

2017



Travelers

Curling Club Championship

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Provincial Championships
Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club
March 16-19, 2017

2017 Travelers Curling Club Provincial Championships Player's Guide

Contact Information

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Dates: March 16-19, 2017

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CONGRATULATIONS TO you and your team on earning the opportunity to compete in the Traveler's Championship at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club from March 16-19, 2017

Please note the dates – registration, the pre-competition practice and mandatory team meeting will be held on Thursday March 16th. The banquet will also be held on Friday, March 17th.

Please review this package and the event guidelines with the rest of your team members so everyone is well aware of the information. Items such as the booking of accommodations should be looked after as soon as possible. Soon after all teams have qualified, your team will receive the event guidelines.

Your Host Committee and Ice Crew for all of our championships devote a lot of volunteer hours to put on these events for the competitors. Be sure to say a thank you when you have a chance.

The Board of Directors of CurlManitoba wish you and your team good curling and good fellowship at your championship. The champion will go on to represent Manitoba at the Canadian National Travelers Curling Club Championship

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CURLMANITOBA EVENT
REPRESENTATIVE***

► LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

ACCOMMODATIONS

Best Western Plus Winnipeg West

Phone: 204-594-2200

Group Block: CurlMB Travelers

A block of rooms have been reserved at a rate of \$116.99 (single/double occupancy), \$121.99 (triple), and \$126.99 (quad) per room plus taxes.

Rooms are blocked until March 1, 2017.

OPENING BANQUET

The banquet will take place at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club Upper Lounge starting at 5:30pm on Friday, March 17th. Each team will receive 4 banquet tickets.

Guests can purchase a ticket for \$25 until March 9th. Please contact Kathy Cox by phone at 204-504-5026 or 204-995-0662 or by email at jcox8@hotmail.com

EVENT TICKETS

Event Pass: \$10

Day Pass: \$5

COMMUNICATION

Event results will be published on the CurlManitoba website at www.curlmanitoba.org

LOCKERS

Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club will supply **one** locker per team. Teams must bring their own locks.

PARKING

Designated parking for each team will be available outside of the Curling Club.

MEDICAL

Information available at registration.

REGISTRATION

Teams will register at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club Thursday March 16, between the hours of 1:30 pm and 4:00 pm.

PRE-COMPETITION PRACTICE

CurlManitoba Development Manager Elaine Owen will schedule practice ice and contact you with your time. It will take place between 2:00 pm and 4:30 pm Thursday, March 16.

TEAM MEETING

A Team Meeting will be held at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club at 5:00 pm (sharp). One member of each team **MUST** attend.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Opening Ceremonies will be held at the Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club on Thursday, March 16th at 6:00 pm. The team members and coach are asked to assemble in full approved uniforms (including curling shoes) at the club by 5:30 pm.

*****Please see dress code on page 40 of the CurlManitoba Rule Book.

► THE DRAW

Five round robin games will be played. All games will be 8 ends with a bell at 1 hour 45 minutes.

SKILL-BASED TEAM RANKING (SBR)

The skill based ranking will be taking place at the completion of team's pre-competition practice session on the same sheet of ice. The Umpire present at the event will be there to oversee this process. If your team would like to complete your SBR earlier in your 30 minute practice session you may do so, however, extra time will **NOT** be added to the end of your session. You must speak to the chair in order to facilitate this. They are planning for each team to complete it after the 30 minutes has elapsed.

Practice rocks are **NOT** part of the SBR. At the completion of your pre-event practice session, 4 rocks will be taken to the away end to be delivered toward the home end and measured.

- For various purposes as outlined in these rules, the teams shall participate in a skill-based ranking. Scheduled as outlined below, each of four players shall deliver one draw shot to the button with sweeping permitted. The distance shall be measured from the stone to the tee center with a stone out of the twelve-foot circle assigned a value of 185 cm (73"). Any stone that cannot be measured (i.e. burned stones, etc) will be assigned the maximum distance. Each team's total cumulative distance shall be determined.
- Where a skill-based ranking is required between teams, the team with the lower total team distance shall be ranked higher.
- If fewer than 4 of the regular members of the team are available to participate, the members in attendance shall have their distances measured and recorded and the maximum value will be assigned to members not in attendance.

- Should two teams have the same total team distance, the team ranking will be determined by which individual player on the tied teams had the lowest distance, if there is a tie among the lowest distance then the individual with the next lowest distance will be used. A coin toss will be used only if the ranking cannot be determined as outlined above.
- The Skill-Based Ranking shots will be scheduled to take place on the same sheet of ice where the team has just completed their 30 minute pre-competition practice session. The ranking shots will be done toward the home end. The skill based ranking is not mandatory for a team to complete. A team may opt to not participate in the skill based ranking, if so; each of the four players will be given a maximum score of 185 cm each for a team total of 740 cms.

Round Robin Tie-Breakers

The results of the skill based ranking draw to the button will be used to break all ties in the group standings which cannot be broken by wins for and against. Tiebreaker games will be played as required Saturday evening and Sunday morning if necessary.

Should two or more teams be tied for a playoff position, the team ranking and the structure of tie-breaker games shall be determined according to the Ranking Table for Tiebreakers.

No team shall be eliminated without playing a game.

Playoffs

Two teams from each pool will advance to the playoff round.

The top two teams from each division will advance to the Playoff round. Division 1-1st vs Division 2-2nd and Division 2-1st vs Division 1-2nd will play in the Semi-finals with the two winners advancing to the Final. The 1st place team in each division will have the choice of hammer or rock color for the semi final.

The team with the best Skill Based Ranking will have the choice of hammer or rock color for the final. There will be no rock selection. The rocks on the assigned sheet shall be used for all playoff games.

Ranking for Tiebreakers and Tiebreaker Structure

Round Robin Ranking		TB Draws	Ranking Determination Method	Tiebreaker Structure
First	Second			
X	X	N/A	Win/loss in round robin	No tiebreakers required
XX		N/A	Win/loss in round robin	No tiebreakers required
XXX		1	Resolvable tie - win/loss in round robin	One team ranked first and the other two play a tiebreaker
			Irresolvable tie - Skill based ranking	
XXXX		1	Resolvable tie - win/loss in round robin	Teams ranked 1-4. Two tiebreakers games with 1 vs.4 and 2 vs.3 From the winners of the tiebreakers, first place determined by the win/loss in round robin
			Irresolvable tie - win/loss in round robin will rank one team as 1st or 4 th . Skill based ranking system shall be used to rank the remaining three	
X	XX	1	Win/loss in round robin for second place	Tiebreaker 2 vs. 3

► EVENT RULES

FIFTH PLAYERS + COACHES

Fifth players and coaches are NOT allowed at the Provincial Championship as fifth players and coaches are not recognized at the Canadian Championships

RULES OF PLAY

Please refer to:

- The CurlManitoba Rule Book for the 2016-2017 Season on the CurlManitoba website; www.curlmanitoba.org.
- The Rules of Curling for Unofficial Play as outlined in the Canadian Curling Association publication "The Rules of Curling".

GAME LENGTH

All Provincial Championship Games shall be a minimum of four (4) ends in duration.

DEFAULTS

Any team defaulting a game in the Provincial Championship for other than extenuating circumstances (Weather/ Multiple Injury, etc.) will be dealt with as follows

- All members of that team will be disqualified from further play in that competition and will not be allowed to compete in any CurlManitoba sanctioned competition for the remainder of the season in which the default took place.
- As well, all team members involved will not be allowed to participate in any CurlManitoba Sanctioned Competition for the year (season) following the infraction.

► MEDIA

Manitoba Curling is fortunate to have great support from media across the province. Every player is asked to do their part in maintaining that support by cooperating with media when requested.

The presence of photographers and cameramen is a fact during a Manitoba Curling Championship. While it may seem courteous to you to stop your movement while they take their picture, it is not your responsibility to do so. Your job is to be in position to sweep or make your next shot. If you must move in front of their camera to do so, do not be concerned about it.

► CLOSING CEREMONY

A Closing Ceremony and Trophy Presentation will take place immediately following the final game. Both the winning and team and runner up are expected to remain on the ice and participate in the closing ceremonies.

Participation Agreement

The purpose of the agreement is to ensure that all provincial participants understand the operations and responsibilities as a team at a championship. The agreement must be submitted to CurlManitoba seven days prior to the start of the event, no later than 12:00 PM NOON, March 8th. This is the Wednesday one week prior to the event. Any team that does not submit their agreement by the deadline will be replaced by the next highest placing eligible team. The agreement can be found on our website under Events – Provincial Player’s Information.

► WHEN YOU WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Before you leave the ice:

- Media interviews may be required, either on-site or by telephone. The CurlManitoba Event Manager &/or Host Committee Chair will coordinate these requests.
- A Champions Photo will be taken. This will involve the four team members in a pose as required for the National Championship program. Additional poses involving sponsor, trophy presentation, etc will also be required.
- Immediately after the Championship Final, CurlManitoba and the Host Committee will be hosting a reception for the two finalist teams along with sponsors and other guests. During the reception, team members will be required to complete National Championship documentation and uniform fittings (jackets and shirts). These forms will be sent in (by CurlManitoba's High Performance Director) within 2 hours of you winning the Championship.

The following items will require your attention in preparation for leaving for the Canadian Championship.

- ***NEW:*** Within 24 hours you must complete and return forms with your coach and biography information. These forms will be given to you with all of the National Championship documentation. Your team will also be arranging your flights within 24 hours of winning the Championship. **Note: all flights will need to be approved by Curling Canada.**
- A spare pool will be provided at the National Championship. Teams are not allowed to name their own spare or fifth player.
- CurlManitoba will provide pin cards, which will include a team picture plus CurlManitoba and event pins. The team will be required to supply a predetermined number of club pins for this card.
- Normally the home club of the provincial championship winning team hosts a team social evening.
- You may be required to participate in some media events prior to leaving for the championship.

Please see the CurlManitoba Rule Book 2016-2017 on CurlManitoba Website www.curlmanitoba.org under competitions.

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