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Quebec's Annie Lemay throws her rock to the sweepers, left. Northern Ontario skip Krista McCarville is off to a fast start at 3-0.



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Host province feeling good playing Scotties at home

By **JOHN KOROBANIK**
HeartChart Associate Editor

Chelsea Carey and her new teammates are enjoying their role as the hometown favourites at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts here at Revolution Place.

"That's a lot of fun," Carey said of being the hometown team here. "It's a pretty neat feeling so that's been a great cherry on top. The Scotties is the Scotties, it's always pretty awesome, but to be Team Alberta in Alberta is pretty magical."

Carey, third Amy Nixon, second Jocelyn Peterman and lead Laine Peters racked up two more wins Sunday to sit tied with Northern Ontario atop the standings after five draws at 3-0.

It's a place they're not terribly surprised to be at, but perhaps a bit better than they had hoped for, given that they played Team Canada's veteran Jennifer Jones crew in their first game.

"We had a mission to be 2-1 after three games, to be solidly placed, and we did that, 3-0 is a nice bonus," Nixon said after they had beaten Karla Thompson 8-5 Sunday afternoon.

They had beaten Stacey Curtis of Newfoundland-Labrador 6-4 in the morning draw, despite giving the Maritimers a deuce in the ninth, and shocked Jones with a 12-5 win a day earlier.

"I don't know if we felt like we made a statement this morning, it was kind of a scrappy game," Nixon said of the win over B.C. "But it's more about us than what anyone thinks about us. I'll go to bed happy tonight to be 3-0."

The three straight wins puts Alberta squarely in the target zone of every other team they'll face this week, but Nixon, an Olympic bronze medallist and four-time Alberta champion with skip Shannon Kleibrink, says they should have been a target from Day 1.



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THANKS, FOLKS!

Canadians dig deep for Sandra

Canadians once again opened their hearts and wallets for the Sandra Schmirler Telethon, which is held annually on the first Sunday of the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

Schmirler, who won gold for Canada at the 1998 Winter Olympics, passed away from cancer 16 years ago, but her influence on people remains just as strong through the Sandra Schmirler Foundation.

The Foundation raises money for intensive care life-saving equipment for babies in crisis. To date, it has raised more than \$2 million and has donated money in every Canadian province.

"The telethon is a fixture at the Scotties," said Todd Troyer, treasurer of the Sandra Schmirler Foundation. "It's really cool having teams come up here. Even though they're excited to play in the games, a lot of them are interested in helping with the Foundation and answering calls. This is part of their Scotties experience here."



The telethon, now into its 15th year, raised a whopping \$340,000 last year in Moose Jaw.

"With the telethon we have a target," said Troyer. "Kind of what's possible. Last year was in Moose Jaw and that was one of the biggest years we've ever had. That was in Sandra's back yard so that might be tough to beat. We're looking for about \$300,000. That would be a really nice number to achieve."

A final total was unavailable at press time.

Volunteers from the local hospitals helped man the phones this year, along with Scotties players and some curling celebrities, including Jon Mead, Marilyn Bodogh, Lisa Weagle and Emma Miskew.

Schmirler's daughters, Sara and Jenna England, who were just babies when their mother passed away, were on hand Sunday to help during the day-long fundraiser.



TSN's Vic Rauter encourages viewers to give.

"It was great to have them," said Troyer.

Troyer said organizations such as Curling Canada providing a venue and TSN broadcasting the event make the Foundation possible.

"We have a great partnership with them and we look forward to this going on for a long time."

"When we're (volunteers) able to help an important cause, it makes you feel good."

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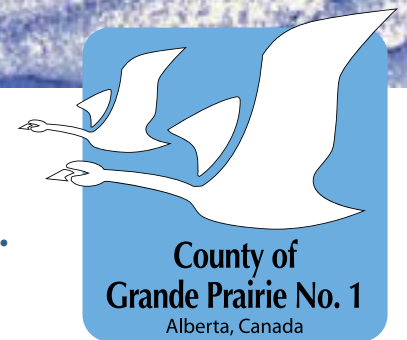
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"Anyone who thought we weren't a decent team, it's ridiculous. So I don't think there's any target that shouldn't been there in the first place."

When Heather Nedohin decided to take a break from curling, Carey took over piloting the three remaining members of her team this season and it's been a relatively smooth transition.

"When you start playing together there's a big difference between playing nine years with Shannon Kleibrink and six months with Chelsea Carey," said Nixon.

"But since the slam in Yorkton in December we're really started to click and understand how to communicate with each other.

"I feel super good, from my perspective, of being able to hold the broom for Chelsea. I have a really good sense of her tendencies. She's a pretty solid thrower."

Being perfect after three games, however, doesn't guarantee anything in the Scotties and the Alberta foursome are fully aware of that. They're not looking anywhere beyond this morning's game against Northern Ontario.

"It's a long, long week, we have a lot of games ahead of us, so we're just taking it in chunks," said Nixon.

And Carey said it's still a learning process for

the four of them as they continue to improve. Like Sunday, when they had the game under control but gave up a deuce to B.C. in the ninth to make it more interesting that the game should have been at that point.

"So we said, lets do a better job of staying focused when we get a lead and we did a better job of that (in the) afternoon.

"We're learning every game about the ice and difficult spots and getting lots of valuable information."

While Alberta was cruising to its third straight win in the afternoon, Krista McCarville and her Northern Ontario team needed to steal deuces in the 10th and 11th ends to get past Nova Scotia 9-7.

In the evening draw, McCarville calmed her nerves and drew the draw with her final stone in the 10th end to score two and beat Team Canada's Jennifer Jones 8-7.

"I feel like I'm so calm and cool during the game but when it comes to the last end and it's such a nailbiter I'm like, 'Oh my God, I'm getting nervous.'" McCarville said after improving her early record to 3-0.

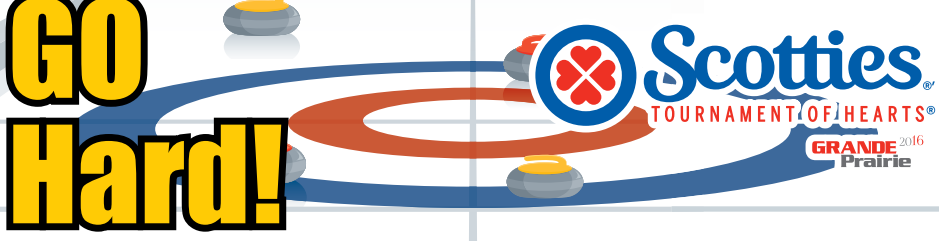
"I'm like, don't be nervous, it's the same thing, same game, same speed and everything is the same, just keep your nerves calm."

"That's what every skip wants, to throw a draw to win a game," said McCarville, a four-time Ontario champion. "Especially in a big game like that, we wanted to keep it close and hope we had a chance at the end."




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Kamloops Curling Club (Kamloops) Coach: Gary Van Den Berghe

Karla Thompson

SKIP

Age: 31
Born: Langley, B.C.
Residence: Kamloops
Marital status: Married to Doug Thompson
Children: Adison 5, Keaton 2
Employment: Teacher at NorKam Secondary and dispatcher – Provincial Airtanker Centre
Single greatest personal achievement: My Family
Strong likes: Hanging with my husband, watching my kids play sports, weekends, curling
Dislikes: Colds!
Favourite food: Popcorn
Favourite drink: Cesars, Coke, water
Three words that describe you: Nurturing, opinionated, busy
Most treasured possession: My husband says my Iphone
Other life interests: Slowpitch, coaching high-school curling, camping
Words to live by: You get what you get and you don't get upset. (I have young children . . .)



Kristen Recksiedler

THIRD

Age: 32
Born: Maple Ridge, B.C.
Residence: Coquitlam, B.C. (as of Feb. 19!)
Marital status: Live with boyfriend Mike Ryan
Children: None
Employment: Abilities Case Manager — Sun Life Financial
Single greatest personal achievement: Making it to Scotties!
Strong likes: Sweet nephew Jacob, friends, food, renovation shows
Dislikes: Coughing, slow drivers, olives
Favourite food: Cheese
Favourite drink: Spiced rum and coke
Three words that describe you: Fun, focused, fun
Other life interests: Kickboxing, TRX, slopitch
Words to live by: Smile, laugh, and swear



Tracey Lavery

SECOND

Age: 41
Born: Winnipeg
Residence: Victoria
Marital status: Married to Bill Lutynec
Children: None
Employment: Social worker/counsellor
Single greatest personal achievement: Completing a Master's degree in Social Work
Strong likes: Being with family and friends, concerts, travel
Dislikes: Extremely cold weather
Favourite food: Ice cream, Keg, beet salad
Favourite drink: Basil Soda
Three words that describe you: Determined, adaptable and devoted
Most treasured possession: A carved paddle I purchased at a antique store during our honeymoon
Other life interests: Traveling and visiting friends and family, sailing/boating/paddle boarding in the ocean.
Words to live by: Carpe Diem - Live life to the fullest or May the force be with you — Star Wars



Trysta Vandale

LEAD

Age: 30
Born: Elkford, B.C.
Residence: Port Moody, B.C.
Marital status: Single
Children: None
Employment: Executive Assistant, Peter Kiewit Infrastructure
Single greatest personal achievement: Purchasing my first home, and of course winning the provincials
Strong likes: Curling, watching curling on TV
Dislikes: Watching darts
Favourite food: Chips . . . shhh!
Favourite drink: Caesars
Three words that describe you: Dedicated, determined, passionate
Most treasured possession: My new home with my autographed Steve Nash basketball in it
Other life interests: Crossfit, baseball, travelling and hanging out with friends
Words to live by: You can't live with the gold until you learn to live without it



Sasha Carter

FIFTH

Age: 41
Born: Ashern, Man.
Residence: Kelowna, B.C.
Marital status: Married to Greg Carter
Children: Evan 4, Zachary 3
Employment: Corporate Sales Associate, Prestige Hotels and Resorts
Single greatest personal achievement: My two hooligans
Strong likes: Saturday nights — PJs, wine, chocolate and a Star Wars movie marathon with the family
Dislikes: Dresssing and getting two children out the door in the wintertime — uggghhh!
Favourite food: Lobster
Favourite drink: Lemon Drop Martini
Three words that describe you: Quirky, hard-working, loyal
Most treasured possession: Probably my Ipad — it has all our pictures and videos on it
Other life interests: Travelling, running, watching every episode of Big Bang Theory about 20 times
Words to live by: Scatter kindness. It's free.



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Joined Confederation: 1871
Capital City: Victoria
Languages Spoken: 71% English, 8.5% Chinese, 4% Punjab, 1.5% French, 15% other
Economy: Forestry, mining, construction, tourism, retail/service sector.



B.C. AT THE SCOTTIES

Last five years:

2015: Patti Knezevic (1-10)
 2014: Kesa Van Osch (6-5)
 2013: Kelly Scott (8-3 Bronze)
 2012: Kelly Scott (8-3 Silver)
 2011: Kelly Scott (7-4)

Last championship — Kelly Scott (2006)

Canadian titles — 9

World titles — 5 (Kelly Scott 2007, Kelly Law 2000, Heather Houston 1989, Pat Sanders 1987, Linda Moore 1985)
Other prominent B.C. women curlers — Lindsay Sparkes, Julie Sutton.

Nova Scotia skip Jill Brothers returned to the ice Sunday after suffering from the flu.



BACK FROM SICK BAY

It's been a difficult several days for Nova Scotia skip Jill Brothers.

The 32-year-old from Bedford missed Friday's Ford Hot Shots competition and her team's opening game Saturday in the Scotties Tournament of Hearts because she was sick.

"It's some kind of flu, I don't know," she said after returning to the ice Sunday. "My husband has it now.

"I've eaten half an oatmeal and a couple little pieces of chicken today so I'm pretty tired."

Nova Scotia lost 11-7 to Saskatchewan in their first game with Sarah Murphy skipping, but stole eight points in the middle ends to beat Manitoba 9-3 with Brothers back skipping in

Sunday morning's game.

In the afternoon game Nova Scotia led 7-3 after eight ends but let it slip away, giving up a deuce in the eighth and then letting Northern Ontario steal deuces in the 10th and 11th ends.

"We had our shot to win in 10," Brothers said of her last-rock attempt to draw inside the four foot. "We threw what we thought we needed and we read the ice wrong as far as weight goes. I let it go, thought it was fine and the next thing you know it wasn't curling... and there it goes."

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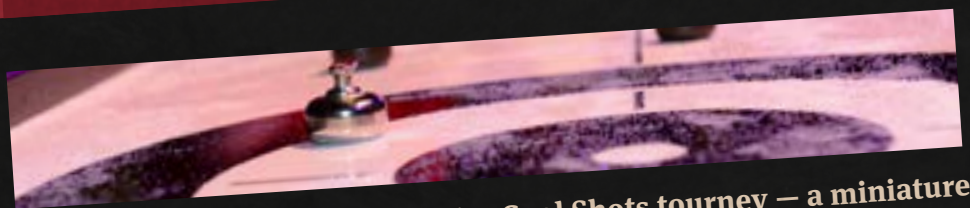


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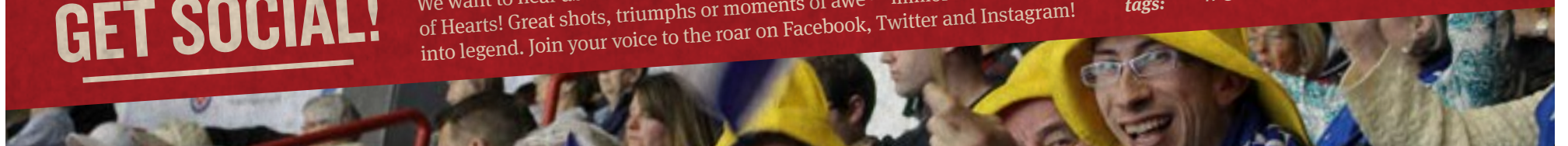


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 ”

TEAM QUEBEC

“
THE STRANGEST THING ABOUT US IS THAT WE ARE KIND OF THE UNKNOWN TEAM THIS SEASON!
 ”

TEAM SASKATCHEWAN

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**MONDAY
 FEBRUARY 22**

5:15 P

**TEAM BRITISH
 COLUMBIA**

5:15 P

TEAM QUEBEC

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Gather round folks, we're going to test your curling know-how

1. She said it: "As a kid, I was a complete rink rat—I basically lived at the curling club with my dad. The waitresses at the Granite Curling Club doubled as my babysitters, and let me print my name on the signature line for his tab to order my chicken fingers and fries for dinner while he was on the ice."

- a) Quebec skip Marie-France Larouche
- b) Alberta skip Chelsea Carey
- c) Ottawa skip Jenn Hanna
- d) Nova Scotia second Blisse Joyce

2. This province has won the most Canadian women's curling championships:

- a) Saskatchewan, 11.
- b) Manitoba, 13.
- c) Alberta, 15.
- d) Nova Scotia, 10.

3. If there's a wedding in your future, this is the curler you need to talk to for advice:

- a) Liz Fyfe of Manitoba.
- b) Tracey Lavery of B.C.
- c) Jane Boyle of N.B.
- d) Nicole Baldwin of the Yukon.

4. This former Canadian and world champion wrote the book *The Stone*

Age: A Social History of Curling in the Prairies:

- a) Sandra Schmirler.
- b) Cathy King.
- c) Cheryl Bernard.
- d) Vera Pezer.

5. True or false. Former Alberta champion Cathy King was the first to win female curling's triple crown—the Canadian Junior, Women's and Senior Women's titles.

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Jillian Brothers

SKIP

Age: 33
Born: Liverpool, N.S.
Residence: Bedford, N.S.
Marital status: Married to Paul Brothers
Children: Son, Casey Brothers, 10 months
Employment: Maternity leave and hair stylist
Single greatest personal achievement: Moving back to Nova Scotia!
Strong likes: Family time, being outdoors and sports
Dislikes: Laundry, bad drivers, olives and cilantro
Favourite food: Clearwater lobster and pizza
Favourite drink: Hot beverages
Three words that describe you: Fun lovin', cuddly and competitive
Most treasured possession: My calendar
Other life interests: Biking, hiking with the pooch, travelling, trying new restaurants and deciding what Casey will be when he grows up
Words to live by: It's the little things



Sarah Murphy

THIRD

Age: 29
Born: Halifax
Residence: Halifax
Marital status: Married to Ryan Murphy
Children: None
Employment: Forensic Engineer
Single greatest personal achievement: Graduating from Engineering
Strong likes: Summer, cottage, The Bachelor(ette)
Dislikes: Bad Drivers
Favourite food: Thai
Favourite drink: Dark and Stormy from Nelly's
Three words that describe you: Easy-going, hard-working, friendly
Most treasured possession: Do dogs count?
Other life interests: Biking, camping, running, cottage
Words to live by: "Beast it"



Blisse Joyce

SECOND

Age: 32
Born: Halifax
Residence: Lunenburg
Marital status: Married to Tyson
Children: Oscar, 9 months
Employment: Accounting Assistant, Clearwater Seafood
Single greatest personal achievement: 1995 Chester Invitational Free Throw Competition Champion
Strong likes: Cancelled plans
Dislikes: Being touched
Favourite food: JBCs
Favourite drink: Caesars
Three words that describe you: Resourceful, sarcastic, and chill
Most treasured possession: Our Lake Bunkie
Other life interests: Paparazzi Oscar and rearranging the furniture
Words to live by: Be nice and wash your hands



Teri Udle

LEAD

Age: 34
Born: Amherst, N.S.
Residence: Halifax
Marital status: Married to Jordan Udle
Employment: Manager of Corporate Communications at Jazz Aviation LP
Single greatest personal achievement: Finding someone willing to marry me :)
Strong likes: Kraft dinner in the tub, kind people, AwkwardFamilyPhotos.com, soup club
Dislikes: Excessive hashtagging, washing dishes
Favourite food: Clearwater lobster, sushi, Nan's applesauce.
Favourite drink: Christmas night Harvey Wallbangers.
Three words that describe you: Small but mighty.
Most treasured possession: My sense of humour.
Words to live by: Work hard, play hard, TGIF



Jenn Brine

FIFTH

Age: 27
Born: Halifax
Residence: Halifax
Employment: Learning Centre Teacher
Single greatest personal achievement: First teaching contract
Strong likes: Beach days, going out for dinner, trying something new, coffee
Dislikes: Poor sidewalk etiquette, noisy eaters
Favourite food: Sushi, ice cream
Favourite drink: Old Fashioned
Three words that describe you: Outgoing, dedicated, conscientious
Most treasured possession: Day planner
Other life interests: Hiking, travelling, spending time with friends and family
Words to live by: Normal is just a setting on the dryer



FACTS

Population: 943,000
Area: 55,284 sq. km
Joined Confederation: 1867
Moto: "One defends and the other conquers"
Capital City: Halifax
Languages Spoken: 92% English, 3.5% French, 4.5% other.
Economy: Fishing, mining, manufacturing, tourism, defence/aerospace.



NOVA SCOTIA AT THE SCOTTIES

Last five years:
2015: Mary-Anne Arsenault (5-6)
2014: Heather Smith (4-7)
2013: Mary-Anne Arsenault (5-6)
2012: Heather Smith-Dacey (4-7)
2011: Heather Smith-Dacey (7-4 Bronze)
Last championship — Colleen Jones (2001)
Canadian titles — 4
World titles — 2 (Colleen Jones 2001, 2004)
Other prominent curlers from Nova Scotia — Heather Rankin, Sue Anne Bartlett.

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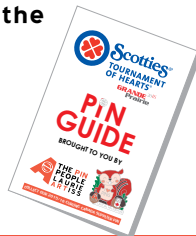


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Q&A

Katherine Henderson CEO Curling Canada



Katherine Henderson will assume her new duties as Curling Canada's Chief Executive Officer on April 1. Henderson has a wealth of experience in leadership roles in sports, marketing and brand management that spans more than 20 years. Her most recent role was as Senior Vice-President, Marketing and Revenue for the Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games organizing committee. The Heart-Chart caught up with the new CEO to discuss the state of curling in Canada and her vision to grow the sport.

Q. ARE YOU A CURLER?

A. I played a little bit in high school. I grew up in Thunder Bay and you couldn't swing a dead cat without hitting a curler.

Q. WHY DID YOU TAKE THIS POSITION AT THIS TIME?

A. There's some serendipity involved in it. When I finished my contract I had an opportunity to think of what I wanted to do next. I asked myself what were the areas that made my heart beat faster. And that was interacting with athletes and doing things in sport. There's all kinds of neat opportunities in the private sector, but this came along and it spoke to me in different ways. It was the people, the challenges, the excellence of the athletes and the kindness and warmth of the people I met at the community level.

Q. YOU'RE TAKING OVER AT A PRETTY INTERESTING TIME. THE BRIER AND SCOTTIES HAVE UNDERGONE A MAJOR FORMAT CHANGE AND IT LOOKS LIKE IN 2018 THERE WILL BE ANOTHER CHANGE. WHAT IS IT LIKE TO TAKE OVER THE ORGANIZATION WHEN IT'S UNDERGOING MAJOR CHANGE?

A. I don't know any major event that doesn't undergo change. If you are committed to excellence, as Curling Canada and its member associations are, you always try to look at making things better. For me, it's a pleasure to step into this role at this time. It's an exciting time. With change comes controversy. So I would say to anybody that there is never a CEO who steps into a spot like this who is faint of heart.



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| Sask. (Campbell) | 1 | 2 |
| B.C. (Thompson) | 1 | 2 |
| Nova Scotia (Brothers) | 1 | 2 |
| N/L (Curtis) | 0 | 3 |

SCHEDULE

TODAY

1:30 p.m. Draw

A—Sask. vs. N.B.; B—B.C. vs. N.S.; C—N/L vs. Que. D—Alta. vs. N.O.

6:30 p.m. Draw

A—Alta. vs. PEI; B—Can. vs. N/L; C—Man. vs. Sask.; D—N.S. vs. Ont.



LINESCORES

Draw 3

8:30 a.m.

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | Total |
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| Nova Scotia (Brothers) | *0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | x | x | | — 9 |
| Manitoba (Einarson) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | x | x | | — 3 |
| N/L (Curtis) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | | — 4 |
| Alberta (Carey) | *0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | | — 6 |
| Sask. (Campbell) | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | | — 5 |
| Ontario (Hanna) | *0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | | — 6 |
| Canada (Jones) | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | x | | — 9 |
| PEI (Birt) | *0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | x | | — 4 |

Draw 4

1:30 p.m.

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | Total |
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| B.C. (Thompson) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | x | | — 5 |
| Alberta (Carey) | *0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | x | | — 8 |
| Quebec (Larouche) | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | x | x | | — 10 |
| Sask. (Campbell) | *1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | | — 4 |
| Nova Scotia (Brothers) | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | — 7 |
| N. Ontario (McCarville) | *0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | — 9 |
| N/L (Curtis) | *0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | x | | — 4 |
| N. Brunswick (Robichaud) | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | x | | — 7 |

Draw 5

6:30 p.m.

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total |
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| N. Ontario (McCarville) | *1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | — 8 |
| Canada (Jones) | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | — 7 |
| Ontario (Hanna) | *0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | x | — 3 |
| Manitoba (Einarson) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | x | — 5 |
| PEI (Birt) | *0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | — 9 |
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| Quebec (Larouche) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | — 6 |
| B.C. (Thompson) | *0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | — 7 |

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Close to her heart

Necklaces important to Einarson

By JOHN KOROBANIK
HeartChart Associate Editor

When Kerri Einarson takes to the ice of Revolution Place this week she does so with memories of tragedies in her life, but remembrances that give her strength and comfort.

The 28-year-old skip of Manitoba's entry in this year's Scotties Tournament of Hearts never curls without two necklaces that dangle close to her heart and remind her of her grandparents and brother, all of whom died tragically.

One necklace is a granite curling rock and the second holds pictures of her and her brother Kyle.

"The curling rock, when my grandmother went to watch my uncle (Greg McAulay) at the 2000 worlds, she won it in an auction prize. When she and my grandpa died, it passed down to me. They passed tragically in a head-on car accident."

Her grandmother let her wear the necklace for all her big bonspiels and "every time I would have to give it back to her and eventually she said you can just keep it, so I had it (when her grandparents died).

"The other one my mom bought for me when

"If I don't have them I feel nervous. Oh no, I don't have them."

— Kerri Einarson

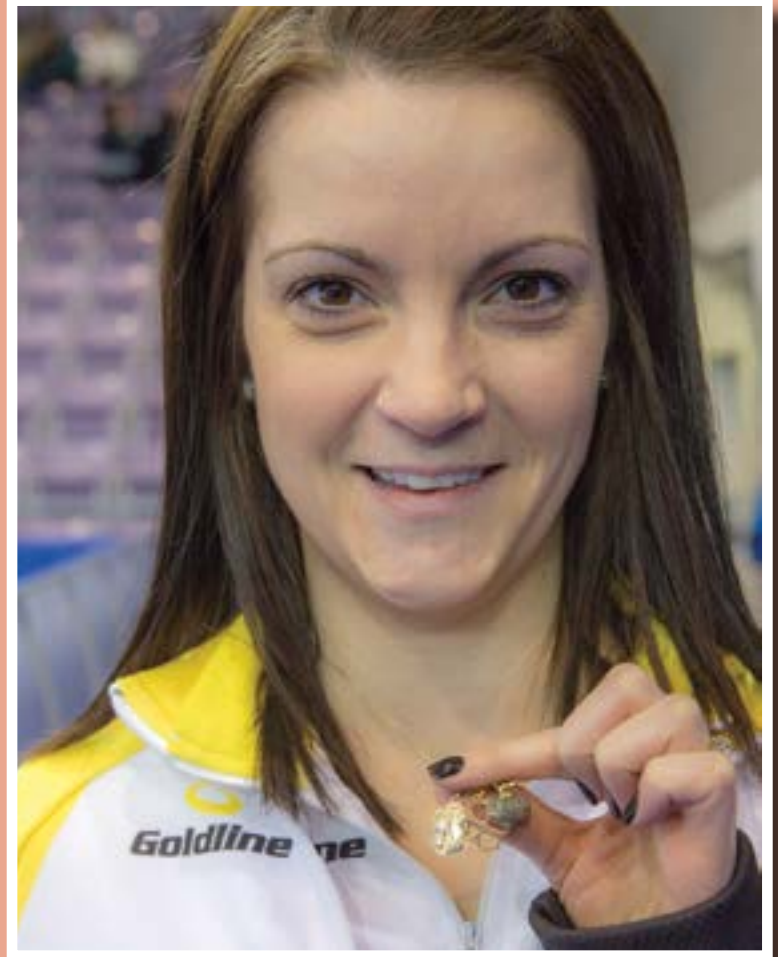
my brother passed away in a snowmobile accident at the age of 20. It has a picture of my brother and I when we were young, and he and I at grad, the year before he died.

"I like to feel like they're with me and they give me energy as well," she says. "If I don't have them I feel nervous. Oh no, I don't have them."

And she will turn to them to find strength and comfort in pressure situations.

"I do. I'll hold them. When there's a shot that comes down to the wire, I always grab them."

She also wears a set of curling angel rocks on her jersey, tiny reminders that her brother and grandparents are always watching over her.



Kerri Einarson and her two necklaces.

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Q&A

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Q. HOW DO YOU BALANCE THE NEED TO MODERNIZE THE SCOTTIES AND BRIER AND STILL KEEP ITS TRADITIONS?

A. That's the great thing about curling. It's steeped in wonderful tradition and that's why it's captured the hearts and minds of Canadians. At the same time we have athletes who are No. 1 in the world and Olympic champions. The world changes, along with sport. What we have to do on an ongoing basis is to look at how we're structuring competition to keep our athletes at the top of their game.

Q. WHEN YOU TOOK THE JOB YOU SAID YOU SAW A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE THE SPORT. WHAT ARE THOSE OPPORTUNITIES?

A. Canada is the No. 1 player in this sport, so what you want to do is keep your high-performance athletes at the top. The good opportunity related to that is these are role models, people who Canadians admire. Some of the bigger opportunities are to get young people, or people my age, engaged, or reengaged in the sport and get wider participation.

Q. ANY OTHER INCENTIVES TO TAKE THIS JOB?

A. Yes. The expert staff. I feel really confident I have the best people in the world to help guide me to make recommendations to the board.

Q. WHAT ARE YOUR IMPRESSIONS OF THIS EVENT?

A. This is a tremendous event. You have some of the best athletes in the world here. I've been nothing but impressed since I walked in the building. I know the amount of blood, sweat and tears that goes into planning these things and communities have to come together. There is absolutely no way just operations people can do this without the support of the community. The people of Grande Prairie have been welcoming, organized, on time, on budget. I have high expectations this will go tremendously well and people will remember this as a great event.

Q. WHAT DO YOU BRING TO THE TABLE?

A. I've just come from planning one of the most complex multi-sport Games that have ever been staged. You don't pull that off unless you listen to your stakeholders. That's something I'm quite adept at doing. I'm listening to the people that curling matters most to, and that's the curlers, curling fans and sponsors. I have a passion for sports and getting people involved. I'd like to bring my marketing and general management skills to the sport.

Q. THERE HAS BEEN A DROP OFF OF PEOPLE WHO COME TO THESE BIG EVENTS. HOW DO YOU GET A YOUNGER AUDIENCE?

A. Part of it has to do with the excellence of the broadcasts. It's often very pleasurable to sit in the comfort of your own living room and watch. And there's so much competition out there to see great sport. As the same time, you have to look at every event and say what worked, what didn't and talk to people and ask them 'what kept you away?' and 'why won't you come?' Often it's the simplest thing. You offer them an incentive and they will show up.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Chelsea Carey is a Winnipeg girl who would hang out at the cafeteria while her dad, former Brier champion Dan Carey, was on the ice at the Granite.

2 Saskatchewan has been the cream of the crop when it comes to women's curling, with 11 titles. Manitoba, however, has had the most top-three finishes with 28.

3. If you plan on walking down the

aisle anytime soon, you'll want to have a chat with Manitoba second Liz Fyfe because she's a wedding planner.

4. Legendary Saskatchewan skip Vera Pezer wrote the book on curling in 2003. She also wrote Smart Curling in 2007.

5. True: Alberta's Cathy King completed the trifecta by winning the Canadian Seniors title in 2012. She won the Junior crown in 1977 and '78, and added a Scotties championship to her resume in 1998. She was inducted into the Canadian Curling Hall of Fame in 2013.

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