

Australia's Senior Curlers Deliver Strong Geneva Campaign

4 May 2026 - Curling Australia congratulates its senior men's and women's teams following a strong showing at the 2026 ACE & Company World Senior Curling Championships in Geneva, Switzerland.

The championships, held from 24 April to 2 May, brought together 57 teams from across the world and capped a remarkable fortnight for Australian curling in Geneva.

Australia's senior men's team of Geoff Davis, Steve Johns, Steve Hewitt and Hugh Millikin finished equal fifth after progressing to the quarterfinals. The side advanced from pool play, before defeating England in the qualification round before falling to Canada in the last eight.

Australia's senior women's team of Helen Williams, Lynn Hewitt, Kim Irvine and Carolyn Swan also produced a competitive campaign, recording victories over Poland, Hungary and Denmark to finish 12th overall.

The Geneva championships concluded an exceptional international season for skip Helen Williams, who earlier led Australia to its first ever appearance and first ever win at the World Women's Curling Championship, before returning to compete strongly in the senior ranks.

Hugh Millikin's appearance in Geneva further adds to one of the most distinguished international records in Australian curling. World Curling records indicate he has now played 473 international championship games, placing him second all-time globally behind Niklas Edin (490). He also holds the record for the most international championship appearances, with 58 across multiple disciplines and eras, reinforcing his standing as one of the most experienced international curlers in the sport.



L-R: Carolyn Swan, Kim Irvine, Lynn Hewitt, Helen Williams, Coach Barry Westman
Photo Credit: World Curling



L-R: Hugh Millikin, Steve Hewitt, Stephen Johns, Geoff Davis
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Curling Australia Chair Hamish Lorrain-Smith said:

“The Geneva campaign reflected the growing depth and visibility of Australian curling internationally. This has been an exceptional period for Australian curling. Our athletes have represented the country with pride, resilience and real quality across multiple championships. To see Australia so strongly represented in Geneva should give our entire curling community great confidence for the future.”

Curling Australia also thanked Swiss Curling, Stuart Dryburgh and the local organising committee for delivering on their vision of a championship week built around celebration, hospitality and the spirit of curling. Across the venue and wider city, competitors and supporters consistently praised the standard of organisation, atmosphere and warm welcome provided throughout the event.

The World Senior titles were won by the United States men and Scotland women.

About Curling Australia:

Curling Australia is the governing body that leads, develops, and promotes the sport of Curling in Australia. We aid and support the individual Member States and their grassroots endeavours to advance Curling whilst providing a pathway for curlers to compete at National and International events, including the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.

Curling Australia is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion within our organisation and is a child safe organisation and has a zero-tolerance policy to child abuse and neglect in any form. We encourage individuals of all backgrounds and experiences to be involved with Curling in Australia.

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