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The World Curling Federation has announced that the [World Senior Curling Championships 2012](#) will take place at Tårnby Curling Club in

Kastrup, on the outskirts of Copenhagen, in Denmark.

The event will run from 14-21 April at the seven sheet curling facility which was the venue for the 2006 World Seniors event.

“Following the success of the 2006 World Senior Championships, the World Curling Federation looks forward to returning to Tårnby in 2012 to work with the curling club and our Danish Curling Association colleagues once again” said World Curling Federation President Kate Caithness. “The purpose-built club has proved to be a curling success story with the facility regularly hosting top level international curling events to a high standard and the 2012 World Senior Championships will be no exception.”

“On behalf of the Danish Curling Association and Tårnby Curling Club, we are delighted to welcome senior curlers from around the world back to Copenhagen” said Johannes Jensen, President of Tårnby Curling Club and chairman of the 2012 World Seniors organising committee. “We have added an additional two sheets of curling ice this year to make Tårnby a seven sheet facility. As we will host the European Mixed Championships and European C

Group, European Junior Curling Challenge and the World Seniors this season, it will be a busy year for us. But we look forward to welcoming the world once more to our club.”

2012 will be the 11th edition of the formally sanctioned World Curling Federation World Senior Curling Championships since its inauguration in Bismarck, North Dakota, USA in 2002. Canada currently holds both the senior men’s and senior women’s championship titles, with both teams winning gold at the 2011 Seniors in St Paul, Minnesota, USA.

Altogether 21 senior men’s teams and eleven senior women’s teams competed at the 2011 event. To be eligible to play in the senior championships, players must not be less than 50 years of age by the end of June of the year immediately preceding the year in which the championship is to take place.

The nations represented at the men’s event in 2011 were: Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Russia, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland, USA and Wales.

Canada, Czech Republic, England, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Russia, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland and USA competed in the 2011 women’s senior championship.

The event is ‘open entry’ for [WCF Member Associations](#) . One team from each gender may enter from each Member Association. The deadline for entries is 15 December 2011.

For more info visit: [World Senior Curling Championships 2012](#)

About Tårnby Curling Club [www.taarnbycurlingclub.dk](http://www.taarnbycurlingclub.dk)

The club was built in 1978 and further expanded in 2003 and 2011 to make a total of seven sheets of curling ice. In the 2011-2012 season the club will host the following events: the European Mixed Curling Championships and the [European Curling Championships](#) C Group (30 September – 8 October). From 3-8 January the [European Junior Curling Challenge 2012](#) will also be staged at the club.

About the Danish Curling Association [www.curling.dk](http://www.curling.dk)

The Danish Curling Association was founded in 1971 and joined the WCF in the same year. Since the 1998 [Olympic Winter Games](#) in Nagano, Japan, when Denmark's Helena Blach Lavrsen took silver, interest in curling has grown with over 5000 Danes playing the sport today. Dedicated curling facilities exist in Hvidovre, Tårnby and Esbjerg, with a new rink currently under construction in Gentofte. In 2011, Esbjerg hosted the Capital One World Women's Curling Championship. Denmark is currently ranked 9th in the WCF world men's rankings and 4th in the women's rankings following a silver medal finish for Rasmus Stjerne's team in the European Men's Championship 2010 and a fourth place finish for Lene Nielsen's team at the 2011 Women's Worlds.