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J.J.'s crew atop roster of usual suspects



Jennifer Jones, with second Jill Officer (left) and lead Dawn Askin, kept the team's record clean to stay tied atop the standings in Kingston.

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Day 4: Pack breaks away

BY JIM MORRIS

The thoroughbreds have started to break away from the pack at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

Defending champion Heather Nedohin, former world champion Jennifer Jones of Manitoba and young colt Rachel Homan of Ontario all extended their records to 6-0 Tuesday. The writing might be on the wall for this weekend's playoffs but none of the leading skips want to read too much into the current standings.

"We are trying to get to the playoffs, that's our goal right now," said Homan after doubling up Allison Ross of Quebec 8-4 in nine ends during the evening draw. "Once we get to the playoffs we will re-evaluate where we are at, depending what games we "There are still a lot of games ahead of us."

Nedohin pointed out no one wins a championship in the middle of the week.

"You're last few days are just as important as the first," she said after beating Kelly Scott's B.C. team 7-5.

In a surprise, alternate Renee Sonnenberg replaced Kristie Moore at skip for winless Alberta's game against Jones. Alberta rallied from a 5-2 deficit to make the game close, but Jones won it with a last-rock takeout for a 9-6 win.

"I was happy to have a very makeable shot," said Jones.

One of the most anticipated matches of the week will happen Wednesday afternoon when Manitoba plays Nedohin's Team Canada. Both skips acted surprised when told of their opponent.

"Do we play them next?" deadpanned Jones.

Nedohin was equally as obtuse.

"Who do we play?" she asked.

Manitoba was the answer.

"And at what time?" Nedohin wondered.

When pressed, the skips agreed the game carries some significance.

"We want to come out and play well," said Jones.

"I knew we were going to be playing them sometime," countered Nedohin.

Moore has been battered and bruised in her first appearance as a skip as the Scotties. After losing her first five games the decision was made to bring Sonnenberg off the bench. Alberta had lost 8-3 to Stacie Devereaux of Newfoundland & Labrador in the morning draw.

"Kristie was mentally exhausted," said Sonnenberg. "She said 'I don't have it in me, I'm over reacting to little mistakes.' She just



ANDREW KLAVER/CCA

Grande Prairie's Renee Sonnenberg took the reins of Alberta for fellow Swan City skip Kristie Moore Tuesday night. Despite forcing Manitoba's Jennifer Jones make her last to win, the Albertans remain without a win, while Jones has yet to lose.

wasn't confident.

"It was a big job to play against (Jones). Our goal was to make her throw her last one and we did that. We made them make a ton of good shots. We put some pressure on them. When we made a mistake they made us pay for it."

Sonnenberg said there's no guarantee she will be skipping Wednesday evening when Alberta plays NWT/Yukon.

"This is not my team," she said.

"They earned the right to be here. I fully expect to be in the supportive role again tomorrow."

After a quick start Jill Shumay's Saskatchewan team seems to be fading. Shumay suffered her second-consecutive defeat, losing 7-5 to Mary-Anne Arsenault of Nova Scotia.

It was Nova Scotia's second win of the day after beating Kerry Galusha of the NWT/Yukon 10-7 during the afternoon draw.

Ontario, Manitoba and Canada lead the standings at 6-0. Shumay is 4-2, followed by P.E.I. and B.C. at 3-3. New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec are 2-4. NWT/Territories and Newfoundland & Labrador are 1-5 while Alberta is 0-6.

The day began with Scott making a circus shot to score six in the ninth end for a 13-7 win over Andrea Crawford's crew from New Brunswick. Suzanne Birt needed a measure to score two in the 10th to force an extra end against Quebec, then watched Ross be heavy with her last rock draw to give P.E.I. a 8-6 victory.

B.C. and New Brunswick were tied 7-7 in the ninth end when Scott put on a show. She threw a shot that saw her rock bounce off her own stone and into the house to removed Crawford's shot stone.

B.C. lead Sarah Wazney was sick so fifth Diane Gushulak took her place.

Quebec led 3-1 at one point against P.E.I., but Birt's rink kept fighting back for their third consecutive win.

"We are on a little bit of a roll now," said Birt. "We're learning each and every game."

Ross had an open draw for the win but with time clock ticking down to zero she rushed her shot, sending the stone through the house.

"I just felt like I was rushed in the hack," Ross said.

"We lost the game earlier than that shot. We didn't have a good middle of the game. Yes, it came down to my last shot and I know I missed it. But there were a lot of opportunities early on we could have capitalized on and we didn't"

She's 98 and embodies game's spirit

BY JIM MORRIS
The Heart Chart

Viola Braden is living proof you are never too old to try something new.

At 98 years old Braden attended her first Scotties Tournament of Hearts on Tuesday. A curler for 54 years, the sport remains a passion for Braden.

"I'm very interested," she said while watching the morning draw. "I loved it when I was playing. I always like going to bonspiels, everything pertaining to curling."

Braden, who has attended several Briers, made the trip to Kingston from her home in Keene, Ont., along with friends Betty Kichler and Lynda Bolton.

She began curling in 1950 when the first curling rink was built in Keene, which is near Peterborough, Ont.

"They have a lot better ice (now) than they we used to have," said Braden. "We used to have natural ice. You had to deal with the weather."

A warm day outside made "the ice tougher," she said. "You welcomed cold weather."

For years Braden skipped her own rink. She advanced to the Southern Ontario Ladies Curling Association playdowns at Sarnia in 1974.

"I was a long time ago," she said with a smile.

At age 90 Braden retired from curling but was asked to return to skip at a local bonspiel. Her rink won.

For Braden the best part of curling was meeting people.

"I made a lot of friends," she said.

Two years ago the Keene Curling Club celebrated its 150th anniversary with an outdoor bonspiel played on the Indian River. Braden had a starring role.

"They asked me to throw the opening rock," she said. "They named me skip for the day. It was a fun day."

Over the years Braden has watched plenty of curling. Her favourite curler remains Colleen Jones of Nova Scotia who is making a record 21st appearance at this year's Scotties.

"It's nice to see her back," said Braden.

"I always liked watching Colleen. At first it was because it was nice to see somebody from Eastern Canada win."

Jones clapped her hands when told one of her oldest fans was in the building.

"That's awesome," Jones said after Nova Scotia earned its first victory of the week with a 10-7 win over the NWT/Yukon. "I hope when I'm 98 I'm going to a Scotties and watching. I think that's terrific somebody would take the time."

"I just love seeing that kind of spirit, of just wanting to keep going out and living life."

Braden paid close attention to the draw she was attending, casting an experienced eye over the action on all the sheets of ice.

"I have been watching all the different rinks," she said. "I just like to see them make a good shot."

"I think they are doing a super job. It's very nice to be here."

Bolton purchased the Scotties tickets as a Christmas present for Braden. Kichler remembers Braden's reaction when told she was going to see her first Scotties.

"She jumped up and said 'awesome.' "



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A LITTLE MORE FROM JIM MORRIS

Families are always territorial, but...

Some mother and daughter relationships become famous for all the wrong reason. Think Kim Kardashian and mom Kris Jenner, or Dina Lohan dealing with wild child Lindsay.

At this week's Scotties Tournament of Hearts a mother-daughter combination has shared the stage at one of the biggest events in women's curling without a single hissy fit or melt down.

Sharon Cormier, the third on Kerry Galusha's rink from the Yellowknife Curling Club, is also the mother of second Megan.

Galusha admits having two generations of one family on the team is different but things have worked out well.

"It's got its quirks, for sure," said Galusha. "They have a real good relationship. They can talk to each other like they're teammates and not take it personally.

"I have no issue with it. They are both real good curlers."

During a game Sharon, 48, and Megan, 23, interact like any other teammates. They talk about ice conditions, sweep side-by-side, chat between rocks.

"I really enjoy it," said Megan. "Not many people do it.

"Before I would look up to her. It's different being your teammate now. I like it."

It's a partnership that almost didn't happen. Megan hesitated



Mom Sharon and daughter Megan: Sharing special Scotties time.

when Sharon first raised the idea of curling becoming a family affair.

"It started in 2010," said Sharon. "Megan was fresh out of juniors and I was forming a new team. I was skipping at that time. I couldn't find a fourth player.

"She was on the fence. I convinced her."

Megan said her reluctance had nothing to do with not wanting to hang up with her mother. She just had other plans.

"I was old enough to still play juniors," she said. "I wanted to

get a team together for junior. Unfortunately I didn't get a team together. I guess it ended up working out in the long run."

You could say that.

With Sharon skipping, the Cormiers, along with third Tara Naugler and lead Danielle Ellis, won the NWT/Territories title in 2010 and competed at the Scotties in Sault Ste Marie, Ont. The team would finish 4-7 in the round-robin but along the way defeated Jennifer Jones' Team Canada rink 10-4.

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Off to the Baltics for winner here

BY LARRY WOOD

The winner of the current Scotties will advance to the World women's curling championship, March 16-24, at the 1,000-seat Volvo Sports Centre in the Latvian capital city of Riga.

World Curling Federation president Kate Caithness of Scotland termed the awarding of championship to Riga "a landmark in the history of curling."

"This will be the first time that a world curling championship is staged in the Baltic Region," says Caithness when the hosting was announced by the WCF.

"In the decade since the Latvian Curling Association became a member of the WCF, Latvia has shown great commitment to developing our sport and achieved outstanding results in competitive play."

Sponsored by Titlis Glacier Mountain in Switzerland, the WWCC will comprise Canadian and U.S. champions along with Japan and China from the Pacific region and European champion teams from Euro champion Russia, Italy, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Scotland, Switzerland and host Latvia.

A Latvian champion first competed at the World event in 2010 at Swift Current.

The team skipped by Iveta Stasa-Sarsune of Jelgava won one match in 11 starts, a 7-6 victory over Erika Brown of the U.S. Ironically, Brown will be skipping the U.S. champion team again in 2013, having won the Yank title this month.

Defending world champion Mirjam Ott of Switzerland this week leads her national championship in a bid to gain win the crown her team won at Lethbridge a year ago.

Pacific region champions will be skipped by former champion Bingyu Wang of China and Satsuki Fujisawa of Japan. Other teams assured of participation include Euro champion Anna Sidorova of Moscow and Scotland's Eve Muirhead.

Riga has a population of more than 700,000 and is the biggest city of the Baltic States. Since the Middle Ages, it has been a major political, economic and cultural centre. It is also a major seaport and its historical centre has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Latvia declared full independence from the former Soviet Union in August 1991 and in 1992 competed independently in the Olympic Games for the first time since before World War II. Since 2004, Latvia has been a member of the European Union.



Heather Nedohin led Team Canada into Lethbridge for the world's last year? Can she repeat and go to Riga, Latvia?



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THE STATISTICAL STORY



STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DRAW 8

**HEART CHART
DRAW STAR**

Brittany O'Rourke: 90%

Draw 8

GAME SCORES FOR DRAW 8

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	TOTAL	
A Alberta (Moore)	*0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	X	X	X	3	08:58
NL (Devereaux)	0	1	0	4	0	0	3	0	X	X	X	8	11:46
B BC (Scott)	*2	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	6	X	X	13	03:18
NB (Crawford)	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	X	X	7	04:04
C NS (Arsenault)	0	3	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	X	10	02:39
NWT/Yukon (Galusha)	*1	0	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	0	X	7	00:40
D Quebec (Ross)	*0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	6	00:09
PEI (Birt)	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	2	8	02:11

*last rock advantage



STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DRAW 9

**HEART CHART
DRAW STAR**

Colleen Jones: 90%

Draw 9

GAME SCORES FOR DRAW 9

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	
A SK (Shumay)	*1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	X	5	05:24
NS (Arsenault)	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	X	7	01:45
B Ontario (Homan)	*0	1	3	0	0	2	0	1	1	X	8	07:28
Quebec (Ross)	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	X	4	09:39
C Alberta (Moore)	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	6	03:34
Manitoba (Jones)	*2	0	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	9	01:51
D BC (Scott)	*1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	5	02:03
Canada (Nedohin)	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	7	03:40

*last rock advantage



TEAM STANDINGS AFTER 9 DRAWS

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES	FUTURE GAMES		
			10	11	12
Ontario (Homan)	6	0	SK	--	MB
Manitoba (Jones)	6	0	CAN	--	ON
Canada (Nedohin)	6	0	MB	--	SK
SK (Shumay)	4	2	ON	--	CAN
PEI (Birt)	3	3	NT	BC	--
BC (Scott)	3	3	--	PE	--
NB (Crawford)	2	4	NL	QC	--
NS (Arsenault)	2	4	--	NL	--
Quebec (Ross)	2	4	--	NB	--
NWT/Yukon (Galusha)	1	5	PE	AB	--
NL (Devereaux)	1	5	NB	NS	--
Alberta (Moore)	0	6	--	NT	--

Did you ever have one of those days? After a perfect start, Saskatchewan's Jill Shumay has dropped two games but stays in the playoff fray.



The Party Line

your guide to what's goin' on



autographs,
interviews... and
tons of **fun!**

By Candice-Rose Gagnon

A group of women from the Sutton Curling Club, dubbed the "Party Animals", were front and centre for Monday evening's Up Close and Personal interview in the HeartStop Lounge.

"We want everyone to know we are here," commented Cindy Allnut, on the shuttle bus ride from the K-Rock Centre. The group, also including Dora Shepard, Lorraine Cournoyer and Carol Anne Dempsey, carried a sign they designed to show their love of live championship curling.

"We are avid curlers and we want to see all the teams here at the Up Close and Personal sessions," said Allnut. "But being from Quebec, we're here to see the young ladies from Quebec tonight."

Referring to the shuttle bus experience, she added, "It's so easy to get around and we get to meet so many great people... we couldn't ask for a better service."

Allison Ross and Audrée Dufresne represented Team Quebec at the interview along with Jeanna Schraeder and Sarah Wazney from the British Columbia team. "The media sees us as underdogs, but I see us right up there with the rest of the teams," said Ross, the only member of the squad with previous Scotties experience.

Meanwhile, the Alberta and Nova Scotia teams were featured at the Team Autograph session. John and Wendy Main from Sandhurst shared some time, and a few laughs, with curling legend Colleen Jones. "It was amazing to meet her up close," said Wendy. "She was just so impressive, and so courteous."

Caroline Taylor had her pink sweater signed by both teams. "I like all of them, and I'm enjoying every minute of this," commented the 11-year-old skip.

Ambush, the feature act on stage at the HeartStop, provided the driving sounds that got the party rocking. The group had some support on backup vocals from Team Canada, for a lively rendition of "I Gotta Feeling".



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Tommy MacLean and Larry Ringler came out on top in Tuesday play in the Cool Shots competition for the fans. Along with the \$100 daily cash prize, they advance to championship finals, Sunday in the HeartStop.

The players are back on the boards for a new round starting today at 1 p.m. It's free to play the tabletop game... and it's all kinds of fun!



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Today – 6:00 pm

Teams Manitoba & Saskatchewan



The passion for curling on the Canadian prairies is reflected in the number of national championship titles that have headed west over the years. Today, the representatives from Manitoba and Saskatchewan will be in the HeartStop for the Team Autograph session. And, they're both off to a great start at the Scotties this year!

Jill Shumay from Maidstone, Saskatchewan, is making her first appearance at the Scotties, while veteran Jennifer Jones from Winnipeg is back for a 10th time, shooting for a fifth victory celebration.

- Tomorrow** – noon Teams Canada & Ontario
- Thursday** – 6 p.m. Teams Prince Edward Island & Northwest Territories/Yukon
- Friday** – 12:30 p.m. Teams Quebec & British Columbia
- Saturday** – 5:30 p.m. All Teams

up close and personal

Today – 5:30 pm

Teams Ontario

Every day until Friday, Up Close and Personal interviews feature entertaining conversations with some of the biggest names in the game. Today at 5:30 p.m., two representatives of Team Ontario sit down to chat with the fans – Alison Kreviazuk, who throws second stones for Rachel Homan will be joined by team coach Earle Morris. The coach has the distinction of skipping teams in three Briers, representing three different provinces – Manitoba, Quebec and Ontario.

- Tomorrow** – 12:30 p.m. Teams Manitoba & Saskatchewan
- Thursday** – 5:30 p.m. Team New Brunswick
- Friday** – 12:30 p.m. Teams Alberta & Nova Scotia
- Friday** – 5:30 p.m. Team Newfoundland/Labrador



Alison Kreviazuk

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Today's junior stars

The Junior Stars program provides 24 young curlers from local clubs with a first-hand experience of championship curling during the Scotties.

Junior Stars receive a ticket for themselves and two guests, an official jacket, a gift package from TSN, a photo with their team and introduction during a pre-game ceremony.



Patrick Stewart and Owen Hamilton join Team Alberta prior to the draw 8 pre-game ceremony.

2:00 pm Draw

Team Canada

Natalie Gagnon Campbellford
Jayna Mandin Royal Kingston

7:00 pm Draw

Team Northwest Territories/Yukon

Jordan Mark Winchester
Daniel White Royal Kingston



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Today's Schedule

Due to popular demand, the hours of operation for the complimentary shuttle bus service between the K-Rock Centre and Kingston Memorial Centre have been extended. Today's first departures from both venues will be at 1 p.m.

Buses will leave the K-Rock at a quarter-past and quarter-to the hour with final departure at 12:45 a.m. Buses will leave the Memorial Centre on the hour and half-hour with final departure at 1:00 a.m.

MEET THE TEAMS: QUEBEC • ALLISON ROSS • GLENMORE CURLING CLUB • MONTREAL

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Team you've played lots this season, best challenge?: We did lots of spels in the Ottawa region, so we did play a lot against teams from around that region. Our best challenge this season was probably the game against Marie-France Larouche in our Québec scotties. Last game of round robin play, we were first no matter what. We were down 5 nothing after 4 ends and after a little team chat, we picked up our game and ended up winning even after a 5 nothing deficit.

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Position: Skip

Name: Allison Ross

Family Details: 2 girls Kate (7), Carly (5)
Occupation: bookkeeper, cider maker, pastry chef

Birthdate: Aug 25, 1976

Birthplace: Lindsay, ON

Hometown: Canninton, ON

Favorite place to curl?: Glenmore Curling Club

Nickname: Al or Allie

Delivery: right handed

Go to shot: anything!

Longest serving teammate: Catherine Derick

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? Cake Boss! Make really cool wedding cakes!

Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why?

Past - Neil Harrison, knows the game better than anyone, EVER! Present - Kevin Koe, I love his attitude on the ice

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Golf

Social media important to you? Not at all, I don't even have Facebook!

Favourite supplier of curling gear? Performance

Favourite website: Allrecipes.com

Favourite ethnic cuisine: Thai

Any tattoos? Yes, 2 and more to come !?!?

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Relaxing with special friends and my kids, playing games, watching TV

Summer? Golfing, riding bikes with the kids or having bbq's with friends

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? Mary Gellard, first coach that really believed in me and she showed me the power of keeping things simple!

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Sherry Middaugh, Katrina Collins, Sherri Singler

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? The best thing about representing Canada would be having friends and family enjoy the moments with you. Would love to see the country and immerse ourselves in the culture.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? I would make the hogline about a foot further away...I'm cutting it close sometimes.

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Position: Third

Name: AUDRÉE DUFRESNE

Family Details: Living with boyfriend Francois Leveille, no kids (yet!)

Occupation: Lawyer

Birthdate: December 14th, 1982

Birthplace: Amos, QC

Hometown: Amos, QC but I live in

Montreal since 2005.

Favorite place to curl?: My hometown club in Amos brings back great junior memories. During the Christmas break before provincials, I always practice there alone or with my dad and brother. It the best place to get motivated before big events. I also enjoy curling at the TMR curling club in Montreal because of the great off-ice parties.

Nickname: "Lawyer-girl" by my coach Glenn, "Brains" by my teammate.

Delivery: Right

Go to shot: Having played second for a few years in the past, my Go to shot is the defensive "get-out-of-trouble-double or peel"

Longest-serving teammate: Véronique Grégoire (second for Marie-France Larouche). We curled together in juniors and in ladies. We are opponents now but we remain best friends.

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? Since I have no particular talent, it wouldn't be a talent show! I would try a show like the Amazing race. Travelling the world, working hard to win physical and intellectual challenges sounds good!

Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? One of my favorite curlers is Chantale Osborne. I remember in juniors watching her represent QC and looking up to her. I liked the fact her unconventional style, her focus on the game and fearlessness. Now that I got to know her and curl against her many times in the last years, I really admire her sportsmanship, her intelligence and her ability to play the best strategy for her game and players. She plays a very smart game and is very hard to beat!

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Snowboarding! I always loved that sport growing up.

Social media important to you? I use social media to stay informed of the news and events happening. I'm not an addict but have my facebook fix everyday!

Favourite supplier of curling gear? Performance brush, performance curling wear.

Favourite website: Amazone, Ebay. I like shopping - a lot!

Favourite ethnic cuisine: Without a doubt: traditional Mexican cuisine.

Any tattoos? No.

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? If I stay in Montreal: Brunch with my girl friends, a little shopping and unfortunately catching up on work! If I can get away: I go to my hometown Amos and spend the weekend with my family. I take every chance I have to see my nephew and niece.

Summer? Summer is usually all about work since I don't have any vacation time left because of curling! Outside of work, summer is the season for going out. Montreal is a great place to be in summer: Jazz fest, Just for laugh fest, Festival de la Francophonie, trying out great restaurants.

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? My brother. He's 6 years older than me. Watching him compete in juniors got me to try out curling.

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Skip: Eve Muirhead, Second: Jill Officer Lead: Ben Hebert

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what



you want to do there other than winning Gold? The best thing would be to wear the Canadian colors. Aside from winning gold, I would like to have an impact on increasing the popularity of the sport to non-curlers.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? Have a mulligan option when one rock picks.

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Position: Second

Name: Brittany O'Rourke

Family Details: Two brothers and one sister

Occupation: Newly graduated from Concordia University in leisure, work part time for the city of Pointe-Claire in the leisure department.

Birthdate: February 19th, 1989

Birthplace: Montreal, Québec

Hometown: Dorval

Favorite place to curl?: Glenmore

Nickname: Britt

Delivery: right handed

Go to shot: Peel

Longest serving teammate: Sasha Beauchamp (since 2007 with one or two years off)

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Soccer (I was the Goalie for Concordia for 2 years)

Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? Past: and Sandra Schmirler (inspiring, determined and always intense on the ice) Present: Mark Kennedy (always consistent and a team player)

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Soccer (I was the Goalie for Concordia for 2 years)

Social media important to you? It's a love hate relationship!

Favourite supplier of curling gear? Performance Brush and Performance Curling Wear

Favourite website: Netflix

Favourite ethnic cuisine: Thai of Indian

Any tattoos? One for now!

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Catching up with laundry and friends

Summer? Soccer, Tennis, running and hopefully golf this summer

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? Glenn Tester (coach and step dad) He introduced me to the sport and has coached me every year since I started.

He knows the sport well and knows how to put a team together!

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Rachel Homan, Kaitlyn Lawes and Jen Baxter.

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? I'd like to visit as many places as possible and get to know fellow athletes.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? Nothing I could think of at the moment.

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Position: Lead

Name: Sasha Beauchamp

Family Details: My 4 years boyfriend is Philippe Menard (Yes, Jean-Michel's brother!), we don't have kids, but we do have a dog Nica and a cat Capucine!

Occupation: Massage Therapist and also since recently a Project Management student at H.E.C.

Birthdate: August 24 1988

Birthplace: Longueuil, Qc

Hometown: Greenfield Park, Qc

Favorite place to curl?: Every event that is held in an arena I find great! Usually the ice conditions are better and there's so much more space!!

Nickname: Sash

Delivery: Right-Handed

Go to shot: Draw top 4

Longest serving teammate: Brittany, my second. We went to our three Junior Nationals together in 2007, 2008 and 2009 as front end.

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? I am not really a fan of reality TV, but I guess I would enjoy being part of the Dog whisperer or show that involve animals! I have to admit I am a big animal lover!

Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? When Russ Howard and Brad Gushue won the gold medal at the Olympics was a great moment and very inspiring!! Present, I guess I would have to say Dawn Askin, she is the best lead in women's curling and as a lead I do aspire to her level of play!

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? A star Equestrian!

Social media important to you? A little bit, so that I do check facebook every day, but that's about it!

Favourite supplier of curling gear? Performance Brush!

Favourite website: Any curling website!

Favourite ethnic cuisine: Italian but also love sushi!

Any tattoos? Not yet! But I have been planning on getting one. A daisy in memory of my grand-mother who passed a few years ago, It was her favorite flower!

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Well, hopefully Phil is not either! We probably would get up late, relax and spend some time together, go to the dog park with our dog and for the evening go out for supper with friends that we don't see that often during curling season!

Summer? Week-end off during summer, often means we go up to my dad's cottage near Magog. Enjoy the quiet place by the water! Or we would once against plan activities with friends!

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? I would have to have two person! First one is my first coach, Francois Lafontaine. Who put in lots of time with me when I started so I could improve rapidly. Secondly, my current coach, who was also my coach when Britt and I went to our junior Nationals. He was already there for us, and help to push ourselves and always aim for more!

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Skip, I think I would go with Rachel Homan, she is a fears competitor and always hungry for victory! Third, I would go for Kaitlyn Lawes, played against her in juniors and she's very nice and a great curler. Second, I would have to go with Sasha Carter, She has such a pretty name! ;)

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? Well, It would be the first time in Russia, so I guess take all in the culture and the differences that we would be seeing over there! Also, Playing in the Olympics is according to me one of the best privileged a curler can have!

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game

what would it be? Noting I can think of.

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Position: Alternate

Name: Annie Lemay

Family Details: Married and mom of a 3 year old girl (Marie-Soleil)

Occupation: Senior Programs Officer, Canada Revenue Agency

Birthdate: May 16, 1977

Birthplace: Trois-Rivières, Québec

Hometown: Gatineau

Favorite place to curl?: Trois-Rivières

Delivery: right handed

Go to shot: double take out

Longest serving teammate: When I played with Marie-France Larouche (2000-2011)

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? I'd like to be a good cook on a reality TV show!

Favourite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? Past: Russ Howard and Sandra Schmirler (inspiring, determined and always intense on the ice) Present: Jean-Michel Ménard (Can I really choose someone else?)

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Tennis

Social media important to you? I like it but I do not spend much time on it.

Favourite supplier of curling gear? Performance Brush and Performance Curling Wear

Favourite website: Google

Favourite ethnic cuisine: Thai

Any tattoos? No

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? I play with Marie-Soleil my daughter and I like cardio kickboxing.

Summer? Tennis, cardio kickboxing, swimming

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? Marie-France Larouche since we played so many years together!

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Marie-France Larouche, Jeanna Schraeder and Dawn Askin.

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? I'd like to visit the Federation Island

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? Nothing I could think of at the moment.

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Coach Glenn tester

Family: 5 kids, aged 17-26

Occupation: general manager of kush paper and packaging , among other products line I sell boxes that we buy from Kruger and Scott paper products .

Born: April 3, 1956

Hometown: Montreal is my birthplace, reside in Dorval, a suburb of Montreal
Favorite place to curl: At any national championship!!! This will be my fourth, three junior womens 2007-2008-2009 and now our first Scotties

Delivery: ancient but right handed....

Go to shot: big weight hits

Longest serving teammate: Brittany our second is my step daughter and have coached her for 13 years.

Favourite two curlers: Past: Jim Ursel, Present: Dawn Askin

Social media important? Only to keep in touch with my kids

Favourite Supplier: Performance

Favourite ethnic cuisine: Chinese

DATE	TIME	DRAW	A	B	C	D
SATURDAY February 16	2:00 p.m.	1	SK vs NT	NL vs ON	MB vs PE	CA vs NB
	7:00 p.m.	2	PE vs NB	AB vs BC	NT vs NL	NS vs QC
SUNDAY February 17	9:00 a.m.	3	ON vs AB	QC vs SK	CA vs NS	MB vs BC
	2:00 p.m.	4	NL vs MB	PE vs CA	SK vs NB	ON vs NT
	7:00 p.m.	5	NS vs BC	NB vs NT	QC vs AB	PE vs NL
MONDAY February 18	2:00 p.m.	6	QC vs CA	MB vs NS	ON vs BC	AB vs SK
	7:30 p.m.	7	NB vs ON	CA vs NL	PE vs SK	NT vs MB
TUESDAY February 19	2:00 p.m.	8	AB vs NL	BC vs NB	NS vs NT	QC vs PE
	7:00 p.m.	9	SK vs NS	ON vs QC	AB vs MB	BC vs CA
WEDNESDAY February 20	2:00 p.m.	10	CA vs MB	NT vs PE	NL vs NB	SK vs ON
	7:00 p.m.	11	NT vs AB	NS v NL	BC vs PE	NB vs QC
THURSDAY February 21	9:00 a.m.	12		SK vs CA	MB vs ON	
	2:00 p.m.	13	NS vs PE	NB vs AB	NT vs QC	NL vs BC
	7:30 p.m.	14	BC vs SK	QC vs MB	AB vs CA	ON vs NS
FRIDAY February 22	9:00 a.m.	15	NL vs QC	BC vs NT	NB vs NS	PE vs AB
	2:00 p.m.	16	MB vs NB	PE vs ON	SK vs NL	CA vs NT
	7:30 p.m.	17	ON vs CA	AB vs NS	QC vs BC	MB vs SK
IF NO TIE BREAKER DRAWS						
SATURDAY, February 23	2:00 p.m.	PP	Page Playoff Game			
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SATURDAY, February 23	9:00 a.m.	TB1	Tie-Breaker			
	2:00 p.m.	PP	Page Playoff Game (if 2nd TB is required - 2:00 p.m.)			
	7:00 p.m.	PP	Page Playoff Game			
SEMI FINAL						
SUNDAY, February 24	9:00 a.m.	SF	Semi Final			
BRONZE MEDAL						
SUNDAY, February 24	2:00 p.m.	BRZ	Bronze Medal			
FINAL						
SUNDAY, February 24	7:00 p.m.	FNL	Final			

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Time for Trivia

Question Of The Day: Next year's Scott Tournament of Hearts will be played in Montreal. Name the Canadian women's champion skip the last time the event was played in that city and the year it was played.

1. Montreal once held a Brier. When was that and who won it?
2. Only two Canadian women's championships have been played in Montreal. The first of those was in which year?
3. Who won that Canadian title, representing which province?
4. The province of Quebec has produced only one Canadian women's curling champion in 52 years. Name the skip of victorious Quebec team.
5. In what year was Quebec triumphant and

where?

6. The title was determined by a sudden-death playoff. Who was the losing skip, and from which province?
7. Name the curler(s) who has(ve) skipped the most Ontario-based teams (including Team Canada) in the Canadian women's curling championship.
8. How many teams?
9. Of the current dozen skips at the Scott Tournament of Hearts, how many, aside from Team Canada, are Scotties repeaters this year?
10. Name(s) please.
11. How many finished as the runner-up in their respective provincial/territorial championships a year ago?
12. Name(s) please.

- (Answers)**
 QoD: Lindsay Sparkes, 1979.
 1. 1977. Jim Urset of Quebec.
 2. 1967.
 3. Betty Duguid, Manitoba.
 4. Lee Tobin.
 5. 1975 at Moncton, N.B.
 6. Mary Mitchell of Saskatchewan
 7. Marilyn Bodogh, Heather Houston, Alison Goring, Anne Merklinger, Sherry Middaugh, Krista McCarville.
 8. Would you believe six Ontario skips each have directed teams in four Canadian championships?
 9. Three skips.
 10. Kerry Galusha, Jennifer Jones, Kelly Scott.
 9. Four teams.
 10. Five repeaters.
 11. Two teams
 12. Rachel Homan, Allison Ross.

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Team you've played lots this season, best challenge?: We only went to one spiel this year and only had one play-down event so haven't played many ladies teams this year! But back home we have played Jamie Koe's mens team a lot in practice games. They usually beat us but we are able to still score a few points!

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Position: Skip

Name: Kerry Galusha

Family Details: Married with 1 child - Sydney 3 years old

Occupation: Senior Finance Clerk

Birthdate: November 3/77

Birthplace: Yellowknife NT

Hometown: Yellowknife NT

Favorite place to curl?: Saskatoon, SK - love that city.

Nickname: Double K

Delivery: Right

Longest serving teammate: Ms. Shona Barbour. We have curled together on and off since juniors in 1995

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? I would def be in Amazing Race with my best friend Stacy. We would do awesome! I am pretty competitive when it comes to races!

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? I love watching tennis. And they make a ton of money so I would definitely play tennis.

Social media important to you? Its not super important to me but I do love it. I find it pretty entertaining keeping up to date with all my fellow curlers. Follow our team on twitter! @TeamGalusha or check out our facebook page!

Favorite supplier of curling gear? ASHAM!

Favorite website: www.oldnavy.ca - I do a lot of online shopping living up north.

Favorite ethnic cuisine: Vietnamese

Any tattoos? None and probably will never get one.

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Taking my daughter to dance class and then either cleaning or hopefully watching curling on TV!

Summer? Hanging outside with my daughter - Yellowknife has beautiful summers.

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? My entire family - we are a curling family and without their support and encouragement I wouldn't be where I am today.

I always say Kevin's got all the talent so it's amazing to see him do so well...all of the time...

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? 3rd - Jolene Campbell 2nd - Jill Officer Lead - Stefanie Clark. Love these girls!

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? Have Canadian Championships move to 8 ends and NO relegation round.

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Position: Third

Name: Sharon Cormier

Family Details: Married, 2 children

Occupation: Manager, Finance & Admin., Govt. of the NWT, Public Works & Services

Birthdate: July 8, 1964

Birthplace: Regina, SK

Hometown: Yellowknife

Favorite place to curl?: Any where that the fans are appreciative

Delivery: Right

Go to shot: Draw around a center guard to top 4

Longest serving teammate: Kelly Kaylo

Favorite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? Sandra Schmirler - played against her at my 1st Scotties and she was such an inspiration. Kathy King - Wow!!! Won a junior, a ladies and a senior Canadian Championship!

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Golf (warmer)! **Social media important to you?** Yes, keeps me up to date on things.

Favorite supplier of curling gear? Asham!!

Favorite ethnic cuisine: Italian

Any tattoos? No

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Laundry, cleaning, or wrapped in a blanket watching TV.

Summer? On the patio eating a steak and drinking beer.

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? My father, he is my rock! He is my "go to" for advice and strategy!

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Sherry Middaugh - skip, myself at 3rd, Joan McCusker at 2nd, Amanda Gates at lead. **What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than win-**



ning Gold? Wearing the Maple Leaf on my back. Shopping of course!! **If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be?** Change to 8 ends.

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Position: Second

Name: Megan Cormier

Family Details: 4 Year old son - Kobe Ellis, In a Relationship - David Alexandre

Occupation: Receptionist/Finance Clerk

Birthdate: July 18th, 1989

Birthplace: Yellowknife

Hometown: Yellowknife

Favorite place to curl?: Red Deer, I have tons of family there.

Nickname: Megs, Meggy

Delivery: Right

Go to shot: Peel

Longest serving teammate: Sharon Cormier

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? Definitely Next great Baker!

Favorite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? I had an answer for past Scotties curler the second I read this question, someone I have always looked up to when I was in junior. Colleen Jones, but now I'm happy to say that I get to compete against her at a Scotties! **If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in?** Soccer, I used to play and really loved it.

Social media important to you? Definitely, I'm Addicted

Favorite supplier of curling gear? Asham!

Favorite website: Google! Anyone that knows me would say I couldn't go a day without googling at least one thing.

Favorite ethnic cuisine: Mexican

Any tattoos? Two

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Spending time with my son & baking

Summer? Spending time with my son & friends, Going to the beach, Boating.

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? This one is a tough one for me to pick. I've always looked up to my mom as a curler of course but my dad coached me throughout juniors and has taught me a lot over the years. Kudos to him for putting up with me back then. He tells me a lot of his grey hairs are from those years lol!

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Skip: Amber Holland Third: Susan O'Connor Lead: Amanda Gates

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? Just knowing that you're there representing your country. I would want to go see the Agura Waterfalls they look amazing

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? The only thing I can think of is that I would like to see the number of ends played changed to 8 ends like on the WCT.

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Position: Lead

Name: Wendy Miller

Family Details: Not married, no kiddies but soon to be Aunt of twin girls!

Occupation: Crown Prosecutor

Birthdate: March 3, 1981

Birthplace: Fredericton, New Brunswick

Hometown: Town of 4 O's (Oromocto, New Brunswick)

Favorite place to curl?: Thistle-St. Andrews (Saint John, NB)

Nickname: Had lots over the years but my favourite one lately is "the barracuda"

Delivery: Left

Go to shot: Come around draw

Longest serving teammate: Tie between Kerry and Shona - I have curled with them since I moved to Yellowknife!

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? I hate all reality TV except Survivor and I would probably be terrible on that show (unless I was hosting)

Favorite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? Sandra Schmirler - how can you not love her? Amazing woman. Glen Howard because he always looks like he's having a good time.

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? Golf - who wouldn't want to be the LPGA tour?

Social media important to you? Yes - but only to find out the latest info and see what people are up to (I'm more of a Twitter follower than a tweeter!)

Favorite supplier of curling gear? Asham - our team Northwest Territories/ Yukon brooms are absolutely beautiful! **Favorite website:** weatheroffice.gc.ca - I am obsessed with knowing how cold/hot it is (but I live in Yellowknife so I feel like it's totally normal)

Favorite ethnic cuisine: Greek

Any tattoos? Not a chance

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Probably at the gym or curled up on the couch with a coffee and book.

Summer? Outside! Have to make the most of those long summer sunlit days and nights.

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? My dad got me into curling and has always been my biggest supporter - I hope I'm still curling when I'm his age! (hahaha sorry dad)

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? Sample as much Russian Vodka as possible.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? 8 end games

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Position: Fifth

Name: Shona Barbour

Family Details: single

Occupation: Programs Advisor, NWT Housing Corporation

Birthdate: July 4, 1979

Birthplace: Calgary, Alberta

Hometown: Yellowknife/Inuvik, NT

Favorite place to curl?: Whitehorse Curling Club as it is a beautiful club, surrounded by a winter wonderland (ski trails, etc).

Nickname: Barbs

Delivery: Right

Go to shot: peel Longest serving teammate: I have curled with Kerry Galusha on and off since 1995 (18 years).

If you could be on a reality TV show, what would it be and what would you do? Survivor as I am good at camping and being in the outdoors.

Favorite two curlers (1) past/ (1) present and why? I grew up watching Team Russ Howard and loved their winner-take-all attitude. Now I pay closest attention to Kevin Koe as he is the most successful Gwich'in athlete right now.

If you weren't a star curler, what sport would you hope star in? I would want to be a popular yoga instructor.

Social media important to you? Yes, Facebook and Twitter team accounts. Follow us @TeamGalusha.

Favorite supplier of curling gear? Asham, a team sponsor.

Favorite website: www.globeandmail.com

Favorite ethnic cuisine: Vietnamese

Any tattoos? Curling rock on my ankle since I was 16 years old. No regrets.

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Cross country skiing outside or yoga inside. **Summer?** Being in the mountains south of Inuvik, berry picking, or gardening.

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? Fred and Lynda Koe as they encouraged me throughout juniors and when I lived with their family.

If you were on TSN Skins Game and got to choose your team, who would the other 3 be, and no you can't pick your current teammates, and they all must be from separate teams? Jennifer Jones (has Skins experience), Lori Olson (from my days of Alberta curling), Jolene Campbell (for her shot making and sense of humour) and me at lead.

What would be the best thing about representing Canada in Sochi, what you want to do there other than winning Gold? Watch Team Canada hockey and listen to Oh Canada played as much as possible.

If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be? I am not quite sold on the idea of the relegation round yet.

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Position: Coach

Name: Jock Tyre

Family Details: Married

Occupation: General Manager Kelowna Curling Club

Birthdate: March 24, 1965

Birthplace: Oakville Ontario

Hometown: Kelowna BC

Delivery:right

Favorite supplier of curling gear? Ultima

Favorite ethnic cuisine: Indian

Any tattoos? No

On a winter's weekend day you are not curling, what are you doing? Working

Summer? Anything outdoors with my dogs and wife

One person who has most influenced your curling career, and why? Elaine Dagg-Jackson who got me into coaching **If you could make one change to rules, equipment, etc., to improve the game what would it be?** More contact with coach



Territories skipper Kerry Galusha with Mom Lynda, Dad Fred and Daughter Sydney at The Scotties in Red Deer last year: Watch for more photo moments from the ladies in the Heart Chart this week.

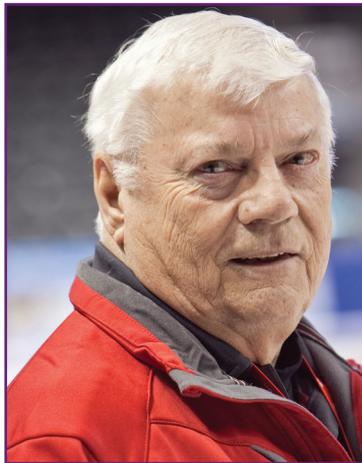
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The statistics: How does it work?

For non-curlers, new curlers and even old-time rock tossers, you can expect, at some point, to be overwhelmed with statistics during the Scotties Tournament of Hearts that has now taken over the K-Rock Centre.

One will hear on television or find out live, for instance, that Curler A on Sheet A had a game of 95%, or that Curler C on Sheet D was a woeful 45% during this nine-day marathon. How are these figures achieved? What's the criteria for the scoring stats in which every rock delivered by every curler is marked by a statistician during the competition to declare Canada's 2013 women's curling champions?

I thought it might be interesting to give you a partial glimpse on how the stats are achieved...and perhaps, as the week goes on, maybe you can match your wits with the experts.



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After all, everyone loves the role of armchair critic no matter what the sport.

Scoring on each delivered rock is marked on a basis of zero to 4. However, it is not as simple as a straight hit (4) or a miss (0). The indication from the skip, on where she wants the thrown rock to finish plays a vital role. Four points are awarded if the takeout is made and the shooter rolls to the called location. Three points will be awarded if the takeout is made, but the shooter has not rolled to the desired location. The player will get a two if the takeout is made, but the shooter rolls out. A score of one is achieved if the target stone is moved to a less desirable location, i.e. no longer shot stone. A zero is scored for a straight miss.

However, not every perfect takeout results in a perfect score. On a blank end attempt by the skip, there are three variations. A hit and roll out to keep the hammer is a four. A hit and stay (shooting team loses hammer) results in a score of two even though the takeout was made. And a miss, of course, is a zero.

Perhaps the most interesting scenario in scoring comes with the draw shot. There are actually eight ways a draw can be scored when called somewhere in the house or around a front stone or guard. Four points are awarded if the draw is made to the desired location. Three points will be given if the shot is behind the guard, ahead of the tee, not shot but could be tapped back. Two points will be scored if the delivered stone is not behind the guard but is shot; or if it ends up as shot stone and behind the guard and ahead or just behind the tee line. There are three ways to get a one on the draw shot - if it is behind the guard, well behind the tee line and not shot; not behind the guard, not shot, but still useable; and short of the rings, but close enough to be useable as the end progresses. Zero, as expected, is a complete miss.

Another shot that will be prominent throughout the week will be removing a front stone or guard from the free guard zone, but not out of play. Four points are scored if the target rock is ticked to the side or behind the tee line and the delivered rock slides out of play. Three points if the stone is ticked to the side or behind the tee line, but the shooter remains in play. Two points if the stone is moved in line with the edge of eight-foot circle; one point if the stone is moved in line with the four-foot line; and zero if the shot is missed.

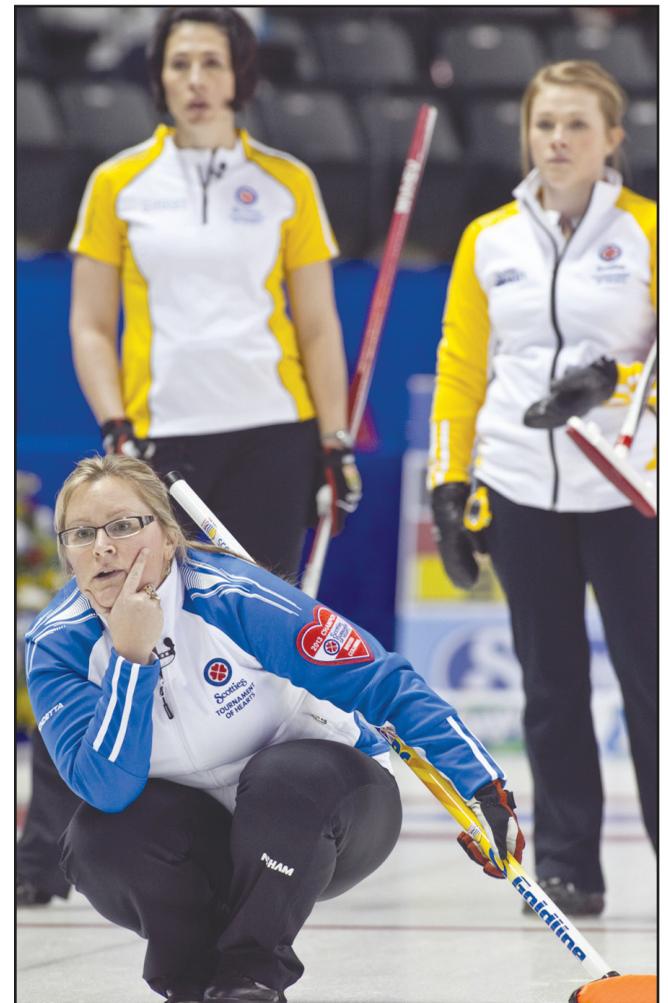
I'll give you one more to digest and then list the other scoring elements to see if you can now figure how the scores in those areas would be awarded on the zero to four basis.

Let's look at the tap back or raise. Tapping back your opponent's stone to a desired location in the house. The stone can be in the house or out of the house. The scoring goes like this: 4 - the raised stone is in the right position behind the guard; 3 - the raised stone is almost in the right position; 2 - the raised stone is in the house, but not behind the guard; (there is no 1 that can be figured on this shot) 0 - raised stone is not in the house.

Here are the rest of the scoring shots that our figure filberts have to digest over the week: Double takeout, hit and roll, clearing the front stones, raise takeout (with your own stone or opponent's stone), centre or corner guard, straight guard, freeze and a split or wick of one or two front stones into the house.

Now, how would you score the players on the above shots. Remember, the key element throughout your attempt at duplicating the official scoring summary is the direction in which the skip has indicated to her player the result she wants to achieve, when the stone or stones come to rest.

Have fun and enjoy the mental exercise. If you become confused, and really want to finesse your skills, you can go to www.curlit.com for all possible scoring scenarios.

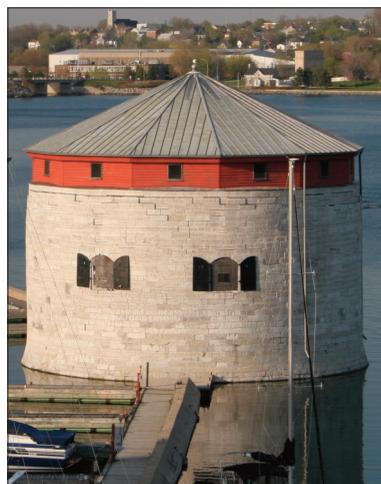


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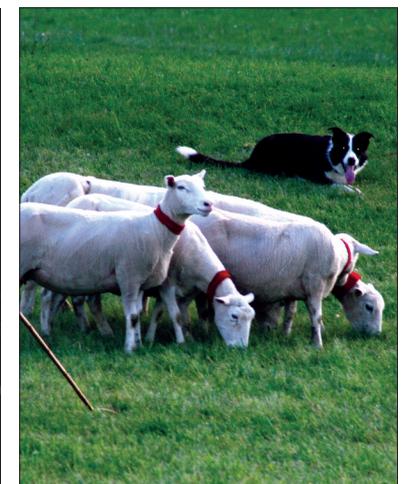
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