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On behalf of the Alberta Oilmen's Bonspiel Association Board of Directors, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the 73rd Alberta Oilmen's Bonspiel. Being entrusted with the role of President for this long standing and prestigious event is both an honour and a responsibility that I embrace with great pride.

The Alberta Oilmen's Bonspiel has always been about more than competition. Curling is a sport rooted in respect, sportsmanship, and tradition, and those values are reflected in the culture of this event year after year. The spirit of fair play, camaraderie, and friendly rivalry brings together participants from across our community and creates connections that extend well beyond the ice.

I would like to sincerely thank our sponsors and donors for their continued generosity and unwavering support. Your commitment is essential to the success of this event and plays a vital role in preserving the traditions and quality of the Bonspiel. We are deeply grateful for your partnership and belief in what this event represents.

As we come together once again, let us celebrate the sense of community that makes the Alberta Oilmen's Bonspiel so special. It is the players, volunteers, spectators, families, and supporters who give this event its character and ensure its legacy continues to grow. Thank you for being part of this tradition. I wish everyone an enjoyable, competitive, and memorable Bonspiel.

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FRIDAY MARCH 27TH

Registration - Prior to your first game	5:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Draw Times	6:00 P.M. 8:30 P.M.
Free Beverage (Courtesy Hazloc Heaters)	Valid Friday - Sunday
Silent Auction (Opens)	4:00 P.M.
Free Chili Dinner (Courtesy Horizon North)	5:00 - 8:00 P.M.
Entertainment by "Sliding Stones" in the Lounge	8:00 - 11:00 P.M.

SATURDAY MARCH 28TH

Draw Times	8:30 A.M. 10:45 A.M.
	1:45 P.M. 4:00 P.M.
Free Breakfast Sandwich (Courtesy Superior Propane)	Valid Saturday - Sunday
Draw to the Button	6:00 P.M.
Dinner	6:30 P.M.
50/50 Raffle	6:30 P.M.
(Proceeds to Curling Alberta Ready to Rock Program)	
Silent Auction (Closes)	9:00 P.M.
Entertainment by "Sliding Stones" in the Lounge	8:00 - 11:00 P.M.

SUNDAY MARCH 29TH

Draw Times	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.
Free Breakfast Sandwich (Courtesy Superior Propane)	Valid Saturday - Sunday

Again this year, we are going to use smartphone/emails to post results instead of score cards. All team members with registered emails will get game confirmations and one player from either team must respond to the game notification email to confirm the winning team immediately upon completion of the game.

**Results will be available online at www.aob.ab.ca
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A Special Thank You to Horizon North for sponsoring the Friday Night Chili dinner.







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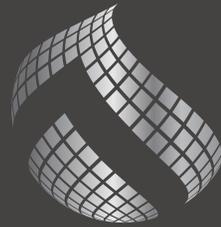


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This Bonspiel shall be governed by the "Rules of Curling for General Play" from current edition of the official "Curling Rule Book" published by Curling Canada. Specifically, the Five Rock, Free Guard Zone Rule applies.

RULES PERTAINING SPECIFICALLY TO THIS BONSPIEL

1. If a competing team is not ready to commence play at the time named for the beginning of the game, one end must be counted as played for every ten minutes delay, and the opposing team, if ready to play, shall score one point for each ten minute period they have been kept waiting. The team that has been kept waiting will have last rock on the first end played. At the end of one half hour the game will be forfeited.
2. All games including the finals will be eight ends. To keep the draws on time, a 100 minute buzzer will be used to notify teams to complete the end they are playing plus one more. Tied games will be decided by playing "Skip Rocks", except for the semi-final and final games, which will be decided by extra end(s). The semi-final and final games will NOT be buzzed. The "Skip Rocks" end shall be played in the following manner: the team who tied the game will play first. One rock with normal sweeping will be allowed, but there is to be no sweeping by the opposition behind the Tee Line. The skip's rock finishing in the house and closest to the button will be declared the winner. If neither rock finishes in the house the skips will repeat the end until a winner is decided.
3. Teams to consist of any combination of male and female "Oil Patch" personnel and may if desired consist of one (1) non "Oil Patch" member (male or female) who must play lead or second, if desired this individual may call the game, that is skip, and play lead or second in the delivery rotation. Any team found to have a designated "Oil Patch" member that is not connected to the oil industry under the website listed "Entry Eligibility Requirements" specified on the "Entry Registration Form" will be disqualified at any stage in the Bonspiel with forfeiture of the entry fee. **The Bonspiel Committee reserves the right to rule on all eligibility matters.**
4. A full team of four eligible players must be registered. If a member through sickness or other unforeseen circumstances is unable to begin a game, then three members of the team may play. No team shall play with less than three eligible players. In the case of a three player team, the first two players will deliver three stones each.

5. Substitute Player(s) who have not played for another team in the Bonspiel may join a team without registering the change with the Drawmaster. Substitute Player(s) who join a team permanently must register the change with the Drawmaster. Substitute(s) must not play in any capacity other than lead or second. The original player(s) may rejoin the team at any time and may assume their regular position(s). A maximum of two substitutes is allowed.
6. A team may declare a new rotation of play at the beginning of any game. Substitute Player(s) must remain at either lead or second.
7. All team disputes must be resolved by the teams involved.
8. Upon the submission of a Bonspiel entry, including any subsequent amendments thereof, all players listed on the entry and in this Program, understand that they are agreeing that all information tendered or photos obtained as part of any Bonspiel event, may be used for any internal purposes of this Alberta Oilmen's Bonspiel Association.
9. The "Centre Line No Tick Rule" is not in effect.

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Jayson Daniel Frederick Deck
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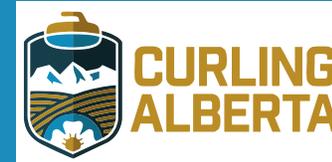
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During the Bonspiel you have a chance to draw to the button to qualify for the final draw on Saturday at 6PM.

1. You get one chance to draw to the button; this must be done by the end of your second game.
2. There is no sweeping it is a cold draw.
3. The rock must touch the white part of the button to qualify.
4. The Drawmaster must be notified through email if you qualify:
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