

September 1, 2015

TO: USWCA Representatives

FROM: USWCA NWBPC Chair, Charlene Fitzgerald National Bonspiel Procedure Committee

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The 68th USWCA National Bonspiel "Raven about Curling" will be held February 24th – 28th, 2016 at the FAIRBANKS CURLING CLUB in Fairbanks, Alaska.

The Westmark Hotel, 813 Noble Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 will be the headquarters for the Bonspiel. Rooms have been reserved at a rate of \$84 + tax per night for double occupancy with some suites available for \$94 plus tax. This rate is available 2 days prior and post the event. Continental breakfast is included. Reservations may be made via our website, www.uswca.org, using code: CURL022116 or by phoning the hotel at 800-554-0970 and asking for the USWCA block (OR copy and paste the following link into a web browser) at www.westmarkhotels.com Hotel reservations must be made by January 21th, 2016 in order to get our contracted rate. The Westmark Hotel has an fitness center and free WiFi. The Kit Party will be held at The Fairbanks Curling Club on Wednesday evening 2/24/2016 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm with the Skip's Meeting beginning at 7:30pm. Opening Ceremonies and Team Photos will take place during the Kit Party. The banquet will be held at The Westmark Hotel on Thursday evening, 2/25/16. There will be a hospitality suite at the hotel in room #303 from 2/24 to 2/27/15. Draws begin early Thursday morning. A 32-team event is planned. All games will be 10 ends and all USWCA Women members in good standing and regular curling members with full curling privileges who have reached their 21st birthday before January 1, 2016 are invited to enter. Complete information regarding the Bonspiel will be sent from the host club to the selected teams.

Please complete and submit the enclosed application entry form for teams or individuals from your club who wish to participate in the Bonspiel. All the requested information is required. The application entry form must be in the hands of your Area Coordinator by Monday, November 2, 2015 along with the "Entry Fee" of \$320.00 per team.

There is no "Entry Fee" required for a Single Entry. The fee is refundable only to those teams not drawn when their area is over allocated. All names must be entered on the application entry form or it will not be considered a valid entry (no exceptions). Please be certain to sign and certify the completed application entry form from your club. Once the teams have been selected, the Area Coordinator will notify the skip or team contact.

If your club does **NOT** intend to enter, please notify your Area Coordinator by e-mail, phone, or regular mail no later than **Monday, November 2, 2015.** The NWBPC **MUST** know the intention of every club.

The NWBPC uses a percentage allocation system based on the membership of clubs submitting applications. Until all the entries are received, the Area allocation cannot be determined. If more than one team is entered from a club, the club must decide the order of eligibility of its teams.

Remember, that in the event the Bonspiel is not fully subscribed after the entry deadline, additional teams will be sought in the following order:

- 1) Club Teams
- 2) Composite Teams from Single Entries in an area
- 3) Composite Teams from Single Entries across the country
- 4) Composite Teams from Single Entries across the country including Members-at-Large.

Please remind your teams that the cost of engraving and transporting trophies to the following season's Bonspiel, is the responsibility of the winning team/club. Information on this will be made available at the awarding of the trophies. Any questions may be directed to your Area Coordinator or the NWBPC Chair, Charlene Fitzgerald at (518) 356-0052 or email cfitzgel@nycap.rr.com

68th USWCA NATIONAL BONSPIEL FEBRUARY 24 - 28, 2016

Fairbanks Curling Club Fairbanks, Alaska

Complete the enclosed application entry form and return together with your "Entry Fee" of \$320.00, to your **Area Coordinator.** Your entries and fees must be in your Area Coordinator's hands by **Monday, November 2, 2015.** The "Entry Fee" is refundable only to those teams not drawn. A team entering either Bonspiel must be composed of four women members of the USWCA in good standing and with regular curling privileges at a USWCA member club or facility and have reached their 21st birthday before January 1, 2016.

If you do <u>not</u> plan to enter the Bonspiel, please inform your Area Coordinator, by e-mail, phone or regular mail by no later than Monday, November 2, 2015.

If you know at this time that your club has more than one team applying, a composite team or a single entry, please indicate on the application entry form. The Entry Fee for <u>each</u> complete team is \$320.00. No "Entry Fee" is required for a single entry.

As a USWCA Representative, if you plan to stay for the Bonspiel and are not on a chosen team, please indicate if you would like to curl and/or be a timer if needed.

------DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: Monday, November 2, 2015-----

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TO: USWCA Representatives

FROM: Charlene Fitzgerald, NWBPC Chair

To be eligible, this entry form and all "Bonspiel" fees must be received by your Area Coordinator no later than the deadline date of Monday, November 2, 2015. No exceptions!

Our club does not intend to enter a team_____

Each Team(s) "Entry Fee" of \$320.00 per entry is enclosed. MAKE SEPARATE CHECKS FOR EACH ENTRY. All checks for teams or individuals not selected will be returned. Please list teams in order of eligibility. When a team is accepted and full nayment is received.

CLUB	TEAM ONE:			
SKIP:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
VICE:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
2ND:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
LEAD:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
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CLUB	TEAM TWO:			
SKIP:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
VICE:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
2ND:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	
LEAD:	Name	Phone	Email Address	
	Street Address		City, State, Zip	

CLUB TEAM THREE: SKIP: Name Phone Email Address Street Address City, State, Zip VICE: Name _____Phone ____Email Address ____ Street Address City, State, Zip 2ND: Name Phone Email Address Street Address City, State, Zip LEAD: Name _____Phone ____Email Address Street Address_____City, State, Zip____ Contact Information if different from skip: **COMPOSITE TEAM:** We have a Composite Team interested. Our entry fee of \$320.00 is enclosed. SKIP: Name Phone Email Address Street Address _____City, State, Zip____ VICE: Name _____ Phone ____ Email Address _____ Street Address_____City, State, Zip____ 2ND: Name Phone Email Address Street Address City, State, Zip LEAD: Name _____ Phone ____ Email Address _____ Street Address City, State, Zip Contact Information if different from skip: INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES (entry fee not required):

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Signed	1		USWCA Representative
Club_			Date