## Join us in Prince George for the 2025 Exchange Event!

#### Day 1 - September 15

- 12:00pm : Skins Game @ Pine Valley Golf Course host Superintendent, Keith Good
- 5:00pm: Meet & Greet @ Prince George G&CC host Superintendent, Murray Kutyn
- 6:00pm: Curling Instructions & Warmup @ Prince George G&CC
- 7:00pm: Swing & Sweep Championship Curling
- 9:30pm: Horse Race Curling Event and Social

#### Day 2 - September 16

- 10:00am: Education@ Prince George G&CC
- 12:00pm: Swing & Sweep Championship 18 Hole Shotgun
- 5:30pm: Awards Banquet

#### Hotel

We are excited to announce that we have reserved a block of hotel rooms for the Exchange Event at the Prestige Treasure Cove Resort in Prince George.

Conveniently located across the street from the golf course and curling rink, the Prestige offers many amenities, including a Casino!

For an overview of the hotel click the following link:

Prince George Prestige Treasure Cove Resort

Rooms start at the excellent price of \$159.95 per night.

Guests have the option to book online with the link provided on the <u>rate sheet</u> (group id: 4V6NZ0E8). To ensure the link brings you to the correct website, save the rate sheet pdf to your computer before clicking on the link.

Or you can book by phone at 250-614-9111 (group code: BCGSA Exchange Event).

The hotel will release any unsold rooms on Aug 31st at midnight so book your room now before they are unavailable.

#### Education

We are thrilled to welcome two esteemed speakers to the Exchange Event in Prince George! **Dr. John Dempsey** will be joining us virtually via zoom.

Expect a dynamic morning filled with an excellent presentation and interactive discussions. Don't miss it!

#### John J Dempsey, PhD BSc (Hons)

Independent Turfgrass Research, Ireland

#### From LinkedIn

John began greenkeeping in the 1980's and was Superintendent of Ireland's oldest golf course –The Royal Curragh from 1993 to 2019. Always had a keen interest in sportsturf education John has undertaken courses beginning with basic greenkeeping at the Botanic gardens in Dublin to a 1st class Honours Degree in Turfgrass science at Myerscough College in the UK. Completed a PhD during 2016 in Turfgrass pathology in the Centre for Research in Biosciences at the University of the West of England, Bristol.

John has conducted independent research on turfgrass disease management for the past 10 years, covering extensively the subject Microdochium nivale infection of turfgrasses, turfgrass responses to infection and the effect of phosphite treatments on disease suppression, turfgrass growth and quality. John has presented the results of his research at numerous conferences and seminars in Ireland, Scotland, France, Germany, Norway, USA, Canada and at BTME in Harrogate.

#### Leave a Hat - Take a Hat

Back by popular demand, the BCGSA Hat Exchange will be available at the event again this year. Bring a hat from your golf course and exchange it for another one from a different golf course. Not only do you get a new hat, you get to promote other golf courses from around BC.

#### **Event Registration**

Click the link <u>here</u> or at the bottom of each page to register for the 2025 Exchange Event.

### Member Registration - \$150.00

- For BCGSA Members and their Team
  - Includes Meet & Greet appy's, Swing & Sweep Championship Curling & 18-hole Shotgun, lunch, Awards Banquet

#### Swing & Sweep Curling Registration

- Check to participate
- Indicate your curling skill level Beginner, Novice, Intermediate, Skilled

#### Non-Member Registration - Superintendent - \$350.00

- Not a member of the BCGSA yet? Register and become a member
  - Includes full Member Registration, discounted BCGSA Superintendent membership until next year's renewal

#### Non-Member Registration – Assistants and Golf Course Maintenance - \$275.00

- Not a member of the BCSGA yet? Register and become a member
  - Includes full Member Registration, discounted BCGSA membership until next year's renewal

#### September 15 - Opt-In Skins Game @ Pine Valley Golf Center - \$45.00

- BCGSA Members and their Team
  - o Includes green fees, Skins, shuttle to & from hotel

### Social Only Registration - \$90.00

- Only want to participate in social activities (excludes curling and golf)
  - o Includes Meet & Greet appy's, lunch, Awards Banquet



# **SWING & SWEEP CHAMPIONSHIP**

The BCGSA Northern Chapter and the Prince George Golf and Curling Club are excited to be hosting the 2025 Exchange Event. With the PGG+CC playing host, we have a unique opportunity to put on the first ever BCGSA **Swing and Sweep** championship.

The 2-day event will combine curling and golf to determine the best multi-talented team in the province.

#### Registration

Everyone is encouraged to register for both golf and curling even if you have never curled before. Curling instruction is included and will be led by **Patti Knezevic**, a **Provincial Scotties Tournament of Hearts Champion**, so this is a great opportunity to try a new sport. Attendees will register with a golf handicap and curling skill level then teams will be assembled with a mix of experience.

#### **Game Time & Strategy**

After the Meet & Greet and curling instructions, each foursome will play three two-end games of curling for a total of six ends. Each team will have the advantage of the last rock once per game. Since your curling team is also your golf team, the goal is for your team to score as many points as possible in each end as your total points scored will carry over to the links the next day.

#### **Scoring**

Your total points from curling will be subtracted from your team golf score at the end of your round to determine the first ever Swing and Sweep Champions. Those four names will be forever etched on the uniquely Northern **Swing and Sweep** Cup.





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September 15 & 16, 2025

Prince George Golf & Curling Club

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