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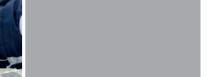


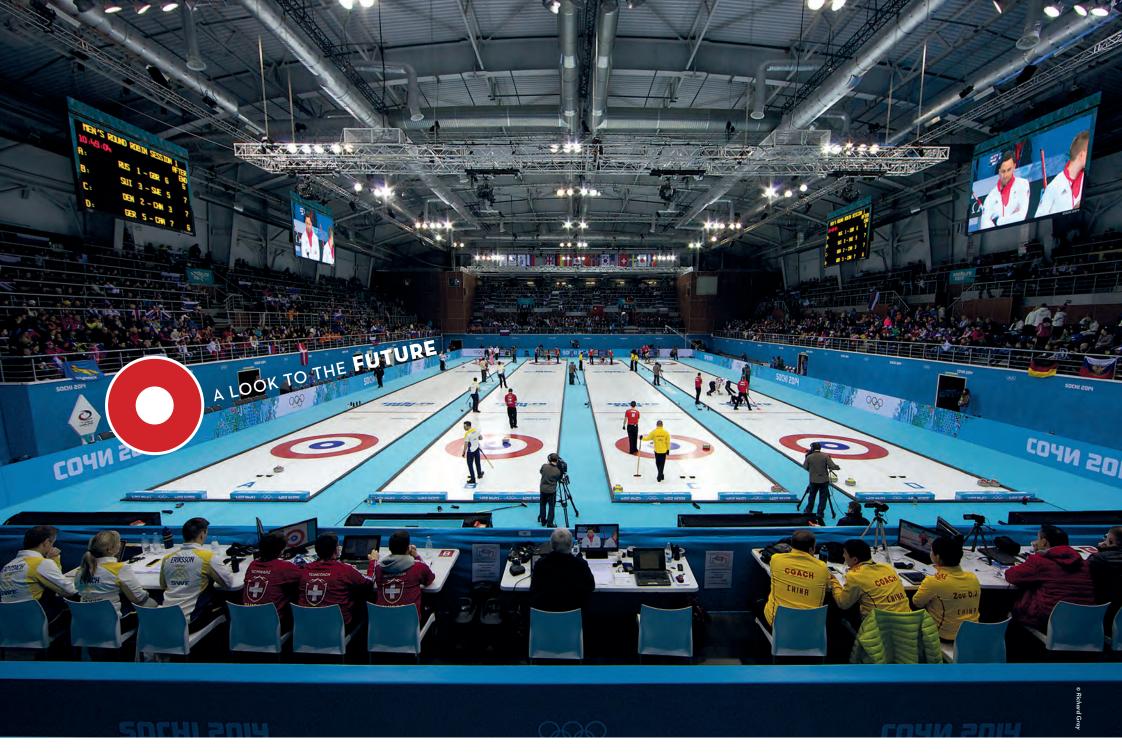














As this book clearly illustrates, a lot has happened in and around the WCF since the International Curling Federation was established 50 years ago.

In many ways, the WCF has found itself growing up fast, with unexpected twists and turns along the road. When the current, complex operating environment of the organisation is compared to the modest beginnings of half a century ago, it makes any accurate prediction of how the future will unfold very tricky indeed.

However, it seems likely that the WCF will be taken forward by characters every bit as colourful, purposeful and committed as those mentioned in this book – and those who haven't been – who have made their contributions over the years.

It seems likely that the WCF will continue to flourish and grow, working hard to take curling to every corner of the globe, and assisting national associations and others in spreading the enjoyment of the game.



It seems likely that the WCF competitions will continue to produce great play and sportsmanship, providing the best possible shop-window for the sport and its talented players.

It seems likely that the activities of the WCF will continue to act as a catalyst for forging life-long international friendships among fans, competitors and officials alike.

But most of all, it seems likely that the spirit of curling that has pervaded almost everything the WCF has done in the past 50 years will continue to be present into the future as a backdrop to whatever exciting developments will now come the WCF's way.











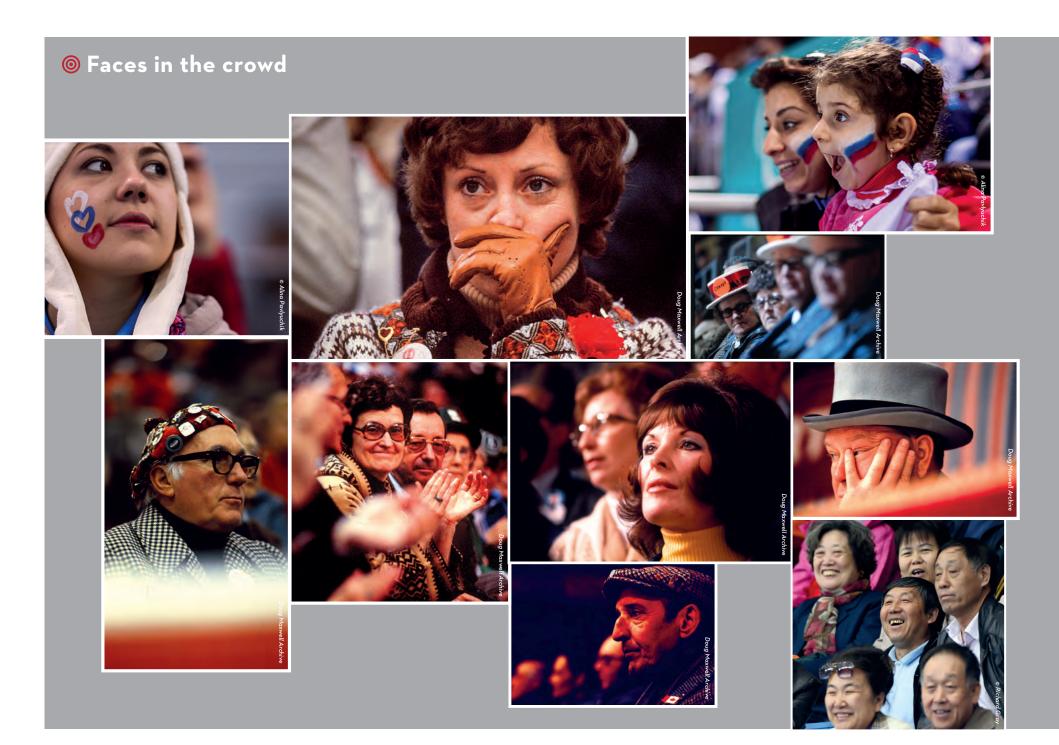




## Member Associations' Dates of Joining World Curling Federation

Canada, France, Norway, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland Germany, United States Denmark, England Italy Netherlands Luxembourg Finland Austria, Wales Japan Australia Hungary Czech Republic Andorra, Iceland, Liechtenstein, New Zealand, US Virgin Islands Russia Korea 

1997	Belarus
1998	Brazil, Chinese Taipei
1999	Spain
2001	Latvia
2002	China
2003	Estonia, Ireland, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia
2004	Croatia
2005	Belgium, Serbia
2009	Turkey
2010	Romania, Slovenia
2012	Kosovo, Mongolia
2013	Bulgaria, Georgia, Israel, Ukraine
2014	Hong Kong, Qatar
2015	Greece
2016	Guyana, Mexico



## **Further information**

The World Curling Federation's website,

## www.worldcurling.org

contains details of:

- all WCF championship winners
- all individuals inducted into the WCF Hall of Fame and its predecessor Awards
- all athletes who have won Sportsmanship Awards at championships, voted for by their fellow-players
- information about the WCF Executive Board

It also details other important information about the Federation and its Member Associations.

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