

MCA - MASTERS WOMEN SURVEY

The Manitoba Curling Association is committed to the ongoing development and organization of curling throughout Manitoba. Over the last few years the number of teams playing in Master Women's competitive events has declined. We are asking women who are eligible (aged 60 & over) or who will be eligible within the next few years to participate in Master Women's curling to take a few minutes to complete this survey. We value your input to encourage you and others to participate, and to provide a positive experience.

Which region do you represent?

Central _____ Eastman _____ Interlake _____ Norman _____
Parkland _____ Westman _____ Winnipeg _____

What position do you play most often?

Skip _____ Third _____ Second _____ Lead _____

Do you compete in? (Yes/No) Master's Women _____ Senior Women _____ Women _____

Would you be interested in participating in curling clinics specifically designed for senior and master's women? _____ Yes _____ No

Do you think that senior and master's women might be encouraged to play competitively if such clinics were offered? _____ Yes _____ No

Why do you think that more women do not compete in Masters play? How could more women be encouraged to participate? _____

Manitoba's Credit Unions Masters Women's Provincial Championship

Do you think that the current format for the provincial championship is a deterrent to participation in Master Women's competitive play? Yes _____ No _____

Please rank: (1 highest, 6 lowest)

- A.** Which format for the provincial is best to determine our provincial champion.
B. If you answered **YES** to the above question, which format may encourage more teams to participate in Masters Women competitive play.

	A.	B.
Current (two pools of eight, round robin)	_____	_____
16 team modified triple knockout	_____	_____
12 team full round robin	_____	_____
12 teams, two pools of six, round robin	_____	_____
8 team full round robin	_____	_____
Your suggestion:	_____	_____

Championship Play – Bonspiels & Zones

The current format of championship play to qualify for a spot in the provincials is via the Chicken Chef Bonspiel (2 berths), and 13 Zone playdowns. The final berth is awarded to the Host. For zones with less than 2 teams, zone pairing is used.

Chicken Chef Bonspiel with a Berth: Format – double knockout; 2007 Entry fee - \$120

Did you participate in this year’s Chicken Chef Master’s Women Bonspiel? ___ Yes ___ No

Is the entry fee? ___ Too high ___ Reasonable

Should the format of the bonspiel changed? (Yes/No) ___ If Yes, what format would you prefer

Zones playdowns:

Was the entry fee for your zone playdown? ___ Too high ___ Reasonable

Was this year’s timing for your zone playdown:

___ Too Early ___ Good Timing ___ Too Late Which month is best? _____

Please rank your preference for championship play format: (1 highest, 5 lowest)

Note: Each format would have to be structured according to the number of teams in the provincial championship, if it changed.

- ___ a) Continue with the current format (Chicken Chef Berth, 13 zones, 1 to the Host)
- ___ b) Combine the zones into the current pairing; creating 6 areas – Zone 1, Zones 2 & 5, Zones 3 & 4, Zones 6 & 7, Zones 8 & 9, and Winnipeg; keep Chicken Chef bonspiel and host spot
- ___ c) Reduce the number of zones and replace with berth bonspiels and/or bonspiels with berths in various locations throughout the province.
- ___ d) Eliminate zones and replace with several berth bonspiels and/or bonspiel with berths throughout the province.
- ___ e) Your suggestion: _____

Other Comments/Suggestions:

Thank you for participating in this survey. Please return your completed survey to to the MCA at 200 Main Street, Wpg. R3C 4M2 or via Fax at 925-5720.

PLEASE RETURN BY FEBRUARY 8TH, 2008