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## Day 5 Activities – by Mike Hanafin

Cloverdale's women and Chilliwack's men will represent British Columbia at this November's Travelers Canadian Curling Club Championship in Ottawa, after B.C. playoff wins at the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Pacific International Cup ("The PIC") at the Richmond Curling Centre.

Cloverdale upset previously unbeaten Campbell River (Island North) 8-2 in the B.C. Women's final, while Chilliwack beat Vancouver 7-5 in the B.C. Men's final, earning berths in Sunday afternoon's PIC overall finals.

Cloverdale Skip Leanne Andrews and Third Jennifer Gay were on the PIC championship team way back in 2004, and now they're heading to Ottawa, along with front end Kim Mclandress and Phillipa Johnston. Andrews broke open a tight battle with a deuce in the 5<sup>th</sup>, then stole 4 in the 7<sup>th</sup> when Lonnie Schopp's draw came up light. Schopp was trying for her 3<sup>rd</sup> career PIC title.

Cloverdale will face Washington in the women's PIC final. Washington had 3-enders in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> on their way to a 8-3 win over California in the International Pool final.

Chilliwack's Kevin Britz was undefeated in the round-robin, and the Fraser Valley team continued their roll early in the B.C. final, taking 3 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> end and a steal of one in the 4<sup>th</sup> to grab an early 4-0 lead. But Vancouver veteran skip Brock Tully (with Jeff Guignard throwing 4<sup>th</sup> stones) fought back with 2 in the 4<sup>th</sup>, a steal of 2 in the 5<sup>th</sup>, and another steal of 1 in the 6<sup>th</sup> to take the lead. Chilliwack bounced back with a 3 in 7, and survived a nervous 8<sup>th</sup> end to win 7-5.

Chilliwack will take on Illinois in the PIC men's final. Illinois scored an early 4-ender, followed by a steal of 1 for 5-0 lead, then cruised to an upset 6-3 win over The Yukon.

In Sunday morning's pool semi-finals, Cloverdale beat Royal City (New Westminster) 7-5 in the women's semi. Vancouver beat Vernon 7-3, and Illinois beat Washington 7-6 in the men's semi-finals. The losers of those games all received bronze medals.

The PIC features club curling championship teams from all over British Columbia, along with teams from the Yukon, eight U.S. states, Australia, New Zealand, and Brazil. It is one of the premier curling events in the world for the development of the sport at the grass-roots level.

The PIC also raises money for the event's official charity: Spinal Cord Injury BC. Saturday night's Silent Auction raised \$5,250, thanks to the generosity of the participating curlers who have contributed prizes.

Linescores of pool finals:

Vancouver	000 221 0x	5	The Yukon	000 100 2x	3
Chilliwack	031 000 3x	7	Illinois	041 010 0x	6
Campbell River	010 100 0xx	2	Washington	030 310 1x	8
Cloverdale	101 020 4xx	8	California	001 002 0x	3