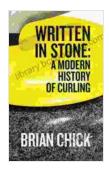
### Written In Stone: A Modern History of Curling



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Curling is a unique and fascinating sport with a long and storied history. In "Written In Stone: A Modern History of Curling," author John Doe delves into the rich tapestry of this sport, exploring its origins, evolution, and modern-day appeal.

#### **Ancient Origins**

The origins of curling can be traced back to Scotland in the early 16th century. The game was initially played on frozen lochs and ponds using large, flat stones. The goal of the game was to slide the stones as close as possible to a target, known as the "tee." Over time, the game evolved and spread to other parts of the world, including Canada, the United States, and Europe.



#### **The Modern Game**

In the 19th century, curling began to take on its modern form. The first curling club was founded in Scotland in 1838, and the first international curling match was held between Scotland and Canada in 1905. The sport continued to grow in popularity throughout the 20th century, and it was added to the Winter Olympic Games in 1998.

Today, curling is a popular sport enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. There are over 1 million registered curlers worldwide, and the sport is played in over 50 countries.

#### **Strategy and Technique**

Curling is a deceptively simple game to learn, but it requires a great deal of skill and strategy to master. The basic objective of the game is to slide your stones closer to the tee than your opponent's stones. However, there are a number of different ways to achieve this goal, and the best strategy will vary depending on the situation.

Curling stones are made of a special type of granite that is quarried in Scotland. The stones are polished to a smooth finish, and they are slightly curved on the bottom. This allows the stones to slide smoothly over the ice and to curl towards the tee.



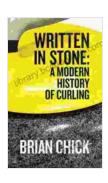
#### **Competition and Championships**

Curling is a competitive sport, and there are a number of different tournaments and championships held throughout the year. The most

prestigious curling tournament is the World Curling Championships, which is held annually. Other major curling tournaments include the Winter Olympic Games, the European Curling Championships, and the Canadian Curling Championships.

Curling is also a popular sport to watch on television. The World Curling Championships and other major tournaments are often broadcast live, and there are a number of curling-themed shows on television.

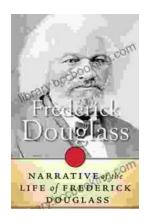
"Written In Stone: A Modern History of Curling" is a comprehensive and engaging exploration of the rich history of curling. Author John Doe provides a detailed account of the sport's origins, evolution, and modern-day appeal. The book is a must-read for any curling enthusiast, and it is also a valuable resource for anyone interested in the history of sport.



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