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# Jones into final, Scott set to face Ontario foursome

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont. (CP) — Defending champion Jennifer Jones secured a place for Canada in the finals at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts with an 8-5 win over P.E.I.'s Kathy O'Rourke on Friday.

"It wasn't as sharp as we'd like it to be," said Jones of the win. "We made a lot of big shots when we had to. We controlled the game which was good. . . . Hopefully we just avoid some of those shaky moments near the end and carry that to the final."

Jones will be gunning for her fourth Scotties title and third straight win on Sunday.

"I don't think experience ever hurts, but I don't think you need experience either," she said. "You always have to win your first one at some point."

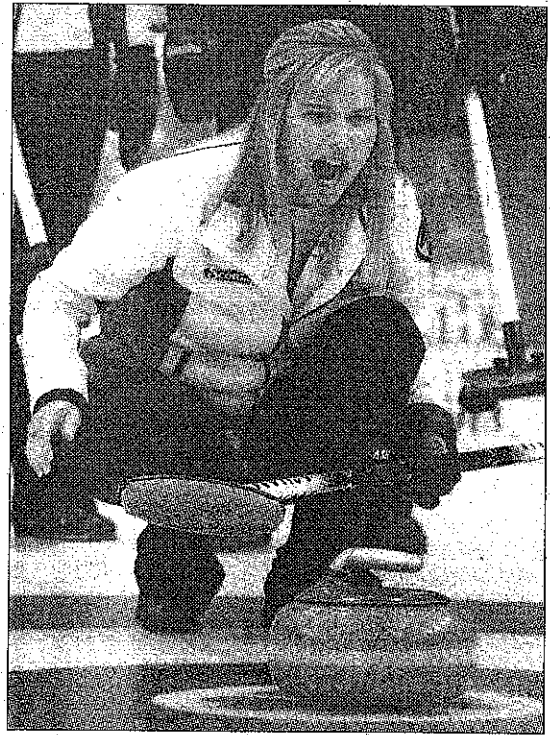
The Jones rink will face the winner of tonight's semifinal, which will see P.E.I. take on the winner of the 3-4 page playoff between B.C. and Ontario this afternoon.

Earlier on Friday, Ontario's Krista McCarville scored three in the sixth and two more in the seventh en route to a 10-3 win in seven ends over Manitoba's Jill Thurston in the tiebreaker.

With the win, McCarville earned the right to face B.C.'s Kelly Scott of Kelowna.

"It feels good," said McCarville. "Step one is done. We've got a few more games to battle. Now we've got a tough one (today) against Kelly Scott."

McCarville and Thurston finished the round robin tied with Scott for third in the standings with 7-4 records.



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**Team Canada skip Jennifer Jones yells at a shot during the 2010 Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., on Friday.**