

# Northern Ontario ends western domination of Brier

The western domination of the Brier curling competition came to an end Saturday, March 8, when Bill Tetley's Northern Ontario entry defeated Newfoundland 8-6 in the 13th round draw.

Tetley's win ended any speculation of a possible three way tie between his foursome and those from the Territories and Alberta.

A tie would have forced a playoff situation to which Tetley is no stranger. In 1971, he lost a playoff to Winnipeg's Don Daguid and his rink had been worried that a repeat would take place.

The win gave Northern Ontario a 9-2 record in the 13-round draw that saw each of the 12 rinks from the 10 province and a combined Territories entry sit out two games.

A loss would have been critical for Tetley since it would have plunged him into a three-way tie for top place. Don Twa's Territories rink from White Horse

and young Tom Reed's St. Albert, Alta., foursome ended with 8-3 marks.

Twa hammered Jim Ursel's Quebec crew from Montreal 10-4 in the final draw while Alberta drew a last-round bye along with Ontario's Alex Scott of Kinston.

In other Saturday games, John Clark of Fredericton and his host New Brunswick rink downed Frank Beutle of Penticton, B.C., 9-4, Prince Edward Island's John Fortier of Charlottetown upset Manitoba's Rod Hunter of Winnipeg 5-4, and Harvey Mazinke's Regina foursome which won the brier for Saskatchewan in 1973, romped 14-2 over Dick Boyce's Nova Scotia representative from Dartmouth.

The results left Northern Ontario with a slim one-game lead over Alberta and the Territories with Saskatchewan 7-4 and several rinks at 6-5 - Quebec, Manitoba, Ontario and New Brunswick.

Nova Scotia and PEI followed at 4-7 with Newfoundland and B.C. trailing with 1-10 marks.

Tetley said his rink was somewhat jittery going into Saturday's game and it appeared they were tight, falling behind 4-0 in the first three ends.

But second Bill Hodgson, who along with lead Peter Hnatiw and third Rick Lang make up the front end of the foursome, said the outside sheet, where they were playing, was "playing crazy."

"Bill finally got to make it out in the fourth end and we had them coming to us after the fifth end." Northern Ontario stole three in that end to move into the lead. Reed, 25, had probably the hardest assignment—waiting on the sidelines as Northern Ontario and the Territories played.

"We thought Bill would do it," said the 25-year-old cost accountant.

"He's got a good rink and they throw really well."

Tetley said "being four down early in the game probably has a tendency to settle you down."

"You know you're going to have to come from behind. It relieves a lot of tension," he said. "But we didn't do it deliberately."

Mazinke, one of the pre-championship favorites to regain the title he won in 1973, was awarded the Ross Hartstone Memorial Trophy as the most congenial curler—a trophy voted on by the curlers.

The all-star rink, selected by the Canadian Curling Reporters, was Twa as skip, Saskatchewan third Bill Martin, second Mike Boyd of Ontario and lead

Howie Atkinson of Quebec.

Twa and Ursel were the most consistent shooters among the skips, hitting on 73 percent of their shots but Twa took the edge in its final game with the Quebecers—hitting on 74 percent to Ursel's 56.

Final standings in the Canadian curling championships at Fredericton.

	W	L
Northern Ontario	9	2
Territories	8	3
Alberta	8	3
Saskatchewan	7	4
Ontario	6	5
New Brunswick	6	5
Manitoba	6	5
Quebec	6	5
Nova Scotia	4	7
P.E.I.	4	7
British Columbia	1	10
Newfoundland	1	10

## Fencing tourney held

Saturday, March 8, UNB hosted the 1975 N.B. Fencing Championships in the Lady Beaverbrook Gym. The competition, which lasted from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., included competitors from Tracadie, Oromocto, UNB, and the new No. 333 Lord Beaverbrook Squadron Fencing Club.

Jr. Olympic Ladies' Foil was the first event, and it was dominated by the Air Cadets. Patsy McGraw and Barbara Ervine tied for first with one defeat each, forcing a tie-breaking barrage. In the barrage, Barb edged her team mate 4-3 to pick up the gold, Patsy taking the silver. Third place was also won by a No. 333 fencer, Sandra Turpin.

Tracadie dominated the Men's Jr. Olympics, as Ken Losier emerged undefeated to win the gold, Gilles Morais taking the silver with one defeat. UNB's Tim Milbury took the bronze.

UNB dominated the men's events, as Roland Morrison went undefeated through both Foil and Epee to win both trophies. Alfred Knappe, UNB's coach, placed second in Foil with one defeat, while Larry Heans, also of UNB, placed third. Larry won a second-place plaque in Epee, having only one defeat. Peter Nielsen of Oromocto placed third in Epee.

In Sabre, UNB's coach emerged tied for first with Peter Nielsen, each having one defeat. Alfred proved too experienced for Peter, beating him 5-2 in the barrage. UNB's George Morrison won the third-place plaque.

In Ladies Foil, No. 333 again dominated. This time, Patsy McGraw reversed positions with Barb Ervine to win the trophy. Sandra Turpin again placed third. The medals, plaques and trophies were presented by Mrs. Leslie Hull, wife of the minister of Social Services, in a reception held in the

SUB following the tournament.

The following Saturday, March 8, N.B. fencers competed in the University of Maine (Farmington) Invitational. No. 333 dominated Ladies Foil, as Patsy McGraw finished first, and her team mates, Barb Ervine and Sandra Turpin, in the top five. The performance of the three girls was good enough to win them the team trophy as well.

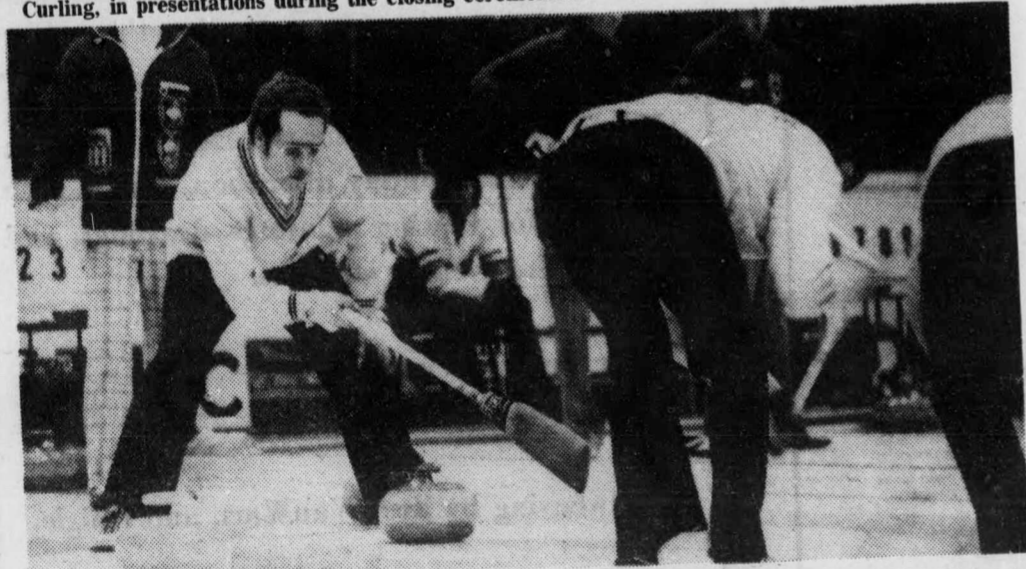
Two UNB fencers, George and Roland Morrison, each went undefeated through two rounds of fencing with eleven victories each. In the final, George lost to his brother and to UMF's Cleon Grover. Roland lost his last bout to Shelly Berman of U. of Maine (Orono). Shelley also had one loss (to George) but he beat Roland 5-3 in a tense barrage. George placed third while UMF fencers took fourth, fifth and sixth places. The team trophy was based on the total number of wins of the best 3 fencers of each university. In spite of having only two fencers, UNB's team of the Morrison brothers won first place with 29 victories. UMF's Cleon Grover, Bob Smith and Bill Felkey were second with 27 wins.

In the Epee competition, the Morrison brothers, both veterans of N.B.'s CWG Epee team, crushed all opposition. Roland was undefeated while George placed second. Bob Battak, a history professor at UMN, won third place with two defeats.

Tomorrow and Sunday, UNB will host the UNB Challenge Shield in the South Gym (Teachers' College). Competitors are expected from UPEI, Dalhousie U., U. of Maine (Orono), U. of Maine (Farmington) and U. of Maine (Presque Isle). UNB fencers will compete in the Atlantic Team Fencing Championships in New Glasgow, March 22, and also in the Eastern and National Fencing Championships in May.



Bill Tetley's Northern Ontario team are shown receiving the trophy, symbolic of Senior Men's Canadian Curling, in presentations during the closing ceremonies.



Concentration plays an important part in the success of curling competition as displayed by this competitor during last week's Brier at the Lady Beaverbrook Arena.

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