Canadian Judges to 2013 International Cup Selected

January 8, 2013 - Two judges will represent Canada at the <u>2013 WBTF International Cup</u> [1] in Almere, Netherlands. Joining Ron Kopas (CBTF Judges' Rep) will be Wendy Cruickshank.

Both Ron and Wendy are WBTF Master Judges and are certified to judge all WBTF International Cup events. Each is a very experienced Canadian judge, having judged at numerous Provincial and National Championships over the past five years.

On the world stage, Ron was one of Canada's judges at the 2012 WBTF World Championships (France), 2011 WBTF International Cup (USA), the 2010 WBTF World Championships (Norway) and the 2008 WBTF World Championships and International Cup (Ireland). Wendy was the Chief Judge at the 2007 World Championships, hosted in Hamilton, Ontario.

Continuing with the policy implemented in 2010, all applicants were assessed by a Judge Selection Committee on three factors:

- the results of a series of practical judging assignments
- their judging experience and other qualities as reported on their application

The Selection Committee, appointed in December, was comprised of CBTF Technical Chair Elan Paluck, CBTF Coaches Rep Kim Genton, CBTF Judges Rep Ron Kopas, Loranne Meek (AB), Karen Gratton (BC), Solange St. Couer (NB) and Sandi Watt (ON). The CBTF Board extends its thanks to this group for the thought and consideration they exercised while determining this judging panel.

Congratulations to Ron and Wendy as they prepare for this exciting opportunity.

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