

Curling picks up steam at University of Prince Edward Island

UPEI students pulling off big victories in national and world curling

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Curling is a game requiring a lot of concentration, strategy and excitement.

The game itself can easily pull you in as you attempt to will the rock just a little to the left with your mind.

It's also providing a different kind of excitement for UPEI.

This year is the first time that the University of Prince Edward Island will be sending two teams to the Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS)/Canadian Curling Championship in Montreal.

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ten, UPEI men's and women's teams are still going strong on their journey to the semi-finals.

So let's meet your Curling ambassadors.

The men's team is stacked with three members of this year's Canadian Junior Championship and World Junior silver medalist rink. Adam Casey, Anson Carmody, Jamie Danbrook and Nick van Ouwerkerk are looking to go all the way with the assistance of coach Jeff Wilson.

On the women's side of things is a team out of the Cornwall Curling Club who has finished top three in this year's provincial juniors.

Skip Sarah Clow is joined by teammates Brielle Quilty, Christina Hennessey and Courtney Moore. Coaches Angela Hodgson and assistant coach Nancy Yeo journeyed to Montreal with the girls.

Pride for our curling representation came in the shape of a deal on transportation and lodging.

Approximately \$100 is what it would cost for a drive to Montreal in the flashy new Panther Bus and once you get there, another \$90 would get you a place to sleep for the night and most likely a continental breakfast.

The championship itself is only in its second year but

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will most likely attract a large crowd.

It's being held at the Royal Montreal and Montreal West curling clubs. The team to beat is the Wilfred Laurier Golden Hawks who won both the men's and women's division last year.

So what would this win mean for UPEI?

The school and the province

would be guaranteed some attention for their talented athletes.

As for the athletes themselves, winning this tournament could get them sushi and Hello Kitty in Japan while they compete at the 2010 Karuizawa International Curling Championships which will occur in late February.

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