July 31, 2020

Dear USA Curling Athletes,

We hope that this email finds you safe and well. Like you, our hearts are heavy as we mourn the loss of Josh Bahr. Josh was an incredibly talented athlete, dedicated ice maker at the Bemidji Curling Club, and someone who always had so much heart and humor to give. USA Curling sends our thoughts and condolences to the Bahr family and those who were lucky enough to know Josh. We are with you.

**Town Hall**

On Monday (July 27), Phill Drobnick and Jessica Schultz hosted the second Athlete Town Hall meeting. Thank you to those of you who were able to attend and ask questions. If you were unable to attend, you can watch the meeting by clicking here.

**National Qualification Procedures**

Due to the impact COVID-19 has already had on this upcoming season, USA Curling has worked in conjunction with the AAC to modify the process in which teams will qualify for the 2021 Men’s & Women’s National Championships. To learn more regarding these updates, click here.

**2020-21 US Tour Event Dates**

The below schedule is updated weekly to reflect any changes regarding the status of 2020-21 US Tour Event Dates. This week you will see that the California Curling Classic events have been postponed.

**September**

- US Open Contender Round (m/w): 9/11 - 9/13
- California Curling Classic (w): 9/18 – 9/21: Postponed
- California Curling Classic (md): 9/22 – 9/24: Postponed
- California Curling Classic (m): 9/25 – 9/28: Postponed
October

St. Paul Cash Spiel (m/w): 10/2 – 10/4
Colorado Curling Cup (md): 10/15 – 10/18: Cancelled
MadTown Mixed Doubles (md): 10/30 – 11/1: Cancelled

November

Americas Challenge(m/w): 11/12 – 11/15
US Open Mixed Doubles (md): 11/13 – 11/15
Curl Mesabi Classic (m/w): 11/27 – 11/29

December

Southern Mixed Doubles (md): 12/29 – 12/31

January

US Open(m/w): 1/1 – 1/3
Wrench Classic (m): 1/7 – 1/10
Meridian Open (m/w): 1/12 – 1/17: Postponed
US Nationals (m/w): 1/30 – 2/6

March

Olympic Trials (md): 3/1 – 3/6

As this pandemic enters a new month, USA Curling continues to meet with USOPC medical staff and urges athletes to continue following the direction of local and state health officials. To protect yourselves and those around you, please wear a mask and refrain from travelling unless essential.

If you have any questions regarding the national qualification process or the upcoming season, please contact Phill Drobnick (phill.drobnick@usacurling.org) or Jessica Schultz (jessica.schultz@usacurling.org).