

CurManitoba 

Canola 

Junior Championships

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Player's Guide***

2016-2017

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Contact Information

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1341 Pembina Hwy, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2B6
(204) 453-5733
<http://www.pembinacurlingclub.net/home>

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286 Regal Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R2M 3P5
(204) 256-3623
<http://www.stvitalcurling.ca/>

Dates: January 1-6, 2017

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204-925-5721
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sidg@mymts.net

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2017canolachampionships@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO you and your team on earning the opportunity to compete in the Canola Junior Provincial Championships at the Pembina Curling Club and St Vital Curling Club from January 1-6, 2017.

Please note the dates – registration, the pre-competition practice, mandatory team meeting, and opening ceremony will be held on Sunday, January 1. The banquet will be held on Monday, January 2nd.

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 and ordering of extra banquet tickets should be looked after as soon as possible. Soon after all teams have qualified, your team will receive a 'seeding' form and the event guidelines. Only teams involved in the championship participate in the seeding. **You do not seed your own team.**

If you have any questions or problems prior to your arrival, please contact the CurlManitoba office.

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 wishes you and your team good curling and good fellowship at your championship.

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REPRESENTATIVE***

► PRE CHAMPIONSHIP

Please send a 4 x 6 photo to be displayed at each club. Please email them to 2017canolachampionships@gmail.com by Monday, December 19th.

► LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

ACCOMMODATIONS

Holiday Inn South
204-452-4747

Standard 2 Queen Beds with Continental Breakfast - \$139.95 + tax
Quote "2017 Canola Junior Men's and Women's Provincial Championship"
Blocked until December 16, 2016

Travelodge Winnipeg East
204-255-6000
2 Queen Beds - \$89.99 + tax
Quote "Canola Growers Junior Curling"
Blocked until December 22, 2016

BWP Pembina
204-269-8888
January 1, 2017 for 5 nights
Rates: \$125.00 single up to quad occupancy
Taxes: \$18.5%
Breakfast: Full hot breakfast included in rates
Block Release Date: December 15, 2016

OPENING BANQUET

The banquet will be held at the Pembina and St Vital Curling Clubs.
Monday, Jan.2, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

There will be 5 complimentary tickets for each team (4 team members and coach).
Fifths may purchase a ticket for \$20.00. For the Pembina Curling Club, you can contact
Vic Bellay at vic-b@shaw.ca. For the St Vital Curling Club, you can contact Pam Kok at
pjkok@mymts.net. To purchase tickets or if you have any dietary concerns, you must
contact them by December 29th.

If your team plays a game just prior to the banquet, you will attend the banquet at the
curling club where you are playing. If you play on the morning draw after the banquet,
you will attend the banquet at the club where that game is.
Your team will be notified when the draw is released where you will be attending the
banquet.

***Please note:** Dress Code as found on page 40 of the CurlManitoba Rule Book.
Reminder: The dress code includes all official event functions.

At the St Vital Curling Club banquet, the teams will introduce themselves. You may include some of the following when you introduce your team.

- a. How long have you been curling together for?
- b. What was your road like getting to the Canola Junior Provincial Championships?
- c. Do you have any team pre-game rituals or practices that you would like to share?

EVENT TICKETS

Ticket Prices:

- Event Pass: \$30.00
- Day Pass: \$10.00
- Last Draw of the Day Pass: \$5.00
- 12 & Under: Free of charge

Tickets are available from Guy Beaudry or Sid Greenstone at 2017canolachampionships@gmail.com or they can be purchased at the door.

COMMUNICATION

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

LOCKERS

Lockers and dressing rooms are available at both clubs.

SPECIAL AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

The 2017 Susan Galbraith Sportsmanship Awards and the Coaches Awards will be presented on Thursday, January 5th between the last two round robin draws (approx. 11:15 am).

OPENING CEREMONIES

The Opening Ceremonies will be held at the Pembina Curling Club on Sunday, January 1st at 5:30 p.m. The team members and coach are asked to assemble in FULL uniform (including curling shoes) by 5:15 pm. Pre-identified 5th Players may also participate in Opening Ceremonies. Curling attire is mandatory.

MEDICAL

Pembina Curling Club:
Victoria General Hospital
2340 Pembina Hwy
204-269-3570

St. Vital Curling Club:
St. Boniface Hospital
409 Tache Avenue
204-233-8563

REGISTRATION

Teams will register at the Pembina Curling Club on Sunday, January 1st, 2017 between the hours of 10:30 am and 3:30 pm.

Note: The start date of all championship events is the pre-event practice.

PRE-COMPETITION PRACTICE

CurlManitoba Development Manager, Elaine Owen, will schedule practice ice at the curling club. She will contact you with your times. It will take place between 11:00 a.m. and 4:30 pm January 1st, 2017.

Participation Agreement and Cresting Agreement

The purpose of the agreements is to ensure that all provincial participants understand the operations and responsibilities as a team at a championship. The agreements must be submitted to CurlManitoba seven days prior to the start of the event, no later than 12:00 PM NOON, December 23rd. This is one week prior to the event. Any team that does not submit their agreements by the deadline will be replaced by the next highest placing eligible team. Coaches, fifths and replacement players may not be designated after this time.

TEAM MEETING

A mandatory Team Meeting will be held at 4:45 pm sharp upstairs at the Pembina Curling Club on Sunday, January 1st.

Note: All competitors are expected to attend all meetings and official functions associated with the provincial championship. Failure to have at least one player or registered coach present at the pre-competition team briefing prior to the conclusion of roll call will result in the loss of hammer at the first game of the competition in which last rock has been earned through the pre-game practice draw to the button.
(See Event Guidelines)

The Supervising Umpire for the event will be at the door of the team meeting with a sign in sheet. Your team's representative attending the meeting **MUST** sign this sheet upon arrival. At the meeting scheduled start time the supervising Umpire will take this sheet to the Head Umpire (who is running the meeting). If your team has not signed in, you **are** considered late.

SEEDING THE DRAW (DO NOT SEED YOUR OWN TEAM)

Seeding refers to a ranking of the teams so that they may be placed in the standard CurlManitoba draw. A form will be emailed to all teams after the 16 teams are known. If you need to make alternate arrangements to receive the form please contact Elaine 204-926-8408 to work out the details.

Please make sure to return this form by email eowen@curlmanitoba.org, fax ATTN: Elaine (204) 925-5720 or deliver to the CurlManitoba Office, 145 Pacific Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3B 2Z6 by the indicated deadline. If submitting by fax (204)925-5720 please remember to print clearly.

Remember, this is your opportunity to participate in making the draw so please ensure your team's input by promptly responding. In doing their team rankings, teams are reminded that this is neither a popularity contest nor an attempt to predict the winner. It is a ranking of teams based on your personal experience and knowledge of the teams' ability. It is each team's responsibility to make an unbiased assessment of every team

including themselves. This ensures that the final draw groupings at the provincial championship are the fairest possible for all teams.

► MEDIA

CurlManitoba 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 CurlManitoba 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.

SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES for ATHLETES and COACHES

Definitions

1. The following term has this meaning in these Guidelines:
 - a) “*Social media*” – The catch-all term that is applied broadly to new computer-mediated communication media such as blogs, YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter

Purpose

2. These Guidelines provide athletes and coaches with tips and suggestions for social media use. Athletes and coaches are strongly encouraged to develop their own strategy for social media use (either written down or not) and ensure that their strategy for social media use is acceptable pursuant to CurlManitoba’s *Code of Conduct, Behavioural and Discipline Policies*.
3. Given the nature of social media as a continually developing communication sphere, CurlManitoba trusts its athletes and coaches to use their best judgment when interacting with social media. These Guidelines are not hard and fast rules or behavioural laws; but rather ideas that will inform athletes’ and coaches’ best judgment.

Social Media Guidelines for Athletes

4. The following tips should be used by athletes to inform their own strategy for social media use:
 - a) Set your privacy settings to restrict who can search for you and what private information other people can see
 - b) Coaches, teammates, officials, or opposing competitors may all add you to Facebook or follow you on Twitter. You are not required to follow anyone or be Facebook friends with anyone
 - c) If you feel harassed by someone in a social medium, report it to your coach, umpire, or to CurlManitoba
 - d) Do not feel pressure to join a fan page on Facebook or follow a Twitter feed
 - e) Content posted on Twitter and Facebook, relative to your privacy settings, is considered public. In most cases, you do not have a reasonable expectation of privacy for any material that you post

- f) Avoid posting pictures of, or alluding to, participation in illegal activity such as: speeding, physical assault, harassment, drinking alcohol (if underage), and smoking marijuana
- g) Model appropriate behaviour in social media befitting your status as a) an elite athlete, and b) a member of your club and of CurlManitoba. As a Member of CurlManitoba, you have agreed to CurlManitoba's *Code of Conduct, Behavioural and Discipline Policies* and must follow that Code when you post material and interact with other people through social media
- h) Be aware that your public Facebook page or Twitter feed may be monitored by your club, coach, or by CurlManitoba and content or behaviour demonstrated in social media may be subject to sanction under CurlManitoba's *Code of Conduct, Behavioural and Discipline Policies*

Social Media Guidelines for Coaches

5. The following tips should be used by coaches to inform their own strategy for social media use:
 - a) Choosing not to engage with social media is an acceptable social media strategy. But you must have good reasons for your choice and be active in other communication media
 - b) Despite what Facebook says, you are not actually "friends" with athletes. Resist commenting on athletes' personal activities, status updates, or tweets on Twitter
 - c) Consider monitoring or being generally aware of athletes' public social media behaviour to ensure compliance with CurlManitoba's *Code of Conduct, Behavioural and Discipline Policies*
 - d) Coaches may not demand access to an athlete's private posts on Twitter or Facebook
 - e) Do not "friend" athletes on Facebook unless they request the connection. Never pressure athletes to "friend" you
 - f) If you accept some "friend" requests, or follow one athlete on Twitter, you should accept all friend requests and follow all the athletes. Be careful not to show favouritism on social media
 - g) Consider managing your social media so that athletes do not have the option to follow you on Twitter or "friend" you on Facebook
 - h) Seek permission from athletes before posting pictures or videos of the athletes on publicly available social media like a blog or on YouTube
 - i) Do not use social media to 'trap' athletes if they say one thing to you in person but their social media activity reveals they were doing something different
 - j) Keep selection decisions and other official team business off social media
 - k) Never require athletes to join Facebook, join a Facebook group, subscribe to a Twitter feed, or join a Facebook fan page about your team or organization
 - l) If you create a fan page on Facebook for your team or athlete, do not make this social media site the exclusive location for important information. Duplicate important information in more official channels (like on a website or via email)
 - m) Ensure that parents are aware that some coach-athlete interactions may take place on Facebook
 - n) Exercise appropriate discretion when using social media for your own personal communications (with friends, colleagues, and other athletes) with the knowledge that your behaviour may be used as a model by your athletes

- o) Avoid association with Facebook groups or Twitter feeds with explicit sexual contact or viewpoints that might offend or compromise the coach-athlete relationship
- p) Never misrepresent yourself by using a fake name or fake profile
- q) Be aware that you may acquire information about an athlete that imposes an obligation of disclosure on your part (such as seeing pictures of underage athletes drinking during a trip)
- r) Attempt to make communication with athletes in social media as one-sided as possible. Be available for athletes if they initiate contact via social media – athletes may wish to have this easy and quick access to you – but avoid imposing yourself into an athlete’s personal social media space unless explicitly requested to do so

WHEN YOU WIN THE PROVINCIAL 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). If you have previously participated in this Canadian Championship you may want to supply any previous crests to be added to your jacket. 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.**
- Please note: A Certified Competition Coach is mandatory at the Canadian Junior Championships.
- The CurlManitoba High Performance Director is available to work with the team prior to leaving for the championship. As Manitoba’s Representative your team is required to be available for a meeting with the High Performance Director
- 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.

- In the past, teams have often purchased a team jacket for presentation to their team driver at the championship.
- 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.

The Canadian Juniors will be played in Victoria, BC January 21-29, 2017.

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

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