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Victoria & Coquitlam to host 2012 & 2013 Tim Hortons BC Junior Curling Championships

Richmond, BC (May 12, 2011) – Curl BC is pleased to announce that the 2012 Tim Hortons BC Junior Curling Championships have been awarded to the Victoria Curling Club. These events will run from December 27 - 31, 2011.

The top eight junior men's and women's teams in BC will battle for the titles and berths into the M&M Meat Shops Canadian Junior Curling Championships in Napanee, Ontario, February 4-12, 2012. The BC Championships will begin with full event round-robins followed by three-team playoffs.

The host site for the 2013 Tim Hortons BC Junior Curling Championships has also been awarded. These events will be hosted at the Coquitlam Curling Club. This is the first host site awarded for 2013 and is the beginning of a new hosting strategy put in place by Curl BC. The goal is to have host sites in place a minimum of two years in advance. This strategy will help future host committees by shadowing events held in the previous year, resulting in a more positive event experience for both the volunteers and the competitors. The deadline for 2012/13 host site bid applications is June 1st.

The BC Junior Curling Championships have produced seven national junior championship teams skipped by Jerry Caughlin (Oliver - 1961), Sandra Plut (Kamloops - 1982), Jodi Sutton-Green (Oliver - 1986), Julie Sutton-Skinner (Oliver/Kelowna - 1987), Mike Wood (Victoria - 1988), Dean Joanisse (Esquimalt - 1989) and Brad Kuhn (Kelowna - 2000). Most recently, Dailene Sivertson's Victoria foursome won silver at the 2010 Canadian Junior Women's Curling Championship.

The Victoria Curling Club is an 8 sheet facility and has hosted past events such as the 1994 and 2005 BC Junior Curling Championships and the 1999 Canadian Mixed Championships. Also, the VCC has played a major part in supporting the 1958 & 1984 Brier, 1974 Women's Lassie, as well as the 2005 World Men's Curling Championship and the 2009 Scotties Canadian Women's Curling Championship.

The Coquitlam Curling Club is a 6 sheet facility that was recently renovated in 2009. This club has hosted past events such as the 2007 Senior and 2011 Master regional playdowns.

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 sport groups.