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NOCA Notes November 14, 2013

Curling Week in Northern Ontario Starts Saturday:

Bearskin Airlines is proud to sponsor Curling Week in Northern Ontario. This is the fifth annual event and offers clubs a chance to highlight their club in the community by hosting events such as Learn to Curl clinics, Open houses, league challenges, fun-spiels, and other great functions.

This year there will be a Closest to the Pin contest for all NOCA Members. Information has been sent to all clubs, and is posted here: <u>http://curlnoca.ca/programs/curling-week/</u>. **Please note** that the rules regarding a tie between finalists have changed. If there are two or more finalists with the same distance to the pin, their names will be put in a hat and drawn for the winner and runner up.

The Curling Week Trivia Contest is in its third week with winners posted every Friday. This contest will continue until November 22nd. A Curling Week calendar is posted on the website and will be continually updated as clubs submit information to the NOCA office with their activities. Don't miss this opportunity to promote your club and curling in your community and get participants entering the Closest to the Pin contest.

Tom Coulterman receives Coaching Excellence Award

"Three highly successful Canadian curling coaches, Tom Coulterman, Earle Morris, and Joe Rea have been announced as recipients of 2013 Petro-Canada Coaching Excellence Awards at the Coaching Association of Canada's annual Sport Leadership sportif conference in Calgary", as reported on the CCA website.

Tom is currently the coach of the Brad Jacobs rink, has acted as the Team Leader for Canadian Juniors competing at World events, is a NOCA Learning Facilitator and Amethyst Camp Instructor, and Adult Learn to Curl Program Leader at Soo Curlers Association.

Congratulations Tom, this award is well deserved. www.curling.ca/blog/2013/11/13/sports-leadership-award-for-rea-morris-and-coulterman/

Vote for your favourite curlers to compete in the All-Star Curling Skins game

Travelers All-Star Curling Skins game presented by Pinty's is back for another fantastic year! To determine which Canadian men will compete in the All-Star Curling Skins game in Banff, fans will select their favourite curlers from the star-studded list of 48 players.

The Jacobs rink are all on the list of players to vote for. You can vote daily until December 8th. <u>http://curlingskins.tsn.ca/</u>

Once the vote is over, 16 players will be grouped by position (Skip, Third, Second, and Lead).Competing players will then be selected by position via draft to create four All-Star teams. The draft show will be televised outdoors from the Town of Banff on January 10th, 2014 on TSN2. And as a bonus to you, just by voting you're entered to win one of our great weekly prizes

Partner Discounts

Choice Hotels, Avis, and Budget all provide NOCA members with discounts on their room or vehicle rentals. One member recently reported that she saved \$15/night on a reservation with Choice Hotels by using the discount code on the back of her membership card. That's the cost of the per capita fee all NOCA members pay to their club. You must use the discount codes on the membership card to secure these discounts; the individual hotels or rental agencies will not recognize the corporate code.

Upcoming Registration Deadlines (all at 12:00 pm (NOON) ET):

PLEASE NOTE – THE CLOSING TIME FOR ALL REGISTRATIONS HAS BEEN CHANGED TO 12:00 pm (NOON) except for the Junior Regions.

Junior Regions – November 15th Club Coach Youth – November 15th Bantam Regions – November 22nd NOCA Women – November 22nd





