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NOCA Notes March 3rd Edition

2017 Tim Hortons Brier:

Good luck to Team Brad Jacobs at the Tim Hortons Brier, March 4 – 12 in St. John's NL. Jacobs takes on Team BC (John Morris) in the opening draw at 3 pm Saturday.

[Event Site](#) [Results](#) [Draw](#) [TSN Television Schedule](#)

Under 18 (U18) Boys and Girls and Wheelchair Champions:

Congratulations to the Jacob Horgan and the Kira Brunton rinks from the Sudbury CC who are the 2017 Northern Ontario U18 Provincial Champions. Both teams will now compete wearing the green and gold in the inaugural U18 Canadian Curling Championships April 17-22 in Moncton, NB.

At the Fort William CC last weekend, Team Doug Dean from the home club claimed the title of 2017 NOCA Wheelchair Champions. Team Dean will now represent Northern Ontario at the Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championships in Boucherville QC., in April.

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. Bursaries are available to assist with the registration fees. [Amethyst Camp website](#)

Free Webinar for Curling Club Boards / Staff:

On **Tuesday March 21st at 7:00 pm**, NOCA will host a webinar provided by the Sport Law and Strategy Group. The webinar will take an hour 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](#)

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

Several Technical Courses are scheduled in March:

- **Adult Learn to Curl Train the Trainer** – Sudbury (Idylwyld G&CC) March 26th
[Information](#)
- **Competition Development Course** – March 24-27, Sudbury (Idylwyld G&CC)
[Competition Development Info](#) [Sudbury Course info](#) [Registration](#) (Deadline March 10th)
- **NCCP Super Clinic** – March 24-26 in Sault Ste. Marie
[Information](#)

Registration is now open for OCC's Regional Talent Identification Camps:

Two camps for coaches and athletes are scheduled for Northern Ontario: Thunder Bay April 2nd, and Sudbury March 25th. Registration Deadlines are fast approaching.

[Camp Information and Registration](#)

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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