



## Media Release

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# Sask Sport Inc. Announces the April Athlete of the Month Award Recipient

The **Sherry Anderson Curling Team** from **Delisle** is the recipient of the **Sask Sport Inc. April Athlete of the Month Award**. The members of the team are: Sherry Anderson (skip), Patricia Hersikorn (third), Brenda Goertzen (second), Anita Silvernagle (lead) and Bill Tschirhart (coach). The team was nominated by CurlSask.

The team defeated the U.S. by a score of 5-3 to win the World Seniors Curling Championship. The team advanced to the playoffs thanks to a 10-6 victory over Finland and 7-5 victory over Switzerland in the semifinal. The team also claimed the 2018 Canadian title, which means they will be headed back to the World Championships to defend their title next year.

The other outstanding nominees were:

- **Ian Frattinger, Martensville, Racquetball** – won gold in the boy's 16-and-under singles division and silver in the boy's 16-and-under doubles division at the Canadian Junior Racquetball Championships in Calgary. Qualified to represent Canada at the 2018 World Junior Racquetball Championships in Mexico;
- **Lillian Pinay, Regina, Wrestling** – won gold medals in the freestyle and greco events at the U19 Women's National Championships in Edmonton. Finished first in her weight class at the Saskatchewan Amateur Wrestling Association (SAWA) Provincial Competition;
- **Adrea Propp, Regina, Athletics** – won bronze at the Oregon State University High Performance Meet – Invitational 800 metre, tying her own Saskatchewan record. She is now ranked fourth in Canada in the 800m;
- **Notre Dame Midget AAA Hounds, Wilcox, Hockey** – won gold at the Telus Cup in Ontario, completing a perfect 20-0 post-season. It's the team's fifth national midget championship. Individual awards went to Brad Morrissey (most sportsmanlike), Quinn Schmiemann (top defenceman) and Luke Mylymok (top scorer);
- **Ryan Rousell, Asquith, Fencing** – won gold in the wheelchair sabre event at the International Wheelchair and Amputee Sports Federation (IWAS) Fencing World Cup in Montreal. He competed in the Men's A Sabre competition, where he defeated a former world medalist from France in the semi-final and then defeated a Japanese athlete 15-4 in the final. This was Canada's first gold medal in a World Cup competition.

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For information regarding the Athlete of the Month Awards program, including previous nominees and recipients, visit [www.sasksport.sk.ca/awards.php](http://www.sasksport.sk.ca/awards.php)

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