

Scott squad falls to Jones at Scotties

B.C. beats Manitoba 7-5, but loses to Canada 10-7; Ontario moves into top spot

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont. (CP) — Krista McCarville feels her team is right where it deserves to be — atop the standings at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

The Ontario skip improved to 6-1 and took possession of first place after Draw 11 with a 9-3 win over P.E.I.'s Kathy O'Rourke on Tuesday night. O'Rourke sits in a second-place tie with Canada's Jennifer Jones at 5-2.

"It feels good," said McCarville. "We've been playing well and I think we deserve it."

After Ontario jumped out to a 3-0 lead through three ends, P.E.I. got one back in the fourth, but O'Rourke's rink would get no closer.

"I'm disappointed that the game wasn't better," said the P.E.I. skip, who credited McCarville with taking advantage of her chances and nullifying any of her progress.

After a forgetful performance on Monday that saw it drop a pair of games, Canada picked up a pair of wins on Tuesday. To open the day, Jones defeated Alberta's Valerie Sweeting 9-7 in the morning draw and proceeded to pick up a 10-7 victory over Kelly Scott of B.C.

"We played a little bit better," said Jones. "We're still not as good as we would like to be but I thought we had a good day today. It was a tough day for us. We played some good teams."



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B.C., Quebec and Manitoba sit at 4-3 after Draw 11, followed by New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and Alberta, which all stand at 3-4.

In the morning draw, Scott's Kelowna foursome posted a 7-5 win over Manitoba.

Ursel joins Gretzinger for lead at provincial championship

At Vernon, two Kelowna rinks were tied for the lead after the first three draws at the B.C. men's curling championship.

On Tuesday, Bert Gretzinger and Bob Ursel both sported 3-0 records heading into last night's Draw 4. The 10-team event continues today through Sunday at the Vernon Curling Club.

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Team Canada skip Jennifer Jones, left, shakes hands with Team B.C. skip Kelly Scott after posting a 10-7 victory over Scott's Kelowna foursome during Scotties Tournament of Hearts action in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., on Tuesday.