

Bill Charlebois Bursary



Background:

Bill Charlebois was well known for his dedication to the sport of curling in Northern Ontario, Ontario, Canada, and the Netherlands. Bill passed away suddenly in February and this bursary is being provided by the Northern Ontario Curling Association in his memory.

Bill devoted many years of his life to curling. His numerous roles included Competitor, Coach, Official, Instructor, Mentor, Board Member, Club Volunteer, Event Chair, and anything else he could fit in.

Bill was one of the first instructors at the Amethyst Camp when it began in Thunder Bay and he continued to instruct for the next 20 years ending his tenure as an Amethyst Instructor in 2016. Many young curlers benefitted from his advice, abundance of knowledge, and sense of humour.

Bill was inducted into the Northwestern Ontario Curling Hall of Fame in 2007. A video commemorating his induction can be found here:

[NWO Sports Hall of Fame Bill Charlebois Induction](#)

This bursary is dedicated in Bill's memory to encourage the development of curling athletes who would like to attend the Amethyst Curling Camp and may be faced with challenges to that desire, particularly financial challenges.

Amount to be awarded annually:

\$500/year.

Criteria:

- Must be in a financial situation where without this bursary, attendance at the Amethyst Camp would not be possible or would create hardship.
- Must have attended school on a full-time basis in the past year.
- Must belong to a NOCA affiliated curling club

Application:

Use the NOCA Bursary Application and submit accompanying documents as per the instructions on the application information page.



AMETHYST JUNIOR CURLING CAMP - BURSARIES
Amethyst Curling Camp: North Bay, Ontario, July 2-6, 2018

Bursary Information:

Deadline for the application is April 27, 2018

The Northern Ontario Curling Association is pleased to provide five (5) bursaries for the 2018 Amethyst Curling Camp. These bursaries are possible thanks to a generous partnership with Mr. Brent Belzile, and a donation in memory of Shirley Francis-Wiebe. As well, NOCA will provide a bursary in memory of Bill Charlebois.

These bursaries to be awarded to deserving young curlers who, due to financial hardship, would unlikely be able to attend the camp without assistance. The bursary covers \$500 of the registration fee and applications from first time camp attendees will be given preference.

Teams Brad Jacobs and Krista McCarville will also provide bursaries for \$500 each which also include other prizes / support.

Five general bursaries will be awarded as follows:

- Four (4) to any successful applicant
- One (1) for a camper living west of Thunder Bay (Shirley Jean Francis-Wiebe bursary)

The Team McCarville and Jacobs bursaries have separate criteria and a separate application form.

The following criteria must be met in order to submit an application (please use as a checklist):

Must be 13 years or older.

Must have a minimum of 2 years of curling experience.

Must not have attended the camp previously (exceptions may be granted in extenuating circumstances)

Must be a member of a NOCA affiliated club who has no outstanding dues.

Must provide a letter of recommendation from your curling club and include a phone number and contact name which allows follow-up.

Must provide a brief personal summary outlining your reasons for wanting to participate at the Amethyst camp, including requirement for financial assistance.

Please complete:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
Postal Code: _____
Phone #: _____ (home) _____ (mobile)
Email: _____
Date of Birth: (mm/dd/year) _____
Years of Curling: _____

Please mail, fax, or email this application and applicable documents to the NOCA office, address below, by April 27, 2018

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