



Media Release

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Men's & senior playdowns begin tomorrow

Richmond, BC (January 6, 2011) This weekend will be the last chance for BC's coastal teams to qualify for the 2011 Canadian Direct Insurance BC Men's Curling Championship presented by Kal-Tire. Fifteen teams will compete in the triple knock-out event at the Juan de Fuca Curling Club, for two berths into the provincial championship held in Vernon, February 7-13. The remaining two berths for interior teams will be decided the following weekend in Prince George, January 14-17. Action at the Juan de Fuca Curling Club begins on Friday at 9am and wraps up on Monday morning.

Qualifiers will join the following teams at the BC championship:

1. Jeff Richard, Kelowna (Returning Champion)
2. Jim Cotter (Bob Ursel will not play due to injury. Ken Maskiewich will play third position), Kelowna (BC-CTRS Point Leader)
3. Sean Geall, Royal City (Canadian Direct Insurance BC Men's Coastal Playoff #1)
4. Brent Peirce, Royal City (Canadian Direct Insurance BC Men's Coastal Playoff #1)
5. Aaron Herrick, Vernon (Canadian Direct Insurance BC Men's Interior Playoff #1)
6. Darin Health, Vernon (Canadian Direct Insurance BC Men's Interior Playoff #1)

Senior men's & women's playdowns also begin this weekend. Playdowns run from January 7-9 and are at the following locations:

Regions 1&2 playoff – Kimberley Curling Club
Regions 3,4&7 playoff – McArthur Island Curling Club
Regions 5&6 playoff – Williams Lake Curling Club

The senior coastal playoffs will take place January 13-16, with the sr. women competing at the North Shore Winter Club, and the sr. men hitting the ice at the Comox Curling Club.

Winners advance to the 2011 Tim Hortons BC Senior Men's & Women's Curling Championships presented by Flight Centre, held in Kamloops from February 22-27.

End-by-end scoring can be found on www.playdowns.com.

About Curl BC

Curl BC is the provincial sport governing body responsible for the development, promotion and organization of curling in British Columbia. Curl BC is also responsible for the championship system that declares provincial representation at National events. In cooperation with its Members, Curl BC provides service to both competitive and recreational curlers, including a variety of adaptive groups.