

The Dominion Daily

Sunday, November 28, 2010 – Semi-finals and Finals



HERE COME THE FINALS!

Tie-breakers and play-offs began yesterday afternoon with some great curling and a packed club. On the men's side, Northern Ontario duelled Alberta for the final playoff spot in the grey pool. It was a close match early on, but strong fourth and fifth ends helped Alberta clinch the game and secure a spot in the semi. Still stinging from their close game against Ontario, the Saskatchewan men faced Quebec in the first round of the grey pool tie-breaker. Saskatchewan was able to stay cool and jump out to an early lead, after scoring five in the first three ends, and cruise to a 6 - 2 victory. In the final tie-breaker, Saskatchewan faced off against Nova Scotia, a team they lost to in round robin play. To say this match was close would be an understatement; each rink traded blows until the end of seven, when Nova Scotia had a one point lead. Saskatchewan set up

a great eighth end after a terrific shot by skip Darren Camm to lie two. Nova Scotia had only one option left, draw to the four foot, cut Sask down to one and force an extra end. Unfortunately the weight just wasn't there as it sailed through the four foot, handing the semi-final spot to Saskatchewan. For the women, Nova Scotia came out on top in their rematch with team Ontario, 6 - 4, securing a spot against Alberta in the semi-finals. In the semis, we had Saskatchewan show great poise and killer accuracy as they defeated Manitoba 7 - 1 to advance to the finals. Meanwhile, Nova Scotia hung tough against Alberta, making some great shots but unable to score the win. Our women's finals are now locked: Alberta vs. Manitoba. The men will battle it out in the semis. The only guaranteed winners are our spectators!

Today's Draw Schedule

Charlottetown Curling Club

Men's Semi-finals	10am	MB vs. SK	AB vs. ON
		Men	Women
Men's and Women's Finals	2pm	TBD	AB vs. SK

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Round Robin Wrap-up

In Saturday's exciting conclusion to round robin play, three teams - Nova Scotia, Ontario and PEI - vied for the final playoff spot in the women's pool. PEI fell behind early to Newfoundland and Labrador and was unable to recover, falling 9 - 4 and tumbling out of play-off competition. The Nova Scotia women were able to pull out a tough victory against Quebec, forcing a tie-breaker with Ontario, who defeated Saskatchewan 6 - 5.

On the men's side, Northern On-

tario won over British Columbia 8 - 5, forcing their tie-breaker with Alberta, who in their match lost to Manitoba 7 - 0. Saskatchewan lost to Ontario 5 - 4 in extra ends, while Quebec was able to triumph over Nova Scotia 6 - 5 in extra ends to create a three-way tie in the men's blue pool between Saskatchewan, Quebec and Nova Scotia. What a week of curling we've seen here in Charlottetown and Cornwall! Now on to the grand finale...

Meeting of the Mascots

The mascots from the two national curling championships taking place this season in the Charlottetown area had a brief meeting in the parking lot of the Charlottetown Curling Club yesterday, on their way to the Santa Claus Parade. Our mascot Buttons met Little Softie, who will be taking part in the Scotties Tournament of Hearts Canadian Women's

en's Curling Championship, February 19-27 at the Charlottetown Civic Centre. Buttons, whose duties are nearing completion for this year, wished Little Softie success in the upcoming championship. Buttons went on to visit with crowds at Charlottetown's Santa Claus Parade, and will re-appear at today's closing ceremonies.



Pictured above, Buttons and Little Softie.



Captain Morgan himself made an appearance at Friday night's Pub Crawl...