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NOCA Notes
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Koivula Rink Competing at the Canadian Mixed Curling Championships:

Good luck to the Colin Koivula rink (Koivula, Oye-Sem Won Briand, Chris Briand, Amanda Gates) from the Port Arthur CC as they represent Northern Ontario at the Canadian Mixed Curling Championships. The event takes place November 8-14 at the Weston G&CC in Toronto. Event site: <http://www.curling.ca/2016mixed/>

Curling Week

Curling Week, presented by Bearskin Airlines, will take place **November 21-29** this year. We've expanded the event to include **THREE** Closest to the Pin contests: Youth under 12, Youth 12-17, and adults 18+. There are prizes for 1st – 3rd in each category including autographed Teams Fleury and Jacobs brooms and jerseys and Goldline gift cards. The winner of the adult contest will receive tickets to the opening weekend of the Brier in Ottawa as well as a Best Western gift card. All of the adult finalists will be entered into a contest to win two tickets anywhere Bearskin Airlines flies.

Curling Week is a great opportunity to showcase your club to your community and invite new people to try curling. More information, including a poster to print and distribute around your community, is available at <http://curlnoca.ca/programs/curling-week/>

Courses:

Several courses are scheduled for this fall:

- Club Coach and Club Coach Youth – Atikokan, Nov. 21-22
- Club Coach Youth – Cochrane, Nov. 29
- Ice Technician/Volunteer Refresher Day – Kenora, Nov. 7
- Club Coach, Competition Coach, MED – Sudbury Dec. 4-6
- Competition Coach and MED – Thunder Bay Jan. 29-31

Information and registration for all of the courses is available at <http://curlnoca.ca/programs>. If you are interested in having a course in your community, please contact Andrea Ronnebeck at 807-466-8351 or andrearonnebeck@curlnoca.ca.

Competitor Guides and Host Guidelines:

All of the Competitor Guides and Host Guidelines are now posted. If you are competing it is your responsibility to have read the Competitor Guide for your event and sign the participant form that states that you agree you have reviewed the Guide.

The Host Guidelines for Region/Qualifier, and Provincial events are also posted on the Competitions page of the website. The guidelines are very comprehensive and not all of the information will apply to your event, but they are very useful documents to help you plan your event and understand what is expected of a host club.

Participant Forms:

Anyone participating in a NOCA course, competition, or camp MUST complete a Participant form. There are forms for Adult/Coach, and Youth. The Youth form must be signed by a parent and must be accompanied by a proof of age. Anyone who has already submitted the proof of age does not need to do so again. Teams entering competitions must also have their club send in the Member Facility verification form. All of these forms are available at <http://curlnoca.ca/competitions/competition-forms-required/>

8-enders:

NOCA provides 8-ender Club vests to any team getting an 8 ender. Information is available at

Upcoming Deadlines (all close at NOON on the deadline date):

- Deer Trail Youth Challenge: Nov. 13th
- Junior Regions: Nov. 13th
- Thunder Bay Youth Challenge: Nov. 27th

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