CELEBRATE YOUR COACH:

- Recognise a coach that has made a positive impact on your curling career by posting about them on social media. Not only will the coaches receive a well deserved thank you, but the post will be entered into a draw to win **one of three \$50 Boston Pizza gift cards** as well as a National contest through the Coaching Association.
- During National Coaches Week, the Coaching Association will be hosting a social media contest across Canada with the chance to win daily prizes for you and your coach!

## RULES

- Be sure to include **#ThanksCoach #CoachesWeek** so that your posts can be entered for the draw.
- Each post on social media with a coach will be a new entry into the Curling Alberta draw so please recognise ALL coaches that have made a difference.

**Coaches**, to show our appreciation for you, the Coaching Association is offering **FREE and or discounted NCCP education** during National Coaches Week, coaches can diversify their coaching knowledge with free or discounted NCCP education. Connect with us directly, or Curling Canada to learn more about their National Coaches Week events, or log into the Locker to access specific eLearning modules for free from September 17 – 25, 2022.



## COACHING COURSE SCHEDULE

### CLUB COACH

LOCATION	DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Strathcona (Club Coach Youth)	Oct. 15	October 12
Strathmore Curling Club	Oct. 15-16	October 12
Airdrie	Oct. 1 – 2	September 28
Calmar	Oct. 22 – 23	October 19

### COMPETITION COACH

LOCATION	DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Virtual Off-ice	Sept. 21 – Oct. 26 weekly	September 20
Airdrie	Sept. 30 – Oct. 2	September 27
Grande Prairie	Oct. 15	October 12
Fort McMurray	Nov. 12	November 9
Sherwood Park	Oct. 28 – 30	October 25



# OFFICIALS' CORNER

Welcome to the 2022-2023 and we open with the new updated Curling Canada Rules of Curling book! The rules are updated every four years with input from the National Umpires, myself included.

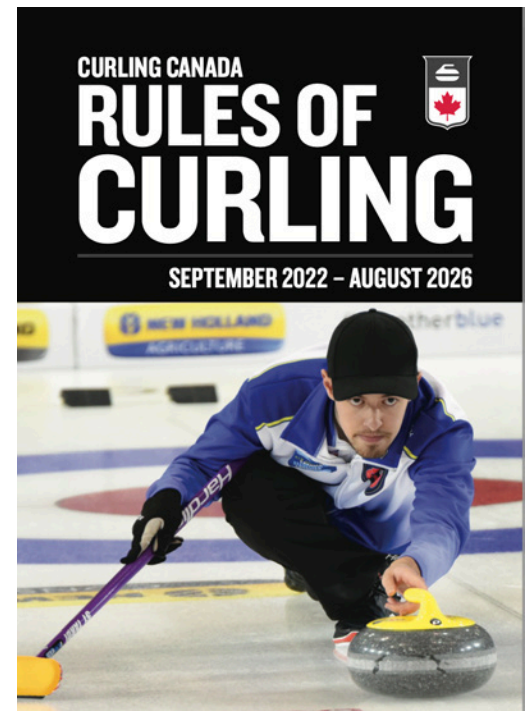
Most of the updates are in terminology however, there are some changes to rule infraction options.

1. If a moving stone is touched inside the hogline, it **MUST** be removed from play unless it is an advantage to the non-offending team to allow play to stand or place stones where they would have come to rest if the stone had not been touched (previously all 3 were options to the non-offending team).
2. If a stone that would have altered the course of a moving stone (ie. a guard) is displaced. The moving stone **MUST** be removed from play and the displaced stone replaced unless it is an advantage to the non-offending team to allow play to stand or place stones where they would have come to rest if the stone had not been displaced (previously all 3 were options to the non-offending team).
3. Sweeping – **any** two players of the non-delivering team may sweep the 'tick shot' (previously only the skip and vice).
4. Sweeping – reference to the sweeping motion has been removed and the intent is to keep the path of the stone clean.
5. Player position – a maximum of 2 players of the non-delivering team are allowed behind the backline at the playing end (previously only the skip and vice).
6. Straight Line Measure (SLM) – such as we introduced at the 2022 Curling Alberta Women's Provincials in Grande Prairie (thanks Cheryl!), the umpires can use a device like a T-square to assist in a visual measurement to determine if a stone is touching or across a line (hogline, backline, Tee-line, centre line if no tick zone is used).
7. Mixed Doubles – pre-game draw to button for hammer (LSD) is revised to match all other competitions and each team will draw one clockwise and one counter clockwise rotation, BOTH to the home end to determine hammer.
8. Mixed Doubles – as occurred at 2022 Curling Alberta Mixed Doubles Provincials, a visual measure for shot stone resulted in a tie, meaning a blank end. Therefore, choice of placement stones would normally change to the opposition. This did not seem fair and was not covered in the rule book but has now been added with our recommendation, so that the team that had the decision of placement stones in the tied end, would have choice again in the next end (such as we did in our Provincial-well done Bernie!).

You will be able to purchase the new Rule Book online on the Curling Alberta website – watch for details. All Chief Umpires of our Curling Alberta playdowns will receive their own copy free of charge. The email to all umpires seeking assistance this season is on its way so watch your emails for our 'Survey Monkey' questionnaire.

Please feel free to contact me at [brenda.rogers@curlingalberta.ca](mailto:brenda.rogers@curlingalberta.ca) if you require any rules interpretations.

*Brenda Rogers, Chief Umpire, Curling Alberta*



We would like to recognize and thank retiring umpires **Ken Fedoruk** of Grande Prairie and **Esther and Frank Dyck** of High River for their many years dedicated to volunteering as umpires at Curling Alberta events. It has been a pleasure working with you and we wish you the very best.



## \$15,000 RAISED FOR DINOS VARSITY CURLING



The addition of curling to the University of Calgary's varsity sports lineup is generating a great deal of excitement. With Brett Gallant and Jocelyn Peterman leading the charge, a new generation of elite curlers can look forward to being a part of the Dinos' mission **"To educate and develop leaders and achieve athletic success by building a championship culture to enhance the pride of the University of Calgary community."**

Local curling celebrities came out in full force to support the event. Kaitlyn Lawes, Selena Njegovan, Kristin MacCuish,

Carolyn Darbyshire, Chelsea Carey, Laine Peters, Brett Gallant and Jocelyn Peterman joined 85 participants at the Rivers Edge Golf Course in Okotoks to mix, mingle and play at the first annual University of Calgary Varsity Golf Fundraiser, raising \$15,000 towards the program.

The two men's and women's teams will be based out of the Calgary Glencoe Club, with Peterman and Gallant providing in-person technical and team training, alongside Heather Rogers.

"We have passion and a vision to make

this Dinos curling program successful and we can't wait to get started," said Jocelyn Peterman.

Open tryouts will be held at the Glencoe Curling Club 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm, on September 26 and 27, and the roster will be finalized on September 30. To confirm your interest in attending, please contact Jocelyn at [dinoscurling@gmail.com](mailto:dinoscurling@gmail.com)

If you were unable to attend the golf tournament and wish to donate in support of the team, visit [here](#).

## Save the Date

### ANNUAL MEETING AND ORIENTATION OF UMPIRES

At the start of every season, curling umpires are invited to join us in reviewing the updates to Curling Alberta Competitor's Guide, appendices and other relevant policies and practices. With a new Curling Canada rule book out this year, we will also be discussing key rule changes.

This year, we will be offering a hybrid discussion where those umpires interested in attending will be invited to join by Zoom or in person at the Calgary or Edmonton location. We will be hosting the in-person sessions on **Saturday, October 15 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm in Calgary** (location TBA) and **1:00 – 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 22 at the Ellerslie Curling Club**. A Game Umpire (formally, level 2) course will be held on the following day, October 23, in Edmonton.



Although the meeting and orientation is mainly geared to Chief and Game Umpires, we welcome all curling umpires to participate. Registered umpires will be sent an invitation in the coming weeks. For more information on becoming a Game Umpire, visit our [website](#). To register for the course, please contact [jason.ginter@curlingalberta.ca](mailto:jason.ginter@curlingalberta.ca)

## 2022 – 23 PROVINCIAL QUALIFIERS REGISTRATION

- Registrations for all qualifiers and open provincial events opened up on Wednesday, September 1 at 12:00pm. Registration links can be found on the Curling Alberta [website](#).
- In the Men's and Women's categories, teams will be given two chances to win a provincial berth through provincial qualifying events. Should a team be unsuccessful at one qualifying event, they have the opportunity to enter the final qualifying event. When entering a second provincial qualifying event in the same category, teams will pay another entry fee, less the competitor fees.
- There will no longer be provincial qualifiers for the Master Men, Senior Men and Mixed competitions, as teams in these categories will now register for an open provincial event.
- Deadline dates are set for one month prior to the start of each competition, with the exception of the Club Championships which remains status quo.
- All competition appendices and policies can be found on the Curling Alberta [website](#).



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