



SCOTTISH WHEELCHAIR CURLING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday, 27th August 2018 at Route 74

Present	Rosemary Lenton	RL	Chair
	Rosemary Miller	RM	Treasurer
	Harry Brodie	HB	Comp Co-ordinator
	Brian Park	BP	South Clubs Rep
	Sheila Swan	SS	GB Wheelchair Curling Head Coach
	Helen Kallow	HK	RCCC Rep
	Maureen Griffiths	MG	Minutes Secretary

RL welcomed everyone to the meeting

1 Apologies

Apologies received from Alison Hopkins, Ted Bidgood, Jackie McLaren and Gavin McLeod.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting were approved - proposed by HB and seconded by SS .

3. Matters arising

None

4 SWCA Chairman's Report August 2018 RL

Competitions Accommodation

As a result of several queries regarding suitable hotels in the Kinross area, I have compiled a list of possible accommodation for the Scottish Championships to be held in Kinross. This will be circulated along with the Minutes of this SWCA Meeting.

Competitions

I am disappointed to hear that several Club Coaches would appear to be advising players that they must enter competitions as a Club. This should be down to individuals to enter a team, this could be 4 players from 4 separate Clubs.

The reasoning is that by playing with others, possibly more experienced, they will help them to gain experience themselves and instil some confidence for the future.

There appears to be some difficulty in teaming up players – they should be referred to the SWCA website or Facebook to make contact with others.

Scottish

Kinross Building work is well under way and should be finished by the start of the season.

David Melrose

As a result of his selection for the Paralympian Performance Squad, David has decided that he will concentrate his efforts towards his playing and has withdrawn from being on the SWCA Committee.

Grant Applications

Currently in process of applying for Grants for the forthcoming Season 2018/19 in respect of the proposed Coaching Initiative/Inter Club League & Competitions.

To date we have received 2 small grants, with several other grant applications awaiting to be discussed at the respective funders meetings. We have received a number of thank you but no thanks replies.

The Robertson Trust citing that “we do not appear to have a financial need “according to our Annual Accounts.

Pin Badges

Jacky McLaren reminded me that we have not yet purchased these as we originally agreed.

I have received various quotes and the most reasonable would appear to be:

Badge Creation 500 25mm Silver Nickel with Butterfly Clasp £370 + VAT = £444.00

These would take approx. 3-4 weeks for delivery, these could be useful for both the Stirling International and for the Worlds in March 2019.

HK agreed to submit an additional possible supplier.

5 Financial Report RM

The balance as of 27th August was £7,105. Also on 1st June we have £20,000.00 plus a little interest in our 95 Day Notice Account. Some funds have been received from competition entrants.

The RCCC has received £1,500 from SWCA the 2018-19 financial year to go towards for the Development Officer Costs.

Closing dates for entries are 26th October for British and 30th Nov for Scottish.

Entrants to date for the competitions are as follows:-

PAIRS 24-25 November 2018

- 1 Ian Donaldson and Gary Smith
- 2 Ted and Mary

- 3 David Hogg and Owen Streeter
- 4 Daniel Cowan and Keith Thom
- 5 Rosemary and Michael
- 6 Brian and Douglas
- 7 John McClelland and Jock Allison
- 8 Rebekah Nimmo and Carlyne McCluskey
- 9 Phil Heron and Irene Hainey
- 10 James McCoag and Julie Somerville
- 11 Michael Walker and Chris Warwick
- 12 Jeff Ward and James ?
- 13 Paul McGinty and Brian Miller
- 14 Stewart Pimblett and Norma Woods
- 15 Stephen McGarry and David Melrose
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MIXED 23-24 November 2018

- 1 Ted and Mary
- 2 Aileen and Michael
- 3 Rosemary and Michael

Please note that we have booked 2 sheets of ice on Friday at 8.20 pm and that the Hotel has given us FREE ice on Saturday evening.

BRITISH OPEN 11-12 February 2019

- 1 Mary Bell; Daniel Cowan; Keith Thom; Alison Cloudsley
- 2 Rosemary; Ted; S Pimblett; J Gault (M Shaw)
- 3 Stephen McGarry; Paul McGinty; Michael Walker; Chris Warwick

Please note that Northern Ice have withdrawn one team of their two teams for the British.

SCOTTISH 27-29 March 2019

- 1 Ross Hatten; Leslie Barr; Willie Harrison; Martin Rae
- 2 Mo Simpson; Mhairi Manson; Maria Duncan; Laura Fermor
- 3 Mary Bell; Daniel Cowan; Keith Thom; Alison Cloudsley
- 4 Ted; ANO; Michael Shaw; Rosemary;
- 5 Stewart Pimblett; Paul McGinty; Michael Walker; Chris Warwick
- 6 Stephen McGarry; Gary Logan; David Melrose; Norma Woods
- 7 Stranraer 1
- 8 Stranraer 2

6 Competitions HB

It was decided that the 'cow bell' would be awarded to the winners of the mixed doubles and a new cup with the SWCA logo and inscribed 'National Pairs

2018' awarded to the winners of the high road and the Quaich, suitably inscribed , awarded to the winners of the low road.

Interclub League TB

The inter club league is organised and it is hoped possible funding may be found.

7. Fundraising RL

Fundraising is ongoing. Responses are awaited. The latest request was to the Weir Charitable Trust.

8. National Coach Report SS

NCA There are 9 athletes in the programme- 6 performance and 3 performance foundation.

Four day camps are run every 2 weeks

The funding is available till June 2019

A skills shot program is ongoing.

The decision on the "stick heads" shows that current heads can still be used in Competitions.

It has been decided that the wheelchair curlers will adopt the new 'free guard zone' regulation. ie stones cannot be removed until after the fifth stone has been delivered. Discussion ensued as to possible change for Pairs.

9. SDS Rep G McLeod

The AGM will be held on 16th September at Stirling Court Hotel at which time the Annual Awards will be presented.

10. RCCC Report HK

Time has been spent supporting clubs in order to get them restarted.

One group of curlers has completed the level 1 course.

A course on operating Time Clocks is to be held on 14th October. Application forms can be found at www.scottishcurling.org/coaching/course-dates/

Volunteers for the Worlds (end Nov) are being sought.

Hopefully a course for less able curlers may be launched soon.

A visit to Stranraer is scheduled for 10th October.

We will be present at the independent living exhibition with a new age Kurling set and an information stand, please can all clubs have their information up to date on the website so we can direct enquirers there. Also if you want to designate some of your normal sessions as 'try curling sessions', Ailidh will put them on the try curling website for you. I would suggest maybe 2 in each half of the season so people see that you are there when they search. Please get these in asap so they can be added to the website, there are currently NO wheelchair sessions on there, this is a valuable tool to get the word out about your sessions.

12. Club Rep Reports South BP

All clubs have been contacted recently and all appear to be happy.

North JMCK

Friendship has been scheduled for Sun 24th Feb at 12.30 and 15.00.

Wheelchair Curlers to be represented at Albion Mobility 'do'.

SS will liaise with J Mcleary re adverts.etc.

Discussion ensued re timing of Judy's Jug competition.

RL to discuss with clubs.

13. AOCB

As response to coaching suggestion has been minimal RL to request responses asap.

14. DONM

The date of next meeting will be 10.00am, Mon 8th October at Hamiton

There being no other business RL closed the meeting at 11.55hrs and thanked everyone for attending.

Addendum 1

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION for Kinross area

Kinross	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Perth
Green Hotel Kinross	Holiday Inn Express D'line	Holiday Inn Express Glenrothes	Mercure Perth
Windelstrae Kinross	Sweet Chestnut Marstons D'line	Gilverbank Hotel Glenrothes	Premier Inn Perth
Travelodge Kinross	Premier Inn Dunfermline Travelodge Dunfermline	Travelodge Glenrothes Premier Inn Glenrothes	Travelodge Perth

NOTE: Green Hotel does not have a lift, downstairs rooms do not have disabled bathroom facilities

Dunfermline Approx 8 miles from Kinross

Glenrothes Approx 11 miles from Kinross

Perth Approx 14 miles from Kinross