

Chairs Report

The main work recently has been in relation to the future of DIBCA and DCL following the Directors notification and the decision of DIBCA for a working group composing David Kingan, Tony Lenton and myself to investigate and you will find a report attached on our deliberations.

At present I have no further information re the facility upgrades however I trust that we should appreciate the investment which is being put into the building and which will ensure it longevity.

I understand that we will receive Council Event funding to help us run our programs which shows the value placed upon having events here at Dumfries.

It was hoped that we would have been able to provide a report on the Scottish Championships however due to various factors a meeting has yet to take place. Initial reports indicate it was a great success and well received and a big thanks to everyone who helped in any form with the event.

I consider there is merit in DIBCA looking to help plan next years events at an early stage following our AGM.

Meeting - The Chair advised the working group had concluded its review of the best way forward re the Replacement of the Directors.

It was concluded that continuing the current way of working albeit with increased Number of Directors and members on DCL would provide continuity. A time frame was provided and after discussion on some minor changes to wording it was concluded that the committee would accept the views in its entirety and that the working group should go ahead as shown in the attached document.

AOCB

Gavin

1 .He sees the need for DIBCA to have closer ties with facility management and staff and to work closer with Junior and Ladies Committees.

Discussion followed and it was highlighted that efforts had been made previously to get facility staff involved in curling events e.g. press releases and our working groups and when asked they always provided great assistance.

2. Gavin also felt it would be worthwhile pursuing sponsors to see how they viewed their involvement to the Scottish.

3. He also felt that there was a need for more people to be carrying out action to help improve the financial position of the Association and help fund events.

Tony Lenton raised the point that the Olympics next year would generate interest in winter sports and asked how do we capture this. Graham Sloan highlighted the work already undertaken; he pointed out that with new directors there would be a reset on how we worked.

Stuart Armstrong highlighted a recent query re Gift Aid and he advised it was not always the easiest path to take and certain funds cannot be gift aided. DIBCA is not registered for Gift Aid.

Susan Morrison highlighted the difficulty experienced trying to sort out on line banking with BoS. This raised a point on what was best practice for banking now DIBCA was a Registered Charity.

AGM

It was agreed the AGM would be held on Tuesday 20 May 2020 at 6.30pm. The venue would not be at the Ice Bowl due to its closure for renovation and its location would be notified in due course.