

MINUTE OF THE LADIES STANDING COMMITTEE PRE-AGM MEETING

HELD AT: LANARKSHIRE ICE RINK

ON: SATURDAY 13TH MAY 2023

AT: 10:00AM

Present

Alison Taylor (President), Maureen Parker (Vice President), Ann Johnston (Junior Vice President), Mara Lindsay (Ayr), Liz Paul (Braehead), Rona Craig (Edinburgh), Fiona McLaren (Inverness), Debbie Weir (Kinross), Pamela Craigie (Kirkcaldy), Marion Murdoch (Lockerbie), Isla Kinnear (Perth), Sheila Travers (Stirling), Kate Adams (Stranraer), Karen Jack (Waterfront)

New Centre Representatives

Fiona Glascodine (Aberdeen), Alison Troup (Aberdeen), Joan Simpson (Edinburgh), Janice Walls (Forfar), Angela Watt (Newark), Val Saville (Treasurer-Doune)

Apologies

Kate Caithness (Honorary President), Gail Munro (Honorary Vice President), Yvonne Birnie (Treasurer), Lucy Tile (Border), Jane Patterson (Dumfries), Susan Morrison (Dumfries), Sheilagh Macfarlane (Forfar), Fiona Moffat (Lanarkshire), Claire McCormick (Greenacres), Lillias Hyslop (Lanarkshire), Michele Hartley (Stirling)

Welcome

President Alison welcomed and thanked everyone for coming along today.

Minutes of Meeting Held on 10th May 2022

The minutes have been published and with no matters arising, they were proposed by Fiona McLaren and seconder by Debbie Weir.

Treasurers Report

As Yvonne is unable to make it today Ann read the report which will be published in the main AGM minute along with the account details. Details of the accounts were also published in the supporting document/booklet today. Val Saville will be taking over as treasurer. Alison welcomed Val and thanked Yvonne and previously Janine.

Morton Groups

As agreed at the LB AGM last year these groups will remain the same and be looked at for the following years. We hope to see more teams coming back into the Morton. Discussion took place regarding players, members and games being played. With a 3-4 game suggestion for the finals if you go out at the start this was discussed and will be raised and proposed at the main AGM. Must try to encourage players to be RCCC members to increase the teams available. Membership remains at £25 for the next season, membership benefits can be found [here](#). Concern was raised over membership numbers and structure for getting involved with local clubs. Communication and knowledge of what it means to be a member and the benefits of membership need to be promoted better, by all. Not everyone is on Facebook. Morton secretaries meeting will be arranged around September and the office will be in contact to establish contacts for next season over the summer.

Competitions

Please ensure that you communicate with the competitions officer and your local rink to keep them in the loop of all competition details. Entry forms can be found [here](#) along with closing dates, please ensure you get your entries in early.

Henderson Bishop – Final at Lanarkshire – 26th-29th February 2024

Morton Trophy – Final at Ayr – 12th March 2024

North: Aberdeen, Forfar, Inverness, Stirling

East: Border, Kinross, Kirkcaldy, Murrayfield

*South: *Ayr, Dumfries, Lockerbie, Stranraer*

*West: Glasgow (formerly Braehead), Greenacres, *Lanarkshire, Perth, Waterfront*

**Centres have played in a group of 5 and must be in group of 4 at the next draw.*

LB Business

Clubs

Braehead Centre and Greenacres have held various meetings and will be combining to be known as the RCCC Ladies Branch Greenacres. Alison has the new constitution which will have to go to the office manager to progress this. Saddened as it looks like a new Glasgow rink will not be established in the near future. We are delighted to see that many clubs are still in existence and welcomed into Greenacres and Lanarkshire. Alison wished all the best for the future of the new club.

Competitions

Maureen updated details on the Opening Bonspiel following the LSC meeting at 10:30 the cost would be £25pp for curling lunch and coffee and £75pp if b/b required. Kate mentioned there is also an open competition the day before and would be good to see all there as well, why not make a weekend of curling!

Maureen will confirm final costs for both if anyone wishes to stay.

LB AGM Proposers & Seconders

	Proposer	Seconder
AGM Minute from 2022	<i>Alison Taylor</i>	<i>Lillian Carnegie</i>
Accounts	<i>Yvonne Birnie</i>	<i>Karen Jack</i>
President	<i>Alison Taylor</i>	<i>Mary Anne McWilliam</i>
Vice President	<i>Maureen Parker</i>	<i>Gail Munro</i>
Junior Vice President	<i>Maureen Parker</i>	<i>Angela Watt</i>
Treasurer	<i>Maureen Parker</i>	<i>Shirley Jeans</i>

LSC Representatives

Alison thanked all the representatives that are standing down and welcomed all new representatives to the LSC.

Centre	Standing Down	New Representative
Aberdeen	<i>Marion Malcolm</i>	<i>Alison Troup & Fiona Glascode</i>
Dumfries	<i>Jane Patterson</i>	<i>Susan Morrison</i>
Dundee	<i>n/a</i>	<i>Sheilagh Macfarlane</i>
Edinburgh	<i>Rona Craig</i>	<i>Joan Simpson</i>
Forfar	<i>Sheilagh Macfarlane</i>	<i>Janice Walls</i>
Kinross	<i>Debbie Weir</i>	<i>Sheona Reid</i>
Lanarkshire	<i>Lillias Hyslop</i>	<i>Fiona Moffat</i>
Lockerbie	<i>Marion Murdoch</i>	<i>Christine Ross</i>
Waterfront	<i>Karen Jack</i>	<i>Angela Watt</i>

RCCC Business

Alison drew attention to the RCCC AGM which is on Saturday 1st July this year, to which all are welcome, details are on the website [here](#).

Also, to draw your attention to the Sweeping Changes meetings that are coming up to do with the Strategic Plan. This is not related to changes to sweeping as was originally thought by some so please do not delete the information. The Strategic Plan is an important document as it gains funding and provides vision for our sport going forward. Please have a look and if possible go along to one. The meetings for this have been advertised both on the website and Facebook, are in person and over zoom.

AOCB

Canadian Incoming Tour

Alison has confirmation of the incoming tour starting 8th November 2024 for three weeks and she will be picking this up going forward. Alison will be in contact with everyone to ensure the final details regarding venues, accommodation, trips, transport etc are completed, as some of this has changed due to the date moving.

Meeting Dates

Maureen said she has had a meeting with the incoming RCCC president, Jim Raeburn and they have agreed some dates going forward. We do also have an LSC WhatsApp group purely for curling, please ensure that Elaine has your up-to-date details for this and for the committee contact list.

Full list of meeting dates at the moment are:

Joint Meeting - 15th August 2023 – Hamilton at 11:30 (*LSC meeting will start 10:30 prior to the joint meeting*)
LSC Meeting - 5th September 2023 – Hamilton at 10:30
LSC Meeting - 10th October 2023 – Stranraer at 10:30 (*followed by the Opening Bonspiel*)
Joint Meeting - 24th October 2023 – Hamilton at 10:30 (*followed by Priestfield Cup, being arranged by ASC this year*)
Joint Meeting - 5th December 2023 – Venue TBC
LSC Meeting - 13th February 2024 – Hamilton at 10:30
Joint Meeting - 9th April 2024 – Hamilton at 11:30 (*LSC meeting will start 10:30 prior to the joint meeting*)
LB Pre-AGM - 14th May 2024 – Stranraer at 10:00
LB AGM - 14th May 2024 – Stranraer at 14:00
RCCC AGM – Date and Venue TBC at 14:00

Vote of Thanks

Maureen thanked Alison for being a great president and a pleasure to work with. She has just got on with the job, worked hard with local committees and arranged all of our meetings. Co-opted onto the board and made valuable contributions. Worked closely with ASC and a very active president travelling far and wide representing us on the international stage. Also thank you to her husband Andrew, who may now see more of her.

I would like to give you a little gift from the LSC.

Alison thanked everyone. (*applause*)

Meeting closed at 11:51