



AREAS STANDING COMMITTEE

The Areas Standing Committee (ASC) is made up of the RCCC President, Vice-President, immediate Past President, Chairman of the Board, the CEO and representatives from each Area.

Remit

- To promote RCCC competitions at Area level
- To maintain communication with Areas, Provinces, Clubs and volunteers
- To provide a pool of expertise from which members may emerge as capable of discharging the duties of a Director or the RCCC
- To provide members to working committees of the RCCC as required
- Such other functions as may be delegated to it, from time to time, by the Board of the RCCC
- Offer advice and views to the Board of the RCCC on all matters

Responsibilities

- Area representatives are expected to operate in an open and honest fashion declaring any situation in which they might have a conflict of interest.
- The term of office for a member is four years; the first two years as the Area junior representative and the second two years as the senior representative. It is expected that senior representatives will take the lead in Area affairs and assist the junior in becoming acquainted with workings of committees and other matters.
- It is expected that Area representatives involve themselves in Area and ice rink activities and act as the conduit for passing information to and from ASC.
- Regular liaison with local clubs and Provinces is an essential part of an Area representative's responsibilities. Members should facilitate two-way communications and bring issues and concerns to the attention of the RCCC, and share information from the ASC meetings to the wider membership.
- ASC meetings are normally held six times a year; four during the season and two outwith. It is important that members attend as regularly as possible to ensure that their Area is properly represented.
- Attendance at ASC and other meetings will be at the member's expense.
- An ASC representative may be invited to serve on a number of the RCCC standing committees each of which is convened by a member approved by the Board:
 - o Club and Member Development
 - o Coaching
 - o Competitions
 - o Rules (sub-committee)
 - o Umpires (sub-committee)
 - o Performance
 - o Grand Match (outdoor)

There are a number of other sub-committees, which are set up as the occasion requires and Standing Committee members may be asked to join these. Examples of these are:

- o Tours Committee
- o Indoor Grand Match Committee
- o Major Championships working groups

These committees and working groups meet on dates and times as arranged by the convenor in agreement with committee members.

- From time to time ASC representatives may be asked to represent the RCCC at an event in their Area. A brief, which is included in this document, gives guidance for such occasions. See Checklist for carrying out Presentations.
- ASC representatives may likewise from time to time be asked to speak at functions on behalf of the RCCC. There is no prescribed format for such occasions however members are expected to support the policies of the RCCC and to portray the Club in a positive manner.
- ASC representatives will be expected to help source sponsorship for National Competitions and other relevant RCCC activities and responsibilities such as the website, travel and accommodation. Details of potential sponsors should be passed on to the marketing department and Chief Executive Officer of the RCCC.
- ASC representatives will have the opportunity to play in a number of friendly matches representing the RCCC. Entries are normally sought by the organiser by means of a sheet circulated at meetings.

These events are:

- o ***The Priestfield Cup***

This is an annual match played in November against the Ladies' Standing Committee *and organised alternately by ASC (2016) and LSC (2017)*.

- o ***The Tamnavulin Trophy***

This is an annual match normally played in February against Area 10, played alternately at Inverness and Perth, on a weekday starting with lunch followed by an afternoon game. This competition is organised by the current President.

- o ***The Royal Company of Archers***

This is an annual match against the Queen's bodyguard in Scotland. This is played at Murrayfield Curling on a date in December on a weekday afternoon and is also started with lunch followed by an afternoon game. *This game is organised alternatively by the ASC (2016) and The Archers (2017)*.

- o ***The Four Nations***

This is a weekend social event between the governing bodies of each of the home nations. This is hosted in turn by each of the four nations and is generally played at a venue in Scotland towards the end of January.

Please note that those wishing to compete in the Four Nations are now required to submit an application form, which is available from the office or can be downloaded from www.scottishcurling.org.