



SCOTTISH WHEELCHAIR CURLING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on Saturday 1st December at Hamilton Ice Rink at 10am

Present	Rosemary Lenton	RL	Chair
	Rosemary Miller	RM	Treasurer
	Harry Brodie	HB	Comp Co-ordinator
	Ted Bidgood	TB	Vice Chair
	Alison Hopkins	AH	Secretary
	Gavin McLeod	GM	SDS Rep

RL welcomed everyone to the meeting

1 Apologies

Apologies received from, Maureen Griffiths, Jackie McLaren and Sheila Swan.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

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

3. Matters arising

None

4 SWCA Chairman's Report

RL will attend British Curling AGM Meeting on Thursday 13 December.

Stranraer National Pairs:

13 Teams finally took part, with 1 team pulling out on the Friday evening due to ill health.

As a result the Draw was amended right up to and on Saturday. A drinks reception was held on the Friday evening, Brian Park had also arranged for both sessions to be piped onto the ice before the commencement of play as well as prior to the finals being played.

Etiquette; it has been noted that standards are falling about on ice etiquette at some competitions, complaints having been received on bad language being used and people constantly moving in the head when opposition players are taking their shots, additionally players were roaming up and down the sheet during ends. *All Clubs and their members need to be reminded that the sport is based around sportsmanship and this kind of behaviour is not to be condoned and in future players will be warned regarding the rules of etiquette.*

Fundraising

We still have not had any confirmation of funding for the Inter Club League, hopefully we should hear soon. There are several applications where their meetings were or are recent so hopefully, we should have more information shortly.

5 Financial Report RM

SWCA income for the current season to date is £10,530 (which includes donations of £6300 and all main competition entry fees) – Expenditure in the same period amounts to £6980.

The remaining £3550 will go towards covering the costs (mainly ice) of the Scottish, British Open and Friendship Trophies.

Our funds on deposit are attracting 0.65%

6 Competitions

British Open – 8 teams have entered and SS has advised that Germany may enter a team. Whether there are 8 or 9 teams entered it will be a round robin and Harry will work out what ice will be required.

Scottish – 10 entries plus an individual entry from Alan Mills who was looking for another 3 players to make up a team. It was suggested that we do not charge Alan an entry fee and offer him to be a floating alternate.

On ice helpers need to be arranged for both competitions. Rosemary will check with Hamilton helpers and Harry to contact Kinross

Inter Club League – Ted reported that 2 rounds have taken place and the standings are

Lockerbie and Stirling joint 1st place

Stranraer 2nd

Northern Ice 3rd

South Lanarkshire 4th

Ted has to send report to Alan to be uploaded to website.

RL asked that a thank you to Brian Park be minuted for all the work and organisation he undertook for the recent pairs competition at Stranraer, she also asked that Gail Munro from North West Castle be thanked for all her support and everything that the hotel did during everyone's stay.

7. Fundraising RL

Fundraising is ongoing. Responses are awaited from the several requests that have been submitted.

It should be noted that if we do not get funding this year the level of support to clubs for the inter club league will have to be reviewed.

8. National Coach Report SS

No report

9. SDS Rep G McLeod

Gavin reported that they are currently in the throes of investment talks for the coming year. He has met with Sheila Swan regarding Talent Transfer Days and a few athletes have continued to try curling and have had sessions with Sheila and Robert McPherson. Another development day will be held on 26th January focusing on juniors – this has to be advertised more as a fun “come and try” day

10. RCCC Report HK

No report.

11. Club Rep Reports

South - no report although TB did advise that Lockerbie have 4 new players

North

Request from JMCL for funding for GTX heads to be held over to next meeting for further information/discussion

13. AOCB

Alan Hopkins has requested that he attend next meeting to discuss the Website it was suggested that RM speak with David Hogg and invite him along as he recently did some live streaming of a competition and it may be that Alan and David can work together on the website.

Sheila requested that the date of next meeting be issued in advance of the minutes being sent out to allow diary management.

14. DONM

The date of next meeting will be 10.00am 12th January at Hamilton

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