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NOCA Notes February 9th Edition

Travelers 2017 NOCA Men's Provincial:

The Fort William CC in Thunder Bay is hosting the Men's Provincial this week – February 8-12. Eight teams are battling it out for the provincial title and the opportunity to represent Northern Ontario at the Tim Hortons Brier March 4-12 in St. John's NL. All draws are being live streamed.

[Results](#) [Draw and Roster](#) [Live Streaming](#)

Hit Draw & Tap Finals Scheduled for this Sunday:

The HDT Provincial Championship will take place on Sunday February 12th prior to the Men's Provincial Championship game at Fort William Curling Club. 22 finalists from across Northern Ontario will compete in their various age groups for the title of Hit Draw & Tap Provincial Champions.

230 participants in 4 age groups competed at their local clubs across Northern Ontario in the various Hit Draw & Tap skill challenges. Each club declared a winner, as well as first and second place runners up. The scores from each winner were submitted and the top 5 in each age group will compete in the championship Sunday either in person or virtually. The Provincial HDT Champions in each age group will be announced during the 5th end break of the Men's final game. The HDT Championship starts at noon Sunday. Bleachers are set-up on sheet 2 - bring your family and friends to cheer-on the HDT Champions. Let's make some **NOISE** for them!!!!

Amethyst Curling Camp:

The 21st annual Amethyst Curling Camp takes place July 2-7, 2017. Registration for new campers starts February 10th. Don't miss this great opportunity to improve your skills, make new friends, and have lots of fun learning from some great instructors. [Amethyst Camp website](#)

Seminars for Coaches and Athletes:

The Ontario Curling Council provides webinar training for coaches and athletes. There are still two more seminars scheduled for this year: Technology and Coaching (Feb. 15), and Off Season Training (March 19). These webinars are a great opportunity to get Coach Professional Development points for maintenance of your certification, or just to learn and share information.

[Information and Registration](#)

Competition Development Course:

As of December 31, 2013 Level 3 Technical no longer exists, replacing it is a new, comprehensive program called "Competition Development". The program is being administered and delivered by Curling Canada nationally and is open to all provinces/territories. Our goal is to move the workshop around the country. Two courses are scheduled this spring, and one is set for March 24-27 in Sudbury. Don't miss this opportunity to take the Competition Development Course right in Northern Ontario.

[Competition Development Info](#) [Sudbury Course info](#) [Registration](#) (Deadline March 10th)

Curling Canada Host Bid Opportunities:

Canadian cities looking for national exposure and revenue for local business now have a chance to bid for Curling Canada's 2018-19 championships. Bids are now being accepted for the 2019 Tim Hortons Brier, Scotties Tournament of Hearts, Home Hardware Canada Cup, World Financial Group Continental Club, in addition to all other Canadian championship curling events.

[Information and Bid Documents](#)

2016-17 NOCA Awards:

The Northern Ontario Curling Association Board of Directors is pleased to announce the NOCA Annual Awards program. Awards will be given in four categories: NOCA Volunteer Awards (3), NOCA Club Recognition Award (1), NOCA Honorary Membership (unlimited), and NOCA Coach Awards (2). Nomination Deadline is February 28th. [Awards Information](#)

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

- **Mixed Doubles:** TUESDAY February 14th
- **Mixed Provincials:** Friday March 3rd

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