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(STEVENS POINT, Wis.) – Hockey and curling will combine “Sticks & Stones” for a special event in North Carolina on Sunday, August 25.

Stars from hockey and curling, as well as on-air talent are slated to compete in three four-end games at the Polar Iceplex in Raleigh, N.C., on the heels of USA Curling’s production of the sixth season of “Curling Night in America.”

Ten curling athletes – eight on the ice and two in coaching roles – are expected to team up with a mix of National Hockey League (NHL) players, 2018 Olympic women’s gold medal team stars, and NBC commentators to comprise the mixed curling teams. While most traditional curling rules will apply, there are expected to be some creative add-ins to bring a few hockey elements into these games, too.

The U.S. curlers set to compete include John Shuster (Superior, Wis.), Chris Plys (Duluth, Minn.), Matt Hamilton (McFarland, Wis.), John Landsteiner (Duluth, Minn.), Jamie Sinclair (Osgoode, Ontario), Cory Christensen (Duluth, Minn.), Vicky Persinger (Fairbanks, Alaska), Taylor Anderson (Minneapolis, Minn.), Sarah Anderson (Minneapolis, Minn.), and Korey Dropkin (Duluth, Minn.).

Games will be staged at 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. Tickets are good for all three games and are available online in advance for only \$15 each by visiting <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-curling-night-in-america-tickets-62671435952>. On the day of the event, if available, tickets will be \$20 each.

Fans can also purchase parking passes in advance (same link as above) for only \$5 each. Day of event parking will be \$10.

About USA Curling:

The United States Curling Association (USCA), doing business as USA Curling, is the National Governing Body for the Olympic sport of curling. The association is headquartered

in Stevens Point, Wis. USA Curling oversees all aspects of competitive curling in the United States and develops, prepares, and selects the U.S. National and Olympic Teams for international competition. USA Curling is sponsored by AtomOS, Toyota, Brooms Up Curling Supplies, Carhartt, CryoMAX 8-Hour Cold Pack, Sitrin, The RAM Restaurant & Brewery, Thorne, ISS (Ice, Sports & Solar), and Twin Cities Orthopedics, and is partnered with Brakebush, Laurie Artiss Ltd. – The Pin People, United Airlines, 12th End Sports Network, IHG, and CurlingZone.

About the Triangle Sports Commission:

The Triangle Sports Commission is the sports commission for the Triangle region of North Carolina consisting of Wake, Durham, and Orange Counties. A long-time Community Olympic Partner of the U.S. Olympic Committee, the TSC focuses on the hosting of Olympic and amateur sports events and activities that help develop athletes, promote the region, and foster positive branding and economic impacts for the Raleigh-Durham market. The TSC successfully recruited USA Baseball's headquarters to Durham and their national training complex to Cary. The TSC has served as host organization for the U.S. Olympic Trials–Table Tennis, Collegiate Rugby National Championships, ACC Baseball Championships, North Carolina Sports Summit, Triangle Tip-Off Men's and Women's Basketball Luncheons, NC High School Football Championships, and the world's first- ever Rugby 7's Olympic Qualification Tournament, among others. For more information on the TSC, visit www.trianglesportscommission.com.



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