



Monday 26th September 2016

Dumfries Ice Bowl Curling Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

King Street, Dumfries

1. Present : Kenny Murray, Jim Hogg, Rosemary Lenton, Marion Mather, Craig Sloan, Gordon Farries, Fiona Hardie, Nancy Gallacher, David McKie, Alistair Wallace (7.30pm).
2. Apologies : Iain Gallacher, Steve McLaren, John Graham, Graham Sloan, Gillian Graham, , Callum Ruddick.
3. Minutes of Last Meeting : Proposed by Rosemary Lenton
Seconded by Jim Hogg.

Matters Arising: Insurance for future competitions – to be sorted by Rosemary.

Disclaimer Clause to be added to Competition entry forms

RCCC : Bidding forms to be sorted.

4. Treasurer's Report : Rosemary Lenton – the current balance is £18085.28 as of today's date. An invoice for the levy fees paid to date to the facility is to be raised.

This increase is due to several factors:

External Competition entries :- £8403.45

(SCT £2250/CCT£4758.60/MDoubles£1394.85)

Sponsors £750

Stone Handles renewals to date:- £650

Monthly Draw:- £230

TOTAL £10033.45

In addition several invoices have been issued to Sponsors which are due for payment within the next 4-6 weeks totalling **£700**

The stone handles still outstanding total **£1225**

Hamilton House B&B	4 stones	£100
New Abbey Curling Club	4 stones	£100
Magnox Chapelcross Ltd	16 stones	£300
Galloway Drainage Supplies	8 stones	£175
Dalbeattie Curling Club	8 Stones	£175
Iain & Nancy Gallacher	4 stones	£100
Maxwelltown Ladies Curling Club	4 stones	£100
DIBCA Ladies	8 stones	£175

Stone Renewals Received to date:-

Hardie Engineering/J.Anderson, Reclaimed Timber,/ John Pagan & Son
Funeral Directors (£650)

As the season is just commencing we will also be due DIBCA levies and further Monthly Draw entries.

5. Sponsorship – Rosemary Lenton – Two new sponsors are to be invoiced

The £600 from Border Cars (which has been paid) is still outstanding to DIBCA

6. Competitions Report – Jim Hogg : To date there are :

Nithsdale 56 entries, 14 teams, 2 sections of 4 and 2 sections of 3
Wednesday Night Leagues 287 entries, Divisions 1 and 2 9 teams,
Division 3, 10 teams

Seniors 14 entries, two leagues of seven, split after Xmas into A and B divisions.

Pairs 20 entries, had a couple of withdrawals. Mixed Doubles 13 entries. Skins 5 entries

Halliday 12th October @ Lockerbie, 8th March @ Dumfries

Ayr 3 rinks mixed @ Ayr 17th October 1430

7. Coaching And Development - Graham Sloan

Club Development Sessions are going well.

Dumfries, Tongland, Lochrutton & Kirkcudbright are actively engaged in training sessions.

Each club is being offered 4 sessions initially and can book more if they want too.

Tongland Curling Club have affiliated to the RCCC

Junior Coaching Up and Running and hope to build momentum over the next weeks.

Trying to offer more team training to give those teams playing in events more training

and get them upto speed for the season. This is being well received.

Adult Coaching is running on a Tuesday Evening and Wednesday morning
Try Curling advertisement material has arrived now need to distribute and promote sessions.

Looking to establish a Mixed Doubles Training Programme more details to follow very shortly.

2 local coaches signed on to the level 1 course here at Dumfries on the 22nd October & 6 local students also signing up. This will be good for the coaching group and help spread the coaching around.

I will be attending the adult camp at Stranraer Friday - Sunday on request from the RCCC. It looks to be a full programme and will be lead by David Jones with myself and a few others supporting the programme. Junior Coaching at 4.30pm & performance training at 4.30pm will be covered by lead coaches.

8. Young Curlers – Gordon Farries – Last weekend was a good weekend for the Young Curlers who entered 6 teams in the under 17's. Congratulations to Grant and Sophie for their results. The Young Curlers are developing well, and the Committee is working hard and hoping to become accredited shortly.
9. Ladies Committee Report – Marion Mather – This Friday, the 30th, is the Ladies Group Try Curling Night, with refreshments afterwards. A decision was made that the levy fee would be waived for Guest members when playing in a competition against another Ice Rink, for example the Halliday, against Lockerbie.
10. RCCC _ No report.
11. DGC – David McKie – No report, but concern over the faults with the Ice equipment at the facility.
12. Property – Alistair Wallace – talked through the report sheets and showed the Committee how the problems raised were all either resolved or in hand and making progress. The facility are in favour of the new 'one point of contact'. Some items are resolved in theory but needing attention still – the clock in the ice rink is now up, but not working. Alistair is to look at costings for an electric clock and possibly linking it into the speaker system.

Also, he will look into who has the final say over the use of the Curling Lounge – recently there have been non curling related meetings held in the lounge, with curlers/visitors not allowed in.

The Café at the facility – the standard of the catering is of a poor standard, with opening hours which do not cater for the curlers. The service is very slow, many customers leaving to go elsewhere. A sub group from the Committee is to meet later to discuss more suitable menu items, how the service should improve, maybe a pre order system? The caterers will then be met to discuss.

13. Kenny Murray attended a User Group meeting with the Facility. The plant has now been fixed, and the ice has reportedly been good to date. The facility is very short staffed – with positions being re advertised. Car parking issues were raised when both Hockey and Curlers had functions – but hard to resolve with the swimming pool in use there too. These meetings are to be held every 6 weeks
Meeting closed at 8.05pm
Next meeting to be on Monday 31st October at 7.00pm.

