

# NOCA Notes

March 31, 2011

## John Shea Insurance Mixed Provincials

Congratulations to the Mike Assad rink who are the 2012 NOCA Mixed Champions. The team (Assad, Alissa Begin, Andrew Nerpin, Jann Constante) will represent Northern Ontario at the Canadian Mixed Championships next November in Sudbury.

## **NOCA Awards:**

Nominations for the NOCA Volunteer and Club Recognition, Honorary Life Member, and Pat O. Reid award are due in April. Information is on the NOCA Website. Take this opportunity to recognize someone who has contributed to your club, coaching, or the sport of curling in general. The **deadlines are April 15<sup>th</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup>** as listed below.

## Canadian Masters

The Ron Kowalchuk (Kowalchuk, Ed Pedersen, Ernie Surkan, John Bird ) and the Marion Clark (Clark, Marlene Delorenzi, Tannis Ferguson, Jeannie Adams) rinks from the Port Arthur CC are representing Northern Ontario at the Canadian Masters March 30 – April 5<sup>th</sup>. The event is taking place at the Assiniboine CC in Winnipeg. Event information is on the NOCA website. Good luck to both teams!

## Upcoming Deadlines

- Jet Ice Ice Technician Courses: June 17th
- NOCA Volunteer Award Nominations: April 15<sup>th</sup>
- NOCA Club Recognition Award: April 15<sup>th</sup>
- Pat O. Reid Coaching Award: April 15<sup>th</sup>
- NOCA Honorary Life Membership: April 30<sup>th</sup>

## Dominion Curling Club Provincials

The Dominion Curling Club Championship NOCA Provincials will take place at the Soo Curlers Association Friday April 8 – Sunday April 10, 2011. 6 teams of each gender from each of the 6 NOCA regions will compete for the title of Northern Ontario Champions. The two winning teams will represent the NOCA at the national event November 21-26 in Richmond, BC.

Event information is available on the NOCA website, and results will be available on [www.playdowns.com](http://www.playdowns.com)

## Jet Ice Level 1 And Level 2 Ice Technician Courses

These courses will be offered in Sudbury prior to the Amethyst Curling Camp. The Level 2 course will start Tuesday June 28<sup>th</sup> and run until Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>, and the Level 1 course will start Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> and end Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>. Guest speakers will present to both groups on Thursday. Registration and an information poster are now available on the NOCA website.

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# NOCA Notes

March 25, 2011

## Winner of the Trip For Two Curling Week Contest

Don Burke from the Providence Bay Curling Club has won the Curling Week Contest prize package. The trip package includes travel to the event, accommodation for three nights at the Quality Inn Sudbury, and tickets for the opening weekend draws at the 2012 Canadian Mixed which is being held in Sudbury November 12-19, 2011. Congratulations, and thank you to Bearskin Airlines for presenting Curling Week in Northern Ontario.

## John Shea Insurance Mixed Provincials

The Mixed Provincials take place this weekend at the Soo Curlers Association. 10 teams are competing for the title of Northern Ontario Mixed Champion. The winner will represent Northern Ontario at the Canadian Mixed Championships next November in Sudbury. Results are available on [www.playdowns.com](http://www.playdowns.com)

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## Course Weekends

The Idylwyld G&CC will hold a Club Coach and Competition Coach Course April 2-3. Registration deadline is March 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Fort Frances CC will host a Competition Coach Course April 2-3. Registration deadline March 25<sup>th</sup>

Registration for all courses is available on the NOCA website.

## Upcoming Deadlines

- Jet Ice Ice Technician Courses: June 17th
- Club Coach and Competition Coach courses at the Idylwyld in Sudbury: March 25<sup>th</sup>
- Competition Coach course in Fort Frances: March 25<sup>th</sup>
- **NOCA Volunteer Award Nominations: April 15<sup>th</sup>**
- **NOCA Club Recognition Award: April 15<sup>th</sup>**
- **Pat O. Reid Coaching Award: April 15<sup>th</sup>**
- **NOCA Honorary Life Membership: April 30<sup>th</sup>**

## Dominion Curling Club Regional Playdowns

The last three regions will name their teams who will advance to The Dominion Curling Club Provincials in Sault Ste. Marie April 8-10<sup>th</sup>. The events will take place as follows:  
Regions 5 & 6: March 18-20, Idylwyld G&CC, Horne Granite CC  
Region 2: March 23-27, Kakabeka Falls CC

Results will be available on [www.playdowns.com](http://www.playdowns.com)

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# NOCA Notes

March 18, 2011

## Canadian Wheelchair Championships

Good luck to the Wayne Ficek rink who will represent Northern Ontario at the Canadian Wheelchair Championships in Edmonton, March 20-27. A link to the site is on the NOCA homepage

## World Financial Group Canadian Seniors

March 19-26 will see the Eric Harnden and Barbara Ward rinks compete at the Canadian Seniors in Digby, NS. Good curling to both teams. A link to the site is on the NOCA homepage.

## Coaching Course Weekends

The Cochrane CC will host a Coach Course weekend March 26-27. This was originally scheduled for March 5-6 but had to be postponed. Registration deadline Friday March 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Idylwyde G&CC will hold a Club Coach and Competition Coach Course April 2-3. Registration deadline March 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Fort Frances CC will host a Competition Coach Course April 2-3. Registration deadline March 25<sup>th</sup>

**Registration for all courses is available on the NOCA website.**

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These courses will be offered in Sudbury prior to the Amethyst Curling Camp. The Level 2 course will start Tuesday June 28<sup>th</sup> and run until Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>, and the Level 1 course will start Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> and end Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>. Guest speakers will present to both groups on Thursday. Registration and an information poster are now available on the NOCA website.

## Upcoming Deadlines

- Jet Ice Ice Technician Courses: June 17th
- Coaching Course weekend in Cochrane : March 18<sup>th</sup>
- Club Coach and Competition Coach courses at the Idylwyde in Sudbury: March 25<sup>th</sup>
- Competition Coach course in Fort Frances: March 25th

## Dominion Curling Club Regional Playdowns

This month will see all 6 regions compete for their spots in The Dominion Curling Club Provincials in Sault Ste. Marie April 8-10<sup>th</sup>. The events will take place as follows:  
Regions 5 & 6: March 18-20, Idylwyde G&CC, Horne Granite CC  
Regions 3 & 1: March 25-27, Marathon CC, Kenora CC  
Region 2: March in Thunder Bay

Results will be available on [www.playdowns.com](http://www.playdowns.com)

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# NOCA Notes

March 11, 2011

## Nexcap Bantam Provincials

This weekend will see 6 Bantam Boys teams and 6 Bantam Girls teams compete for the title of 2011 Bantam Provincial Champion. The provincial will take place at the Englehart Curling Club. Results will be posted on [www.playdowns.com](http://www.playdowns.com).

Not only will there be excellent competition this weekend, but the curlers will be treated to a pizza party hosted by the club, and a cake created by Deanna Chenier, Cake Decorator Extraordinaire. The cake is over 4 feet long!



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## Upcoming Deadlines

- CCA Curling Assistance Program: March 15th
- Jet Ice Technician Courses: June 17th
- Coaching Course weekend in Cochrane : March 18th

## Coaching Course Weekend

The Cochrane CC will host a Coach Course weekend March 26-27. This was originally scheduled for March 5-6 but had to be postponed. Registration is available on the NOCA website. Registration deadline Friday March 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Dominion Curling Club Regional Playdowns

This month will see all 6 regions compete for their spots in The Dominion Curling Club Provincials in Sault Ste. Marie April 8-10<sup>th</sup>. The events will take place as follows:

- Region 4: March 11-13, Deer Trail CC
- Regions 5 & 6: March 18-20, Idylwyld G&CC, Horne Granite CC
- Regions 3 & 1: March 25-27, Marathon CC, Kenora CC
- Region 2: March in Thunder Bay

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# NOCA Notes

March 4, 2011

## **NOCA is Proud to be Part of the Canadian Curling Future**

Recently in the press and political venues there have been rumblings of Northern Ontario not having a place at the Brier in years to come. This is inaccurate and a press release has been issued by the NOCA which explains the Equitable Opportunity for Access to Events that is in place now with the Canadian Curling Association. It ensures that in the years to come, all Member (Provincial and Territorial) Associations will have the opportunity to access the national championships which means that teams will have to earn their spot in the national events. The press release is on the homepage of the NOCA website.

## **Syl Apps Special Achievement Award Winner**

Jan Pula will be awarded the Syl Apps Special Achievement Award at the Ontario Sport Alliance Awards banquet April 14<sup>th</sup>. This award is presented annually by the Province of Ontario to Ontario volunteers who have contributed to the development of sport in the province. Congratulations Jan!!

## **Trivia Contest**

This was the last week for the NOCA Trivia Contest. Check out the questions, answers and winners on the NOCA website. The winners each won a Fit to Curl book by John Morris, assisted by Dean Gemmell.

## **Cameco Senior Provincials**

Congratulations to the Barbara Ward rink (PACC) and the Eric Harnden rink (Sudbury CC). These teams will represent Northern Ontario at the World Financial Group Canadian Senior Championships in Digby NS, March 19-16.

## **Shoppers Home HealthCare Wheelchair Provincials**

Last weekend saw some exciting competition at the Fort William Curling Club as 4 teams battled for the title of Northern Ontario Wheelchair Champions. There was a new team on the block this year, the Steve Daniel rink from the Sudbury CC, and while they got off to a slow start, they rallied through the tiebreakers to earn second place and play the Wayne Ficek rink from the Kenora/Dryden CCs for the Champion title. The final game was a back and forth game until the 7<sup>th</sup> end when Ficek scored 3. Daniel had the chance to tie it up but came out a bit short on his final shot giving the win to their opposition. The Ficek rink will represent Northern Ontario at the Canadian Wheelchair Championships in Edmonton, March 20-27. This will be the third consecutive year for the rink to advance to the nationals.

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## **Upcoming Deadlines**

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