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## NOCA Notes March 17th Edition

### **Everest Senior Canadian Curling Championships:**

Good luck to Team Rob Gordon (Gordon, Ron Henderson, Dion Dumontelle, Doug Hong) from the Sudbury CC, and Team Peggy Taylor (Taylor, Lisa Penner, Arlene Wilson, Tracy Stasiuk) from the Kenora CC who are representing Northern Ontario at the Canadian Seniors March 20-25 in Fredericton, NB. [Event Site](#) [Draw](#) [Men's Results](#) [Women's Results](#)

### **Breaking New: Amethyst Curling Camp Accepting Team Registrations:**

The Amethyst Camp is making a change this year and offering a special group just for teams. If you know of a team that might be interested, please direct them to the Amethyst [website](#) for more information and to register. Please keep in mind that there are only a limited number of spots available for teams so registration is first come first served.

The other change that is being made with regard to the teams is that coaches are welcome to participate in the camp as well. The only cost to coaches is accommodation and meals. You can choose to stay at the University and eat what the kids eat - it's usually pretty good or find other accommodation and still eat with the kids.

There are several [bursaries](#) available to first time campers to offset the cost of the camp. If a team applies, one individual could be awarded the bursary but it could be used to off set the cost for the whole team.

### **Date Change: Free Webinar for Curling Club Boards / Staff:**

Please note that the Free Webinar has been rescheduled to **Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**. NOCA will host a one hour webinar provided by the Sport Law and Strategy Group. and the topics are **Bylaws: Dos and Don'ts, and Best Practices in Risk Management**. Don't miss this free opportunity to learn valuable information for your club's business operations. [Register](#)

### **U-Sports (Canadian University Championships) Starts March 18<sup>th</sup> in Thunder Bay:**

The best men's and women's university curling teams in Canada will compete in the [2017 U SPORTS: Curling Canada University Championships](#), March 18-22 at Thunder Bay, Ont. Eight teams per gender will participate in the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the five-day event, staged in partnership between U SPORTS (formerly Canadian Interuniversity Sport) and Curling Canada and hosted this year by the Fort William Curling Club and Lakehead University.

Three Northern Ontario University teams are competing at this event: Lakehead Thunderwolves Women skipped by Hailey Beaudry; Laurentian Voyageur Women skipped by Krysta Burns, and Lakehead Thunderwolves Men skipped by Dave Henderson.

[Draw](#) [Men's Results](#) [Women's Results](#)

### **New Charitable Tax Receipting Program for Ontario Curling Clubs Launched:**

Does your club have a financial plan for building or equipment upgrades or a new program? The Ontario Curling Council and its members, Curl ON and NOCA have endorsed the National Sport Trust Fund – Ontario as a revenue generation program through which donors can receive charitable tax receipts for qualifying donations. [Information](#)

Clubs can fundraise for infrastructure, equipment, programs – anything that supports the National Amateur Sports System. Bonspiels, dinners, golf tournaments are all great ideas to raise funds for your project and the National Sport Trust Fund – Ontario has tools to help clubs do so and still meet all charitable tax requirements. Donors of goods and services may also be eligible for tax receipts

### **NOCA Elections:**

There are three positions available for on the NOCA Board of Directors: Regions 3 and 4 Directors, and a Director at Large position. The Region Director Positions will be filled at the Spring Region Meetings, and the Director at Large position will be elected by the current Board.

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