



Mercure City of Perth Masters



5-8 January 2017

Dewars Centre, Perth, Scotland



Chairman's Welcome

I am pleased to welcome you all, on behalf of the organising committee, to the Mercure City of Perth Masters 2017, a Curling Champions Tour Event. A massive thank you to our title sponsor, Mercure Perth Hotel, our presenting sponsor Perth Honda and to Perth & Kinross Council and Le Gruyère for their continued excellent support of this event. This is the Number 1 men's curling event in Europe and is used as preparation by many teams for Worlds and Olympics. You can see from the 32 team draw we have a great mix of teams from all over the globe competing to be crowned Masters Champion. Enjoy Perth and Perthshire for what it has to offer and I look forward to many exciting games of curling and the usual sociable curling fellowship off the ice!

Pete Loudon

Chairman, Mercure City of Perth Masters

Perth & Kinross Council Provost's Welcome



I am delighted to welcome all competitors, officials, friends, families and supporters to the City of Perth for the Mercure City of Perth Masters 2017.

I would like to give a very special welcome to all the teams competing at the Dewars Centre this year from China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Japan, Latvia, Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Scotland, Sweden and Switzerland.

The Mercure City of Perth Masters tournament is usually the first sporting event of the year, and with its large delegation of overseas players and supporters, it truly gives Perth a great international start to the year.

Whilst Curling is a very popular sport across the world, it is very much a traditional Scottish winter sport, and has great historic links to the Perth and Kinross area.

I would like to extend you all my best wishes for an enjoyable weekend here in the Fair City and I wish all competitors every success in the tournament - may the best team win!

Liz Grant

Provost of Perth and Kinross

Friday 6 January @ 7.45 pm

Masters Dinner

Part of the tradition of our event is the Masters Dinner at which competitors and supporters meet in a friendly and convivial atmosphere.

This is an occasion when we can acknowledge the generosity of all our sponsors

All teams are requested to attend the Masters Dinner in the Mercure Perth Hotel.



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Welcome From Our Title Sponsor - Mercure Perth Hotel



A warm welcome to the teams and spectators at the 2017 Mercure City of Perth Masters! It gives me great pleasure to once again renew our sponsorship with the competition and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the teams from various countries around the world to Perth and to Scotland.

The Mercure Perth Hotel management team, the organising committee under the leadership of Bill Duncan and Peter Loudon, the many volunteers and lovers of the sport have been working closely together on ensuring that the Mercure City of Perth Masters is another successful event. I wanted to acknowledge everyone's hard work and commitment and pass on my appreciation and thanks. Indeed the last

few years' finals have given us breathtaking closing moments which kept both the teams and spectators interest to the last stone.

I am sure the game will once again be played in the right spirit, excellent sportsmanship and outstanding Curling skills. I am very proud and honoured to be associated with the Masters and in being the main sponsor of this prestige event. I am looking forward to experiencing the match and presenting the trophy to the winning team.

Once again a very warm welcome to Perth and to Scotland.

Gabriella Maltesics

General Manager, Mercure Perth Hotel

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How The Draw Works

The Mercure City of Perth Masters is a triple knockout tournament. No team can be eliminated from the tournament until they have lost three games - this means that all teams are guaranteed at least three games.

All teams start in the A Road. Teams who keep winning remain in the A Road and progress directly to the Quarter Finals where there are two places for qualifiers from the A Road. A Road games are coded **green** in the draw.

Teams who lose a game in the A Road are relegated to the B Road. If they win all of their subsequent games they progress to the Quarter Finals where there are two places for qualifiers from the B Road. B Road games are coded **blue** in the draw.

Teams who lose a second game (ie a defeat in the A Road followed by another defeat in the B Road) are relegated to the C Road where the life and death of the tournament takes place. The teams who win progress to the Quarter Finals whereas the teams who lose exit the tournament at that point. There are four places in the Quarter Finals for qualifiers from the C Road. C Road games are coded **red** in the draw.

From the Quarter Finals onwards the tournament is a straight knockout. Knockout games are also coded **gold** in the draw.

The first four teams knocked out on Friday night will play in the Lucky Losers Semi Finals at 2.45 pm on Saturday with the winners playing each other in the Final at 8.00 pm on Saturday - the victorious team will receive £200.

Umpires

Alan Stanfield, Christine Shaw and David Imlay.

Rules

WCF rules will be used throughout the tournament subject to the following modifications:

- 1 *In the event of a dispute the decision of the Chief Umpire will be final.*
- 2 *All games will be 8 ends throughout the competition.*
- 3 *During the triple knockout stages the winner of the coin toss has the choice between stone colour and 1st practice/LSD **or** choice of side of sheet for draw to the button and 2nd practice/LSD.*
- 4 *Throughout the knockout stages of play A Road qualifiers will have the advantage of last stone at the first end when playing B or C Road qualifiers. B Road qualifiers will have similar advantage when playing C Road qualifiers.*
- 5 *In the event of a drawn game, one extra end will be played. If the teams remain level after the extra end, one draw to the button by a nominated member of each team will determine a winner.*

The current "WCF Policies and Rules for Brush Heads and Brushing" (updated 15 November 2016) will apply at the 2017 Perth Masters.

Prizes

The Prize Pot of £18,500 this year means that The Masters remains in the top rank of tournaments in the world. The winners will receive the City of Perth Mercure Masters trophy and £6,500.

Place	Cash
Winner	£6,500
Runner-Up	£4,000
Semi (x 2)	£1,600
5th (x 4)	£750
9th (x 4)	£400

Mercure City of Perth Masters wishes our teams a Good New Year and Good Curling in 2017

China

Team China

Liu Rui
Xu Xiaoming
Zou Qiang
Zang Jialiang
Ba Dexin

Czech Republic

Team Sik

David Sik
Radek Bohac
Tomas Paul
David Havlena

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Team Baumann

Alexander Baumann
Manuel Walter
Daniel Herberg
Ryan Sherrard

Japan

Team Morozumi

Yusuke Morozumi
Tetsuro Shimizu
Tsayoshi Yamaguchi
Kosuke Morozumi

Latvia

Team Truksans

Martins Truksans
Ainars Gulbis
Arnis Veidemanis
Rihards Jeske

Netherlands

Team van Dorp

Jaap van Dorp
Wouter Gösgens
Laurens Hoekman
Carlo Glasbergen

Norway

Team Foss

Kristian Foss
Michael Mellemseter
Andreas S Haarstad
Morten I Hovdal

Norway

Team Ramsfjell

Magnus Ramsfjell
Bendik Ramsfjell
Magnus Vågberg
Eskil Vintervold

Norway

Team Ulsrud

Thomas Ulsrud
Torger Nergård
Christoffer Svae
Håvard Vad Petersson

Norway

Team Walstad

Steffen Walstad
Markus Hoiberg
Magnus Nedregotten
Alexander Lindstroem

Russia

Team Russia

Alexey Stukalskyi
Anton Kalalb
Evgeny Arkhipov
Artur Razhabov
Alexander Kozyrev

Scotland

Team Baird

David Baird
Fraser Kingan
Robin McCall
Mark Watt

Scotland

Team Brewster

Tom Brewster
Glen Muirhead
Ross Paterson
Hammy McMillan

Scotland

Team Bryce

Cameron Bryce
Robin Brydone
Euan Kyle
Frazer Shaw

Scotland

Team Fraser

Ally Fraser
Ruairidh Greenwood
Calum Greenwood
Angus Dowell

Scotland

Team Hardie

Grant Hardie
Blair Fraser
Dave Reid
Duncan Menzies

Scotland

Team MacDonald

Ewan MacDonald
David Edwards
Duncan Fernie
Euan Byers

Scotland

Team Mouat

Bruce Mouat
Bobby Lammie
Derrick Sloan
Gregor Cannon
Alasdair Schreiber

Scotland

Team Murdoch

David Murdoch
Greg Drummond
Scott Andrews
Michael Goodfellow

Scotland

Team Taylor

Stuart Taylor
Fraser Davidson
Chay Telfer
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Scotland

Team Whyte

Ross Whyte
Callum Kinnear
Ryan McCormack
Duncan McFadzean

Sweden

Team Eskilsson

Gustav Eskilsson
Patric Mabergs
Fredrik Nyman
Johannes Patz

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Team Attinger

Felix Attinger
Daniel Schifferli
Bastian Brun
Urs Kuhn

Switzerland

Team Brunner

Michael Brunner
Stefan Stähli
Neal Schwenter
Chahan Karnusian

Switzerland

Team de Cruz

Claudio Pescaia
Claudio Pätz
Benoit Schwarz
Reto Gribi

Switzerland

Team Hess

Yves Hess
Rainer Kobler
Michael Müller
Fabian Schmid

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Team Jungen

Björn Jungen
Tim Jungen
Nevio Guadalupi
Daniel Oester

Switzerland

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Marc Pfister
Enrico Pfister
Raphael Maerki
Simon Gempeler

Switzerland

Team Schwaller

Yannick Schwaller
Reto Keller
Romano Meier
Marcel Kräuter

Masters Calcutta

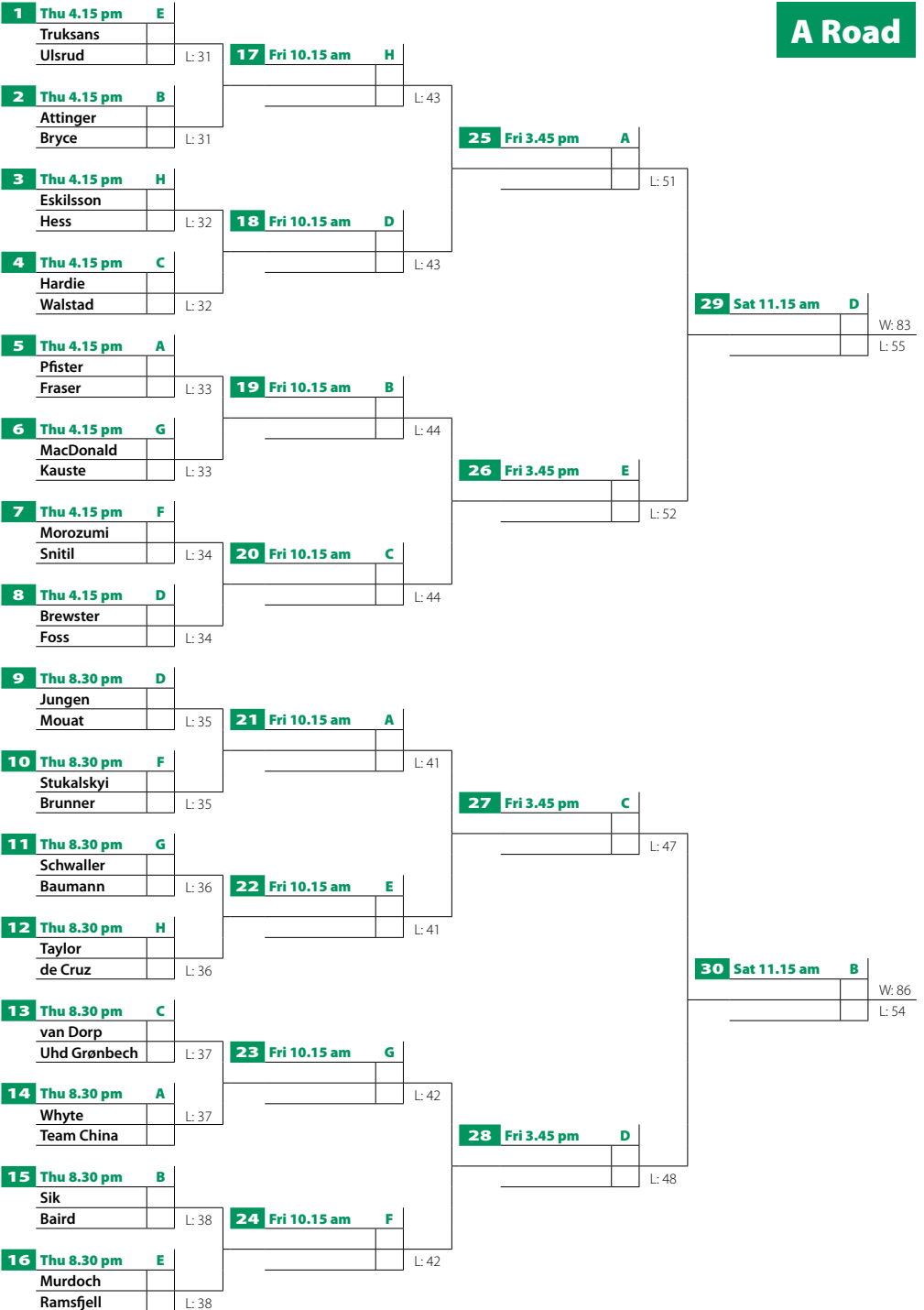
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Everyone is welcome to come along and bid for their favourite team - or any other team they think will make them some money!

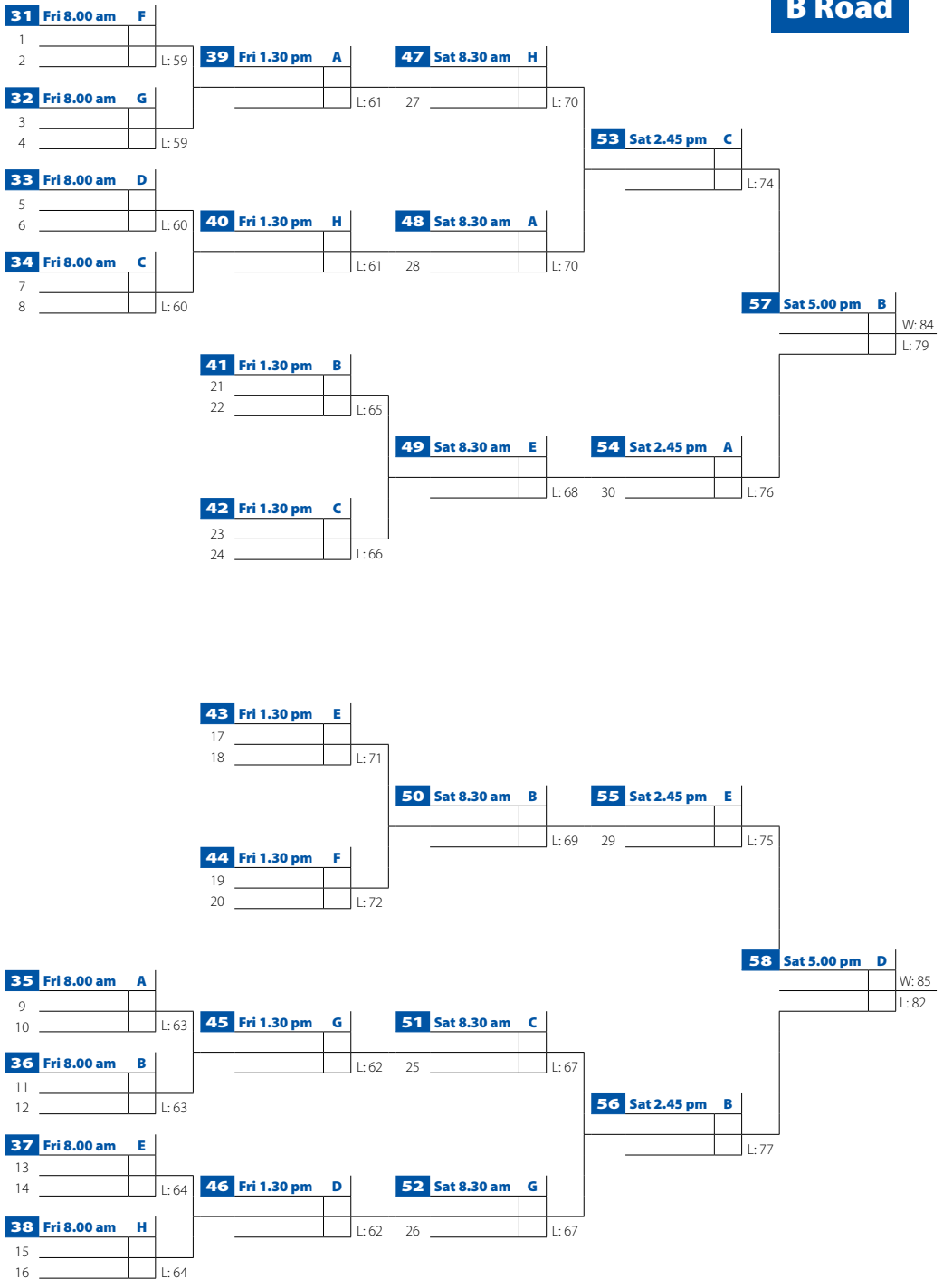
10% of the pot is retained by the organisers. The remainder will be paid out at the completion of the competition as follows:

40% - purchaser of 1st place team 10% - purchaser of 3rd-4th place teams
20% - purchaser of 2nd place team 5% - purchaser of 5th-8th place teams

Teams	Sale Price	Running Total	Purchaser/Syndicate Name
M Truksans & T Ulsrud			
F Attinger & C Bryce			
G Eskilsson & Y Hess			
G Hardie & S Walstad			
M Pfister & A Fraser			
E MacDonald & A Kauste			
Y Morozumi & J Snitil			
T Brewster & K Foss			
B Jungen & B Mouat			
A Stukalskyi & M Brunner			
Y Schwaller & A Baumann			
S Taylor & P de Cruz			
J van Dorp & M Uhd Grønbech			
R Whyte & Team China			
D Sik & D Baird			
D Murdoch & M Ramsfjell			



B Road



C Road

59 Fri 3.45 pm H	65 Sat 11.15 am A	73 Sat 5.00 pm E	79 Sat 8.00 pm D
31 _____	41 _____	_____	W: 85
32 _____	LL1	L: out	L: out
60 Fri 3.45 pm B	66 Sat 11.15 am H	_____	L: out
33 _____	42 _____	L: out	
34 _____	LL1		
67 Sat 11.15 am E	74 Sat 5.00 pm H	80 Sat 8.00 pm B	W: 84
51 _____	53 _____	_____	L: out
52 _____	L: out	L: out	
61 Sat 8.30 pm D	68 Sat 2.45 pm G	75 Sat 5.00 pm C	
39 _____	49 _____	55 _____	L: out
40 _____	L: out	L: out	
62 Sat 8.30 pm F	69 Sat 2.45 pm D	76 Sat 5.00 pm G	81 Sat 8.00 pm E
45 _____	50 _____	54 _____	W: 86
46 _____	L: out	L: out	L: out
70 Sat 11.15 am C	77 Sat 5.00 pm F	_____	
47 _____	56 _____	L: out	
48 _____	L: out	L: out	
63 Fri 3.45 pm F	71 Sat 11.15 am G	78 Sat 5.00 pm A	82 Sat 8.00 pm C
35 _____	43 _____	_____	W: 83
36 _____	LL2	L: out	L: out
64 Fri 3.45 pm G	72 Sat 11.15 am F	_____	
37 _____	44 _____	L: out	
38 _____	LL2		

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Quarters	Semis	Final	Perth Master 2017
83 Sun 9.00 am	87 Sun 12.00 noon	89 Sun 3.00 pm	
29 _____	_____	_____	
82 _____	_____	_____	
84 Sun 9.00 am			
57 _____			
80 _____			
85 Sun 9.00 am	88 Sun 12.00 noon		
58 _____	_____		
79 _____	_____		
86 Sun 9.00 am			
81 _____			
30 _____			

LL1	Sat 2.45 pm	F
59		
60		

LL2	Sat 2.45 pm	H
63		
64		

LL	Sat 8.00 pm	A

Lucky Loser 2016

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