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As the 2024–2025 curling season draws to a close, we celebrate not only new champions and great competition, but also the friendships and memories built along the way. Whether on the ice or in the lounge, this season was filled with moments that reminded us why we love this game—and this community.

Spring is a season of change and growth, and so it is with our sport. Curling Alberta continues to lead with a mandate to embrace change—supporting innovation, inclusion, and the development of our curling community across the province.

Together, we're building a stronger, more connected future for the sport we love.

Here's to champions old and new, the spirit of the game, and a bright path ahead for curling in Alberta. That said, Curling Alberta would like to encourage everyone to join the season-end celebrations in Leduc, Alberta for an afternoon of golf, swag, food/drinks and raising a glass to our champions (see links below). Let's celebrate the season in true curling style. - Curling Alberta, Board & Management

#### 'Click' below for more Curling Alberta News & other Curling 'biters'

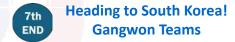


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### **GOLF REGISTRATION & CELEBRITY BIDDING**



Join us on Friday, June 20th at the Leduc Golf Club for a day of golfing to raise funds for the curlers of tomorrow and celebrate the curlers of today.

#### When & Where:

Shotgun start: 1:00 PM on June 20th at the Leduc Golf Club.

Golf Registration: 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Awards Celebrations & Dinner: Immediately after golf

Awards Celebration registration: 5:30 PM

Purpose: Proceeds will support the curlers of today and tomorrow through the Hec Gervais Academic & Curling Scholarship Foundation.

#### **Event Highlights:**

Our Celebrity Golf Auction is now open! Bid on the chance to golf with stars like Brendan Bottcher or Chelsea Carey and make your next round one to remember. Whether you're aiming to swap tips with curling champs, share a few laughs on the fairway, or simply enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime experience, this is your shot! Proceeds support the Hec Gervais Academic & Curling Scholarship Foundation so you're not just bidding for fun—you're making a difference. Get your bids in now before it's too late!

#### **AUCTION NOW OPEN, CLICK HERE!!**

- Silent Auction!
- Partner Activation!
- Winners Prize!
- Hole-in-one prizes and much more!
- But wait, there's more! Hot off the press....Can you Beat the GIZ! A Par 3 challenge with the former Edmonton Elks superstar, Henry 'Gizmo' Williams!

#### **EARLY BIRD GOLF REGISTRATION**

Price: \$199.75/Golfer or \$799.00/Foursome

Includes: Cart, round of golf, a welcome gift bag, range privileges, a welcome beverage and steak dinner.

Registration: First come, first serve. If the event is full, join our wait-list!

NOTE: This is an early bird price, prices will increase after June 2nd.



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### **GOLF REGISTRATION & CELEBRITY BIDDING... CONTINUED**



#### BID TO GOLF WITH YOUR FAVOURITE CURLING CELEBRITY

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#### **CLICK TO BID ON YOUR CELEBRITY!**



BRENDAN BOTTCHER















#### **AWARDS CELEBRATION**

Join us as we celebrate the extraordinary people who contribute at all levels of our sport, from community leaders and grassroots initiatives, all the way up to our high-performance athletes. We will also recognise the teams that proudly wore the Alberta colours this past season and made us all extremely proud.

Tickets to the annual awards celebration are \$50/person and includes a steak dinner and a beverage. A promo-code for a discounted rate will be sent to award winners, provincial champions and provincial partners in a separate email. Contact britney.andersen@curlingalberta.ca if you should have received this code but have not.

Guests do not need to register for golf if they prefer to only attend to Awards Celebration and dinner. Purchase your tickets by clicking the button below.

#### **CLICK HERE FOR DINNER ONLY GUEST(S)**









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### **CURLING ALBERTA - NEW STAFF**





Please join us in giving a warm Curling Alberta welcome to Rebecca Rankin, who is joining our team as the Youth Program Coordinator!

Rebecca will be supporting the operations of grassroots youth development programs across Alberta—helping us ensure that more young athletes are getting introduced to the sport we all love.

She brings a wealth of experience to the role, having worked as an Event Convenor with the Ontario Junior Slam Series and supporting grassroots youth initiatives through Curling Ontario. A curler herself, Rebecca competed on the Wilfrid Laurier Women's Curling Team, and we're thrilled to have someone with her passion and energy joining our team.

Welcome aboard, Rebecca! We're so glad to have you on the team.



We're excited to welcome Dylan Kinley to our team as a Summer Practicum student from Mount Royal University in Calgary!

Dylan is currently in his fourth year of the Sport and Recreation Management program and brings with him valuable experience from working on the PGA Champions Tour's Rogers Charity Classic, where he supported both planning and event execution.

Dylan has a strong passion for community events, volunteerism, and giving back. A dedicated sports enthusiast, he enjoys hockey and a variety of winter sports, reflecting his active lifestyle and deep love for sport. He's eager to expand his professional experience and dive into opportunities that combine his interests in sport and event coordination.

We're thrilled to have Dylan on board and can't wait to see the impact he'll make this summer. Welcome, Dylan!



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### **BEST WISHES TO SHANNON!**





#### A Massive Thank You to Shannon Kleibrink!

As we welcome new faces, we also take a moment to extend our heartfelt thanks to Shannon Kleibrink for her incredible dedication and years of service to Curling Alberta.

Shannon's passion for the sport, leadership, and tireless commitment to growing curling at all levels have left a lasting mark on our organization and the entire curling community. From inspiring young athletes to supporting club development across the province, her impact has been profound and far-reaching.

Thank you, Shannon, for everything you've done to champion the sport we all love. You've helped shape a stronger future for curling in Alberta — and we wish you nothing but the best in your next chapter.





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# **VOLUNTEER SEARCH FOR POINTSBET - 2025 & WOMEN'S WORLDS, CALGARY 2026**



The 2025 PointsBet Invitational and 2026 World Women's Curling Championship are coming to Calgary. The PointsBet Invitational hits the ice October 1–5, followed by the BKT Tires World Women's Curling Championship March 14–22. Curling Canada and Curling Alberta are assembling a dedicated and passionate Host Organizing Committee to help deliver two exceptional sporting events.

We are currently recruiting experienced and community-minded individuals for three key volunteer leadership positions. These roles are integral to the planning and execution of the events and will offer the opportunity to contribute meaningfully to the success of world-class curling competitions hosted right here in Calgary.

- Director, Community Engagement
   Rally the city and share the excitement far and wide
- Director, Patch Services

The Patch is where the party lives off the ice! We need a strong leader to ensure smooth operations. From bar service to games and late-night fun, you'll help run the show under the guidance of Curling Canada's Food & Beverage Manager.

• Director, Fan Experience & Game Day
Love creating unforgettable moments and
engaging fans from the moment they walk
in? The Director of Fan Experience & Game
Day plays a key role in bringing the energy
and excitement of the live event to fans
inside the arena. You'll also work closely with
Curling Canada's sponsorship, event team,
and Tourism Calgary to help deliver seamless
sponsor activations and fan engagement
opportunities throughout the venue.





For more information on these roles, **Click here**. Contact Britney at **britney.andersen@curlingalberta.ca** with any questions or your interest.

Beyond the director roles, ware looking for volunteers for Big curling events coming to Calgary next season. We're looking for passionate and dedicated volunteers to make these major events a success. Join us and be a part of curling greatness!

Sign up today at, www.curling.ca/volunteer/



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### **CURLING CAMPS UPDATE**



#### Alberta Rocks Junior Camps -**Registration Now Open!**

Calling all young curlers! Registration is now open for the 2025 Alberta Rocks Junior Camps, and spots are sure to fill up fast!

**Camp #1**: August 9 - 12, 2025

Camp #2: August 14 - 17, 2025

**Location**: Leduc Recreation Centre

Ages: 10 - 20 (NEW expanded age range!)

**Cost**: \$550/participant

Whether you're just starting out or looking to sharpen your competitive edge, Alberta Rocks is the place to be. Join some of Alberta's top coaches and curlers for a fun, high-energy experience focused on skill development, team play, and making memories on and off the ice.

Don't miss out and Register Today!

**CLICK HERE TO JOIN.** 

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#### WHAT OUR CUSTOMERS ARE SAYING

"Best Blades I have had in my nearly 15 years making ice. Hack 2 House figured out what was wrong with a blade no-one else could get even, and it's now as good as my best blade.

#### Glen Woytuck

**Granite Curling Club** 

"So impressed with the sharpening you performed. This is the sharpest a blade has ever come back to me. Perfectly straight cutting across the length of the blade and nipping beautifully. Not to mention savings on shipping which were about a third of the cost of shipping out East.

#### Tom Brannigan

**Cranbrook Curling Club** 

"I trust Hack 2 House for a good, sharp blade with an even cut. The same day service really sets them apart

Darren Moulding Red Deer Curling Club

#### NOTABLE EVENTS H2H BLADES WERE USED

- 2024 Alberta Men's and Ladies Provincials
- 2024 Canadian Jr Campionship
- 2025 Alberta Men's and Ladies Provincials



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## READY TO ROCK, PRESENTED BY UFA



#### Want to introduce more kids to curling - without reinventing the wheel?

The Ready to Rock Program, presented by UFA, is BACK for 2025 - 2026! It's a turnkey solution with \$2000.00+ in funding and resources to help you run a successful youth program right in your curling club or school - targeted towards getting brand new youth excited about curling!

#### **SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAM:**

In-class FloorCurl (Rocks & Rings) + 4-week on ice Learn to Curl.
Instructors provided for the intro sessions

Designed for educators - we make it easy to bring curling into your classroom and onto the ice!

#### **COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAM:**

After-school or weekend Learn to Curl (8 weeks)
Starts with a Try Curling session led by Curling Alberta
Perfect for clubs looking to grow the game and attract new families!
Includes:

Facility rental support Coach honorarium FloorCurl or on-ice equipment Marketing materials & more!

**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!** Don't miss this chance to bring new energy to your youth programming - and grow the future of the sport. **For more information and to apply, see links below...** 

VISIT: curlingalberta.ca/ready-to-rock-program. Apply for School-Based: HERE and Community-Based: HERE. For questions, please contact Rebecca Rankin at rebecca.rankin@curlingalberta.ca







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### **HEADING TO SOUTH KOREA!**



#### **Headed to South Korea!**

Curling Alberta is thrilled to announce the teams selected to represent Alberta in the upcoming **Gangwon Curling Exchange in South Korea!** 

Congratulations to **Team Duncan** (Nolan Duncan, Spencer Else, Robert Nelson, Charles Snider, Evan Clark) and **Team Androschuk** (Sierra Androschuk, Rosie Mears, Ella Landry, Kamryn Zanolli, Ashlee Androschuk) on being chosen for this unforgettable opportunity!

This international exchange is more than just a trip — it's a chance to build friendships, experience a new culture, and represent Alberta on the world stage. We know these athletes will do us proud!

Stay tuned as we follow their journey to Gangwon!



Team Duncan - photo



Team Androschuk - photo







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#### **Canadian Tire Jumpstart Survey**

Project Play, in partnership with **Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities**, is conducting the **State of Play Youth Survey** to gather valuable feedback from young people about their participation in and feelings toward sport.

The survey collects information on:

- Basic demographic information (grade, gender indentity, race/ethnicity, disability status) -- No personal identifiable information is collected.
- Current sports participation and interest in trying new sports
- Reasons for current levels of participation in sport
- The role of adults in a young person's sport experience

Children and youth aged 8–18 are invited to complete the survey by June 30, 2025. All responses are anonymous, and participation is voluntary. Respondents may skip any question they do not wish to answer.

Your support in sharing this opportunity is greatly appreciated as we work together to better understand and support youth in sport.

Link to take the survey can be found here: <a href="https://rezed.io/1PL0EX">https://rezed.io/1PL0EX</a>





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