

## Minutes of DYC Meeting 5th September 2016

### Present

Graham Sloan, Gordon Farries, Iain Jamieson, Mary Morton, Adele Welsh, David Kennedy, Sheona Muir, Sadie Wishart, Mairi Stewart, Jane Carrick and Jill Moodie.

### Apologies

Rena Hamilton, Gillian Marley-Milligan, Douglas Stewart and Emily Henderson.

Minutes approved by Mairi and seconded by Gordon.

### Chairmans Report

Gordon thought that considering the problems we have had with the ice the season would probably be ready for curling by 15th September. The later date will impact the school curling competition but plans to reschedule ice for this are underway. The Lions Competition is due to start on the 15th and club fixtures from 19th. He went on to congratulate Dumfries Young Curlers for doing well at the Nithsdale Sports Council Awards.

### Treasurers Report

At present we have £7,831.97 in the bank. The wedding made over £1000.00 fundraising. We have paid £6000.00 on member support and we have the odd mixed doubles to still be settled. We are up to date with money from the Rag-Bag. If there is any prize money from RCCC Club Challenge Division Games the monies will be split 50/50 between players and the club.

### Merchandise Report

Sheona and Mary had been to Holywood Trust to see if we could get a grant for funding curling tops. We will not find out if we have been successful until the October meeting therefore the order to Foxglide will have to wait until we find out if we have been successful. (To enable inclusion of logos if necessary) Sheona has been to Rostrum for samples and prices this is for wearing to training and Jane is going to find out samples and prices from her source to see how it compares. Sheona is going to do a table ready for the pre-order. (Iain and Sheona to compare membership lists). If we are successful we could provide a package to the curlers.

### Fundraising Report

The Wedding made £1000.00 profit.

### Competitions Report

We would like the club to enter a team for the Rolly Polly competition and Wednesday Night League Competition.

Xmas Cracker date will be decided at next meeting.

Mairi asked if we should give a contribution to the Welsh Curling as they are hoping to build a Curling Rink. Gordon is going to raise this with DIBCA.

Junior International in Edinburgh on 31st March and 1st and 2nd April. It was felt that it was important to support this event. Two teams (at different levels) would be £235.00 per team, this is four games and food is included. Graham is deciding whether to send one team or two to represent Dumfries.

We have had an Invite from Hungary for the first ever Junior International Mixed Doubles Competition on 14-16 October. Graham is going to put it on Facebook to see if anyone is interested. The club would be happy to cover entry fee of 110.00 euros.

#### Parent Information Update

Only two parents showed up for the Update Meeting. It was felt New Parents need information. The meeting is always at 6.15 on the first Monday of the Month before the Committee Meeting therefore we must get the information to all parents as the season gets underway. It was suggested we could also consider a newsletter. This will be discussed at next meeting.

#### Development Officer Update

It was suggested by Graham that there is a need to consider careful marketing and think of different ways to promote the club. Graham asked the committee if we could purchase Pokemon logos to put on the ice. It is very current and the children could use their Pokemon Go App. It is a one of cost of £150.00 for 5 or 6 on the ice along with 4 new curling logos on the ice. This was agreed.

Communication was mentioned as a factor to be improved, particularly relating to rates of entry and pathways through the club. Graham said there is discussion continuing about how to advertise our sponsors and we are looking into the possibility of a pulley system.

Also hoping to offer  
Team Training sessions at £20.00 a team.

#### A.O.C.B.

Mary looked into Picture Framing of curling tops:

Ross Whyte top £94.00

Sophie Jackson top £82.00. Decision was made to go ahead with it.

We lost 170.00 on the bus money for the Stirling Trip. It was decided that Stirling would be covered with their insurance therefore we should try and recoup this. Iain is going to write a letter to them.