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The Royal Caledonian Curling Club Member Ezine

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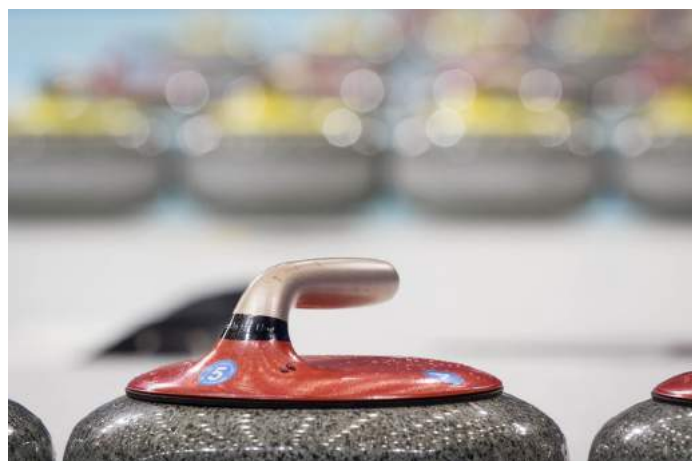
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May 2016



CLUBS AND RINKS

Stair Curling Club played their final competition before they merge with other clubs to form the Land o' Burns Curling Club next season.



FEATURES

The RCCC will hold its Annual General Meeting at Braehead Curling Rink on Saturday 18th June.

COMPETITIONS

Get the 2016/17 competition dates in your diary early with the RCCC competitions calendar.

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FINAL GAME FOR STAIR CURLING CLUB

Monday 28th March 2016 saw the last games played by Stair Curling Club in a 'Final Fling' social occasion at The Northwest Castle Hotel, Stranraer. After coffee and scones four rinks played a mini-bonspiel followed by an excellent lunch. Duncan McCallum's rink of Kirsty Harvey, Iain Miller, and Mary Wilson (guest) won the day with the winning score of 9 thanks to a final stone supplied by Mary and they claimed the prize of a chocolate Easter egg each, marked with their respective positions! It should be noted that they hung on to these eggs!

Stair Curling Club's last official game was the Conner Cup which was played at Ayr Ice Rink on Wednesday 16th March, followed by the closing AGM winding up the Club.

Although the only extant minute book from the earlier years of Stair Curling Club is one begun in 1859, Stair curlers had been competing in games since at least 1830 according to a press report at the time when it was recorded that they were beaten by curlers from Coylton by 32 shots. Stair had their chance to even the score in 1841 beating Coylton, by only one shot unfortunately! The earliest confirmation of Stair CC's existence however, is that recorded on The Parish Medal presented to the club in 1853. Stair curlers managed to win the coveted Eglinton Jug twice in their history, on 26th January 1929 and on



Contributor: R Young

18th January 1936. Unfortunately no success in this competition has been recorded since then!

This is not the end, merely a new beginning, as Stair Curling Club is merging with three other Ayrshire clubs, Kyle and Carrick, SAC Auchincruive, and Kilmarnock Townsend to form the Land o' Burns Curling Club. All of these clubs have been experiencing a drop in numbers over the last few years which would have led, inevitably, to their complete demise and the obvious negative impact on curling at Ayr Ice Rink. The proposed schedule for the new club should now see eleven rinks competing in several leagues and cup events over the next season, and with an Opening Bonspiel scheduled for Thursday 22nd September 2016 the future looks promising.

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PROVINCE TREBLE FOR FORRET

Forret Curling Club achieved considerable success in the 2016 Cupar Province competitions. The Club secured the League, Knockout and Bonspiel, the first time the "Treble" has been won in a single season. The Bonspiel was of note as Graham and Craig Lindsay were the first ever father and son to skip the winning rinks.

Pictured with the three trophies are: Andrew Robertson, Sheona McClure, Renwick Cowan, Graham Lindsay, Graeme Russell, Craig Lindsay and Peter Lang jnr.

LENZIE LADIES EIGHT ENDER

On Friday 8th January 2016 whilst playing in the Arnold Sefters at The Peak in Stirling, the Lenzie Ladies team consisting of Sheena Boyd, Agnes Jackson, Alison Cruickshanks and Fiona Miller achieved an 8 Ender.



Contributor: Alison Cruickshanks

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Tournament Passes

On general sale now!

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Individual session tickets will go on sale in the Autumn

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2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Royal Caledonian Curling Club (RCCC) will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) at Braehead Curling Rink, Glasgow on Saturday 18th June 2016 at 2pm.

Standard matters of the AGM include reporting on the business of the organisation, submission of Annual Accounts and appointment of key representatives. The afternoon will also feature trophy and medal presentations including the prestigious Scottish Curling Awards, held annually to acknowledge the achievements of Scottish curlers over the last year, and voted for by our members.

Scotland's World Junior Men's and World Senior Women's teams will also receive their official World Curling Federation banners celebrating their status as 2016 World Champions.



ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT THE AGM PAGE ON THE RCCC WEBSITE

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Curling Prints	14-16 January 2017
Glayva	21-23 January 2017
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Glenfiddich	4-6 February 2017
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COMPETITION CALENDAR 2016 / 2017

	Competition	Venue	Date
Sept 2016	Asham Under 21 Slam - Greenacres Junior Masters	Greenacres Curling Rink	16 th - 18 th Sept
	Asham Under 17 Slam - The Stevenson Trophy	Lockerbie Ice Rink	24 th - 25 th Sept
	Asham Under 21 Slam - Kinross Junior Classic	Kinross Curling	30 th Sept - 2 nd Oct
Oct 2016	Scottish Curling Senior Mixed Championship	Stranraer Ice Rink	7 th - 9 th Oct
	Asham Under 14 Slam - Forfar	Forfar Indoor Sports	9 th Oct
	European Playdowns	Dewars Centre, Perth	12 th - 16 th Oct
	Asham Under 14 Slam - Stranraer	Stranraer Ice Rink	23 rd Oct
	Scottish Province Championship	Greenacres Curling Rink	28 th - 30 th Oct
	Asham Under 17 Slam - Lanarkshire	Lanarkshire Ice Rink	29 th - 30 th Oct
Nov 2016	Asham Under 21 Slam - Inverness Junior International	Inverness Ice Centre	4 th - 6 th Nov
	National Masters Curling Championship - Qualifiers	Greenacres Curling Rink	8 th - 10 th Nov
	Asham Under 17 Slam - The Baljaffray	Greenacres Curling Rink	12 th - 13 th Nov
Dec 2016	Double Rink Championship	Stranraer Ice Centre	2 nd - 4 th Dec
	Scottish Curling Junior Championships - Qualifiers	Dewars Centre, Perth	2 nd - 4 th Dec
	Scottish Curling Mixed Doubles Championship	Braehead Curling	7 th - 11 th Dec
	Skill Award Challenge	Dewars Centre, Perth	10 th Dec
	Asham Under 21 Slam - Lockerbie Junior International	Lockerbie Ice Rink	16 th - 18 th Dec
	Asham Under 17 Slam - Forfar	Forfar Indoor Sports	28 th - 29 th Dec
Jan 2017	Scottish Curling Senior Men's Championship - Qualifier	Forfar Indoor Sports	6 th - 8 th Jan
	Scottish Curling Senior Men's Championship - Qualifier	Ayr Ice Rink	6 th - 8 th Jan
	Scottish Junior Curling Club Challenge Div 1 & Div 2	Murrayfield Curling, Edinburgh	7 th - 8 th Jan
	Scottish Curling Championship - Qualifiers	Braehead Curling	13 th - 15 th Jan
	Scottish Curling Junior Championships	Curl Aberdeen	17 th - 22 nd Jan
	Four Nations	Ayr Ice Rink	27 th - 28 th Jan
	Asham Under 14 Slam - Intu Braehead	Braehead Curling	28 th Jan
Feb 2017	National Masters Curling Championships	Greenacres Curling Rink	2 nd - 5 th Feb
	Asham Under 17 Slam - Perth	Dewars Centre, Perth	4 th - 5 th Feb
	Scottish Curling Senior Championships	Lanarkshire Ice Rink	9 th - 12 th Feb
	Scottish Junior Curling Club Challenge Division 3	Ayr Ice Rink	18 th - 19 th Feb
	Scottish Curling Championships	Dewars Centre, Perth	18 th - 25 th Feb
	Henderson Bishop Trophy	Kinross Curling	27 th Feb - 2 nd Mar
Mar 2017	The Rink Championship	Forfar Indoor Sports	3 rd - 5 th Mar
	Asham Under 14 Slam - Murrayfield	Murrayfield Curling, Edinburgh	5 th Mar
	Scottish Schools Curling Championship	Braehead Curling	10 th - 12 th Mar
	Scottish Curling Mixed Championship	Curl Aberdeen	10 th - 12 th Mar
	The Maxwell Trophy	Murrayfield Curling, Edinburgh	14 th Mar
	Scottish Curling Pairs Championship	Stranraer Ice Rink	17 th - 19 th Mar
	RCCC Funspiel	Dumfries Ice Bowl	19 th Mar
Apr 2017	National Virtual Club Challenge	Braehead Curling	1 st Apr
	Newcomers Trophy	Greenacres Curling Rink	2 nd Apr
	Scottish Curling Junior Mixed Doubles Championship	Braehead Curling	7 th - 9 th Apr