



NOCA Notes
October 17, 2014

Curling Conference:

Don't forget to register for the Curling Conference in **Sudbury October 24 – 26th**. The conference will feature streams for Coaches, Curling Club Volunteers, and Officials. Keynote speakers include: Tom Coulterman, Coach of the Brad Jacobs Olympic Men's Gold Medal team; Michelle Cundari, CAAWS; and Clay Melnike, Marketing Minds Int. The conference will begin at 6:30 pm Friday October 24th with sign up and continue through the weekend. The Idylwyld G&CC will also host a Learn to Curl clinic on Saturday in conjunction with the event.

The **deadline** for registration for the Sudbury conference is **Friday October 17th**. Information and registration (pre-registration is required) is available at:

<http://curlnoca.ca/programs/sudbury-curling-conference/>

Club Events on NOCA Website:

One feature of the NOCA website is the ability for clubs to enter their bonspiels, registration nights, annual meetings, and other club events on the site. The section of the website is "Club Events" and events can be searched by date, type of event, club, or region, or you can view a monthly calendar. Posters for events can be uploaded as well. To add your club event, go to curlnoca.ca/club-events/

Police Record Checks

All NOCA coaches working with youth must have a Vulnerable Sector Check issued by their local police or OPP department. NOCA requires the coaches provide this documentation to the office, and that it be renewed every three years. This is also a good practice for clubs who have volunteers working with their Little Rock or Junior programs. There can be a fee for this service from the local police or OPP, and they may also require a form from NOCA or your club confirming that this person is working with youth. NOCA provides this form to coaches and it can also be used as a template for clubs to modify. If you need a copy of this form, please contact the NOCA office, or email info@curlnoca.ca

Competition Information:

Information is now on the website regarding NOCA Competitions for this season including: 2014-15 and 2015-16 schedules; Competition formats; Competition Information for the season; Coach certification requirements; Provincial Rotation to 2021; and registrations.

<http://curlnoca.ca/competitions/>

New CCA Website:

The CCA recently launched a new website: <http://www.curling.ca/>. It is really easy to navigate and full of resource information for curlers and curling clubs. This page in particular is very informative for club volunteers, coaches, Ice Technicians, and anyone interested in the history of curling: <http://www.curling.ca/about-the-sport-of-curling/>

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8-ender Winners:

If your team scores an 8-ender, you are all eligible to receive a NOCA 8-Ender Fleece vest. Information is available at <http://curlnoca.ca/programs/>

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